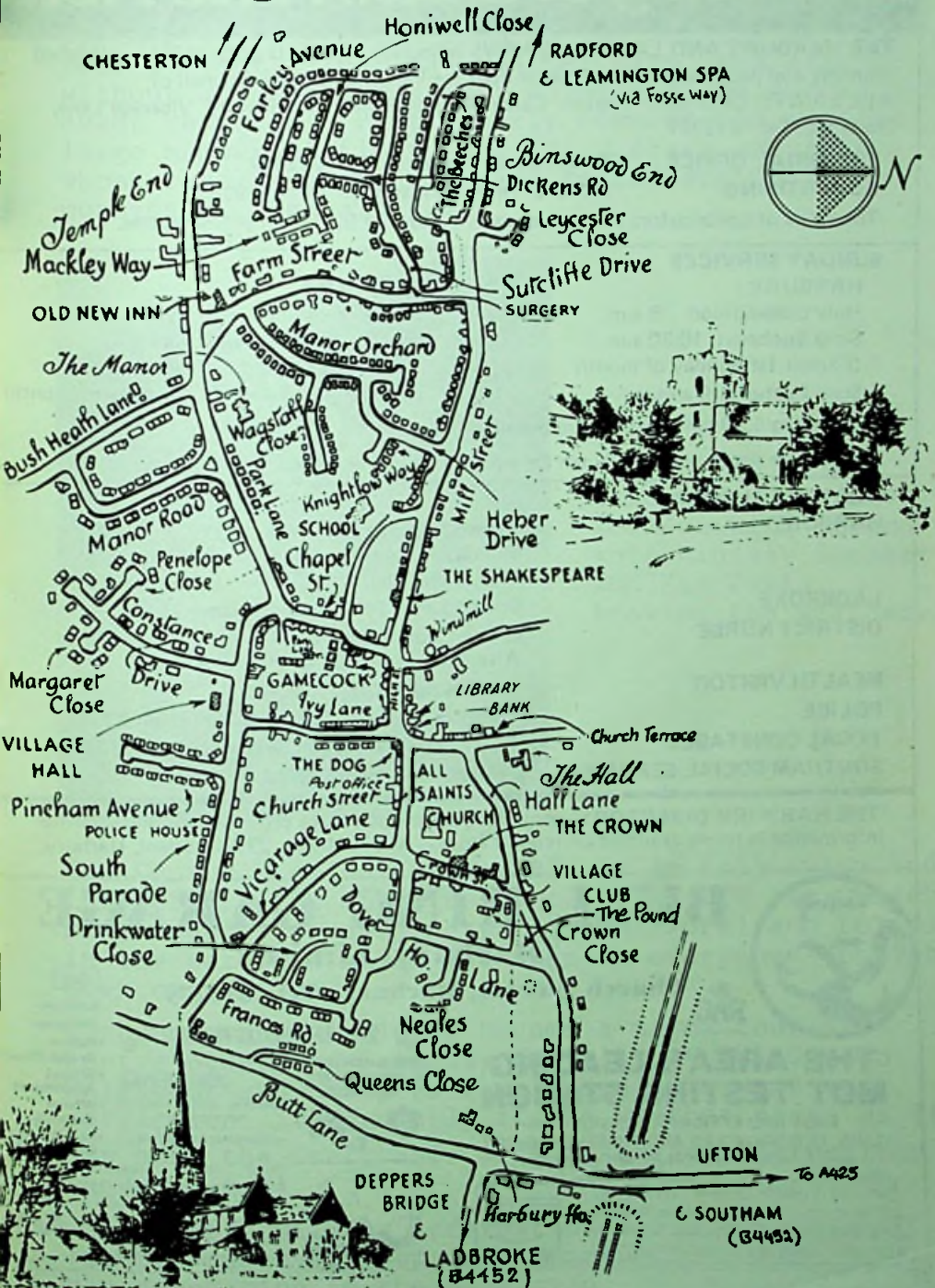


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(Except 1st Sunday of month

Sung Eucharist 9 a.m. only)

Evensong 6.30 p.m. (except 3rd Sunday)

LADBROKE

Holy Communion with Hymns 9a.m.

(Except 1st Sunday of month

Family Communion 10.30 a.m.

Evensong 3.30 p.m. (3rd Sunday of month)

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The Carnival Committee are to be congratulated in being completely undeterred by the atrocious weather which greeted them on the morning of this year's event. The 'bad weather plan' was adopted without any ado and a most enjoyable and successful event resulted. Particularly commendable was the large number of floats and fancy dress entrants whose resolve must have been tested during the morning of the carnival.



Carnival Queen Lisa Tebaldi with attendants Lindsey Spencer and Kim Davis, braving the weather.

The Church Mission, Quest '87, is in full swing and this offers the opportunity to talk with the Church Army (who do an amazing variety of work) and to join in the services which are open to everyone - churchgoer or not.

Harbury's annual bid to become a major tourist centre occurs on Saturday July 11th - The Garden Walkabout and Craft Fair will again be a major attraction. (Presumably if the weather stays as it has been the Craft Fair will do rather better than the Gardens!)

Many people will be interested in the extracts of letters received from John Hancock, written during his expedition in the Himalayas, which are printed

elsewhere in this issue. One of the letters was written some 15000 feet up the mountain and addressed to the Venture Unit. It contains a great deal of fascinating detail about the conditions, the topography and the expedition itself. It is humbly remarkable that John should have so much care for the Venture Unit that he found not only time but the energy (when mere survival must be a prime occupation) to write of his experiences to them.

Congratulations to Ladbroke's Kate Todman who has produced a baby daughter - Lucy.

The holiday season will soon be with us. The Editors wish everyone a pleasant holiday, whether they are going away or not. Provided the weather improves a holiday in Harbury can be very pleasant indeed. Foreign tourists pay large sums of money for holidays in the Shakespeare country.

HARBURY DIARY

JULY 1987

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| Sat | 4th | Wight School Playgroup JUMBLE SALE 10 - Noon in Wight School
Netball Club Coffee Morning + Cakes + Bring & Buy
Village Hall 10 - 12 noon
Prayers in Church 10.30am
Under 12's Disco Village Hall 7-9.30pm 70p |
| Sun | 5th | PENTECOST IV 9am Sung Eucharist, 11.30am Family Service with Adventurers and all young people, 3.30pm Open Air Service at Deppers Bridge Recreation Grounds by permission of the Parish Council, 6.30pm The Royal Show Service at Stoneleigh.
Youth Club Alton Towers Trip |
| Mon | 6th | Prayers in Church 9.30am
Bible Study in Church & Julian Meeting 7.30pm
Word of God, The Spiers, Chesterton Rd 8pm
Praise & Prayer 17 Farm Street
Harbury Theatre Group Play reading 8pm in Wight School |
| Tues | 7th | Prayers in Church 9.30am
Mother and Toddler Service 2.15pm
Holy Communion 7.30pm
N.H.R. Book Group '84 Charing Cross Road' Hele Hanff, 8pm at Paddock House Crown St. NO MEE |

