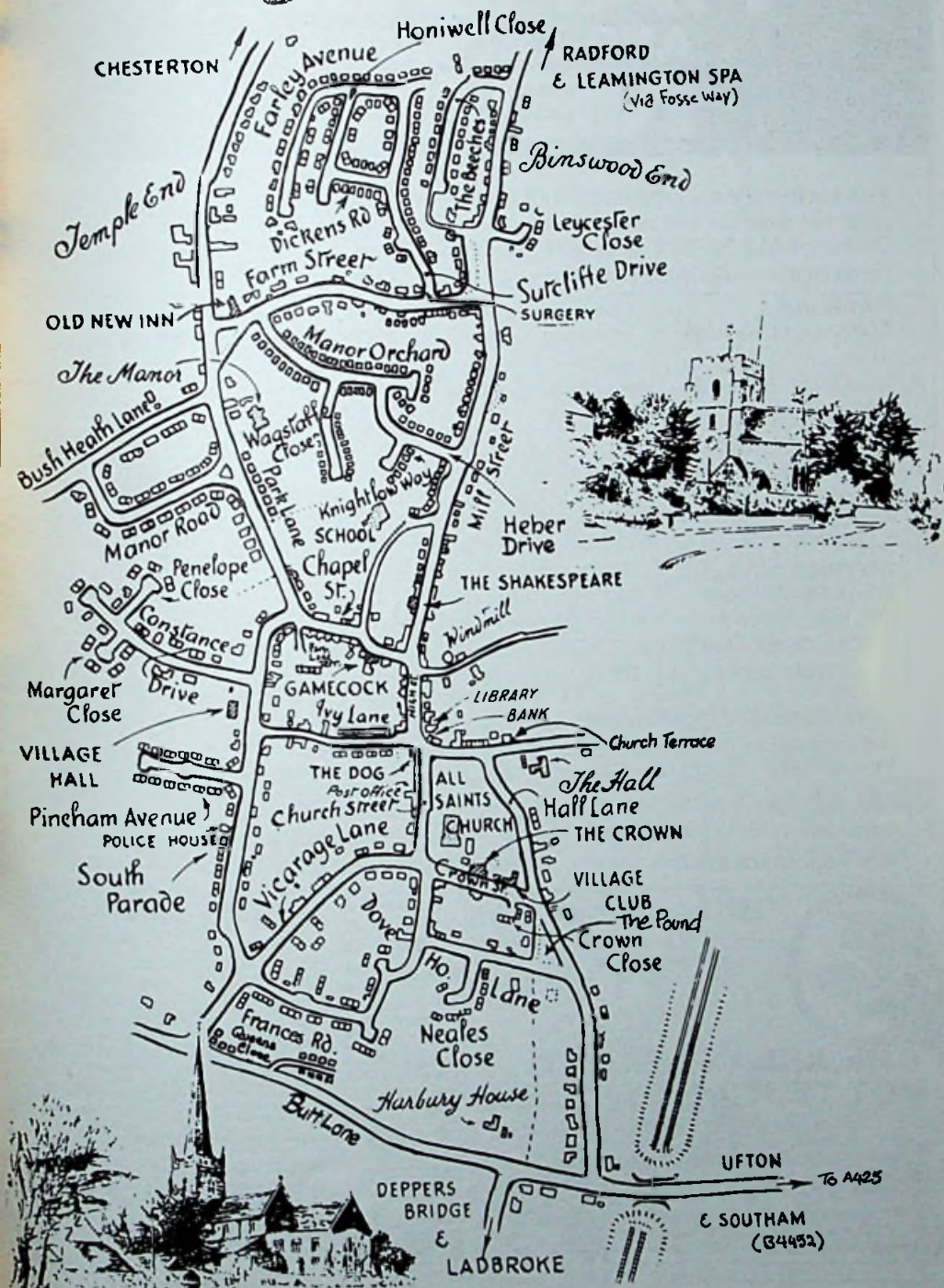


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BUMP?**

The editors wish all readers of the Harbury & Ladbroke News a Happy and successful New Year.

Congratulations (though we can hardly believe it!) to Reg Harris of Dovehouse Lane on his 80th birthday.

Congratulations too, to one of our editors, Andrew Winter who has just obtained a place at Pembroke College, Oxford where he will be reading medicine. He will be leaving the editorial committee this month to concentrate on his M levels. We thank him for all his hard work and wish him every success in the future.

The A.G.M. of the Harbury & Ladbroke News is on the 18th January at the 'Shakespeare' at 8 p.m. This is your magazine - so if you love us or hate us - come along and give us your ideas, criticisms, brickbats etc!

Our heartfelt sympathy to Peter Towell on the loss of his wife Diana after a long and brave struggle.

HARBURY DIARY

JANUARY

- Sat. 8th Christian Fellowship, 8pm, 77 Mill Str.
Sun. 9th First after Epiphany. 8am Holy Eucharist
10am Procession & Sung Eucharist,
4pm Evensong & Procession.
Mon. 10th School and Toddler Group begin.
Upholstery Classes, 2-4pm, Wight School.
Gymnastics start (see 'Regular Dates' for
time changes)
Tues. 11th Playgroup begins.
Confirmation Class in Vicarage, 6.30pm.
Scouts collecting Jumble (and Wednesday)
Wed. 12th Church Mens' Group Dinner.
Fri. 14th Christian Fellowship, 7.45pm, Colbourne
House, Ufton. Speaker: Norman Renshaw.
Tennis Club Dance, 8 - 1, V. Hall.
Sat. 15th Scout JUMBLE SALE, 2pm. V. Hall.
Rugby v Cov. Saracens, 1st team at home.
Sun. 16th Second after Epiphany. 8am Holy Eucharist
10am Sung Eucharist, 4pm Evensong.
Mon. 17th Christian Fellowship, 8pm Colbourne House
Ufton. Speaker: David MacInnes.

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Tues. 18th Confirmation Classes , 6.30pm, Vicarage.
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (until 25th)

Harbury & Ladbroke News AGM, 8pm at
Shakespeare Inn.

