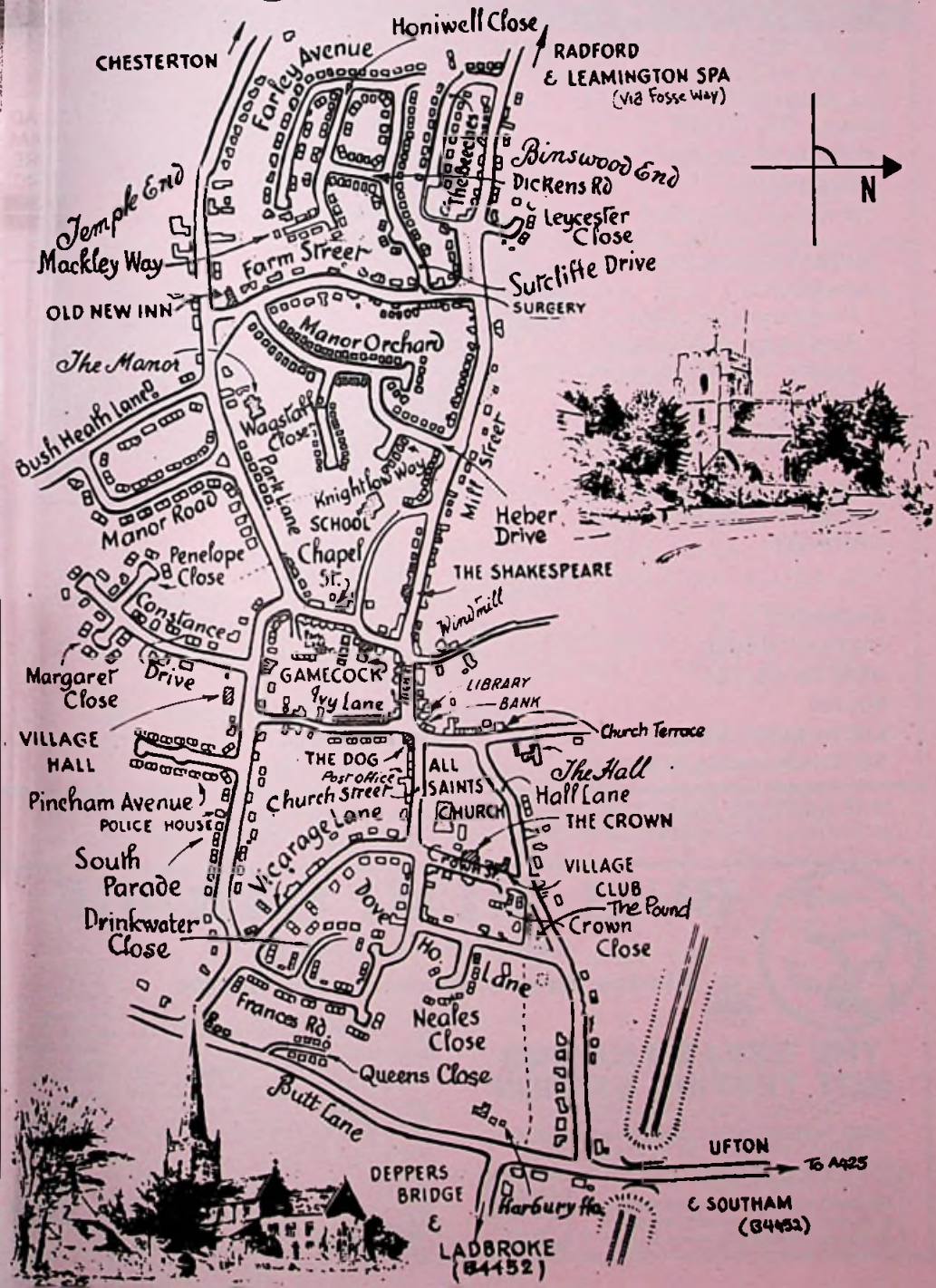


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## SUNDAY SERVICES

### HARBURY

Holy Communion 8 a.m.

Sung Eucharist 10.30 a.m.

(except 1st Sunday of month:

Sung Eucharist 9 a.m.

Family Service 11.30 a.m.)

Evensong 6.30 p.m. (except 3rd Sunday) Evensong 3.30 p.m. (3rd Sunday)

### LADBROKE

Holy Communion with Hymns 9 a.m.

(except 1st Sunday of month:

Family Communion 10.30 a.m.)

3rd Sunday of month:

Childrens Church 10.30 a.m.

Please see notice board in Church for weekday services or revised times on special occasions.

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We are sure that the village will agree with the editors that the forthcoming retirement of village post-lady Ethel Sollis merits pride of place in this month's magazine. Mrs Sollis started on the post 20 years ago as a temporary! Come rain, snow or shine she has been faithfully delivering our mail ever since. We will miss the familiar sight of her on a well

laden bike, so beautifully captured by Mike Bloxham's photograph. We wish her a well earned happy retirement.

This month sees the launch of the Parish Council's scheme to assist pensioners with the cost of public transport. It is essential that those wishing to take part in the scheme register this month and full details are given in the magazine.

On the subject of rural transport the idea was mooted at this month's Parish Council that Harbury like Southam, could raise the funds for a Community Minibus. Such a vehicle could help many organisations in the village, such as the Youth Club, sports clubs and senior citizens. However a bus would be both expensive to buy and to maintain. Parish Council Chairman Keith Thompson has full details of the Southam scheme (organised by Southam Lions Club) and would very much like to hear from any interested organisations or individuals as soon as possible. He can be contacted at

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4 Manor Orchard (612050).

Finally don't forget the Harbury News AGM at the Shakespeare on Monday February 6th at 8pm. We'd like to see you there to comment, criticize, or just to us all, and join us for some light refreshments.

### HARBURY DIARY

#### FEBRUARY 1989

Sun	5th	Seventh Sunday before Easter - 9am Sung Eucharist, 11.30am Family Service, 6.30pm Evensong
Mon	6th	Harbury News AGM 8pm in the Shakespeare Prayer & Praise, 5 Dickens Rd
Tues	7th	SHROVE TUESDAY - 2.15pm Mother & Toddler Service, 7pm Holy Communion Book Group 'Moon Tiger' by Penelope Lively 8pm at 26 Farm St
Wed	8th	Horticultural Society 8pm in Village Hall ASH WEDNESDAY - 9.30am Harbury School Service 8pm Sung Eucharist Youth Club Trivial Pursuit Evening in Main Hall at V. Hall with normal games in Farley Room
Thurs	9th	Thursday Club 2.30pm in Village Hall W.I. 7.45pm in the Village Hall
Fri	10th	12 noon Holy Communion followed by Lent Lunch 7.15pm preliminary meeting about Confirmation Inst
Sun	12th	LENT I - 8am Holy Communion, 10.30am Sung Eucharist 6.30pm Evensong
Mon	13th	Word of God 8pm at 26 Manor Orchard Prayer & Praise 11 Constance Drive
Tues	14th	NHR 'Trivial Pursuits' at the Wight School Village Hall Committee 8pm in Village Hall Harbury Friends 8pm in the School Lenten Bible Study 8.15pm at the Rectory
Wed	15th	Youth Club Video Night in Farley Room with Volley Ball in Main Hall
Thurs	16th	Whist at 7.45pm in Village Hall Lenten Service & Address at 8pm (Ladbroke Church)
Fri	17th	12 noon Holy Communion followed by Lent Lunch Scout 'Beetle Drive' 7.30pm in Scout Hut
Sat	18th	Quiz in Village Hall in aid of Church funds 7.30pm
Sun	19th	SCOUT NEWSPAPER COLLECTION LENT II - 8am Holy Communion (B.C.P.) 10.30am Sung Eucharist
Mon	20th	Prayer & Praise 12 Park Lane