IN AUGUST

- Wed 8th NSPCC Coffee Morning with Cake Bring & Buy 10.30
to Noon at Hill Cottage, Farm Street
Mothers Union Garden Meeting at Haze Brook, The
Pound 2.15pm
Mission Service at 8pm
Youth Club Night
- Thurs 9th Holy Communion 9.45am
Thursday Club 2.30 Village Hall, visit by Church
Army
W.I. 7.45pm at Village Hall Potato Marketing
Board
- Fri 10th Holy Communion 7am
- Sat 11th HARBURY GARDEN WALKABOUT
CRAFT CIRCLE AT VILLAGE HALL 11am till 6pm
Ploughman's Lunch available at 5 Park Lane from
12 noon
Parish Supper at Temple House at 8pm
PTA Barbecue and Barn Dance
Youth Club Disco
- Sun 12th PENTECOST V 8am Holy Communion, 10.30am Family
Eucharist, 6.30pm Final Mission Service Bishop
Vernon Nicholls to preside (farewell to Church
Army Team)
No Free Church Service
Harbury Society Picnic to Chesterton
- Mon 13th Meeting of Parents & Governors at Harbury School
National Women's Register 7.30pm Pub Walk (see
newsletter for details)
Praise & Prayer Revenshall Cottage
- Tues 14th Village Hall Committee meets in Farley Room of
Village Hall at 8pm
Parochial Church Council meets 8.15pm Wight School
- Wed 15th ST SWITHENS DAY
BLOOD DONORS at Village Hall (give generously!)
Toddler Group break up
Youth Club Barbecue Rounders, Newbold Comyn
- Thurs 16th Whist in Village Hall 7.45pm
- Fri 17th School Ends
Youth Club Canal Trip
Scouts & Guides Support Cttee Family Barbecue &
Supper Kingston House, Mill Street
- Sun 19th PENTECOST VI 8am Holy Communion 10.30am Sung
Eucharist
- Mon 20th Word of God 8 The Beeches 8pm
Praise & Prayer Lullington Lodge

Tues	21st	EVE OF ST MARY MAGDALEN
Wed	22nd	Youth Club Night
Thurs	23rd	Thursday Club in Village Hall
Sun	26th	ST JAMES THE APOSTLE (transferred) 8am Holy Communion 10.30am Sung Eucharist, 6.30pm Evensong ALL ARTICLES FOR INCLUSION IN AUGUST'S HARBURY NEWS TO EDITORS BY TODAY
Mon	27th	PLAYSCHEME Mornings only till Fri 7th August starts in Village Hall Praise & Prayer 15 Pineham Ave
Tues	28th	Senior Citizens Cttee 8.30pm in Village Hall
Wed	29th	Last Youth Club Night until September
<u>AUGUST</u>		
Sun	2nd	PENTECOST VII 9am Sung Eucharist, 6.30pm Evensong
Mon	3rd	Toddler Group Holiday Session Word of God 23 Neales Close Praise & Prayer 12 Park Lane

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, 8.30-10
Mondays

GUIDES, Scout Hut, 7.30pm Mondays.

BINGO, Village Hall, 8pm every Monday.

TODDLER GROUP, Wight School, 10-11.30am Mondays,
and 2.00-3.30pm Wednesdays.

PLAYGROUP, Wight School, Tuesday to Friday morning

NURSERY SCHOOL, Village Hall, Tuesday to Friday a

LUNCHEON CLUB, Village Hall every Tuesday & Friday
12.30pm.

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

BROWNIES, Village Hall, every Tuesday evening.

N.B. Tuesday CUBS now meet on THURSDAYS.

SCOUTS, Scout Hut, 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 Wednesday

DANCING CLASSES for Children & Adults, Farley Room
Village Hall, 4-9pm Wednesdays.

" " 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.
 BELLRINGING PRACTICE in Church 7.30pm every Friday.

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

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 LINDA RIDGLEY - telephone 612792.

For Village Hall Bookings, ring Mrs. Padbury, 613246
 For Wight School Bookings, ring Mrs. Hayes, 613488

FROM HARBURY CHURCHWARDENS

The immediate priority this month is the mission - Quest '87. Every household in the village will have received an invitation to join in this opportunity, made possible by the Church Army. The invitation highlights the major events - to which everyone is welcome - and a full programme is posted in the Church. In addition, posters will advise of events on a day to day basis. I hope that we shall be able to grasp firmly the intention of the mission which is to deepen and broaden our faith. May I urge you to attend those events which are still to come as you read this - and please take a friend who might not otherwise have gone.

It must have been a moving experience for the Rector and Mrs Rowe to be present as their son Stephen was ordained priest last Sunday (June 28th) I am sure we wish Stephen and Christine every blessing in their work together.

The confirmation was a great occasion - we were very privileged to have Bishop Vernon Nicholls with us - which gave Beryl and I our first opportunity to use our splendid new staves.

On June 11th several of us were guests of St. Leonards at Ryton on Dunsmore where, following a service, we were entertained to a delightful barbecue - cooked outside and consumed in their

fairly new Church Hall which is attached to the Church and we were able to get to know a little about our link parishioners and we all agreed that it was a most splendid evening - only spoiled by a downpour just we were leaving.

Finally, we are grateful to Ladbroke for providing their usual super Parish Breakfast which was attended by rather fewer than usual which was a pity because a) we should try to keep close to our 'partners' at Ladbroke and b) those who did not come missed a most enjoyable occasion.

J.B.M.

FROM THE RECTOR

By the time your magazine for July arrives, Quest '87 will be well underway. You should have received the Introduction and Invitation through your door, with list on the back page of some of the events taking place during the twelve days of the Mission. We hope you will come to any of the services or times of prayer listed in last month's edition or to any of the other meetings. To keep people well-informed we are publishing Quest '87 notices on the notice boards in both villages, a few days at a time to make it easier to know what is happening from day to day. I draw your attention particularly to the following:-

Mon 6th July 7.30pm The Bible Study & Julian Meeting in Church (Harbury)

Wed 8th July 7.30pm at Ladbroke & 8pm at Harbury Mission Service

Sat 11th July 8pm The Parish Supper at Temple House

Sun 12th July 8am Holy Communion (Harbury)

9am Holy Communion with Hymns (Ladbroke)

10.30am Family Eucharist (Harbury)

6.30pm Final Mission Service (Harbury)

At the final service to which everyone from Ladbroke and Harbury are invited, we shall be very pleased to welcome again Bishop Vernon Nicholls who will have something to tell us from his wealth of experience in the Ministry and at the end will give us the Blessing and a further commission to go out and get on with the quest. The Sermon will be preached by Captain Andrew Smith. After the service we shall bid farewell - reluctantly - to the Church Army Team.

In conclusion may I stress that Quest '87 is not

designed either just for the few or to cajole the many. It is offered to everyone in both Harbury and Ladbroke, who is ready with an open mind to consider again the things which belong and lead to faith.

Before my allotted space runs out, (if it has not already done so) can I refer to the Confirmation on Sunday 14th June. It was indeed a great occasion and exceedingly well attended. Bishop Vernon Nicholls conducted the service admirably and made everyone feel so much at ease. To the candidates, I am certain, that day will remain a memorable one for the rest of their lives and they were certainly assured of the prayers and the support of many, many people. Please continue to remember them in your prayers and pray that they will grow in the faith and remain constant in their allegiance to Our Lord Jesus Christ.

ANTONY ROWE



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 Samantha Janet Neill - Melanie Dawn Savage - Sonia
 Louise Taylor - Jennifer Emma Knott (Ladbroke) -
 Shane Andrew Exton - Christian Edward Jonathan
 Horner - Guy Richard Horner - Jamie Grainger Horner -
 Robert John Waterman - (from St James Southam)
 Hilary Louise Evans.