Fri. 21st Under 13's Disco run by the PTA.
Action Research Casino Evening, 8-1, V. Hall
Sat. 22nd Christian Fellowship, 7.30pm, 77 Mill St.
Harbury Liberals Curry Supper, The Paddock
Crown St., 8pm.

Sun. 23rd Rugby v Brackley. 1st team at home.
Third after Epiphany. 8am Holy Eucharist,
10am Sung Eucharist, 4pm Evensong.

Tues. 25th Conversion of St. Paul, 7.30am Holy Eucharist
Confirmation Class, 6.30pm in Vicarage.
Young Wives - "Looking Good, Feeling Fit".

Wed. 26th PCC Meeting, 8pm, Wight School.

Thurs. 27th PARISH COUNCIL, 7.30pm, V. Hall (Members of
the Public may attend)

Fri. 28th Netball 2-Tier Disco, Up to 11yrs 6-8pm 40p
up to 17 yrs 8.30-11pm 60p, V. Hall.

Sat. 29th Rugby v N. Casuals. 1st team away.

Sun. 30th Septuagesima. 8am Holy Eucharist,
10am Sung Eucharist, 4pm Evensong.
2.30pm Free Church Family Service in
Harbury Church - preacher Rev. Edward
Harrison.

Mon. 31st Harbury Soc. Social & Folk Evening
at Crown, Tickets £1.85.

Christian Fellowship, 8pm.

Conservatives' AGM, 7.45 at The Dog,
Tickets £1.65 (see article).

FEBRUARY

Tues. 1st Confirmation Class, 6.30pm, in Vicarage.

Wed. 2nd Presentation of Christ in the Temple.
7.30am Holy Eucharist.

Southam School 4th yr Parents' Evening,
7.15pm.

M.U., 2.30pm, 25 South Parade -

"Good Housekeeping" - Mrs. Esmé Churchill.
LEND Neighbourhood Group, 8pm, Wight School
speaker - Maggie Lowry.

Thurs. 3rd WI, 7.45pm, V. Hall. Mrs. Lewis & her team of
Scottish Country Dancers.

Men's Group, 7.45pm, 6 Dickens Rd.

- Fri. 4th PTA Homemade Evening.
 Sat. 5th Christian Fellowship, 8pm, Constance Drive.
 Rugby v AP. 1st team away.
 Sun. 6th Sexagesima. 8am Holy Eucharist,
 10am Sung Eucharist, 4pm Evensong.
 Scouts & Guides Newspaper Collection.
 Tues. 8th Southam School 2nd yr Parents' Evening, 7.15pm

REGULAR DIARY DATES

- ROMAN CATHOLIC SERVICE, Harbury Church, 9am Sundays.
 HARBURY ADVENTURERS, V. Hall, 11.30am Sundays.
 UPHOLSTERY CLASSES, Wight School, 2-4 Mondays.
 GUIDES, Scout Hut, 7.30pm Mondays.
 GYMNASTICS, Harbury School, 6-7pm (under 7s & begs)
 7-8pm (7-10yrs), 8-9pm (overs 10yrs) every Monday.
 BINGO, Village Hall, 8pm every Monday.
 TODDLER GROUP, Wight School, 9.30-11.20 Mondays,
 and 2-3.30pm Wednesdays.
 NURSERY SCHOOL, Village Hall, Tues - Fri mornings.
 BROWNIES, Village Hall every Tuesday evening.
 BADMINTON, Village Hall every Tuesday.
 DANCING CLASSES, Wight School, 4-5.30 Tuesday:
 4-9 Wednesday: 4-5 Thursday (beginners).
 SCOUTS, Scout Hut, 7.45 Tues (1st troop) Wed (2nd troop)
 BABY CLINIC, V. Hall, 2.30pm, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays.
 VENTURE SCOUTS, Scout Hut, 8pm every Thursday.
 POP-IN, V. Hall, 1.20 - 3.30pm every Friday.
 CHOIR PRACTICE, Church, 6.30pm every Friday.

Dates for inclusion PLEASE to Linda Ridgley, 612792.

N.B. All articles for inclusion in February's
 H & L News to editors by Sunday 30th January.

For Village Hall bookings, ring Mr. Picken, 612778.
 For Wight School bookings, ring Mrs. Windsor, 612504.

THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

We have had a wonderful Christmas. It was heartening to see the Church filling up for Carol Service after Carol Service and for Eucharist after Eucharist during the season, and there was a record number of Communicants. It is good to see this steady increase in the number of Communicants. The Church was beautifully decorated, and we thank those who gave the lovely flowers and evergreens, did the

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decorating and set up the Crib and the Christmas tree and arranged the Candles. I would like to thank all those who kindly gave me presents and Christmas cards.

The Christmas Fair was a very happy and successful event and made a profit of a little over £700.

We learn alas! that repair work has to be done to the Church Tower, and an estimate for £2600 has been received for this, of which £750 is for urgent work.

Congratulations to Mr. John Wilson of Victoria House, Farm Street, on being made a Judge. We feel it is an honour to the village too (has a Judge ever resided in Harbury before?).

We mourn the loss of Mrs. Towell who will be greatly missed both by the Church and the village. Although they had lived only some four years in Harbury, she and her husband had quickly won the hearts of many people by their kindness and good-neighbourliness, and the very large congregation in Church at her funeral was an indication of the respect and affection in which she was held. May God grant her peace and rest in His nearer Presence, and may He grant comfort and guidance to her husband and daughter.

Our bellringers have rung the old year out and the new year in (did you hear them at Midnight?). People often talk about making New Year resolutions. I would rather speak of forming good habits. There are two habits which should be aimed for. Never let a day go by without at least a few minutes of quiet, to read about and think about and talk with Jesus Christ; and never let a Sunday go by without joining with others at Church in the worship of God at the Lord's Own Service. And a third little habit - but don't tell anybody. Perhaps once a month to begin with, but it will grow into a habit, do a small act of kindness without anyone finding out. It may be at home, or it may be to a complete stranger, but let it be a secret between yourself and Jesus Christ. It doesn't matter how small it is, it helps to make the Christian life fun, as well as just good.

