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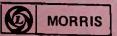
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A sign that Autumn is almost upon us is that the PCC Bonfire is only a month away! Saturday, 6th November is the date - tickets from Mr. Windsor, 5 Park Lane, or see posters around the village. Help is required to build the bonfire and also to collect combustibles - please contact Peter Holt, 15 Wagstaffe Close (612790) or turn up on the

Saturday morning at the Recreation Ground.

In previous years, the main-stay of the Bonfire Building Party has been Mr. Austin Hill. He and his family have recently left the village, and he will be greatly missed. The Harbury News will miss him too - he has been responsible for the wonderful descriptions and maps of footpath walks which we have regularly printed. These have been a popular feature, and we are very grateful to him for producing them for us. Sadly, unless anyone else in the village would take over this feature, there will be no more. Flease contact the editorial office if you think you could help.

Women drivers in Harbury are a cut above the average at least Vicky Tanner is; she won the 'L-Driver of the Year' award in the recent Leamington and District Competition. Vicky, entered by Soans of Leamington, came out top of 53 competitors after the 26 mile test. She was presented with a shield, and a stereo cassette player for the car, by the

Mayor of Leamington, Tom Williams.

HARBURY DIARY

OCTOBER 1976

Sun 3rd Harvest Thanksgiving Services, 8a.m., 10a.m. Family Service, and 6.30p.m. (No separate Family Service at Il. 15a. m.)

Wed. 6th PTA Maths Evening, School Hall, 8 p.m.

Mothers' Union, 1 Vicarage Lane, 2.30 p.m. Thurs 7th W.I., talk on Advertising Standards, V. Hall, 7.45 Liberal Jumble Sale, 10.15a.m., V. Hall Sat. 9th PCC Harvest Supper, 7.30p. m., V. Hall.

Sun. 10th Harbury Society Ufton Nature Walk; meet at stile, Crusader Birthday, 2.30, V. Hall. (10.30a.m.

Tues.12th Harbury Friends, School, 8p.m.
Village Hall Committee, V. Hall, 8p.m.
Senior Citizens Committee, V. Hall, 8p.m.

Thurs.14th Golden Age, V. Hall, 2.30 p.m.
Church Men's Group visit to Coventry Cathedral.
Public Meeting on Jubilee Celebrations, V.Hall,
8p.m.

Fri. 15th Football Dance, V. Hall
Sat. 16th Golden Age Sale of Work, V. Hall
Conservative Assoc. Disco & Tramps' Supper,

V. Hall, 8 p.m.

Sun. 17th NSPCC Christmas Card Sale, Wight School, lla.m. Tues.19th Playgroup AGM/Open Evening, Wight School, 8p. m Tufty Club, V. Hall, 2.30 p.m.

Wed. 20th PTA AGM, 8p. m. in the School
Fri. 22nd Playgroup breaks up for half term
School breaks up for half term
Tennis Committee Jumble Sale, 6.30 V. Hall

Sat. 23rd Rugby Club Dance with Disco and Group. . Tickets £1 from Crown Inn.

Sun. 24th Clocks go back Evensong changes from 6.30p.m. to 4p.m.

Tues. 26th Young Wives, V. Hall, 2p. m.

Wed. 27th Coffee Evening/Bring & Buy in aid of National Children's Home, 25 Binswood End, 7 p.m.

Thurs. 28th Golden Age, V. Hall, 2.30 p.m. Parish Council Meeting, V. Hall, 7.30 p.m.

Fri. 29th W.I. Harvest Supper Sun. 31st Footpath Assoc. walk, meet at V. Hall, 2.30 p. m.

NOVEMBER 1976

Mon. 1st All Saints Day - School starts

Tues. 2nd Playgroup restarts

Wed. 3rd Mothers' Union, 1 Vicarage Lane, 2.30

Thurs. 4th W.I. AGM, V.Hall, 7.45 p.m. Church Men's Group

Sat. 6th PCC Bonfire Party

Cubs and Scouts Christmas Bazaar

Sun. 7th Patronal Festival services in Church Tues. 9th Harbury Friends, School, 8p.m. Senior Citizens Committee, V. Hall, 8 p.m.

Thurs. 11th Golden Age, V.Hall, 2.30 p.m.

