

HARBURY AND LADBROKE NEWS

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HARBURY

Holy Communion

Evensong

8.00 a.m., 10.00 a.m. (Sung)

SUNDAY SERVICES:

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chen the rain finally stopped, allowing all the events to proceed a planned. As usual the day was a great success, both from an entertainment and a financial point of view, even though anderstandably the uncertain weather kept the attendance down. Credit must go to the organisers whose brave decision to go head with the Carnival was suitably rewarded by the happy miles you can see in this photo by Mike Bloxham (and more ictures on the centre page).



Although recent weather suggests otherwise, we are in the summer season, and in this issue we have included details of few places to visit, either at a weekend or during the chool summer break.

The children of Harbury School again demonstrated their pirit when over 200 of them turned out for the annual walk praise money for equipment. We are fortunate to have a school staff so willing to run this event - and others - in their ewn time.

We wish you all - at home or away - a happy and sunny summer.

HARBURY DIARY

JULY 1980 Theatre Workshop and stage up in Village Hall. Sat. 5th Fifth Sunday after Trinity. 8a.m. Holy Eucharist Sun. 6th 10a.m. Sung Eucharist. 6.30p.m. Evensong. Junior Tennis, 6-7.30p.m., Playing Fields. Mon. 7th Harbury Friends, 8p.m. at the School. Tues. 8th Prayer Group, 8p.m. 15 Wagstaffe Close. Playing Fields Association, Village Hall. Middle School Sports, Village Playing Field, 1.45. Wed. 9th Joint Scout Swim. Thurs.10th Golden Age, 2.30p.m. Village Hall Theatre Group presents "Suddenly at Home", by Francis Durbridge, V. Hall, 8p. m. (See advert) St. Benedict. 9.45a.m. Holy Eucharist. Fri. 11th "Suddenly at Home", as Thursday. Harbury Garden Walkabout (see Horticultural Sat. 12th Society article) "Suddenly at Home", as Thursday. Sun. 13thSixth Sunday after Trinity. 8a.m. Holy Eucharist. 10a.m. Sung Eucharist. 6.30p.m. Evensong. 7.45p.m. All Sorts Scavenger Hunt, from Leamington House, Church Street. Cricket, at Home to Post Office. Junior Tennis, 6-7.30p.m. Village Playing Field. Mon. 14th Tues. 15th Tufty Club, 2.15-3p.m., Wight School. 8p. m. Bible Study. Senior Citizens Committee, 8p.m., Village Hall. Wed. 16th Middle School Concert, 7p.m. Thurs. 17th 6p. m. Cricket, at Home to Southam teachers. Middle School Concert, 7 p.m. Parish Council, 7.30p.m., Village Hall. P.T.A. Sports Cavalcade (volunteers needed Fri. 18th please for team members, marshalls, food serving etc.), and First Draw of the PTA's "100 Club". Netball Club Jumble Sale, morning, V. Hall. Sat. 19th Conservatives' Country Disco, Town Farm, Ufton. Seventh Sunday after Trinity. 8a.m. Holy Eucharist, 10a.m. Sung Eucharist, 6.30p.m. Sun. 20th Cricket at Home to Banbury Town C.C.

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Ion. 21st Junior Tennis, 6-7.30p.m., Playing Fields. Labour Party General Meeting, 8p.m. Wight School.

ues. 22nd St. Mary Magdalen. 9.45a.m. Holy Eucharist.

Young Wives, 2p.m. Village Hall. 8p.m. Prayer Group.

Village Hall Committee, 8p.m. Village Hall.

Harbury News Committee, 8.30p.m.23 Mill Street. Ved. 23rd

hurs. 24th Golden Age, 2.30p.m. Village Hall. St. James (Apostle). 9.45a.m. Holy Eucharist. ri. 25th School and Playgroup break up.

Scout Camp begins.

Oberammergau.

at. 26th Eighth Sunday after Trinity. 8a.m. Holy Eucharist. un. 27th 10a.m. Sung Eucharist. 6.30p.m. Evensong.

7.45p.m. All Sorts.

Parochial Church Council, 8p.m. Wight School. ues. 29th

NSPCC Sports Afternoon POSTPONED. Wed. 30th Thurs. 31st 7.30a.m. Communion, prior to departure to

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Blood Donors, Village Hall - more donors needed ri. 1st please will YOU come?

Ninth Sunday after Trinity. 8a.m. Holy Eucharist. Sun. 3rd 10a.m. Sung Eucharist. 6.30p.m. Evensong.

Bank Holiday. Mon. 4th

Cricket at Home to Long Itchington. Sat. 9th

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

SUNDAY AFTERNOON CLASS, V. Hall, 2.30p.m. every Sunday.

SWIMMING, School Pool, 9a.m. - 12noon, every Sunday...

GUIDES, Scout Hut, 7.30p.m. every Monday. GYMNASTICS, Harbury School Hall, 5.30(5 to 8 yrs.), 6.45(over

9 yrs.), every Monday. IOGGING, from Foodmart, 8p.m. every Monday.

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

PLAYGROUP, Wight School, Tuesday to Friday mornings.

TODDLERGROUP, Wight School, Mon.a.m. & Wed.p.m. BROWNIES, Village Hall, 6.15p.m. every Tuesday.

DANCING CLASSES, Wight School, 5.30-7.45 Tuesdays, 4-7.15 Wednesdays, 4.45-7.45 Thursdays.

SCOUTS, Scout Hut, 7.45p.m. Tues(1st troop), Wed. (2nd troop).

BABY CLINIC, Village Hall, 2p.m., 2nd & 4th Wednesdays. WEIGHTAWAY, Wight School, Thursday evenings. GOLDEN AGE, Village Hall, 2.30p.m., 2nd & 4th Thursdays CHOIR PRACTICE, Church, 6.30p.m. every Friday.

ALL DATES CORRECT AT TIME OF GOING TO PRESS. Dates for inclusion please to Linda Ridgley, tel. 612792. For Village Hall bookings, ring Mr. Knight, tel. 613315. For Wight School bookings, ring Mrs. Windsor, tel. 612504.

THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

Thanks and appreciation are due to the many people (including some of our young people) who have worked so hard at mowing and tidying our Churchyard. Although we have not gained a place in the Diocesan Best Kept Churchyard Competition, our Churchyard certainly does look well-kept. The care of churchyards is an interesting subject. One way in which the grass in some of them used to be kept short was by the grazing of sheep. This was very effective if there were no flowers for them to nibble, if there were an adequate fence all round, if the gates were kept closed and the Church door kept shut. I myself have had the experience (in another Parish) of the indescribable mess which sheep can make if they get inside a Church!

But there is a limit, and some incumbents once went too far. For example, in the sixteenth century an Archdeacon objected to a Rector sowing his churchyard with turnips. "I hope I won't find those turnips again next year, when I do my visitation", said the Archdeacon. "Certainly not", replied

the Rector. " 'twill be barley next year! ".

Perhaps Archdeacons are not so fearsome as they used to be. For example, the canon law of Archbishop Richard, 1175, laid it down that "Clerks that wear long hair are to be clipped by the Archdeacon, even against their will". Can't you picture an Archdeacon (in gaiters) holding down a clergyman with one hand, and shearing off his hair and beard with the other?

But to return to the churchyard. One sometimes used to hear it spoken of "God's Acre" - an expression one seldom hears nowadays. It helps us to remember the need for reverence there, both because it is the resting place of the

mortal remains of former parishioners, and because it is consecrated ground. As we walkthrough the churchyard, we would do well sometimes to pray for the departed (making the sign of the Cross and praying "Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord; And let Light perpetual shine upon them"), or to remember them at the Altar at the Lord's Own Service.

Next, a few words about the Cemetery Chapel (which of course belongs to the Parish Council, not to the Church). This has not been used for services for many years, and is now used as a storage area by the cemetery caretaker. The Parish Council therefore asked me if I could de-consecrate the building. I wrote to the Diocesan Registrar last August, and he informed me that it is not possible to de-consecrate the building, since there is no such thing as 'de-consecration', and that to 'remove the legal effects of consecration! (which is what would have to be done) it would be necessary to obtain a pastoral scheme making the building redundant. So the matter is now in the hands of the Pastoral Committee. It would seem that the case is unique, for the Church Commissioners say they have never known a case of 'removing the legal effects of consecration' from a building which was not ecclesiastical property, and the Secretary of the Diocesan Pastoral Committee thought that it might even be necessary to obtain a private Act of Parliament, though he hoped not! Anyhow, it is hoped that it will be possible to do what the Parish Council wish before much longer.

With every blessing,

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

HOLY BAPTISM

June 8th James Lloyd Wrighton, 3 Banbury Road, Gaydon (by permission of the Vicar of Burton Dassett & Gaydon), June 8th Matthew Charles Burton, 23 Manor Orchard.

From the Churchwardens

We shall miss Mauro and Chiara Rustici, who return to Italy this month. It has been a great joy to share with them in fellowship during their year in Harbury, and we ask them to take our greetings to the Priest and members of their Church.

It was a great pleasure to welcome Mike Langrish and his family to a recent 10a.m. service. We very much appreciated Mike's message on the theme of "Hands".

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Our choir and some of our sidesmen took part in the Royal Show service, which was attended by a large number of our congregation, as well as by members of many churches throughout the Diocese. The Duke of Edinborough was the Guest of Honour at this inspiring service, on a beautiful summer evening, and - to the excitement of our choir - the Duke spoke to them afterwards, asking them about school, and about the Royal School of Church Music medals which they wear.

Bicycle Race, 1980: advance notice of the All Saints' Churc P.C.C.'s Bicylce Event, to be held on Sunday, 24th August, starting at 3p.m. Classes for all ages. Details next month.

ALL SAINTS' ALL SORTS

Unfortunately, so many dropped out of the camp that it was necessary to call it off. However, some of those who had been going to camp went for a day out to the Steam Fair on the Saturday, followed by a barbecue supper and a marathon game of Monopoly, so all was not lost!

On the previous Sunday, we all had a barbecue at Chiara's to say farewell to her. We wish her well on her return to

Italy.

"EX - CRUSADERS"

We are holding a Coffee/Squash Morning and Bring & Buy Sale on Saturday, 12th July, at the Wight School, from 10a.m. to 11.30 a.m., in order to raise money for some new hymn books.

Please come and support us. Thank you.

M.C.

LADBROKE NEWS

Services etc. for July and early August, 1980
Sunday, 6th July. Trinity V. 8.30a.m. Holy Communion,
11a.m. Matins.

Sunday, 13th July. Trinity VI. 11a.m. Holy Communion with Hymns and Sermon. 6.30p.m. Evensong.

Sunday, 20th July. Trinity VII. 8.30a.m. Holy Communion, 11a.m. Matins.

Tuesday, 22nd July. S. Mary Magdalen.

Friday, 25th July. S. James A. M. Sunday, 27th July. Trinity VIII. 11a.m. Holy Communion

with Hymns and Sermon. 6.30p.m. Evensong. Sunday, 3rd August. Trinity IX. 8.30a.m. Holy Communion. llam. Matins.

Wednesday, 6th August. Transfiguration of our Lord. Sunday, 10th August. Trinity X. 11a.m. Holy Communion with Hymns and Sermon. 6.30p.m. Evensong.

Extracts from the Registers

Holy Matrimony: 12th June, 1980, William David Aston and Elizabeth Anne Davies.

Christian Burial: 28th May, 1980, Kate Megan Warr.

Altar Flowers

July 6th, Mrs. Winkfield. July 13th, Mrs. White. July 20th, Mrs. Fell. July 27th, Mrs. Hayward. August 3rd, Mrs. Hedge. August 10th, Mrs. Teverson.

Women's Fellowship

We had a very enjoyable afternoon at our last meeting thanks to the hospitality of Miss Hensman and Miss Conlan. We welcomed the presence of Mrs. Flower, Mrs. Garner, Mrs. Jennifer Morgan and Mrs. Muriel Brown, and also had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of Mrs. Cripps and Mrs. Lloyd. We hope to see them all again in the near future. We now have a 'summer break' until 8th October, when our meeting will, I hope, be at 'Briarwood', Windmill Lane. Meanwhile.... Happy Holidays!

