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3rd Sunday of month:

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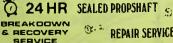
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The Flying Scotsman (Number 4472) passed through Harbury last month. Mike Bloxham's picture shows it coming through the cutting under the three arched bridge, pulling two carriages. This is the engine built in Doncaster in the 1920's and has recently returned from Australia.

June is Carnival month in Harbury. We congratulate Emma Rawlings on becoming Carnival Queen with her attendants Hazel Want and Louise Weller. We all hope for good weather on June 16th. This year there is an evening concert by the Windmill Singers (with a wide selection of music) as an alternative to the Carnival Dance.

Please note: The Editorial Office has now moved to 63 Mill Street. All contributions to that address by 7pm Sunday 24th June 1990.

The Harbury & Ladbroke News is moving its Office (to 63 Mill Street) and stapling will now move to the Tom Hauley Room. The Editors would be most grateful for legibly written or typed contributions. It is most helpful if contributors would please count their contributions.

Finally we would wish every success to all young people who are taking their public examinations, and looking for jobs and college courses.

HARBURY DIARY				
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		Mothers Union Tom Hauley Room 2.15pm		
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		Men's Society 8pm		
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Fri	8th	10.30am Holy Communion (M.U. Corporate Communion		
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REGULAR DIARY DATES
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UPHOLSTERY CLASSES, Wight School, 2-4pm Mondays
GYMNASTICS, Harbury School, 6-7pm (under 7s & beginners)
7-8pm (7-10yrs), 8-9pm (over 10yrs) Mondays
GUIDES, Scout Hut, 7pm Mondays

BINGO, Village Hall, 8pm Mondays

TODDLER CROUP, Wight School, 10-11.30am Mondays &

2-3.30pm Wednesdays
PLAYCROUP, Wight School, Tuesday to Friday mornings
NURSERY SCHOOL, Village Hall, Tues to Fri mornings
LUNCHEON CLUB, Village Hall, 12.30pm Tuesdays & Fridays
DANCING CLASSES, Wight School, 4-7.45pm Tues, Wed, Thurs
BROWNIES, Village hall, every Tuesday evening at 6.15

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, School Hall, 8pm Wednesdays

ROSARY & PRAYERS for Persecuted Christians,

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FROM HARBURY CHURCHWARDENS

The Confirmation of 13 Candidates on Sunday 13th May by the Bishop of Coventry was a joyous occasion. We are thankful that young - and not so young people continue to feel called to become full members of Our Lord's Church.

The celebration of Canon Churchill's 50 years in the priesthood on 19th May, was a really delightful day. A packed church joined with Roy, Esme and their family in a service of thanksgiving and praise crowned by the presence of Bishop Cuthbert Bardsley who gave an apt and powerful address - in spite of having been in hospital until earlier in the week. The lunch provided by so many friends in the Tom Hauley Room was most enjoyable and gave everyone the chance to meet informally and feel part of a great occasion.



Canon Roy Churchill with Bishop Cuthbert Bardsley (R) and Canon Rowe prior to the service on May 19th.

Our quinquennial inspection was carried out on fay 18th by our architect Charles Brown. Now that the Tom Hauley Room is built and operational we have to return to the much needed repair and maintenance work needed on the main fabric of the Church. Work on the windows which need maintenance and unfortunately, protection, has started.

The walk from Harbury to Ladbroke of members of both congregations on Sunday May 20th, led by the Bishop of Coventry was a great success. Some 50 people took part, and were joined at Ladbroke by as many again for Songs of Praise and a short address by the Bishop. Following which we all repaired to the Village Hall for an excellent tea provided by the Friends of Ladbroke Church - thank you! (see phote on next page)

Some notes of forthcoming events:

June 3rd: Instruction by Bryan Anderson see Rector's

June 10th: The regular Ecumenical Service will be

held at 4pm.

June 16th: Windmill Singers present a concert of a variety of music in All Saints, Harbury.

June 24th: Open Air Service at <u>Deppers Bridge</u> 4pm BERYL & JOHN



Walk from Harbury to Ladbroke on Sun 20th May.

FROM THE RECTOR

Were changed on that first Pentecostal Day described in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2 v 1-11). Before then they had become increasingly sure in their hearts that Jesus had indeed risen from the dead, as he had promised and they appreciated and were thrilled at his appearances to them, but remained unsure of themselves, timid and afraid. They kept their joy secret and shared it only with one another in private and behind closed doors. But then the day came when they were filled with the Holy Spirit and suddenly they became so aware that the Lord was with them wherever they were, that no longer did they feel obliged to keep things to themselves or to keep quiet. Indeed they felt compelled to go out and proclaim their faith and let everyone know what had been accomplished by the death and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth.

It seems unbelievable that Peter could preach so boldly, with such force, certaint y and courgage (Acts 2 v 14-36). Yet he did and with tremendous effect. The story of the beginnings of the Church, unfolds dramatically in the Acts of the Apostles and is worth reading over and over again, not in bits and drabs, but in its entirety. We should never forget that the Feast of Pentecost (June 3rd) is one of the major festivals of the Church. No one who is the least bit committed to the Christian Faith would ever forget Christmas or Easter, and somehow feel involved, but often Pentecost passes by without much attention. This is strange because if Christmas and Easter involve us in God's scheme to bring us back to Him, then surely Pentecost is just as necessary to remember, for it involves us totally.

The clue to what I am saying is so clearly and simply made in Acts 2 v 37-39. It says there that when the people had heard Peter preaching, they were 'cut to the heart' and asked Peter and the Apostles 'What are we to do?' Peter replies 'Repent and be baptised everyone of you in the name of Jesus the Messiah for the forgiveness of your sins: and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spririt. For the promise is to you, and to your children, and to all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God may call.'

These words are meant for us too, we who live in this century - 1990, just as much as the day when Peter first said them. The Holy Spirit was not given that one and only time but continues to be given to us, and we are to live out our Christian Faith in the power of the Holy Spirit, in fact we can do it, in no other way. Perhaps we should remember more often the words of Bishop Cosin and bring them into our prayers constantly.

Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gift impart:

(see Enlish Hymnal 153)

ANTONY ROWE

P.S. Please remember in your prayers those who recently received the gift of the Holy Spirit by the laying on of hands, by the Bishop of Coventry at the Confirmation on Sunday 13th May: Herbert Frederick (Bill) Dugan, Paul Frederick Dugan, Alan Phillips, Helen Deliana Victoria Ball, Jennifer Susan Dormer, Louise Ann Rawlings, Anthony Nicholas Andrews, James Arthur Stringer, Dominic John Travis, Christophe

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Royal School of Church Music

As reported last month, Mr Bryan Anderson, Commissioner for the Royal School of Church Music is to visit us on Sunday 3rd June, the Feast of Pentecost. He will be at Harbury Church at 4pm and will be instructing until tea the Choir and Young People from Ladbroke, who archoping to form a Choir. Members of the congregation from Harbury and Ladbroke are invited to come at 6 o'clock for further instruction together, before Evensong at 6.30pm.

Mr Anderson is a first class musician and brilliant teacher and we can all benefit from his advice. Please make every effort to come - it is an opportunity not to be missed.

HOLY BAPTISM

Sunday 6th May: ALEXANDRA LAUREN, daughter of Guy David Anthony and Susan Pamela Gibson, 8 Mackley Way

HOLY MATRIMONY

At Ladbroke JOHN McGOWAN, 5 Thornton Close, Warwick and TRACEY WHITE 7 Dickens Road, Harbury

FUNERAL

Tuesday 1st May (at Oakley Wood) FREDERICK NEAL, 53 Deppers Bridge, Harbury.

BIBLE STUDY

At the meeting following the Lent Course there was enthusiasm expressed for Bible Study. The most difficult thing, however, once a decision has been reached is to settle on a convenient day of the week. After chasing this problem round and round for some time, it was decided to make a start with four meetings before the holiday period begins in earnest. The dates are as follows:

MONDAYS 11th & 25th June, 9th & 23rd July at 8pm in the Tom Hauley Room.

It was decided to use the readings for the Sunday following as a basis for our study, this enabling everyone to have a look at the reading beforehand. It was also agreed that each group would not be larger than twelve.

Although most of us had reservations about the Lent Course, one pleasing aspect, which all agreed, was the bringing together of people from different churches. This was reflected in the following meeting and will be a welcome ingredient in our future arrangements.

Year's Mind

Each Sunday in the Intercessions at both Harbury and Ladbroke we remember our loved ones who have died. For each church, a record exists of those we have been asked to remember on certain dates. These names are remembered on the Sunday nearest the date given and once a name has been entered, that will happen each year.

From time to time, people are reminded of this practice, so that other names can be received and entered up. If anyone wishes to add further names to be remembered in this way, please write the name down with the appropriate date and hand to the Rector.

Parish Retreat

So that we can put on a full retreat, we have booked the Retreat House at Offchurch for the weekend on 28th-30th September this year, sharing the places with people from ong Itchington and Priors Marston. The Retreat will be conducted by a Mirfield Father from the Community of the Resurrection. It will begin on Friday evening and conclude after Sunday lunch.

This information is given now so that those who would wish to go, can book the dates. The name of the Conductor will be given to us after the General Chapter meeting at Mirfield in July.

If there are any questions you would like to ask about retreats in general, please talk to the Rector.

HARBURY PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The main items discussed at the meeting on May 15th were:

Church Windows: Essential restoration work and repair of vandalised windows has begun and will take 8 - 10 weeks to complete.

General Fabric: The Fabric committee is awaiting the architect's quinquennial inspection report, after which a priorities schedule of work required will be prepared.

Saturday Coffee Mornings: The venue is to be changed to the Tom Hauley Room for a trial period of four months, commencing on Saturday 2nd June.

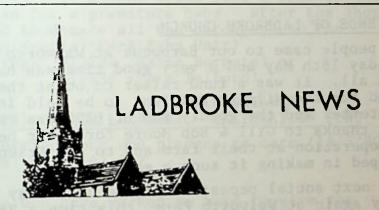
Cathedral Liaison Officer: It is now known that the liaison officer does not necessarily have to be the same for each meeting. Anyone from the PCC or congregation who would like to undertake this duty should notify the Rector or a warden.

Lychgate: Saturday coffee morning on July 7th is specifically to start a fund for the restoration of the lychgate.

Deanery Synod: Southam Deanery Synod will meet at Harbury on Thursday 21st June, commencing with Holy Communion at 7.45pm open to all who would like to attend.

Matins: It was reported that Matins on Sunday 13th May had been greatly appreciated by those who attended and several had expressed the hope that it would be repeated from time to time.

Harbury & Ladbroke News: Someone to represent the PCC on the editorial committee of the Harbury & Ladbroke News has still to be appointed.



JUNE DIARY

Sun 3rd

PENTECOST (WHIT SUNDAY): 10.30am Family Service & Communion, 4pm Visit of Royal School of Church Music Commissioner (see separate note

for further details)
10.30am Holy Communion

Wed 6th Thurs 7th

7pm Oberammergau Meeting (Tom Hauley Room)

8pm Men's Society
Sun 10th TRINITY SUNDAY:

TRINITY SUNDAY: 9am Holy Communion with Hymns

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Wed	13th	
		Women's Fellowship 2.30pm
Sat	16th	Children's Church Picnic 2pm at Hall Farm. All
		Ladbroke children welcome.
Sun	17th	PENTECOST II: 9am Holy Communion with Hymns,
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June 3rd (Whit Sunday) Mrs J Barnett: June 10th Mrs J Barnett: June 17th Mrs B Moore: June 24th Mrs Stubbs: July 1st Mrs Greenaway:

FRIENDS OF LADBROKE CHURCH

60 people came to our Barbecue at Walworth Farm on Friday 18th May and a very good time was had by one and all. It was a fund raiser to boost the Flower Fund for the Village Festival to be held in September and the goodly sum of £300 was raised. Our thanks to Gill & Bob Moore for their help and co-operation at their farm and to all Friends who helped in making it such a success.

