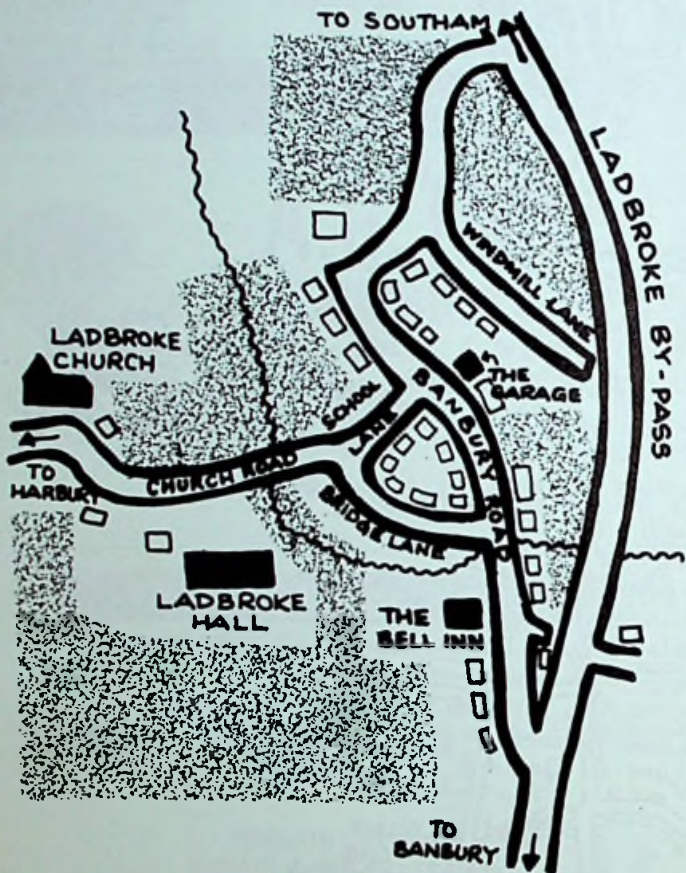


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Our photograph (by Mike Bloxham) show's this year's Carnival Queen Sarah Turner of Chapel St, with her attendants Corinna Field of Frances Rd, and Gillian Kerr of Pineham Ave. All were chosen at a recent Youth Club disco. It's only a few weeks to Carnival Day (see Paul Walton's article), So start thinking about how you can contribute to make this Year's event the best ever.

Thursday May 6th is the day of the County Council Elections. Its no use complaining about the ne Council Tax and then not bothering to vote. Al three candidates have sent us statements, so do rea them and get along to the Village Hall, and mak your choice.

It is good news that plans are now finalised fo Phase 1 of the improvements to the children playground. Harbury is very fortunate in having magnificent playing field, and much effort an thought has gone into planning improvements. Al being well, the children will have the benefit o the new facilities by the Summer holidays.

Those of you who remember Viv Aggett will b interested to hear that she has become Britain first female Chaplain to a football club. Viv wa voted in at Hednesford Town F.C. after a two yea unswerving stint on the terraces.

As many of you will already have heard, there wil be another Macmillan Mile appeal in the village this month. This will hopefully be as well supporte as the 92 event.

Congratulations to marathoh runners Kay West-Lathan and Nicky Lathan for their part in the London marathon.

Harbury Diary

MAY 1993

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|-----|---|--|
| Sun | 2 | THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
ST PHILIP AND ST JAMES APOSTLES (Delayed)
9am Holy Communion, 6.30pm Evensong
Cricket 1st XI versus Flavels (A) |
| Mon | 3 | MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY
Prayer & Praise at 4 Leicester Close.
(No Bible study)
Cricket - Practice match (Tel 612600
for details) |
| Tue | 4 | 7.30pm Holy Communion
Horticultural Society 8pm in Village Hall-
Mr Williams on Plants for the Border.
PCC meeting in the Tom Hauley Room 8pm
Prayers for the Interregnum 8.10pm |
| Wed | 5 | Mothers Union - Tom Hauley Room 2.15pm
With Mrs Black - "A VICARS WIFE SETS OUT" |