- Tues 21st NSPCC Valentine Coffee Morning & Cake Bring & Buy 10.30-12noon 2 Wagstaffe Close  
Lenten Bible Study at 8.15pm, Rectory
- Wed 22nd Youth Forum Meeting in Playgroup Room, V. Hall  
with normal Youth Club in Main Hall. Last night for sponsored Matchbox Fill
- Thurs 23rd NHR Coffe Morning at 1 Vicarage Lane  
Thursday Club 2.30pm in Village Hall  
Parish Council 7.30pm in Village Hall  
Lenten Service & Address at 8pm (Harbury Church)
- Fri 24th 12 noon Holy Communion followed by Lent Lunch  
Southam PTA Quiz Evening 8pm at Southam School  
No Theatre Group Meeting - postponed to 10th  
March 8pm Wight School
- Sat 25th Stage Up in the Village Hall
- Sun 26th LENT III - 8am Holy Communion, 10.30am Sung Eucharist, 6.30pm Evensong  
ALL ARTICLES FOR INCLUSION IN MARCH HARBURY NEWS TO EDITORS BY 6PM TODAY PLEASE
- Mon 27th Word of God 8pm at 7 Penelope Close  
Prayer & Praise 15 Pineham Ave
- Tues 28th W.I. Coffee Morning & Bring & Buy in aid of the Blind from 10.30am, 27 South Parade  
Harbury Society talk on Wildlife round Harbury by Andy Tasker, Conservation Officer for WARNACT 8pm in Wight School - Entry Free  
Lenten Bible Study 8.15pm  
Closing Date for Registration for Concessionary Travel Tokens

MARCH

- Wed 1st ST DAVID'S DAY  
At Home - 5 Park Lane (see Ad for details)  
Youth Club Games Tournament in Farley Room of V. Hall with Badminton in Main Hall
- Thurs 2nd PLAY "Goodnight Mrs Puffin" 8pm Village Hall  
Folk Club in Lounge of Old New Inn 8.30pm  
7.45pm Men's Society Open Meeting at Harbury School David Major presents 'The Mission Aviation Fellowship'
- Fri 3rd 10.30am Holy Communion (MU Corporate Communion)  
Netball Safari Evening  
PLAY "Goodnight Mrs Puffin" 8pm Village Hall
- Sat 4th PLAY "Goodnight Mrs Puffin" 8pm Village Hall
- Sun 5th LENT IV MOTHERING SUNDAY - 9am Sung Eucharist  
11.30am Family Service with Posies presented at both services 6.30pm Evensong

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Mon 6th Wight School Playgroup OFFSPRING Children's Clot  
Party at 41 Mill St 7.30 - 9pm  
Prayer & Praise Hessle Cottage

### REGULAR DIARY DATES

HARBURY ADVENTURERS, Village Hall, 11.30am Sundays.  
UPHOLSTERY CLASSES, Wight School, 2-4pm, Mondays.  
GYMNASTICS, Harbury School, 6-7pm (under 7s & beginn  
7-8pm (7-10yrs) 8-9pm (over 10yrs) Mondays.  
SLIMMING & KEEP FIT, Village Club, 7-8.30, 8.30-10pm  
Mondays.  
GUIDES, Scout Hut, 7.30pm, Mondays.  
BINGO, Village Hall, 8pm every Monday.  
TODDLER GROUP, Wight School, 10-11.30am Mondays,  
& 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, 12.30  
Wednesday & Thursday.  
BROWNIES, Village Hall, every Tuesday evening.  
SCOUTS, Scout Hut, 7.45pm every Tuesday & Thursday  
BADMINTON, Village Hall every Tuesday.  
HARBURY FRIENDS, School, 8pm, 2nd Tuesday of month.  
BABY CLINIC, Village Hall, 2-4pm, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays  
YOUTH CLUB, Village Hall, 7.30-9.30pm Wednesdays.  
DANCING CLASSES for Children & Adults, Farley Room,  
Village Hall, 4-9pm Wednesdays.  
HEREBURGH MORRIS DANCERS, Wight School, 8pm Wednesdays  
ROSARY & PRAYERS for Persecuted Christians,  
4 Sutcliffe Drive, 10am, 3rd Thursday of month.  
THURSDAY CLUB, Village Hall, 2.30pm, 2nd & 4th Thursdays  
CUBS, Scout Hut, every Thursday.  
W.I., Village Hall, 7.45pm, 2nd Thursdays.  
POP-IN, Village Hall, 1.20pm - 3.30pm every Friday.  
CHOIR PRACTICE, Church, 6.30pm every Friday.  
BELLRINGING PRACTICE in Church 7.30pm every Friday.  
OFFEE MORNING every Saturday Wight School in aid of  
Church Special Fund 10 - 12.00

### 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

DATES FOR INCLUSION IN THE HARBURY DIARY PLEASE TO  
 LINDA RIDGLEY - Telephone 612792  
 For Village Hall Bookings, ring Mrs. Hughes 612716  
 For Wight School Bookings, ring Mrs. Hayes 613488

#### FROM HARBURY CHURCHWARDENS

The latest position on the new Church Room is that tenders are out with contractors and these will be considered early in February, so the work will be placed this month. It will all seem more tangible when we have some evidence of activity.

It was very good to welcome all the Scout groups - Scouts, Guides, Beavers, Cubs, Brownies & Ventures - to their special service on Jan 8th. Something it is hoped to repeat in the summer.

With such an early Easter, Lent is now upon us. The Rector has organised a programme of events which we hope will be well attended.

#### FROM THE RECTOR

We all know that the Ministry of Jesus was accomplished in only a very few years. There was so much to be done in such a very short time. Yet we hear in the Gospel that again and again, he drew away from the crowds and was still and quiet with God. Those periods of stillness were absolutely essential to him and no busyness prevented him from finding the time that therefore was necessary for Our Lord and Saviour, would seem also necessary for those who would be his followers. Most of us nowadays find that we are exceedingly busy people, rushing here and there and everywhere and giving the impression that we can hardly find time to catch our breath. So what do we do about finding some time to be quiet and still and receptive to God? Do we just ignore the example of Jesus? Do we just shrug our shoulders and say wistfully that the world's a different place today? Yes, I suppose that is what we usually do. Regretfully we fail to make the time available for spiritual things that in our hearts we know we should. That is, unless we are strict with ourselves, take ourselves to task and say instead, that hard as it may be, we will find the time.

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Lent is just the right time to make the effort and your desire to be a better Christian than you are is really sincere, Lent presents you with the opportunity and the challenge to do something about it. Moreover it is in the bounds of possibility for this season does not go on and on, but is of a limited duration. For a few weeks we can make the effort, we can make the time just as Our Lord, in the midst of all the demands made upon him, made time to disengage from the multitudes, who wanted to see him and hear what he had to say.

Below you can see what is taking place during Lent in addition to all the normal services on Sundays and throughout the week. It is better to decide what you can manage to fit in before Lent even begins, and then having set your mind to what you will do, keep to it in a disciplined manner.

You will have heard the words of Psalm 46 'Be still and know that I am God'. You could have no better watchword to set before you for the season of Lent than that. May you find time, as I hope to do during Lent, to be still and to be quiet, occasionally.

ANTONY ROWE

ASH WEDNESDAY - Wednesday 8th February

AT HARBURY: 9.30am School Service, 8pm Sung Eucharist

AT LADBROKE: 10.30am Holy Communion 7pm Holy Communion

TUESDAYS at 8.15pm LENTEN BIBLE STUDY Commencing at

The Rectory, Harbury Tues 14th February

THURSDAYS at 8pm LENTEN SERVICE AND ADDRESS - a course of sermons on Songs of the Spirit, Psalms or Hymns of particular significance.