Our next social occasion will be on Friday 13th July again at Walworth Farm, this time a Barn Dance.

LADBROKE CHURCH

What a wonderful afternoon on Sunday 20th May, when Harbury Church joined Ladbroke Church in Songs of Praise. Full report next month.

GWYNNE BADMAN

Mrs Freeman was our guest speaker for the April meeting and she told us how to 'Improve our Knitting' Her audience was a very enthusiastic one as all ladies attending came with needles and oddments of wool and busily knitted away making squares for the Arthritic Society. Useful instructions for casting on and off were of particular importance to me! (being a non-knitter) and Mrs Freeman brought along many knitted garments showing us the various patterns achieved through stitch and colour combinations. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs Kath Telford. Gladys Gould won this months raffle prize.

The date for the Strawberry Fair is now Tuesday June 26th. Our Christmas Party this year will be at the Grand Union on November 21st, any member interested please contact any committee member as soon as possible so that numbers can be confirmed to the restaurant.

W.I. Produce Show - Sept 1st
Category 19 - if anyone would like a pattern (it is a cardigan for a premature baby - after the show we intend to donate all the cardigans to the Warneford Special Care Baby Unit)
Please ring: 812124 (Gabie Norgate) or 812434 (Kate Telford)

KAY CONSTABLE

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH LADBROKE - RESTORATION FUND

Total contributions and pledges to date (18/5/90) amount to: £47,012

All those who have worked so hard to give the restoration fund such a firm base will be delighted with the news that the application to English Heritage for financial assistance has been successful.

A.C.S.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Rector opened the meeting with readings on the theme 'eyes'.

Hazel then gave a fascinating talk on her holiday in Arizona. She spent the whole of February there

staying in a large mobile home near Phoenix and touring through the Grand Canyon, Tucson and the Indian Reservations, visiting Mexico before flying home. Our thanks to Helen for providing tea.

Our next meeting on June 13th is at 2.30pm at the home of Hazel Sharples, 5 Ladbroke Hall when we shall welcome Mona Griffin from Stockton who will talk about Folk and Country Lore.

On June 20th we are holding a Coffee Morning at 5 Ladbroke Hall to raise money towards the cost of flowers for decorating the church for the Village Festival. This is from 10.30am to 12 o'clock. There will be a Bring & Buy Stall and Raffle. Cost 50p.

BERYL ROSS

LADBROKE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The meeting opened with the Annual Report of the Chairman of the Parish Council, Mr Francis Badman. It had been a quiet year by Ladbroke standards, a variety of topics has been explored and examined:-

It was now certain that the 30 m.p.h. signs in School Lane would not be extended back. The current Sewage Capacity of the village pump house would be sufficient for any new building developments. The County Museum was aware of the importance of the historic Fishponds in Farmyard Field and are checking that they are adequately protected. The proceeds from the Badger legacy would be transferred to the Youth Club. The trunk road white line markings throughout the village were now due to be removed. The road junctions from the village on to the bypass were hazardous, and the Police were exploring ways to improve safety.

Skip lorries taking a short cut to the Ufton Tip had been a nuisance. The County Council would take action if villagers reported the name of the firm, the time, date and registration number of the offending vehicle. It had been decided to enter the Best Kept Village Competition. Special thanks were due to Peter Williamson for providing the paint for the phone box and to Mark Teverson for Sandblasting, painting and replacing its broken windows.

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The Gas Board had a new policy to take mains gas supplies to small villages. They are conducting a current feasibility study for Bishops Itchington and Ladbroke so there was a real possibility that gas could be installed.

The lack of a gate over the Bypass at Windmill Lane had undoubtedly been the Council's biggest worry. Mr & Mrs Peel would definitely not give permission to use their land, so the County Council was exploring two alternatives, one of which looked like being successful.

The Parish Council had commented fully on the South Warwickshire Structure Plan. A Housing Survey had been conducted throughout the village and the need for low cost housing in the Village was being further examined.

Mr Badman concluded by thanking his fellow Councillors for all their help over the past year.

Mr Peter Williamson gave the Alibone Trust Report. The Trust had funds to disperse £300 to each set of its trustees. The non-ecclesiastical funds had gone towards the village maps, Parish Council Minute Book, Village Hall guttering and a chain of office for the Parish Council Chairman.

The Rector gave a report on the Church and the Parochial Church Council. Attendances at church services were improved, the family services and Carol services were well established. The Restoration of the church had been a great worry, but English Heritage would support the project handsomely, and the critical work on the spire and tower would go forward next year. The Rector was sorry to report that Canon Fishley was in a very frail state in a Nursing Home at 24 Kenilworth Rd, Leamington Spa, and would be pleased to hear from any of his old parishioners. It was hoped to have a celebration for Canon Fishley's Diamond Jubilee next September.

The Rector also reported on the <u>Village Festival</u> due to begin on Sept 1st with the W.I. Produce Show. A Treasure Hunt, Whist Drive, Quiz, Arts & Crafts, Concerts, Photographic Competition, Vintage

Motorcycles and cars, Morris Dancing, Sports and Flowers in the Church we some of the attractions.

Mrs Gabbie Norgate reported on the varied and successful year that the Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge Women's Institute had enjoyed.

Mr Peter Derrick reported on the Village Hall Committee. The Maintenance of the Hall relied on funds raised by Social functions, without the active support of the villagers, the Hall would be impossible to maintain. Unfortunately several members of the committee had resigned and 4 or 5 active new members were now needed.

Mrs Nancy Stubbs gave the annual report of the Women's Fellowship, which meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in members homes. The Fellowship is open to women of all denominations and ages and new members would be most welcome.

