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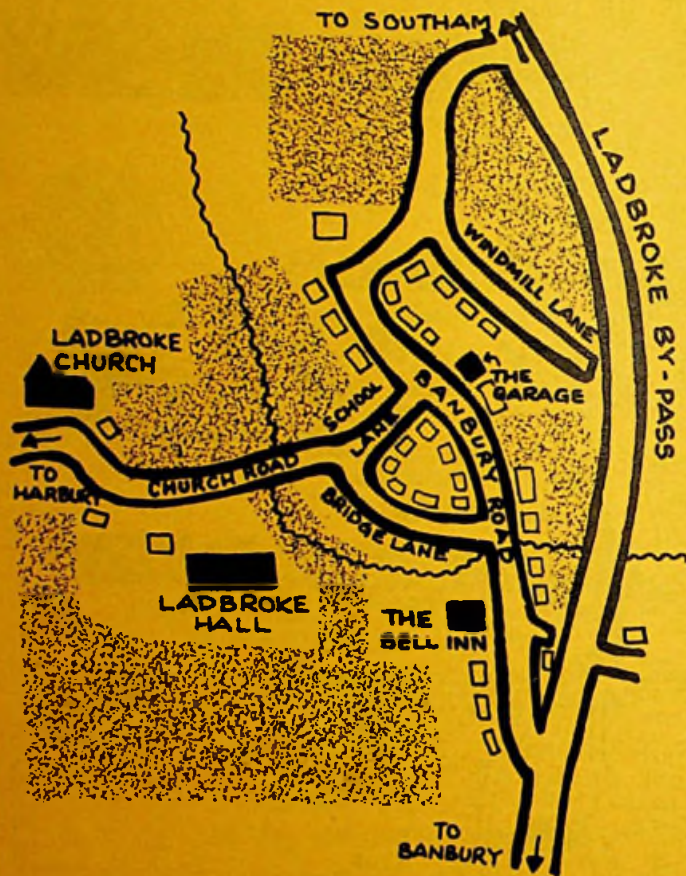
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Soon the new Carnival Queen, Sara Turner will be leading the Carnival Procession, but our photograph by Mike Bloxham shows her being pushed round the village in a hospital bed by members of Harbury Youth Club collecting for the Macmillan Nurses Appeal. Many other village organisations joined in the fundraising for a very worth-while cause.

Many people in the village will miss David and Glenys Hill who have left the village to return to their native Northumberland. They will be especially missed by the magazine, as Glenys has done the typing for

sometime as well as being Committee Secretary, and David has looked after the advertising. We are very happy to welcome George Simpson and Christine Upton to the team. George is joining Janni Freeman on the typing and Christine is taking over the advertising. Please note the new address and telephone number for advertising.

It's certainly a time of change for the Harbury News as our Treasurer Lyn Edwards who has kept the finances in good order for several years is leaving the magazine in July. If there is anyone who feels that they could take on the job, please contact the editorial office. By the time the next issue comes out, another Harbury Carnival will have taken place. Let's hope the sun shines, and we have another highly successful village occasion.

Harbury Diary

JUNE 1993

Sun	30	PENTECOST WHITSUNDAY 8am Holy Communion, 10.30am Sung Eucharist 6.30am Evensong Visit to Ryton on Dunsmore 10.30am crusaders in Tom Hauley Room
Mon	31	BANK HOLIDAY
JUNE		
Tue	1	7.30pm Holy Communion Prayers for the Interregnum 8.10pm
Wed	2	Mothers Union - Tom Hauley Room 2.15pm With Mrs A. Haynes - "A PACK OF CARDS"
Thu	3	9.45am Holy Communion. 7.45pm Men's Society - Tom Hauley Room 8.30pm Folk Club in Old New Inn lounge 9.00am Horticultural visit to Bridgemere
Fri	4	9.30am - Noon Wight School Playgroup, Cake stall - Dog Inn car park
Sat	5	HEREBURGH HOBBLE
Sun	6	HEREBURGH HOBBLE TRINITY SUNDAY 9.00am Sung Eucharist 10.30am Family Service 6.30pm Evensong Cricket 1st XI v Kenilworth III (H)
Mon	7	1.30pm - 3pm Yoga in V.Hall 8pm Word of God - 46 Farley Drive 8.00pm Prayer & Praise in Church 8.00pm Harbury News Meeting in Tom Hauley Room
Tue	8	8pm V.Hall Committee in V.Hall 2.15pm Mothers & Toddlers Service 7.30pm Holy Communion 8.10pm Prayers for Interregnum

