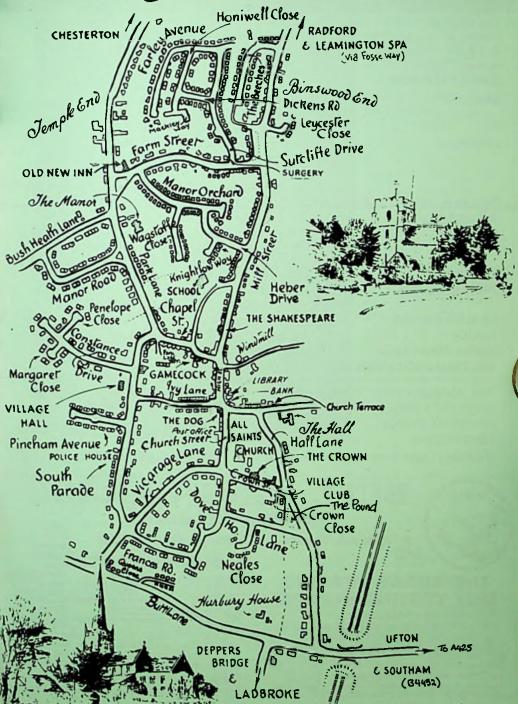
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Sung Eucharist - 10,30am

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1st Sunday: Family Worship - 11.00am

Communion - 11.45am

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Our photograph reminds us that the Harbury Bonfire Party and Firework Display will take place on November 8th this year. The annual event provides the opportunity to enjoy a big bonfire and firework display at moderate cost, and to meet a large proportion of the village during refreshments. The details are advertised elsewhere.

(Photo by Mike Bloxham).

Autumn is a busy time for gardeners, and marks the end of the growing season. It is appropriate therefore to see a change in our gardening correspondent. We are very grateful to Fred Lines who has written a monthly 'In the Garden' article for many years. We are pleased to welcome Eleanor Zonik as a regular contributor to the column.

It is also time to remind our readers that the subscription for Harbury & Ladbroke News is due this month. By dint of what the senior editor laughingly refers to as shrewd management and thanks to the great support of our advertisers - who respond so well to the exhortations of Chris McGowan - we have been able to peg our subscription rates. The subscription remains at £2 per year and you should please pay direct to your local distributor. We

are grateful for your support, but just a reminder senior citizens are entitled to their copy free of charge, although donations are welcome but entirely without obligation.

Finally please note that Remembrance Day this year is on November 9th with the Church Service starting at 10.15am so that everyone can be at the Memorial for 11am.

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Sat	lst	ALL SAINTS DAY (PATRONAL FESTIVAL) 9am Holy Commun.
		ion. Play in Village Hall 8pm 'Alphabetical Order'
Sun	2nd	Youth Club trip to Brandon Stadium THE PATRONAL FESTIVAL SUNDAY 8am Holy Communion 10.30am Sung Eucharist 6.30pm Evensong (Rogniam)
Mon	3rd	School begins
		Playgroup special morning 26 Farm Street Upholstery classes in Wight School Christmas Flower Arranging Class Harbury School 7.
		Word of God at 3 The Beeches at opin
Th	/, 4n ln	Prayer & Praise 16 Binswood End Christmas Flower Arranging Class, Southam Adult
Tues	4th	Centre 10-12
		Horticultural Society 8pm in the Wight School
		Senior Citizens Cttee 8.30pm in Village Hall
		Prayer Group in Church at 8pm Village Hall Cttee 8pm, Farley Room, Village Hall
Wed	5th	Mothers Union 2.15pm Vallage Hall, Discussion
wed	Juli	Julian Meeting 8pm
Thurs	6th	
		12 noon 53 Mill St.
		Coffee Morning 9 Church Terrace 10.30-12.30 Photographer at Wight School Playgroup 10.45am (a welcome)
		Men's Society 6 Vicarage Lane 7.45pm
		Folk Club in Lounge of Old New Inn 8.30pm
Sat	8th	BONFIRE PARTY at the Recreation Grounds
Sun	9th	8am Holy Communion N.B. 10.15am Service of Burnarist
		Free Church Service at 2.30pm John Hawkins
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Mothers & Toddlers Service in Church 2.15pm 11th Tues Neighbourhood Watch Meeting 8pm in Village Hall Coffee Morning/Bring & Buy in aid of Children's Society, 29 Neales Close from 10.30am Harbury Society talk by David Cox on Water Polution Wight School 8pm Church Flower Arrangers Meeting, Haze Brook 2.30pm 12th Wed PTA A.G.M. 8pm in the School Parish Study Group, 13 Mill St 8.15pm Thursday Club 2.30pm in the Village Hall Thurs 13th WI A.G.M. 7.45pm in Village Hall Harbury School Autumn Fair 6-8.30pm Fri 14th Southam Summer Darts Presentation Dance in V. Hall JUMBLE SALE for the Liberals in Village Hall A.M. 15th Sat WI Coffee Morning Cake Stall/Bring & Buy in aid of Myton Hospice, Wight School 9am N.S.P.C.C. Ceilidh in the Village Hall 6TH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS 8am Holy Communion 16th 10.30am Sung Eucharist (Dedication of Alter Fronte Sun & Mothers Untion Admission) 17th Word of God at 23 Neales Close 8pm Mon Prayer & Praise 11 Constance Drive Senior Citizens Cttee 8.30pm in Village Hall 18th Tues P.C.C. in Wight School at 8.15pm Prayer Group in Church 8pm NHR Coffee A.M. 10.30 Cottage Farm Hse, Gaydon 19th Wed Southam School PTA Christmas Decoration Demonstration 8pm Whist Drive in Village Hall 7.45pm Thurs 20th Mother's Union Evening Meeting 7.45pm Library CRAFT FAIR in Village Hall 10am - 5pm 22nd Sat Youth Club Disco in Village Hall evening SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT 9am Sung Eucharist & Parish 23rd Sun Breakfast 6.30pm Evensong ALL ARTICLES FOR DECEMBER ISSUE TO EDITORS BY TODA PLEASE Prayer/Bible Study at 77 Mill St at 8pm 24th Mon Prayer/Praise 17 Farm Street