Farewells

We are sorry to say Goodbye to Mr. and Mrs. Griffin; we thank them for all their interest and help to Church and to Village during their stay among us, and we wish them both well. This month we also say Goodbye to Mr. and Mrs. Flower, Virginia and Charles. The younger members will be established in Leamington, but John and Pat are off to Montreal. They have been real members of the community since they came to the Old Well House, and we are grateful for all their help. Particularly we thank Pat for her help on the P.C.C., and as Electoral Roll Officer. G.R.F.

P.C.C. Party
Miss Junod, the PCC Secretary, very kindly organised this at her home in order to give members an opportunity to meet new residents in the village. It was a most happy occasion, and

we welcomed Mr. and Mrs. J. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Lang and Mr. Stone Roberts....some others we unable to come but we hope that they and all our new residents will find Ladbroke a happy place. A final word of thanks to the ladies of the P.C.C. who helped with the party.

G.R.F.

Summer Raffle The Draw took place at the P.C.C. party, and the lists of prize winners have been published. The profit for Church Maintenance Funds came to £40.50. Once again our thanks to Mrs. Winkfield, prize donors and ticket sellers.

G.R.F.

As you all know, Mrs. Hudson has now left the village. Mr. Hudson is still in hospital but they hope to be together again soon. So keep Mr. Hudson in your prayers, and let us all wish Mrs. Hudson and him happiness in the future. Roger Peel, we are glad to hear, is backfrom hospital and making progress. Remember him during the period of convalescence...always a time of stress for, if my experience is anything to go by, we all feel that progress is never as fast as we should like! G.R.F.

Myton Hospice Appeal Mrs. Garner wishes to thank all those who helped, contributed and attended her coffee morning in aid of this appeal. In spite of the unpleasant weather, a total of £60.50 was raised. (Well done...thank you, Mrs. Garner for all your hard work. G.R.F.)

W.I. The July meeting was cut to a minimum in order that members could leave early for their trip to Lighthorne Herbs. This event was much enjoyed, a lot was learnt and it is to be hoped that the trading stall will be laden with dried herbs, pot pourri, lavendar bags and herbal pillows in the not too distant future. Afterwards, 'The Dog' in Harbury provided satisfying meals in baskets; an enjoyable evening all round.

A letter was received from Mrs. Pat Flower thanking the W.I. for the farewell party and floral presentation. She leaves for Canada in July and, on behalf of all members may I wish her the very best in her new life.

Long Itchington was the venue for the Group Meeting this year, where around 150 members were entertained with a Fashion Show. We were proud to win the competition for 'A Corsage for the Bride's Mother' - made by Mrs. Marjorie Emus. Well done!

Please could we have volunteers for helping with the Hatton Hospital patients on Wednesday, 9th July, at 2 o'clock? If you are unable to come yourself, please donate a plate of sandwiches or cakes. We always find our visitors have healthy appetites and greatly enjoy some home cooking. Food can be given to Mrs. Emus at Old Rectory House on the day, or before if it is suitable to be put into the freezer.

Competition - The Largest Weed - was won by Mrs. Heather

Tredgold with a 5' thistle.

Next meeting - our Annual Garden Party - Thursday, 24th July at 7.30p.m. at 'Woodlands', School Lane. Wine will be provided, and members are asked to bring a contribution to the food table. There will be a raffle and a competition. All newcomers to the village are most welcome, and it would be a nice opportunity for us to meet each other.

I.B.

John and Pat Flower invite you to Tea and Flag Ceremony at The Old Well House, Ladbroke, on Sunday, 13th July, between 3 and 5 p.m. We welcome our many friends and acquaintances to join us before the final pack-up for Canada. Mr. Parker next door at Orchard Bungalow wouldlike you to walk round his garden on the same afternoon, and will give any gardening hints.

P.S.F.

Congratulations to Christopher Veel who has been chosen to represent Warwickshire in the discus at the National Championships in Liverpool on 10th/12th July. Chris, who is just finishing at Princethorpe School, tells me that his longest throw was 41.06 metres and that nobody believed it at the time! So, the very best of luck to you in July, Chris! We also congratulate Rowan Wilson, who represented Mid-Warks at shots at a meeting in Rugby on 21st June.

M. W

Ladbroke Parish Council Meeting
This was held on 20th June in the Village Hall, with Francis
Badman in the Chair and Merriel Williamson, Chris Jerome
and Geof Timms present.

Heavy Refuse Collection: the next is in the first week of July but you MUST ring Stratford 67575 if you want them to collect Area Meeting: a very good meeting with the Coal Board was held concerning possible coal mining in this area. The Coal Board representative was helpful, and more meetings with them will be held as and when they are able to give us more information.

Conservation: A letter is to be written to the County Planning Officer expressing concern that Ladbroke has not been grant € conservation status, and asking what protection the village

has for the listed and scheduled buildings.

Anti Litter Campaign: This has now started, and a list with details of local tips etc. is on the village notice board. By-Pass: A White Paper on roads was published recently. There is no budget for this year, but it is hoped that things will go ahead.

Warwickshire Finance and Structure Plans: Copies of these may be seen on request at Mrs. M. Williamson's, or

are available at the library.

Next meeting: Tuesday 22nd July at 7.30. All welcome. M.W.

Ladbroke Village Hall

On 30th May a Grand Opening on the lines of a Variety Night took place. Members of the village did their 'own thing', and top of the bill was our resident entertainer, Reg Dixon. A thoroughly enjoyable evening was had by all, and £202.90 was raised for the Village Hall Fund. Thank you Reg, and everyone who participated.

Proposed Future Events:

7th September - a Wheel Barrow Race. All able-bodied men dig out your barrows and get training!

13th September - hopefully, our own Ladbroke Olympics.
27th September - a Harvest Auction. All produce gratefully appreciated.

8th November - our Annual Bonfire Night.

6th December - a Children's Christmas Party.

Posters giving further details of all these events will be put up in the Bell and around the village, so keep your eyes open.

Now for the nasty bit! There is still work to be done on the Village Hall. Anyone who would be willing to do their bit, please note that either Dave Wilson or Peter Williamson

will be at the Village Hall on the first and third Saturdays of each month - they will explain what needs to be done.

HARBURY SCHOOL

School Fete I should like to thank all parents and friends who supported our Fete on 23rd May, and I am delighted to be able to tell you that £225 was raised.