		Horticultural Society visit to Radway
Wed	9	8pm Youth Club in V.Hall
Thu	10	2.30pm Thursday Club in V.Hall
		7.45pm W.I. in V.Hall
		9.45am Holy Communion
Sat	12	NSPCC CARNIVAL DAY BALLOON RACE
		ALL NEW HARBURY GRAND CARNIVAL
Sun	13	PENTECOST II
		8am Holy Communion
		10.30am Sung Eucharist
		4pm Eccumenical Service, The Gideon Society
		10.30am Crusaders in Tom Hauley Room
		Cricket 1st XI v Weedon (H)
Mon	14	1.30pm - 3pm Yoga in V.Hall
Tue	15	2.30pm Senior Citizen Benefit Committee in Village Hall
		7.45pm Mothers Union in T. Hauley Room - Mrs Hobbley
		"Christian Faith in Art"
		7.30pm Holy Communion
		8.10pm Prayers for the Interregnum
Wed	16	Youth Club in V.Hall
		Cricket v Stockton(H)
Thu	17	9.45am Holy Communion
		Cricket V Flavels (H)
		7.30pm Whist in V.Hall
Sat	19	7.30pm Mens Prayer Breakfast in Tom Hauley Room
Sun	20	PENTECOST III 8am Holy Communion
		10.30am Sung Eucharist,
		10.30am Crusaders in Tom Hauley Room
		Cricket 1st XI v Flecknoe (H)
		3.30pm Out Door Service - Deppers Bridge
Mon	21	LONGEST DAY
		Yoga 1.30 - 3pm in Village Hall
		Prayers & Praise at 17 Farm Street
Tue	22	7.30pm Holy Communion
		8.10pm Prayers for Interregnum
		8.10pm Julian Group
Wed	23	Youth Club in V.Hall
		8pm Scouts\Guides Support Committee AGM - Scout Hut
Thu	24	BIRTH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST
		9.45am Holy Communion
		2.30pm Thursday Club in Village Hall
		7.30pm Parish Council in Village Hall
Fri	25	5.30pm SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR
Sun	27	PENTECOST IV 8am Holy Communion
		10.30am Sung Eucharist
		6.30pm Evensong
		10.30am Crusaders in Tom Hauley Room
		Cricket 2nd XI v Stockton II (H)
		ALL ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN JULY NEWS TO EDITORS BY TODAY
Mon	28	Bible Study in Tom Hauley Room
Tue	29	ST PETER THE APOSTLE
		7.30pm Holy Communion
		8.10pm Prayers for Interregnum

Wed	30	6.30pm Horticultural Society visit to Blockley Youth Club in Village Hall
JULY		
Thu	1	9.45am Holy Communion 7.45pm Mens Society
Fri	2	PLAY IN VILLAGE HALL
Sat	3	PLAY IN VILLAGE HALL
		NSPCC Safari Supper
Sun	4	PENTECOST V
		9am Sung Eucharist 10.30am Family Service
		6.30pm Evensong
		Cricket 2nd XI V Bearwood Corks (H)
		Cycle Rave uses Village Hall

REGULAR DIARY DATES

HARBURY CRUSADERS: Tom Hauley Room, 10.30am Sundays
UPHOLSTERY CLASSES: Wight School, 2-4pm Mondays
GYMNASTICS: Harbury Sch, 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 Tues 6pm - 7.30pm
SCOUTS: Scout Hut, 7.45pm every Tues & Thurs
ADMINTON: Village Hall every Tuesday
HARBURY FRIENDS: School, 8pm 2nd Tues of Month
BABY CLINIC: New Surgery, 2-4pm, 2nd & 4th Wednesday
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 Wednesday
NETBALL CLUB: Village Hall Car Park - Training Thurs 6.30pm - Matches Saturday afternoon
HARBURY FOLK CLUB: Old New Inn 8.30pm 1st Thur of month
THURSDAY CLUB: Village Hall, 2.30pm 2nd & 4th Thurs
SCOUTS: Scout hut, every Wednesday
V.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 Fri of month
COFFEE MORNING: Saturdays Tom Hauley Room 10am-12pm
CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU: Over Southam Magistrates Ct every Tuesday (except Bank Holidays) 10am-3pm
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YOGA: Village Hall, 1.30-3pm Monday, Diane Surgey Tel 817904

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LINDA RIDGLEY - TELEPHONE 612792

For Village Hall Bookings ring Mrs Hughes 612716
 For Wight School Bookings ring Mrs Hayes 613488
 For Tom Hauley Room Bookings ring Mrs Smith 613680

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Holy Communion 8am

Sung Eucharist 10.30am

(Except 1st Sunday of Month: Sung Eucharist 9am

Family Service 10.30pm)

Evensong 6.30pm (except 3rd Sunday)

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FROM HARBURY CHURCHWARDENS.

As this issue is distributed we will be celebrating Pentecost - Whitsun - the giving of the gift of the Holy Spirit, and on Whit Sunday morning we shall be particularly pleased to welcome Canon Rowe to take the 10.30 service. It is now some 6 months since the interregnum began and we are extremely grateful to Father Peter Snow for taking on the majority of the services and to Canon Churchill who also helps. At the time of the A.G.M. there was, as reported elsewhere in this issue, no progress towards the appointment of a new incumbent. Since then, a possible candidate has emerged but it is too soon for comment to be made other than that the various processes are in hand towards a decision being made when there is anything further to report we will do so.

A sum of £81.00 has been sent to the Additional Curates Society resulting from the Lent Box Collection. If there are any boxes which have not yet been returned, would you please give them to Anne Moore or to one of the wardens.

On June 13th at 4.00pm will be our quarterly Ecumenical Service when we shall welcome a representative of the Gideons Society. Do please try to support this service which gives the opportunity of worshipping with people of other denominations and to stay afterwards for a cup of tea.

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The annual Outdoor Service and tea at Deppers Bridge will this year , take place on 20th June at 3,.30pm, should the weather be unkind, we shall move to Ladbroke.

BERYL and JOHN

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Friday 7th May: Henry Frank "Pip" Herbert, 11 Manor Rd, Harbury, 70 yrs

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Mothers Union

We had great pleasure in welcoming two good speakers this month. At our afternoon meeting Mrs Bluck entertained us with more tales of her life as a vicar's wife. She can turn any minor disaster into an amusing anecdote.

Miss Patricia St John kept us enthralled with her account of her experiences during twenty-seven years as a missionary in Morocco. We were happy to welcome a number of visitors to the meeting, and there was also the opportunity to buy some of her children's books from the display which Alison Cox had kindly organised. We also enjoyed a coffee morning on May 19th when we were the guests of Ladbroke Women's Fellowship.

