



# HARBURY AND LADBROKE NEWS

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Another fantastic Carnival Week has come and gone! See inside for details and pictures. The event provided fun and entertainment for all and looks like producing an excellent financial result too.

You'll see there is no Kaleidoscope in this month's magazine. After compiling this amusing and stimulating column for us for several years, Victoria Macgowan feels the time is right for her to move on to new things. We look forward to reading lots more of her fascinating articles on a wide variety of topics.

Another change - Sara Bennett, who has helped with the preparation of the Diary for some time, has now moved to Upton. We thank her for her help in the past, and wish her, and her family, well in their new home.

This leads us to mention the Diary itself - dates for this do not seem to be coming in as readily as they used to. PLEASE remember - we cannot include dates unless we know about them! A call to Linda Ridgley on 612792, or any of the editors, will ensure that your event appears.

### HARBURY DIARY

#### JULY

- Sat 1st 11am Conservatives' Jumble Sale, Temple House,  
Temple End.
- Sun 2nd Holy Eucharist 8am, Sung Eucharist 10am, 11.30am  
Family Service, Royal Show Service 6.30pm -  
Coach leaves Bull Ring 5.15pm. No sung Evensong  
in Harbury.  
Harbury Society Field Walk, 10.30am from Great  
Western Hotel, Deppers Bridge. (details in H. Society  
report)
- Cricket at Home v Flecknoe.
- Tues 4th Golden Age Trip to Weymouth leaves 8.15am.  
Motor Cycle Club, 8pm, Wight School.
- Wed 5th MU Branch meeting, Old Timbers, 2.30pm.  
Infants Sports at School Field.  
Labour Party meeting, 19 Farm St., 8pm. Tape &  
discussions on Local Government.
- Thurs 6th AGM of Men's Group, 23 Mill St., 7.45pm  
WI - Mrs. A. Payne will show travel film on Holy  
Land, 7.45pm, V. Hall.

- Thurs 6th Cricket 'Henry Griffiths' Home.  
 Fri 7th PTA Sports Cavalcade, 7.30pm, School Field.  
 Sun 9th Holy Eucharist 8am, Sung Eucharist 10am, Youth Festival at Coventry Cathedral 3pm, Evensong 6.30pm  
 Cricket at Napton.  
 Horticultural Society Trip CANCELLED.  
 Mon 10th Bulky Refuse collection.  
 Parochial Church Council, 8pm, Wight School.  
 Tues 11th Harbury Friends, 8pm, School.  
 Thurs 13th Golden Age 2.30pm Village Hall.  
 Cricket away at Kenilworth.  
 Fri 14th Theatre Group: Two One-Act Plays by Tom Stoppard at V. Hall, 7.45pm. 60p.  
 Sat 15th Theatre Group: 2 One-Act Plays by Tom Stoppard at V. Hall (+ Supper and Dancing - £1.20).  
 Sun 16th Holy Eucharist 8am, Sung Eucharist 10am, Evensong 6.30pm  
 Cricket at Radway.  
 Mon 17th Last Guides.  
 Tues 18th Tufty Club, 2.30pm, V. Hall.  
 Senior Citizens, 8pm, V. Hall.  
 Village Hall Cttee, 8pm, V. Hall.  
 Motor Cycle Club, 8pm, V. Hall,  
 Prayer Group Meeting, 8pm at Sara Bennett's, Colbourne House, Upton.  
 Thurs 20th Parish Council, 7.30pm, V. Hall.  
 Fri 21st Last Day at School.  
 Sun 23rd Holy Eucharist 8am, Sung Eucharist 10am, Evensong 6.30pm.  
 Cricket v Banbury Home.  
 Tues 25th Young Wives, 2pm, V. Hall.  
 Wed 26th NSPCC Sports afternoon at Playing Fields, 2.30-4pm  
 Entrance fee 10p All Ages. Postponed to Friday if wet.  
 Thurs 27th Golden Age, 2.30pm, V. Hall.  
 Theatre Group, 8pm, Club.  
 Sun 30th Holy Eucharist 8am, Sung Eucharist 10am, Evensong 6.30pm.  
 Bike Ride, 10am, Club Car Park.  
 Footpath Walk, 2.30pm, V. Hall.  
 Cricket v Wavertree Home.

## AUGUST

- Sun 6th Holy Eucharist 8am, Sung Eucharist 10am, Family Service 11.30am, Evensong 6.30pm.

## AUGUST

Sun 6th Cricket v WCC away.

Tues 8th Harbury Friends, 8pm, School.

Thurs 10th Golden Age, 2.30pm, V. Hall.

Tues 15th Tufty Club, 2.30pm, V. Hall.

Wed 16th H. News Cttee, 8.30pm, 23 Mill Street.

ROMAN CATHOLIC SERVICE, Harbury Hall Chapel, 10am  
every Sunday.

