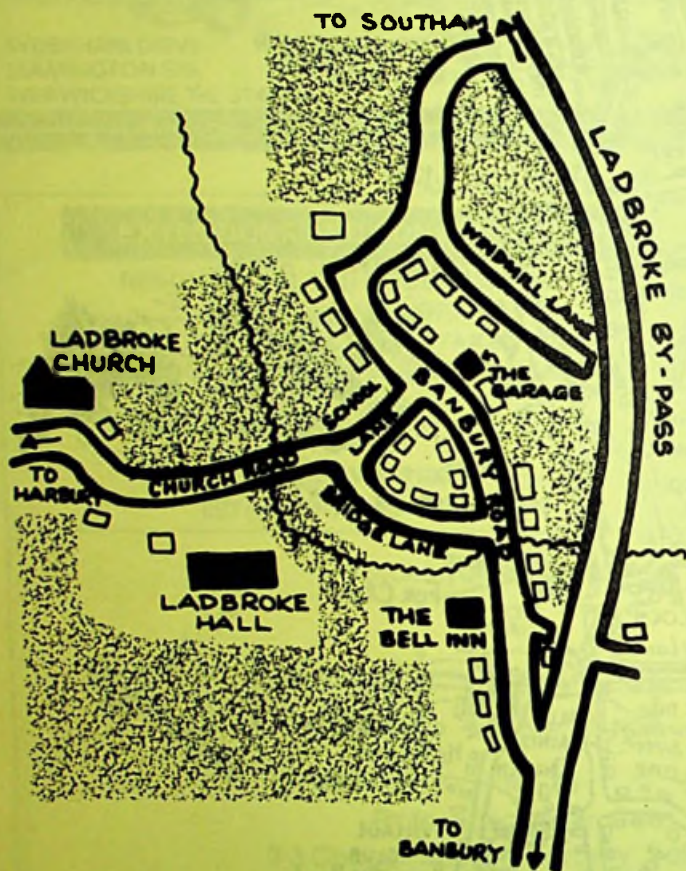


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The displays of bulbs around the village seem particularly fine this year and Mike Bloxham's photograph shows 3 year old Alice Clarke admiring the daffodils in Vicarage Lane.

It is sad to report yet more crime in the village - another burglary at the school, and much needed funds are to be spent on an alarm system. It is good news however, that our new policeman, P.C. Pete Perry will soon be on regular duty in the area, and he is anxious to get to know people as soon as possible. The village are sure to offer him a warm welcome. Superintendent Leech, the Area Commander met with the Parish Council recently, and stressed the need for Special Constables in the Southam area. Anyone interested should contact him at Stratford Police Station.

Many people in the village will have been saddened by the sudden death of John Mann, for many years the popular landlord of the Old New Inn. We offer our sympathy to his wife Doreen and their two daughters and their families. We also extend our sympathy to the families of Bill Stevens and Arthur Winter.

Harbury Diary

APRIL 1993

- Sat 3 Theatre Group PLAY in V.Hall
- Sun 4 PALM SUNDAY, 9am Family Comm. and Distr. of Palms;
6.30pm Evensong
HOLY WEEK SERVICES - See Special Notices
- Mon 5 Word of God, 46 Farley Avenue at 8pm
Yoga in V.Hall
Holy Comm., 7.30pm
Harbury News Committee meeting in T.Hauley Room, 8pm
- Tues 6 Horticultural Soc. in V.Hall, 8pm - Mr. Howells on
Ponds & Water Gardens
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
Prayers for the Interregnum, 8.10pm
- Wed 7 Mothers Union in T.Hauley Room, 2.15pm
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
Youth Club, V.Hall, 8pm
- Thur 8 Thursday Club in V.Hall, 2.30pm
W.I. in V.Hall, 7.45pm
Holy Communion, 9.45am
Holy Communion at 8pm followed by the Gethsemane Watch
8.30-11pm
- Fri 9 GOOD FRIDAY; 10am Children's Service; An Hour at the
Cross, 2-3pm; Good Friday Worship, 7.30pm
- Sat 10 Coffee morning in aid of Youth Club, T.Hauley, 10-12noon
At Ladbroke, 7.30pm The Blessing of the Pascal Candles
and the Easter Proclamation
- Sun 11 EASTER DAY; Holy Communion, 8am; Sung Eucharist, 10.30am
Evensong, 6.30pm
- Mon 12 BANK HOLIDAY
Car Rally and Treasure Hunt (by Hillfield Baptist Church
from V.Hall
Prayer and Praise at 4 Leicester Close
- Tues 13 Mothers and Toddlers Service, 2.15pm
Senior Citizens Benefit Committee in V.Hall
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
Prayers for the Interregnum, 8.10pm

- Thur 15 Holy Communion, 9.45am
Whist in the V.Hall, 7.30pm
- Sat 17 Coffee Morning for the NSPCC in T.Hauley Room, 10-12noon
- Sun 18 FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER - Holy Comm. 8am;
Sung Eucharist, 10.30am
Antiques Fair in V.Hall
S C O U T S N E W S P A P E R C O L L E C T I O N
- Mon 19 Yoga in V.Hall
- Tues 20 Holy Communion, 7.30pm
Mothers Union in T.Hauley Room, 7.45pm - Mr. H.Windsor
on Bellringing
Harbury Society Committee at 5 Sutcliffe Drive, 8pm
Prayers for the Interregnum, 8.10pm
Senior Citizens Benefit Committee meets in V.Hall
- Wed 21 Youth Club in V.Hall, 8pm - with Carnival Queen Disco
- Thur 22 Holy Communion, 9.45am
Thursday Club in V.Hall, 2.30pm
Parish Council in V.Hall, 7.30pm
- Fri 23 St. GEORGE's DAY AND THE SHAKESPEARE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS
- Sat 24 Tennis Jumble Sale in V.Hall, 10am
- Sun 25 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER - Holy Comm., 8am; Sung
Eucharist, 10.30am; A Short Act of Worship followed
by the Vestry Meeting and AGM, 6.30pm
ALL ARTICLES FOR INCLUSION IN THE MAY HARBURY NEW TO
EDITORS TODAY!
- Mon 26 Yoga in V.Hall, 1.30-3pm
Harbury Society visit to Campion Hills Water Treatment
Plant, 7.30pm
Playscheme meeting in T.Hauley Room, 8.30pm
- Tues 27 St. MARK (Delayed) - Holy Communion, 7.30pm
Village Hall AGM in V.Hall, 8pm
Julian Group at 8.10pm
Prayers for the Interregnum, 8.10pm
- Wed 28 Youth Club in V.Hall, 8pm
- Thur 29 Holy Communion, 9.45am
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING in V.Hall, 7.30pm

MAY

- Sun 2 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Good Luck to the three members of the Latham family
running in the London Marathon.

