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Well, not the best summer in living memory, was it? Perhaps we should have included an umbrella factory in our list of 'Places to Go' last month! But we hope you enjoyed yourselves, nevertheless, and now feel ready to settle down to all the many activities available in the village for the winter evenings.

One, at least, of our editors has been spending his evenings (and lots of other times) usefully lately - Gary Picken has achieved the magnificent total of 9 'O' level GCE passes - eight of them 'A' grade. Congratulations!

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### HARBURY DIARY

#### SEPTEMBER

- Sun. 4th 10a.m. Sung Eucharist; 11.15a.m. Children's and Family Service.
- Mon. 5th Mother & Toddler Group begins, 9.30, Wight School
- Tues. 6th School and Playgroup begin  
Village Hall Committee, 8p.m., V. Hall  
Motor Cycle Club, 8p.m., Wight School
- Wed. 7th M. U. AGM, 2.30, Old Timbers, Ivy Lane  
Netball Training, 7.30, Wight School
- Thurs. 8th Golden Age, 2.30, V. Hall
- Fri. 9th Scout meetings restart, new time, 7.30.
- Sat. 10th PTA Garden Party, 2.30 at Harbury House  
Rugby Club 2nd XV v Northampton Heathens 2nd XV, Recreation Ground, KO 3 p.m.  
Cystic Fibrosis Disco for children up to 16 years, 7.30 - 10.30 at School. 25p (inc. Hot Dog!)  
Tudor Lodge at the Club
- Sun. 11th 10 a.m. Sung Eucharist. Crusaders restarts.
- Mon 12th LARGE RUBBISH COLLECTION THIS WEEK.  
You must ring Stratford 67575, ext. 239 for service.  
Guides and Gymnastics begin

- Tues. 13th Nursery School starts, and Brownies.  
Senior Citizens Committee, 8p.m., V. Hall  
Harbury Friends, talk on India, 8p.m., School
- Wed. 14th Netball Training, 7.30, Wight School  
Youth Club restarts, 8 - 10, Village Hall
- Fri. 16th Netball Club Jumble Sale, 6.30, V. Hall
- Sat. 17th Rugby Club 2nd XV v Rugby St. Andrews 2nd XV,  
Recreation Ground, KO 3 p.m.  
Concert Night at the Club (see back page)
- Sun. 18th Cricket v Kenilworth at Cement Works
- Tues. 20th Tufty Club, 2.30, V. Hall  
Harbury Society Slide Show on Trees in Warks.  
and Gardening, 7.30 at the Club.  
Motor Cycle Club, 8p.m., Wight School
- Wed. 21st Netball Training, 7.30, Wight School
- Thurs. 22nd Golden Age, 2.30, V. Hall  
Parish Council, 7.30, V. Hall  
Southam Deanery Meeting, 7.45 at Southam
- Fri. 23rd Brownies & Guides Camp Fire at the Champion Hills  
Village Hall Dance to Likely Lads, 9-1, V. Hall
- Sat. 24th Rugby Club 1st XV v Northampton Old Scouts 1st  
XV, Recreation Ground, 3p.m.  
'Psalm' at the Club.  
Scouts & Guides Jumble Sale, 2.30pm, Scout Hut.
- Sun. 25th Bicycle Ride, 10a.m. from carpark of the Club.  
Harvest Thanksgiving Service, with children's  
offering of gifts at 10a.m. Eucharist.  
Footpath Walk, 2.30 from V. Hall.
- Tues. 27th Young Wives, 2p.m., V. Hall  
PCC, 8p.m., Wight School
- Wed. 28th Netball Training, 7.30, Wight School
- Thurs. 29th Brownies Swimming Gala
- OCTOBER
- Sat. 1st Profusion Road Show at the Club  
Harvest Supper, 7.30, V. Hall - guests, Rev.  
Peter Buckler from the National Agricultural  
Centre, and Mrs. Buckler.
- Sun. 2nd 10 a.m., Sung Eucharist; 11.15 Children's and  
Family Service



- Tues. 4th Motor Cycle Club, 8 p.m., Wight School  
Bible Study & Discussion, 8 p.m, Vicarage
- Wed. 5th MU, speaker Rev. T.Knight, 2.30, Old Timbers,  
Ivy Lane  
Netball Training, 7.30, Wight School
- Thurs. 6th W.I., Christmas Decorations by Jacqueline the  
Florist, 7.45, V.Hall  
Men's Group, speaker from C.of E.Children's  
Society, 7.45, at 6 Dickens Road
- Fri. 7th Guides Swimming Gala  
Netball Club Dance to Liberty State, 9-1, V.Hall
- Sat. 8th 'J.A.M.' at the Club

ROMAN CATHOLIC SERVICE, Harbury Hall Chapel, 10 a.m.  
Every Sunday.