CRUSADERS Village Hall, 2.30pm every Sunday

BINGO Village Hall, 8.00pm every Monday

GUIDES Scout Hut, 7.00pm every Monday

YOUTH CLUB Village Hall, 8.00pm every Wednesday

BROWNIES Village Hall, 6.15pm every Tuesday

BABY CLINIC Village Hall, 2.00pm 2nd & 4th Wednesdays

PARISH COUNCIL, V. Hall, 7.30 p.m. 4th Thursday

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

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### THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

The Harbury Walk-Around on June 3rd was a happy and successful event and we thank all those who opened their gardens or helped in any way. The announcement of it by Mrs. Windsor on Radio Birmingham twice in the early morning seems to have brought a number of people from quite a distance. The Festival in Harbury of the Diocesan Guild of Church Bell-Ringers on the same day was also a very happy event.

The concert by the Choir of Emscote Lawn School on June 16th was very good indeed, but it is a pity that so very few Harbury people came to hear it.

Congratulations to our C.M.S. link missionaries, Richard and Jane Smith, on the birth of their son Jonathan Edward in Nigeria. We remember the three of them in our prayers.

Our sympathies go to Mr. and Mrs. Clarke of 11 Constance Drive, on the loss of their babe. Tristan Jonathan Simon was baptised in hospital. He has been taken into the



everlasting arms of Christ's infinite love.

A man came upon a small boy crying, and stopped to ask him what was the matter. After some delay, and with considerable difficulty, he found out that he was lost. "I want my father", he said. The man knew nothing about the father, but he did what he could to comfort the boy. He bought him some sweets, and these stopped the crying - but only for a minute or two. "I want my father", he kept on saying. A woman came along, and she did her best, but with little success. "I want my father", he said over and over again. So it went on until the father appeared. Then all was well, and proper attention could be given to the sweets - which are no substitute for, but a pleasant addition to, a father. "I want my Father" is the cry of every human soul, whether it is realised or not. "My soul is a thirst for God", said the Psalmist, and so is every man's soul, for God had made us that way. The sweet things that the world offers us are no substitute for God, - and can find their place only when we are with our Father.

With every blessing,

Your sincere friend and Vicar,

F.R. Mackley.

#### Holy Baptism

June 18th - James Andrew Downie McLean, 2 Oak Close,  
Little Stoke, Bristol.

#### Funeral Service

June 23rd - Tristan Jonathan Simon Clarke, 11 Constance  
Drive, aged 5 days.

#### From the Churchwardens

As we approach the summer break for many organisations, we look forward to welcoming visitors to the village and to the Church. Last year was a record year for visitors, particularly those from overseas, and we look forward to seeing some of them on a return visit this year. It gives a great consciousness of the worldwide fellowship of the church to welcome members of that fellowship from other places - and to worship in other churches as many of us will do on holiday.

Praying together is a vital part of the life of the church and the group, which meets monthly to listen to a thought-provoking tape and then to pray for general and particular needs and to give thanks, has found the time together most helpful and stimulating. Please do let us have items for prayer

and come and join us. The next group will meet on Tuesday, 18th July at 8 p.m. at John and Sara Bennett's, Colbourne House, Upton.

### Countries Competition

Apologies for our not having supplied the complete list of answers for the previous issue of Harbury News. There were 21 all correct answers and the winners had to be decided on their clues. These were:-

- 1st (Ken Hughes) A plea to purchase? Dubai  
2nd (Shirley Keir) Speak to me of molluscs! Seychelles

The Correct answers: 1. America, 2. Gabon, 3. Burma, 4. Portugal, 5. Spain, 6. Togo, 7. Laos, 8. Iran, 9. Hungary, 10. Greece, 11. Guinea, 12. Romania, 13. Tunisia, 14. Canada, 15. Belgium, 16. Jordan, 17. Panama, 18. Norway, 19. Guyana, 20. Yemen.

### CRUSADER CAMP '78

We went to a Crusader camp on June 1st till June 4th. We were all put in groups. Britt Ingram, Jackie Upton and Colin Hughes were all leaders of the groups. In the groups we took turns to do the cooking, washing up, drying and tidying up.

Some people did canoeing and Mr. Catt (a leader) had a go and he capsized but when he got out of the canoe he cut himself. On the Friday we went on a nature walk and we went swimming at Stratford, and on the Saturday we had a scavenger hunt and we went to Warwick Priory Park and St. Nicholas Park also in Warwick.

On the Sunday morning we went up the road and watched some of the raft race which was on at the time. Then we went to Hampton Lucy Church which was a little farther on. After the service our parents came to collect us.

LOUISE UPTON.

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### LADBROKE NEWS

Services etc. for July & early August.

Sun. 2nd July, Trinity VI. Visitation of the B.V. Mary.

8.30am Holy Communion, 11am Matins.

Mon. 3rd July, 7.30pm Parochial Church Council in Church.

Wed. 5th July, 7.30pm Parents' Meeting Ladbroke School.

Thurs. 6th July, Men's Group AGM, 23 Mill Street, Harbury  
7.45pm.



Sun. 9th July, Trinity VII. 11am Holy Communion with Hymns,  
6.30pm Evensong.

Sun. 16th July, Trinity VIII. 8.30am Holy Communion,  
11am Family Service.....School Leavers.