The Bell Ringers reported that they hoped to ring a Quarter Peal for the Village Festival. They sadly missed Mrs Brenda Timms and would welcome new recruits to this interesting hobby.

Mrs Gwynne Badman reported that the Friends of Ladbroke Church had an excellent fund raising year and provided a stone flower trough for the Tom Hauley Room, they had repaired the altar carpet were making new curtains for the church and had been able to donate £1,300 to the Church Restoration Fund.

The Ladbroke Youth Club reported that it had 17 members, who meet on the last Wednesday of each month in the Village Hall, with additional outings and sports events. They had enjoyed a full programme in the previous year, which included Morris Dancing and Heraldry. The Annual Subscription was £5 per child and the Club would welcome any offers of help from Adults.

P.C. Tim Percival warned the meeting that the M40 was now a year closer and so are the thieves and criminals. He urged villagers to join in the battle against them. Lock up, Bolt up and Batten down hatches. Don't sunbathe at the bottom of the garden leaving the house open!

County Councillor Ruth Styles attended the meeting and stated that she would be pleased to help the village in any way she could.

Mr Francis Badman closed the Annual Parish Meeting by stating that next year the Parish Council comes up for re-election. He, himself did not intend to stand again, in anyone in the village was interested they should try and attend the monthly Council Meetings, to see just what goes on! Ladbroke had maintained its tradition of a full attendance at its Parish Meeting. Thirty four residents attended which is a very good percentage.

I'm sure everyone at the meeting would like to thank Francis Badman for all his hard work throughout the year. We have indeed been lucky to have had such an able Chairman for so long.

KATE LIVERTON

Warmest Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Tom Hook of Ladbroke Hall, who celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on May 24th.

Congratulations also to Mark & Tricia Teverson on the birth of their son Richard Mark, on the 1st April; a lovely new brother for Melanie, Ian and Roger.

HARBURY SCHOOL - ENVIRONMENT WEEK

Harbury School decided that they would tidy up Back Lane as their contribution to Environment Week. It was noticeably litter-strewn when inspected, and becoming more overgrown than it should be (as a green lane it is supposed to have grass, wild flowers bushes etc).

We wrote to the residents backing on to the lane, asking if there were any objections to the children doing a tidy-up. The silence was deafening, but we do wonder if someone was shamed into pre-empting us, as a subsequent inspection showed the lane to be cleaner than expected! As a public road, of course, it is not the residents' job to keep it tidy anyway.

However, it is interesting to see what we did find:

147 sweet wrappers or bits thereof

132 pieces of plastic

85 various sizes of silver foil

75 bits of broken glass

20 drinks cans

19 carrier bags

18 pieces of polystyrene

If any of these are yours, they can be collected from the school! In addition there were pieces of wire, nails, carpet, corrugated iron, pen tops, cuddly toy, tennis ball, drinks cartons and several partridges in pear trees! Four children from each class took part, and Mr Chapman took home the bonus of a trailer full of wood for his fire.

The only blot on this landscape now is the unofficial compost heap and dump at the school end of the lane. Already a load of ranch-fencing has appeared there since the children carried out their clean up. Perhaps the dumpers would like to borrow my trailer.

NIGEL J CHAPMAN

To mark the 63rd anniversary of the discovery of a plesiosaur and an ichthyosaur in the Quarries, the children designed an accurate scale drawing of both creatures. These were then drawn life-size on the playground and subsequently painted by the groundsmen.

May 14th saw the return of Mr Oliver to duty after his operation and recuperation. He has asked for his thanks for good wishes and speedy recovery to be passed on to all.

A book "Building the M40" written by the children will appear at the beginning of June. Copies can be obtained at the Post Office, Newsagents and Drug Store price £2. It contains interviews with a cross-section of construction workers and information generally about the new road, in an effort to record these people for posterity. Those who were responsible for the last great civil engineering job in the village, namely the Cutting, have no memorial other than the Cutting itself.

We are very desperate either for sponsors for this project, people willing to buy copies, or better still both!

Further information from the school.

NIGEL J CHAPMAN

VENTURE SCOUT EASTER CAMP IN SNOWDONIA

On Tuesday 17th April a fully laden minibus - courtesy of Southam Lions - left Harbury at 7.30am en route for North Wales. Our destination in fact was an uninhabited hill farm south of Snowdon, called Hafodydd-y-Brithion. I'd camped there thirty five years before so it came as no surprise to the unit when it proved a little elusive. Even two young ladies at a nearby holiday home hadn't heard of it. But two fields away there it was tucked into a fold of the hills with a glorious view of the Snowdon massif four miles away across Nant Gwynant (the Gwynant Valley to the uninitiated). I say a glorious view, but that was when it wasn't raining or misty and anyone who knows North Wales knows that it is generally both most of the time.

The weather didn't put us off. The party of twelve were kept busy throughout the week just keeping warm. Exercise was the key to this though we relaxed most evenings in the congenial atmosphere of a Beddgelert pub. When they weren't trying to kill me on the mountain they tried to kill me on the dartboard. Highlights for me were a snowy traverse of Crib Goch, a canoeing trip down the River Glaslyn and an epic rock climb of 800 feet on Amphitheatre Buttress in the Carnedd Range. Thanks to a great bunch of Venture Scouts and to Bob Hodgkiss and Richard Wells for putting up with me in their tent for 5 nights.

JOHN HANCOCK

LU. HARBURY PLAYSCHEME - into the '90s

That time of year has come around again when the Summer Playscheme needs organising. In fact, this year, the organisers have already struck problems. Holiday commitments on the part of people we rely on means that the usual weeks have changed. This years Playscheme will run on the FIRST and SECOND weeks of the school holidays. This is the weeks beginning the 23rd and 30th July, mornings only 10.00 - 12.00, Monday to Friday.

There will also, unfortunately, have to be another change. Since 1984 we have managed to maintain the daily cost at 50p per child. We think that this is good value for money since it covers refreshment and all entertainment. We do not aim to make a profit but we cannot afford to run at a loss, which is what we did, slightly, last year. This was caused by insurance costs, which have more than doubled since the Playscheme started and, like everything else, increases every year. Last year, finally, we were unable to absorb all the increase.