CRUSADERS, Village Hall, 2.30 p.m. every Sunday.

BINGO, Village Hall, 8 p.m. every Monday

GUIDES, Scout Hut, 7 p.m. every Monday

BROWNIES, Village Hall, 6.15 p.m. every Tuesday

YOUTH CLUB, Village Hall, 8 p.m. every Wednesday

BABY CLINIC, Village Hall 2 p.m. on 2nd and 4th Weds,

with special appointments every 3rd Monday

PARISH COUNCIL, Village Hall, 7.30 p.m., 4th Thursdays

SCOUTS, Scout Hut, 7.30 p.m. every Friday

CHOIR PRACTICE, Church, 6.30 p.m. every Friday

FOOTPATH ASSOC., Village Hall, 2.30, last Sunday of month

BICYCLE RIDE, from Club carpark, 10a.m., last Sundays.

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SARA BENNETT (612618)

### THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

Our Harvest Thanksgiving this year will be on 25th September, and in the meantime we are praying that all may be safely gathered in, despite the recent storms. Gifts for decorating the Church will be welcomed, and also help in decorating it on Saturday 24th September, though I must mention that there will be a wedding on that day at 2 p.m. Children will have the opportunity of bringing up and presenting gifts during the Offertory at the 10 a.m. Service.

Our Harvest Supper will be on the following Saturday, 1st October, in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m., when we look forward to welcoming as guests the Rev. Peter Buckler, the Bishop's Chaplain at the National Agricultural Centre, and Mrs. Buckler.

I suggest that we observe the following Sunday, 2nd October, as our Dedication Festival. When the date of consecration of a Church is unknown (as presumably ours is) an Order in Convocation of the year 1536 lays it down that the Dedication Festival should be observed on the first Sunday in October. Previously we have not observed a Dedication Festival, although we have sometimes thought about the subject of dedication on our Patronal Festival, All Saints' Day. Really, however, the two festivals are quite separate, and distinct. So we shall observe our Patronal Festival on 1st November (All Saints' Day) and the following Sunday, but our Dedication Festival on the first Sunday in October.

It is hoped that the Bishop will be coming to administer Confirmation on Sunday, 5th February 1978. Although the classes will not be starting just yet, I would be pleased to receive the names of any young people - or older people - who would like to consider it.

The death of Mrs. Ceney is a great loss, not only to her own relatives but to many other people in the village. The large congregation at the funeral service in Church was an indication of the respect and affection in which she was held. We also mourn the loss of Mrs. Mary Ann Elizabeth Card, who died at a great age and whose funeral was at Combroke. May God grant to the departed an increase of light, peace and refreshment in His nearer Presence, and to those who are bereaved His Comfort and Guidance.

With every blessing,

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

F.R. Mackley

#### HOLY BAPTISM

31st July, Maria Jane Louise Waddell, 12 Ivy Lane

James Thomas Avery, Eastbury House, Hall Lane

7th August, Paul Ewart Nealon, 8 Honiwell Close

#### HOLY MATRIMONY

13th August, John Lindsay Birnie to Phillipa Lillian Hopkins

27th August, Christopher John Newbury to Anita Christine Woodfield.



## FUNERAL SERVICE

19th August, Daisy Helen Ceney, aged 58 years, 20 Vicarage Lane, Harbury

### From the Churchwardens

We look forward to our Harvest Thanksgiving, and believe there is much for which we can give thanks, in spite of the near-disastrous heavy rain recently. The Harvest Services will be on Sunday 25th September, and the Harvest Supper at 7.30 p.m. on Saturday, 1st October, at which you can again be assured of a good, hot meal. Do come.