AT LADBROKE Thurs 16th Feb - Alan Gould

AT HARBURY Thurs 23rd Feb - Joyce Windsor

AT HARBURY Thurs 9th March - John Eld

AT LADBROKE Thurs 16th March - Gwynnyth Badman

Thursday 2nd March by invitation of the Men's Society  
Open Meeting at Harbury School at 7.45pm

David Major presents 'The Mission Aviation Fellowship' (it is intended that Harbury & Ladbroke share Tuesday and Thursdays events during Lent. Transport can be arranged - requests to the Rector)

LENT STUDY GROUP

The Lenten studies which take place nationally and ecumenically, will this year follow a B.B.C. television

series. Called 'Sword & Spirit', the course seeks to explore the Christian faith in six countries - Korea, Brazil, Poland, China, Africa and the U.S.A. It promises to be informative and challenging.

The members of the Catholic bible study group would like to warmly welcome anyone who is interested, to join them and share in this 6 week course. The first session will be on Thursday Feb 9th, 10am at 19 Farm Street. JILL WINTER

FRIDAYS at 12pm

At Harbury Holy Communion followed by simple Lent Lunch (from Fri 10th Feb, except Fri 3rd March).

### CONFIRMATION 1989

The Bishop of Coventry will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 21st May at 10.30am. Those who wish to consider Confirmation this year should mention it to the Rector as soon as possible please. A preliminary meeting is arranged for Friday 10th Feb at 6.15pm at Ladbroke Church and at 7.15pm at Harbury Church. The Bishop (and the Rector) is always delighted to have adult candidates as well as young people. Anyone wishing to talk the matter over before deciding to join the instruction groups, please let the Rector know.

### Future dates to book

Sun 12th March: 4pm Ecumenical Service - Preacher  
Pastor Graham Adams from Southam  
Sun 16th April: Harbury & Ladbroke to attend Sung  
Eucharist at Coventry Cathedral  
at 10.30am

### HOLY MATRIMONY

Saturday 14th January

JOHN MICHAEL PAPAJOHN JNR. Hampton Bays, Long  
Island, New York and

MICHELE AMANDA GREEN, Worthley, Hall Lane, Harbury

### FUNERALS

Monday 9th January

JOHN BARNES, Church House Cottage

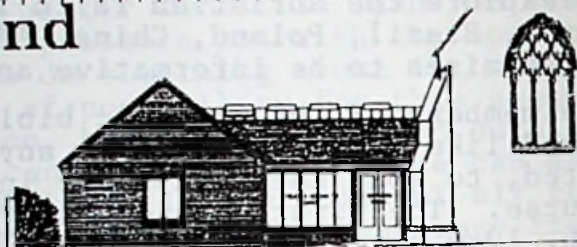
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Thursday 12th January

BARBARA JOAN FARLEY, Manor Stable

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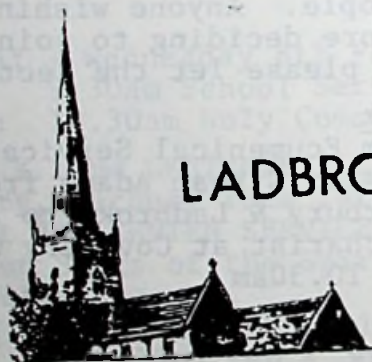
Feb. 18th. Quiz Evening with Supper. Village Hall 7.30pm

March 1st. At Home, 5, Park Lane. See elsewhere in this issue for details.

Coffee and Biscuits every Saturday Morning, Wight School. 10.0-12.00

Please remember to save your BP coupons. Boxes in Village Shops. Also you may put them through the Rectory letter box or give them to Joyce Windsor.

Amount raised as at 16.1.89 £20,773.69



## LADBROKE NEWS

### FEBRUARY DIARY

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| Sun  | 5th  | Presentation of Christ in the Temple - Candlemass<br>(transferred from 2nd Feb) 10.30am Family Service<br>and Communion         |
| Wed  | 8th  | Ash Wednesday - 10.30am Holy Communion 7pm Holy<br>Communion,<br>Women's Fellowship 2.30pm at Mrs Hedges home,<br>Windmill Lane |
| Fri  | 10th | Preliminary Meeting about Confirmation 6.15pm   |
| Sun  | 12th | Lent I - 9am Holy Communion with Hymns  |
| Tues | 14th | Lenten Bible Study, 8.15pm The Rectory, Harbury   |

- Wed 15th Holy Communion 10.30am  
 Parish Council meeting 7.45pm Village Hall
- Thurs 16th Lenten Service & Address 8pm (at Ladbroke)
- Sun 19th Lent II - 9am Holy Communion with Hymns (B.C.P.)  
 10.30am Children's Church, 3.30pm Evensong
- Tues 21st Lenten Bible Study 8.15pm
- Wed 22nd Holy Communion 10.30am
- Thurs 23rd Lenten Service & Address 8pm (at Harbury)  
 W.I. Meeting
- Sun 26th Lent III - 9am Holy communion with Hymns
- Tues 28th Lenten Bible Study 8.15pm
- MARCH
- Wed 1st St. David. B. 10.30am Holy Communion
- Thurs 2nd Mens Society Meeting, 7.45pm Harbury School  
 David Major presents 'The Mission Aviation Fellowship'
- Sun 5th Lent IV Mothering Sunday - 10.30am Family  
 Service & Communion (posies to be presented)

#### CHURCH FLOWER ROTA:

Feb 5th Mrs Clews

#### VILLAGE HALL AFFAIRS

The Village Hall Committee have announced its programme for 1989 and the calendar of events is as follows:-

- Fri March 17th - Easter Dance with a live band the  
 "Jammy Dodgers"
- Sat April 22nd - Jumble Sale
- Sat May 6th - Car Boot & Bric a Brac Sale
- Sat June 17th - Barbecue with Country & Western  
 Music
- Sat Sept 16th - Jumble Sale
- Fri Sept 29th - Village Quiz
- Fri Oct 13th - Magic Lantern Show
- Sat Oct 21st - Car Boot & Bric a Brac Sale
- Sat Nov 4th - Bonfire Night
- Fri Dec 15th - Christmas Dance
- Sun Dec 31st - New Year's Eve Dinner Dance

Do put these dates on your calendars now as the Village Hall Committee are facing a large bill for structural repairs and need all the support they can find.

#### WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Ten members met for our first meeting of 1989 at Gwynne's. The Rector spoke about Epiphany and read the story of the childhood of Jesus from St. Luke's

lapsed.

We then had a short discussion about plans for the year, getting suggestions for speakers, and a proposed day at The Retreat House. It was also decided to keep the annual subscription at fl.

Business over, we listened to a very good recording of the Oxfam Concert held in church last July. We all enjoyed hearing the singing and readings once more, also the piano duet.

Our next meeting on Feb 8th at 2.30pm will be at Mrs Hedge's home in Windmill Lane when Mrs Pauline Laidler will tell us about the year she has just spent in Paris.

NANCY STUBBS

#### LADBROKE & DEPPERS BRIDGE W.I.

The first meeting of the New Year on Jan 26th was held at Jill Norgate's home; grateful thanks to her; because of problems at the Village Hall, and was a very amusing talk with slides by Mr Bill Davies on his life as a sailor and his bases around the world. It was greatly enjoyed and was given a vote of thanks by Elsa Greenway. We were also treated to a view of Gabby Norgate's lovely new son born at Christmas and we congratulate Gabby and welcome her back to Group meetings.

A letter was read from Jill Will who has left the district and although not with us for long was an enthusiastic member who will be missed. Welcome to Pat Beale of Deppers Bridge who joined this month and welcome back to Pauline Laidler, with us again after a year in Paris. The Raffle was organised by Beryl Ross and won by Kathleen Telford.