"Forth in Thy name, O Lord, I go,
My daily labour to pursue;
Thee, only Thee, resolved to know,
In all I think or speak or do".

Wishing you all a Happy New Year,
Yours sincere friend and Vicar,
F.R. Mackley.

Funeral Service

December 29th - Diana Margaret Fyfe Towell,
aged 57 years, of Edgeways, Vicarage
Lane.

From the Churchwardens

It was good to have so many at the services over Christmas and many people remarked on the standard of the music this year. The choir's singing, especially at the Carol Service, was very much appreciated. We should like to take this opportunity of thanking our organist, Ken Nordon, for playing for us. This is the sort of service which it is so easy to take for granted but we would wish Ken to know how much we appreciate his coming week by week from Napton. We are fortunate indeed to have an organist of his calibre and we are envied by many town churches for our organ and organist.

Did you have anyone first-footing this New Year? The Scottish custom seems to have been taken up by a number of households and it is interesting that the bearing of gifts of food and drink, fuel and money appears in a number of traditions at New Year (whenever this is celebrated). Iranian friends, formerly resident in this area, had a special table in their house for their new year on which they placed a number of articles including a glass of water, a saucer of growing mustard & cress, a bowl of goldfish and a dish of cakes. The cakes were offered to every visitor to their home during the new year period. In both cases, and in other traditions in which there are similar customs, the gifts are symbols of the donor's wishes to the recipient - good wishes for sufficient food, drink, fuel and money. Surely these are our wishes for all our friends and most of us would want to add good health to our wishes. New Year is a good time to look back and give thanks for all God's gifts during 1982 and to look forward and to pray for enough to live on during the coming year, particularly when there is so much uncertainty about jobs. We need, however, to remember that

material things are not everything which is why we wish everyone above all a HAPPY New Year.

Everybody, including the media - radio, T.V., newspapers - looks back and looks forward at this time of year and we'd like to look back and thank all those who have given service to the church and the community during the past year. There are so many that it is not possible to mention them all but we do want them all to know that their work is appreciated.

L A D B R O K E N E W S

JANUARY

Sunday 9th, Epiphany I, 11am Holy Communion with
Hymns & Sermon.
Tuesday 11th, WI Party for patients at Hatton Hospital
Wednesday 12th, Women's Fellowship, Hall Farm, 3pm.
Sunday 16th, Epiphany II, 8.30am Holy Communion,
11am Matins.
Monday 17th, 7.30pm Parochial Church Council in Church
Sunday 23rd, Epiphany III, 11am Holy Communion with
Hymns & Sermon
Tuesday 25th, Conversion of St. Paul
Sunday 30th, Septuagesima (Education Sunday) 8.30am
Holy Communion, 11am Matins with Children's
Procession of Light.

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 2nd, Presentation of Christ in the Temple
(Candlemass).
Thursday 3rd, 7.45pm, Men's Group at Harbury.
Sunday 6th, Sexagesima, 8.30am Holy Communion, 11am
Matins.
Wednesday 9th, 3 pm Women's Fellowship.
Sunday 13th, Quinquagesima, 11am Holy Communion with
Hymns & Sermon.
Wednesday 16th, Ash Wednesday, 7.30pm Holy Communion.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Jan 9th Mrs. Badman & Mrs. Wilson:
Jan 16th Mrs. Badman & Mrs. Wilson: Jan 23rd Mrs. Colvin:
Jan. 30th Mrs. Veel: Feb 6th Mrs. Chaplin:
Feb 13th Mr. Gould:

CAROL SINGERS: Those who sang round the Village raised
the goodly sum of £36 for the Myton Hospice Appeal.
Our very sincere thanks to the donors and the singers

A FEW WORDS FROM G.R.F.:

First, an apology for the error in last month's News which gave the morning service on Christmas Day as being at 11 a.m. and not 10.30 a.m. May be that was why we were fewer in numbers than usual.

Second, you will see from the Diary that our regular plan of services will be: First, third and fifth Sunday - 8.30 am Holy Communion, 11 am Matins; second and fourth Sunday - 11 am Holy Communion with Hymns & Sermon.

Third, I propose to anticipate Candlemass and have our usual children's procession of light on January 30th.... and as that is the Sunday when we are asked to pray for all educationists and particularly for our Church Schools that will be appropriate.

Fourth, My wishes for 1983. (i) Young recruits (12 and upwards) to learn to ring our lovely bells: (ii) Some choristers, young or older, male or female: (iii) more loving, regular worshippers of our Lord.

Let me end with thanks.... to God for health and the privilege of serving; to you all who care for and love our Church, the cleaners, the flower arrangers, the Churchwardens and Council, and those who so quietly and generously care for the little things which mean so much, like looking after the altar linen.

A Happy New Year to you all.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP: Just a reminder that we meet on Wednesday, 12th at Hall Farm by kind invitation of Mrs. Winkfield to settle our programme for the year. I wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year. C.H.

LADBROKE GENERAL NEWS

No Parish Council this month.

The social highlight of the month must be the terrific Christmas Eve celebration given by Ken and Hazel at the "Bell Inn". I am sure everyone there would like to thank them for all their hard work and wish them every success for 1983.

Happy New Year to everyone in Ladbroke.

KATE LIVERTON.

LADBROKE & DEPPERS BRIDGE W.I.

Sincere apologies to our November speaker Mrs. Baker for mis-naming her.

Our President was unable to attend the December meeting but sends her good wishes to all members. After business had been conducted a small party was held and this was enlivened by a Christmas Quiz and a word game.

The Hatton hospital visit on 11th January - please help with refreshments.

Representatives are going to the Mini-Consultative Council and the Spring Council Meeting and will report to the members in due course.

Christmas cards have been distributed to all Senior Citizens and the W.I. sends good wishes to all.