HOLY BAPTISM

- Sunday 14th June: CATRIONA ANN McCALLUM, daughter of Peter John and Moira Ruby Rollason Sloane Cottage, Binswood End.
- Sunday 21st June: WENDY JOY, daughter of Albert Edward and Helen Denise Dowdeswell The Firs, Deppers Bridge.
- Saturday 27th June: LUKE PETER SEBASTIAN, son of Peter Michael and Ann Elizabeth Woodward Flecknoe House, Chapel Street.

HOLY MATRIMONY

- Saturday 6th June: MICHAEL RANCE MUNDAY, 27 Glebe Road Southam and HEATHER GRACE TEVERSCrown Cottage, Ladbroke.

FUNERALS

- Friday 5th June: ELSIE ELIZABETH GREEN, 4 Crown Cottage Harbury. 83 years
- Thurs 18th June: DAISY BRAIN, 5 Bush Heath Lane, Harbury. 85 years



LADBROKE NEWS

JULY DIARY

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| Sat | 4th | 11am Ramble & Picnic |
| Sun | 5th | PENTECOST IV (A.S.B. 653) 10.30am Family Communion
3.30pm Open Air Service, Deppers Bridge, 6.30pm
Royal Show Service |
| Tues | 7th | Young Peoples Meeting 7.30pm |
| Wed | 8th | Holy Communion 10.30am
Women's Fellowship in Church 2.30pm
Mission Service 7.30pm |
| Fri | 10th | Quest '87 Supper at Ladbroke Village Hall 8pm |

Sat	11th	Prayers in Church 9.30am Quest '87 Supper, Temple House, Harbury
Sun	12th	PENTECOST V 9am Holy Communion with Hymns (ASB 658) 6.30pm Final Mission Service at Harbury (Bishop Vernon Nicholls)
Wed	15th	Holy Communion 10.30am
Sun	19th	PENTECOST VI (A.S.B. 663) 9am Holy Communion with Hymns 3.30pm Evensong. Lucy Todman to be Christened at this family service.
Wed	22nd	ST. MARY MAGDALEN (A.S.B. 787) 10.30am Holy Communion
Thurs	23rd	W.I. Strawberry Fair Fete at the Village Hall
Sun	25th	ST JAMES THE APOSTLE (Transferred) A.S.B. 789 9am Holy Communion with Hymns
Tues	28th	Parish Council
Wed	29th	Holy Communion 10.30am
Fri	31st	Friends of Ladbroke Church Barbecue 8pm
<u>AUGUST</u>		
Sun	2nd	PENTECOST VII (A.S.B. 673) 10.30am Family Communion

LADBROKE CHURCH

An Ecumenical Service, followed by a Barbeque, was held at St. Leonard's Church, Ryton-on-Dunsmore, one of our link Parishes, on 11th June. Francis and I went along from Ladbroke, had a wonderful welcome and thoroughly enjoyed the whole evening.

Parish Breakfast - 21st June - would you believe it, it didn't rain on the morning of the Parish Breakfast. Not quite as many attended, due to the current Summer Virus, but nevertheless we had a very good Morning Service, followed by an equally good Parish Breakfast, with the pleasure of welcoming our friends from Harbury.

Quest '87 - Friends of Ladbroke Church

It has been decided not to hold the Barbeque at the Village Hall on 10th July, due to the very undecided weather. Instead we are holding a Savoury Buffet, with wine, on that date, in the Village Hall, from 8pm to 10pm, when it is hoped that as many people as possible will attend. Tickets at £2 each are available from Gwynne Badman on 2187: Gwladys Gould on 4516: Jill Norgate on 2490: and Beryl Darkes on Leamington Spa 24465.

GWYNNE BADMAN

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Our meeting in June which was to have been in church unfortunately had to be cancelled. We shall now meet for a service in Church on July 8th at 2.30pm; taken by the Rector. We are pleased that Captain Neil Thomson will be with us for this, and also for the meeting afterwards at 16 Ladbroke Hall.

NANCY STUBBS

LADBROKE & DEPPERS BRIDGE W.I.

The Broughton Castle visit with Southam was an enjoyable event despite rain that prevented a tour of the grounds.

The expedition to Edgbaston to the Professional Ladies Tennis was equally damp but removal of rain-water from the Centre Court provided a diversion.

Similarly the Ladies Bowls team struggled with the rain in Victoria Park.

On June 17th 11 patients of St. Christopher Wren Ward, Hatton were entertained in the Village Hall.

The fete will be held in the Village Hall on July 23rd. It will take the form of a strawberry fair. Donations for stalls - jewellery, white elephant items, plants and home-made cakes welcome.

Discussion of the fete was the main item at the W.I June meeting. Mrs Monica Davies of Harbury, our delegate to the A.G.M. in London, gave an account of the meeting.

Mrs G Moore won the raffle. Several members are to Springclean the Village Hall in preparation for the fete.

GLENYS HALLAM

VILLAGE HALL AFFAIRS

The Chicken & Chip Disco held on Friday 19th June was the first social event held in the village for many months. It really was a great success and everyone hoped that it would be repeated before too long.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

The Best Kept Village Competition was again discussed. The Council felt it unlikely that the village stood

a chance this year, but if the Village Hall frontage, the telephone box and verges were tidied up next Spring, then it was felt Ladbroke may stand a chance in this coveted competition next year. Mr Tim Percival attended the meeting and he was asked about the amount of cars parking on the road outside the "Bell Inn", some of which obstruct the pavement. Mr Don Northorpe told the Council that he was fed up with paying high rates for such a poor refuse service. He felt that the sacks should be collected from the back doors of the property and householders should not have to carry the sacks out to the pavement. The Council undertook to investigate his complaint.

Next meeting July 28th 7.45pm in the Village Hall.

Mr Ron Smith of Attwood Cottage has undertaken a Mountain Run in the Lake District in aid of the restoration work needed in Ladbroke Church. He expects to take about ten hours to run over 27 peaks, climbing approximately 1100 ft on the route. If you would like to sponsor Ron, either by pledging a total sum or by the peak please ring him on Southam 3745.

Finally this month I'd like to introduce Lucy Catherine Todman, congratulations to Michael, Kate, Anna and Charlotte on the latest addition to the family at "Quince Cottage".

FREE CHURCH SERVICE JULY 12TH

There will be no service at 2.30pm. The Rector has suggested that the Free Church congregation should attend the final ecumenical service at 6.30pm. This will be the last service in the Quest '87 Church Army Mission and will be an opportunity for all Christians to take part in a united act of worship.

S.J.

HARBURY P.T.A.

Sponsored Walk Breaks Record! £855 was raised on Saturday May 16th, a tremendous achievement which easily beat the 1985 record of £725. 160 people to part this year, which amounted to over half of all schoolchildren plus parents and dogs. School staff did their usual job of organising and marshalling at various points around the circular walk starting the Village Hall. The excellent effort will provide a 'computer + monitor', 'wooden equipment', for the reception class and 'Lego Technic' for the craft and technology class - and with a bit left over! Our thanks go to all who took part, parents and children alike, and to the Harbury School staff who supervised the proceedings - we are indeed fortunate to have such dedicated staff in Harbury.

Carnival Pancakes - netted a profit of £25 for the Carnival Committee. Chef Colin Oliver controlled cooks Gordon 'the banker' Bennet, John 'the dentist' Black who worked wonders on camping stoves in their cuisine in the village hall changing room. Karina Bennet provided gallons of the carefully blended batter whilst Clare Kelly and Sarah Bennet folded and sculptured the delicious savoury after filling from a remarkable choice offered. The chef advised choice of: syrup, lemon on sugar or any combination thereof a truly wide selection which complimented the natural ingredients including natural grass and natural gas. Although not the largest sum raised on that day the venture was good fun and enjoyed by all those participating, cooks and customers alike.