Mon. 17th July, 4-5pm School Governors Meeting.

Sun. 23rd July, Trinity IX. 11am Holy Communion with Hymns,  
6.30pm Evensong.

Sun 30th July, Trinity X. 8.30am Holy Communion, 11am Matins.

Sun 6th August, Trinity XI. Transfiguration of our Lord.  
8.30am Holy Communion, 11am Matins.

First, our thanks for all the prayers, thoughts and enquiries about Mrs. Fishley during the past month. I am glad to say that as I write (24th June) she has begun to show some signs of improvement. She is still, of course, very weak, and is bound to be in hospital for some weeks to come. Thanks to our many friends she is surrounded by many flowers... one nurse said, "It looks like Kew Gardens", and I hope to be able to acknowledge your gifts and get well cards later. Those from the school children have been much admired and all the support greatly appreciated.

G. R. F.

#### Women's Fellowship

A very happy time was had by members at Mrs. Hedge's home on June 14th, and the garden was much admired. The next meeting will be on the first Wednesday in October.

We are very glad to see Mr. Kershaw so much better and to hear that Mr. Brookes is making progress. Continue to remember Mrs. Eliza Taylor and Mrs. Hannah Hughes in your prayers... as well as Enid Fishley, please.

G. R. F.

Harbury is taking a coach load to the Royal Show Service on July 2nd. They have invited any Ladbroke friends to join them. Please ring Mrs. Holt (Harbury 612790).

#### Ladbroke School

The School Sports were held on June 14th, when a sunny dry day and a lovely setting at Ladbroke Hall made a very happy occasion. There were running races, obstacle races, sack, egg and spoon races. Mothers and Fathers ran too. Mrs. Hancock presented the prizes. The Red Team won so Jane Webster, Captain, received the cup from Mrs. Hancock, and afterwards refreshments were served at the school.

A very successful final Summer Fair was held on June 24th.



The splendid profit of £128.86 will pay for the activities connected with the closing of the School in July 1979. Many supporters thronged the stalls - darts, weight of the cake competition, tombola, nearly new clothes, grocery and fancy goods, book stall, raffle, lucky card draw, ice cream and crisps stalls, treasure hunt and bowling for the chicken which was won by Mr. John Clements. A cake stall was very popular as were the refreshments.

#### Re-organisation

There will be a meeting in school on 5th July at 7.30pm when Mr. Collinson, Area Education Officer, will explain to all parents about the re-organisation of the Southam Area Schools. Do come and ask any questions concerning the transfer of your children in 1979.

#### All Saints Church, Ladbroke

The Family Service held in mid-June was taken by the Rev. Morgan. The school children gave readings, sang songs and said prayers.

We send Mrs. Fishley our warmest wishes for a good recovery from her operation in Warwick Hospital. Our thoughts are with Canon Fishley and his family at this time.

#### Parish Council

The Parish Council met on 13th June. Francis Badman was in the chair. All councillors, Tom Barnett, Freddy Seden, Tom Sheasby and Betty Williamson were present together with the Clerk, Meriel Williamson.

There was much discussion of the Parish Council Emergency Information manual recently received. Mr. Chick, the County Emergency Officer is to receive Parish information on matters medical, fire, Red Cross, W.R.V.S., water supply etc. in case of any great national emergency for which contingency plans can be made.

The Clerk stated that the accounts were being audited.

With regard to the Village Amenities Committee, it was decided that three members of the Parish Council would be available for liaison and link.

A recommendation was made to erect a white guard (bouncer) fence on the oak tree on the Banbury Road near Mr. Clews' gate on a bend which is a notorious accident spot. This is a hazard for traffic entering Ladbroke from the Banbury direction. The next meeting is on Tuesday 18th July at 7.30pm.

## Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge W.I.

Gwen Miles' coffee evening brought in £10.65. The Jumble Sale amounted to £24.95. Thanks to all who donated and helped.

The trip to Mr. Charles Gardner was much enjoyed, both the Romany caravans and many wood creations we saw. The wooden egg cup which was made as a demonstration was won by Mrs. Emus. Supper at the 'Bridge Inn' at Napton. followed.

Local People please note there is a Whist Drive at the school on 27th June in aid of 'Christmas Parcels'.

The next meeting is on 20th July at 7.30pm - a demonstration of make-up by Boots.

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## Harbury School - Admissions & Organisation for 1978-79

After a series of discussions with staff, governors & interested parents, we have at last come up with a generally acceptable formula for the organisation of classes for the next school year.

Owing to the prospective increase in admissions to the Infant school we have had to discontinue part-time admissions. Instead we shall admit children who are coming to school for the first time at the beginning of the term during which they are five. Thus they will come straight into school on a full time basis. These reception children will go into one of three infant classes.