REGULAR DIARY DATES

HARBURY CRUSADERS: Tom Hauley Room, 10.30am Sundays
UPHOLSTERY CLASSES: Wight School, 2-4pm Mondays
GYMNASTICS: Harbury School, 6-7pm (under 7 & beginners)
 7-8pm (7-10yrs), 8-9pm (over 10yrs) Mondays
GUIDES: Scout Hut, 7pm Mondays
BINGO: Village Hall, 8pm Mondays
TODDLER GROUP: Wight School, 10-11.30am Mondays &
 2-3.30pm Wednesdays
PLAYGROUP: Wight School, Tuesday to Friday mornings
NURSERY SCHOOL: Village Hall, Tues to Fri mornings
BROWNIES: Village Hall every Tuesday at 6pm-7.30pm
SCOUTS: Scout Hut, 7.45pm every Tues & Thurs
BADMINTON: Village Hall every Tuesday
HARBURY FRIENDS: School, 8pm 2nd Tuesday of month
BABY CLINIC: New Surgery, 2-4pm, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays
YOUTH CLUB: Village Hall, 7.30 - 9.30pm Wednesdays
DANCING CLASSES: Children & Adults, Farley Room,
 Village Hall, 4-9pm Wednesdays
HEREBURGH MORRIS DANCERS: School Hall, 8pm Wednesdays
NETBALL CLUB: Village Hall Car Park - Training Thursday
 6.30pm - Matches Saturday afternoon
HARBURY FOLK CLUB: Old New Inn, 8.30pm 1st Thurs of month
THURSDAY CLUB: Village Hall, 2.30pm 2nd & 4th Thursday
CUBS: Scout Hut, every Wednesday
W.I.: Village Hall, 7.45pm 2nd Thursday of month
CHOIR PRACTICE: Church, 6.30pm every Friday
BELLRINGING PRACTICE: Church, 7.30pm every Friday
THEATRE GROUP: Wight School, 8pm last Friday of month
COFFEE MORNING: every Saturday Tom Hauley Room 10am-12pm
CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU: over Southam Magistrates Court,
 every Tuesday (except Bank Holidays) 10am-3pm
TENNIS CLUB: (April-Sept) Tues & Thurs 6.30pm onwards
 (6pm for April) Sats 2-5pm, Mon & Wed 1.45-3pm
YOGA: Village Hall, 1.30-3pm Monday, Diane Surgey 817904

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LINDA RIDGLEY - TELEPHONE 612792

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For Wight School Bookings	ring Mrs Hayes 613488
For Tom Hauley Room Bookings	ring Mrs Smith 613680

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH HARBURY SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion 8am

Sung Eucharist 10.30am

(except 1st Sunday of month: Sung Eucharist 9am
Family Service 10.30am)

Evensong 6.30pm (except 3rd Sunday)

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FUNERALS

Arthur Henry Winter - Requiem Mass at Harbury, 9th March
William Stephens - at Oakley Wood, 18th March

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES AT HARBURY

4th April - PALM SUNDAY, 9am Family Comm. with Palms
5th April - 7.30pm Holy Communion
6th April - 7.30pm Holy Communion
7th April - 7.30pm Holy Communion
8th April - MAUNDY THURSDAY, 9.45am Holy Communion
8pm Holy Communion
8.30 - 11pm The Gethsemane Watch
9th April - GOOD FRIDAY, 10am Childrens Service
2-3pm An Hour At The Cross
7.30pm Good Friday Worship
10th April - HOLY SATURDAY, AT LADBROKE, 7.30pm The Blessing of
the Pascal Candle and the Easter Proclamation
11th April - EASTER DAY, 8am Holy Communion
10.30am Sung Eucharist
6.30pm Evensong

FROM HARBURY CHURCHWARDENS.

EASTER is the most important season for all Christian people, a time when we are reminded of the sacrifice God was prepared to make for us by sending His son to show us the way we should live and then to die for us on the agonising cross.

Easter services are listed elsewhere in this issue and it is opportune to record again our very grateful thanks to Father Peter Snow for his continuing help which enables us to have virtually all the services we would normally have at such special seasons as well as the regular weekly services. In the meantime, there is no imminent sign of a new priest for our parishes but we are making increasingly frequent calls on the Bishop to indicate our concern.

The deanery Lent services have been very worthwhile and have seen a sizeable Harbury contingent at all of them. The final service (in Harbury) will have taken place when you read this but promises to be different when 'Roly the Clown' (really a priest) appears.

The Mothering Sunday morning service was a delight; in addition to the bunches of fresh Spring flowers distributed by the choir, an Orchestra composed of young people from crusaders and the choir played, under the direction of Clive Watts, for the three communion hymns adding an enjoyable extra dimension to our worship - again please!

Grateful thanks are due to Tony Brunton and Deane Ingram for organising the Spring-clean of the church on Sat. March 27th., and to all those who turned up to help - we are very grateful. We should also mention that Leamington Plant Hire were generous enough to lend us the scaffold tower which enabled the sanctuary and chancel to be properly cleaned, thank you to them. We should perhaps clarify the purpose of the Spring-clean: the walls, pillars and windows of the church become very dusty and festooned with cobwebs as time goes on and it is this that we were attacking. Hopefully, it will make the job of the regular cleaners who keep the church 'at ground level' so nicely, slightly easier and a little more satisfying.

BERYL and JOHN.

IS IT A RECORD?

How does this rate for the Guinness Book of Records? Harbury church clock is 200 years old and in that time has been wound manually 73,000 times! No need to get out the calculator; what it means is that it has always had to be wound every day for two centuries.

Despite its age it continues to delight antique clock aficionados, although it is now in great need of an overhaul costing £1,240, and restoration of the dial at £890, both prices plus VAT. But the real problem today, understandably in 1993, is the nightly winding commitment. The perfect solution is mechanised winding at a cost of £2,500 plus VAT, but another option now to be explored is conversion to weekly manual winding. The fabric committee will come back with a recommendation in due course.

The second break-in at the Tom Hauley Room - necessitating a new kitchen door within 24 hours of completion of repairs to the original door damaged in the first raid - concentrated minds at the Parochial Church Council meeting on March 23. The January decision authorising expenditure of up to £300 on a security system had to be jettisoned in the light of police advice and the requirements of the church's insurers in order to guarantee continuation of cover. Quotations from three security companies for various security-system options, including sensor-operated floodlights and conventional alarms, or a combination of both, are awaited. These will be considered urgently by the fabric committee whose recommendations will be brought to the full PCC. The only certainty at the moment is that the cost is going to be in thousands rather than hundreds of pounds. But adoption of a system by an insurers' approved installer could knock $7\frac{1}{2}$ to 10 % off the premium.

The new offertory box which is to be made and installed using money donated by the Senior Citizens' Cttee for a suitable memorial to Tim Percival, their chairman and the village policeman for many years, has been ordered. It will replace the one that has been broken into so often that it has had to be taken out of use.