Fri. 12th Harbury Netball Disco Sun. 14th Remembrance Day

CHOIR PRACTICE, Church 6.30p.m. every Friday
CRUSADERS, V. Hall, 2.30p.m. every Sunday
BINGO, V. Hall, 8 p.m. every Monday
YOUTH CLUB, V. Hall, 8 p.m. every Wednesday
BABY CLINIC, V. Hall, 2nd and 4th Weds. 2 p.m. Special
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SCOUTS, Scout Hut, 7p.m. every Friday THEATRE GROUP, Dog Inn, 8 p.m. last Friday each month.

ALL DATES CORRECT AT TIME OF GOING TO PRESS. DATES FOR INCLUSION TO LINDA RIDGLEY, 612792.

THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

My first word this month must be one of thanks to the Parochial Church Council and to many others for the celebration of the 20th anniversary of my becoming Vicar of Harbury. It was a great joy to see such a tremendous number of people of all ages at the Eucharist on the Friday evening (not an easy evening for some people). Thanks to the bell ringers for their quarter peal, to Canon Fishley, our Rural Dean, for his sermon, and to our organist and choir for the music and singing. Thanks too for the refreshments and social gettogether, and thanks to the PCC for their gift presented by Mr. Hauley. I shall greatly treasure and use the books. Thanks, too, for other gifts and greetings received - some of them from former parishioners of Harbury now living at a distance.

The next special event will be our Harvest Thanksgiving on 3rd October. There will be Holy Communion at 8 a.m. At 10 a.m. there will be the Parish Family Eucharist, at which children (and others if they wish) are invited to bring up gifts to the Altar at the Offertory. There will be no

separate Family Service at 11.15 on this Sunday. The celebrant and preacher at 10a.m. will be Canon Churchill; it will be his first Sunday in Harbury and it will be nice to welcome him at this service. Then in the evening at 6.30 there will be a special Harvest Thanksgiving service of singing, readings and instrumental music. The gifts will be taken as usual to St. Anne's Home in Leamington on the Monday morning.

A little over 3 years ago I had the honour of being elected Superior of the Society of the Holy Ghost for a 3-year period. It is a devotional society for priests to which I belong, many of whose members are working overseas. At the recent meeting of the General Chapter, I have been re-elected Superior for a further 3 years. It is not a position which takes up an undue amount of time from my parish duties, but it does involve some responsibilities, and I ask your prayers. With every blessing,

Your sincere friend and Vicar, F. R. Mackley.

HOLY BAPTISM

5th September, Matthew William Arthur Ross, Mill Street. 26th September, David Byron Warner, Bush Heath Lane. HOLY MATRIMONY

4th September, William Joseph Jackson to Denise Carol Sheasby.

18th September, George William Mann to Gillian Madeleine Gurden.

25th September, Christopher Norman Ellis to Margaret Alice Rigg.

25th September, Cameron Edward Lawton to Patricia Betty Taylor.

Funeral Service

9th September, Ethel Mary Mann, aged 65 years.

FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS

It was a great joy to welcome some of the members of the Cathedral congregation to Evensong recently, and we look forward to making a return visit on Thursday, 14th October. The service to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Vicar's incumbancy was a moving occasion, and it was heart-warming to see so many people in Church. After coffee had been served, Tom Hauley, on behalf of the PCC, presented the Vicar with a music edition of the English Hymnal, and the Oxford Companion to Music.

The parish was represented at our new Bishop's enthronement, and also at the First Eucharist.

With the approach of winter and the dark evenings, Evensong will change to its winter time of 4p.m. from Sunday, 24th October.

We look forward to seeing many of you at the Harvest Supper in the Village Hall on 9th October. As well as a hot supper, there will be entertainment by John Goodfellow's Recorder Group and the Cross of Nails Group from Coventry - do come along and join us - tickets available from the Vicarage or PCC members.

On Monday, 1st November, we shall celebrate our Patronal Festival with a Communion Service at 7.30 p.m., and the services the following weekend will also be in celebration of All Saints' tide.

P.T.A.

The attendance at the Garden Party seemed smaller this year, but nevertheless we had a good afternoon which resulted in a profit of approx. £150. We would like to extend grateful thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Lambert for the loan of the gardens of Temple House, and to all who ran stalls for us.

The next meeting will be held at the School on 6th Oct., at 8 p.m. The speaker will be Mr. Wilde, the Maths Advisor. His talk should be of interest to parents who are confused by the new methods used to teach maths.