We shall have an additional part-time teacher working with the three top classes, but this appointment has not yet been made. With the numbers we admit to school each year we always have some classes with overlapping age groups, but this is something with which we are well able to cope. The classes next year will therefore be as follows:-

Class 10 - 4th year Juniors - Mr. Richards

Class 9 - 3rd & 4th year Juniors - Mrs. Bishop

Class 8 - 3rd year Juniors - Mrs. Wallington

Class 7 - 2nd year Juniors - Mrs. Wright

Class 6 - 2nd & 1st year Juniors - Mr. Thorburn

Class 5 - a transition class of 1st year Juniors & top infants -  
Mrs. Eastaff

Class 4 - Top Infants - Mrs. Brown



Class 3 - 2nd year Infants plus reception - Mrs. Goldsbrough  
Class 2 - 2nd year Infants plus reception - Miss Nurser  
Class 1 - 2nd year Infants plus reception - Mrs. Hunt.

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As usual it is a very hectic but interesting time in school. Several classes have been or will be going on outings, and these are always exciting events. Recently we entered several children for the Mid-Warwickshire Inter-School Sports in which twenty three schools entered. We congratulate the following children on their success:-

Ann Wood - 2nd in the under-12s Long Jump

Christopher Warden - 3rd in the under-11s Long Jump

Our girls' relay team of Helen Keir, Ann Wood, Julie Anderws & Alison Baldwin came second in the under-12s relay. Ann Wood goes on to represent the school in the County Championships, and also in the Inter Schools Pentathlon to be held at St. Paul's School, Leamington Spa on July 4th & July 6th.

There will be a number of staff changes. We welcome Mrs. Marie Brown, who comes to us from Telford First School as replacement for Mrs. Bulmer. We say farewell to Mrs. Sweeney of the County Supply Staff who has been with us most of the year and who has been taking Class 4. She has our most sincere thanks for a job well done, and we do wish her every good fortune. At the end of August Miss Simmons is getting married and will reappear as Mrs. Goldsbrough. We extend our heartiest congratulations and best wishes for the future. The building extensions are going well, and if everything goes according to plan we hope to move into the new classrooms at the beginning of next term. Already the new playground is proving to be most useful.

This year we are having to use the Village Playing Field for our Junior Sports Day, and we do thank the Parish Council for their co-operation.

N. C. OLIVER.

### THE SPONSORED WALK

On Saturday 24th June, Harbury School had their annual Sponsored Walk. All of us who took part received our cards about 11 days before the 24th and we all started collecting sponsors furiously.

By 9.30 everyone had started walking - 214 of us!



The course started at the Village Hall and then to the top of the playing field and along the footpath to Bush Heath Lane. Down this road to Manor Road. After Manor Road, on to Park Lane and then (as you can see in the picture) South Parade and back to the Village Hall. I did 13 miles but I was beaten by David Wright who did 16 miles and quite a few others did 15 and 14. We think we must have done over 2,000 miles between us!

Altogether I think we all had an enjoyable time, and I hope we made a lot of money.

ANDREW HOLT, aged 11.

### HARBURY WALKABOUT

Beautiful sunshine made this a glorious event. The 27 gardens on display were evidence of the care lavished on them over many months, and the 300-plus people who walked round the village enjoyed seeing other gardens en route as well. Our thanks to those whose gardens were open, and to everyone else who helped, especially the W.I. for their superb teas. The Walkabout, which attracted visitors from as far afield as Lichfield, raised £30 for the Horticultural Society and approx. £100 for Church funds.

On sale was the Harbury Recipe Book, compiled by Mrs. E.D. Zonik. This is proving a real best-seller, with well over





500 copies sold so far. A second edition has been printed, and copies are available from me at 5 Park Lane - excellent value at only 50p. JOYCE WINDSOR.

### HARBURY CARNIVAL & FETE

Well sadly it's gone again for another year, but what an enjoyable occasion Carnival Day was. The rather cool weather did nothing to diminish the enthusiasm of participants and spectators alike. Early in the day there was little sign of the activities to come but as the morning progressed the village developed into a 'hive' of industry and by lunchtime the 'bees' in their various guises were all heading enthusiastically towards Sutcliffe Drive where the procession assembled.

The procession judges (from the staff of Southam School) had a hard time choosing winners from among the many good entrants this year, but their decisions were as follows:

Decorated Float (private): 1st, Leycester Close Residents' Association, The Toy Box; 2nd, Youth Club, the Magic Roundabout; 3rd W.I., Flour Power. Decorated Float (trade): 1st, Dog Inn; 2nd Bull Ring Garage. Decorated Bicycle/Pram: Large - 1st Playgroup; Small - 1st Analie & Karen Hoare; 2nd, Stephen Hancock.

Winning entries in the Fancy Dress classes were Bo-Peep, Kermit, Charlie Chaplin and Marlene Dietrich.



Parish Council Chair  
Iory Davies with  
Attendants Lynne  
Helen Hughes and  
Jean Davies.



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Carnival ingredients!



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One of the 'Jet' set!  
(Stephen Hancock)

Mike Bloxham.



The Dog Show attracted 120 class entries, and the Lucky Programme draw was won by Dylan Adams, Farm St., Harbury. The 'A' team from the Butchers Arms, Farnborough won the Tug of War, and P.A. Stone, Binswood End, came nearest to guessing that a motor cycle has 1076 parts.