The cathedral liaison officer post, currently held

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FAX FROM ROMANIA

It was deep winter and -22°C when I returned to Brasov in February. Only now is the snow beginning to melt, revealing the potentially lethal ice beneath. I have fallen once and hurt my left elbow, but, mercifully, nothing was fractured.

Brasov has a severe water shortage (due to rapid town growth without extending the water system, compounded by drought). 4 weeks ago, the Mayor announced that Brasov had only 30 more days of water left. My street is particularly badly affected. There is no pattern to the water cuts. No information or organised help is given. I must store water if/when it runs or collect it from elsewhere in town - difficult without a car or strong arms, in the icy conditions. I have just been without water for 5 days - an alarming experience when I reached my last mug of water!

Only once have I seen a water lorry, which arrived unannounced in my street. Suddenly, a queue of pots, pans, bottles, vases, jugs, jars, ewers, urns, buckets, plastic dustbins and other receptacles formed on the ice. During my second trip, tourists arrived with their cameras! I probably looked to local part, with my unwashed hair and grubby clothes! By my third trip, the water lorry had gone as quietly as it had come.

The water is visibly gritty (from the uncleaned reservoirs) and is the likely source of a recent increase in parasitic and protozoan diseases.

Despite these difficulties, I am busy planning courses on HIV/AIDS, sex education and communication skills for school nurses (6-8 April) and teachers (20-23 April). I am also acting as a facilitator to establish links for Sheffield University, which wants to provide long-term training in Romania.

I am looking for a school in Brasov to twin with Harbury School and am using the visits to develop relationships with the schools and assess the state of health education in each.

Many thanks to the pupils of Harbury School for their wonderful letters, which I am enjoying reading and responding to (3 per week) and to everyone in Harbury who is supporting my work.

JOANNA'S TRUST IN ROMANIA

The market stall in Warwick on Saturday 27th March was well stocked thanks to generous donations from Harbury and Wellesbourne supporters of Joanna's work.

Our corner of Warwick market square was very cold, but thankfully dry, and we all-but sold out, raising £483.12 on the day. There will be a little more to come when a few items have been sold separately, which hopefully may put the figure over £500. Many thanks to all who helped.

Annette Hughes

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- Sun 4 PALM SUNDAY - Family Service with Holy Comm. & Hymns
10.30am
- Wed 7 SPY WEDNESDAY - Holy Comm. 10.30am
- Thur 8 MAUNDY THURSDAY - Holy Comm. 7.30pm
- Fri 9 GOOD FRIDAY - Childrens Service, 10.30am; Quiet Hour
12MD to 1pm
- Sat 10 EASTER EVE - Lighting of Pascal Candle, 7.30pm
- Sun 11 EASTER DAY - Holy Comm. with Hymns, 9am
- Wed 14 Holy Communion, 10.30am
Women's Fellowship, 2.30pm
- Sun 18 LOW SUNDAY - Holy Comm. 9am; Childrens Church, 10.30am;
Evensong, 3.30pm
- Wed 21 Holy Communion, 10.30am
- Sun 25 Holy Communion with Hymns, 9am
- Wed 28 Holy Communion, 10.30am

MAY

- Sun 2 Family Service with Hymns, 10.30am

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, LADBROKE SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion with Hymns 9am
(except 1st Sunday of month: Family Communion 10.30am)
3rd Sunday of month: Children's Church 10.30am
Evensong 3.30pm (3rd Sunday)

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FLOWER ROTA

Mrs. Sullivan: April 11 (Easter Day) and 18

Mrs. Timms : April 25

Mrs. Elkins : May 2

LADBROKE CHURCH NEWS

We have really done our Lenten Penance in Ladbroke; four Sundays without heating. Quite unintentionally and many apologies, we were rather hoping our worries would be over this Sunday - March 28th, but it wasn't to be. The plumber couldn't get the right new motor for the boiler.

The Easter Services should be well advertised. If you cannot make the services here in Ladbroke you will be most welcome at the services in Harbury. Of course the reverse is also true. We are hoping to welcome our Harbury friends here at the Easter Proclamation Service when we light the Pascal Candles. The service is on Saturday April 10th at 7.30pm, when Bryan Harrison has agreed to sing the Easter Anthem once again for us. A very happy Easter to everyone.

Betty Winkfield

WELCOME TO LADBROKE TO:

Joanne Haddon & Children John and Paul at "Elgin",
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LADBROKE PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting was held on the 17th March at No.2, Ladbroke Hall, which will be the venue for next month's meeting on the 21st April as well; this is due to the Village Hall being out of action.

Members of the Public are as welcome as usual to attend the Parish Council Meeting. There had been one reply to last month's appeal for volunteers to maintain the village seats, more volunteers would be most welcome, please contact Geoff Timms. It was decided not to subscribe to the County Volunteer Service, as surplus funds were not available.

Following last month's complaint about the state of Ladbroke footways, a litter picker had been spotted. The Council had not felt that litter was a real

problem, it was the accumulation of leaves and twigs which really needed clearing. This job appears to be left to householders whose property adjoins the footway.

The PC had objected strongly to Berkely Homes plans for development in Hedges Field. A site meeting had been held at Altwood Cottage and no objections were raised provided experts were consulted.

The Footpath Group had not been able to proceed any further with their current project, as they were waiting for an earth bank to be removed at Chapel Ascote.

The new Village Policeman is P.C. Perry, the Council were somewhat disappointed that he hadn't been able to make himself known, or attend part of the meeting.

Posters advertising the Best Kept Village Competition would be placed in strategic places around the village at the end of March. The Council hoped that villagers would respond to this Annual Challenge, by cutting back hedges which overhang footpaths and prevent pushchairs etc. from using the paths. Lets hope this spell of fine weather encourages everyone to dust off their clippers and hedge trimmers.

The Parish Council were extremely grateful to David Wilson for resiting the Council Filing Cabinet in the Village Hall. It was hoped that the refurbished hall would be ready in time for the Annual Village Meeting in May.

Kate Liverton

The Karousels: - have been singing in the Southam Area for several years. They meet on Thursday evenings and are looking for new lady recruits. If you enjoy singing and are interested in joining this lively group, please telephone Helen Morris 812830, auditions are not necessary!

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The enjoyable Coffee Morning at the home of Mrs. Irene Bennett raised just over £130 for the Village Hall renovation fund.

Kate Liverton

WOMEN's FELLOWSHIP

After our April meeting had opened with prayers we were very pleased to welcome Father Snow to talk to us about Lent. The word "Lent" meant Spring but was never used in that connection. We only think of it as preparation for Easter. He talked about different ways of keeping Lent. This gives us time to reflect on the "Rule of Life" and how we could improve our lives. There then followed an interesting discussion on this.