On Sunday 16th May some of us attended the Diocesan Festival at Coventry Cathedral which was much enjoyed, including the steel band.

On June 2nd Mrs Angela Haynes will speak at the afternoon meeting on "A Pack of Cards".

At the evening meeting on June 15th Mrs A.Hobley will give an illustrated talk on Christian Faith in Art.

C.M. Catt

FRUSTRATING WAIT

Five months into the interregnum without a hint of progress towards the appointment of a new Rector. The frustration about this situation at the PCC annual general meeting on April 25, though mildly expressed was clearly widely and keenly felt. And while acknowledging our good fortune in having two retired priests in the parish, there was genuine concern about the heavy workload being carried by The Revd Peter Snow. He and Canon Roy Churchill were thanked by Beryl Checkley for ensuring that the spiritual and pastoral care in the parish is being maintained. Essential repairs to the church and replacement of the heating system had imposed a heavy financial burden in 1992 when expenditure had risen by 4%. The bill would not be any lighter this year with the £4,000 - plus second stage of work to the roof to be carried out as well as spending more than £1,000 to restore the organ after damage by a water leak. In addition after two break-ins, the cost of installing an insurers' approved security system would have to be met. The vital importance of tax-effective giving to the church under the covenant scheme as a way of easing the burden was stressed.

Beryl Checkley and John Moore were re-elected wardens; also re-elected were Ruth Dodds (secretary) Liz McBride (treasurer), Frank Bunting (auditor), and Peter Pryke and Tony Stubbs (Deanery Synod delegates). Dorothy Travis was the only new member of the PCC.

At the first PCC meeting of the new church year it was reported that one estimate of £4,000 for the proposed security system had been received and two more were still awaited. The Fabric committee will make a recommendation once they have the necessary information. Meanwhile they propose to inspect the security system recently installed at All Saints Emscote. The replacement metal offertory box built into the stonework is now in use. Given as a memorial to their long-serving Chairman, the late PC Ti Percival by the Harbury Senior Citizens committee, it will be dedicated once a memorial plaque has been added. Moya Waterman and John Stringer were nominated to continue as foundation Governors of Harbury C School. The Revd. Peter Snow volunteered to occupy

the third church governorship temporarily until a new Rector is in office.

Repositioning of the portraits of two former incumbents', the late Revd. F.R.Mackley and Canon Anthony Rowe, is to be undertaken. Stratford District Council has accepted the PCC's invitation to hold its civic service at Harbury in October as part of the normal 10.30am Sung Eucharist. The request of the Mother and Toddler Group for the return of the altar to the children's corner for their own services was favourably received. Crusaders, one of the church's outstanding successes is blessed by a strong corps of helpers, but continues to be in urgent need of more leaders.

JOHN ALGAR

Ladbroke News

Church Flower Rota

June 6th Mrs J. Barnett
 June 13th Mrs Steenstra
 June 20th Mrs Stubbs
 June 27th Mrs B. Moore
 July 4th Mrs B. Moore

(Many apologies to the ladies who arranged the Church flowers, during the month of May, I miscopied their names - sorry!)

Dates for your diary

Saturday June 19th - 'Midsummer Madness'

New Baby

Hello to LOUIS JAY at 'The Old Post Office', Ladbroke. Congratulations to Jan & Trevor Jay and big brother, Laurence.

Ladbroke Church Services June 1993

June 2nd	Wednesday	Holy Communion	10.30am
June 6th	Trinity Sunday	Family Service	10.30am
June 11th	St Barabas	Holy Communion	7.30pm
June 13th	Pentecost II	Holy Communion	09.00am

June 16th Wednesday	Holy Communion	10.30am
June 20th Pentecost 111	Holy Communion	9.00am
	Childrens Church	10.30am
	Open Air Service Deppers Bridge	3.30pm
	Birth of John Baptist - Evening	
June 23rd Wednesday	Holy Communion	10.30am
June 27th Pentecost 111	Holy Communion	09.00am
June 30th St Peter Apostle	Holy Communion	10.30am
July 3rd St Thomas Apostle	Family Service	10.30am

Ladbroke Church News

Sorry about the fact that there was no Church news in our Diary last month. I missed the dead-line. I will not let it happen again!

The main item of news from April was the dedication of our beautiful new book case by Canon Rowe. This month sees our Church Yard mown and looking very tidy. The Community Service Group say they will come once a month; that is a great problem resolved. We have arranged with the good ladies of Deppers Bridge and the Salvation Army to assist with the Open Air Service in the usual place in Deppers Bridge at 3.30pm on Sunday 20th. We pray for good weather and a large Congregation!! It is a Harbury & Ladbroke service. Please come.

BETTY WINKFIELD

Friends of Ladbroke Church

31 friends got together for a splendid Buffet Lunch at Walworth Farm on Sunday 23rd May. The sun shone and the birds sang - we sang too, "Happy Birthday to you" to our Treasurer, Gill Moore - and I'm convinced that the turkey and salmon tasted even better in the lovely garden of the Moores than it would have done indoors.

Our next social occasion will be lunch time - Cheese & Wine, again, hopefully, in the garden at 'Old Rectory House', but I will remind everyone of it later on.

GWYNNE BADMAN

Womens Fellowship

We were very pleased to welcome an old friend, Violaine Junod, to our meeting. She is back in England for two months from South Africa, where she is now living.