Young Wives BAZAAR, Village Hall 2-4pm

Thursday Club 2.30pm in Village Hall

PARISH COUNCIL 7.30pm in Village Hall

Parish Study Group 13 Manor Orchard 8.15pm

Harbury Club Evening with Charlie Taylor

Scouts BEER & SKITTLES Evening in Village Hall

Prayer/Bible Study at 8 The Beeches 8pm

Prayer & Praise, Lullington Lodge

NHR Talk on Acupuncture 8pm 6 Old Road Southam

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30th ADVENT SUNDAY 8am Holy Communion 10.30am Sung Sun Eucharist (Preacher the Archdeacon of Warwick) 6.30pm Evensong DECEMBER

Mon 1st Word of God 3 Vicarage Lane at 8pm Prayer & Praise, Mill Cottage 2nd

Tues Horticultural Society at 8pm in the Wight School Wed Mothers Union in Village Hall at 2.15pm 3rd Thurs 4th

Coffee Morning 9 Church Terrace 10.30-12.20 Folk Club in Lounge of Old New Inn at 8.30pm Fri 5th

Occasional Day's Holiday

W.I. Christmas Party in Village Hall Sat CHRISTMAS FAIR in Village Hall with Santa's Grotto 6th Tues

9th Harbury Friends 8pm in the School

REGULAR DIARY DATES

FREE CHURCH SERVICE, Harbury Church, 2.30pm 2nd Sunday in the month.

HARBURY ADVENTURERS, Village Hall, 11.30am Sundays. UPHOLSTERY CLASSES, Wight School, 2-4pm, Mondays.

GYMNASTICS, Harbury School. 6-7pm (under 7s and beginners). 7-8pm(7-10yrs). 8-9pm(over 10yrs) every Monday.

SLIMMING & KEEP FIT, Village Club 7-8.30 and 8.30-

GUIDES, Scout Hut, 7.30pm Mondays

BINGO, Village Hall, 8pm every Monday.

TODDLER GROUP, Wight School, 10 - 1130 am Mondays, and 2.00-3.30pm Wednesdays.

PLAYGROUP, Wight School, Tuesday to Friday mornings. NURSERY SCHOOL. Village Hall, Tuesday to Friday a.m.

LUNCHEON CLUB: Village Hall every Tuesday & Friday

DANCING CLASSES, Wight School, 4-7.45pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

BROWNIES, Village Hall, every Tuesday evening.

SCOUTS, Scout Hot, 7.45pm every Tuesday. BADMINTON, Village Hall every Tuesday.

HARBURY FRIENDS, School, 8pm 2nd Tuesday of month.

BABY CLINIC, Village Hall, 2-4pm, 2nd & 4th Weds.

YOUTH CLUB, Village Hall, 7.30 - 9.30pm Wednesdays DANCING CLASSES for Children & Adults, Farley Room, "illage Hall, 4-9pm Wednesdays.

W.I., Village Hall, 2nd Thursdays, 7.45 p.m. POP-IN, Village Hall, 1.20 - 3.30 every Friday. CHOIR PRACTICE, Church, 6.30pm every Friday. KARATE CLASSES, Village Hall 7pm every Friday

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REGULAR WEEKDAY SERVICES IN HARBURY & LADBROKE

Tuesday: 7.30 p.m. Holy Communion in Harbury Wednesday: 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion in Ladbroke Thursday: 9.45 a.m. Holy Communion in Harbury Friday: 7.00 a.m. Holy Communion in Harbury

FROM HARBURY CHURCHWARDENS

The church was resplendent and well filled for the Harvest Festival, reminding us of the abundance of gifts which we enjoy. The produce was taken to Helen Ley House where it was gratefully received.

The Harvest Supper meal is always good but this year the ladies really excelled themselves. The entertainment consisted of a Folk Club quartet and a 'Call My Bluff' session both of which were very well received, rounding off a most enjoyable evening. Thanks are due to the many who contributed to its success in their various ways.

How delightful it is to welcome a new member to our church by way of Baptism during the Eucharist service as was the case last Sunday (Oct 26th) when Brian and Lesley Jones brought their son Samuel Peter to join us.

The Service of Repentance and Praise for Unity held on Sunday Oct 26th attracted some 100 people, around half of whom were visitors, including R.C. priest Fr. Oakley and Congragational minister Mr Adams. Erica Robb gave an address on the plight of Christians in oppressed countries, notably Romania, which was both moving and humbling. Put under extreme pressure, hard for us to imagine, our fellow Christians retain their Faith when to deny it would

bring them relief. Their plea for unity with us is surely compelling - our prayers and where possible, practical help are their due. Considering their situation it seems unworthy that divisions should occur within our Church which are merely to personal preference or prejudice when the real issue is the love of God and of our fellows.

J.B.M.

CHURCH FLOWERS

S.O.S. The church has looked lovely over the summer months for which many thanks. We are short of names of arrangers on our list at the moment and I would much appreciate more volunteers. No professionskill is necessary - a good eye will do! Could you fill in the gaps on the list at the back of the church and contact me if you are new to the job and don't know where to find things. Cash is available now flowers are more expensive.

I would like a meeting of all interested people on Wed 12th November at 2.30pm at Hazebrook, The Pound to see if we can establish a more permanent rota. Please contact me if you are interested but cannot make that date.

Margaret Rigden Harbury 612200

FROM THE RECTOR

Litanies have been a part of the prayer life of the Church for many centuries, going back as far as the 4th Century in Antioch. The priest or minister leading the congregation makes a series of petitions and at the end of each petition, a response is made such as 'Good Lord, deliver us' or 'Hear us, good Lord'. The Book of Common Prayer says that 'The Litany' or 'General Supplication' shall be sung or said after Morning Prayer upon Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays and the Alternative Service Book 1980 contains 'The Litany', simplified and modernised somewhat in the section 'Prayers for Various Occasions' without stipulating any particular time when it shall be used. However there are many different Litanies and this way of praying commends itself to many people 'd when carefully and skilfully composed is a most tisfactory method of corporate prayer. One of the

Litanies I like particularly is 'A Litany of the Holy Spirit' commissioned especially for Coventry Cathedral in the year of Consecration, 1962. It is quite a short Litany, but with and excellent choice and economy of words, it says a great deal and I feel is entirely suitable for our own times. The first petition is as follows:-

Teach us, O Holy Spirit
To have done with anger and suspicion and envy, which
are the seeds of discord, and in all our dealings to
look for the best in one another, and not for the
worst.