The Lent Lunches have so far proved very successful. The last one will be on the Wednesday in Holy Week, April 7th, at 7 Ladbroke Hall.

Our meeting next month is on April 14th, at 2.30pm at the home of Catherine Spence, 7 Ladbroke Hall, when we are very much looking forward to hearing Cecil Bloxham talk about Old Ladbroke. We would welcome visitors to hear this talk about our village.

Nancy Stubbs

LADBROKE AND DEPPERS BRIDGE W.I.

The Darts team played Grandborough W.I. team on March 9th. It was a most exciting match and it went to the fifth game before, sad to say, we lost - and Grandborough even won the raffle! We play at the Dog Inn in Harbury and we would like to thank them for their hospitality and refreshments.

Our meeting on March 25th was held at Jill Norgate's home. Mr. and Mrs. Jakeman from Southam Garden Centre gave a most interesting and entertaining talk and demonstration on filling hanging baskets.

The raffle was won by Catherine Smith. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Jill Norgate's home on April 22nd as the Village Hall will be still closed. The speaker will be Mr. B. Timms who will talk about the 'Feel and Beauty of Wood'. Visitors and new members will be welcome.

We must thank Mrs. Norgate for her kindness in having our meetings in her home - even a gardening demonstration.

Catherine Spence

TO ALL OUR DEAR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS

We would like to thank you all for our surprise party and wonderful presents, which were presented to us on Monday night at the Bell.

We are looking forward to our new life in Cornwall, and we will be taking so many happy memories with us. We hope to make as many good friends in Cornwall as we have in Ladbroke.

Our door will always be open in Cornwall as it always was in Ladbroke. We hope to see you in the near future.

All our love Stan & Mary

HARBURY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING FOR FEBRUARY, HELD MARCH 4th

Full and frank discussion about payment for connection to the Pound Sewer by Butt Lane and Queens Close residents and the Chairman resulted in a decision to conduct future negotiations by letter.

As Bill Middleton has since been confined to bed with influenza, it fell to Keith Thompson to report on the meeting and Ed Wilson to take on the Chairmanship.

By ill timing the Council meeting coincided with the Centenary of Harbury Folk Club, but fortunately matters were dispatched with efficiency and the business was completed in record time! Attempts to provide Harbury with a 'Beat Bobby' have descended into farce. First Pc Perry broke his wrist, then his replacement was seriously injured and despite assurances, Pc Parker would attend the PC Meeting, no-one turned up to hear John Drinkwater's criticisms. Ken Stephenson thought it totally unsatisfactory that the Police were strapped for funds and without the manpower they needed, and although John Hunt was impressed by their strategy he too was convinced they lacked uniformed resources. County Cllr Mrs. Bidwell claimed the Force was up to strength but Ken Stephenson said 'Up to strength' meant having the number of officers the Government would allow not the number needed. The truth was that 'our' Policeman was off sick and there was no cover. A meeting with the Police was demanded amidst mutterings about vigilantes.

John Drinkwater complained of the dangerous state of Treen's Hill which the county no longer gritted. The Trinity School Bus had been unable to get into the village in the last icy spell. Sharon Hancock worried about the dangers on Harbury Lane. There had been sixteen serious accidents there and the County was to invest in improvements.

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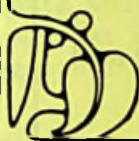
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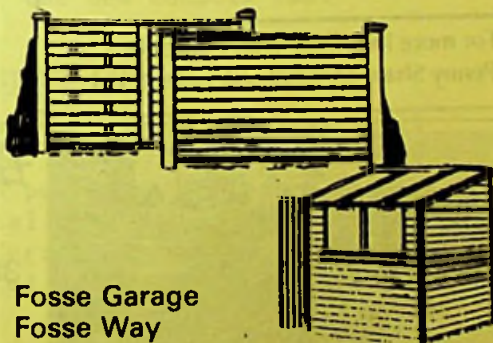


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James Turner wanted the Burial Grounds entered for the Best Kept Churchyard Competition and Sharon offered the Youth Club's services in tidying up and also for National Spring Clean Week.

Stratford granted permission for extnsions at Plot 1 Mill St., 35 Mill St., for the Fletchers of Deppers Bridge, and the felling of trees at the Wagstaffe School.

The Parish Council made no objections to plans for a Conservatory on the Pirie Close development, extensions at 17 Deppers Bridge, Park Lane, and 9 Ivy Lane or amendments to plans at Manor Cottage.

Mr. Salmons was appealing against refusal for development at 26 Ivy Lane and the Parish Council objected to Sheraton Leet's application to build 26 dwellings (including 6 Shared-equity) at Hillside Farm.

Five companies were tendering for the Play Area improvements. If the swings were moved safety surfaces must be installed. Ken Stephenson explained improvments would be done in stages with the Parish Council's approval next month, but he wanted permission to spend £2,500 on Dog-proof fencing immediately. This was refused.

Ken revealed Severn Trent wanted to use the Pound to store their plant and equipment, but John Drinkwater cautioned against that. The County was to patch the worst of the footpaths not disturbed by the refurbishment work.

Steve Norman saved his colleagues palpitations by not announcing the prices quoted for a Bus Shelter for Deppers Bridge. In the light of the costs he was looking elsewhere and even considering going into the business himself!

A totally incomprehensible letter was received from Stratford on the Precept and the Bands for the new Council Tax.

HARBURY PARISH COUNCIL MARCH MEETING

A large audience faced the Parish Council and Chairman Bill Middleton restored to rude health. Bill chided the Harbury Soc. for leaving posters on telegraph posts, but revealed notices were being torn down from official boards.

He complained Cllrs had been referred to in the Press as Mister! Mr. Teuten for Severn Trent wanted to vet reports before they were published!

Elsewhere Severn Trent provides details of the Public Meeting, but to update; a study of the older properties affected would be made and owners could have their homes surveyed if they wished; Crown Street, the one way system and Station Road would not now all be closed together; and 9th April was the deadline for the opening of the road from Deppers Bridge.

Completion was now envisaged at Week 44 (Mid-July) and although the contractors would not now require the Pound, they would take 1.2 metres of it. The District Valuer was negotiating a price with the Andrews for their connection into the Pound sewer and the Finance Ctte was left to resolve the cost of the Butt Lane and Queens Close link.

Cllr Stephenson reported that after a 'heated' meeting, the County promised to resolve the Treen's Hill flooding within 4 weeks and the Hill would be considered when winter gritting was reviewed.

Midge Keen complained that the Gas Board, which had not advised the Council of the excavation works, had connected its lights to the Street Lamps! She asked colleagues whether replacement of decaying concrete standards should take precedence over installing new ones. This provoked requests from the public for extra lights but the PC decided on replacements.

Ken Stephenson asked for surface dressing to be renewed on the stretch of the B4452 from the Water Tower to the Tip, and Sharon Hancock sought enlightenment over the appearance of a post in the grass verge outside the Co-op field.