The AGM takes place on 20th October in the school at 8 p.m. At this meeting we shall be electing the new Committee and it would be nice if some of the parents of the younger children could be persuaded to seek election. The Committee meets once a month and throughout the year we organise various social and fund raising events which we hope will benefit the children and forge a link between the

parents and teachers. We feel that it is time well spent, and a lot of fun too, so please don't be shy, come to the AGM. Even if you do not wish to serve on the Committee, perhaps you could spare a little time to help our Handimen's Group or the Catering Group, both of which are always grateful for an extra pair of hands.

ANNE MEGENEY, Secretary.

BROWNIE SWIMMING GALA

On Thursday, 16th September, the Harbury Brownies went to the swimming gala at Leamington. All the other Brownies from the District were there. Sharon Andrews was in the Brownie Beginners' Race, and she won it. When she was in the finals she came 2nd. Ann Woods was in the Brownie Length, and she came 3rd in her heat. Victoria Allan, Louise Healey and I were in the width relay, and the lady at the end nearly took us out of the race, but we came 4th in the end. In the presentations we didn't come anywhere, but we all enjoyed ourselves. GAIL MOORE, aged 8.

CRUSADERS

We look forward to welcoming the Rev. Tony Gardner from Whitnash as the speaker at the 7th Birthday Service on Sunday, 10th October, and we extend a very warm welcome to all our friends in the village.

The class will be represented at the opening of the Crusaders' new National Headquarters in St. Albans on

Saturday, 23rd October.

COME INTO THE GARDEN.....

The Garden Walkabout held on 11th September proved to be a happy and successful event in spite of a certain amount of apprehension on the part of the organisers. We had visitors from as far afield as Coventry, Banbury and Kenilworth, and one notable visitor seen to be walking round was Norman Painting - Phil Archer of 'The Archers'. Will Ambridge be having a Garden Walkabout? Who knows!

Fortunately, the weather smiled on us after heavy rain the night before. The general concensus of opinion is that the event should be repeated (probably every other year).

What do you think? We would be interested to know.

In particular, we would like to thank all the parishioners

who opened their Gardens and co-operated so well. A lot of effort and work went into making the gardens attractive. A special thank you to the children who worked hard all day selling produce and flowers. Also thanks to the shops and others who sold guides and displayed posters. Between 200 and 300 tickets were sold, and upwards of £80 has been paid into Church Funds.

JOYCE WINDSOR

NURSE ALEXANDER & NURSE WADE

The Nurses have now left the village, but they will have taken with them to Yorkshire the good wishes of the people of

Harbury for a happy retirement.

On the Saturday afternoon before they left, they were informally presented with a Gift Cheque for £102, a Stuart crystal whisky decanter, a dried-grass arrangement and a bottle of sherry each, which had been bought from the money raised within the village and its immediate outlying districts.



They were also given a book containing the signatures of every family in the village, who wished them well, which had a frontispiece beautifully prepared by Mr. Bamford. My thanks are due to the 32 people who made the collection possible by their enthusiastic efforts.

The photograph shows the Nurses unwrapping their gifts. CHRIS FINCH.

PARISH COUNCIL, 23 Sept.

Present, Chairman, Clerk, Cllrs. Hancock, Watts, Wilkins, Gurden and Drinkwater. Apologies from Cllrs. Ellis, Atkins and Davies. Public - Mrs. Keen, Mrs. Ridgley, Mr. Holt and P.C. Percival.

Matters arising from the minutes - Bus Service; the PC will pay the Harbury News to publish the new Bus Timetable. The PC was concerned that it may be changed again and feared the

service will continue to decline. Mrs. Watts pointed out that many people cannot afford to use the buses.

Horse Chestnut, Binswood End; Mr. Wilkins was insistent that any attempt to move the tree would be fatal, and as there were so few trees that had survived the past year's drought it

was agreed to leave the tree there.

Best Kept Village Competition; The reason for the Chairman's high spirits! He had, on behalf of the village, received the 3rd place Certificate, and had been impressed by the winning village, Tanworth, and pleasantly surprised at the comments on Harbury's efforts. He is now determined that Harbury should win the Competition for Jubilee Year. The Chairman had been further inflated by the attention his badge had attracted from other Parish Chairmen; they were, he said, 'very jealous of the thing'.