We would commend to you the Bible study discussion group which normally meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month, but whose September meeting has been postponed to 4th October, when we start considering Matthew's Gospel. The discussions are provocative and stimulating - and sometimes hilarious!

It has been good to welcome visitors to the village - and to the Church - from Italy, France, Germany and Jamaica, and, no doubt, from other countries. We hope they feel at home with us, and are as happy to be in the village as we are to have them. If you have visitors, particularly from overseas, let us know how they like the village and the area; persuade them to write to the editors about their impressions of life in Harbury and Ladbroke, and of their own towns and villages at home.

We regret that it has been necessary to postpone the Parish Family Day planned for 10th September, as it clashes with the PTA Garden Party.

On Sunday, 2nd October, we start the creche for babies and toddlers for the 10 a.m. Service. Please would parents take their children to the Wight School before the service, and collect them immediately afterwards. There will be plenty to keep the children occupied and we hope that this service will enable many parents to come to Church together. Offers of help with the creche would be much appreciated.

We now have a book at the back of the Church in which requests for prayer may be entered. These requests will be included in the intercessions at the daily Communion and particularly at the 10a.m. Eucharist. We do hope many will make use of this opportunity of sharing in prayer.

## LADBROKE NEWS

Services etc. for September and Early October

Sun. 4th Sept., 8.30a.m. Holy Communion. 11a.m. Matins.

Sun. 11th Sept., 11a.m. Holy Communion with hymns (Canon Denney). 6.30p.m., Evensong (Mr. J.B. Poxon)

Sun. 18th Sept., 8.30a.m., Holy Communion (Canon Denney). 11a.m., Matins (Mr. J.B. Poxon).

Sun. 25th Sept., 11a.m., Holy Communion with hymns. 6.30p.m., Evensong.

Sun. 2nd Oct., HARVEST THANKSGIVING. 8.30a.m., Holy Communion. 11a.m. Family Service. 6.30p.m., Evensong (with friends from Harbury).

### Reminders

Wednesday, 21st September, S. Matthew A. E.

Thursday, 29th September, S. Michael & All Angels

Thursday, 22nd September, Deanery Synod at Southam

### Correction

Our congratulations last month were extended to Mr. & Mrs. Rupert Feild. Sorry about the spelling error. G.R.F.

Miss Conlon wishes to take this opportunity of expressing her thanks to all the friends at School and in the Village who contributed to her 'leaving present'.

### Extract from the Registers

27th August; Holy Matrimony; Simon Llewellyn Morgan and Jennifer Sally Barnett.

### The Bishop's Visit

Our Diocesan Bishop and Mrs. Gibbs joined us on Friday, 15th July, for a service of Holy Communion. The Bishop celebrated and preached. Afterwards, the congregation had the opportunity of meeting the Bishop socially, thanks to the hospitality of Mr. & Mrs. Rutherford at the Old Rectory. It was a very happy occasion, and we were all grateful to the Bishop and Mrs. Gibbs for giving so generously of their time to our little parish. G.R.F.

### Two special dates to remember

Friday, 7th October; Harvest Supper, 7.30, Ladbroke School  
Saturday, 26th November; Christmas Fair, 3p.m., Ladbroke School.



### Ladbroke and Deppers Bridge W.I.

Our September meeting, on the 22nd, promises to be a very interesting evening, when Mrs. Thomas will be our speaker and the subject will be 'My Life as an Air Hostess'.

In July we held a short business meeting at Ladbroke School, after which 12 members went to the George & Dragon, where they tucked in to Prawn Cocktails and Steaks with great enjoyment.

G. M. B.

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### HARBURY CRUSADERS

We restart after the summer break on Sunday, 11th September at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, and will welcome all young people, both those who are already members and those who have not been with us before.

We look forward to welcoming the Rev. Tom Knight from Southam to our 8th Birthday celebrations on Sunday, 16th October, at 2.30 in the Village Hall, and hope all parents, relatives and friends will also join us.

### HARBURY P.T.A.

We are pleased to report that the recent Barbeque increased our funds by approx. £136. Sunday swimming was brought to a halt, not only by the weather but by new restrictions imposed by the L.E.A. I shall not have further details until after our next committee meeting.