FREE CHURCH FAMILY SERVICE

A Free Church Service will be held at All Saints' Church, Harbury at 2.30 pm on Sunday 30th January, 1983, with the kind permission of the Vicar and the Parochial Church Council. The preacher will be the Rev. Edward Harrison, Minister of Dale Street Methodist Church, Leamington and Superintendent Minister of the Leamington Circuit. It is hoped that a service of this type will be held regularly in future. It seems possible that it will be on the last Sunday of each month, and it will be led by a variety of preachers, mainly from Nonconformist Churches.

Mr. Ken Nordon, the Church Organist, has agreed to play at this service, but it would be helpful if, in future, he is not available, if other organists in the Village could volunteer to help.

The organisers would like to stress that this is very much an inter-denominational service, and hope that all those who seek to love the Lord will feel able to come and participate in worship. It is intended to be a service suitable for all the family, so please bring the children.

See you there.

I.T.J.

FOUND: in the Wight School - a Bracelet and a Ring
Contact Mrs. Joyce Windsor, 5 Park Lane
(612504) for details:

I cannot remember when we last broke up for Christmas on a Tuesday, but it does present a good opportunity to 'run down', clear away and sort out prior to the break, and after the extremely busy week we had just completed.

Both First School and Middle School parties were great successes, and we thank all our parents who supported us so well.

The First School production of 'Coppelia' earlier in the month was a credit to everyone, and once again it was 'standing room only'.

The collection for the Mentally Handicapped amounted to £72 which, I believe is a record.

The P.T.A. Carols Round the Village had a great number of supporters who got thoroughly soaked, carol sheets disintegrated, but nevertheless a cheque for £30 was sent to the fund of the 'Helen House Hospice' in Oxfordshire, as a result of their efforts.

The Middle School Carol Service in church this year had the theme of Christmas Customs and Folklore. It was very gratifying to hear how much the congregation had enjoyed it, and a cheque for £35 has been sent to Harbury Church Funds. N.C.O.

School restarts on Monday, January 10th, 1983.
p.s. a Baby Buggy was found in the school grounds on the evening of PTA Carols Around Village, and so far has not been claimed.

HARBURY P.T.A.

A Happy New Year to everyone. Our last event, the Carol Singing was very well supported and the proceeds will go to the Helen House Hospice for very sick children.

We look forward to seeing you at our events in the New Year which will begin with a disco in the School Hall (for under 13's) followed by the return of the 'Homemade Evening', on 4th February, which was such a success last year. Any offers of help with items for this evening will be readily received by Nigel Chapman. J.P.

R.S.P.C.A.: Many thanks to all supporters of the coffee morning which raised £126. PAM SPERLING.

1st HARBURY SCOUTS AND GUIDES

Very many thanks to all those parents and friends who have supported our fund raising activities during the past year. To those who have not yet managed to get along to any of the events arranged: give it a try in this New Year - you might enjoy yourselves and we do need your support!

There will be a GRAND WINTER JUMBLE SALE at the VILLAGE HALL on SATURDAY 15th JANUARY at 2 pm. A house to house collection of jumble has been arranged for Tuesday and Wednesday 11th and 12th January in the evenings. However, should anyone require a special collection for any reason, please telephone one of the following committee members for it to be arranged: Ken Hughes 612273, Sue Jones 613261, Anne Mayer 613314, Rosemary Ottewill 613402, Mike Pallot 613270, Janet Watts 612603.

The next newspaper collection will take place on Sunday 6th February.

J.W.

HARBURY PLAYGROUPS

On Tuesday 14th December, all three Harbury Playgroups combined to put on a Christmas entertainment. The children began with songs about the snow and snowmen and continued with a playlet about Father Christmas. The proceedings finished with a Nativity which incorporated a couple of well loved carols.

The concert was very well attended by parents and friends and it was pleasing to see the children from the First School, some of whom had taken part in last year's entertainment. An enjoyable morning was had by all, and special thanks must go to all the Playgroup Leaders who worked so hard in organising such a delightful event. After coffee and biscuits a collection was made for the "Children in Need" appeal which raised £27.74. JANET RAWLINGS.

HARBURY PLAYGROUP

Many thanks to everyone who came to our Christmas Bazaar on November 27th and bought cakes, crafts, toys, gifts (and let's not forget the white elephants! Our funds benefited by about £70.

In the raffle the Basket of Fruit was won by S. Elliott. Lack of space prevents us printing the full list of winners but it's available on request.

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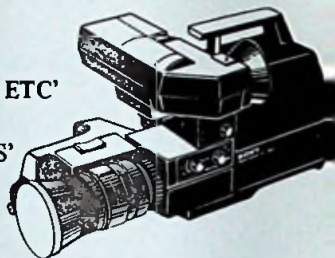
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GOODBYE and HELLO

'Goodbye 1982'.....and thanks to.....those who deliver the milk, the letters and the newspapers, and those who collect the rubbish.....the Harbury Theatre Group for some outstanding entertainment,the Parish Council for all their hard work on our behalf.....the good people who help with all the caring voluntary organisations from the Tufty Club and the Young Wives children's creche to the Senior Citizens Benefit Association,..... Tim Percival for his cheery presence,..... the Harbury shopkeepers for their friendly helpfulness,..... the Village Hall and Recreation Ground Committee for coping with a thankless task.

and 'Hello 1983' and here are some resolutions in case they are needed.....'I will buy some proper pictures for my wall this year' (for the person who took the warning sign from the playing fields) 'I will get rid of my rubbish in a more normal manner' (for the chap who goes out at night dumping plastic bags of rubbish in ditches)..... 'I will shop in Harbury whenever possible' (for those of us who want to keep the Harbury shops open) 'I will keep my dog under control' (for the phantom fouler of Farm Street)..... 'We will enforce the bye-laws on dogs' (for the Parish Council if the above resolution isn't kept)..... 'We will run a bus service' (for the Midland Red)..... 'We will ask local District and Parish Councillors what they think of planning applications, and then pay attention to their views (for the District Council)..... 'We will investigate the possibilities of enabling young Harbury people to actually buy houses in the village' (for anyone who cares about the problem).