Linda Ridgley's Victoria Sponge was judged best in the Cake Competition, with Anita Williams' entry second, while the children's sections were won by Samantha Neill aged 6 and Helen Stubbs aged 11, with Emma Ross (6) and Sarah Walters (11) the runners up.

Congratulations to all these winners - but of course Harbury Carnival can't just be summed up in a list of names. It's friendship and fun, hard work and heart-warming generosity, all of us working together to provide a marvellous day. Thank you to everyone concerned - and here's to next year!

#### CARNIVAL SPORTS - SUNDAY JUNE 4th



After a long spell of beautiful weather it looked as if the sports would be a washout - literally. A short sharp electrical storm failed to dampen the enthusiasm of competitors or spectators, and the weather responded by clearing up.

Many thanks to the Football Club for their white liner, the Old New Inn for the loan of equipment for the waiters' race, Harbury School for hoops etc. and Hunts Stores for help with refreshments.



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Thanks also for help on the day from Peter Holt, Linda Hayes, Midge Keen, Keith Thompson, Jill Winter and Sharon Hancock.

The prizes were donated by the Playing Fields Committee. Particularly worthy recipients were Mark Evans who won all the races in the 5-7 age group and 15 year old Andrew Hunt who won all his age group races, the slow bicycle race, and all the men's races!

JOHN HANCOCK.

## R E S U L T S

Flat Race (5-7's) 1st Mark Evans 2nd Duncan Williams 3rd Dylan Adams	3 legged race 1st Edward Walker (11-13yrs) 2 David Hagan 2nd Philip Langley 3 Mark Green 3rd Julie Andrews 4 Sarah Ridgley	100 Metres Women 1st Julie Andrews 2nd Laura Rolf 3rd Teresa Wallington.
Flat Race (7-8's) 1st Adam Clifton 2nd Jamie Williams 3rd Sarah Bunting	3legged race 1st Stephen Hunt (13+) 2 Andrew Winter	200 Metres 11-13yrs. 1st Philip Langley 2nd Julie Andrews 3rd David Hagan
100 Metres (9-10's) 1st Steven Evans 2nd Edward Brown 3rd Trevor Lines	Flat Race (under 15) 1st Mark Hayes 2nd Christopher Smith 3rd Roy Coupe	100 Metres 13-14yrs. 1st Teresa Wallington. (Girls) 2nd Kim Wilkins 3rd Jennifer Scott
100 Metres (11-12's) 1st Philip Langley 2nd Stephen Hunt 3rd Julie Andrews	Slow Bicycle Race 1st Andrew Hunt 2nd Kevin McMahon 3rd David Hagan	100 Metres 15-16yrs. 1st Andrew Hunt (Boys) 2nd Graham Nicholl 3rd Desmond McNeill
100 Metres (Girls) 13-15 yrs. (ran in boys' race due to lack of entries)	Obstacle Race 1st Suzanne Gullf (under 15) 2nd Stefan Adams 3rd Christopher Smith	500 Yards Race 1st Mark Evans 2nd Gail Davis 3rd Karen Moore
100 Metres (Boys) 13-15 yrs. 1st Andrew Hunt 2nd Susannah Gascoyne 3rd Graham Nicholl	Obstacle Race 1st Mark Evans (8-10yrs) 2nd Duncan Williams 3rd David Smith	500 Yards Race 1-10yrs. 1st Steven Evans 2nd Josephine Gascoyne 3rd David Andrews
3 legged race (7-8yrs) 1st Victoria Sarren 2 Sarah Burnham 3rd Rebecca Burnham	Obstacle Race (7-8yrs) 1st Sarah Bunting 2nd Adam Clifton 3rd Lynn Jackson	100 Metres men 1st Andrew Hunt 2nd Graham Nicholl 3rd John Hancock
3 legged race (9-10yrs) 1st Laura Rolf 2 Josephine Gascoyne 2nd Gautham Mehra 3 Edward Brown 3rd Carl Wallington 4 Steven Evans	Obstacle Race 1st Josephine Gascoyne (9-10yrs) 2nd Caroline Holt 3rd Edward Brown	Walters' Race 1st Andrew Tasker 2nd Chris Tovey 3rd Peter Cull
	100 Metres Men 1st Andrew Hunt 2nd Andrew Tasker 3rd Jeff Sollis	

## GUIDE CAMP

Six guides from Harbury went to a guide camp at Blackmore Park near Malvern, Worcestershire. We set off with other guides from the Southam area at 10.45am all very excited. The journey took about 3 to 4 hours and eventually we got there. The site was a big field and had a lovely wood at the bottom of the field. The first thing we did when we got there was to put the tent up and as it was a boiling hot day we were all sweltering.

At the camp each patrol had a certain job each day and our first job was collecting wood. Some were nice jobs but some were horrible. The meals were quite good. We had breakfast at 8.30, dinner at 1, supper at 7 and cocoa at 9. The weather was very hot and a lot of people were ill because of the sun. We stayed at the camp site for most of the week but we went to Malvern twice - once to shop for presents and

once to climb the hills ( only a third of the way up). We got caught in a thunder storm and got soaked. On 3rd June we went home. We had a good journey and I was glad to be home again.