Holy Spirit, hear us

Response Holy Spirit, help us.

Whatever we are praying for, whether is is for peace in the world, or international understanding or the complexions of trade and industry, or the problems of inner cities or rural areas, or even just family life or personal relationships, it is a very suitable way in which to start. It is appalling today how often the tendency is to think the worst of a person and how easily someone can be discredited or misunderstood. How a story can be built up and a good name savagely destroyed. It does not matter who you are. Even the Archbishop of Canterbury and his wife are not immune.

Let me tell you a story, not concocted, but real. It is about a boy at a school miles from here. For the sake of anonymity I will give him the name William. William was a thorough nuisance; everyone at school agreed, even the other children. The staff complained about him daily; his class teacher often was at her wits end. Any trouble or any disruption at school everyone immediately thought of William and more than often they were right. One day 'Theatre in Education' came to school and so that they could keep an eye on William, he was sat down on the front row. The play told the story of an elderly lady who in spite of having to walk with a crutch was always helping others She brought happiness to everyone she met and everyone thought highly of her. But then someone had a grudge against her and whispered some untruth. The malicious remark was repeated and repeated, and little by little people turned against her. In no time at all she became 'that wicked old woman' and eventually - 'she's a witch'. One day a mob surrounded her, shouting at her and jostling her and her crutch clattered to the floor - suddenly William jumped up, ran forward on to the stage, picked up her crutch and gave it back to her. William returned to his seat, the actorecovered themselves and the play ended as it was meant to. But somehow, William had been seen in a different light, perhaps for the first time. Without realising and without trying, they had all seen the best in William for a change and not the worst.

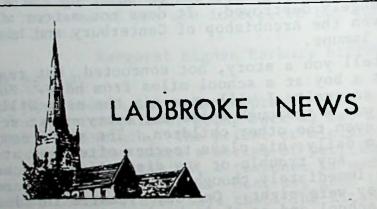
ANTONY ROWE

HOLY BAPTISM

Sunday 26th October: SAMUEL PETER JONES son of Brian Alan and Lesley Kay Jones 15 Pineham Avenue.

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Tuesday 7th October: JEANIE LAIRD The Coach House,
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NOVEMBER DIARY

Sat 1st ALL SAINTS DAY (PATRONAL FESTIVAL) 11.30 am Holy

Communion with Hymns

Sun 2nd The Patronal Festival Sunday 9 am Holy Communion with hymns llam Morning Service 12noon Holy Communion

Wed 5th Holy Communion 10.30 am
Sat 8th Bonfire Night Celebrations



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Sun 9th 7th Sunday before Christmas. 9am Service of Remembrance and Holy Communion with Hymns

Wed 12th Holy Communion 10.30am Women's Fellowship 2.30pm Sum 16th 6th Sunday before Christmas. 9am Holy Communion

Sun 16th 6th Sunday before Christmas. 9am Holy Communion with Hymns 3.30pm Evensong

Sun 23rd Sunday before Advent (at Harbury) 9am Sung Eucharis and Parish Breakfast. (at Ladbroke) 12 noon Holy Communion

Tues 25th Parish Council

Wed 26th Holy Communion 10.30am

Thurs 27th W.I.

Sat 29th 3 pm Christmas Fair in Village Hall

Sun 30th Advent Sunday 9am Holy Communion with Hymns
Celebrant & Preacher the Archdeacon of Warwick

DECEMBER

Mon 1st St. Andrew Apostle 7.30pm Holy Communion.

CHURCH FLOWER ROTA

Nov 2nd Mrs. Rowe: Nov 9th (Remembrance) & Nov 16th Mrs. Edwards: Nov 30th Advent.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Our October meeting began with prayers taken by the Rector. The theme was 'discipline', the modern meaning being rather different from the old meaning which was - to respond to teaching.

We were very pleased to welcome Miss Violaine Junod to tell us about her recent visit to Africa. After 13 years in England she found many changes, but felt that Africa was still a country of feelings and emotions. She had visited places in East Africa, and showed us some very interesting and beautiful photographs. We asked many questions and our thanks are due to her for a most interesting talk.

The Christmas Fair is on Nov 29th. Once again we are having the Cake Stall and will be very glad of items for it of jam, marmalade etc as well as cakes.

Our next meeting is on Nov 12th at 2.30pm at the home of Mrs June Barnett Radbourne Lane, when Mrs Gwynne Badman is to tell us about some of her funny experiences abroad, which should be quite amusing. We would be pleased to welcome anyone to join us there.

LADBROKE & DEPPERS BRIDGE W.I.

The W.I. held their A.G.M. at the Village Hall on October 23rd. There were 8 nominations for committed which eliminated the necessity for voting. The remaining time was usefully taken up in discussion about the forthcoming year with many good ideas for excursions coming from the floor.

Our next meeting will take place on November 27th. The speaker is Mr Lassard and his subject is the development of the fairground. New members are cordially invited to join us.

GWLADYS GOULD

LADBROKE YOUTH CLUB

The Junior Club for Boys and Girls between the ages of and 11 started on Tuesday 7th October 1986. The Cl meets from 5.30pm to 7.15pm. We would be glad if parents would help us with activities. Three members of the Senior Club act as helpers.

The Senior Club continues to flourish. On 19th Nov the members are to visit Harbury Youth Club for an inter-club Table Tennis and Darts Tournament. We look forward to this visit.

Arrangements are being made for the Christmas Singing in the Village on 19th December. A Christmas Disco Party for members will be held on Tues 23rd December.

ERIC HAGARD

VILLAGE HALL AFFAIRS

The Magic Lantern slide show on Friday 24th Oct was a really memorable occasion. I don't remember seeing so many people in the Hall since the Whist Drive! The slides were beautifully painted and the commentary was most entertaining, hope you didn't miss it!

The next event will be the Bonfire Night Celebration in Farmyard Field on Saturday 8th November. There will of course be refreshments, there is no admission charge, but please bring along a firework or two! Thanks are due to Mr Tom Sheesby for permission to use his field.