September 10th is Garden Party Day, so please pray for some sunshine. Lady Watherston has kindly consented to the use of the grounds of Harbury House for the party, and we shall again endeavour to entertain you with a good selection of stalls, a fortune teller and, of course, tea and cakes. The gates open at 2.30 p.m., admission 5p, children and OAPs free.

May I also draw your attention to the AGM in October, when a new committee will be elected. If you can spare a few hours a month, please consider giving that time to the children and their school - it will be time well spent and it can be fun too. Thank you.

ANNE MEGENEY. Hon. Sec.

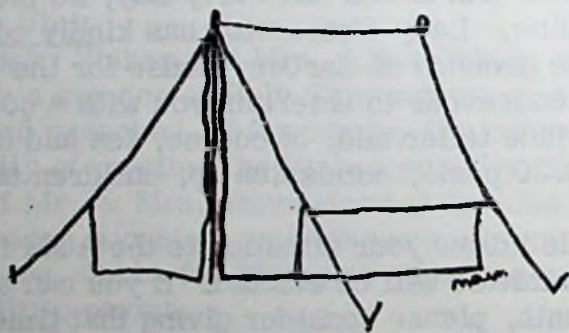
## SCOUT CAMP IN CUMBRIA

On Saturday, 13th August, we set off for our campsite at Rydal Hall in the Lake District. Our site was situated next to a fast-flowing river, in which we swam and washed - yes, washed! On the first day we held some inter-patrol sports. This included events like welly-wanging, cross-country running and throwing the bin lid. Then we moved down to the water for the water sports. These were abandoned as several competitors decided the water was too cold and left hurriedly. The next day we went hill walking, which felt like mountain climbing for some of the way. The views were magnificent, but unfortunately low cloud obscured the view from the top. That night we went to a camp fire, with songs led by the enthusiastic camp warden. On Tuesday, we went to Rydal Water to canoe and swim. We also did some work on rescue from drowning. However, the human chain was broken several times due to a certain person's towel falling down! We spent the afternoon, and most of the week, being bitten by midges, who bit everybody except Steve Hunt whom they didn't fancy. At 10p.m. on Tuesday night we set off on our night hike. Before we had gone 2 miles, Peter Hutchins fell in a ditch and had to be helped back to camp by two other boys. After forcing our way through bracken for a lot of the way, we reached our objective and started the walk back to camp. We arrived back at 2 a.m. For the rest of Wednesday morning the air was filled with snores coming from the tents.

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The next morning two wide games were played; during the second game several spectacular rugby tackles were made. In the afternoon some bivouacs were built, and slept in that night. Pioneering was the order of the day on Friday. One group built a swinging derrick, which scared the life out of



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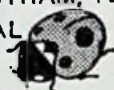
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Marm (one of the leaders). The other group built a corracle, which never made its maiden voyage. The next day we struck camp and came home.

On behalf of all the Scouts I would like to thank all the leaders, without whom the camp would never have been possible.

ANDREW HUNT, Patrol Leader.

### VILLAGE CYCLE RIDE

On Sunday, 29th May, over two dozen people gathered at the Club to set off towards Deppers Bridge on the village Jubilee Cycle Ride. All ages from 4 to 40 were represented, and a pleasant two hours were spent working up a thirst.

By chance we had chosen a day on which a race was being held locally, but there was no fear of any of us winning it, as we were going in the opposite direction!

Since that initial excursion three more trips have been enjoyed, attended by various participants of that first Jubilee ride. The turn-out has been lower for these subsequent meets because very few knew they were taking place, and the main point of this article is to broadcast the fact that there will be a cycle ride, to which all are welcome, on the last Sunday in every month from now on. To assist those with memories like mine, the details will be included in the Diary at the front of this and future magazines. DICK PICKEN

### HARBURY SOCIETY

We did not manage to emulate last year's achievement of being awarded 3rd place in the County's Best Kept Village Competition, although we did once again come 1st in the Southam area. Many thanks to the Scouts, Cubs, Brownies and Guides for their sterling work as Wombles!

Members will receive a newsheet giving details of the programme for the Autumn, and an application form for the Coach Trip to Westonbirt Arboretum and Chedworth Roman Villa on Saturday 22nd October. Anyone interested in attending our slide lecture on 20th September in the Village Club on 'Trees in the Warwickshire Landscape' and 'A History of Gardening in Britain' can contact the Secretary for further details. (7 Wagstaffe Close; 612792).