Violaine talked to us at the beginning of 1990, about her visit to South Africa, to find out if her roots were there or in England. Now happily settled we heard of the problems and difficulties she faced when she first arrived back in South Africa. Thirty years had passed since Violaine lived there and there were, of course, many changes. She said that it was surprising how God worked in times of trouble, and her problems were overcome. She stayed in Pretoria with her brother until finding a lovely flat in a small housing community, overlooking a Nature Reserve, this is on the north side of Johannesburg. She is involved in work in a Secondary School there and other projects - keeping herself very busy.

We have held a successful Coffee Morning at Hazel's home, making £176.18 to go towards the Village Hall alterations. This was an excellent result - many thanks to all who supported this.

Our next meeting is on the 9th June at 2.30pm at the home of Hazel Sharples - 5 Ladbroke Hall - when we are looking forward to meeting Barbara Harrison from Birmingham Bible College.

NANCY STUBBS

Ladbroke Village Hall Pre-School Coffee
Morning/Playgroup

It has been decided now that the Village Hall is so smart!, to try and start a weekly meeting place there on a Wednesday morning. The idea is to organise a pre-school group for mothers with babies or young children, but it is also hoped to encourage other members of the village to come along for a coffee and a chat. If you would be interested in joining in this new venture, please contact Karen Birch at "T" Garage".

KIM ABBOTT

For two years now Kim Abbott has been collecting the Ladbroke News Section and taking it over to

Harbury on a Sunday afternoon. As they are no serving Sunday Lunch at the "The Bell", she would like someone else in the village to take on the task. It really means having all the various contribution dropped through your letter box, - putting them together and then delivering them to Harbury once a month. Of course whoever takes on the job would be welcome to write as much as they like as well! I'd like you to help please contact me or Kim.

K.L.

Ladbroke Annual Parish Meeting

This important Annual Event, took place this year on Wednesday 19th May in the village Church, due to our village hall still being renovated. At the monthly Parish Council Meeting which had immediately preceded the meeting; Francis Badman had elected to stand down as Chairman of the Parish Council, after seventeen years in this position, and Peter Williamson had agreed to take over as Chairman. Francis agreed to continue as vice-chairman to ensure continuity. These unexpected developments meant that Peter Williamson was Chairman of the Annual Parish Meeting and he began by thanking Francis on behalf of the entire Village for all his marvellous work as Chairman over such a long time.

Francis Badman gave the Annual Parish Council Report. There had been ten council meetings and nine planning meetings. The most pressing problem had again been the need for a gate across Windmill lane, this was a delicate situation which needed great patience, but he was still hopeful of a successful outcome.

Thanks to the work of the footpath volunteers, it was felt that Ladbroke would soon have the best footpath network in Warwickshire.

The arrival of gas in the village, had not been without problems, but these had now been happily resolved. The new light in Church lane had been successfully installed and would be a blessing on winter nights. The Parish Council were pleased to be able to sponsor a new edition of the Ladbroke Appraisal book. Mud on the roads had been a constant problem, largely due to turf lorries. This situation would continue to be monitored. Severn Trent's nocturnal excursions in the Village had been

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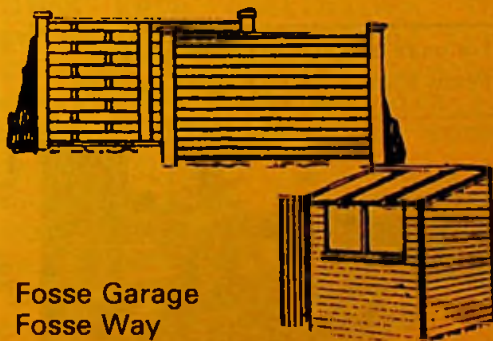


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challenged by our redoubtable Parish Clerk and the water board are now reviewing their procedures. Thanks were due to Mr Norgate for the use of his photocopier for Parish Council business, and to the Church authorities for their hospitality. The highlight of his last year as Chairman had undoubtedly been the visit to the Royal Garden Party in July, a day which he and Gwynne had enjoyed enormously. Francis ended by giving his very best wishes to his successor Peter Williamson.

Mrs Elsa Greenway - then gave a short but most informative talk on Parish Council Finances. These days when Parish Councils prided themselves on low expenditure were now over. It was the Council's duty to precept for Parish needs, such as the grant to the Village Hall. Money would not be spent "Willy-Nilly", but only for the good of the Village. The accounts could be inspected by appointment with the clerk.

Mr Peter Williamson then gave the Alibone Trust Report. The Trust had this year rented its land for turf cutting which was profitable in the short term, this had enabled the Trust to help with the repairs to the Village Hall. They were obliged to keep the land in good condition for the future, so next year they would be concentrating on hedge repairs and maintenance, there would therefore be little capital to distribute next year.

District Councillor Ruth Tressidor talked briefly about the Berkeley Homes plan for seventeen homes at Village Farm. The Council found this scheme totally unacceptable and negotiations were continuing. The Yew tree next to the garage had to be protected from the development and Environmental Health had objected to any housing being adjacent to the Ladbroke Garage. Parish Councillor Kate Liverton (Me). I then spoke briefly about the Best Kept Village Competition. Although the Churchyard and telephone box had been tidied up, in general, hedges and verges had not been trimmed, there was little sign of any community effort. Perhaps next year the Parish Council would be empowered to employ grass cutters.