Sponsored Walk We were very fortunate to complete our Walk in comparatively dry conditions on the morning of 21st June. The first half hour was a little drizzly, but for the rest of the morning the rain held off enabling approximately 230 children, plus many mums and dads, to walk the established course which was marshalled at regular intervals by members of staff. It is too early to determine what the result of the walk will be, but I should like to thank all those, both children and adults, who helped in any way.

N.C.O.

(N.B. The PTA Quiz Night is 24th September, not the 4th.)

Sports The summer term has seen almost $\frac{2}{3}$ of the Middle School stay behind to join the Athletics Club, practising their running/jumping/throwing prowess and trying to achieve an award in the A.A.A. 5-star award scheme. The more successful of the participants represented the School in the Central Warks. Athletics Championships. Successes were achieved by Adrian Thomas (lst, U.12s 800m.), Michaela Sedgley (lst, U.11s high jump), Debbie Keir (2nd. U.12s high jump), and Ashley Flower (3rd. U.12800m.). Those four, plus Robin Taylor (U.13s high jump) have been invited to represent the Central Area in the County Sports on 28th June.

At the Leamington Schools swimming gala on 16th June, the Harbury team swam well, with most of the children reaching their respective finals. Susan Allen had a very successful evening, winning the Girls' Breaststroke Final, coming second in the One Length Freestyle, and being part of the Relay Team (along with Joey Gascoyne, Trudie Wallington and Allison White) who came second in the Girls' Relay final.

Congratulations to Matthew Checkley, who has been selected for the Warwickshire Primary Schools Cricket Team.

Finally, the Middle School Sports will take place at the Village Playing Fields on Wednesday, 9th July, starting at 1.45p.m. (weather permitting). Your support will be very welcome. I.S.

On Friday, 13th June, Class 11 went to Oversley Wood for the day. Unfortunately, Mr. Chapman was ill, and so he could not take us. Mrs. Stanbridge kindly took Mr. Chapman's place, and went with Mr. Oliver. We started from school at 9.30 and arrived at about 10a.m. Oversley Wood is just the other side of Alcester, and is owned by the Forestry Commission.

It was very well kept. Some of the trees were labled. We saw some examples of layering and coppicing. By layering, a tree's branches are pulled down horizontally along the ground and produce more trees. This saves planting more trees. By coppicing, you fell the tree at the top of the thick part of the trunk and so crops of poles grow from the stump. These poles can be used for posts.

There were lots of flowers, plants and trees, for instance bracken, wild strawberries, thistles, ferns, bramble, rose bay willow herb, dog rose, goose grass, forget-me-nots, tormentil, silver birch, aspen, European larch and Norway spruce.

We took some soil samples with a soil auger and we also caught some small insects. The soil auger was like a huge cork screw.

We all enjoyed ourselves thanks to Mrs. Stanbridge, Mr. Oliver and to Mr. Chapman for organising the trip.

LOUISE UPTON AND RUTH BROWN.

OVERSLEY WOOD

There was a damp smell of trees when we got there and all around us there were drips of water falling off the trees like diamond fruit.

I looked up a rustling green tunnel of trees and grass.

Across our path there was a river of stones where we could find remains of the past.

Through the trees we saw streamers of light

like cine cameras shining down on the undergrowth.

Along waves of green grass we walked, to magnificent views overlapping each other.

Tall giants of trees towered above us Standing in their own territory. Some are gnarled and twisted like old men.
Then down a wave of grass and back to
our starting point.

our starting point. MICHELLE CENEY (Class 11).

HARBURY YOUTH CLUB

This month there will be a Coffee Bar as usual on Tuesdays, and two discos, on Wednesdays 2nd and 9th July. The Wednesday Club will close for the summer on 16th July. The Coffee Bar will remain open on Tuesday afternoons and Thursday evenings throughout the holidays, starting on Tuesday 29th July. There will be facilities for outdoor activities such as tennis, rounders, swingball etc. A weekly programme will be posted in the Coffee Bar window, as we hope to also include a barbeque, midnight walk, an all-day visit and swimming, depending on the weather. All Youth Club members and friends will be welcome. J.T.T.

1st HARBURY SCOUT TROOP

On Wednesday 18th June we welcomed four cub scouts into the troop - Timothy Watts, Christopher Millington, Mark Streeter and Stuart Simcock. Having obtained their Link Badge and the age of eleven, I know that they will be keen to prove themselves in the next stage of the Movement. We also welcome Peter Brown, andhope he will enjoy his scouting.

Two scouts, Gautam Mehra and George Russell, have been chosen to represent the Leamington District at the Royal Show. They will be acting as couriers on the opening day, and will, I

am sure, be a credit to the troop and the village.

Summer Camp, in North Wales, is nearly upon us, and this month's training programme will have an outdoor flavour with swimming, canoeing and tent pitching among its themes. I wish John Ridgley, Mick Chick and their helpers at the camp a successful and memorable time. JOHN HANCOCK.

lst HARBURY SCOUTGROUP - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

You have probably read in previous magazines of the intention to build an extension to the Scout Hut which is behind the Wight School. The Hut is used by Cub Scouts, Scouts, Guides and Venture Unit, all of which sections have grown by 85% over the last two years, from about 70 to over 130 members. All the sections are flourishing but badly need

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more space for their activities and training programmes, which provide such stimulating and challenging opportunities

for these young people.

The estimated cost of the extension is £2,700. It is hoped to complete the work this year, using mainly voluntary labour. The Committee considered various methods for raising the necessary finance, and decided that the only sure way was to issue building bonds.

The Building Bond is a receipt for an interest free loan of £10, which will be repaid within 4 years. In addition, Bond holders will automatically be entered in quarterly draws when, as well as the refund of their loan,

winners will receive an extra £10.

This is a project of enormous importance to the young people, and the Bond Issue is available to all residents of Harbury. On behalf of the Committee andthe leaders, I urge you to support this worthwhile endeavour. Please contact either Ken Hughes, Leamington House, Church Street (612273) or John Hunt, 10 Farley Avenue (612931). KEN HUGHES, Chairman.

CARNIVAL AND FETE, 1980

May I first of all breath a large sigh of relief after what must have been one of the worst starts to the Carnival Day for many years. I am sure most of you will know how the Committee and I felt on that terrible Saturday morning after 12 months' hardwork. Several times the telephone rang and the inevitable question was asked - "Is it cancelled?". "NEVER" was my reply, as I have faith in the support of the people of Harbury, but even I didn't realise just how terrific that support would be.