At the time of going to press the 'Resolutions' at The Spa Centre were being held so I will report on this item next month. The next meeting is Feb 23rd, venue to be arranged, and the guest speaker is Miss Sue Lock on 'Quilling'.

Our best wishes to the Quiz Team who will be competing on Feb 22nd at Bishops Itchington Memorial Hall.

GLENYS HALLAM

#### FRIENDS OF LADBROKE CHURCH

The friends are planning to hold a Jumble Sale in

Southam on the 18th March, so please start collecting now. Mrs Betty Winkfield would like to thank the person who left a completed tapestry kneeler on her doorstep, it has now been made up and is in church, perhaps there are a few more nearing completion?

### PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

The electricity has been re-connected at the 'Dangerous Bend' sign and the Council were delighted to hear that the 30 m.p.h. signs are definitely to be moved to beyond the Church; this is hopefully to slow traffic down outside Ladbroke Hall and around the bend by the Church. No news on the gate across Windmill Lane. I decided to be brave this week and cycle along the Bypass to get access into Windmill Lane, but having been nearly blown over by the heavy lorries, I won't be trying that again. This village really needs that gate! The sunken road at the top of Bridge Lane had been repaired in record time, there is now a second trench outside the new bungalow on the lane to Deppers Bridge. The Chairman of the Council had suggested that it would be a good idea to have a regular time of the month for Council meetings, this proved rather difficult to arrange, so it was agreed to try and stick to the 3rd Wednesday of the month, though this would need to be changed at times.

Both Planning Applications for new housing at High House and in Bridge Lane had been refused by Stratford District Council on the grounds of being detrimental to the established character of the conservation area.

Cllr Geoff Timms commented on how badly the roads need sweeping and our village constable warned that there had been an attempted break in to a van belonging to Clive Hart and we must all make sure to lock up our cars. Next meeting Wed 15th February 7.45pm in the Village Hall Committee

Room.

KATE LIVERTON

There will be an "Offspring" Children's Clothes Par on Monday 6th March between 7.30 and 9pm at 41 Mill Street. A percentage of the proceeds will go toward boosting Playgroup funds, so if anyone is interested do try to come along. (Should you have any difficulty in finding a babysitter, please contact Playgroup.)

### HARBURY TODDLER GROUP 80/20 SALE

Would you like to sell any of your children's clothes, toys, books, baby equipment etc? Interested? We are holding an 80/20 (80% for you) sale at the Wight School on Monday March 13th 10am - 11.30am. Full details are available from Ann Farrell 612951 Sue Masson 613607 Maggie Norman 613532 or any Toddlers Session (Monday 10-11.30, Wednesday 2-3-30) There will also be a Br & Buy Cake Stall, Raffle & Refreshments.

Please Come.

### HARBURY SCHOOL

I walked in and hung up my coat,  
Above my peg there was a goat.  
There was a lady called Miss Farr,  
She taught us a stick dance from India.  
We looked at things they use out there.  
Among the toys there was a bear.  
We ate our lunch in the hall,  
I didn't like them much at all.  
We ate chapatis after lunch,  
They were delicious, munch munch.  
We did some dancing after play,  
It was African, hooray!  
Now it's time to say goodbye,  
Time has passed and I must fly.

This poem by Katie Shepherd (8) of Class 4 just about sums up the day we spent at Shrubland Street school on Tues 17th Jan. The children had the opportunity to participate in four multi-cultural workshops. They particularly enjoyed the Indian stick dancing where they had to learn not an easy routine, using brightly painted wooden sticks, and to add to the feel of the occasion, they dressed up in colourful ethnic costumes. Another favourite was making and eating chapatis, although there were 1 or 2 sour expressions. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day, and, I'm sure, gained some lasting impressions. G. KIRBY

Our Scout/Guide Group caters for well over 100 children in Harbury, and is maintained by a dedicated band of uniformed leaders and helpers, ably funded by a hard-working Support Committee. It goes without saying how important it is to keep up the momentum, for the sake of the young.

We are now going through a Leadership crisis, where the Cub Scout section is in need of new Leaders and Assistants, and this situation will shortly become more serious due to the impending retirement of another Akela, John Small.

I am appealing, therefore, for suitable people who are prepared to take on a commitment as Uniformed Leaders, and accept the responsibility for a group of some 15-20 boys. The enthusiasm that this age group has for Cubs, and the enjoyment that they get from this counter-balances the time and trouble taken by the Leader.

The Cub Pack forms a vital part of any Group, but especially here in Harbury, where we also have a Beaver Unit catering for younger children. Should the Cub Packs close due to lack of Leaders, there will be nowhere for the Beavers to go at the age of 8. Similarly the Scout Troops will be under threat as there will be no Cubs to feed in to them.

With regard to the Scout Troops, we are unable to expand as we are currently at the optimum manageable membership, and need more Assistant Leaders so that we can accept Cubs who are ready, and waiting to move up.

If you have read this far - thank you - and I would ask that you now think about it. Please do not dismiss it out of hand - you may well be the person we are seeking. Take it a step further by phoning me on 612273, and please don't feel that you are committing yourself by that call.

KEN HUGHES (G.S.L.)

#### HARBURY VENTURE SCOUT UNIT

After a wet day the weather cleared and 14 Ventures together with 3 leaders gathered in the hut at 9pm. The annual Dassett Hills night hike and camp was

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'playing' to another packed 'house'. The moon above the thinning clouds provided adequate light for cross country progress and no torches were required. The route via Itchington Holt, the Saltway and Northend was well known to most of those taking part. The M4 works were skirted - next year will traffic be thundering beside the bridleway?

Although all tents were up by lam the majority considered that a wide game was called for. Two tea hills were goals, the ball a white plastic bag filled with clothes. No goal was scored as the game ran to stalemate in a muddy depression. Leon, you had the ball under your jacket. Lights out at 2.30am.

Dawn broke clear and frosty. It was a good feeling to climb out of a warm sleeping bag into the invigorating air and watch the moon gradually fade as the sun rose. This was good practice for Easter Camp which will take place from March 28th - 2nd April on ground near the River Esk owned by Dalegarth Hall, Bole Holmrook, Cumbria. A programme of canoeing, rock climbing, orienteering and lightweight camping expeditions is being prepared.

J.L.H.

### HARBURY YOUTH CLUB

This is going to be a very busy month for the club, it starts with a visit from the Mobile Unit, from Arno House, Leamington. The members get a chance to test their skills at shooting, glass cutting, badge making, computer games and other varied events. This is all supervised by David Evans who runs the unit on behalf of the Warwickshire Association of Youth Clubs. It gives the members a chance to try events that our funds cannot afford to provide every week.

We're also having a giant Trivial Pursuit evening in the main hall. If any adults feel that they'd like to challenge the members, please come along, all dates for events are in the diary. We are also running a sponsored matchbox fill for the whole of this month. Members must see how many different objects they can fit into an ENGLANDS GLORY matchbox. I hope you will port them in this event, if only with a few pennies.



ANDREW & KAREN  
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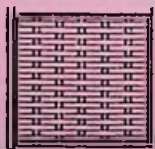


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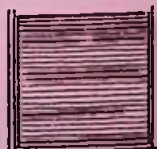
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This year all proceeds made at sponsored events will go to club funds, to enable us to buy new equipment for the members. Games etc, soon date and the kids lose interest, so it's important to keep moving with the times.

We've also started to play volley ball and hope to select a team to represent the club in county tournaments. This also applies to the under 14's Unihoc team that we're hoping to set up in the near future.

A First Aid course with the Red Cross is also being set up, and will run on a clubnight over a period of six to eight weeks. Future events include a games evening, monopoly, scrabble, cards etc. Monthly video evenings in the Farley Room, where only U films are shown. A Barn Dance during March, where I hope the younger members will join in as much as possible to learn the dance steps. There will also be a night hike to Burton Dassett and a sponsored Treasure Hunt.