Youth Club in Village Hall at 8pm
 Meeting in T.Hauley Room, 7.30pm subject-
 Possible 1994 Parish holiday.
 Cricket League XI v Rugby Portland Cement
 LOCAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS IN V.HALL ALL DAY
 9.45am Holy Communion.
 7.45pm Men's Society - Tom Hauley Room
 8.30pm Folk Club in Old New Inn lounge
 9.30am Nursery Playgroup, Cake stall -
 Dog Inn car park
 Breakthrough skittles evening
 10am - 1pm Scouts & Guides Car Boot sale -
 Wight School
 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
 8am Holy Communion
 10.30am Sung Eucharist
 6.30pm Evensong
 10.30am Crusaders in Tom Hauley Room
 Cricket 1st XI v Long Itchington (H)
 2nd XI v Kenilworth Wdns 111 (A)
 1.30pm - 3pm Yoga in V.Hall
 8pm Word of God - 6 Heber Drive
 Prayer & Praise at Lillington Lodge
 8pm V.Hall Committee in V.Hall
 2.15pm Mothers & Toddlers Service
 7.30pm Holy Communion
 8.10pm Prayers for Interregnum
 8pm Youth Club in V.Hall
 2.30pm Thursday Club in V.Hall
 7.45pm W.I. in V.Hall
 9.45am Holy Communion
 NSPCC HOUSE TO HOUSE COLLECTION UNTIL 30th
 PTA Sponsored Walk
 FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
 8am Holy Communion
 10.30am Sung Eucharist
 7pm Benediction
 SCOUTS NEWSPAPER COLLECTION
 2.30pm - 4.30pm Macmillan mile walk
 Start and finish at Temple House
 Cricket 1st XI v Leamington Lemmings (A)
 2nd XI v Bourton & Frankton (H)
 1.30pm - 3pm Yoga in V.Hall
 Bible study in Tom Hauley Room
 7.45pm Mothers Union in Tom Hauley Room
 Miss P St John on A MISSIONARY IN N.AFRICA
 7.30pm Holy Communion

- 8.10pm Prayers for the Interregnum
8.30pm Senior Citizens Benefit - V.Hall
- Wed 19 8pm Youth Club in V.Hall
Cricket League XI v IBM (H)
- Thu 20 ASCENSION DAY 9.45am Holy Communion
11.15am School Service in Church
7.30pm Whist in V.Hall
Cricket Evening XI v Kenilworth (H)
- Sat 22 ENVIRONMENT WEEK BEGINS
9.30am Great Hedge survey -
Beggars Lane/Chesterton Road
Nursery Playgroup coffee morning -
(Produce & Booksale) in Tom Hauley Room
- Sun 23 SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION 8am Holy Communion
10.30am Sung Eucharist, 6.30pm Evensong
10.30am Crusaders in Tom Hauley Room
Cycle race from Village Hall
Cricket 1st XI v Kineton (A)
2nd XI v Kineton (H)
- ALL ARTICLES FOR INCLUSION IN JUNE HARBUR
NEWS TO EDITORS BY TODAY
- Mon 24 8pm Word of God at 7 Penelope Close
Prayers & Praise at 11 Dickens Road
- Tue 25 7.30pm Holy Communion
8.10pm Prayers for Interregnum
- Wed 26 8pm Youth Club in V.Hall
Cricket League XI v MB Fasteners (A)
- Thu 27 9.45am Holy Communion
NSPCC Luncheon in Tom Hauley Room
2.30pm Thursday Club in Village Hall
7.30pm Parish Council in Village Hall
- Sat 29 9.30am Peal attempt by visiting ringers
- Sun 30 PENTECOST WHITSUNDAY 8am Holy Communion
10.30am Sung Eucharist
6.30pm Evensong Visit to Ryton on Dunsmore
10.30am Crusaders in Tom Hauley Room
Cricket 1st XI v Newbold Comyn (H)
2nd XI v Elmdon Airport Staff (A)
- Mon 31 Bank Holiday
Cricket 1st XI v Widmere St Margaret (H)

JUNE

- Tue 1 7.30pm Holy Communion
8.10pm Prayers for Interregnum
- Wed 2 2.15pm Mothers Union in Tom Hauley Room
Mrs A Haynes "A Pack of Cards"

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
BADMINTON: 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
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 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
TENNIS CLUB: (Apr-Sep) Tue & Thu 6.30pm onwards
(6pm for April) Sat 2-5pm, Mon & Wed 1.45-3pm
YOGA: Village Hall, 1.30-3pm Monday, Diane Surgey
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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

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)

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

HOLY BAPTISM - Sunday 18th April:

Daniel Thomas, son of David Edward & Sheila Anne
Malin, Station House, Deppers Bridge

HOLY MATRIMONY - Saturday 17th April:

Christopher Mark Hanson, Bell St, Claybrooke Magna &
Victoria Louise Harrison, Walnut Tree Cott, Harbury.