Cllrs met Superintendent Leech and were impressed by his presentation but dismayed by the financial constraints under which the Police had to operate. Cllr Drinkwater was 'not happy at all' and claimed that no-one would be satisfied until the village had a resident policeman again. Cllrs listened appalled as Keith Thompson told them of the latest break-in at the school (the third!). The new video had been stolen and other equipment which was screwed down had been vandalised.

Ken Stephenson gave news of other thefts in the village. Cllr Hancock had asked for publicity about Special Constables for the Harbury News.

The School would no longer subsidise the mowing of the Recreation Grounds, but indicated that when they needed to they would pay for hiring the facility. The size of the fenced dog-proof area for the Playing Fields was controlled by a judgement on whether the swings should be moved (new and expensive safety surfaces would then be demanded), but Ken Stephenson stressed there were as yet 'no concrete' proposals.

The McKenzie's plans for Tom Hauley's garden were passed by the District Council and the Parish had no objection to extensions planned at 43 and Shenley, Deppers Bridge, 11 Neales Close, 71 Mill St., the Pirie Close conservatory and work to trees at Victoria House.

The Planning Inspector had dismissed Mr. Trice's appeal against refusal of permission for his slurry store because of its proximity to houses.

The PC's understanding of Stratford's communication on Development Briefs was somewhat sketchy. To put it plainly - they did not know what they were being asked to do!

The Secr. of the Rural Housing Assoc. had replied to the PC's query about the plans for the Hillside Farm land and suggested he and the PC met the Housing Dept. and County Land & Buildings but this initiative was greeted with little enthusiasm.

HARBURY SOCIETY

CHAIRMAN Tim Millington explained there had been fourteen events in the past year to interest and amuse the members to add to the Society's role as a watchdog, for the Harbury Society was the eyes and ears of the village, ever vigilant.

The Society had been trying, against the odds, to secure some low-cost homes for the village and was interested in members' ideas for traffic calming.

Ken Stephenson gave an update on the Sewer replacement scheme, which was now expected to be completed in mid July. The foot-paths would be refurbished at the same time. Progress would be reported in each Harbury News. Members indicated that they would not tolerate Severn Trent being allowed to use the Pound to store their equipment.

Linda Ridgley

HARBURY W.I.

Trips to Long Itchington's Fashion Show and Birmingham's Jewelry Quarter have been arranged and Short Mat Bowls and Darts are in full swing, in more ways than one!

Mrs. Ingman and The Minimus Handbell Ringers came to entertain us. The group was formed in 1991, two members also being church bell ringers. Mrs. Ingman explained the different methods and sequence of handbell ringing and, although the different pieces played sounded simple enough, one could tell that theory, practice and precision combined to produce the pleasant sound.

The particular bells played were sandblasted in bronze alloy with perspex handle and handguard and stainless steel clapper precisely set. To know whether a bell has a good tone one counts to 12 and beyond. Gloves are worn to avoid marking and also to stop the bell ringing. And, would you believe, they were made in America - not because of cost or

that they were better but they only took 3 months from ordering to delivery. There are only two firms here in Loughborough and Whitechapel hence the 2 year wait. The cost is about £3000 for the set.

The ladies played a varied selection including Grandfather's Clock, Bless 'em all (refind version) and Jingle Bells. Very enjoyable.

Jeanne Beaumont

HARBURY FOLK CLUB

The 100th Folk Club on March 4th was everything I hoped it would be, and more. It was a celebration of 100 sessions which have all been different but always well-supported and always enjoyable.

The Old New Inn lounge was bursting at the seams. I'm told there were nearly 70 people there and almost half of them were performers in one way or another. I managed to squeeze 28 of them into the programme but I must apologise to at least another four who didn't get a chance. I tried to give priority to our regular performers to recognise their contributions to the success of the Club over the last eight years six months, but it was still an organiser's nightmare. The music continued well past the hour at which Ian Hartland became a little older.

I had billed it as an evening of the Folk Club's Greatest Hits and that was certainly the way it turned out. It was particularly nice to see a number of people return to the Club after long absences - especially Tony Baylis, Barry & Nicola (who are the other half of Bonas with Pete and Liz) and Gerda, one of our most talented and loyal singers before she moved away in 1989.

Because the Folk Club was influential in the formation of Hereburgh Morris, it seemed fitting that the Morris musicians should play on this special evening. When all nine of us (Pete, Liz, Ian, Sue Celia, Janny, Lynne, Margaret and I) got up to play a medley of tunes, it left quite a gap in the audience!

Saudi Sydney had journeyed a great distance to be with us again, along with his two wives Salome and Fatima, and a more lively camel this time. Once

again Mike, Celia, Doug, Molly and Janny were curiously absent while all this was going on. The rest of the line-up consisted of Pete & Liz, Alan & Liz, the Harvesters, the Jug Band, John & Stewart, Bob Brooker, Steve, Tony, Mike, Chris, Double Up (another new name for a familiar group), Peter Grassby and I.

I couldn't possible mention all the wonderful performances. Everyone made a tremendous effort to make it a really special evening and I'm pleased to report that John Black's sound recording has successfully captured both the music and that unique atmosphere. Watch this space for more information on the availability of tapes.

Having announced my semi-retirement from running the Club, I was embarrassed by the way that the attention occasionally turned on me, in songs, speeches and presentations. Because I was rather overwhelmed by it all, I probably didn't express my gratitude adequately so I've written a letter to the editors in the hope of redeeming myself. The Club now moves into a new era where it is being run by a team - namely Pete Bones, Steve Dudley, Ian Hartland, John Kemsley, Mike Putnam and me. We'll be taking turns to organise each month's session from now on so this is my last article for a while. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the editors for publishing my last 100 articles, faithfully reproducing my prose and rarely missing out any

The raffle raised £46 for Comic Relief, bringing to over £1750 the total we have raised for charity so far. The next session is on May 6th, with Pete in charge.

Peter McDonald

HARBURY YOUTH CLUB

Our Flea Market was a great success and we would like to thank everyone who booked a table, made cakes or came to pick up a bargain from the numerous stalls. It was nice to see club members helping on the morning, well done and thank-you for your efforts. We made the sum of £100 to put to Youth Club funds.

Our next event will be our coffee morning in the Tom Hauley Room on Saturday 10th April and we hope you will call in and see us there. Any donations of cakes or items for Bring + Buy are most welcome.

On Wednesday 21st April we are holding the Disco where the Carnival Queen and attendants will be chosen. Come on girls, don't be shy, come and join in the fun. See you all there. Everyone welcome.

By the time you read this, Donna will be off on her travels again, the second part of the tri-lateral exchange, to Belgium. We hope she enjoys the visit, and we look forward to the third and final part, when the Russian and Belgium Youth Leaders come to England on their visit to us.