I.T.J.

CONGRATULATIONS:

to David Hagan who is now "Midland Under 16 Cricketer of the Year" for 1982. He was selected from a pool of over 900 other young players, gathering 1800 runs in total this season, of which 277 were scored for the county. We wish him continuing success in 1983. -----

It was good to see Lynne Chick of Wagstaffe Close back home on Christmas Eve after several weeks in hospital. We hope she continues to make a good recovery.

HARBURY ALBION FOOTBALL CLUB

Take 24... (or was it 25??) footballers, 2 miscellaneous referees, a sprinkling of seasonal goodwill and vigorous "stirring" from the assembled crowd and you have the Boxing Day Over 30's v under 30's football match.

This annual event engenders considerable passion which often has little (or nothing?) to do with football, since the game includes such unusual tactics as mud-rolling (Andy Peebles), back chatting (from the goalies) and head rolling (by the Over 30's!!)

The game proceeds at an awesome pace and the finer points of positional play are explained to the uninitiated masses by enlightened football buffs (T: Bastin and R: Evans) who ARE able to distinguish between a penalty and a free kick (unlike the football correspondent!)

The final score, 6-2 to the Under 30's is probably irrelevant, except to those who scored the goals: A: Latham 2, M:Pratt 2, I.Lowe 1, A.Young 1; and for the Over 30's G.Lowe 1 (pen), D.Green 1. Although the youthful team triumphed, they did not succeed in bringing the over 30's to their knees. There was some rivetting action provided by the two referees, Anthony Nockalls and Bob Holt and after the match the combatants repaired to the team headquarters at the Old New Inn for turket curry (prepared by the landlady).

On the league front, there has been little action in the past two months for Harbury 1st team, who are in 8th position with only 5 points from 8 games. After initial success in early rounds of the Cup matches, the team failed at later hurdles going down 1-3 to Celtic in the quarter finals of the Challenge Cup and 2-3 after extra time in the Semi-final of the Division 2 Cup (only 8 players really played on that occasion!)

The Reserve team are still in 2nd place in Div: 5 with 17 points from 13 games, but there is a 5 point difference between them and the Old Hearts, which might prove insurmountable if they want to carry off the League title. It would be good to see one team get one title this year....next year....?

Happy New Year!

CHRIS FINCH

(see next page for results)

RESULTS: 1st Team

Nov. 7th Harbury 2	Cubbington 1	League Cup
14th Harbury 2	Avon Borough 1	Challenge Cup
21st Bishops Res. 1	Harbury 0	Cancer Cup
28th Harbury 0	Stockton 1	League Cup
Dec. 5th Harbury 2	Kingmaker 3	Div. 2 Cup
12th Harbury 1	Celtic 3	Challenge Cup
19th Napton 0	Harbury 4	League

Played 7 Won 2 Drawn 1 Lost 4

GOALS FOR 20, AGAINST 19, POINTS 5

Reserves

Nov. 7th Kestrel 3	Harbury 1	Div. 5 Cup
14th Wellesbourne 3	Harbury 1	League
21st Kenilworth 3	Harbury 1	"
28th Central Hosp. 0	Harbury 3	"
Dec. 5th English Rose 2	Harbury 2	"
12th University 2	Harbury 5	"

Played 13 Won 8 Drawn 1 Lost 4

GOALS FOR 34, AGAINST 26, POINTS 17

HARBURY HAWKS JUNIOR F.C.

The last two months have seen the Hawks at their highest and lowest performances. The beginning of November saw them romp to a 8-0 win against Southam Town and the end of the month saw the worst display of the season so far, losing 10-0 to Norton Lindsey.

The Marksmen against Southam were Stuart Crowther 2, Vince Crossan 2, Ian McDonald 2, Tony Bastin and Steve Lambert one each. In the Norton Lindsey game Steve Lambert turned in a good mid-field performance.

In December, the Hawks paid their first visit to AP Juniors, playing well in the first half, but letting it slip in the second and running out 4-0 losers. On the 19th the Hawks played hosts to Allesley Sports. High winds, hail and rainstorms but the game went on, when other teams were at home watching Match of the Day. Despite the weather and losing 4-2, it was a thrilling game when both teams gave their best, with Max Summers scoring a "cracker", Stuart Crowther being the other marksman. Special mention for good performances from Mark Evans, Martin Padbury, Darren Boiles and Graham

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Wederell:

On Christmas Sunday the lads played Dads in a very "close encounter of the first kind", both teams scoring five each. Marksmen for the lads, Max Summers, Sunil Mehra and Tony Bastin scoring a hat-trick. Paul Turner and John Gulliver played a tight and controlled game in defence. (see photograph)



RAFFLE: The Hawks would like to thank all the people who donated prizes and sold and bought tickets. Once again, "Thank You".

Future Fixtures: Jan. 9th v Cubbington - Home
Jan 23rd v Kenilworth W.M.C. - Home - Cup
Jan. 30th v Racing Club - Home.

D. WALLINGTON (Team Manager):

CONGRATULATIONS:

to Clifford Hendry of the Old New Inn who has secured a place on the OND course in Farm Management at Moreton Morrell following a successful preliminary YOP's course at Chesterton Stud. He has passed with Credit in his first year at the Agricultural College and hopes to go on and specialise in sheep rearing:

Mid Season Review

With the season now half way through it is perhaps opportune to review progress. The first team are enjoying a better start to the season, having suffered only six defeats in 16 matches and have shown a much improved commitment to the game. The seconds have struggled to find consistent form but the thirds led by John Fry have enjoyed a highly successful campaign with only three defeats in 16 matches. The fourths have struck beleaguered times on several occasions but have managed to complete 10 matches albeit they only have one victory!