Mr Eric Hagard, who is chairman of the Village Hall Committee has asked me to point out that the caretaking of the Hall is done on a voluntary basis and that after a letting us as the Parish Supper, the furniture should be put back in store. The Junior Youth Club had to wait twenty minutes until the Hall was made ready for its activities. Also the Table tennis table had been used 'to partake of a meal', this simply is not done!

LADBROKE PARISH COUNCIL

The October meeting took place on Tuesday 21st and I was welcomed as "our local Scribe", which made me feel important!

There is no way to beat the system, our canary yellow litter bin is to remain in its flurescent glory. It is not allowed to be painted a peaceful rural green, as it has to be seen! There have been reports of cumbersome J C waste lorries taking short cuts through the village. If you see any, or indeed any other large vehicle using School or Bridge Lane, try and note the firm involved and let a member of the Parish Council know about it.

The Council had its annual discussion on setting the precept for the Parish Rate and have now sent their figures on to Stratford. The Parish Council is to enquire if it is necessary to have Planning Permission to change the position of a driveway onto the A423, which of course is no longer a trunk road.

The Parish Council was pleased to hear that permission had been granted for Deppers Bridge Farm to open a Farm Shop. This led on to a discussion on the number of chickens which have unfortunately been run over in the lane outside the farm. Several of our local motorists are feeling like murderers. Someone (who shall be nameless) enquired if the chickens were 'Rhode Island Reds'? - Perhaps a warning sign should be erected. Next meeting Tues 25th November.

Finally, it's goodbye this month to the Garner family and all their livestock. They have certainly joined in all sorts of village activities and will be missed.

KATE LIVERTON





MEMORIES OF THE LADBROKE FESTIVAL!

The Rector is examinisome of the magnifice seventeenth century Dudley Church plate of display while David Rutherford, the Churchwarden, holds the flagon. We were privileged to see these items which are normally in safe keeping at the Warwick Museum.

MRS. SMITH'S VISIT TO HARBURY SCHOOL

On Friday, 24th October, a lady called Mrs. Smith came to school to talk to us about Oxfam and show us some slides of Ethiopia. She showed us how they made the well. First they dug a hole and then made a concrete tube and then put it in the hole and all the water under the ground would go into the tube because the hole would be the same shape as the tube. If we have enough money Mrs. Smith and the rest of the people who help will buy cement and sand and all the things you need to make a well.

We need to make wells so that the mums don't have to walk so far but the trouble is that the buckets get dirty when they take the buckets there and back again so they are trying to raise money to try and buy some pumps so the water won't get dirty. The pumps were £300 and we raised £55.50p.

She told us how the Ethiopian women had to do two hours a day fetching water and just have one pot to last them all day. If they wanted another pot they had to walk all the way there and all the way back and all the water was spilling because it was very heavy.

LOUISE RAWLINGS aged 7

HARBURY C.E. COMBINED SCHOOL HARVEST FESTIVAL

We were very pleased to welcome a number of parents who were able to join us on the morning of Friday 3rd October in the school hall when we held our Harvest Festival. There was a magnificent display of produce which the children had brought. A large number of the children were involved in the service in a variety of ways - singing songs, reciting poetry, or reading their own prayers. The Rector was also able to join us and take part in the service.

Some of the older children remembered the less fortunate members of the world's family in their prayers and as a direct result of this some of them resolved to do something about it. Biscuits were either made or donated, orange squash was bought and for 2 weeks all the children in the school were able to buy biscuits and squash during the morning break, with all the money going to Oxfam.

decided to write their own comic, have it copied and then sell them to help the same cause.

During the last assembly before half term Mrs. Bethi-Smith, the local Oxfam organiser, showed slides to the children of the work which Oxfam are doing to provide wells for villagers in Ethiopia. At the end of the assembly she was presented with a cheque for £55.50, which was the total collected from the sale of squash and biscuits. This will be used for this specific Ethiopian project. The boys hope to sell some more comics after half-term so that their total can be added to the rest!

CHRISTMAS IS ON THE WAY!

Why not come along to Harbury Combined School on Monday evening and get some ideas for Christmas Decoration? The accent will be on using items you have at home - baskets, trays, candlesticks etc. - and dressing them up for the festive season. If you have such a favourite item, please bring it along.

There are two classes both for 5 weeks, starting in Harbury on 3rd November at 7.30pm and on Tuesday morning 4th November at Southam Adult Centre at 10am to 12 noon.

All are welcome - come and enjoy the fun and creativity of Flower Arranging. Please phone 613497 for further details.

P.T.A.

All Stars Evening at the "West End"

What an excellent evening of variety! A very full programme of acts by various village folk, with some outside support, on stage at the 'west end' of the school on Saturday 18th October.

Those who managed to get tickets will agree that the standards of performance were superb, with a bar and snack to complement the show. What good value with special thanks to the performers who all gave their time and effort freely in support of P.T. fundraising. Well done everybody.

The W.I. Drama Group had the honour and difficulty of being the first to perform with an amusing hospital sketch. Marjorie King and Beryl Checkley "Got it all off their chests" with a very good Old Tyme Dance routine. However, even leprechauns in the musical equipment did not prevent Michelle Griffin in splendid costume completing her display of Irish Dancing. John (the Dentist) Black extended his job of show compere with Alan (\ Jug Band) Wilkins with fiddle and guitar numbers. This was followed by the teachers singalong sketch depicting a wartime spiv and land girls - very accurately character casted! only to be upstaged later by even 'better typecasting' of Elias Gruntfuttock on Nigel Chapman with a very clever and faultless sketch - highly enjoyed by all. The Theatre Group's Gordon Robbins and Andy Cook opened the second half with a funny sitcom performance of two Lancashire lads waiting for the Royal procession to pass through Barnsley. Colin Oliver and Paul Exton joined by 7 fellow members of the R.N.A. Choir presented some excellent singing, so good that they again later returned to the stage for even more much appreciated singing. The Folk Club's Mike Putnam clever recitations followed Peter McDonald who once again demonstrated his musical versatility, this time with a piano medley. Finally the Folk Club's Jug Band, red warning triangle and all, who added to a very full variety show with their own brand of humour. Music then followed with some sing along numbers lead by John Black accompanied by Peter McDonald (on piano again). This show must be worth repeating in the future!