Lastly we hope to take part in the National Spring Clean-up in April and members will be given details at Youth Club. Thank you.

M. Revitt

SCHOOL NEWS LETTER

This has been a really busy term - so many things have happened. On the one hand we've had a series of break-ins, which have meant that much of our audio-visual resources (mainly video cassette recorders) have been taken. We've not been alone in this - several schools in this area have suffered. The ironic thing is that the last break-in was a couple of days before the Crime Prevention Unit advised us on how to make our school more secure.

On the other hand, lots of good things have happened too. Just before we broke up Y7 (our oldest children) got to know which secondary schools they would be going to in September next. We're delighted to tell you that everyone was given their first-choice school.

We've also been contacting families whose children will be starting at our school next September. The two playgroups have been very helpful and we're very grateful to them. If you have a child who will be 5 between September 1st 1993 and 31st August 1994, and if we've not been in touch with you yet, please let us know.

Several of our children have done interesting things

Netherlands, picked up by a German soldier visiting a relative in that area while out walking on the beach, taken back to Germany from where the letter was written. There's enough Geography in this to enable us to cover all the requirements of the National Curriculum four times over.

The PTA continues to arrange wonderful and imaginative events which not only provide entertainment, but also raise funds for our school. The Quiz was a spectacular success - Patrick Johnson, the Magnus Magnusson of Harbury, did a marvellous job. But best of all - the staff beat the Governours by 7 points in the last round!! The Coffee Morning was equally successful.

The next events are a trip to watch Aston Villa play Coventry, and a Quiz around the village.

The PTA also ran two events for our children: a Ceilidh (thanks to Pete Bones and the McDonald Allstars) and a Disco for our younger children (with Stephen Kelly as games organisor).

We say goodbye to Eileen Barlow and Joyce Pettifer at the end of this term. Both have been helping in school at lunch time for many a year. Joyce is retiring - so especial thanks to her. We'll miss both very much indeed, and wish them every happiness.

Next term should be equally busy - if not busier. Watch this space.

Gerry Bailey

HARBURY C.E. COMBINED SCHOOL

ARE THERE ANY OLD BOOTS IN YOUR HOUSE?

Sculling about somewhere in many attics, garages and cupboards must be loads of pairs of walking boots, because we reckon that in the past few years over 300 children have been taken on a Chapman Superbreak, usually to Devil's Bridge.

This May half-term Year 5, the 9-10 year olds, are going to the Forest of Dean. Many of them need boots. We would be grateful for the loan of any small sizes which you may have stored away. Or perhaps you might even like to get rid of them by making them a gift to the school in perpetuity. Your name will be put in the loan book!!

HARBURY SCHOOL HERB GARDEN

The school has developed a herb garden over the past few years, most of which are now mature plants. Last year there were approximately 50 varieties. This year we are adding to this, with some unusual herbs such as chicory, motherwort, betony and gipsywort. When ready, these will be on sale, along with the more established varieties.

However, we are very short of plant pots to keep them in. If anybody has spare pots which they could donate to school, we would be delighted to relieve you of them!

ADVANCE NOTICE: The garden will be open to viewing on Garden Walkabout Day in July!

HARBURY SCHOOL'S PHOTO AND DOCUMENT COLLECTION

Many people in the village have used, or at least seen, the collection of local photos and documents held by the school. We are seeking information or pictures on the following subjects:

- The Forge, corner of Park Lane and Chapel Street;
- The Sweet Shop in Chapel Street;
- Buildings where the Foodmart is now;
- Messers in the Bull Ring;
- Childyke COTTAGES.

If you have any "hard" information or just "anecdotes" we would be delighted to receive them. They won't be marked, corrected or given marks out of ten! Any of the children will bring them into school, if you find it easier.

Of course, if you have ANYTHING ELSE of interest, please, let us know. Old views of the village particularly welcome - we copy and return.

Nigel Chapman

HARBURY SCOUTS AND GUIDES SUPPORT COMMITTEE

We are pleased that the village Brownies have now come under our "umbrella" and we now have a Brownie-parent representative on the committee.

By the time you read this the Coffee morning in the Tome Hauley Room on April 3rd will probably have

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been and gone. I am sure we shall have/have had the usual support and delightful cakes.

There is time to bring to your attention the next fund-raising event, which is a CAR BOOT SALE on Sat. May 8th in the Wight School car park, by the Scout Hut. It will run from 10am to 1pm, and the cost will be £5 per car. There will also be a cake and produce stall.

The next NEWSPAPER COLLECTION will be on the 3rd Sunday of April as usual - 18th April (17th for Deppers Bridge).

Jo Tancock

CRICKET CLUB

Richard Carr's winter of hard work materialises on Sunday 25th April when the 1993 cricket season opens with a practice match for all cricket club members and anybody wishing to play for the club this coming season. The club has 3 new team captains: Sunday's 2 teams, 1st XI - Captain John Wilkinson; 2nd XI Captain Mike Daniels and Mid Week Captain Ed Russell. The club as usual welcomes players of all standards; the 1st XI a little more serious while the 2nd team is the epitome of village cricket - ask Ian Jackson! So the club will be please to see willing players either on a Sunday or practice nights which will commence on each Monday night starting in mid April. The club has a net for practice and kit is provided for all ages.

For further details please contact the team captains John Wilkinson 612209, Mike Daniels 612600 or Ed Russell 612844. Ed is also organising the net practice and helping to coach anybody willing to learn! The club hopes for a successful season with more suitable weather than last year.

Ian Holroyd

RUGBY CLUB

Entering the last month of the season Harbury are still very much in the "run in" for promotion still lying in second place. Two more league fixtures - Shipston on April 3rd and Standard on April 24th -

the last fixture of the season will hopefully see Harbury clinch promotion, a splendid effort by all concerned should it be achieved. The club will be please to see as many villagers as possible supporting the club at these last important games.

The rest of the teams continue to have mixed results - some you win, some you don't! It seems difficult for several of the teams to keep a settled side, let's hope that next season we have a few more players wanting to play.

Remaining home fixtures:

April 3rd - 1st XV v Shipston
 April 10th - 1st XV v Northampton Mens Own
 April 17th - 1st XV v Stow-on-the-Wold
 April 24th - 2nd XV v Standard

Other events:

Wed. 21st April: Annual General Meeting, Clubhouse
 8.30pm
 Fri. 7th May : Annual Dinner, Clubhouse, tickets
 Ian Holroyd 612527
 Sat. 10th July : Annual BBQ, music by Cliff Bennett
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HARBURY TENNIS CLUB

At last a new tennis season has arrived. Harbury Tennis Club is looking for new members of all playing strengths, whether you would like to play matches or simply play in the friendly atmosphere of the club sessions. If you are interested, please come along to any of the regular club sessions on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, Saturday afternoons and Sunday mornings. See the Regular Diary Dates for playing times.