The mini and Junior sides are again showing promise for the future of the Club - indeed their organisation, discipline and fine behaviour in their matches at several much larger clubs in the Worcestershire, Birmingham, Northamptonshire and Leicestershire areas has done a great deal of good for the Senior side in establishing new fixtures. Harbury started the New Year on a positive note - fielding two equal strength 'A' sides on New Year's Day they attained victories over Balsall and Berkswell (16-10) in the home game and Onley (10-4) in the away game. A unique feature of the home match was the presence of a father and two sons in the same side. Pete Wells, the third team stalwart hooker, who regularly plays with son Ian, had the opportunity to also play with son Steve (a first team centre) in the combined side.

Finally, my usual note that the Club would be delighted to see any new player of whatever age or ability down playing Rugby Football - and what better way than down at your local club. Training is held on Monday and Wednesday evenings at 7 pm, the latter being the better night. Anyone interested over the age of 16 is eligible to play on Saturdays but we also run Junior Colts on Sunday mornings at under 13, 14 and 17 level.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year to all.

JERRY BIRKBECK (Hon. Sec.)

HARBURY LADIES NETBALL CLUB

The season began slowly for both A and B teams. The A team are fielding quite a different side this year with three new players and existing ones

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playing out of position. The results have been inconsistent and in some games have not reflected the quality of play at all.

The B team suffered, once again, from injuries in the first week which resulted in two reserves being played from the commencement of the season. Things appear to be improving for both teams and hopefully everyone will regain their former confidence for the New Year.

RESULTS: A Team: Won 2, drawn 1 and lost 4
 B Team: Won 3, lost 4.

Incidentally the U18 team which only entered the league this year have won their first two games with resounding victories.

We should like to thank the Tennis Club for the use of the court for this 1982/83 season and the help we have received from Steve Chaplin and the Committee.

BY THE WAY CALLING ALL YOUNGSTERS

We are holding a 2-tier Disco on 28th January 1983:

Up to 11 years of age from 6 to 8 pm then

Up to 17 years of age from 8.30 to 11 pm.

Tickets will be 40p for the first session and 60p for the second session:

So come along folks, beat those January blues!!!

HARBURY GYMNASTICS CLUB

Mrs. Simcock has been so overwhelmed with applications from young girls who want to join the Harbury Branch of the Leamington Olympic Gymnastics Club that she has had to introduce three sessions into the Monday schedule at Harbury School.

Classes for the Under 7s and Beginners will run from 6 to 7 pm. Those for the 7 to 10 year olds from 7 to 8 pm and the Over 10s session lasts from 8 to 9pm. Personal commitments prevent Mrs. Simcock from beginning the classes earlier than 6 pm.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Grateful thanks are extended to the many people who so willingly and at such short notice helped make 1982's Christmas Fair so successful. Judging from the crowds, Father Christmas drew as many followers as usual to the event. (So sorry for the lengthy queue to see him in his grotto). With nearly 30 stalls, sideshows and entertainments there was some-

thing for everyone to do, with many excellent Christmas bargains being snapped up.

The final profit of £700.16 will be used by the event organisers for 1982 (Harbury Church) to offset repair costs and overheads. Provisionally the Parochial Church Council has set aside £100 of the profit to be given to the Village Hall Committee for roof repairs should it be required.

Harbury All Saints' Church would like to thank the Recreation Ground Committee (the event's usual organisers) for permission to take over the event.

The P.C.C. is assured by the Recreation Ground Committee that it is not in need of any funds raised by the Christmas Fair.

A full statement of the fair's result can be seen on the notice board inside the church. P.J.H.

RAFFLE: Thanks to the generosity of those who contributed prizes and the very many who bought tickets, the draw produced £170. The Giant Teddy was won by Mrs. Lea of Binswood End, the turkey went to Jeanne Clarke's mother and the bottle was won by James Collins (aged 6 months), grandson of Mr. & Mrs. John Algar. A complete list of prize winners is available at 13 Mill Street. J.D.



A big thank you must go to all the members of the Senior Citizens Benefit Association who are seen here preparing the meal for the Senior Citizens' Christmas Party. (photo by Mike Bloxham).

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

The Village Hall Committee has resolved to ask the Parish Council to levy a Supplementary Rate to be used to make essential repairs to the extension roof. (There will be a Public Meeting to discuss this in the New Year).

Quotes for patching the existing flat roof were beyond the means of the Hall Management Cttee. Treasurer Ken Clarke estimated that the Hall would have only £500 spare by the end of the year.

Three possible sources of financial help were the County, District and Parish Concils. The County runs a Grant Aid Scheme but this is over subscribed as is the District Loan Scheme for Village Halls. The Parish Council could levy a Supplementary Rate and have the money available by next year.

Advice from the P.C. Finance Chairman Keith Thompson was that constructing a pitched roof for the extension would eliminate the problem for the foreseeable future. This could most fairly be financed from the Parish Rate which was lower than that of most surrounding parishes. A penny rate would cost the average Ratepayer £3 - £4 for the year levied. Application could be made to the County and District Schemes for money for other essential repairs to the other flat roofs and the window and door frames.

Ken Clarke pointed out that the Hall was already charging as much as it could for the hire of its facilities. If it charged more, bookings would drop off. The Village Hall was a non profit making Charity and in its way subsidised village organisations (manily those dealing with children) by charging lower rates for rooms they used.

Sally Townsend has agreed to take on the task of issuing bills for the hire of the Hall and it was agreed that outside organisations would be charged a returnable 50% deposit to cover breakages and extra cleaning costs.

LINDA RIDGLEY.

FACT AND FAITH: A Minister was preaching a sermon on the relationship between fact and faith - "That you are sitting in front of me in Church is a fact" he said; "That I am speaking to you is fact - But it is only faith that makes me believe that any of you are listening".

Kathleen Ellis

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TABLE LAMPS

Business was kept to a minimum at the December meeting as this was also our Christmas Party. President Mrs. Julie Ellis welcomed members and their friends also visitors from Halford W.I. We were entertained by the Drama Group who got the party going with a couple of their very amusing 'turns'. As usual we had a wonderful selection of food. Presents were exchanged, competitions entered and raffles drawn. Our speaker was a local Sculptor who showed slides of some of his work.