From out of that dark gloomy and miserable morning you came, first the stalls and amusement staff, then the floats and fancy dress, and last of all the crowds to cheer everybody on. And was anybody gloomy? NO!!! Nothing could have spoilt that Carnival atmosphere because everyone was determined that it was going to be a success, and a success it was. The final figures are not yet out, but

we do know that the profit is above £900.

People of Harbury - I am proud of you, and I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

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May I also thank my Committee, who have worked extremely hard this year. Sue Andrews, Midge Keen, Gill Gurden, Jean Cox, Keith Thompson, Ted Coupe, Bruce Hannay, Bill Allen and Denis Andrews - thank you all.

Thanks also to everybody else who took part or was nvolved in any way, however small, in the Carnival - you all nade a splendid effort.

BING BINGHAM, Chairman.

CARNIVAL RESULTS

Decorated Float: Ist, Leycester Close Community of Friends. 2nd, Harbury Theatre Group. 3rd, Harbury Brownies. Decorated Float, Trade: 1st, The Old New Inn. 2nd, The Shakespeare Inn. 3rd, Soans Ltd.

Pet Show: lst, Vicky, owned by the Andrews family, Hall Lane. 2nd, Thomas, owned by the Burnham family, Manor Orchard. 3rd, Candy, owned by the Boiles family, Queens Close.

N.B. The vet who was to have judged the Pet Show was unable to come due to illness. We were very fortunate that Mr. McArthy, a local RSPCA Inspector, was available at very short notice, and we thank him for judging the show.)

Harbury & Ladbroke News Photograph Competition: Adults, lst, Christine Upton. 2nd, David Winter. Children, lst,

Stephen Hancock. 2nd, Sarah Ridgley.

ncreased adult contingent was very encouraging.

CARNIVAL SPORTS, Sunday 8th June
The rain kept off until the final event to guarantee another good
afternoon of athletics, over 150 people entering one or more
events. We decided in general not to segregate the sexes,
eaving it to the starters' discretion how much start, if any,
he girls should have, and I think the results show that they did
a reasonable job. This also helped cut down the number of races
which, except for the Cross-Country, fitted into the two hours
of dry weather. A welly-wanging event was added to provide an
on-going contest which could be entered at any time.
With 30 entries, 7 up on last year, the Cross-Country, heldin
bouring rain, was again a success, the children proving their
eatural stamina. A few ran a bit further than necessary by
missing a turning, for which they could expect to take off say
at minutes from their recorded times. Last year's winning
ime by Gary Picken was beaten by John Hancock in 18.05. The



CARNIVAL '80 (photos by Mike Bloxham)

Left: First prize winners in the Adult Fancy Dress Class, Howard and Maria Stringer.

Below: Harbury Cubs bring the Circus to Town!





Above: Turkish
Delight - we think
they're the
Jogging Club!

Right: . Legs & Co?



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My sincere thanks to all who helped with the Athletics. many of whom I co-opted on the day: Entries and results - Sue Wilkins; Starters - John Hancock and Gordon Avery; Finish Judges - Keith Thompson, Bruce and Jan Hannay, Jackie Powell and Tim Millington; Megaphone - Carol Grinnell; Refreshments - Mary Thompson; Prize Giving - Susan Ellis (Carnival Queen); Welly Wanging - Ted Coupe.

THE LEYCESTER CLOSE COMMUNITY OF FRIENDS

BOB WILKINS.

Carnival Day for us dawned in near disaster, the wind and rain having destroyed half of our float, so everyone - young and

old - turned out in the wind and rain to help with the repairs, which went on right till the last minute. It was all worth it when we won first prize for the third year running. In the evening we had a celebration party in Leycester Close for the Senior Citizens and children. We all had a good sing-song and Mervyn supplied the music for the dancing. Despite the horrible weather everyone enjoyed themselves, and all went home tired but very happy.

On 24th June we held our A.G.M. and the following officers were elected for the next 12 months: Chairman, John Durrant. Secretary, Hilda Stephens (613787). Treasurer, Bridget Rowell (613670). A vote of thanks was proposed for the retiring officers for their efforts over the last year.

HARBURY THEATRE GROUP

Rehearsals are going well for "Suddenly at Home", our next production, and a gripping Francis Durbridge murder play. If you still haven't got your tickets for July 10th, 11th or 12th, they are available from Phil Lindop's, or at the door. Listen for the extract from our play which may be broadcast on 'Radio Mercia' in the next week or two!

The next two productions are both comedies, in very different styles - "Time and Time Again" by Alan Ayckbourn, and the classic "Charley's Aunt" by Brandon Thomas, and there is our Youth Theatre Group's Pantomime to look forward to as well.

Renewal and improvements to the control box, ready for these plays, will further enhance the lighting. J. N. S. HARBURY SOCIETY MYSTERY TOUR 1980

A miraculous break in the bad weather enabled the 1980 Mystery Tour to take place. Well over 100 people paid to take part, with children outnumbering adults by 2 to 1. The winner in the Adult section, with $43\frac{1}{2}$ points out of a possible 45 was Dick Picken. DavidWinter was second with 41 points and Bob Wilkins, Annette Hughes and Marian Millington tied for third place with 40 points each. In the Children's section (where there were 66 entries), the First Prize was awarded jointly to Catie Jackson, Penny and Christopher Ottewill and Timothy and Karen Tyler, who all scored 39. This was an outstanding achievement, as they would have been fourth in the Adult section!

Andrew and Diane Bruckland, newcomers to the village, had an excellent round with 36 points, and Carole Bastin, encumbered with two young children and a rather unwillingly participating husband, was obviously feeling harassed towards the end. In answer to Question No. 31 - "Is Chapel Street 440 or 880 yards?" - she replied, "You tell me!", and for No. 36 - "What is your destination?" - she wrote "Old New Inn - HOORAY!"

Some of the clues that I thought relatively easy were only properly answered by a few. "Find an alliterative item of street furniture, made in Dursley, Glos." meant Lister Litter Bin, and "How was this house squeezed in?" elicited the answer Sideways, which was given a mark, but really the answer was Edgeways, and that's its name too!

It was a super turn out, and so pleasing to see so many children taking part and enjoying themselves. They have a remarkable knowledge of their village and its residents.