Francis Badman as our Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator, reported that we have a good scheme running, with several successes this year. If you see

anything suspicious please ring him immediately. Our new Village Policeman Pete Perry attended the meeting and introduced himself to everyone - He had only been doing the job for three weeks and the area he covered was twice as large as his predecessor's, and was due to be increased soon. He tried to visit the Village every day, but was often tied up with paperwork and seemed generally disillusioned with the current criminal justice system - a feeling which was echoed by the meeting in general, especially when the cost of policing the New Age Travellers Operation was mentioned.

Mrs Betty Winkfield then gave the Annual Report of the Church and P.C.C. The first phase of the restoration work had been completed and £6,000 was still needed to pay for this. The next phase of work would include gutters and drainpipes. Everyone was delighted with the new book case, hand made by a local craftsman, which had been donated and dedicated by Canon Rowe. The Churchyard had been mowed and the Rubbish area behind the Church, turfed and seeded. From now on all dead flowers, grass cuttings etc have to be taken from the premises. During the Interregnum congregations had been well maintained, as yet there was no sign of a replacement for Canon Rowe.

Mrs Hazel Sharples spoke briefly about all the interesting and varied meetings which the Ladbroke and Deppers Bridge Women's Institute had held in the past year. Membership had risen and everyone was looking forward to the next Twenty One years.

Peter Derrick as Chairman of the Village Hall Committee thanked District Councillor Ruth Tressider for all her advice and help with the ambitious project of renovating the Kitchen and Toilet facilities in the Hall, it was hoped they would now conform to the new health regulations. The present Village Hall Committee intended to stay on and see the project completed, but they would really welcome at least two more members on the Committee, perhaps someone from Ladbroke Hall would be willing to join?

It was hoped that work in the Hall would be completed in about three weeks. Thanks were due to Cyril Wright, Nick Wright, Matthew Wright and Steve Doyle for all their hard work, it is greatly appreciated. The cost of renovation work has not been fully met by

grants and present funds. The next big fund raising event will be a Summer Barbecue in the gardens of Attwood Cottage, on Saturday June 19th. This promises to be a great evening, so keep the 19th free and look out for details of ticket sales.

Mrs Nancy Stubbs gave the Annual Report of the Women's Fellowship, who meet the second Wednesday of each month in members homes. This year they had enjoyed meeting with the Harbury Mothers Union Members; had raised Two hundred and thirty six pounds at Lent Luncheons and One hundred and twenty seven pounds on the cake stall at the Christmas Fair. The fellowship are always pleased to welcome new members. Linda Doyle spoke about the efforts of Ladbroke Bell Ringers. Thanks were due to Helen Sullivan and Don Darkes for their support. Simon Knott and Robert Hart were now learning to ring, but more bell ringers are needed as not all services can be covered. If you would like to join the team, contact Steve Doyle.

Mrs Gwynne Badman gave the Annual report of the Friends of Ladbroke Church, who this year had seventy three members. They were not primarily a fund raising group, but in enjoying several social events had raised considerable sums. Thanks were due to those who had made these successful events possible.

Tricia Teverson reported on the various activities, which she and Margaret Bold had organised this year for the Ladbroke Youth Club. They had fourteen members aged between seven and eighteen and met on Thursday evenings.

Geoff Timms reported on the steady progress made by the Footpath Group. They had managed to keep Kip Warr away from any more electricity cables! He thanked the Volunteers for turning out in all sorts of weather conditions and also the landowners involved; their assistance made the job much easier.

Mrs Marion Grainger said that the Ladbroke Village Appraisal Book, which was first produced eight years ago, had been out of print for some time. It had been decided to produce a new updated version and when completed in the Autumn a copy would be distributed to every household. A local directory was also currently being produced, which was sponsored by the Southam Lions. This concluded the official business agenda of the Annual Parish Meeting, I fou

the pews a bit hard for a two and a half hour stint, but then I probably say the same about the Village Hall chairs.

KATE LIVERTON

Ladbroke Village Hall

All the work that has been done on the Village Hall is now nearing structural completion, but obviously there is an incredible amount of clearing up and decorating still to do. Because of the cost we will have to rely on help from people in the village to wield paintbrushes, floor sanders, sewing machines etc., and we hope to run a decorating party soon. Please don't forget, the Village Hall is YOURS, there are many organisations and individuals within the village who use the hall and we would like your help to complete the project. The Management Committee has done sterling work in the past, but now we need assistance from everyone else to get the job done. We would like you to contact any member of the Committee telling us when you would be available to help.

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MIF WARR

Harbury Annual Parish Meeting 1993

The meeting began with questions to the County Councillor, Mrs Patricia Bidwell who: promised that Chesterton Windmill would be open to the public; explained the County's enlightened attitude to traffic calming; warned of an application by the Scrapyard to become a Waste Transfer Station; and favoured placing Treen's Hill on the county's winter gritting schedule.

Ken Stephenson reported on the council's efforts to keep the village clean and tidy and to improve the facilities at the Playing Fields and Keith Thompson gave the Highways Report praising the co-operation the Parish had received from Severn Trent whose Sewer Refurbishment Scheme was due to be completed by July. Mr Woodward quizzed Planning Chairman John Drinkwater on the two sites designated in the Local Plan for housing - one at Hillside Farm and one to the rear of South Parade.

Mike Thompson asked Cllr Ed Wilson how much the Parish spent on bus tokens - £1,735 this year and a budget of £2,000 for next. The Council had received

10,000 for the sewer link from the new Pirie Close development.