A.G.M. NOTICE OF MEETING. 7.30pm WED 12th NOVEMBER

Please make a big effort to attend, it does encourage the committee to make even more money for school fundraising to the benefit of all Village School children. There will be the usual officer reports then elections. We would like to see parents of new and younger children and even some new committee members as some positions will be vacated. Perhaps a parent from each of the various years of the school would be useful.

It should be a worthwhile evening, please come along and make your views or ideas known, we would like to

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see you!

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Mr	& Mrs	John Black, The Dentist	£20.00!
Mr	& Mrs	Woodward, Flecknoe House	£10.00
Mr	& Mrs	Clifford, Mill Street	£10.00

KEN STEPHENSON

SOUTHAM SCHOOL

Sixth Form 24 hour Sponsored Dance

The 24 hour dance has become a Sixth Form tradition and this year's one took place on 18th/19th October. The dancing started at 7.00pm on Saturday evening and until 11.00pm it was a normal disco for those who wanted to come and were willing to pay a small entrange.

The serious business of the marathon dance continued at 11.00pm when all the visitors left. Everybody had to dance until 7.00pm on Sunday evening with only 10 minutes break each hour.

During some of the hours, team games had been organised which proved to be a lot of fun and relieve the boredom which was bound to arise when dancing all that time. To put some more interest into the dance theme hours were also organised, where everybody dressed in costumes according to the hour. These themes were bedtime hour, fancy dress, vicars & tarts and Grand Finale. The Grand Finale was held in the last hour with everyone in smart dress. This was probably the most enjoyable hour, not only because itswasstheelast one; but also because everyone joined in and danced as much as their feet would let them. I think everyone enjoyed themselves and it is certainly an experience I will not forget in a long while.

I would also like to thank again, on behalf of all the Sixth Form, the parents and members of staff, who supervised us and those Sixth formers who organised much of the dance.

J.B.

SOUTHAM SCHOOL

Young Enterprise

Once again this year a group of lower Sixth Formers has formed another Young Enterprise company. The Company, which has called itself "Sixth Sense" will be trying to follow in the footsteps of previous companies who have been extremely successful.

The Young Enterprise scheme is concerned with giving young people from 15 to 19 years of age experience at running a company, with real money, real problem staffing, wages and production. A company must raise money, invest it into making products and selling these products.

This years "Sixth Sense" is making Aprons and oven gloves, recipe book stands, recipe calendars consisting of the staff's favourite recipes and jewellery. If anyone is interested in buying any of these products, I would be very happy to receive their orders. Please ring Harbury 612765.

J.B.

SOUTHAM SCHOOL P.T.A.

It is a great pity that more people didn't support the 'Calypso Evening'. The Ocho Rios Steel band which is made up of pupils from Rugby Schools performed superbly, and even those with two left feet found their rhythm infectious. The Turkey Supper provided by Mrs Margaret Davis was delicious and the evening represented great value for money so where were you all?

The attendance at the AGM was also poor though Harbury was better represented than some areas. The Chairman David Geary having 'run out' of children at the school retired and the new Chairman is Ann Forgan of Bishops Itchington. The Vice-Chairman is Ray Angliss also of Bishops Itchinton. The Secretary will continue to be Joan Manning of 'The Red House', Hill, Leamington Hastings, Rugby. Harbury members of the committee are:

Jacky Powel, 21 Neales Close John Woodward, South Parade Chris Macgowan, 17 Manor Orchard and myself at 32 Mill Street. prepared to help the P.T.A. in any way. (Even if you don't wish to serve on the committee help with ticket sales, catering etc is always welcome).

After we have paid for the VIth form library books, there will be no money in the kitty. We urgently need funds to pay for the Careers department computer and to fund other projects in school. Our next event is a repeat of last year's highly successful Christmas decoration demonstration by 'Jacqueline the Florist'. As well as demonstrating she will be on hand to answer questions and sell items from her range and there will be coffee and a raffle. It's at 8pm in the School Hall on Wednesday 19th November admission 50p

SHARON HANCOCK

HARBURY WIGHT SCHOOL PLAYGROUP

On Monday, 3rd November the Playgroup children are invited to celebrate 25 years of the Preschool Playgroups Association at 26 Farm Street, where we shall join 14,000 groups who will each light 25 candles and watch the special programme on BBC Television Playschool. Mums are welcome for coffee.

The photographer will visit Playgroup at 10.45am on Thursday 6th November. All mums with pre-school children in the village are welcome to come. It makes a very good Christmas present.

Names are now being taken for children born in 1984 who will be eligible to start next year. Ring Dorothy Travis (Playgroup Supervisor) on 613264 for further details or call at Playgroup, Tuesday to Friday mornings.

DOROTHY TRAVIS

HARBURY MOTHER & TODDLER GROUP

To raise funds for the Toddler Group Christmas Party we are holding a Cake Bring & Buy & Coffee Morning. Playpax toys, arts and crafts will also be on sale at 53 Mill Street on Thursday 6th November from 10am to 12 noon. So why not take this opportunity to buy some of your Christmas presents?

ALISON HODGE

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

A Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy Sale will be held at 29 Neales Close on Tuesday 11th November, 10.30am to 1pm.

I would appreciate if 'Box' holders could bring their boxes with them to be opened on this occasion. It is hoped that in the future boxes will be opened twice a year thus helping the society further.

All are welcome, please come along and support this deserving charity.

NANCY DAVIES (Local Sec.)

HARBURY MINI RUGBY

On October 12th Harbury's Mini Rugby teams travelled to South Leicester for a busy day of rugby. The under 9's started very well for Harbury by reaching the finals. They won against Stamford 24 - 0 with Paul Green scoring 5 tries and Richard Tracey 1. They then beat Loughborough 8 - 0, with Paul Green scoring again, and South Leicester by one try scored by Richard Tracey. These three wins put them in the final against Old Ashbeians who were winners of the other group. They won this match 16 - 4 three tries scored by Richard Tracey and one by Peter Chaplin.