HELEN KEIR.

### HARBURY CRICKET CLUB

There was a wet start to the 1978 season with the first two fixtures being cancelled due to inclement weather. From 14th May to 18th June the Club has played 11 games winning 9, with 1 drawn and 1 lost.

There have been some notable batting performances from several players with the highest score of 71 achieved by Terry Bell in the drawn fixture against Napton - both sides scoring 131.

With the team winning most games comprehensively, there have been some remarkable bowling figures with Brian Wallington's 7 for 20 against Kineton being worthy of note.

The ladies are again providing excellent teas at a very modest price. Why not come down to watch. Home games start at 2.30pm.

REX HUMPHREYS.

### UNDER 16 BADMINTON TOURNAMENT

A Badminton Tournament was held in the Village Hall on Sunday June 4th. It was well attended and each match was keenly fought and enjoyed by all the participants. Thanks to everyone who turned up to play or help with the organisation. The eventual winners were:- Singles under 10 years - Jason Roberts; Singles under 12 years - Simon Roberts; Mixed Doubles under 12 years - Clare Barnes & Jamie Williams; Boys Singles Open - Neil Humphreys; Boys Doubles Open - Gordon & Neil Humphreys; Girls Singles Open - Sue Scott; Mixed Doubles Open - Andrew Young & Sue Scott.

ANNE TASKER.

### TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The rather disappointing weather, including a very heavy downpour right at the start, did little to detract from a very enjoyable afternoon's tennis. The alcoholic intake seemed to take rather longer to take effect this year and it is perhaps significant that Sheila Scott, who won the tournament with Dave Williams, admitted that she had not consumed her wine allocation until after the event had finished!

R. H.



### PROPOSED HARBURY JOGGING CLUB

On Tuesday June 20th over 20 people attended a meeting in the Crown Inn to discuss the formation of a 'Jogging Club'. Unfortunately Chris Ling, the organiser, was indisposed. Those present listened to a talk on the medical aspects of jogging and agreed after discussion to have an inaugural jogging session from the Village Hall on June 27th. If it proves popular it may become a weekly fixture.

J. L. H.

### HARBURY JUBILEE MOTOR CYCLE CLUB

We were pleased with the demonstration trial we put on for the Carnival. It gave us the opportunity to show the machine control that the lads are learning.

Resulting from the Harbury event, we have been invited to take part in the Leamington Carnival on July 8th. We are sorting out one or two new sections and we hope to run 8 riders. We would be grateful of some support on the day - we are due 'on' around 1.30pm - so please come and give a shout for us.

J. B. M.

### HARBURY THEATRE GROUP

Tickets are in short supply for "After Magritte"/"The Real Inspector Hound" on Friday and Saturday July 14th & 15th, so if you would like to come to an evening of lively, entertaining plays, buy your tickets early from Theatre Group members, or from Tony Knight, the Co-op butcher. 60p (30p for children and O.A.P.'s) ensures you a seat on one of these delightful evenings. Should you choose, then a further 60p will buy you a supper ticket for the Saturday, when there will be dancing and a licensed bar; but you can come either evening just for the plays and the coffee interval.

The posters presently mushrooming around the village, incidentally, were designed and printed on a silk-screen press that Mark Wright and Tony Knight built themselves. We're nothing if not versatile!

New members are always welcome, whether they can offer practical skills or just enthusiasm. Contact Carol Percival (612175) or come along to set-construction on the weekend of July 8th.

Quote-of-the-month comes from Diana Holt, rehearsing for "After Magritte", "I'm finding this part very difficult; a tuba is so large, and an ironing-board is very narrow!"

J. N. S.

## HARBURY SOCIETY

Thank you to all who helped with, and took part in, the Mystery Tour. It was good to see so many young people this year. The winners were (adults) Gary Picken, Ian Jackson and Bob Small, and (children) Andrew Winter, Paula Wallington and Kim Wilkins. Techniques varied - as did the answers to the questions. John Hancock ran round the course in half an hour and scored 28 points, while Gary Picken scored 33 in almost 2½ hours. Despite my fears, most people seemed to turn up at the Village Hall - eventually. I do apologise to those who wandered off course at the beginning, fortunately down a cul-de-sac! Since I have been castigated for being remiss on thanks before, may I mention Ess, Chris and Mr. & Mrs. Kelsall, and a special and sincere thank you to the children who gave a hand. Piers Mettrick and Carl Wallington in particular were splendid. For anyone who missed the tour and likes conundrums, this was one of the questions:(answer next month): A local river with ten not heard, You are my 2nd, nothing's my third, My fifth's the country, my fourth is gold, Out here I died in days of old. What am I?

Our next event will be a Field Walk round the Spoil Bank, which will take place on Sunday, 2nd July at 10.30am from the Great Western Hotel, Deppers Bridge, amalgamated with a survey of the hedge at Harbury Lane which begins at 11.30am from the large ash near Chesterton Windmill. L.R.