We do not want to increase the daily charge of 50p which is so convenient for everyone. However, in order to cover the additional cost of insurance we shall charge a registration fee of 50p per child also. This is a once only payment when the child is registered i.e. when the child first comes to the Playscheme. It will be payable regardless of the number of days spent at the Playscheme e.g. a child who comes for only one day pays 50p registration fee plus 50p admission charge (fl); a child who comes for a week pays 50p registration fee plus 50p for each of the five days, a total of f3.

We are still, as always, desperate for volunteers to help in any way at all. Even making coffee for the helpers is a major chore when faced at the same time with looking for glue, white paint, a football and comforting a small girl who has lost her friend but won't tell you her name!

It would be of the greatest help to us if anyone who is willing to help would telephone us NOW with offers of assistance - even if it is just for one morning. If our regular helpers could contact us too, rather than wait for us to track them down

(surely they aren't hiding?) it would save us a lot of time and worry at a time when we are very busy anyway.

Enquiries and offers of help <u>please</u> to any of us, Jill Cadogen (613503) Jean Champ (613698), Rosemary Eld (613340), Pauline Hayes (612179) Nicky Knight (612522).

J.C.

HARBURY LADIES NETBALL CLUB

The Jumble Sale on 28th April made a profit of £80+ for club funds. Thank you to all those people who came for the bargains, and the girls involved in making it a success.

The 'C' team who have struggled to find form all season, did themselves proud at the Handicap Tournament on 13th May. In the first game superb passing by Donna Smith to the 'on form' G.S. Julie Brittain, resulted in the defeat of local rivals Offchurch 'C'. Roanne Finch and Leah Wallington provided the strength in mid-court which enabled the team to win their next two matches, and go through to the semi-final. This was won because of excellent defensive play by Janet Rawlings and Anne Badger. In the final Karen Clarkson ably took over the G.K. position and the teamwork shown forced a draw. Only in the extra-time period did Harbury falter, allowing the opposition, Hinckley Ladies to go ahead and win the game by 2 goals. Runners up medals are to be presented to the team at the League's Annual Presentation evening on 15th June.

The 'B' team also had an enjoyable afternoon's netball at their tournament on 19th May. Playing with 2 reserves because of injury, they did not make the final, but proved that sportsmanship is the name of the game.

The 'A' team did not take part in their divisional tournament because they were away "on tour", facing netball teams from all over the country, at a holiday camp in Brean Sands. They played some exciting netball on Saturday, with 'B' team players Shirley & Mandy enjoying some of the glory - and Jenny Evans doing a magnificent job as umpire. I hear that it was a different story on Sunday though

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- but perhaps the drink, the nightclub and the lack of sleep on Saturday night had something to do with it! What happened was CENSORED.

Practices are continu ing on Thursday nights 7pm - 8.30pm throughout the summer. Please join us it you fancy the exercise (or the tour!) as there is talk of 4 teams next year. PAT SUMMERS

HARBURY GIRLS NETBALL



Top:- Ellie Playdon, Michaela Smith, Katy Brown, Nikki Evans Bottom:- Vicky Hayes, Leah Wallington, Lucy Thompson This group cf girls took themselves off to the 'Easter Sports Festival', held at the Sydenham Sports Centre.

They came back winners for the second successive year, winning their games, 15-0, 15-1, 30-0 in the under 14 age group.

Well done girls!

A team to be proud of.

MARIE WALLINGTON

LUNCH CLUB

We will be in the unfortunate position of losing three of our Lunch Club helpers at the end of this month. Unless we are able to recruit replacements we will only be able to run two weeks out of four.

We would be most grateful for volunteers to offer their services on one Tuesday per month so that we can continue to provide the senior citizens of Harbury with this valuable service.

Please phone Sue Ingram 612418 if you can help.

S.M.I.

MOTHERS' UNION

We enjoyed an afternoon with our friend Jeanne Clarke talking to us on the Media, encouraging us to react positively to things we view and read.

The evening group heard a talk on Drugs by P.C. King of the Community Police which was both informative and caring.

Next month's meetings are on June 6th at 2.15pm in the Tom Hauley Room - a talk on "Then and Now" by The Rev Alf Gardner and on June 19th at 7.45pm when Jean Pryke will be talking on Guide Dogs for the Blind.

Please note subscriptions are due this month and are now £5.90 if Home and Family is taken.

There will be a barbeque on July 19th at Offchurch at 7.45pm cost £1.50 per head - all, including husbands, welcome. Numbers please to Mary Catt.

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If you have not yet paid your deposit for Wisbech please see Shirley Kier.

MARGARET RIGDEN

HARBURY FOLK CLUB

We had to wait a long time to get Tony Baylis for the guest spot at the Folk Club and we were not disappointed when he finally made it on May 3rd. Tony has a huge repertoire and he made a particularly good selection for his set, even if it was uncharacteristically light on Dylan songs. Songs like "Robbers' Retreat" and "Little Pot Stove" were familiar to us but his Rod Stewart medley and Peter Sarstedt's "Where do you go to" were pleasant surprises and the audience raised the roof singing along with his final numbers, "Mighty Quinn" and "I can see clearly".

It was good to see June Davies again with more of her clever songs including the "Balad of Johnny and Fanny (Craddock)" and the "Fittest corpse in the cemetery", and I was pleased to welcome back Raven, the resident group from Southam Folk Club. There were also strong contributions from Phil & Drill, The Jug Band and the Harvesters. What a line up and what a surperb evening of folk(ish) music! I was particularly pleased that we were able to share this unique phenomenon with an unusually large group of American visitors and they loved it.

The raffle raised an impresive £28 for the Southam Disability Action group. The next Folk Club session is on June 7th, at 8.30pm in the lounge of the Old New Inn.