All in all a very pleasant evening to round off the year 1982.

B.E.T.

ACTION RESEARCH FOR THE CRIPPLED CHILD

Last year was another very successful year for the Harbury Group and we would like to thank everyone for their generosity during 1982. The last two events of the year - the November coffee morning and the carol singing round the village hostelryes - raised £35 and £28 respectively.

Those who enjoyed our last gambling extravaganza at the 'Windmill Casino' will be glad to hear that the Village Hall will again be echoing to the sound of roulette wheels and gaming chips on Friday 21st January. If you have always fancied your chances at the gaming tables of Las Vegas or Monte Carlo, throw caution to the wind and for only £2.50 gamble the night away. Tickets include supper and cabaret, which this year has a distinctly Parisian flavour, and are available from Dorothy Groves, 37 Mill Street (612710) or Ann Roden, 35 Mill St(612803)

HARBURY YOUNG WIVES

A big thank you to all those who so generously gave presents for underprivileged children at our Carol Service. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 25th January on the theme "Looking Good, Feeling Fit!"

VANDA BALL.

THE TROUBLE WITH THE CHURCH IS IT'S ALWAYS AFTER YOUR MONEY.....

An often voiced complaint, but one which for many years could not be fairly made against Harbury Church. For a long time we held no fund-raising events at all, relying for our income entirely on

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contributions from our congregation through our Envelope and Covenant Schemes. During that time, however, we did receive donations from others who - though not regular attenders at the Church - acknowledged the important place the Church has in the life of the village. You don't have to be a churchgoer to realise that the Church is a symbol of the village - the oldest building, and one which we owe it to future generations to protect and preserve.

Year by year, it costs more to maintain the Church, to heat and light it and to carry out repairs, and we are happy to say that the larger congregations have meant we have just about kept pace with things. But now we have an enormous extra cost to meet - a greatly increased Diocesan Quota. We (and all Churches) have to pay an amount fixed by the Diocese towards its costs, the biggest part of which goes to pay vicars' salaries. If we want to have a Vicar of Harbury in future years, we must play our part in paying for this privilege.

For this reason, we have started a fund-raising campaign - which began with the letter we sent to you all earlier in 1982. We are sorry to report that - with one or two generous exceptions - we received almost no response at all. So we have decided that we must organise events, as other village groups do, to raise these vital funds. We promise to try to make all our events enjoyable, and good value for money. Will you please, in return, promise to think what Harbury would be like without the Church, and to help us if you can to preserve All Saints' Church, so that future generations can be married, christened or buried there, and have a quiet, holy place within the village for worship, and to which they can look for help in times of trouble.

D.M.H.

HARBURY SOCIETY

Our annual Social takes place at the end of the month (Monday 31st January) at the Crown Inn. Members and their friends are welcome to attend. Tickets priced £1.85 (same as last year!) include a Ploughman's Supper and baked spud, plus the entertainment are available from me, Linda Ridgley, 7 Wagstaffe Close, 612792. This year, paradoxically, at great expense, the Buckshee Folkgroup are singing.

For the future, we hope to have a talk on the

Trees of Harbury, a slide show on Old Houses and a trip to the moated Manor at Baddesley Clinton. It has been suggested that we revive the idea of running a second-hand crockery stall at the Carnival so don't throw out your odds and ends of china yet!

LINDA RIDGLEY.

HARBURY CONSERVATIVES: NEW PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATE

The AGM will be held on Monday January 31st at 7.45pm at the Dog Inn. It will be followed by a Ploughman's Supper, for which tickets, price £1.65, are available from Mr. P. Towell, (613570), Mrs. H. Turner (612915) and committee members.

Sir Angus Maude, the M.P. for Stratford and South Warwickshire for the past 18 years, will be retiring at the next General Election. It is hoped that the new parliamentary candidate will be able to attend and speak at the AGM. He is Mr. Alan Howarth, CBE, aged 38. Now a merchant banker, he started his career as a schoolmaster teaching English and History. In 1975 he went to Conservative Central Office, where he was for four years Personal Assistant to the Chairman, and he then became director of the Research department.

Alan is married, with a girl of 7 and boy, 5. He has been living in London, but is now looking for a home in the constituency.

He was chosen after an exhaustive selection process from 430 original applicants hoping to succeed Sir Angus. Three representatives from Harbury took part in the final ballot when Alan, who proved a witty speaker, came top of a short list of five.

P.J.H.

IN THE GARDEN

A gardener wrote in 1822 in his Encyclopaedia of Gardening, "perform every operation in the proper season". There is unfortunately no "proper season" which applies to all gardens; it can differ even in neighbouring gardens. In a heated greenhouse you can sow cauliflowers (early varieties), onions, leeks and Alpine strawberries and plant a few potatoes and French beans in the Autumn. Why not start a few in single cartons and plant out under cloches when the weather is reasonable.

At this time of the year you are looking for a

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second veg, why not try beetroot which can be pickled, served hot or cold, can be sliced or diced and served with all kinds of meat also with fish.

In conclusion I wish you a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

W.F. LINES.

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HOLIDAYS IN THE LAKES AT WHICHAM OLD RECTORY.

Older residents will no doubt remember the family who now live at Whicham Old Rectory in the Lake District.