I must thank Chris Finch and Ess Picken for all their help, and Mrs. Mary Hendry at the Old New Inn who took us

on, not knowing quite what to expect.

Next year, Ess and Chris have threatened to exclude me from the compiling of the Tour. They intend to organise it themselves and have the sadistic pleasure of seeing me struggle round with everyone else, puzzling over their evilly clued questions. So beware - 1981 brings a new dimension to the Final Mystery Tour!

LINDA RIDGLEY.

TENNIS CLUB

The tournament organised as part of Carnival Week was a great success. The combination of wine, fresh air and rain resulted in some interesting and uninhibited shots, and the tournament was finally won in a close finish by Phillipa Dufresne and Tom Smith, who clearly found the wine to their liking!

The Club itself continues to flourish, and one or two members are running a Junior session on Monday evenings, as a follow-up to the coaching sessions held earlier in the year. Anyone interested in joining this should contact Phillipa Dufresne (612286) or Rosemary Ottewill (613402). R. H. H.

BOLIVIA - CHRISTIAN AID

As we all know, we in England have economic difficulties but many countries face economic disaster. Bolivia is one such country, where half the Indian peasant children die before they are two years old, and life for the surviving children and their parents is desperately hard.

Do you want to help? You probably already have! Money raised during the recent Christian Aid Week collection will be used in Bolivia via the Catholic Church Office for Social Assistance, to improve working conditions and enable the Indians (descendents of the Incas) to earn enough to support their families, and to establish medical and welfare services.

Thank you to everyone who distributed or collected appeal envelopes, and to all who gave so generously in Harbury - our total this year was £136. ERICA ROBB.

MOTHERS! UNION

Eight members of Harbury M.U. attended a memorable Festival Service in St. Mary's Church, Warwick, on 3rd June. This was open to all M.U. members in the Warwick Archdeaconry, and the overriding theme was BELONGING - to one another, to God, to the world, to the Church, and the M.U. A tremendous feeling of unity pervaded the service, in which 18 clergy took part. The sermon was given by the Very Revd. Alan Warren, Provost of Leicester Cathedral, remembered by many from the time he spent living and working in Leamington. He asked everyone to seek PEACE in these troubled times.

About 400 people took part in the service, and the parade of banners (37 in all) was a most impressive sight - and a further

reminder of belonging to one another.

The Harbury Branch Garden Meeting, held on the following day, proved to be successful and enjoyable. The weather was glorious, with no heavy showers to send everyone scurrying indoors as in previous years! We are most grateful to Mrs. Gladys Hogben for allowing us to use her beautiful garden once again - alovely setting for a very pleasant afternoon.

A.M.

W.I.

At the June meeting, final arrangements for the Gas Board Cookery Demonstration and the Carnival Float and Stall were discussed. Mrs. Zonik had been asked by County House to display some of the costumes from "Out of Our Yesterdays" at the main branch of the Leamington Spa Building Society, to publicise the next stage of Scene '80, to be held at Warwick University in July.

Mrs. Lin Hayes had been awarded a silver star for her lace work at the W.I. Area Crafts exhibition at Barford.

Mrs. Ellis reported on a very enjoyable evening at the Spa Centre, given by the Guernsey Tomato Board. Miss Lodge and Mrs. Cox were thanked for helping with the Christian Aid collection.

The raffle was won by Mrs. Cooper.

Dr. McWhinney came to talk on "Houses and Gardens", showing an excellent film of famous properties and castles from all over Great Britain. Such an interesting programme, and a delightful speaker! Mrs. Zonik gave the vote of thanks.

JEANNE BEAUMONT.

GAS BOARD COOKERY DEMONSTRATION

Arranged by the W.I. as part of the Carnival Week events, this demonstration enabled the 70 ladies present to watch the demonstrators prepare five different recipes: Almond Spring Gateau (whisking egg white into a peak is what your right arm's for!), Chocolate Eclairs, Cabbage Dolmans (divide the filling as equally as you can - you can't know which one will be yours!), Saucy Pork Pieces and Gammon SupperSteaks.

The goodies were raffled at the end of the demonstration and Mary Thompson issued an invitation to the non-members

to inspect a display showing the W.I. events of the past years. A very interesting and enjoyable evening. L.RIDGLEY.

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

The Committee is concerned that it is losing bookings to the Wight School and the Rugby Club. Former Bookings Secretary, Denis Andrews, explained that the Hall had been unable to accommodate all the Horticultural Society's pre-arranged events, and so the Society had gone to the Wight School. Bing Bingham said he thought the Rugby Club, with its cheaper rates and a BAR was a greater threat than the Wight School. The Village Hall was still well booked up, but Linda Ridgley pointed out that it was difficult to use the smaller rooms for talks and discussions if the Main Hall was beingused for badminton or any other noisy activity.

The recent disturbances which followed the holding of a private party at the Hall were discussed. The Committee regarded the happenings as unfortunate, and an isolated incident which would not necessarily occur again. There was little more the Committee could do to prevent such trouble – it already insisted that no young person could book the Hall on his own account, and that all teenage parties must have two

responsible adults in attendance.

L. RIDGLEY.

BOOK REVIEW - "JONI"

What in life gets you down? Do you overcome it? Imagine being young and active, but being paralysed from the neck down at the age of 17 in a diving accident. Ask yourself, "How would I react?" Joni found more freedom in her wheelchair through this accident than do most of us who rush round on our two legs. More free? Yes, free - the freedom that she found in surrendering herself completely to Christ, and allowing Him to work in her. If you don't believe this, read "Joni" and find out what she says. If you do believe, read the book because you will be enthralled by the story.

Before being asked to review "Joni" I had an aversion to it as so many people were enthusing about her. Once begun, the story challenged, fascinated and compelled me to read it to

the end.

Bechallenged: share the comfort which Joni found in her life. Discover how she learnt to live by Jesus' standard of

love, and so foresook the double standards of having one love and behaviour to her family and another to the world. Read how God in His love matured her emotionally, mentally and spiritually. You won't regret buying this book - it is on sale on the bookstand in Church. Published by Pickering & Hughes, it's priced at £1.80. E.ROBB.

PLACES TO GO

Now that summer is here (is it?) we thought you might appreciate one or two ideas for places to visit which are within reasonable travelling distance of Harbury.