PETER McDONALD

HARBURY & LADBROKE CHURCHMENS SOCIETY

Our open evening was held in May and the guest speaker was Bill Leech from Napton who gave an informative talk on the organisation and work of the Royal National Lifeboat Institute (R.N.L.I.) Bill also showed a recently produced film which illustrated all the Institutes modern equipment and technology.

The June meeting will be held on Thursday 7th June at 8pm in the Tom Hauley Room. The speaker will be

Richard Norton from Wolston who is an authority on local church architecture and history. He is well acquainted with All Saints Harbury and recalls meeting Father Mackley on several occasions.

The Society's Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 5th July. This year we are planning to extend the meeting as a follow up to the workshop entitled "Caring for Men" which Tony Stubbs organised in March. It is intended to pursue the theme of the workshop and we are offering an invitation to all men, young and old, to come along on that evening to the Tom Hauley room. We shall discuss how the aspects of Christian Faith correspond to men's needs in today's society.

J.F.B.

CARNIVAL '90

It's nearly here! Final preparations are underway. Harbury has a reputation in the area - let's hope we maintain it.



Left to right:
Hazel Want, Carnival Queen Emma Rawlings & Louise
Weller

Many congratualations to Emma Rawlings who is our Carnival Queen for this year and to her two attendants Louise Weller and Hazel Want. The competition took place at the Youth Club on April 25th and many thanks to all concerned. Our thanks to the judges, Kathy Ellis, Lynne Howard, Bayard Burford, John Kemsley & Tim Percival. Also thanks to Mike Bloxham for photographs.

The Carnival Committee will be out in force around the village shortly selling programmes & raffle tickets for which we have some super prizes. Please do buy from them, the programmes only cost 30p so even if you won't be there, do support us as the proceeds are going towards refurbishing the kitchen at the Village Hall - something we all use at some time. Don't forget the "Steptoe" collection - Thursday evening June 14th 7.30pm onwards.

Clay Pigeon Shoot enthusiasts will be well catered for at Hill Farm, Ufton again from 2pm - 5pm on Carnival Day.

Tickets are on sale for the dance to round off the day @£4 to include supper from Carol Percival - 612175 or Lindop's Drug Store, Chapel St.

Please may I once again appeal for cakes and help in the kitchen and also assistance in clearing up after the Carnival is over. Finally many thanks to the committee - I'm sure you'll agree they do a grand job - this event doesn't just happen, it takes a lot of time and effort. We extend a very warm welcome to all and hope everyone enjoys it to the full.

PEGGIE MIDDLETON

P.S. REMINDER: - Children's sports - SATURDAY
JUNE 9TH 2.30pm VILLAGE HALL
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YOUNG ORNITHOLOGISTS' CLUB

The next meeting of the Y.O.C. has been re-scheduled to take place on Wednesday 20th June. Unless the weather is very bad, members should meet at the entrance to Ufton Nature Reserve (Juniors 7pm Seniors 8pm). Please bring your binoculars and note books.

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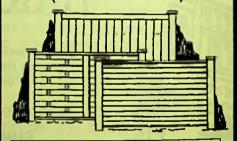
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ALAN BARR

HARBURY THEATRE GROUP

The first thing we will be doing this summer will be organising the Grand Carnival Dance. Tickets are already on sale at Mr Lindop's, or from me. We have been lucky this year to get New Connexion to play for us. We are all tired at the end of Carnival Day, but the dance is a wonderful way to "round off" the day - and of course you will sample a Theatre Group Supper. (see advertisment)

In June a few of us from H.T.G. are joining with other members of A.C.T. (Amateur Community Theatre) to put on a review. Most local drama groups have joined together and are pooling talents and it looks like being an enjoyable evening (one show on three evenings). Harbury has joined with Lighthorne, Kineton and Southam to make up one third of the evening: Thurs 21st June Warwick Fri 22nd June Cubbington

Fri 22nd June Cubbington Sat 23rd June Shipston

Tickets will be available soon and any of our regular audience will be most welcome to go to any of the three venues - contact me for tickets.

CAROL PERCIVAL (612175)

OPENING OF NEW DOCTORS' SURGERY

Drs. Wilne, Hancock and Giles are pleased to announce the opening of the new surgery in Mill Street on Monday 9th July.

The appointment system will operate from this date and the telephone number FOR APPOINTMENTS ONLY will be 613554. The existing number (612232) will continue to be used for all other calls.

A letter is on the way for all households with patients registered with the practice, explaining the appointment system and giving new surgery times.

The New surgery will be open for viewing on Thursday 5th and Friday 6th July from 2-5pm when you are

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welcome to come and look around.

PLEASE NOTE: No Health Promotion Clinic Wed 4th Jul

SOUTHAM & DISTRICT LABOUR PARTY

Stephen Rossiter would like to thank the large number of Harbury people who supported him in the recent District Council Election.

Anyone interested in joining the branch should contact the Membership Secretary, Jane Soni on Southam 812966 or come along to the next meeting on Monday June 11th at 8.00 at the Bowling Green Inn, Southam.

PARISH COUNCIL - ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting was remarkable for the small turn out and the enthusiastic support given to Ken Stephenson and his stand on the problems caused by canine fouling of footpaths. Various solutions were offered including the employment of a road sweeper.

Brian Ingram warned that Severn Trent was about to embark on an extensive project of sewer replacement, and the job would not be done by their own team which had been so unobtrusively repairing the water mains about the village, but would be contracted out like the Mill Street mess. The Parish Council promised to find out who would be affected.

Chairman Bill Middleton gave out the bad news that all County Council grants for improvements such as Harbury's Car Park Scheme had been frozen. He thanked his colleagues for all their help during the year and highlighted the considerable burden of dealing with planning applications, commenting on the Structure and Local Plans, and attempting to solve the problem of affordable housing for local people.

Iory Davies reported on the purchase of a new mower for the Burial Grounds, the excellent service the Green Mowing contractor gave, the continued efforts to maintain the Playing Fields and the concern caused by the neglect of some of the Allotments.