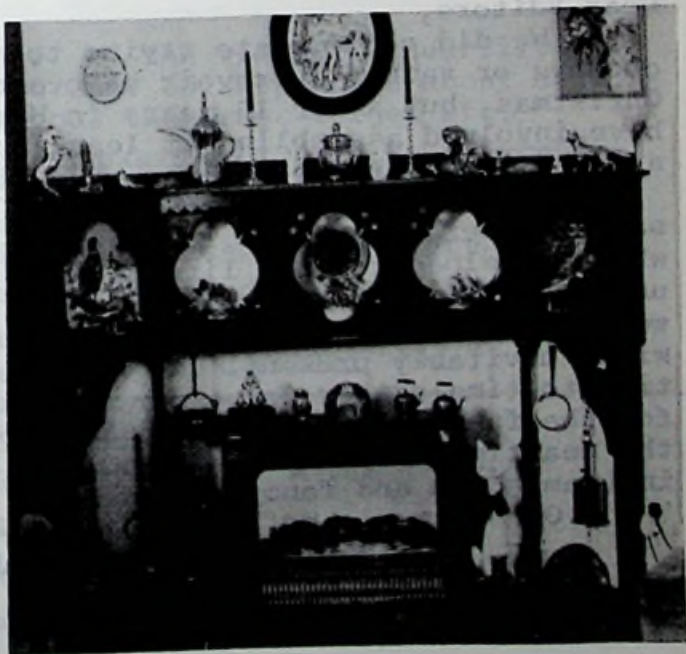
Charles and Nita Shields kept the Dog Inn for many years. In fact when they left in 1963 it had

been in the family for over 50 years, since Charles' father and grandfather had both been landlord before him. Some ten years ago Charles and Nita moved to Cumbria with their daughter Judy (a founder member of the Theatre Group then called H.A.D.S.), her husband Dave Kitchener (from Cranford when it was a Market Garden) and their daughter Joanne.

Together they set about the daunting task of altering and refurbishing their present home. It was a large derelict rectory, somewhat lacking in mod. cons., but in a lovely position, facing the Irish Sea a mile away and with England's most westerly mountain, Black Coombe, towering directly behind it. Now, much hard work later, they have created a spacious, friendly and comfortable country home in which to accomodate all their old bits and pieces and into which they welcome discerning visitors seeking away-from-it-all Lakeland holidays.

A large kitchen garden, free range eggs and meat from neighbouring farms ensures that the old Hungry Harbury habit of good food in abundance continues. Although officially retired, Nita still bakes all the bread; and everything from the marmalade at breakfast to the home-grown peaches with brandy at dinner are home produced.

Incidentally, do you remember the wooden chancel screen which used to be in Harbury Church? If you ever wondered what became of it, I can assure you it has found a good home. It has been fondly repaired and sections of it incorporated into a former Cumbrian Rectory - yes you've guessed



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- it's Whicham Old Rectory. Dave and Judy have a bedhead made from the old chancel screen; and in their sitting room Charles and Nita have a fireplace surround - true bits of home from home.

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Friends in Harbury,

Once again I take the opportunity of our magazine to thank you all for the wonderful support you have given my dear wife, and myself too, over the long period of her illness. Sadly there could be no recovery, but helped so much by your affection and prayers she was able to die peacefully at home.

Your very kind letters of condolence over the past few days are almost too numerous for me to reply to individually, but I very much appreciate each one of them. I know that Diana would have been thrilled at the numbers who paid tribute to her at her funeral service in our Church and gave so generously to the offertory plate for cancer research in her memory. This raised a wonderful £226, which I have forwarded to the Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

How lucky we were to settle in such a caring community.

Peter Towell.

Dear Editors,

We did contemplate trying to say a personal goodbye or rather au revoir before our move just before Christmas, but after 15 years in Harbury this would have involved assembling at least half the village in a rather small front room so we decided against it!

Through the magazine however, we would like to say a sincere thank you to everyone in the village who has helped to make life here so enjoyable. We will undoubtedly miss the many facets of village life but we are looking forward to the challenge which our move will inevitably present. We're sure to be back from time to time either for a pint, a game of tennis or for the family allowance - or probably all three! In the meantime the kettle will always be on if you are in Leamington and fancy a cuppa!

Our best wishes and a happy new year to you all.

MAGGIE & RAY HOARE (+ KAREN & ANALIE)

(61 Highfield Terrace, Milverton, L/Spa)

Dear Editors,

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The Golden Age Christmas Dinner was held once again at the Dog. Inn, and we should like to thank the Powells for the marvellous time they gave us, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

L. KNIGHTON, for the Golden Age.

N.B. NEXT GOLDEN AGE MEETING -

THURSDAY JANUARY 13th, 2.30 pm, V. HALL.

Dear Editors,

SALVATION ARMY NURSING OFFICER MISSIONARIES

A Christmas wish of a Major Cynthia White, a nursing sister serving in a hospital in the mountainous jungles of Indonesia is that she could give each of the local nurses who are in charge of each clinic in the different villages a gift of a Holy Bible:

I have enquired and through her I can purchase them for £2.00 but if I get them here it would cost £8.00. So if anyone would like to help make her dream come true by donating money I will forward it on (with names of donors where requested):

Yours sincerely,

WALTER MARSHALL (13 Bush Heath Lane)

Dear Editors,

As a "newcomer" to the village I heartily agree with your October correspondent about dogs being allowed to foul the grass verges etc.

My flat is surrounded by a high wall except for a front window overlooking a small piece of grass and one particular person brings a dog to use this said piece of grass almost every day.

Even a disdainful stare does not deter the person.

"DISGUSTED",

K.R. COOKNELL (Mrs.)

HARBURY & LADBROKE NEWS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 18th January

8 p.m. at the Shakespeare Inn

all welcome

Dear Editors,

LEND Neighbourhood Group

Six women from Harbury took part in the demonstration at Greenham Common last month, to protest about the siting of Cruise Missiles in Britain. We were there with 30,000 other women from all over the country. Despite the snow and intense cold the warmth and inspiration drawn from this show of solidarity melted our frozen toes and fingers.

Maggie Lowrey from the Upper Heyford Peace Camp will be the speaker at the first of our monthly meetings this year. This will take place in the Wight School at 8 pm on Wednesday February 2nd.

V. TANNER.

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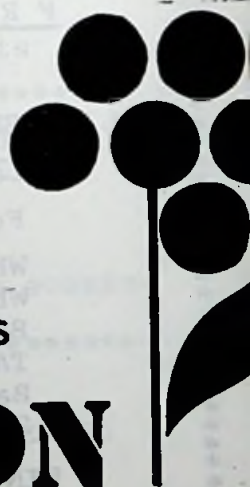
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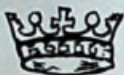


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