Our Family Day attracted 70 people, some walked to Ufton Nature Reserve whilst others arrived by car. Thanks to Andy Tasker who organised matters and provided a useful guided walk leaflet so parties could take the walk at their own pace. Most of us would have 'noticed' the recent wet weather and so walking underfoot, in some parts of the walk, was somewhat muddy. But those who came prepared could only be bemused at some of the slithering footwork of those explorers who were better equipped for walking up The Parade in Leamington. This of course did not prevent everyone having a most enjoyable day, the reserve has a lot of interesting variety of flora and fauna, although



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most of the wildlife sensibly retreated to cover on our arrival. It was a very good introduction to the reserve and no doubt will precede many other visits by our party not only to this, but other nature reserves in the area. The group returned to the school hall where, thanks to the ladies of the P.T.A. refreshments were provided to the participants who were enjoying their various picnic lunches whilst Andy Tasker was arranging a quiz-competition for the children whose winning entries were entered for a small raffle prize.

Barbecue & Barn Dance - Saturday 11th July

Promises to be the usual fun packed enjoyable event. Everything is coming together, barbecues, food and Magic Roundabout with a special surprise treat midway through the evening (?)

Tickets are selling well, so if you are keen to go, then book your tickets now! - from either school or committee to avoid disappointment.

Some P.T.A. equipment is for hire - see feature advert.

KEN STEPHENSON

SCOUTS AND GUIDES SUPPORT COMMITTEE

The newspaper collection continues to be a most worthwhile exercise having raised £134 at last months collection. We still require help from a few more adults with transport to collect papers on a couple of Sundays a year. The collection normally takes an hour or so and a number of scouts and cubs are assigned to each collector to load into a car and unload at Leamington House, Church Street. Anyone interested - please contact me or John Kemsley (613556). Anyone with large bundles of paper that require special collection please contact John Kemsley.

We are also in need of a new paper store so if anyone knows of a suitable barn or garage, please let me know. The next paper collection will be Sunday 19th July.

July is going to be a real scorcher so we have arranged another FAMILY BARBECUE AND SWIM on Friday 17th July at Kingston House, Mill St. Tickets are

£3 for adults and £1.50 for children including food and a swim. There will also be a licenced bar - Tickets are available from me at Kingston House.

BRIAN INGRAM (612418)

PLAYSCHEME '87

Last reminder for the summer (?) playscheme. The dates are the two weeks beginning 27th July and 3rd August. Times the same as last year: - Monday to Friday 10am until 12 noon, at a cost of 50p per child per day.

Volunteers are still needed. Could those who have already "volunteered" please contact us to let us know exactly when they will be able to help.

A list of our more specific craft requirements has gone out to the children at school but if anyone has a skill (e.g. simple Macrame, making corn dollies, juggling, ANYTHING!), could you volunteer your time for a morning to show the children?

Believe it, you WILL enjoy yourself and the time flies by. After 5 years our ideas and talents are almost exhausted and we RELY on people helping us.

"Collections" please to 41 Vicarage Lane from 20th July or to the Village Hall on the afternoon of Sunday 26th July (2-4pm). For further information and to volunteer, please contact: Jill Cadogan (6135 Jean Champ (613698), Pauline Hayes (612179), Jo Tanc (613280) or Pam Shepherd (613260)

J.C.

HARBURY TODDLER GROUP

Harbury Toddlers meets twice weekly in the Wight Sch Monday 10am - 11.30am and Wednesday 2pm - 3.30pm and welcomes mothers with toddlers up to three years of age. We organize a variety of activities for the children, and have refreshments midway through the session for both children and Mums.

We break up for the summer on July 15th, but we do have two holiday sessions booked, Monday 3rd August and Wednesday 19th August. Do come along! Autumn term starts on Monday 7th September. A charge of 40 for Mum and one child is made to cover expenses and

contribute towards refurbishment of the toy stocks.

HELP NEEDED - could you make the coffee and children's refreshments for the group? Approximately 40 minutes duty (10.25 - 11.05 and 2.25 - 3.05) - fl paid per session. Contact Ann Brunt (612867) or Jean Cox (612693) for details.

J.C.

HARBURY YOUTH CLUB

The newly elected Management Committee have held two meetings since our last report and the new officers are:- Chairperson - Bob Taylor
Secretary - Pauline Smith Treasurer - Bill Chalmers
The first priority was to record a vote of thanks to the outgoing committee members, and especially Andy Cowan, Wendy Knowles, Jean Dunn and Peter McDonald, who have put such a lot of work into the first year of the Youth Club. Also thanks are due to the many helpers and friends who have helped and supported the many activities undertaken during the past year.

Congratulations to our "Superhoc" team who represented Warwickshire in the Midlands final held at the Aston Villa Leisure Centre in June. They were Tony Bastin, Shaun Morgan, Martin Padbury, Duncan Williams, John Winchester, Emma Finch, Vanessa Smith, Sarah-Jane Knight and Gillian Dodds. They played teams representing Birmingham, Northants and Leicester and were unlucky in 2 out of 3 matches.

Members are needed for the new Youth Forum - please be ready to volunteer this year. The Youth Forum is always ready to listen to your ideas, and pass on suggestions for events that you want to see happen. Thanks to Emma White as her idea of a pizza evening will go ahead in September.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

There are still vacancies for the canal trips on August 14th - 16th and August 21st - 23rd. Sign up soon!

July 15th - Barbeque and Rounders v Warwick Youth Club at Newbold Comyn. Leamington Coach departs 7pm Village Hall, cost 75p, includes food, drinks

and coach. Return approximately 10pm. Helpers needed.

September 12th/13th Honiley Hall Weekend, a fully supervised programme of activities for 14-16 year olds for only £6.50 total (the food's good too!!)

Dates to Remember

Sun July 5th	Alton Towers Trip
Wed July 8th	Clubnight
Sat July 11th	Disco
Wed July 15th	Barbeque/rounders at Newbold Comyn
Fri July 17th	Superskiff Canal Trip
Wed July 22nd	Clubnight
Wed July 29th	LAST CLUBNIGHT BEFORE SUMMER HOLIDAY
Wed Sept 9th	CLUB RE-OPENS (New Harbury Members welcomed)

JUNIOR TENNIS

At the recent friendly tennis tournament, Jonathan Frost and Julia Brown were 1st, Ross Bastin and Fiona Crossan, Leon Scholtz and Grant Edwards tied for 2nd place and Vincent Crossan and Chris Smith were 4th.

The junior club championships (boys singles and doubles and girls singles and doubles and mixed doubles) will take place in September - please tell an adult (e.g. Sid Newnham, Barry Latham, Nicky Knight or Rosemary Ottewill) if you'd like to enter.

HARBURY FOLK CLUB

The first week of June is always busy for the Folk Club because we meet on the first Thursday as usual and then, two days later, we appear with a float in the Carnival.

This year the theme was "Travelling Folk" and the centre piece on our float was a gypsy caravan skilfully fabricated from timber and hardboard then suitably painted and decorated. Once again, it was a great credit to all those who helped in so many different ways and our efforts were rewarded with second place in our class (and, once again, congratulations to Chapel Street's worthy winning production). More importantly, we all had a good time and we offer our special thanks to Clair, riding a good tempered Brandy (frightened only by

dinosaurs!), for adding some extra interest to our gypsy scene.