Midge Keen was concerned with Black Spots and invited parishioners to let the Lighting Committee

know of any areas which needed attention.

Keith Thompson for the Highways Committee listed improvements to roads, especially the Station Road corner, the campaign for a Weight Limit, the inconclusive referendum on the One Way System and the removal of that ancient landmark - the Bus Shelter.

The length of John Drinkwater's report on Planning showed the pressure the Parish Council has been under this past year, and he regretted that as yet no low-cost homes for local people had been built. There had been applications for schemes termed affordable but these had either been rejected by the District for good reasons or were still subject to discussion. Sharon Hancock was gratified that Parish Council comments on plans could lead to amendments and there was general agreement that some very pleasingly designed homes had resulted (the Mill House and Surgery were singled out for special praise).

Nobody queried the Accounts which were duly accepted.

The guest speakers from the Area Health Authority explained the structure of the beast and the reforms affecting General Practice, Acute Hospitals and Care in the Community. All concerned were determined to make it work but there was not much money available. Sharon Hancock said that despite perpetual re-organisations in Britain we still had one of the cheapest administered services in the WORLD!

Nobody had any questions for County Councillor Mrs Patricia Bidwell.

Brian Ingram reported on a successful year for the Village Hall which was continuing with its long term aim of improving the general environment of the Hall. The curtains had been replaced and the Changing Rooms upgraded. A Wheelchair Ramp was to be built and the Kitchen was next on the list for improvement. It was a team effort with much of the work done by volunteers but he made special mention of the excellent standards of the caretakers and thanked the retiring Sectretary, Sally Townsend, for her work over the past $2\frac{1}{2}$ years.

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In answer to questions it was explained that there was security problems in installing a telephone, (the last one was vandalised) and the lease demanded the Village Hall maintained a fence round the property. Brian Ingram agreed to investigate a

James Turner took the opportunity afforded by the Annual Parish Meeting to play tribute to his colleague Bob Harkell who was not standing at the District Council Election. In thanking him Bob Harkell stressed how much work all the District Councillors undertood on their constituents behalf.

change in the lease to allow a hedge to be sub-

LINDA RIDGLEY

HARBURY SOCIETY

stituted.

It seems the Society has been going through a purple patch. In April we had glorious weather for Eric Davies' exposition on the Restoration of the Gateway at Chesterton when he explained how he had gone about raising the necessary funds, finding the right bricks and organising the repair work. He shared the excitement of researching into the antecedents of the Gateway (Did Inigo Jones design it? Was Nicholas Stone responsible for the building?) and revealed that he had discovered in the Church a carved stone door lintel, the only remains of the Mansion from Imagae Hill. Members were able to see for themselves the foundations of the Gateway and the traces of the processional steps that lead up to the Churchyard from Tournament Field. It was a magical day.

And in May an audience of sixty listened enthralled by the insights into village life revealed at "an evening with Cecil Bloxham". Everyone knows Bonzo as the farmer from the Water Tower Holding who tows his Jersey, Dawn, from pasture to pasture, trotting behind his tractor (see Mike Bloxham's photo), but as a boy he worked herding cattle to graze "the long meadows" of the roadside verges and knew all the "characters" who made the social life of Harbury so rich.

He talked of the lasting impression all his teachers made on him: Mr Farrow who caned him for "bunking

Off" to follow the hunt; Mr Dickens who instilled a sound moral sense and good manners in the children and took the Choir to the sea each year and Miss Bustin whose nature walks kindled in him a life-long love of nature, a feeling that was re-inforced when one day he encountered a Professor of Botany in the Quarries who showed him the exquisite Bee Orchids that bloom there.

The tramps, blacksmiths, shopkeepers, publicans, farmers, tailors, coalmen, coblers, butchers, quarrymen, market gardners, miller, bakers, night-soil carters, tinkers, grave diggers, railway workers, lengthmen, clergy, gentry and housewives who made up the lively self-contained and vibrant community were all recalled, each with their own special tale, often salacious, risque and always ammusing.

The talk has been taped for posterity and the Society will surely hear again from Cecil for the audience was clamouring for more and Bonzo himself declares that you can "go anywhere twice - once when invited and once to apologise"!



JL.

Collecting for our Carnival Stc is now under way. Please give any old jewellery you can spare.

The Mystery Tour begins on Thursday 21st June from Binswood End Green at 7.30 pm (40p children and 80p adults).

Chesterton Windmill is open to the public on 22nd and 23rd September and anyone that would like to help should drop me a line saying who they are, where they can help and what they would like to dethere.

LINDA RIDGLEY (612792)

JUNE IN THE GARDEN

It is incredible how the gardens have recovered after the frosts, even the frizzled wisterias. But if a plant is really brown, such as hydrangeas or even some roses, they will not bloom this year and should be pruned back to a healthy looking bud point.

By the second week of the month it should be safe to plant out dahlias, fuchsias and pelargoniums. After flowering most perenials, such as delphiniums and eryngiums should have their flowering stalks cut back, but not their foliage, this prevents mildew and encourages a second flowering. They should be staked and tied, early in their careers. Keep the hoe going to deter weeds, remembering that the operation spreads the weed seeds so that it is essential to repeat the process regularly!

Set out hardened off tomatoes in a sunny site they do well against a warm wall. Earth up
potatoes as they grow, to stop the tubers pushing
above ground and turning green. Sow or plant
marrows, courgettes and cucumbers and remember
they are both thirsty and hungry plants and need a
rich soil. Sow a batch of winter carrots and more
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The final meeting of the season saw Eleanor Zonik giving a fascinating talk on 'Herbs from Plot to Pot'. It was full of fun and erudition and I know it produced at least one convert who rushed to the library for more. Many thanks.