It is important that we raise more funds and I hope that you will all support the kids in their many ventures.

Disco's for the time being have been cancelled, because not enough members attended and the club was losing a lot of money. Trips will not resume until June, it's hoped that these will be better supported than in the past.

Many thanks to all my leaders who turn up every week and to the management committee old and new. Together let's make 1989 a year to remember.

PAT TAYLOR (WAYC Leader)

### N.S.P.C.C.- HARBURY & DISTRICT

The members of the Committee would like to thank everyone for their continued support in 1988. We raised £2,000 last year and we look forward to greater things in 1989. Our first event is a VALENTINE COFFEE MORNING AND CAKE BRING & BUY. This will be held on 21st February at the home of Sheila Burtt, 2 Wagstaffe Close from 10.30 - 12.00. We look forward to seeing you.

## N.S.P.C.C. YOUNG LEAGUE

We are holding another Fair this year on 11th March at the Scout Hut. This means all you youngsters have an opportunity of filling your Young League boxes to bursting. So have a good think and come up with some really good money raising ideas.

The Young League boxes must be handed to a Committee Member by 3rd April and the Young League party will be on the 12th May so make a note on your calendar.

S.M.I.

## HARBURY ALBION FOOTBALL CLUB

This season is promising to be the most successful one for a number of years. The 1st team are unbeaten in the league, positioned 2nd in Division 1. 2 point behind the leaders but with 4 games in hand. They have been knocked out of the two remaining cup competition both at the quarter final stage, where unfortunately the goals seemed to dry up. This was soon corrected with a convincing 4-1 win over Coventry Continental, also title chasers.

The reserve team is having a good season with Dave Wallington's youth policy resulting in an impressive mid-table position in Division 4 and encouraging cup competition results.

The annual Boxing Day game was again participated in in a sporting manner with the Under 30's being the run-away winners, on Mick Pratts debut for the over 30's!

The club wishes Ian Lowe a speedy recovery from his ankle ligament injury sustained against Whitnash.

The financial status of the club is also in excellent condition with the '100 Club' being very successful. The club wish to thank George Bryers and Andy Hopkins for raising £510 from the New Year's Eve Fancy Dress Dance, which was enjoyed by all, thanks is also given to John and Mary from the Old New Inn for their donation of £50.

A.W.L.

## HARBURY LADIES NETBALL CLUB

All three Harbury teams are having a successful season, causing high spirits and enthusiasm amongst the players. They have never responded so well to Mr Rabey's shouts of encouragement on the side line

The A team under the careful guidance of Mal Eaton are maintaining their position in Division 3. Unfortunately Jean Johns was recently injured, but Paula Wallington passed her fitness test and is doing a magnificent job at G.A.

The B team is one of the leaders in Division 7. Sally Barrett's boundless energy as centre contributes to their success and Kim Wilkins leads the girls with panache and style. Above all the team work together to achieve results, encouraging the youngest player, Emma Finch, to reach a high standard of netball - especially useful in her Schoolgirl County games.

The C team is also placed in the middle of their Division, while maintaining a policy of mixing the team so that youngsters such as Donna Smith, Roanne Finch and Julia Brown gain experience of League Netball.

Last month the activities were off court as well as on, when a minibus took a party of girls to Chesford for their Christmas Dinner Dance and Cabaret. Perhaps I had better not say any more....

Our first fund raising event of 1989 is on FRIDAY NIGHT 3rd MARCH and is in the form of a Safari evening. Around 50 revellers will enjoy each others company as they go around the village, eating a 3 course meal with wine at various houses on route. Fun and frolics all the way! At only £5 a head I'm sure it will be an evening to remember. Buy your tickets early please as they are sure to be in great demand. Ring 612059 for details.

Look out for details of a Race Night in May too. The 2 x £10 prizes from the Netball Squares Board were won by Ms A Jones from Leamington, and "Punky Cat" who gave the prize back to the club in exchange for a tin of cat food!

P.S.

MICHAEL JOAN FARLEY - it was a great sadness to hear of the death on Jan 6th of Barbara Farley. A quiet caring person, Barbara Farley came to Harbury at the beginning of the last war with her first husband Roy Walters. She enjoyed greatly the quiet country life and worked hard for the Church, the Conservative Association and for the Blood Transfusion Unit. Whenever she perceived a need, Barbara would unobtrusively give help. Her passing is a loss to the village.

'DOLLY' BONEHAM - who would have been 90 a few days later died on Jan 25th. A native of Harbury, she lived in several parts of the village and married her cousin. During her long life she never ventured far from home (she never saw the sea for instance) but used to walk into Leamington - before the advent of buses.

JOHN BARNES - it was whilst the January issue of the magazine was at the printers that we heard the sad news of the death of John Barnes - a much loved and respected Harbury enthusiast. John had lived in Harbury for 36 years; an active member of Harbury Society, the Horticultural Society, president of the Harbury branch of the British Legion, member of the church Mens Society, he had a wide circle of friends and interests. His accomplishments as an artist are well known in the village and his work as an industrial designer lives on as a witness to his caring skill. His cheery, upright figure will be greatly missed around the village.

#### HARBURY THEATRE GROUP

##### "Goodnight, Mrs Puffin"

Suppose you had a dream. And suppose that in that dream you saw all the events - good and bad - that would take place in a family the following day. You'd never met the family before, but you felt sure you could influence things to turn out better. What would you do? Would you seize your trusty handbag and head round there straight away, sitting in their front room and refusing to budge?

That's what Mrs Puffin does in this family comedy, originally written for Irene Handl. Arthur Lovegrove's popular play will be produced on 2nd, 3rd and 4th March at 8pm at the Village Hall.

Betty Barr stars as Mrs P, who comes and stays, Tricia

Donson takes her first acting role in Harbury, and Kathy Percival and Anthony Gulliver are in their first "non-panto" roles. Carol Percival directs, and a good time is guaranteed for all. Tickets at £1.50 and £1 (children & O.A.P.'s) from Phil Lindop's Drug Store or from Carol Percival.

One thing we can predict - a happy ending.

J.N.S.

### HARBURY FOLK CLUB

The 50th session of the Folk Club was celebrated in real style on January 5th. Almost everyone, audience and singers alike, had gone to the trouble of coming in fancy dress as pantomime characters, creating some wonderful material for the photograph album! Once we had all admired each other's outfits, the atmosphere was just right for a great evening of music, starring Dave Tickle (appearing as punk folk singer Ralph McSmell). This was Dave's 3rd guest appearance at the Club and he was justifiably popular with the audience with his fine singing of contemporary songs such as "Fire and Rain", "Mountains of Mourne" and some of his own compositions.

On this special occasion, it was appropriate that the supporting singers were those who have appeared at the Club more often than most, namely Gerda, Bonas, the Jug Band and me. However, I must acknowledge the other 60 or so performers who have entertained our discerning audiences since we started in Sept 1984. It's good to know that there are so many talented people around who are prepared to play or sing without expecting financial reward. I just hope that they don't all turn up on the same evening!

In a nostalgic mood, Gerda chose the same songs she had sung at her first appearance in 1984, the Jug Band revived that distinctive Antipodean seasonal song and Bonas reminded us of the alternative Twelve Days of Christmas, from the village of Trunch. The raffle raised £25.25 for the Lockerbie Air Disaster Fund.

So, we're all set for the next 50 sessions with more of the same but with some new themes from time to time. The next one is on March 2nd, starring the

one and only Jug Band (by kind permission of their manager). For the benefit of new readers of this controversial column, the Folk Club meets in the lounge of the Old New Inn at 8.30pm on the first Thursday of every month. It costs nothing to get in - but getting out will cost you the price of a few tickets for our regular charity raffle!