The Society is collecting information on the village for the preparation of a Village Guide to be produced by the Harbury News, and would be grateful for facts on the following topics: Harbury House; Harbury Hall, Harbury Manor, the Wagstaffe family; the formation and growth of Harbury Co-operative Society; and details of employment and working at the Cement Quarries. Anyone who can help or who has old photographs of any of the above, please contact the Secretary.

Finally, the Secretary would like to thank those who faithfully watered the Jubilee Tree while she was on holiday, and so invoked the great deluge which put paid to her suntan!

LINDA RIDGLEY.

### HARBURY JUBILEE MOTORCYCLE CLUB

The Club has now been in existence for just over 4 months, in which time talks, demonstrations and manoevrability tests have taken place. Mr. Gordon Smith has given information on motorcycle maintenance and repair, while P. C. Percival has been reading to members from his 'bible' - 'Roadcraft for Motorcyclists', which proved very educational.

A recent visit from a Police Motorcyclist and his Police bike was very much enjoyed, and a return visit is hoped for in the future.

Different tests around cones on members' own cycles proved very competitive and were enjoyed by all who took part.

The next meeting takes place on 6th September at the rear of the Wight School at 8p.m., so if anyone is interested in coming along, whether they have a machine or not, they would be very welcome. Also, if anyone has anything that they would be willing to donate to the club, i.e. literature, or an old motorcycle etc., the members would be very thankful.

M. B. BRANT, Secretary.

### WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Although W.I. does not have a meeting in August, there has been activity nevertheless. We entertained 10 ladies from the Central Hospital. Mrs. Davies showed them round the farm, and they then came to the Village Hall for tea. Fortunately, the weather was in our favour, which made the day.

On 16th August members with husbands and friends went on a Car Rally. The route took us through many familiar villages, then back to Harbury, the last clue being the best,



as we all ended up in the Gamecock for 'a Ploughman's and a few jars'. We all enjoyed the evening, despite a few of us taking the wrong route which made the air turn rather 'blue' from time to time, but soon forgotten at journey's end. The winners were Mr. & Mrs. Lupton and Mr. & Mrs. Mettrick, who were rewarded with bottles of wine. Mr. B. Moseley won the raffle, which was a gallon tin of motor oil.

JEANNE BEAUMONT.

#### PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting on 25th August began with a Secret Session, and then an Open Meeting with five members of the public and all councillors present except District Cllr. Drinkwater, who sent a report that the collection of rates at Stratford had improved. Final notices and summonses were being sent out sooner, and so it was hoped to reach the District Auditor's target of a reduction in the arrears to £900,000 this year. The PC was not satisfied and asked for details of the total rateable value of the District and the proportion of this which is in arrears, for as Cllr. Wright pointed out, £900,000 represented a loss of £9,000 a month in interest.

The Parish Council plans to display details of the proposed definitive map of footpaths when the Footpath Assoc. has vetted them. Mrs. Ridgley's plea that the PC request SDC designate Conservation Areas to protect the village from unsympathetic development and the demolition of old buildings was supported by Cllr. Wright, and will be discussed next month. She agreed to ask the Harbury Society to supply details of buildings in need of protection. Replying to Cllr. Mrs. Hancock the Chairman announced that the old Fox Inn would eventually be totally demolished and the footpath widened.

It was agreed not to object to the Coal Board's request to make exploratory borings near the Fossein Harbury Parish. Mrs. Catterall requested a layby for the Deppers telephone kiosk. A new quote of £150 for tennis court maintenance was accepted with relief, and Vice-Chairman Hancock urged the PC to consider the safety of play equipment.

Concerning the Deppers Bridge Playing Fields, Mrs. Catterall, emboldened by the support of Mr. Garman from Deppers, asked the PC to pay £400 for the replacement of Deppers' broken mower. Intense discussion followed, with

Cllrs. Wright and Atkins insisting that Harbury PC had a duty to Deppers and that Deppers Playing Field should be considered as an extension of Harbury's. Both Cllrs. Wright and Ellis regretted that the PC was unable to afford a replacement this year as it had not been budgetted for, and Cllr. Wilkins emphasised the folly of allowing anyone else the use of the village mower. It was agreed to make temporary arrangements for grass cutting in Deppers for the remainder of the season and to consider the matter during the winter.