All is in hand for the Walkabout on July 14th from 11am - 6pm. Our grateful thanks to the 22 people who are opening their gardens. Programmes (£1 but half price for accompanied children) will be available at the Village Hall and at all open gardens. Do give the event your support not only by visiting but by telling all your friends in the area - we need all the publicity we can get. Remember that, every year, a high proportion of the profit is donated to village institutions and that, with high attendance, this can amount to hundreds of pounds. Profit is also generated by selling teas and refreshments but we are in dire need of helping hands. Please let us know if you can help.

We are somewhat short of people for the planned visit to Clacks Farm on 19th June. This is an all-day event and if you would like to join, please contact Mrs Zonik who also has details of the other visit, an evening one this time, to Radway on 26th June.

BRIAN RIGDEN

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Friends,

Golden Jubilee of Priesthood

Esme and I would like to thank all our friends in Harbury and beyond for the wonderful support you gave us yesterday when we celebrated the golden jubilee of my priesthood.

We would especially like to thank the Rector for all he did for us, the Organist, the Choir, the Servers, the Bellringers and all who made the service of the Eucharist such a memorable occasion. To our beloved Bishop Bardsley, who was in hospital a few days ago, we are extremely grateful. It was such a joy to have him with us and to hear his sermon on the priesthood. He was not well enough to talk to many folk as he was ordered not to stand. I telephoned him last evening and he said how much he enjoyed coming to be with us and he would not have missed it for the world.

Also we are most grateful to the ladies who 'did' the flowers and to the PCC who bore the cost. The church looked lovely in

its festal array and we had a most glorious service with about 200 communions. Folk came from far and wide to be with us and the good Lord looked after us and kept me well for this great day.

Now after the Eucharist we had a wonderful party organised by Beryl and all her helpers. We are most grateful to them and to all who helped with the food. It was a lovely party and Harbury Folk did us proudly.

We would like to thank all of you who sent me cards and letters of congratulations and also for your wonderful presents and also for your PRESENCE at the celebrations. You might like to know that the collection at the service for the Additional Curates Society amounted to over £244 for which A.C.S. is most grateful.

Our love and gratitude, God bless you all and to God be the Glory.

ROY & ESME

Dear Editors,

I thought this a nice little story:-

On Saturday 21st April, two octogenarians - 88 & 81 years old - set out from Harbury at 7am complete with Tuck Bag of sandwiches, pork pies and beer for a train ride which was to take them to PWLIHELI. Having first travelled to Coventry where they met 400 other enthusiasts, the H.S.T. (High Speed Train) which they boarded took them along the beautiful Cambrian coast line.

There was a turn around stop of $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours. The sea being too far out, these two young chaps decided to explore the nearby shops and had time to visit two hostelries for more refreshments - it is a very hungry exercise. We're told the company on these trips is very congenial, and organisation superb.

Feeling very tired but very happy, these two amazing chaps returned at 10pm - looking forward to the next trip.

ALICE WILKINS

Will aspiring motor cyclists please note that The Pound is not a practice circuit.

Dear Editors,

I would not normally take time out to respond to a letter written in such a tone as the one by Mike Carter which appeared in The Harbury & Ladbroke News last month (May), but I feel that on behalf of the Parish Council I must clarify one or two points.

I agree with Mr Carter on two of his comments however - The Parish Council has no power to refuse any planning application and the Minutes of our Meetings show that such matters are described as "Objection" giving reasons or "No Objection" as the case may be - and that is the official version - not a newspaper report or any other report. Secondly, no one should be awoken at the time he states without an appointment first having been made and this occasion the fault did lie with us due to a misunderstanding, for which I apologise. Other Villagers will vouch, I am sure, that we do not presume to enter any property without first seeking permission and an appointment is normally made. As for helping us to read the plans, surely no one can be blamed for seeking clarification on any point and that was the situation here - not always can one entirely depend on the accuracy of submitted plans as Mr Carter will be only too aware if he takes a look at those of his own Architect - I will not cause any embarrassment by going into more detail.

Finally, I feel certain that if we are so incompetent or stupid more of our electors would complain either in writing or by attending our monthly meetings and asking to speak or at the Annual Parish Meeting. If the attendance at our recent Annual Parish Meeting was anything to go by, we must assume that they, if not Mr Mike Carter, are reasonably satisfied with the way we conduct our business. Either that or apathy reigns, and the response to last year's Village Survey indicates anything but apathy! As for the snide remark about "Co-ercion from friends of the Management" it IS true that not everyone is too willing to serve on a Council (or any Committee for that matter) and there are occasions when a lack of candidates results in there being no Election - but surely that is the responsibility of the electorate not the Parish Council.

Yours faithfully W.H.MIDDLETON Chairman Harbury Parish Council Dear Editors,

In the village of Harbury it has long been our boast that we live in a friendly, caring community. People get stuck in and things get done. Admittedly it is usually the same people who get things done. They don't begrudge their time and effort but they don't expect unfair criticism as levelled at them last month by Mr Mike Carter.

Our Parish Councillors put in a lot of time vetting application for planning permission. Sometimes, no doubt, they feel they are knocking their heads against a brick wall because, as Mr Carter correctly points out, they have no powers to grant or refuse permission. They can merely recommend and it's up to the District Council to decide. I'm not alone in thinking some of the latter's decisions on planning are bizarre but that's another matter.

I'm going to declare an interest Mr Carter. My wife is a Parish Councillor and I resent the implication of stupidity or laziness levelled in your letter. I hope I'm not alone in this as I believe the Parish Council here do a good job with little thanks. The annual Parish Meeting was poorly attended by villagers though the Councillors, both Parish and District turned out in force. Presumably this poor attendance implies contentment with the status quo. I know Councillors would love to see more people at monthly meetings, more elections contested by more candidates and a greater interest in Council affairs. It isn't a secret society; so with your greater map reading skills and grasp of plans why don't you stand Mr Carter and show us how to run things.

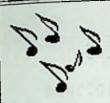
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JOHN HANCOCK

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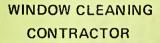
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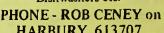
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