Our music session on June 4th was a good one, even if it did go on longer than it should. The gypsy flavour was there in places, but most effectively with John and Nick who looked the part and even composed a special song for the occasion. The "Gypsy Rover" will never be the same again! Gerry, Alan, Jenny and Heather made a rare visit to the club while I made my usual one. Roger played the flute, on this occasion with Caroline who sang and accompanied on guitar, and both Tony and Bonas made welcome return appearances after a few months' absence. The Jug Band's new ingredient was an autoharp which, contrary to popular belief, does not play itself!

By the time you read this we shall have had our final session of the season on July 2nd after which we take our summer break before starting our fourth season on September 3rd. Mark it on the calendar now and, while you are planning ahead, don't forget one of the highlights of the year, the NSPCC Ceilidh on October 3rd.

PETER McDONALD

THE BRITISH LATOK 2 EXPEDITION - from John Hancock

Communications from Pakistan have been remarkably good, though have come to a halt now that John is well up the mountain. He has asked me to pass on to readers of the Harbury News some extracts from his letters which I will endeavour to do. He wrote from Skardu, the main town of Baltistan on 29th May "We made it - what a drive! We left Islamabad in 2 minibuses with Mohammed, our driver sounding his musical horn continually. The other minibus went off with half our gear to take the driver's brother to hospital. We waited for them beside the road for an hour. It was dual carriageway absolutely crammed with buses, lorries, cars, bullock carts and even the occasional camel. We turned back in search of the other bus, saw him going the other way and did a U turn over the dusty central reservation! Later at a level crossing 4 lanes went to 2 with the traffic just mangling through, and a chap trying to close the gates as there was

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a train coming. After a night in a hotel we drove on, turning off on a spur of the Karkoram Highway towards Skardu. At one point we were behind a Japanese 4-wheel drive van, and our driver insisted on forcing his way past, with a 500 foot drop to the River Indus and curtains. Just after that of course we got a flat tyre and the van roared past, horn blowing. The spare was suspect and we had to go back 20 miles to get another."

Dassu. 1st June. "Dassu is at the head of the jeep track from Skardu - it took 4 hours to do the 50 miles. We are now at 8000 feet. We came across the Indus on a wooden suspension bridge. The river winds across a desert about 10 miles wide. We came to Shigar, an oasis village, straggling along the Braldu Valley. Irrigation is very clever - the locals lead water in from the glacier fed river Braldu which flows very fast. The water courses about aqueducts and ditches supplying both domestic and agricultural needs. Crops are barley (which was being cut by veiled women and old men) wheat, which was being hand weeded, spinach potatoes and lots of apricot trees. We have just given our 65 porters a 25kg load each and they are leaving for the 16 mile march to our next halt."

Askole. 4th June. "We arrived here at 2pm yesterday at the end of 3 days trekking up the Braldu gorge from Dassu. The river was tearing along and at one point we crossed it on two planks and at another waded round a rocky spur with the help of poles held by willing volunteers. The villages are on shelves above the river, with terraced fields growing wheat and dal. There are chickens, goats and yaks. The first night out we bivouacked in some rocks and had to drop down 100 feet of morainic debris to get water. It was full of silt and although the porters drank it straight we put ours through a pump filter. We are now camped in a hollow beside the glacier. I am writing this in my sleeping bag out in the open, ringed with 20,000 foot peaks. It's 7.30pm and beginning to freeze. We're all tired as we get up at 4am so I'll turn in now."

5th June. We have walked about 10 miles up the glacier and are camped in a huge ablation hollow. The sun has just gone down and suddenly instead of shorts it's fibre-pile trousers and balaclava. We

have just had asparagus soup, rice and tuna, and are waiting for the custard! Soon it will be lights out and tomorrow on to base camp at 15,000 feet."

11th June Biantha (13,500ft). "Just a quick line as porters are about to depart. I came down here yesterday with Ted Howard (the expedition leader) as he has a mild form of altitude sickness. It's beautiful here. We are supplementing our diet with wild rhubarb! The rest of the team are at base held up by very soft snow. At this rate I will be lucky to get to Advance Base at 18,000ft. Never mind - the scenery is superb."

If all goes to plan, John will be back in the village early in July, so I hope he will be able to complete the story in the next issue of the magazine.

SHARON HANCOCK

CARNIVAL

On behalf of the 1987 Carnival Committee I would like to thank all those who helped in any way to make the day a success. We were very thrilled with the proceeds of approximately £1400. We apologise to those who got somewhat squashed in the Village Hall, but I'm sure you will agree, given the weather on the day, we had to move what we could inside.

Now what will happen to the money? Most people know that the proceeds are given to the Village Hall. It is now the hall's major big fund raising event (hiring charges cover the cost of running the hall, not repairs and improvements.) In 1985, £500 of the proceeds were put into a special account for a new heating system. Last year £1700 was added to this, and with this year's money there should be enough to carry out the work and to begin replacing some of the furniture. The hall has now been in use for 25 years and obviously some of the fixtures and fittings are in need of urgent attention.

Hopefully by the winter (when the rain turns to snow) work on the heating system will be complete and we will all benefit from our efforts on Carnival Day. Once again thank you to everyone who supported us in any way whatsoever.

SUE ANDREWS

HARBURY CARNIVAL 1987

Two pages of pictures by Mike Bloxham:



Winner of Class 1B: The Shakespeare



The W.I. Float "Out of Africa" 3rd in Class 1A



Above: The Rugby Club float - starring Uncle Ian Holroyd.



Left: Sitting Bull and tribe.

Right: Elton John - or is it?



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Results of Carnival Fancy Dress

- Under 5 - 1st David Taylor - Superman
2nd Susannah Neill - Pixie
3rd Stephanie Okel - Indian Squaw
- 5 - 7 yrs - 1st Stephen Cadogan - Dog
2nd Dean Merrick - Chimney Sweep
3rd Jennifer Ricketts - Flower girl
- 8 - 10 yrs - 1st Douglas Putman - Seal
(2) 2nd places - James van Hoorebeek & Andrew Cadogan -
Clowns
3rd Tim Saunders - Ringmaster
- 11-17 yrs - 1st Mark van Hoorebeek - Goofy
2nd Emma Buffone - Girl on Bike
3rd Helen Warner - Clown

Adults Group

- 1st Bruce Carter, David Megeney - 'Allo 'Allo
2nd Chapel Street Indians
3rd Circus Group - Cub & Scout Leaders

Adult Individual

- 1st John Ridgley - Mr T
2nd Don Crossling - Crocodile
3rd Danny Killian - Captain Hook

I don't think we've ever had so many entrants and would like to thank all competitors for taking part. Our judges: Beryl Checkley, John Smith and Lisa Tebaldi had a very difficult job, thank you to them as well. S.A.

CARNIVAL FLOATS RESULTS

- CLASS 1A. 1st Chapel Street - Peter Pan. 2nd Folk Club - Travelling Folk. 3rd WI - Out of Africa.
- CLASS 1B. 1st Shakespeare - Wonderland. 2nd Old New Inn - 'Allo 'Allo. 3rd Fosse Garage - Accident Recovery.
- CLASS 2. 1st Playgroup. 2nd Brownies - Oleii! 3rd Cubs - Circus.
- CLASS 3. 1st The Weller Popgroup. 2nd CQ. 3rd The Butler Dad's Little Army.
- CLASS 4. The Jugband Dinosaur & Cavemen. 2nd Susannah & Rupert Neil - The Gnome Garden. 3rd C. Phinister.