Last month the club completed one of its competitions held over from last season. The Dave Brown trophy was held at the Coventry Racquet Sport Centre. Joan Smith and Duncan House tied with Lynn Roberts and William Stringer for third place and the runners up were Gill Thorpe and Geoff Prince. But congratulations to Anne Tasker and Vince Crossan who were the winners

by the smallest of margins. During the evening members of the club agreed to sponsor Jane Hancock on her Coast to Coast run for Leukaemia Research, and the club is donating all proceeds from the competition to the fund to bring the total sponsorship to almost £100.

Gill Thorpe

HARBURY PLAYGROUP (Wight School)

O P E N M O R N I N G

We are holding our open morning on Wednesday 5th May from 9.30am to 12noon. All parents, prospective parents and friends are very welcome to come along and join in the fun. We are a group catering for children from the age of 3, and offer a wide range of pre-school activities, to encourage the social, educational and physical development of the children in our care.

Dorothy Travis
Supervisor 613264

PLAYSCHEME '93

A not very well attended meeting was held on Monday 15th March. However, it was decided that the Playscheme fortnight would go ahead anyway. The date set for this hugely enjoyed event is Monday 26th July to Friday 6th August (excl. Sat & Sun). The statistics are galling - well over 100 children attended the Playscheme when it was last run, two years ago, and yet only a handful of stalwart mums have offered to lend a hand.

So all you other mums out there - don't be shy - please, please lend a hand. Can you come for just one morning? Even if you can't help during the two weeks there's still plenty to do before then in preparation. If you can use a pair of scissors or count to ten or even both then do come to the next meeting which will be on Monday 26th April at 8.30pm in the Tom Hauley Room. The Committee will then start to plan this year's Playscheme and try to destroy the myth that it is difficult to organise such an event.

Amanda Kelly

BREAKTHROUGH BREAST CANCER

We are all set to raise some more much needed money for Breakthrough. We are assured that the fund is well on target with £6 million raised in the first 12 months towards the £15 million goal. £4,000 of which was raised by Harbury people and a further £500 since October. Great stuff!! Many thanks.

May 8th - Beer and Skittles night, V.Hall, 7.30pm

We have hired the alleys and we have 100 tickets to sell, book your tickets early to avoid disappointment.

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Tony Mancell 613313, Dave Waddell 613850

See you there.

Chris Carter

HARBURY HIGH STREET/HALL LANE RELIEF SEWER AND FWS REPLACEMENT

Severn Trent Water Ltd. were very pleased with the turnout for the open meeting held at the Parish Hall on Friday 12th March. They felt that it gave villagers an opportunity to put their views to the Company and to express any concerns which they may have had in connection with the Company's sewerage scheme which is currently underway in Harbury.

Severn Trent were able to present an update on the scheme and to explain certain re-programming needs which they were having to make to successfully complete the scheme at an early date.

The meeting, which was chaired by Severn Trent's District Manager, Ivan Burrowes, presented the scheme programme which identified works completed to date and those areas of work remaining to be constructed. Details of the necessary road closures and traffic diversions were also displayed in order to explain to the villagers areas of possible inconvenience associated with these vital sewerage works.

The Parish Council requested Severn Trent to provide them with copies of the programme and proposed road closures to enable them to display these in a prominent place and to monitor the progress of the works as it progresses through the village.

Severn Trent's consulting engineers for the scheme Charles Haswell and Partners Ltd. are to provide a regular monthly briefing to the Harbury News to keep customers informed on the progress of these works. Their Resident Engineer, Bruce Teuten will also continue to report in person to the Parish Council at their monthly meetings.

Severn Trent have confirmed after detailed joint discussions with representatives of the County Council Highways Department that the Country Council have agreed to the planned road closures and this will now enable these works to be completed in the shortest possible time, while reducing disruption to a minimum.

They were also pleased to report that the programme which they had agreed with Contractors, Marston Construction of Southam, Leamington Spa, was being maintained and that they looked forward to reporting similar good progress at their next monthly meeting.

Haswell



A SPECIAL REQUEST

Have you noticed the fall off in heavy vehicles using village roads since the extensive works by Severn Trent on the eastern approaches to the village?

As these works creep closer to the centre of Harbury traffic will inevitably keep away as drivers of both lorries and cars replan their journeys.

Your Parish Council have noted the trend and a committee has been formed to push for quieter and therefore safer roads in the village. Despite an appeal to the County Council for traffic calming measures such as narrowing roads at selected points, sleeping policemen and severe speed restrictions (15mph in the centre of the village) no action has been forthcoming.

To put further pressure on Warwickshire County Council the Parish Council want your help. If word gets about that going through Harbury is just not worth the effort because road works are always a feature of the approaches and predicting their exact location is difficult from week to week, we will have our traffic calming by the back door so to speak.

Therefore please take every opportunity to telephone and write to the old public utilities such as gas, electricity, water and telephone urging them to repair, upgrade and rationalise their lines so that roadworks are a constant feature of the environs of Harbury. If you do not wish to get involved directly with the companies concerned, put your pet scheme to a member of the Parish Council. Thank you.

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SENIOR CITIZENS - WHIST KNOCKOUT COMPETITION

Further to my report last month I am able to tell you the result of our Rotary Whist finals which took place at Weston Hospital on Monday 22nd March - you will know that the two finalists from an initial field of some 19 teams were Harbury 'A' team (Bill Wall, Joan Lodge, Nell Spencer, Mrs. Knighton, and 2 ladies from Southam, Mesdames Remm & Sumner) versus Priors Marston. Despite having a Harbury gentleman as president, I have to report that Priors Marston won the cup by a whisker. Well done Harbury 'A' team anyway, please try again in the Autumn. The Finals Night raffle incidently raised £110 for Rotary International charities and over 120 Senior Citizens enjoyed friendly whist, music and supper.

Bill Davies

Visiting Chiropodist

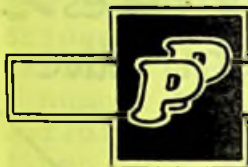
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WHY PIRIE CLOSE ??

Dr. Pirie lived at Ashton House Harbury, and started practice here towards the end of the last century. He had a surgery twice daily, but mornings only on Saturday and Sunday. He visited every day come hail, rain or shine, mostly driven by his chauffeur George Savage. His greatest pleasure was the St. John's Ambulance Brigade, to which he devoted a great deal of his time, and in which he held the title County Surgeon. He had an ambulance dedicated to him, but this has now gone.

For a number of years, he ran a colony near Deppers Bridge for the treatment of Tuberculosis, where the patients could be kept in isolation. It consisted of a number of shelters, some revolving, a hospital building, recreation room, kitchen, bathroom, surgery linen room, nurses room, doctors room, secretaries room, stores etc. He was well known in his profession for the success he achieved in this field, having had several papers published in the Medical Journal, and received letters from all over the world regarding the success of his research and treatment of Tuberculosis.