PETER McDONALD

### HEREBURGH MORRIS

Hereburgh Morris' "Hangover Tour" took place on Monday, January 2nd. We danced outside every pub in the village and, despite small audiences, raised £137 for the Armenian Earthquake Disaster Fund. We'd like to thank all the publicans for allowing us to dance outside and to collect inside their pubs, and all those who contributed.

It looks as though 1989 will be another busy year for Harbury's Morris dancers. Already, we have several bookings for the months ahead and have welcomed some new members, both dancers and musicians. We hope to repeat last year's experience of dancing at dawn on May 1st at Chesterton windmill, but this year we should have more visiting Morris sides to make the event more spectacular. We then plan to spend the rest of the morning dancing in Harbury and surrounding villages so you are unlikely to miss us on May 1st!

Our next appearance is at the Southam Lions' Barn Dance on February 11th at Southam School.

PETER McDONALD (Squire)  
(613730)

### MAINTENANCE DAY AT THE VILLAGE HALL

An army was seen to arrive at the Village Hall armed with ladders, brushes and rollers. They erected and scaled three 20' high mobile towers and applied 60 litres (14 gallons) of emulsion and gloss paint to the walls and ceiling of the main hall. The whole operation took some 250 man/woman hours over 2 weekends and the hall management committee have asked me to express their sincere thanks to all those who helped to give the hall a much needed facelift.



The next project will be to decorate the Farley Room and/or the changing rooms and I hope that I shall be able to rely on an equally eager workforce. Don't worry though, this won't be for some months yet.

B.R.I.

### CONCESSIONARY TRAVEL TOKENS

At a public meeting on Friday 25th November at Harbury Village Hall it was agreed that concessionary travel tokens should be made available to all Senior Citizens resident within the Parish of Harbury and Deppers Bridge. This document details the scheme and will be issued to every participant.

Concessionary travel tokens (C.T.T.) will be supplied by the Parish Council for a period of 2 years, from 1st April 1989 to 31st March 1991, after which the scheme will be reviewed. All Senior Citizens resident in Harbury and Deppers Bridge will be eligible, notably men of 65 years of age and above, and women of 60 years of age and above at 31st March 1989; provided that they have registered for the scheme. Persons who have not registered by the closing date will not be eligible for C.T.T.S for the ensuing year. C.T.T.s are for

use by the recipient only, and are not transferable.

Everyone who wishes to receive C.T.T.s must complete registration form (copy attached) available from:-  
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W Middleton 27 South Parade, Harbury  
M Coy Fairview, Dovehouse Lane, Harbury  
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The completed form must be returned to any of the above by 28th February 1989. After this date no further applications will be considered for the 1989 issue. Closing date for the 1990/91 issue will be 28th February 1990, after which no further applications will be considered for the 1990/91 issue.

C.T.T.s may be used on all local bus and rail service. C.T.T.s to the value of £10 per person will be issued comprising of 50 x 20p tokens, subject to proof of identity and age (pension book No.)

C.T.T.s will be issued from the Village Hall refreshment Room on 4th & 5th of April 1989 between 2pm and 5pm. Anyone unable to collect their C.T.T.s personally, must make alternative arrangements by contacting Mrs Wadde 8 Ivy Lane, Harbury. Tel 613141.

### CLOTHES FOR CHILDREN

We are grateful for the response to the Harbury Help Line appeal for children's clothing. You will be pleased to hear that clothes have already been given out. We are offering a service to people in the Harbury & Ladbroke area and we hope that you will let us know of anyone who is needing children's clothes.

### HARBURY W.I.

Our first meeting of 1989 was very well attended - Mr Riley's talk on "Backpain" proved very popular; guess it's a pain most of us have or does suffer with and any form of help is gratefully received. We were told that if we never had to stand up straight during our lifetime - just went around on all fours like animals we would never suffer from back problems. Everyone went home with a list of exercises to do to help improve our posture either sitting, standing or lying and to help deter any back problems. A vote of thanks was given to Mr Riley for such an interesting talk by Mr Deidre Dunbar, our president.

On February 28th a coffee morning and Bring & Buy is to be held at 27 South Parade from 10.30 onwards in aid of the blind.

The raffle for the evening was won by Mrs Burgess. Next month Mrs Cuthbert will be giving us a talk entitled 'You are what you eat'. The competition for this meeting will be a simnel cake.

S.G.

### MOTHERS' UNION

The February meeting on Mencap will have taken place by the time you read this. The March meeting on the 1st will be our annual lunch held in the Farley Room at 12.45pm. Please don't forget cutlery and two plates. The lunch will be followed by a talk by Muriel Thomas, our ex-diocesan president, on her recent visit to Russia. If you failed to get to the February meeting and would like to come, would you please contact any committee member to help us calculate for catering.

There will be an evening meeting, visitors welcome at 7.45 on February 23rd at Hazebrook, The Pound. It will be a discussion meeting.

At our January meeting The Rev Elizabeth Mordicai of All Saints, Leamington gave us an interesting account of her work as a deacon. She also left us to ponder her wise comments about working with a will under the present framework of the Church.

M.W.R.

### NATIONAL WOMEN'S REGISTER

At the beginning of the Swinging Sixties a housewife (Maureen Nicol) wrote a letter to the Guardian Newspaper identifying a need in her life for something which would keep her brain ticking over, while she was dealing with the physical demands of a young family. She received an avalanche of replies and this led to the setting up of the National Housewives Register. Today this organisation (now called National Women's Register) has 21,000 members in this country and many more abroad. Women of any age and background are welcome

to join. The Harbury group hold monthly meetings and monthly coffee mornings, and there are several social events to include husbands each year. IF any one in Harbury or the surrounding area is interested in joining contact Sue Dolman on Southam 3284 or Kate Liverton on Southam 3341.

#### HARBURY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING FOR JANUARY 1989

Parish Councillors could appreciate for themselves the veracity of SDC Cllrs claims that Stratford was being inundated with Planning Applications. There were dozens for them to deal with, the most important being the further extensions planned for Holland House Ivy Lane; the conversion of the Mill which they thought of unsuitable design; rejection by SDC of development on Tom Hauley's land which would erode the open aspect from Mill Street; and the revised plans for the Old Forge site, which after the previous horrors were surprisingly pleasant. The Council regretted the loss of yet another piece of village history but did not object to the modest house and garage.

They accepted arguments from the District Cllrs that splitting SDC Planning Committees into Area Groups would put too great a strain on the already over-worked staff, but they were in heartfelt agreement with another resolution put up by the break-away S. Warks Combined Parishes, that PC's ought to be told why their comments were not accepted on certain planning applications. D. Cllrs explained that the District had to have policies consistent throughout the area otherwise developers could use decisions as a weapon to open up the countryside for speculation.

They reported that the Inspector at the Bishops Inquiry had been very fair and held a special evening meeting to allow those whose work prevented them getting to Southam in the daytime to have their say. Blue Circle had made play of the fact that Harbury had not opposed their scheme and an architect there had revealed that more development was planned in the area, and with the M40 Junction at Gaydon and the decline in farming, the D. Cllrs agreed there were bound to be great pressures on this area.

On the practical side the Parish Council was to send Sharon Hancock to the County's Rural Housing Conference.

in February where half a dozen speakers would explain what could be done to provide low-cost homes for local people. District Councillor Turner advised the Parish to press for weight restrictions on the access roads to the village to ban heavy lorries.