Stanford Hall - 4½ miles from Lutterworth, 7 miles from Rugby, off B5414. Motor Cycle and Car Museum, Nature Trailetc. House and Grounds - Adults £1, Children 50p. Grounds only - Adults 30p, Children 10p. Museum only - Adults 35p, Children 15p.

Boughton House -5 miles north of Kettering, off A43 at Geddington. OPEN AFTER JULY 27th. "One of the greatest houses of Europe". Art treasures and one of the world's finest armouries. Nature trail, picnic area etc. House and Grounds, Adults £1, Children 50p.

Spetchley Park - 2 miles from Worcester, A422. Thirty acres of beautiful gardens. Red and fallow deer in the park. Plants for sale. Adults 70p, Children 35p.

Broughton Castle - 2 miles west of Banbury on B4035. A moated mansion - a Parliamentary stronghold in the Civil War. R.H.H.

HARBURY LIBERALS

Harbury and District Liberals had a very successful Jumble Sale in the Village Hall recently. Many thanks to those who gave jumble, those who helped, and those who came to buy.

Encore 11th October!

MR. AND MRS. HONIWELL

Mr. and Mrs. J. Honiwell, known to all the older inhabitants of Harbury, died at their home in Brixham, Mr. Honiwell on 11th June and Mrs. Honiwell on 13th June. They were both aged 89 years.

Mr. Honiwell came from Duston in Northamptonshire to Harbury to be Manager of the Co-op from 1936 to 1953, when

he and his wife retired to Brixham. (The Co-op house in High Street is named after his home village.) While in Harbury, he was a councillor on the Parish and Rural District Councils, and was also very active in Church affairs. During the war, he helped with coal delivery, baking bread, and any odd jobs that had to be done, including being the local taxi service to the maternity ward at the Warneford Hospital! Apart from all this, he was the officer for the local Home Guard.

Mrs. Honiwell was well known for her interest in all

women's activities.

Their name will always remain connected with Harbury, as Honiwell Close was named after them. D. LOWE.

PARISH COUNCIL, MAY 1980

Should allotment sheds be green? No - wood coloured. Just one of many interesting decisions made by your Parish Council in May. Councillors are decisive, public spirited and

fair, giving praise where praise is due:

Sharon Hancock congratulated the Parish Council working party on its efforts to tidy the village for the Best Kept Village Competition, and Bruce Hannay complimented the Village Hall on the condition of its grounds. John Drinkwater did a splendid job persuading the Stratford D.C. to cut Manor Road Green in time for the judging.

But the councillors can act with authority when necessary: Mike Ellis declared that he thought the P.C. had been 'waffling for too long' about the de-consecrating of the Burial Grounds Chapel. The Scouts were sent to clear it out, and Sharon Hancock suggested the altar fittings be returned to the Vicar. Mike Ellis further insisted that the Parish Council reply to the letter of complaint about the state of the Burial Grounds which was published in the Morning News. It obviously referred to the period when the P.C. was between caretakers, and represented adverse publicity which should be countered.

The P.C. resolved to ask Blue Circle to erect, at the bend in the footpath, a notice warning of the deep water in the quarries, following the drowning of a heifer there recently - it could easily have been a child! There was considerable concern at the recent development at Fosse Farm, Radford, where a new entrance had been created and heavy plant and large vehicles were manouvering, to the danger of other road

wsers. Had planning permission been gained for these chan Work is toge ahead to replace the village pump with an exact replica. The Harbury Society had begun to raise funds for this purpose, and had been offered asubstantial sum by aranonymous donor.

The Canon Startin Trust application for 12 detached bungalows on land off Farm Street had been refused as contrary to the Structure Plan, but John Drinkwater thought it would "go to appeal". The P.C. supported plans to erect three garages in Binswood End, because this would ease the

traffic problem there.

Mike Ellis is a cautious man (especially with other people's money). He decreed that a rota should be compiled of people willing to inspect the Playing Fields Children's Plarea equipment, for he said that the Insurance Company had explained that many claims arise from the results of vandalito the equipment. He was very concerned that a community small as Deppers could not possibly inspect its play equipment.

regularly, every day of the year.

For the Tennis Committee, Keith Thompson urged the P.C. to resurface the courts as soon as possible. Mike Ellis said that the P.C. had a 'millstone round its neck', and had not realised it would be such a costly asset. He thought the two finance committees should meet to discuss the problem, and report to the P.C., but he asked "Is there any equitable way out of this financial mess?" (Now what he means is this there is a body of opinion, mainly the Tennis Club members, who naturally want to see the courts resurfaced. They would be annoyed if this was further put off, the courts thereby becoming unplayable. The P.C. has a capital asset in the courts - they would cost a very great deal to construct from scratch today - BUT, and it is a very big but, there are very many more groups in the village who could well have just as valid claims to some of the Parish Council's money. The Village Hall is the obvious candidate - it is non-profit making and benefits the whole village, andit is also fighting a losing battle to make ends meet. If the P.C. spends several thousand pounds on repairs to the courts for a few dozen parishioners, and has to borrow money to do this, what will happen if some even more worthy cause later asks for cash? Yet, if the P.C. doesn't repair the courts, the vociferous

pro-tennis faction will be enraged. It is a case of being caught in a cleft stick whichever way they move, and so for as long as possible they are sitting on the fence!)

Keith Thompson, seeing the moment was ripe, spoke for the Recreation Grounds Committee's current enthusiasm for providing squash courts and a bowling green. Perhaps it was in fact over-ripe, for the P.C. did its best to crush the idea, complaining of the expense and the unliklihood of the George Vth Playing Field Trust allowing the erection of squash courts on the fields. Keith reported that other playing fields charged football clubs about £100 for the use of a pitch. Harbury Albion F.C. pays £18, and the P.C. agreed that this and the Rugby pitch fee should be increased.

The final discussion was inevitably about dog dirt on the Playing Fields, with Sharon Hancock giving a gruesome account of the effects of Toxicara Canis, the roundworm which can gravitate to the eye and cause blindness. Mike Ellis asked whether the Playing Fields were intended for the young, or as a general recreation area for all the village, and the Chairman said the fields were infact not so much an asset as an eyesore until Valentine Dubuisson took them over and they were mowed regularly. LINDA RIDGLEY.