HARBURY CARNIVAL RAFFLE WINNERS

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Ferguson Colour Television	Bill Clifton
Dinner for Two Regent Hotel	Sue Andrews
Shell Guide to England	John Kemsley
Spear & Jackson Garden Fork	Ralph Jones
Litre of Whisky	E. Pett
Two tickets, Belgrade Theatre	Ann Winchester
Box of Baileys Chocolates	Tony & Wendy Stubbs
£10 Voucher Sainsburys	Mrs. I. Newman-Smith
Bottle of Sherry	Stansfield
£5 M & S Voucher	Harbury 613507
Can Opener	Ralph Gurden
Chess King Pocket Micro Set	Michael Griffin
Bottle of Vodka	Mr. D. Howkins
Casserole with Soup Bowls	Gerda Picken
Powder Compact	Mrs. Pidgeon
Two Tickets, Loft Theatre	Hunt, Chapel Street
Dinosaur Toy	Tracy Taylor
Bottle of Wine	Mrs. Burt
Box of Fruit	P.A. Lindop
£3 Boots Voucher	T. Singh, Jaguar
Bottle of Wine	V. Newman
Crocodile Toy	Philip Fletcher
Apron	M. Bryant
Warning Vest & Triangle	Ernie Tebaldi
Car Care Kit	Lynn Edwards
12 Cans Lager	Matthews, 613829
2 bags pre-packed coal	H.M. Clerkin, Jaguar
Car Care Kit (ticket no. 744)	Claim from Mrs. Gurden, Hillside Farm.
Apron	P.K. Steel
Inflatable Dolphin	612515
<u>Bat & Ball Sets:</u> Mrs. P. Shaw, G. Loalman, J. Batty, Sophie Avery, F. Fields, c/o The Dog; 39 Mill Street, I. Osborne, Ernie Tebaldi.	
<u>Darts:</u> Scott, D. Handy, Pemberton, Craig, 612437, D. Clarke, Mark va Hoorebeek, Miles c/o 11 Heber Drive Tim Bell, S. Carr, 13 Farm St., M. Bastock, Frances Rd Paul Stores, Jaguar, Mrs. Warden, Square Close	
Basket of Fruit	Angela Whatcott
Bag of pre-packed Coal	Dawn Edwards, Southam

CHILDRENS CARNIVAL SPORTS DAY - 31st May 1987

At the time of writing this article the warm sunny weather that 'reigned' on sports day is now in itself something to cherish. It was my intention to introduce a fun element which complimented the natural athletic talents of the children. I can only assume that the laughter and enthusiasm indicated overall enjoyment.

Approximately 80 children from U 5's to 16 yrs entered in the days events with 41 entrants completing the cross-country course. Unlike the Oscar winners it is not my intention to praise every individual, except to say a most sincere thank you to the judges, stewards, race recorders and tea maker who contributed to the enjoyment for the children.

BOB TAYLOR

MOTHERS' UNION

Our annual Garden Meeting is on Wednesday 8th July at 2.15pm the second Wednesday in the month not our usual first Wednesday. This is so that we may share in Quest '87 and we look forward to meeting two members of the Church Army Mission Team who will spend the afternoon with us. It will be held at Haze Brook, The Pound, by kind invitation of Mrs Margaret Rigden and will be an open meeting when all will be welcome. For children with Mum's there will be a supply of toys normally put to good use when Mrs Rigden has her grandchildren to stay. There will be annual Bring & Buy Sale for Mothers Union funds.

We are very sorry that Mrs May Curry is unwell. We send her our love and prayers and hope very much she will soon feel better. We have just heard that Sheila Bugg has been rushed into hospital - we hope for good news of her soon and send her our love and prayers.

ESMÉ CHURCHILL

1.B.E. FOR EX-HARBURY MAN

Warrant Officer Gordon Measures, Harbury born and bred and son in law of Mr & Mrs Savage of Pineham Avenue has become an M.B.E. in recognition of the high standards of his work in the Engineering Support Centre at R.A.F. Abingdon.

HARBURY W.I.

Our June meeting was taken by our vice president Mrs Peggy Middleton as our president Mrs Deirdre Dunbar was busy that evening in her new role - starring in the County Revue!

The meeting was opened on a sad note - our secretary Mrs Jean Cowan has resigned as she will soon be leaving the village, she will be missed by all W.I. members. Luckily Mrs Monica Davies was happy to offer her help and quite willing to take over as secretary. As she had been our delegate at the A.G.M. in London her duties started with her report of that day.

Our speaker for the evening had to be changed at the last minute but we were very grateful to Mrs Peirson who came along and gave us a most interesting talk and demonstration on "Spinning for Pleasure". A vote of thanks was given by Mrs Card. The Raffle was won by Mrs Nancy Davies and Mrs Merrick.

During June members have enjoyed two outings. On June 10th a group of us visited Alcester to watch the County Revue. What a superb evening we all had - entertainment at its best! Then on the 24th the sun shone and about 24 members and husbands had great fun playing bowls in Victoria Park, followed by supper.

Our July meeting is being run by the Potato Marketing Board and will be open to all - please come and join us!

S.G.

H.T.G. - ONE NIGHT ONLY

A new format of two 1 Act plays with supper in between proved very successful. The first entitled 'Silver Wedding' featured Keith Dormer as a pseudo French photographer attempting to take a Wedding group photograph 25 years after the event!

The second was entitled 'The Crimson Cocoonut' and was a comedy spy 'thriller' centred on a restaurant presided over by the waiter - played by Ken Hughes, hilariously. The glamorous spy was played by Carol Percival and the detective was played by Keith Hayes (totally unrecognisable with false nose).

The supper was excellent and afforded the opportunity of chatting to other members of the audience - all in all a most enjoyable evening.

J.B.M.

THE VILLAGE HALL

As most of you will know, Midge Keen retired as Chairman of the Management Committee at the A.G.M., having held the office for rather more years than she cares to remember. It is only now, since becoming the new Chairman, that I can fully appreciate the considerable amount of time, effort and hardwork which Midge has put in over the years to keep the Village Hall functioning as it does. I am sure everyone who uses the Village Hall in any way would wish me to convey our thanks to Midge for all her hardwork. She is, fortunately, still a member of the Committee.

Sue Andrews and Ray Meredith continue as Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Their hard work is very much appreciated.

It is the intention of the Committee that the affairs of the Village Hall will be made as widely known as possible as so it is planned to have fairly regular reports in the Harbury News. In this way everyone will then become more aware of the sort of problems facing the Management Committee.

First, the good news. Following a magnificent effort by the Harbury Carnival Committee, £1400 has been added to the Village Hall heating fund and so we are about to take professional advice on the installation of a new heating system.

Now the bad news. The Village Hall is still being damaged by the thoughtless actions of some of the youngsters who congregate around the Hall in the evenings and at weekends. It should be emphasised that I am talking about a very small minority as most of the youngsters themselves are as upset about the problem as I am. Hopefully, with their help, this damage can be stopped. Perhaps parents of youngsters who use the Hall grounds as a meeting place could also put a few words in on our behalf.

Maintenance of the Hall is a constant worry. The Committee is hoping to invite all organisations who

use the Hall, to take part in a 'maintenance day' when many of the jobs which have accumulated can be tackled. Details will be circulated at a later date.

We would appreciate it if people could remember to return keys to Fox Cottage as soon as they have locked up, recently a key was missing for a week which caused considerable inconvenience. Also residents of South Parade and bus drivers would appreciate it if the car park at the back of the Hall were used more, instead of the road, when a large function is taking place.

If anyone is interested in joining the committee please come along to the next meeting on July 14th in the Farley Room at 8pm. You will be most welcome.