The Parish had taken the initiative in providing some help with travel for OAPs and would give £10 of tokens for the next 2 years (details elsewhere) but did not want to commit a future council to this financial burden. Letters from our MP and Minister Michael Portillo made it clear that the Government believed it to be the responsibility of the County and District who had specific powers to give concessionary travel, but as usual it had fallen to the lowest tier of local government - the Parish Council and they were NOT empowered to raise money for this. Their only flexibility is the Free Twopence which could be used for any emergency or community improvement, but it was only the product of a 2p Rate they could raise and now most of this money was dedicated to providing help for the OAPs their power to respond to future problems was seriously compromised.

Keith Thompson promised to look into the possibility of providing a Community Minibus although this too would be a drain on Parish resources. On a lighter note, he had the new rope for the Tarzan Swing but until the better weather said he would 'hang on to it'. Possibly in recognition of this? his fellow cllrs had put his name forward to be considered for the Guest List of a Royal Garden Party.

Cllrs were appreciative of the County's attempts to improve efficiency in dealing with complaints about field footpaths and were pleased to have been asked to identify land ownership (a particularly perplexing problem). Indeed Cllrs themselves thought they knew who owned what, declaring 'Bonzo' Bloxham owner, then having to defer to the superior intelligence of Cllr John Moore who stated categorically the land was 'Uncle Eric's'.

## HARBURY HELP LINE

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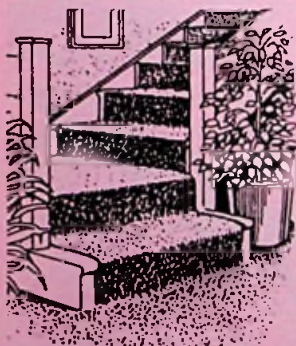


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## STRATFORD UPON AVON CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION

At the AGM on 30th January, Mrs Valerie Hill retired as Chairman after 4 years and the following were elected 1989 -

Chairman - Cllr James Turner

Vice Chairman - Michael Lambert

Treasurer - Jim Chapple

Secretary - Ken Hughes, Leamington House, 9 Church Street, Harbury.

A record number of members and subscribers was recorded. A full programme of events is being arranged for a busy year, which includes the Warwickshire County Council Elections on May 4th and the Election for the European Parliament on June 15th. Alan Howarth C.B.E., M.P will hold a Surgery in the Farley Room of the Village Hall on Sat March 18th 5-7pm. Anybody wishing to make an appointment please contact Cllr James Turner Tel 612915 or the Conservative Office in Stratford Tel 993/292723

## HARBURY SOCIETY

We are not complacent, but because we have such a wonderful life here we tend to believe that everyone is so blessed. THEY ARE NOT! We are singularly fortunate and unless we take action now we will lose a quality of life that we take for granted.

At the Bishops Itchington Inquiry people complained that if the scheme went ahead so much traffic would be generated that it would not be safe for children to bike along the Gaydon Road. Council for the Applicants looked puzzled - they of course could not conceive of a quiet country road where children WOULD be safe!

Blue Circle made much of the richness of flora and fauna in this locality. To them we have an amazing diversity - to us it seems normal. IT IS NOT. Here, we are one of the last refuges for plants and animals that were common to our parents. I have asked Andy Tasker, the Conservation Officer for WARNACT, to talk to us in February about what is here and what is threatened.

Some people see the problems coming. Your District Councillors are urging Parish Councils to understand the underlying Planning Policies that at times look anomalous. They cry out for consistency that will hold the line against the developers. We think we are safe from over-development here, but we are not. The Parish Council has opposed building on Tom Hauley's delightful cottage garden in Mill Street but their own insistence that the new Surgery be built on the Pumping Station land has punched a hole in the dike that held back development there. The Telephone Exchange land will be up for grabs soon and the Paddock and the Spinney, both important 'green lungs' for that part of the village are not in public ownership. And all the time the cheap houses for young people that we do need fail to be provided.

In the Spring the Society will be surveying the village with a view to producing a Parish Map to show what we hold dear and to illustrate our history and concerns. If there is enough interest we could go on to undertake a Village Appraisal which would provide statistics to show what the village needs in the way of housing and facilities and where they could be put.

Simple things are threatened. Occasionally I ask myself how a letter addressed only to L Ridgley, Holly Cottage, Leamington arrived, but mostly I take the postal services for granted. The letter probably found its way here because Brian 'Sherlock' Taylor had a hand. Our Post Office is an asset but rural Post Offices in general are threatened with down grading to Community status where they are open less frequently and the Sub-Postmaster is paid less. 'Use it or lose it' is a maxim we need to keep in mind. Look what happened to the Co-op Hardware Store. Now there are plans to transfer the sorting of post from the villages to Southam. That will mean Postmen and women have to go there to sort then come back and deliver. Several of our auxiliaries will quit if this happens. Will the Post Office be able to replace them? Will the new employees know the village half well? If you are concerned write to Mr Dewhurst, PO Coventry Chamber of Commerce, St Nicholas St, Coventry.

We live a good and peaceful life here. When the Motorway comes that could all change. How much crime do we suffer now and how much nuisance do we get from

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traffic? Very little - so little that when something does happen we complain - it is so rare. Cllr Turner sees the danger and he has urged the Parish Council to press for weight restrictions on our access roads to keep the heavy lorries out. There is not much we can do to protect our way of life, but the time for keeping our heads down and hoping it will all go away has past. Now we must fight to keep what we have.

Do come and listen to Andy Tasker at the Wight School on Tuesday 28th February and volunteer to help with the Parish Map.

LINDA RIDGLEY

### PROFILE - JOYCE WADDELL



Mrs Joyce Waddell - one of three children was born in Oxford two months after her father was killed.

The family left Oxford when her mother remarried. Joyce was seven years old at the time and they moved to Coventry. She left school when she was fourteen eventually becoming a cost clerk at Courtaulds.

She married in Sept 1940 and she and her husband were bombed out on 14th November. They left Coventry taking with them their two cats and very little else. Although

Joyce was in the early stages of pregnancy they walked most of the way from Foleshill Road to the top of Leamington Spa. Her husband was recalled to the Merchant Navy the day after the baby was born, and was reported missing almost immediately. He landed up in Trinidad twelve months later. Joyce was billeted in Bishops Tachbrook and remained there for 32 years.

She well remembers that her husband's allowance was stopped from the day he was missing until he was located twelve months later, but she was helped greatly by the older people of Tachbrook.

After her husband's return they were allocated one of the pre fab houses which were for Servicemen who had had a rough time during the war.

Joyce was able to repay some of the kindness shown to her previously by looking after some of the older people. Two more sons were born whilst they were living at Bishops Tachbrook. Joyce was Vice-President of the W.I. for a number of years and was a Parish Coucillor for 7 years. This was the first time ladies had been voted on the Council in Tachbrook.

Joyce and her husband came to Harbury in 1972 when the last of the children had flown the nest. She worked at the newsagents until about 3 years ago.

Having experienced great hardships has made Mrs Waddell determined to fight for the Senior Citizens rights and independance regarding the S.C. bus passes.

Joyce's hobbies include gardening & knitting and she has done a lot of knitting for premature babies. She has been invited by the Bliss Organisation to attend demonstration in London on 7th Feb when the knitting will be displayed and the Duchess of Gloucester will preside.

Mrs Waddell is the proud grandmother of seven grandchildren so there is no danger of her needles being allowed to rust!

#### RETIREMENT OF ETHEL SOLLIS

May I through your columns thank all the residents on Ethel's postal round, for giving so generously towards her well deserved retirement collection.

Ethel was presented with a cheque for £211 and a bouquet of spring flowers at a gathering around the post box in Church Street on Saturday morning 28th January, the day she retired. Although it was pouring with rain at the time of the presentation it was a very happy and joyous occasion. (see photo on next page)

I should like to express my personal thanks to Phillipa, Hazel, Midge, Janet and Aunt Phil for giving me a helping hand, and a special thank you to Lisa and David for presenting the bouquet on

behalf of all the children.