Ken Stephenson made a special report on escalating crime in Harbury, emphasising that the School had now been broken into four times. He believed the main cause of the problem was the gross undermanning of the Police Force because of Government restrictions on spending. Pc Perry the officer designated to cover the village could only suggest that Villagers enlisted as Specials and used the Neighbourhood Watch scheme. Mr Woodward mentioned vigilantes and Cllr Sharon Hancock thought the Parish should take a more positive attitude to providing for its own young people. The Youth Club was doing a good job but needed more help, and an "Out of School Club" was being formed.

The Harbury Society had asked that the provision of affordable homes be made an agenda item as four years had elapsed since the Housing Survey revealed a substantial need for Low-cost houses in the village. Chairman Bill Middleton assured the Parish Meeting that lack of progress was not due to lack of enthusiasm on the part of the Parish council but because Severn Trent threatened to oppose any plans for development in Harbury until it had upgraded the Southam Sewage Works in 1997.

However, it became clear that Councillors were confused by the presence in the Local Plan of land allocated for development on which there was the prospect of a proportion of low-cost homes. Cllr Drinkwater was under the misapprehension that these were the sites under discussion and that the Parish would not proceed with development on the Allotments, but the chairman said that the Allotments were an alternative being investigated.

Cllr Ed Wilson listed the moves the Parish had made; Parish Councillors had met Severn Trent to try to overcome their objections and were working with the county council which had offered half the Allotments land. He had written to the National Rivers Authority and was to meet the Secretary of the Warwickshire Rural Housing Association who could have the houses built.

The Planning Authority had sent a "heavily negative" reply to their letter asking whether they would overrule the Severn Trent objections but the Parish

would "keep the pressure up" the Chairman assured everyone.

LINDA RIDGLEY

Harbury Theatre Group

The group is busy rehearsing "Ernie's Incredible Illucinations" by Alan Ayckbourn which it will be entering in this years A.C.T. Festival being held at Barford Village Hall on the 17th, 18th and 19th June. The play depicts a boys dreams in which his characters come to life.

For the play we desperately require the loan of a pair of boxing gloves, can anyone help?

The play will also be performed in the Village Hall on 2nd and 3rd July in an evening's entertainment which will also include the Jug Bang. On the Friday night a bar will be available with a supper evening being provided on the Saturday. Tickets and further details will be advertised shortly.

Finally a reminder for the Carnival Dance on Saturday 12th June where 'New Connexion' will be providing the music and a buffet supper will be included.

JOHN HOLDEN

TEL 612155

Harbury Folk Club

The evening of May 5th, started with a somewhat subdued atmosphere as most of the artistes, purely by coincidence, seemed to sing songs about unrequited love. As the evening progressed the atmosphere lightened and the material seemed to become of a less serious flavour.

During the third half Steve Dudley, who was guest for the evening presented a pleasing and varied selection of material, much of which was new. It culminated in the singing of the well known masterpiece "Over the Lancashire Hills" for which he was joined by Alan Wilkins on guitar and Ted Richardson on fiddle.

It was an evening of surprises as well, I don't know whether the biggest shock came when Fill and Drill actually sang unaccompanied (complete with finger in the ear and stick-on beards), or when Steve Dudley, who is renowned for his traditional unaccompanied

singing, sang a rock and roll number accompanied on an electronic keyboard!

Items were also provided by Bob Brooker, Ian and Sue, Peter Mc, Alex Brunel, Mike Putnam, the Jug Band, and Liz and me. Many thanks to these participants, and also to Doug Freeman for organising the raffle and donating the prize. The raffle raised a total of £19.50 for the Macmillan Nurses.

The next folk club will be in the lounge of the Old New Inn, on 1st July, when the compares for the evening will be Steve Dudley and Ian Hartland.

PETER BONES

Scouts and Guides Support Committee

IMPORTANT - There was a break-in at the Scout Hut between the end of the Cubs Meeting on Wednesday 19 May and the Scouts meeting on Thursday 20 May. A large Patrol tent was stolen. It will have require two people to carry it. If anybody in the village saw anything suspicious on either of these days, would they please get in touch with John Travis on 613264. Members of various units raised the impressive sum of £116 for the "Macmillan Walk" earlier this month. The Car Boot Sale was a success, and we raised over £80 for Support Committee funds. We shall again be having a Football Tombola at Harbury Carnival. It has been a success in pouring rain and scorching sun, so we shall cope with whatever the weather brings!

The AGM is on Wednesday 23 June at 8pm in the Scout Hut - this is another exhortation for parents to attend, to find out what activities have been taking place over the last year and to offer their services to the committee!

JO TANCOCK

Being Lucky

I'm not very good at English,
Maths, poems, or rhymes
I'm alright at stories
But I'm lucky I can write.
I like to ride my bike
And look at God's creations
Like plants, animals and the sun

I'm lucky I can see.
 I like to listen to birds,
 The wind and music too
 I don't like listening to loud music
 But I'm lucky I can hear.
 I like to get some exercise
 Like running, jogging and swimming
 I don't like high jump or long jump
 But I'm lucky I can walk.
 I'm lucky I can do these things
 (though my writings not to good)
 But some people can't even read
 Or their blind or deaf or dumb.
 So think about these things I've said
 If you are like me too
 Then think about some other people
 And think how lucky you are.

ROBERT STRINGER

Herb Sale

As many people in the village are aware the children at the School cultivate a herb garden containing many unusual plants. The collection started some year ago as part of a Tuders and Stuarts project, and has escalated since. Information about each one is contained in a computer database continually updated by the children. At present there are 75 different types at various stages of cultivation.