Finally please note that the Village Hall continues to be in great demand. Some bookings are now being made over a year in advance and therefore if you are planning to hold a function in the Hall you are advised to book early.

ALAN BARR (Chairman)

HARBURY SOCIETY

Our Carnival Stall made £140. A splendid total given the awful weather. The profits go to the Village Hall Committee to help defray the expenses of the Hall and to buy new furniture, so that everyone benefits from our efforts. Well done and thanks to all who contributed and helped on the day!

We were luckier with the weather for the Mystery Tour and about sixty people tracked down the clues that led to the Village Hall. My heartfelt thanks to John and Pat Smith and young Ruper Neill who helped sort out the chaos at the end! Lots of familiar faces and a gratifying number of children competed. Most people got half the answers at least correct so it can't have been TOO difficult. The Knights came first and Claire and Emma Finch were runners up followed closely by Samantha Neill, John Smith, Pat French and Mrs Revitt on 30 points. The Mystery Tour never makes any money, indeed by the time the prizes have been bought it usually needs subsidising, but it does achieve its aim which is to make people look more closely at their

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village; well, had you noticed the answer to Clue 23? "Heavens! What's the town lost on Vicarage Lane (/South Parade) corner?"?

The final Harbury Society event before we have our summer break will be the Picnic which will be combined with a ramble to Chesterton. Weather permitting, it should take place on July 12th, but members will receive further notice in the next Newsletter, together with more information about SDG's grants for Enhancement of Conservation Areas (see Parish Council Report

LINDA RIDGLEY

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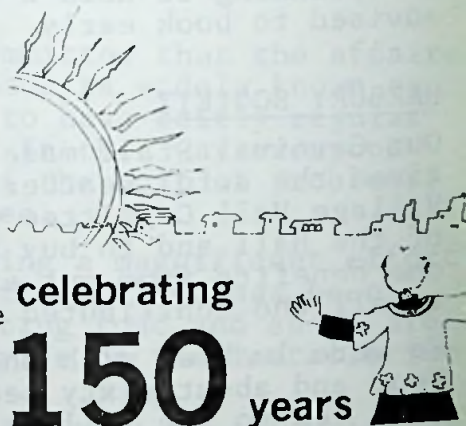
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Many thanks to all Saints' Harbury for sending such a splendid donation from Lent giving this year. Our thanks and best wishes to all friends and supporters of A.C.S., and may we wish you every blessing throughout the coming year.

A.J. PRESCOTT
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The steam locomotive hauls the train back from Stratford at 4.25pm passing through Harbury at about 5.10pm

Locomotives booked for July and August are:
 L.N.E.R. Streamlined Pacific 4498 "Sir Nigel Gresley"
 Southern Merchant Navy Pacific 35028 "Clan Line"
 L.N.E.R. V2 Class 4771 "Green Arrow".

Dates are July 12,19,26. August 2,16,30.

ANDREW BELL

NEW NAME FOR NATIONAL HOUSEWIVES REGISTER

Our group is part of one of the country's leading women's organisations, the National Housewives Register. On 3rd June we changed our name to reflect the different lifestyle of the woman of the 80's.

Out goes "housewives" and all its kitchen sink associations...in comes NATIONAL WOMENS REGISTER - more in line with the lively minded image which has been the hallmark of the NHR since its birth in 1960

Although part of a national organisation, our local group (covering Harbury and the surrounding district) is autonomous, offering women of all kinds, fun, friendship and lively discussion on a wide range of subjects from the serious to the lighthearted. We meet informally in our own homes in the evening and have coffee mornings when our children are welcome. In addition we visit local theatres regularly and we have an associated book group.

Our programme for the second half of this year is
 July - Pub Walk Stockton: August - Gardening
 Evening: September - The work of the NSPCC:
 October - An Outing: November - Review of the Sunday
 Press: December - Christmas Social + Quiz.

If you would like to know more about the group please contact Angela Cook on 612393 or Anne Greenwell on 613623. For more information on the Book Group contact Sue Dolman on Southam 3284.

THE BARN HILL, CHESTERTON M40 SERVICE STATION PROPOSAL

Concern about the siting of the M40 Service Station central Warkshas been building up in recent months. There has been strong opposition from residents of Sherbourne (between Warwick and Barford) to the suggestion that the Service Station might be sited in their area, just to the north of the River Avon, and close to the Longbridge (Ladbroke Mercury) bypass junction.

More recently there have been proposals that the Service Station should be sited at Barn Hill which lies just to the north of Chesterton Wood. This would place the Service Area fairly close to the road from Harwoods House towards Chesterton Green, just where the motorway comes through the low escarpment that surrounds Chesterton. At the end of April the local District Councillors led by John Sharp met with villagers from Lighthorne and Chesterton. The meeting unanimously agreed to oppose the proposals to site at Barn Hill, and to set up an Action Committee. Councillor Sharp has had letters of support from both Alan Howarth M.P. and Sir Adam Butler M.P. Both the 'Harbury and Ladbroke News' and its rival 'The Courier' have printed letters of protest from Chesterton residents. At present the 'Harbury Society' has accepted that the Barn Hill site is reasonable. In view of the rising tide of opposition, there may be pressure to change this view. The Harbury Parish Council has not yet expressed a formal view on the matter. This week the controversy has been further complicated by news that there is a possibility that Gaydon may be a further potential site. I.T.J.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT FOR JUNE 1987

Your Councillors do get frustrated when their wishes are over-ruled by a higher authority, since they do care passionately about Harbury.

They were determined to take advantage of the District offer of up to 50% Grant for 'Enhancement of Conservation Areas'; Landscaping, Planting Trees, Repairing Walls and Removing Eyesores: they have contributed information included in the District's "What's Your Sport?" Directory of Sports Facilities: they will

rebuild the Manor Orchard Play Area walls (Mr Waddell will take over the one adjoining his property they are arranging to erect the seat donated in Mr Drever's memory outside the Library: they are continuing with their efforts to abate the nuisance of loud radios at the Playing Fields and they have resolved to be officially represented at the Remembrance Day Service and place a wreath on the Memorial to the dead of the two World Wars.

Cllr Marjorie King feared someone would be injured using the rickety stiles on the path from Temple End to Beggars Lane. Harbury can claim up to £75 a year from the Coun ty for remedial work to foot-paths, but some Cllrs thought such work was the responsibility of the landowner and Ken Stephenson went so far as to suggest that the Parish undertook the work and charged the owners afterwards.

Contractors working for Midland Red who lopped branches from trees overhanging the roads have abandoned the branches on the verges, much to your Council's disgust. The County has agreed to cut back the Laurel hedge behind the Manor in Wagstaffe Close which residents told District Cllr James Turner was a danger to children using the pedestrian only access to the School. Parish Councillors were perturbed to learn that parents were once again driving down the Close to drop off and pick up their children despite the warnings sent out from the School. Cllr Mrs King confirmed that the School did warn parents of the danger both there and in Back Lane. She said that the majority complied with the request to let the children walk up the cul-de-sacs. The School Managers will discuss the problem.

Cars parked in front of the Village Hall were also a hazard. The Parish Council stressed that the access must be kept clear for emergency vehicles. A Car Park was provided at the rear of the Hall and a new notice advising of the facility had been placed at the front of the Hall. Cllr Mrs Keen said the NO PARKING sign would be redrawn on the tarmac at the front of the Hall. Cllrs discussed how they could encourage people to make more use of the existing car park. Sharon Hancock pointed out that it needed to be resurfaced and this was agreed upon.