Two petitions were submitted to the PC at this meeting, the first from Deppers, urging the PC to alleviate the nuisance caused by CUR sewage which plagues THEM with noxious smells, hoards of flies and noisome sludge tankers, and the PC readily agreed to take action.

In the second one, Mr. Brant and 60 others petitioned the PC to refuse Harbury Rugby Club permission to build two store-rooms at the Village Hall, one objection being that it would spoil the look of the rear of the hall. The petition included a list of complaints and allegations against the Rugby Club, for example it was said that the new improved shower and changing facilities were not to the liking of other Village Hall users, who for years had themselves had plans for improvements to the shower block. Cllr. Wright declared himself astonished at the tone of the petition and the Chairman pointed out that, as the PC had no request from the Village Hall committee for such an extension it could not comment on the matter. Cllr. Ellis promised that if and when such a request was received it would be given careful consideration. Mr. Brant said that he had not sent a copy of the petition to the Village Hall Committee.

The next meeting was fixed for Thursday, 22nd September, at 7.30 in the Village Hall.

LINDA RIDGLEY.

#### PETITION AGAINST VILLAGE HALL/RUGBY CLUB EXTENSION

Harbury News set out to find out more about this question, as mentioned in the Parish Council report. A petition signed by more than 60 people was presented by Mr. W.B. Brant to the PC, which stated that the signatories were 'opposed to any further intrusion by the Harbury Rugby Football Club into village life, and were opposed to the Rugby Club extending



the Village Hall to store beer etc. for their bar'.

Gerry Birkbeck, secretary of the RFC, tells us that at present they store their bar supplies at someone's home. They have proposed to the Village Hall Committee that they extend the Village Hall by squaring off the eastern corner to provide two storage rooms, one for their own use (field equipment and bar) and the other for use by the Village Hall organisations. They propose to do all the building at their own cost, and are currently drawing up plans to put to the Village Hall Committee at its meeting on 6th September. At its last meeting, the Village Hall Committee did not raise any objection to the principle of the extension.

The petition signatories do feel that the seeming monopoly of the two rooms used by the RFC on a Wednesday and Saturday for their bar does restrict the rooms available at the hall for other meetings, and make life difficult for people using the rest of the Hall on either of these days.

The Parish Council is unable to comment as no approach has been made to them by the Village Hall Committee as yet.

The Rugby Football Club have offered help to the Church Council in running the Annual Bonfire Party on 5th November.

PETER HOLT.

### SEPTEMBER VEGETABLE GARDEN

As I write this the rain is pouring down outside and mid-August resembles November; however, maybe we can look forward to an Indian Summer of suitable gardening weather in September.

This month sow winter lettuce, winter spinach and turnips for turnip tops. A sowing of lettuce, endive, radish and mustard & cress can be made in an unheated frame. Plant out cabbages for spring cutting from August sowings. Thin turnips for storage, also thin overwintering onions sown last month. Bend down the tops of later spring sown onions and treat as suggested for August. Continue to protect cauliflower curds as they develop. Lift maincrop carrots and beetroot and cover in sand for storage in a frost-free place. Pull up tomato plants at the end of the month, remove any green fruits and, after wrapping them in paper, transfer them to a suitable place for ripening.

Trim the largest leaves off parsley plants in order to

encourage a fresh crop of young leaves for the winter. Hoe between all vegetable crops to keep the weed population down. Watch for cabbage caterpillars and celery leaf maggot, and control as appropriate.

Cut off the tops of potatoes if infected with disease and continue to lift the roots as required. Towards the end of the month lift potatoes for storage; check that they are free of slugs and store in paper or hessian sacks in a cool, dry, dark, frost-free place. Continue planting out new strawberry beds if not completed in August.

SUE HETT.

### HARBURY EVENING CLASSES, 1977/78

Mondays: Upholstery, 2-4p.m., Wight School, from 19th Sept.

Tuesdays: Dressmaking, 7.30-9.30, Junior School, from 20th Sept.

Yoga, 7.30-9.30, Junior School, from 20th Sept.

Floral Art, 7.30-9.30 from 14th Feb.1978.