## HARBURY W.I.

At the June meeting Dr. Bywater gave a talk on Man-made Fibres. The first attempt by a Frenchman at the end of the last century delighted the ladies until their garments burst into flames in the strong sunlight (Oo la la!) Having to leave France he came to England where the fabric was perfected, and in 1905 the Courtaulds site was established in Coventry. From then on fibres have been produced that look and feel like wool, cotton & silk and are used for every conceivable purpose. A tip ladies - any article can be made anti-static by rinsing in a fabric conditioner at each wash.

We are delighted that Mrs. Zonik is writing the material for our Drama group's participation in Scene 80. This consists of a short one-act play by W.I. drama groups from all over the country, the best being performed in London.

A Chocolate Demonstration was greatly enjoyed at the



recent Group Meeting. Members and friends visited Hook Norton Brewery in May. Miss Lodge won the raffle of eggs.

JEANNE BEAUMONT.

### VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

A letter was received from the Horticultural Society formally requesting the loan of the Village Hall Cups for the Society's show in the autumn. The Cups are at present being valued and will have to be adequately insured.

The excess refuse has not been collected because Mrs. Keen has not been sent the necessary forms by Stratford D. C., and correspondence the Village Hall did receive from the D. C. on the subject of the planning application for the storage room was not understood. Jerry Birkbeck was able to explain that the long and very complex letter was in fact merely a standard acknowledgement. The Secretary has also to contact Stratford D. C. with a complaint that the verges outside the Village Hall have not been mown. The Committee agreed to purchase some vandal-proof glazing material for the kitchen windows which are constantly being damaged; a start will be made on the redecorating of the interior of the Hall in August and Mr. Bingham will continue to up-date the electrical installations. Next Meeting 18th July, Village Hall 8pm.

### CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 1978

The total collected in Harbury and Deppers Bridge during Christian Aid Week 1978 was £129.52 compared with £103.29 in 1977. Thanks are due to the collectors whose footslogging made this tremendous total possible, and, of course, to all those who chose to give to help the work of Christian Aid at a time when there are so many other demands made on incomes.

The money goes to such projects as the rehabilitation of some of the 3.2 million of India's leprosy patients in a settlement just outside Puna. The aim is to detect sufferers, persuade them to have treatment and provide training for jobs after being cured. The settlement was established in 1965 and now provides homes and occupation for some 200 patients. Christian Aid was first approached for a grant in 1976 and provided £4,700 for a Landrover to be used as a mobile dispensary with which the doctors could visit outlying villages. In 1977 a further grant of £12,000 was made for building permanent houses for the patients to replace the old mud and

thatch homes which were constantly destroyed by monsoons.

WENDY SHELDON.

### PARISH COUNCIL JUNE 22nd

This month Planning applications, the state of the Cemetery Chapel, the wandering dogs of Whitnash, the School, and grass - especially grass - taxed the combined talents of Harbury Parish Council.

Councillor Drinkwater has successfully harassed both the District and County Councils about the overgrown verges complained about by many parishioners and they have at last been mowed.

Councillors Watts and Hancock have inspected the Cemetery Chapel which has for many years been used to store the mowers and other equipment. The altar with hangings and cross is still there, and they thought it looked distasteful and wondered if it would be better if the chapel were deconsecrated. The Vicar is to be approached about this.

There have been requests for a stand pipe at the Allotments - the possibility will be investigated.

Councillor Hancock complained that dogs were persistently fouling the Playing Field & P.C. Percival revealed that he had warned off 3 dog owners who had been coming to the field to exercise their dogs from Whitnash for 2 years.

A planning application for a detached house in Crown Close was received with amazement and some horror. The Parish Council thought this land was earmarked for further old people's bungalows to complete Crown Close, and will register their disapproval. Planned first floor extensions to 32 Manor Orchard were vigorously opposed by Heber Drive residents, and councillors agreed to support their protests.

Councillor Hancock explained that following the Parents' Meeting at the School there had been another Governors Meeting and a compromise had been agreed whereby vertical grouping in the infants school would be replaced by classes with overlapping age groups which would enable the admission of children at the beginning of the term in which they are five.

Next meeting July 20th, 7.30pm, Village Hall.

L.R.



## HARBURY & DISTRICT LABOUR PARTY

As a prelude to the general election the Harbury party are holding a series of general meetings. The first on July 5th at 8.0pm will be held at 19 Farm Street. A tape on 'Local Government' will be followed by discussion. On Friday 18th August at 8.0pm we will be holding a meeting at the village hall. The meeting will be addressed by the prospective parliamentary candidate for Stratford-upon-Avon, Chris Purnell. He will talk on his plans and platform for the general election.

J. L. H.

## IN THE GARDEN

July is a wonderful month in the vegetable garden if all has gone well, but owing to the cold spell most vegetables are at least 2 weeks later than usual.

It is not too late to sow beetroot, carrots, swedes, turnips. Also it is time to sow Chinese Cabbage, Lettuce, radish, and plant out leeks and winter cabbage such as January King and Savoys.