"Those who do know about the Car Park don't use it because they also know it's a muddy mess!" The Village Hall had recently installed a floodlight on delay switch to enable users of the Hall to find the cars!

No work has been done yet to improve the drainage on the Deppers Bridge road and the Parish Council will attempt to spur on the authorities with this work and the repairs to the fencing beyond the Railway Bridge. Cllr John Moore said that he took back all his criticism of Blue Circle. Not only were the firm replacing the barriers around the Quarries but they were installing extra ones.

The Council will keep a wary eye on developments at the Great Western which is subject to licensing and planning applications for substantial changes. Stratford District Council had approved Harbury's choice of Fox Close for the new Chapel Street development on 18 March, but delayed sending out the official information pending objections. None materialised and the controversy is ended: it is FOX CLOSE and the house which replaced the old Fox Inn is 12 Chapel St.

Planning permissions were granted by SDC for extensions at 10 Farley Ave and for a large 'granny flat' at the Ranch House, now called Summerfield Lodge and Eastbury House, Hall Lane. The Parish Council registered no objection to plans to extend 73 Mill St. The District rejected plans to convert buildings at Harbury Hall to house a Stud Groom and the DoE overturned their refusal for a holiday home conversion of a barn at Temple House. The rules have been changed recently so that there is a presumption that development of redundant agricultural buildings should take place and the Parish Council expressed its concern at the implications of this change. The PC did not object to Mr Green's plans to erect large ornamental gates in the Hall Lane wall of Harbury Hall although there were mutterings about the likeness to Buckingham Palace.

Cllr Hancock reported on the surprise opening of a Chemists Shop in Harbury and its implications for the villagers who would lose their dispensing surgery. Mr Douglas had been given permission by the Family

Practitioner Committee to set up in the village and had until 12 June to take up that permission. The shop opened on 12 June and as a consequence any new patients of Drs Wilne, Hancock and Giles were prohibited from obtaining their prescribed drugs from the Surgery. Existing patients could collect drugs from the Surgery as before, but after 9 months had elapsed this arrangement would cease. The Drs would remove the Dispensary to Bishops Itchington and patients who lived over a mile from the new Chemists would still be able to have their drugs dispensed there by the Drs. Cllrs were very distressed at the news. It was not what they had wanted and they had made strong representations to the Family Practitioner Committee for the retention of the Dispensing Surgery but were overruled.

LINDA RIDGLEY

TEXAS

When I told my class that I was going to Texas for 3 weeks, some of them thought it was rather a long time to spend in a Do-it-Yourself shop! It was my first visit to the USA and I thought I'd just write down some of the things that made the strongest impression on me and my family.

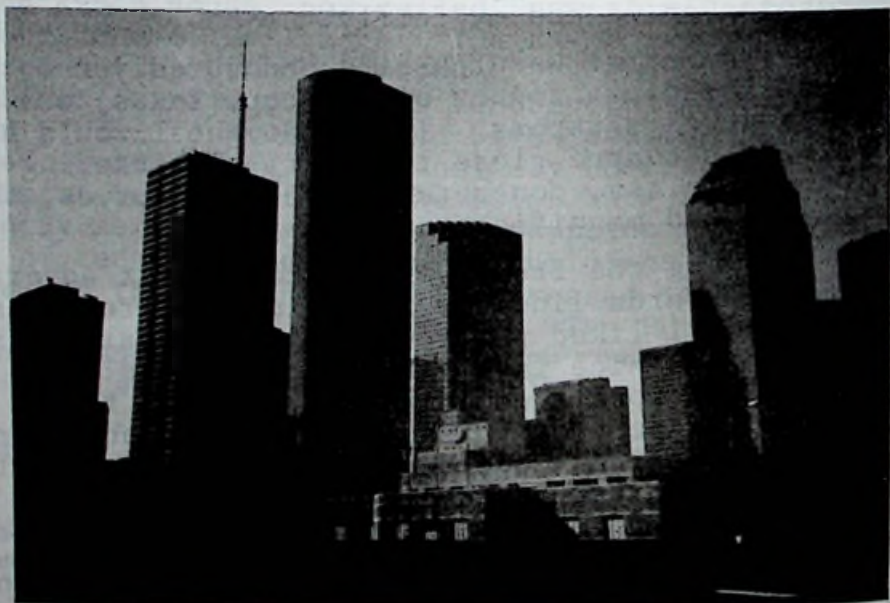
Coming from rural Warwickshire undoubtedly the biggest immediate impact of Houston, Texas, was the impressive skyscrapers. I had thought I would hate them, but situated close together, a glittering mixture of glass, concrete, spikes and curves, they really looked magnificent.

Driving along the freeway from the airport advertising billboards line the route in all directions and the one I liked particularly simply said "Drive Friendly" - a nice idea I thought. Friendly is definitely a word I would use to describe the Texans. The service in shops and restaurants was quite outstanding - everyone wants to have a chat and check that you are "having a nice day"! One day we were lying on a deserted beach and another family were sunbathing several hundred yards away. In England we tend to pretend that anyone else on a beach is not really there, but in Texas the man in the group took the trouble to come over and check that we were enjoying our picnic and wished us all a

pleasant day out.

In marked contrast was the appalling amount of serious crime committed in the city. Very many people carry guns and there are places where it is just not possible to walk in safety. I visited the Houston Supreme Criminal Court and later in conversation with a judge was advised never to park next to a truck or landrover in a supermarket car park, as you could not be seen properly. Whilst travelling in open countryside early in the morning we came across a group of about 20 young prisoners dressed head to toe in spotless white (including gloves) marching, carrying picks and other heavy tools on their shoulders. They were surrounded by mounted guards carrying whips and followed by a pack of bloodhounds. It reminded me of a scene in "Gone with the Wind" and made an impact on our day.

Looking back on the trip, the words that spring to mind are baseball (great fun), rodeos (I felt sorry for the calves), popcorn (quite delicious) alligators in the park, cockroaches (millions) mocking birds and wild flowers, but above all the blue skies. Driving back to the airport I noticed a taxi with a large sign in the back window saying "Don't shout at your child, hug him"! A truly amazing place. KATE LIVERTON



JULY IN THE GARDEN

When they have finished flowering, cut back all perennials to encourage a second crop of blooms. Now is the time to take semi-hard cuttings of garden shrubs and to divide Irises.

Trim back hawthorn, privet and *Lonicera Nitida* hedges. Prune plum trees later in the month and summer prune apples to control growth.

Earth up Brussels sprouts. Plant out Autumn and Winter cabbage, cauliflowers and kale. Sow outside late beetroot and peas, carrots, lettuces and radishes. Remember slugs and snails love wet weather!

Don't throw away banana skins. Buried just below the soil surface, they rot quickly and provide calcium, magnesium, sulphur, sodium, silica and phosphates in considerable quantity. E.D.Z.

HARBURY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The visit to Ryton to look at the organic gardenin was as successful as the weather allowed it to be. Certainly, a return visit under better conditions would be worthwhile.

We all hope for better weather on July 11th for the Walkabout. Rain or shine, please support this event which always provides a lot of interest - there's nothing more appealing than a bit of legitimised snooping and if it raises money for the benefit of various village organisations so much the better. As usual, refreshments and ices will be available. Tickets from the Village Hall or any garden which is open.

And for our next trick: the Flower Show will be on Saturday 5th September. Details next month.

B.A.R.

Dear Editors,

We would like to thank everyone who made cakes and helped with the Carnival Refreshments.

Yours sincerely,

WENDY KNOWLES & JEAN APPLETON



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