Wednesdays: Corn Dollies, 7.30-9.30, Junior School, from 15th Feb.1978.

Thursdays: French, 7.30-9.30, Junior School, from 21st Sept.

Ladies' Keep Fit, 7.30-9.00, Junior School, from 21st Sept.

Enrolment for the above classes takes place at the first meeting. A prospectus containing full details of all classes in the rural district is available free on request. A. HAYWARD.

### KALEIDOSCOPE

I'm sure lots of you remember the Couchmans who lived in Dovehouse Lane before moving away? Mrs. Couchman was enrolling member of the MU and Secretary at School, and daughter Carole has been in the WRAF for 4 years, and is now stationed at RAF Boulmer in Northumberland, from where the ITV Sunday Service was televised on 7th August, with Carole reading the lesson superbly..... Lynne Badger, 16, of South Parade has also been in the public eye, travelling to London to appear in a fashion show wearing an outfit she made herself - a talent I for one much envy her!..... It is sad to offer sympathy on your behalf as well as my own to the family of Mrs. Ceney who died unexpectedly in August. She was a kind and friendly asset to Taylors' Stores, and their loss is one we understand and share; she is and will be



sadly missed.....Many of you will be pleased to know that Midge the cat is slowly recovering, and the Morris family appreciate the concern shown towards both Midge and Emma .....I'm delighted to tell you that although two of my best friends, Michael Winter (7) and Jonathan Buttress (just 6) have had operations in August, both are fully recovered and back to positively exhausting normal! They're two smashing, brave boys, but with two daughters I'd best say no more or my scheme will be out!!!.....Actually we've redecorated the kitchen, and although Berger's and I call it 'eau de nil' rather smartly, Anna (3) says we 'put too much water on the brush', and Emily (6) says it is like sinking in the swimming pool!! So much for chic names!.....Quote (source unknown again, sorry!) - 'Just because I'm paranoid it doesn't mean people aren't plotting against me'. Sounds just like my dear Ma!

VICTORIA MACGOWAN.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Editor,

I refer to your notes concerning the shooting of a cat, in which it is stated that cats are not protected by law.

In one of my books called 'Cats, Cats, Cats, Cats' by J. Gilbert, it states that every animal is entitled to protection by law. It quotes an maximum penalty for ill-treating a cat as £25, or up to 3 months imprisonment. Offenders have in fact been imprisoned. It is also an offence to abandon a cat.

I am sure that all cat lovers hope that Midge will recover from his injuries. Yours sincerely, M. V. BAYES.

My dear friends,

Very many thanks for all the kind enquiries. I'm glad to say I'm much better now and fear I may soon be able to resume the only one of my activities I've had to give up - work!

One great sadness is that, as I have sarcoidosis, I shall no longer be acceptable as a blood donor. This is a real blow after more than 25 years, and I should like to feel that I could find someone to replace me. I'm sure there are many in the village who are eligible. There really is nothing to it and half an hour, twice a year, is a small contribution to make to a life-giving service. Please, someone, tell me you'll replace me and I'll pass your name on. VIVIANNE C. AGGETT.

Dear Harbury News,

I am Italian, staying with a friend in Chesterton for a month or so, together with my wife and daughter. Harbury Church people are very friendly.

Thank you very much. The local doctor was very kind when my wife was taken ill. My daughter has made quickly good friendship with young people in Harbury.

Oh, what lovely place to live! MAURO RUSTICI.

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Theory - Helen Keir, Caron Lucas and Rachel Smith,  
Grade 1

Jane Martin and Alison Wood, Grade 2.

The above are pupils of M.J. Coope, Harbury 612556.

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TAILPIECE: Present seen at a recent wedding; a  
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V.C.A.



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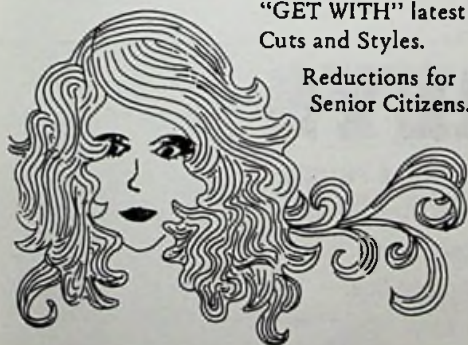
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