Under 10's lost 20 - 0 to Weastleigh, beat Lutterworth 16 - 0 and had a close game against Loughborough A but just lost 4 - 8.

The under 11's did better, being runners up in their age group by beating Loughborough 8 - 0, Lutterworth 36 - 0, Stamford 24 - 0, South Leicester 8 - 4 and just losing to the Leicester Vipers 4 - 8 who were the eventual winners.

The under 12's only managed one try in the first game against Westleigh losing 4-8. They lost to South Leicester 0-40, Loughborough 0-28 and Lutterworth 0-0.

HARBURY LAWN TENNIS CLUB

We as a club are often thought of as being "snobs" or being very "cliquey". I wonder why because if you come and join us you would soon find out we aren't either of those things. I admit I have been to some clubs over the years that are both but never Harbury.

Did you know for instance that you can only join Harbury Tennis Club if you live within the Parish.

A club only for you!

We gained promotion from the Banbury Town League Division 4 this season and most of the teams we have played were all against us going up as they describe us as "the friendliest club they play against". To methat is far more important than winning the League.

Did you know that we have one of the best supported Junior Sections in the County. The envy of quite a few bigger clubs I know. One of the reasons is because we are cheaper than most and they get good coaching from people in the Village who care not for money but how the children progress and enjoy themselves.

We certainly need some new blood in the Club especiall between the ages of 20 and 30. We'd welcome you if you were brilliant but equally we would welcome you if you were useless or hadn't picked up a racket for years as we hope that in the new season we will be able to star some coaching sessions for adults.

You don't have to wait until next season to play, some of us turn out throughout the winter months on a Sunda morning whether it is to play in the Winter League or just for the fun of getting out in the fresh Harbury air and knocking a ball about.

Do you know we are also about the cheapest tennis club to join, £10 for adults, £5 for Intermediates and £2.50 for juniors. Try and join any other club for that price and they would laugh at you. We won't laugh AT YOU but we will have a laugh and a joke WITH YOU.

If you would like to find out more about us give me a ring on 613871. We do have social functions during the winter months and you could meet us before actually setting foot on the courts.

BARRY LATHAM

SCOUTS AND GUIDES SUPPORT COMMITTEE

Our next event is to be held on Saturday 29th November 1986 at the Village Hall, and we think offers something different. The event will be a 'Beer & Skittle evening in which participants will be able to enjoy to

thrills of a full scale skittle alley. Other pub games will also be available for those wishing to partake in less energetic pursuits. For further details see Advert. Tickets available from myself or any other committee member.

BRIAN INGRAM

MOTHERS' UNION

Our meeting on 5th November will be a discussion afternoon when we shall hear reports from the Diocesan Council meeting. On Thursday 20th November we are holding an evening meeting at 7.45pm in the Library when Pat Coldwells, our Diocesan President will join us. We hope as many members as possible will attend this extra meeting.

On Sunday 16th November, new members will be admitted during the 10.30am service in Church and there will be a blessing of the new altar frontal we have had made. S.K.

HARBURY W.I.

If you didn't make it to our October 9th meeting, you missed a treat. Lt. Bill Davies came along with slides and his very entertaining talk on 'The Mary Rose'. He gave us a history of the 'Mary Rose' and ships like her, how they began as cargo vessels and were converted to Man o' War ships, fitted with scores of guns, in the Mary Rose there were 90 guns - far too many for the size of ship! We learned about her sinking before the eyes of the Fleet at Portsmouth and the fact that only 36 men survived out of about 700! After centuries of lying at the bottom of the sea in about the early 1970's divers began going down to salvage what they could and subsequently hundreds of items, many in quite good condition considering where they had lain for so long, were brought up and put on display. Lt. Davies went on to tell us of the day 'Mary Rose' was hauled up, and brought the excitement of this happening alive for us. A most enjoyable evening.

On Saturday 15th November we are holding a Coffee Morning in aid of Myton Hospice. This is to be held in the Wight School at 9am and we shall have a

11.

cake stall and a bring and buy stall. Please come and support us for this worthy cause.

The next meeting, on November 13th is our A.G.M. at which time we will be nominating and electing several new committee members. Afterwards we are having a glass of wine (with nibbles brought along by members) and will be holding a light-hearted quiz. Do come along and enjoy the evening with us.

T.M.W.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

I have arranged a progress meeting of Harbury Neighbourhood Watch for Tuesday 11th November at 8pm in the Village Hall (Farley Room). P.C. Percival and a Crime Prevention Officer will be in attendance and hope that both existing and potentially new Coordinators will join us. One co-ordinator has recent left the Village and we have vacancies in several areas. The duties are not onerous and you could actively help in preventing crime, so if you are interested either contact me or join the other co-ordinators on 11th November.

Look forward to seeing you!

KEITH THOMPSON 612050

HARBURY FOLK

There were several new faces in the audience at the Folk Club on October 2nd but I hope they weren't expecting to see Ralph McTell. I'm sure that my sill poster outside the Wight School made it quite clear that he wasn't appearing and that I was doing the guest spot instead! As usual, I found myself thoroughly enjoying the audience's outstanding chorus singing and their tolerance towards my Everly Brother medley and my pre-recorded backing.

Peter Bones kindly compered the evening for me and he and Nicola sang together as an unusual permutation of the four members of Bonas. We had a rare visit from Mike Houston with his infectious humour and his uncanny ability to get audiences to sing silly choru The other regulars were Alan Wright, the Jug Band, John Black, Tony Bayliss and Alan, Gerry & Jenny.

We get the chance to see Bonas at full strength in guest spot at the next Folk Club meeting, on 6th November, while the Jug Band will be doing their thing at the Christmas special on December 4th. Between those two dates, I can thoroughly recommend the N.S.P.C.C. Ceilidh on November 15th starring (for the third successive year) the Junction Ceilidh Band, with their unique blend of song and dance.