Apart from the Chairman's intention to win the BKVC for Jubilee Year, there are plans for the Carnival on 4th June, with a Dance on 6th June. Mrs. Hancock said she was opposed to using the Rate to finance the celebrations, but the Chairman said the PC ought to donate something of a permanent nature. Mr. Gurden and Mr. Drinkwater suggested calling a public meeting which could then organise and finance celebrations. It will be held on Thursday 14th October, at 8 p.m. in the

Village Hall.

Correspondence; District Nurses Wade and Alexander are retiring and £150 was raised in a collection organised by Mrs. Finch. As it was their express wish that no fuss was made, the PC will merely send a letter of thanks for their service to the community, and there will be no formal ceremony. Mrs. Hancock explained that we shall no longer have a community-based district nurse/midwife, but separate district nurses and district midwives travelling from a distance. This will make it difficult to recommend a home confinement. The PC agree to protest to the Area Health Authority.

Highways; In reply to Mrs. Sollis' complaint of dirty streets, the District Surveyor says 'In view of the current financial... etc., but recognises the 'higher need of Harbury' and promise

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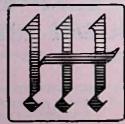
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Tim Percival reported that Leamington youths are believed to have broken the Temple Hill seat. The Chairman insisted it be replaced with an all-steel seat. 'We must not retreat in the face of vandalism.'

SM62a - The overgrown hedge on this diverted footpath has not been cut. Both Mr. Trice and the WCC Footpaths

Officer are to be informed.

Lighting - The twice-demolished lamppost in Margaret Close is to be put back in the same place because the District cannot afford extra to move it to the rear of the path, out of the way of the Dustcart!

Planning and Development; Bull Ring Farm Tip - the Ministry advised a re-application for tipping with access from the Ufton Road. Concern was expressed at the rumoured sale of the Cement Quarries, Harbury, for tipping.

Mill Street lay-by - this cannot be continued to the Westbury House development, as intended, because the frontage

of 69 Mill Street is not for sale.

Playing Fields; Peter Holt explained that the Committee was inundated with requests to hold Fairs. The PC felt that Fairs should not be allowed on the Playing Fields in winter or spring because of the damage to the field by the vehicles, and the danger that Harbury would once again become a cheap

lorry park for the Stratford and Warwick Mops.

Reports from other bodies; Mrs. Hancock pointed out that there were 40 children in the top class at Harbury, and that 50 first year Juniors had had to be split into 2 classes, one of which was a mixture of Juniors and Infants. Other classes were well above 30. A request for an extra classroom will be refused, said Mrs. Watts (a Manager). It was agreed that as the PC is represented on the Board of School Managers, it should express its concern to the Education Committee.

Next Meeting; Thursday, 28th October, 7.30 p.m.

BADMINTON CLUB

The new season began on 7th September with a few new faces and a lot of old ones. In a bid to improve playing standards and thin out the usual early-season crowds, club nights were held on Tuesdays and Thursdays during Sept. The AGM was held on September 28th.

We are again entering 3 teams in the local league, 2 mixed teams and a 3rd team which plays men's and ladies' doubles. Matches begin on 30th September, and continue until the end of March, with a convenient month off over Christmas to allow for excess food consumption. We look forward to a challenging season.

HELP THE AGED

The usual clothing collection will be replaced this year by a cash collection, and envelopes for your donation are available at the back of the Church.

A NEW BISHOP FOR COVENTRY

John Gibbs, Coventry's new Bishop, was enthroned in his Cathedral on 18th September. Harbury was represented at the service by the Vicar, Vivienne Aggett, Ken and Jeanne Clarke and Michael Barnes, who is a Cathedral Server. Peter and Diana Holt attended the second part of the service on 19th Sept.

The new Bishop, who succeeds Dr. Cuthbert Bardsley, was consecrated in Westminster Abbey 3 years ago when he became Suffragon Bishop of Bradwell. From 1943-47, he was a Minister of the Congregational Church, then joined the staff of the Student Christian Movement. He was ordained in the Church of England in the Bristol Diocese in 1955. Since that time he has held several appointments in the world of Education finally as Principal of Keswick Hall C. of E. College of Education in Norwich.

Bishop Gibbs is married with a son and daughter and two grand-daughters. His special interest remains education, and he numbers amonghis hobbies Music, Theatre, Drama, Sailing and Bird-Watching.

We hope that we will soon have an opportunity to welcome Bishop Gibbs and his wife to Harbury.