.WHERE DO YOU CATCH THE BUS?

Since the re-organisation of the timetable, we don't know and, it seems, nor does the Bus Company! Your ever-keen Harbury & Ladbroke News reporters, and several Parish Councillors, have made valiant attempts to find out, but when a bus driver actually admits to not knowing where he's supposed to stop now, we feel we are entering into a panic situation! We are still trying to sort out the muddle, and as soon as we have done we will publish a timetable. If we have the facts to hand in time, there will be an insert with this magazine - if not we will try to do one for next month. DH.

IN THE GARDEN - JULY

This is the month when you find your real friends - someone who will keep an eye on your garden while you are away on holiday. It is also the time when you can enjoy the fruits of your labours, because you should have new potatoes, spring

cabbage, broad beans, early peas, radish, lettuce, and spring onions. Talking of onions, the Japanese onions will now be ripening. In most gardens these have done well, and you should buy new seed to plant in the middle of August. It is now time to plant leeks, and all your winter greens.

The strawberries and raspberries require netting to

protect them from the birds.

Rain - what a difference it has made to the garden, if not to the holiday makers! I am convinced that rainwater contains a secret ingredient that is absent from tapwater. One good shower from the heavens does far more good than gallons of tap water from either can or sprinkler.

Main crop potatoes require earthingup, also celery.

The best way to learn about gardening is to take the golden opportunity of visiting the 25 gardens in Harbury which will be on display on 12th July. See the following article for details.

W.F.LINES.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The next major event for the Society is the Garden Walkabout on Saturday, 12th July. There are 25 gardens open this year many of which have not been opened before, showing yet mor facets of the Harbury not normally seen.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all those gardeners who are prepared to put their work on show to benefit both the Society and the public. The event is now getting so popular that we have already started a provisional list for next year -yet more previously unseen horticultural delights!

The Walkabout is from 2p.m. to 7p.m., and the cost is 50p, or £1 for families. Tickets are available from me, or from most of the shops in the village.

TONY BRUNTON,
33 South Parade. 612191.

RED CROSS

I should like to thank all collectors and generous contributors to the Red Cross collection held recently. A grand total of £104. $62\frac{1}{2}$ was collected in Harbury.

PAMELA SPERLING.

Dear Editors,

On Friday 6th June I attended the A.G.M. of the Harbury Scout Group, and I expressed my thanks to the Leaders and the Committee for the many happy hours our son has enjoyed as a member. I would like to have said "On behalf of all parents..." but - oh dear! We are very anxious that our children become members of the Scout or Guide Movement, but, when it comes to showing our appreciation to the Leaders, who give untold hours of voluntary work to provide activities for around 90 boys, by attending an A.G.M. for $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours a year, we are sadly reticent. Had I been a Leader that evening, I should have been dismayed at the lack of response.

Once again, I say a very big thank you to all the leaders

and the committee.

A GRATEFUL PARENT.

Dear Editors,

After stitching up yet another child injured by broken glass on the playing fields, I feel I must register a protest in public. The time cannot be long delayed when a village child will be injured severely by such rubbish, left by a thoughtless few. Probably those responsible will not read this letter; if they do, let's hope they will think of the injuries they could inflict before smashing another bottle.

JOHN HANCOCK.

Dear Editors,

With reference to the Tennis Club news in last month's issue, I should like to thank the various people who have helped me.

The Revd. Mackley, and Steve Checkley, visited me in Warwick Hospital, and Mr. Whittle lost no timein looking

after my lawns.

I hopethat somehow money will be found to maintain the courts - they are a valuable amenity and must not be neglected.

Yours sincerely,

MAURICE BAYES.

Dear Friends,

Just to say thank you for all the get well cards, flowers

and other presents I have received.

Thank you, badmintongirls, for the fruit, and not forgetting Mrs. Brown and Class 5 for card and flowers.

Hope to see you all soon. KATHY MANCELL.

Dear Editors,

The good wishes given to us by many friends and acquaintances here in Ladbroke and in Harbury too have meant a lot, and we do thank you all as we set off to begin a new life in Montreal, Quebec - never forgetting our superb

village life here.

On Sunday, 13th July, between 3 and 5 p.m., we shall be holding the farewell ceremony of the flags. Please do come and join us here at The Old Well House - a cupof tea and biscuits will be available, before everything finally goes into packing cases, and the flag will no longer fly.

Long may our villages thrive!

Yours sincerely, John and Pat Flower.

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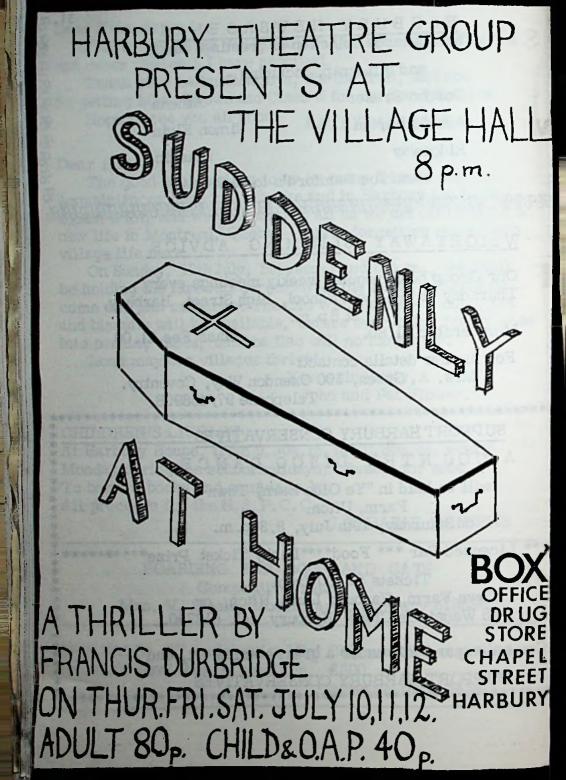
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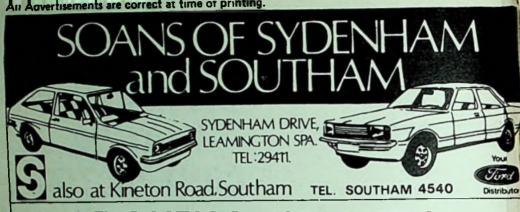
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