PETER MCDONALD (613730)

HOTENTO'IS BACK ON TOP AT QUIZ

Jim Chapple's 15th annual extravaganza of brain ticklers was held at the Village Club on Wednesday Oct 22nd and saw the Harbury Society HOTENIOTS re-assert themselves as champions - having been deprived of that title last year by the Harbury News team. A series of mainly close fought rounds between the 9 teams entered provided good entertainment for the audience who could usually volubly provide the answer to any question which stumped the teams. In the final, the W.I. were unable to match the Hotentots (Sharon Hancock, Linda Ridgely, Tim Millington and 'new boy' John Barnes) but as runners-up received miniature bottles of Scotch whilst the Winners had a handsome shield each together with a half bottle of Scotch. (There may well be more teams entering next year!)

The Club are to be congratulated for organising the event and the prizes (courtesy of Ansell's), as is Jim Chapple for sorting our all the questions and chairing the evening so professionally.

J.B.M.

HARBURY SOCIETY NEWSLETTER FOR OCTOBER 1986

Nigel Chapman put on a wonderful display of historical material in the School Hall on Wednesday 15th October. Almost 100 people came to look at it and the only complaint was that it would take weeks to do it justice.

Mr Chapman explained that he had been building up the resource since 1979 when, inspired by the snow he took a series of photographs of the village's old buildings.

The photographs were used as local examples for project work, initially but the records were soon

expanded to take in anything of note in the village_

The new photographs formed a useful comparison with old prints which showed where buildings had been demolished or roofs raised.

The investigations the children undertook had two consequences. The tangible result was the appealing 'Children's Guide to Harbury' but more important was the way in which research taught the children how to learn, how to find out and record facts.

Every scrap of information is recorded so that it is not lost, and can be consulted, but at one stage there was so much detail that it was in danger of swamping everyone. A programme of cataloguing was begun two years ago. Mrs Hancock, Mrs Cox and Mrs Bell spent six hours a week for eighteen months cross referencing everything from photographs to newspaper cuttings and Mrs Black and Mrs Knight who had begun by helping them, added to the information by taking the children on collecting expeditions to the Library and the County Records Office.

There are several tiers of information. New photographs of Harbury and Chesterton in street order number around 250 and these are matched by a collection of old photographs many from Bob Thornicroft, Celia Barratt, the Warners and other interested villagers. With each of the old photographs is a sheet of paper which records comments about the photographs.

Also catalogued are articles from the Harbury News and Hungry Harbury. There are copies of the Trade Directories from 1850 to 1924; details from Domesday and the full enumeration of the 1881 Census have been transcribed and fed into the School's computers.

There is a wealth of information for the children, which is organised in a form that they can use easily But Mr Chapman is ever on the lookout for more and he made a plea for the audience to add to it where they could.

There was much to see: copies of old newspaper report including one of a farmer gored to death by a friend bull; photographs of buildings long gone; rules of the school and best of all a report on the football prowess of one Michael Bishop of Harbury.

A bottle of sherry was raffled to defray the expenses

of hiring the Hall and was duly won by Rhian Kelsall

whose idea a Bottle of Croft was!

LINDA RIDGLEY

WILLIAM BLICK, BLACKSMITH ETC.

Has anyone in the village any information, however small, about William Blick and his business in Binswood End? Or any information about relatives? Or particularly any photographs.

NIGEL CHAPMAN Harbury School.

GRENADIER'S MARCH

Here is a splendid Hungarian recipe, known for some obscure reason by its English name of Grenadier's March. - Take equal quantities of potatoes and pasta (preferably the large type). Boil separately and drain. Fry half that total amount of onions finely chopped. Add I tspn paprika and I tbspn tomato puree to the potatoes. Season well and mash with a little margarine and milk. Mix all 3 ingredients together, mound into a warmed dish and serve very hot. An excellent meal stretcher!

E. ZONIK

HARBURY THEATRE GROUP

Our French Restaurant was its usual resounding success. We managed to squeeze 61 customers into the Farley Room where they enjoyed a superb Five Course Meal cooked by our team of Theatre Group 'Chefs'. The atmosphere was enhanced by Gerry and friends with their non-stop French music.

Thanks to all who helped with this fundraising effort.

G.H.



PARISH COUNCIL

Sharon Hancock suggested that perhaps the Post Office had replied to Harbury's complains about the slow delivery of the post but that the letter was 'held up in the Post'! John Drinkwater, who has inside knowledge, was able to disabuse the Cllrs of their belief that parts of the village get two postal deliveries. They stopped two year ago.

No notification has come either about the new bus service or lack of it, and Sharon Hancock was annoyed that not only did the Council not know but neither did the passengers! The Chairman persuaded the Cllrsto wait until the timetable was published before they exploded.

A quaint letter had arrived from the Emergency Planni. Department of the County urging Harbury to be, like the Scouts, prepared, in this case for a Nuclear War or large scale disaster. The Department wanted a booklet to be made up listing all the local resources buildings and medical personnel and offered to train Community Advisors. Dr Sharon Hancock agreed to compile the list. She and other Cllrs who visited the District Council Offices on Open Day were much impressed with both the buildings and the attitude of the Officers they met. The refreshments were commended.

The District has allowed the demolition of the extento Sussex Cottages with the conversion of the main building into one dwelling and the erection of two modern houses in the ground. The plea for existing use as Light Industrial at Burnside has been turned down and the Councillors sympathised with the new own who had thought his case proved. The two houses on the pumping station grounds have been refused but Cllr Drinkwater thought that some development there ought to be encouraged or the land would turn into a wilderness. The Parish Council registered no objectito the amended plans for the cottages in the Manor's orchard, nor did they object to Mr Taylor's plans at 13 Pineham Avenue nor the revised plans for the swimming pool at 23 Farm Street.

Sharon Hancock once more expressed the belief that it would be in the interests of the residents of Queen's lose to keep the land at the entrance in good order

if they did not want it developed. Cllr Drinkwater questioned whether it would be such a bad thing for another house to be put there, but Cllr Hancock said that if such an application were unsuccessful then the Parish would be in a stronger position to insist that the land was kept tidy.