Potatoes should be earthed up to prevent them going green. Don't forget to cover your raspberries and strawberries with netting.

You must not be discouraged if some seeds have not come up to your expectations but I feel sure others will make up for it. We look forward to the Show in the Village Hall on Sept. 9th.

W. F. LINES.

## HARBURY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The June meeting was addressed by Alec Retberg of Warwick District Council and members were entertained by stories of his days as a foreman gardener at Southport.

Monthly meetings have now finished until October but the show will be held on September 9th at the Village Hall and will be open to all residents of Harbury and society members. Even children under 12 will be able to compete for a cup. There will be various classes for vegetables, flowers, fruit and kitchen produce together with a children's section. Complete schedules will be available shortly from me or any other committee member, society members will each receive one automatically. There will be awards for all classes including the Amateur Gardening Red Ribbon for the best exhibit in the show and it is hoped that the village will generally support its first show for some time. Tony Brunton, 33 South Parade.

## WARWICK CASTLE ARCHIVES

If the history of Warwickshire matters to you, you will be interested in the Warwick Castle Archives Appeal Fund, which has been set up to raise money to enable the County Council to purchase the 25,000 documents at present in Warwick Castle, and now offered for sale to the Council (on a 6 month option) for £120,000. Should the Council be unable to purchase these deeds, manor court rolls, maps etc., they will be put up at open auction.

Further details from, and donations to the Warwick Castle Archives Appeal Fund, County Treasurer, P.O.Box 3, Shire Hall, Warwick.

## THE JOYS OF CAMPING

A few years ago four families from the village went camping to Wales for Spring Holiday. We set off in convoy at six on the Saturday morning.

Not quite a mile from Harbury frantic signals from one car brought us all to a halt. They had forgotten their anoraks. We waited; back they came again and off we went. A few minutes later more frantic signals from another car & we all stopped again. They had left all their meat, butter, eggs etc. in the fridge. We waited; back they came and off we went again. A few minutes later, more signals! Another family had forgotten some essentials. They did a quick turn around. The car went one way, the roof rack and its contents another.

We all piled out to help rescue and repack to hilarious laughter except for one of our party bemoaning the fact that he only had four days' holiday: we had left Harbury an hour ago and had not yet reached Warwick! Eventually we did reach our goal and set up camp.

During the week we met a friend. He had borrowed a boat and was very proud of it. He took us all out for a sail and when it was time for tea we offered to help push his boat on to the beach. After a lot of pushing and shoving, grunts and groans we got the boat out of the water but minus its bottom. We had lost that somewhere along the way. His face was a picture. He refused all our offers of help to repair it (can't think why).

Next day we broke camp without mishap. Our tent blowing inside out and taking off down the field did not raise an



eyebrow! We all still go camping and we think it was one of the funniest and best holidays we have had. Yes our boating friend still speaks to us all.

E. P."

### CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Sirs,

COME, COME now Mavis Taylor!

Linda Ridgley's articles are something that I am sure many readers look forward to each month. They are accurate, informative and witty - a fact which makes them, and the 'News' easy reading. She even makes the Parish Council Meetings sound entertaining. Linda's talent for humorous comment is an art only a few professional writers possess and I have a feeling that there may be one or two journalists who might envy her style.

Harbury owes much to Linda. She has become our unofficial Public Relations Officer. She is the Harbury Correspondent for the 'Courier', and no doubt many readers will have noticed that the village is featured regularly and prominently, together with Mike Bloxham's photographs, in the paper and, incidentally, in more detail than most other communities.

Is this perhaps one of the reasons why so many people want to live in Harbury and why our houses sell so quickly?

Keep up the good work Linda. May your typewriter never cool down!

Yours faithfully,

Michael Barnes.

Editors' note: We have received several more letters in a similar vein, but lack of space prevents us from printing them all.

Dear Sirs,

In a report published in the Leamington Courier of June 16th Councillor Wilkins expressed disappointment over my work in the Cemetery. I would like the ratepayers of Harbury (who after all pay my wages) to know that never before has anyone complained about my work. I would have thought that the Council would have contacted me first with any complaints they may have had, had they been dissatisfied, before a public report was published. This they have not done.

Yours faithfully,

L. J. Wallington.

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At the AGM on June 21st, the following officers were voted:- President, John Bromley; Chairman, Graham Shurvington; Secretary, Jerry Birkbeck; Treasurer, Bill Clarke; Fixture Sec., John Seddon; Match Sec., Dave Lewitt; Entertainments Chairman, Ian Holroyd; Bar Chairman, Tony North; Club Captain, Dyl Rogers; Vice Captain, Mark Robinson; 2nd XV Captain, Ian Winchester; 3rd VX Captain, Jerry Birkbeck; 4th XV Captain, Malc Davy. The meeting thanked retiring Treasurer for all his work overlast 16 yrs. George Mann was thanked for work in connection with the new ground. Subs were raised to £5 p. a. with match fee remaining 50p per game. Graham Shurvington was made a life member of the club. Training commences for the forthcoming season on Weds. July 5th 1978.

JERRY BIRKBECK.



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