MB.

HARBURY SOCIETY

There is to be a Nature Walk round Ufton Fields Reserve on Sunday, 10th October, beginning at 10.30 a.m. at the stile (children and friends welcome).

The survey of diseased elms is now complete and will be displayed in the Library. Most of the trees identified last year as having the disease have now died. Almost all those in Hall Lane and Bush Heath Lane are dead.

Generally, owners have been most responsible, and have felled their dead trees. Unfortunately, it appears that conditions this autumn will not be favourable for the planting of new trees, and so it becomes even more important to protect our remaining trees.

Next year is Jubilee Year and perhaps with this as an incentive there could be another attempt to enhance the look of the village with native forest trees, planted in suitable positions.

LINDA RIDGLEY

MEN'S GROUP

Harbury and Ladbroke Church Men's Group visited Ladbroke Church on Monday evening, 20th September, together with members of both congregations, for a short Communion service. This was the first joint Harbury/Ladbroke service, since we learned that the two parishes would be joining, and proved to be a very happy occasion.

On 14th October we shall be visiting the Cathedral for the Diocesan Evening. The November meeting will be more 'normal', and will be at Mr. Doherty's home at 7.45p. m on 4th November.

JBM

HOW DO YOU SEE HARBURY?

Only 8 entries were received for the 'News' photographic competition. However, the judges had a difficult time to find the winner. They looked for a story line in keeping with the theme of the competition. They finally decided that the adult prize of £5 should go to Peter Holt, and that the junior prize of a film should go to 8 year old Peter Catt. All entries will be on display in the Library during October. Congratulations to the winners - better luck next time to the other competitors.

COMING EVENTS AT HARBURY VILLAGE CLUB
Sat. 2nd October, Dance to Paula and the Sunrise.
Wed. 6th October, Whist Drive, 8 p.m. Sat. 9th October,
Dance to Panda 3. Sat. 16th October, Dance to Trigger.
Sat. 23rd October, Dance to Sundown. Sat. 30th October,
to be announced. Sat. 6th November, Dance to Purple Porridge.

HARBURY HOUSE

Harbury House, now owned by Sir David and Lady Watherston, must be one of the oldest buildings in the village. Although the exact date of its construction is not known, a deed exists outlining details of its sale as early as 1662, and there is another dated 1680. In 1764 the house and land were sold by one Clement Newsam Esq. to a Mr. Salmon for the sum of £1, 116. It is not entirely clear what land belonged to the house at that time, but it covered at least the whole block now bounded by Hall Lane, The Pound, Neales Close and Frances Road, plus land on the opposite side of Hall Lane and 50 acres stretching away down the road to Deppers Bridge. The house was lived in by the Sabin-Smith family for over 100 years, until 1948, when the lands were divided for the first time. The 50 acres and the Hall Lane and Crown Close areas were retained by Mr. Sabin-Smith, who moved to Ashton House, on the property; and the house and remaining land were sold to Dr. and Mrs. Cheyne. During their time there, some modernisation was carried out, the Council compulsorily purchased the land for the Frances Road houses, and Dr. Cheyne also sold the area where Neales Close is now. When the Doctor retired he moved to a house which he had had built on the Pound, and Sir David and Lady Watherston moved into Harbury House in 1959, with the grounds as they are now. Since then, they have renovated the outbuildings and done considerable modernisation work on the house itself, installing better kitchen and bathroom facilities, putting in central heating etc., and making it a most comfortable and delightful home.

ROUND TABLE

Round Table is a world-wide, non-sectarian, non-political association of young men up to the age of 40, amongst whose aims are to enjoy one another's company and to put into effect their traditions of fellowship and community service. Some of their activities can be seen in operation in such fund raising events organised by Leamington and District Round Table as 'It's a Knockout/Splashout', the Christmas collection on the Parade, and other events to which many in Harbury have contributed. These funds have been used to provide such items as Christmas food parcels for the needy, outings for senior

citizens, handicapped young people and deprived children, and special projects such as new facilities at local Homes and Hospitals, besides numerous individual payments to provide relief.

Since the first Round Table was founded in Norwich in 1927, the movement has grown to 1250 Tables in the UK, with over 30,000 members, and many others throughout the world. Meetings are held fortnightly, and include a wide variety of activities such as sporting events, listening to speakers on many topics, social events and even way-out evenings like Parascending (as reported in Harbury News last year). The meetings normally have an underlying current of humour and repartee.