When holidaying in Scotland, the land of his birth, he was able to render some assistance to King George V at Fochabers Castle in Morayshire, and later saw King George at his request, during the King's last illness.

He was decorated by the Duke of Gloucester at Holyrood Palace, Edinburgh, with the 'Order of St. John', for his work and after serving throughout the 1914-1918 war dedicated his life to his patients.

In his surgery hung this amusing little rhyme:

"The stork is a bird with a great big bill,
He brings his presents where he will.
Then come the doctor and when he's through,
You may find he's got a big bill too."

Few people found the last line true in his case.

Dr. Pirie died at Harbury on August 4th 1947, and is buried in Ufton churchyard.

Celia Barrett

VILLAGE CARNIVAL NEWS No.2

The committee are making good progress having had another fruitful meeting in March. Carnival Queen application forms will be available from the Youth Club from 31st March or from any committee member. Don't forget the juding will take place at the Youth Club on 21st April.

Booking of various attractions are progressing well but let's make it a really bumper year and have more floats and fancy dress this year. If you are entering a float it would be appreciated if you could let Bob Jenkins know on 613857.

If you fancy joining in but are short of ideas, just give Danny Killian a ring on 612265, he's bound to give you some good advice. Danny should also be contacted if you intend having a stall or a pitch on the field.

That's about it for this month except to remind you to seriously think about your float or fancy dress. It would be great to see more children in fancy dress and swelling the entries in the decorated pram/bicycle/wheelbarrow/horse or whatever, category. More news and reminders next month.

Paul Watkin

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

In anticipation of the Produce Show, our speaker in March, Mr. Davies from Northampton, gave us some advice on growing and showing vegetables. In his words; if you can grow good vegetables you can grow anything. When harvesting produce to show; take extra care and then a little tidying is needed, to present your entry in the best possible condition.

April 6th - Ponds and Water Gardens - Mr. Howells.

GARDEN WALKABOUT: The programme is now being arranged. If you would like to open your garden on Saturday, 10th July, please ring 612365 or 612650 before 8th April. It is an enjoyable day for many people so why not be a part of it.

Pat Smith

APRIL IN THE GARDEN

An exceptionally dry and warm March has provided a splendid opportunity to catch up with the garden work, but it has been so dry that newly planted trees shrubs and perennials may need watering, as will plants in containers.

Prune early flowering shrubs, such as forsythia and flowering currant, as soon as blossom is over. Dead head spring bulbs but leave the foliage for at least 6 weeks - it is better not to tie daffodil foliage.

Sow delphiniums, lupins and other hardy perennials continue sowing annuals. Sow, under cover, outdoor tomatoes, cucumbers, melon, marrow and sweet corn. Start dahlia tubers into growth, in peat or compost, towards the end of the month.

Prick out or pot up, earlier sowings of half hardy flowers or vegetables. In the vegetable garden, sow spinach, broad beans, lettuces, carrot and early peas for succession. A first sowing of main crop peas late in the month and limited amounts of globe beatroot, turnip and perpetual spinach (end of the month). Plant main crop potatoes. Watch out for frost on fruit blossom. Old net curtains give reasonable protection. Keep the hoe going while the weeds are small and bait for slugs. If you don't like pellets half oranges, hollowed out and upturned make good traps. Watch out for aphids and spray, (soft soap solution is effective and will not harm useful insects).

Place stakes and supports for herbaceous plants and taller annuals to support them as they grow. Make a resolution to do it early this year - before they fall over!

V.A. Neill

THE HARBURY NEWS NEEDS HELP

After my piece in last month's magazine three people volunteered to help with the typing. However, there is still a desperate need for help with the advertising.

The present advertising manager David Hill is leaving the village. He has already organised the regular advertising pages for the next year, and will be

happy to help his successor 'learn the ropes'. If you think you could do the job without which the magazine cannot survive, please contact me at 32 Mill Street.

Sharon Hancock

Letters to the Editors

Dear Editors,

On behalf of myself and my family I would like to thank everyone for their overwhelming kindness and support on the sudden death of my husband John.

Thank you also to all those who attended the service at the crematorium and for donations to the British Heart Foundation. Special thanks to Phil and Dorothy Groves and Doug and Sylvia Green. Your help was very much appreciated.

Doreen Mann

Dear Editors,

We would like to thank all relations, friends and neighbours of Bill Stevens for their kind words of sympathy. Thank you for the flowers and donations which was sent to Malins Ward Warwick and to all who attended the service at Oakley Wood.

Terry & Mary Boneham & Pop
and Hilda Freeman

Dear Editors,

Through the Harbury & Ladbroke News I would like to express my heartfelt thanks for all the cards, flowers, messages and prayers, sent during my recent stay in hospital. It is very touching to both Tony and I to have the love and support of so many people and makes us realise how lucky we are to live in Harbury.

Yours sincerely
Wendy Stubbs

Dear Editors,

Please allow me a little more space in your magazine to say a few words about the 100th session of the Folk Club. Elsewhere in this issue, I have described what a wonderful evening of music it was, but I wasn't prepared for the attention paid to me in presentations, speeches and even songs. I was so stunned by the presentation of crystal whisky glasses and the bottle of malt whisky (both in very good taste, I might add) that I just mumbled something and didn't even have the presence of mind to open the parcels until the very end of the evening.

So I must say a sincere "thank you" to everyone involved, for their kindness and generosity. I still insist that my role in the success of the Folk Club has been a minor one and it's really more to do with the same "Harbury spirit" that keeps many other village activities thriving. But thanks anyway!

Sincerely,
Peter McDonald

HARBURY OUT OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES CLUB

We are planning to provide child care for busy parents, from 8.15am to 8.50am and 3.15pm to 5.30pm.

The club will be held at the school, starting in the summer term. We wish to appoint a supervisor with relevant experience, to provide a range of activities for 4-12 year olds. Additional helpers are also required to cover these hours, on a flexible rota.

Further particulars may be collected from the school. Please apply in writing with the name and address of two referees, by the 23rd of April, to:

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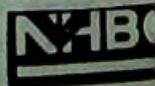
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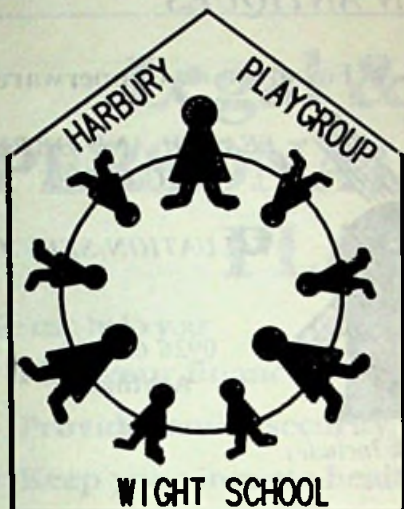
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