Two residents of Mackley Way were present to protest that their development is still without a street sign and that water lies on the estate driveway. They assured the Parish Council that the road had been adopted but both Cllr Dunn & P.C. Percival queried this. It was agreed to pass on the complaint to Tony Walters the Divisional Engineer and seek clarification of the status of the roads there. Cllr Dunn asked why some of the street lights in

Harbury did not come on in the morning when as he complained it's 'dark until it gets light'. Denis Atkins went into great detail of the history of Harbury's footway lighting and the rolling programme to improve it. There are 103 lights of which 89 are Mercury Vapour and 14 still Tungsten. are being gradually changed to MV and Photoelectric cells introduced which automatically puts the lights on when it gets dark and turns them off when the day dawns, but there are still lamps on half-night lighting. Denis Atkins will press ahead with is plans to upgrade all the lights but what can be done will depend on whether the Council can persuade the District Council that their contractor was responsible for the demolition of the Mill Street lamp with the digger working on the Sewerage Pumping Station. The bill has been received from the EMEB and someone has to pay for it.

Bill Carter was thanked for his work on refurbishing the Parish Notice Board and making the one on the Old New Inn Green safe.

It was agreed to ask the Village Hall Committee to look into the security of the keys to the Hall and let the Committee know in advance of the coming of the Fair for there were complaints that the Fair had used the facilities of the Hall without permission

The Cubs, Scouts and Guides were given permission to use the Playing Fields for their Campfire and the Parish Council wished them every success with their

venture.

The Clerk reported that Vicky Tanner had expressed doubts that the Playbus would continue to visit Deppers for there were only two children using the facility but the Parish Council was determined to complain if the service was withdrawn for they had provided money for the new engine and as Cllr Hancoc pointed out Deppers was just the isolated community that the Bus was designed for.

The long running debate on what Play Equipment is best for Deppers continues. John Moore has uncovered a Social and Recreation Fund with assets of £120. It was agreed that when a decision was reached Coventry City Leisure Services from whom the Chairman had aquired details of a scheme to install inspect and repair Playground equipment, might be asked as a trial of their suitability to perform on the Deppers Bridge Recreation Ground.

KEITH THOMPSON



Keith Thompson who was recently elected Chairman of the Parish Council is very much a Warwickshire man, born and brought up in the County town as was his wife Mary. As a boy at Oter School (the forerunner of Myton) his main interest was railway engines and he spent many happy hours out 'spotting'. He left school as 15 and after a year at the 'Tech' on a basic engineering course, he did a 5 year apprenticeship at Benfords Engineer ing. He worked on there for a time after qualifying then went to the Department of Mechanical Engineerin at the Lanchester Polytechnic in Coventry as a technician. He very much enjoyed the contact with students, setting up experiments and helping them with their projects. When he returned to

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industry it was to work as a training officer, first with Coventry Radiator and then to Flavels in Leamington.

While at Flavels he was asked to take on some of the responsibilities of the Safety Officer who had left. He quickly developed an interest in the work, and took on the job full-time. There followed an intensive period of part-time study in order to become a Member of the Institute of Safety and Health and of the Institute of Industrial Management. In 1977 he took up a position with Coventry City Council where he is now Senior Safety Officer.

Keith met his wife Mary in 1962 when Mary was still a pupil at Leamington College for Girls. They married in 1968 after Mary had completed training as a teacher at Conley College in Coventry. Their home in Neales Close was their first house, bought when it was just a plot of land and an artists impression. Their previous acquaintance with Harbury had been limited to the odd trip to the Crown on Keith's scooter! Mary taught the reception class at Harbury School for a couple of years before their son Steven was born in 1972 followed in 1976 by his sister Lucy.

In their early years in the village, both working very hard, they did not have too much involvement in village life. While taking young Steven to the swings one weekend Keith observed the Playing Fields Committee hard at work installing new equipment. He volunteered to help, was soon on the Committee, and involved in the construction of the tennis courts. Then followed an arduous ten year stint on the Carnival Committee culminating in three years as Chairman.

It was his obvious organisational skills and commitment to the village that led the Parish Council to co-opt him when a vacancy arose 'midterm'. He quickly became a valuable member of the Council. Councillor Mike Ellis, for many years an adept Chairman of the Finance sub-committee quickly recognised Keith's abilities and imparted to him much of his valuable knowledge of Local Government finance, and Keith stepped ably into his shoes when

Mike left the village. It was under Keith's management that the successful financing of a new roof for the Village Hall was achieved.

Besides his Parish Council work, Keith is a Governor of Harbury School, a member of the Youth Club Commit Chairman of the Village Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, is an active tennis player and regular supporter of every aspect of the social and community life of the village. Mary too is fully involved particularl with the W.I. and the P.T.A. Recently she was appointed head of Napton First School. Fortunately this is not prompting any thoughts of leaving the They feel the warmth and friendship of this village. strong community would be hard to replace. Certainly Harbury would find it hard to replace a couple who have contributed so generously of their time and energy. S.M.H.

IN THE GARDEN

It is still not too late to plant bulbs, in fact tulips should not go in until the middle of the month. Remember that all should be planted their length deep, and daffodils at least 6" down, if they are to flower well. Have small early bulbs where you can enjoy them from the window, or in containers near the door.

Divide overgrown perennials when flowering is over. Clear fallen leaves from rockplants. Remove leaves from garden pools and cut out dying water lily pads. For a supply of winter mint and parsley pot up a few roots and place in a sunny window.

Continue winter digging and sow broad beans. Apply fertiliser when you give the lawn its final cut. Prune climbing roses.

Give house plants plenty of light but cease feeding and water more sparingly.







HARBURY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The pleasingly large number of people attending the last meeting were rewarded by a very interesting and informative talk on 'Soil in your garden'. The speaker was Dr Bragg, one of the relatively rare specialists in the developing subject of soil science.

The next meeting on November 4th at 8pm at the Wight School will welcome Dr Walkey who will talk about Flora of the Bernese Oberland. The talk will be preceded by the A.G.M. Nominations are still needed for the committee.

Also at the meeting crocus bulbs, 10 to a bag, in a selection of colours, will again be available - ideal for entries to the Spring bulb competition. Finally, members new and old are invited to bring their subscriptions to the meeting if they have not paid already. Still only fl per member.

B.A.RIGDEN

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Editors,

We would like to express through the magazine our heartfelt thanks to all who supported our Open Day the proceeds of which went to Tear Fund and the Church Extension Fund.

It was a long day and we felt exhausted but after seeing the video showing us where some of the aid is going, we felt very humble and yet at the same time grateful that we live in such a place as Harbury.

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