This year, the 9 and 10 year olds are involved in this project. On Thursday 13th May they held our second Annual Sale, and amazed everyone by taking over £130! We would like to express our thanks to all those who came along, and also to all those who kindly donated plant pots and trays. We now have one of the largest collections of these in the area! They will be very useful later in the season, and next year of course.

NIGEL CHAPMAN

Notre Sejour En France

Early Monday morning we set off for our long journey to France. We reached Dover at 9.00am and boarded our ferry the "Pride of Dover". The boat journey was calm which was good. We arrived in Calais and started the journey to Mervill Franceville. The hotel was really

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nice, Jean-Claude the manager was a very friendly man and made us feel very welcome.

We visited the Bayeux Tapestry, it was very interesting. It's an account of the build up and battle of Hastings. A lot of us bought postcards of this famous tapestry so we would remember it. The Cheese farm was very good, we learnt about the production of goats cheese and the care needed to look after the animals, and of course we got to hold the goats, they were cute and cuddly.

Paris was spectacular, that's the only word you can use. The Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame lived up to its reputation, from the Eiffel Tower you could see all of Paris, it's massive. Going up the Champs Elysees and around the Arc de Triomphe was like driving around a mad house! It's one for all and all for one, with no road markings!

Our last stop was Honfleur a picturesque little harbour. From there we drove to the ferry port and started back, arriving in Harbury at 10 past 12. The trip was wonderful, I think everyone enjoyed it. Y6 and Y7 would like to thank everyone that was involved for such a brilliant time.

CLAIRE HAGGITT & CARLA GRANDY

Village Quiz

The Quiz will take place on Saturday 17th July, with clues and photographs to identify along the route of approx one and a half miles. We anticipate an enjoyable summer's evening, strolling around the village with friends and relatives. To join us just register at the Park Lane School entrance between 6-7pm. £1.00 per adult, children 25 pence.

Proceeds will go to Harbury P.T.A.

ANN BRUNT

Harbury Ladies Netball Club 92/93 Season

Can you believe it, another season has been and gone with mixed fortunes for all our teams.

Our 'A' team started soundly in Division 1, but unfortunately absence & injury disturbed their run at the end with them finishing a highly commended 6th.

Our 'B' team was resolute in following their success of last year being promoted from Division 7 to Division 6. Having a superb season with only 3 losses all season and with excellent team and individual performances. They stormed through their league ending runners up in the division and therefore claiming promotion to Division 5 for the 93/94 season. Congratulations to you all.

Our 'C' and 'D' teams also had a mixed season of success but with the 'C' team having enough strength to finish 4th in the league. Unfortunately not quite good enough for promotion but better luck next season.

In the League Annual Handicap Tournament on Saturday/Sunday, 15/16th May there was another excellent result for the 'B' team becoming runners up in the tournament (we'll have to have "Group 4" to bring home all your silverware from the Annual Presentation Night)!!, and with our 'C' team qualifying for their semi-final. Although the match season has now finished, netball practice will continue right throughout the season on Thursday Nights at 7pm, on the netball court behind the village Hall. don't feel you need to be expert netball players, everyone is welcome from 14 - 60, and is a great way of keeping fit.

Finally, may I personally say congratulations to all the players for their success this season, both in the league and all who played for their county, and many thanks for their help and support in organising the matches and personal support in my training and running for the Marathon. Have a great summer, enjoy the sunshine!!! and here's to another successful season in 93/94.

KAY WEST-LATHAM

SECRETARY HARBURY LADIES NETBALL CLUB

Hopscotch

Hopscotch is pleased to announce that work will begin very soon on the playground improvements. Preparations to be made prior to the installation of the new equipment will include removal of the concrete pipes, metal bars and rocket. This will make space for the installation of a new adventure climbing frame. The contractors, Coventry City Leisure Services will commence work on 7th June and the work is expected to be completed by early July.

A plan is attached, showing the position of the new equipment and the relocated infant swings and slide. Safety surfacing will be installed under both the new and relocated equipment. The high slide will remain until it can be replaced by something equally challenging. Hopefully, this will be in the not too distant future. Obviously, during the period of installation there will be times when access to certain areas or items of equipment will be restricted. Your patience and co-operation with the contractors will be appreciated.

Dog-proof fencing is to be installed on a self-help basis on 5th June from 9.30am. If you can spare an hour or two on this day and would like to help (no previous experience necessary!) please contact Stephen Kelly (613175) or Steve Norman (613532).

Hopscotch will also be smartening up the paint work on the tarmac during Environment Week. A great deal of effort has been made by the joint working party of Parish Councillors and Hopscotch representatives in planning the improved playground. We have paid particular attention to the results of the school survey made last year and to a safety audit prepared by an independent body, the National Playing Fields Association. Inevitably, we have financial restraints and one or two compromises have had to be made. But we are sure you will agree that we shall have a more exciting and much safer playground for our children to play on this summer. Hopefully, we shall be able to continue to make improvements to the play equipment as finances permit in the future.

(See Layout of Playground at back of magazine)

AMANDA RANDALL

Macmillan Nurse Appeal Walk

On Friday 7th May at 6pm there was a tremendous amount of people around the Scout Hut, the evening was sunny sky blue just right for what was about to take place. The Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cub Scouts, Scouts, Leaders and Parents had gathered to walk a mile for a £1.00 in aid of the Macmillan Nurse Appeal, who are especially trained to look after cancer patients young or old at home or in Hospital. 80 people walked in all, plus a £25.00 donation on the way.

raised altogether £116.20. I must make a small confession, Jon Watlers (Our new Scout Leader) and I decided to jog around the route to get in front and maybe help. Well it didn't quite work like that, however we did manage to cause the "Cub Scouts" to stampede like young Bullocks across the field (Sorry Muriel), whilst leaving the Brownies, Guides and Beavers to walk around in a controlled and disciplined manner. Thankyou, Jill, Ruth, Muriel, Isabel, Moya, Micky, Pam, Carol, Mary and Jon for making this a great event.