Round Table is an ever-growing body of young men, and it has been shown that there is a sufficient interest to start a new Table based on Southam and the surrounding villages, including Harbury. A nucleus of prospective members is emerging, and a primary meeting will be held late in October. Two Leamington Tablers resident in Harbury - Bryan Harrison (612533) and Malcolm Daniells (612869) - are involved in forming the new Table, and can provide details for those who might be interested.

HARBURY THEATRE GROUP

My blood-shot eyes are struggling to focus through an alcoholic haze as, with my rubber pen, I struggle to write these few words. Last night was our Forties Evening, and I believe it went very well. At least, those people I have met today assure me I was enjoying myself! We danced until our feet were sore to Reg Roberts and his Big Band Sound; we danced and sang with Clive Watts at the organ. We had a marvellous supper served up by the girls, and we really enjoyed ourselves putting over what we hope were some very funny war-time sketches. I hope all our paying customers felt the same! Thank you Reg, Clive, and the girls from the kitchen - you all did a marvellous job!

Now we can concentrate on our Christmas production, which we hope will be a modern Nativity Play, plus songs and readings, which will be performed in the Church in early

December. We hope to be joined by the Harbury Singers, and if there is anyone else who would like to be involved, please do come forward - we can guarantee you some good company and some happy evenings.

KEITH HAYES.

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Editor,

In view of Mrs. Holt's letter requesting more extensive public use of the school swimming pool, the PTA Committee

feel that the following points should be made clear.

Although the pool was paid for from funds raised through the generosity of the community, the pool does in fact belong to the WCC and is maintained by them. Any use of the pool outside school hours must therefore adhere strictly to their regulations and, of course, to Mr. Oliver's approval. The rules are:

es are: 1. The pool may be hired for £1 an hour, plus

a small additional caretaking charge.

2. Swimmers are not covered by the school or PTA insurance, therefore public liability insurance cover for £250,000 is required.

3. The pool may only be heated during term time.

4. No more than 25 persons shall occupy the pool at any one time.

5. At least two persons to be present at the pool side at all times, not partaking in swimming themselves, who are capable of swimming and performing resuscitation if

required.

I hope this makes the situation clear. The pool has been open throughout the summer for public swimming on Sunday mornings, except when the drought made this impossible. These sessions are under the jurisdiction of the PTA and as such are covered by PTA insurance. I expect these sessions will begin again next year, provided we can find enough people prepared to give their time to supervise in accordance with the regulations.

The Committee do not think that it would be reasonable to expect the PTA to be responsible for more regular public swimming in the manner suggested by Mrs. Holt. Our aim is to improve school life for the children, and we find our preser activities extremely time-consuming.

Any organisation or club wishing to use the pool who can comply with the Council's regulations should apply to Mr. Oliver, who would be most willing to help in any way possible.

Yours sincerely.

Anne Megeney, Secretary, PTA.

Editors' Note:

Thank you for these helpful details - it is to be hoped that, through their clubs or organisations, more people may be able to use the pool. Mrs. Holt's letter did not, of course, suggest that the PTA should organise public swimming.

Dear Editors,

We felt we would like to write to say how much we enjoyed Harbury's Garden Walkabout last weekend. We do hope you will consider a repeat of what appeared to us to be a most enjoyable and successful venture.

As keen gardeners, we were both interested in seeing the design and layout of so many delightful gardens, but our day was made by the welcome we received from everyone participating.

Yours sincerely,

Wendy & Frank Lander, 83 Erithway Road, Coventry.

My dear friends,

As some of you know, I am a soldier in the Salvation Army. I am also a member of the Salvation Army Tape Fellowship and we send tapes to missionaries round the world, and to many other people such as those in pensioners' homes and hospitals, and those who are bed-ridden or house-bound.

I have made many tapes and sent them out, as have many Salvation Army officers (I also taped the last issue of Harbury News, if anyone in the village would be interested in hearing that.) Many more such tapes could be made, but owning a tape recorder is a luxury, and regularly buying tapes can be very expensive. I am sure many people would like to help if they know about this scheme, so I am asking anyone who has a tape recorder they do not use, or would like to donate a tape cassette, to get in touch with me, and I will forward them to the right people.

Also, if anyone would like to discuss this I would be only too pleased. Walter Marshall, 13 Bush Heath Lane.

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