Well done everybody. P. L. WOODWARD



### HEALTH NEWS

The shortest month of the year - let us see if we can re-affirm and stick to our New Year Resolutions at least for these four weeks.

One step at a time is required. This month let us consider our diet. There is a saying, 'We are what we EAT!'

Maybe we consider food is dull if not livened up with chips, crisps, peanuts, doughnuts etc. A great deal of fun can be had by planning interesting and attractive menus, to include fresh vegetables and fruit, fish, poultry etc. They do not have to be expensive but they can be extremely appetising and at the same time well balanced which is better for heart and body.

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Surprise yourselves and your families with interesting and different meals which will contribute to Healthy Harbury and Ladbroke for 1989.

### HOT HEALTH TIP

<u>STOP</u>	BEWARE!	Fatty foods
<u>CAUTION</u>	Take Care	Red meat and eggs
<u>GO</u>	Eat plenty of these	Fibre, Fruit, Fish, Poultry

MRS J M NEWELL  
Primary Health Care Manager  
Southam

### SOUTHAM & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

#### Thanks for Record Charity Collection

The twenty seven members of Southam and District Lions Club have set a new record by there recent Christmas collection. £2086 was collected for the 'Sense' charity which provides support for Blind, Deaf and Rubella affected and are based in Edgebaston Birmingham.

The Lions toured their District on nine separate occasions and thanks are extended to residents of Southam, Model Village, Long Itchington, Stockton, Deppers Bridge, Bishops Itchington, Harbury, Napton, Priors Marston, Priors Hardwick, Ufton, Ladbroke and Fenny Compton. A special visit was made to Knightcote where a centenarian received his Milky Way from Father Christmas as did several hundred youngsters throughout the area.

KEITH BRAILSFORD  
Secretary



The new year has been clouded by the sad news of the death of John Barnes. Both as Chairman and as a loyal and active member he has made an enormous contribution to the Society. With his inimitable combination of dignity, fun and good humour, he brought distinction to our activities. We shall miss him constantly and we extend our deep sympathy to Eileen and the family.

The January meeting was on the day after John's death. I was unable to attend but Maurice Bristow reports: "Mr O Lawson of Bernhards gave an illustrated talk on Rock and Scree gardens. He drew attention to the need to look at how these were a part of the 'natural scene' in their wild state and that their design in the garden should draw on this. Good site preparation, proper use of stone and back-filling are important in making them appear natural and not a 'hump' spotted with lumps of rock".

The Committee is engaged in planning for the future and a number of items need to be considered: The Walkabout is planned for 8th July. It is important to ring the changes and we are very keen to have some new gardens. They do not need to be big - indeed, many visitors enjoy small and interesting gardens rather than show places. If you are willing to talk it over, please ring Julie Clarke on 612066 or me on 612200. You do not need to be a member.

It has been decided that the major beneficiary from the 1989 profits (if any!) will go to the Church Special Fund. We are confident that a well-known Churchwarden will be seen to turn his steering wheel into a rotary cultivator.

Next year's programme is being constructed and suggestions will be welcome. Please contact Eleanor Zonik (612365). Suggestions made on the questionnaire are already being considered.

The Flower Show will be on 9th September. It is early days, of course, but a sub-committee has been set up to consider ways in which it may be appropriate to change the organisation. If you have any suggestions (in addition, again, to those made in the questionnaire) please let me know (612200)

Finally, please note that future meetings will be held

in the Village Hall. Enter please by the back. On February 7th Mr Pudwell on Fruit and March 7th Mr Elliott on Alpines.

B.A.R.

### FEBRUARY IN THE GARDEN

Finish clearing all herbaceous beds, cutting down dead stems to ground level. Weed thoroughly, the mild weather has meant that a number have never died back, and are already raring to go! Finally mulch deeply with compost, peat or stacked leaves.

Sow geranium seeds indoors, feed bulbs in bowls, give flowering houseplants plenty of light.

If you have large clumps of outdoor cyclamen thin out some of the small seedlings. Plant in peaty potting compost and sink the pot in the ground in a shady spot, this thinning will benefit the colony and give the seedlings a better chance of maturing.

Some delphiniums are already through the ground and must immediately be protected from slugs also tulips both in beds and tubs.

Spray fruit trees with a tar oil wash, and now is the last chance to use Dithane on peaches and nectarines to check leaf curl. Repeat 14 days later.

Force outdoor rhubarb by covering with straw and a wooden box. Set out seed potatoes, eyes uppermost. Sow broad beans under cover.

E.D.Z.

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We were sorry to hear that Jan Stott has had to go to hospital for surgery - we wish her a speedy recovery.

On a brighter note we are pleased to hear that Mrs Drinkwater is now making good progress although not yet home.

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Editors,

It is difficult to put into words the gratitude and love I feel towards my dear friends in Harbury for the kindness, flowers, letters and above all the practical help I have received since the sad loss of my husband John.

I would especially like to thank the Rector for his kindness and also the British Legion for helping to arrange the service so beautifully. I will never forget it. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

EILEEN BARNES

Dear Editors,

WHAT A BIRTHDAY!

Thanks to friends and customers of the Dog Inn, my 65th birthday was one I shall never forget. From the moment I saw the photographs and greetings spread over the village, to the wonderful surprise party laid on for me. Many thanks for the lovely gifts, the day was full of surprises.

Special thanks to Joe and Tony AND their COMMITTEE for their hard work and Tom Winnifrith for his entertaining speech.

What a great village this is to live in.

Many thanks to you all

DOUG POWELL

Dog Inn

Dear Editors,

Thanks to all who hired the Father Christmas outfit during December - I am pleased to report we were able to send £27 to the Children in Need Appeal.

BERYL CHECKLEY

We should like to apologise to anyone who has been offended by the noise created during the build of our extension. We have tried to limit this whenever possible and we hope the work will soon be completed.

Yours sincerely,

REG & JANE STOCKWELL

Dear Editors,

I would like to thank the Rector very much indeed for taking me to the Warneford Hospital and back for treatment and a check up with Doctor Thompson.

I am to take a rest for a few days while I'm having treatment for my leg and foot so lets hope I will be soon well again and a big thank you to all my friends who wished me well.

A.C. OVER

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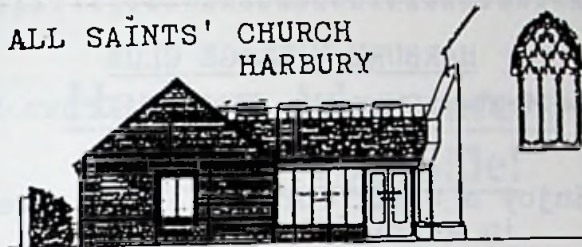
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*We are running a fund raising toy sale to enable us to expand our range of activities for the children.*

*Everybody is welcome to come along.*

*Please call any of the following to arrange collection:-*

*Keith Dormer 613254   Rosemary Eld 613340*

*Michelle Coupe 612507   Kay Pallott 613270*

*or bring your toys along to the village hall  
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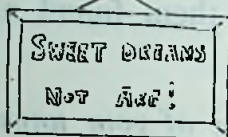
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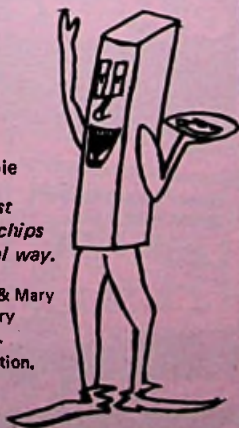
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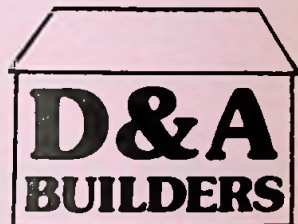
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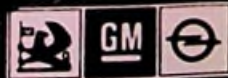


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