RICHARD WELLS

Harbury Carnival News No 4

By the time you read this, the carnival will almost be here again, so here's a final reminder.

The Carnival programmes and raffle tickets are being sold round the village by the committee members.

There's still time to build your floats or certainly get your fancy dress costume together. Remember, this year for the first time, the Tim Percival Cup (it's a lie, it's a shield actually) will be awarded to the best, "Home Made" child's fancy dress in the procession.

The physical ones amongst you who might want to take part in the "Tug-of-War" can register with Paul Winchester on 612128. Also don't forget the Wheelbarrow race comprising teams of five and don't forget the Wheelbarrow. If you fancy similar fun and exercise you can enter the Formula 1 Lawnmower racing the Sunday before carnival day at the children's sports, have a go and give your kids a laugh. If you do enter, remember it must be a cylinder mower, flymo's with "Go-Faster" stripes are not allowed. Please register your entry with Bob Jenkins.

LET'S MAKE IT ANOTHER CARNIVAL DAY TO REMEMBER.

PAUL WATKIN



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Horticultural Society

In May, Mr. Williams gave us an enthusiastic and very knowledgeable talk about perennials. He illustrated it with clear colour slides of some of the beautiful plants for the herbaceous border. Probably the most eye-catching feature of any large garden in summer is this border but equally it means a great deal of work. If you're still determined, there are now new varieties of old favourites and more unusual ones in the garden centres. Mr Williams showed how you could begin with pulmonarias in March and have colour with perennials until the shocking pink blaze of nerine in October.

Dates for your diary.

Thursday 3rd June - Outing to Dorothy Clive Gdn Bridgmere Gdn Center. Coach leaves V.Hall at 9.00am. Please ring Eleanor 612365 if you are unable to go at the last minute.

Tuesday 8th June - Visit of Radway Horticultural Club to see 5 Harbury gardens. You are welcome to join our visitors in the Tom Hauley Room for refreshments at 3.45pm. Tuesday 29th June - Visit to The Mill Dene, Blockley. Cars leave Village Hall at 6.30pm.

Saturday 10th July - Garden Walkabout. Don't forget to invite your friends.

JUNE CLARKE

June in the Garden

Cut Oriental poppies right back as soon as flowering is over, fill the gaps with Summer bedding. Alpines and rock plants should also be clipped back. It should now be safe to put outside, fuchsias, geraniums and plants brought on under glass. Prune back flowered stems of flowering current forsythia, philadelphus and deutzia, along with dead and diseased wood. This is known as re-newal pruning and keeps the plants to manageable size. Now is the time to sow wall flower seed so that the plants will be big enough to plant out in October for flowering in the Spring. Take pipings of Garden Pinks and plant in pots covered by polythene bags. Plant Leeks. Plant out marrows, courgettes, runner beans and tomatoes. Continue to sow lettuce, beetroot, radish and salad onions. Pinch out (and eat) tops of broad beans to prevent blackfly, earth up potatoes. Peg down healthy strawberry runners to increase your stock. Clematis may be increased by pegging down low growing shoots. Mulch and fertilise the soil.

E. A. ZONIK

The Thursday Club

A reminder to members and friends - please look out something saleable for our stall at the Carnival and Fete. Beryl Checkley, Ruth Dodds or Pat Smith will happily receive your contributions.

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Dear Editors,

Could I through your magazine take this opportunity of thanking all my friends and neighbours for their kind messages & help during my recent illness. The flowers, cards & gifts were very much appreciated & have helped me on the road to recovery.

MAUREEN JOHNSON

Dear Editors,

I would like to express my sincere thanks to a family & friends in Harbury & Ladbroke for all the tremendous support in my training & "back up crew"

for my running the London marathon this year. It was a fantastic experience & one I shall never forget made even more worthwhile with the sponsorship raised for St Cross Hospital skin care unit. Every penny collected is very much appreciated & will go to giving so many sufferers a little more comfort whilst in hospital. Thank you all again for your support.

KAY WEST-LATHAM

Pip Herbert.

Jean & Betty would like to sincerely thank Dr Wiln- and all kind friends and neighbours for their wonderful support shown to us during Pips illness. There are so many (too numerous to mention) who have given us strength and prayers to carry on during our very sad time. Thankyou everyone.

JEAN & BETTY

Dear Editors,

May I through your magazine thank all my friends in Harbury and the surrounding districts for the kind messages, cards etc; received during my recent stay in hospital. Yours sincerely.

NEVILLE MERRICK

Bowling Green

Many thanks to all for showing interest in a Bowling Green in Harbury, I now have over 100 names and still I hear more to come. I am making enquiries regarding a suitable plot of land in the centre of the Village but at this stage have nothing further to report. Hopefully I will have more news by next months issue.

PEGGIE MIDDLETON

Life Boats

The RNLI has asked me to pass on their warm thanks to the people of Harbury who have once again contributed so generously in support of the lifeboat crews and boats around our shores. The total collected in the village came to £204. Thanks also to the collectors in pubs, Club, School, Post Office or going house-to-house.

HEATHER TURNER

LADBROKE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEEPROUDLY PRESENTSMIDSUMMER MADNESS

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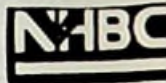
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