Mark Andrew Harding, 35 Ambleside, Brownsover, Rugby &
Michelle Sarah Coupe, 12 Manor Orchard, Harbury.

THE BLESSING OF MARRIAGE - Saturday 17th April:

Richard & Arisa Lord

FUNERALS at All Saints' Harbury

Wed 7th April: Lawrence Arthur Boneham, 70 years

Thu 8th April: Margaret Parsey, 91 years

INTERMENT at Harbury Cemetery

Thu 8th April: Winifred Helen Kitchener, 91 years

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Mary Catt 612864

FROM HARBURY CHURCHWARDENS.

The final Deanery lent service was specially designed to be appealing to children, and so it was - and to many others as well. A full church was delighted with the antics of Roly the Clown which were interspersed with the messages we know; but in a very different guise. We are very grateful to Roly (who when he had re-packed his car had to drive to Bristol) and to the Rural Dean who took the service.

Palm Sunday's morning service was a delight with a re-enactment of the arrival in Jerusalem of our Lord by the Young people. It made for a very

special service and we are grateful to the youngsters and to Lyn Hayes who got it all together.

Easter was, as always, a moving time and we were pleased to see a large number in church on Easter Sunday to worship and give thanks for the Sacrifice of our Lord.

The Annual Church Meeting was held on Sunday April 25th. The various reports were presented, thanks were given to the many who work so hard to keep the church going and the Church Wardens were re-elected together with the majority of committee members. More on this next month in John Algar's report.

A meeting will be held in the Tom Hauley room on Wednesday May 5th at 7.30pm to discuss the possibility of a Parish Holiday next year. If you are interested do turn up.

BERYL & JOHN

MOTHERS UNION

"Handbags" was the intriguing title of Mrs Nerida Hooton's talk at our afternoon meeting in Holy Week. She used different types of handbags and their contents as illustrations of various aspects of our lives as Christians.

At the evening meeting Mr Harry Windsor gave us a very informative and interesting talk on Bells and Bellringing. The idea of change-ringing became clear to us when eight of us were used as a visual aid, with he help of hand-bells

By popular request Mrs Bluck returns for our afternoon meeting on May 5th, with more tales of her life as a vicars wife.

The evening meeting on May 18th will be an open one as we feel many people will be interested to hear our speaker, Miss Patricia St John. She is a well known author of children's books with a Christian theme. She has also worked as a missionary in North Africa and her experiences there will be the subject of her talk. The meeting will start at 7.45pm in the Tom Hauley Room, Miss St John has been recommended as a very good speaker, so we hope people will take advantage of this opportunity to hear her.

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Wed 12	Women's Fellowship
Wed 19	Women's Fellowship coffee morning
Wed 19	AGM - Ladbroke Parish Council
Wed 27	Women's Institute

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May 27 Mrs Elkins

LADBROKE AND DEPPERS BRIDGE W.I.

We had an interesting talk by Bob and Joan Tims on the Feel and Beauty of Wood. Many examples were shown of so many woods, in their original and turned and polished states. We were all surprised at the differences in colour, and densities of the various woods.

The Quiz team surprised themselves by coming equal second in the competition. Only two teams go forward to the next round, so a play off was held and unfortunately we lost. The winner was Marton W.I. and the second was Princethorpe W.I.

The next meeting will again be held at Jill Norgates home on May 27th.

CATHERINE SPENCE

LADBROKE PARISH COUNCIL

Unfortunately I was not able to be present at this month's meeting, but the main items under discussion were as follows:-

The maintenance work in the village seats was about to be carried out. The District Council was to be asked to survey the problem of hedges overhanging the footways in the village. The Ladbroke circular footpath which has been recently organised by the footpath group, is to be entered for the Rural Community Project Competition. The final stile for this walk at Chapel Ascote Cottages is soon to be erected. A reminder was to be sent to the grass cutting department to ensure that the verges at the

entrance to the village are not cut until later on to preserve the wild flowers. The Parish Clerk reported that two Severn Trent employees were seen roaming the village at 2am looking for leaks! A letter was to be sent to Severn Trent complaining that no notification of this nocturnal wanderings had been received and identification cards were not carried by the personnel concerned. The Parish Council were most concerned to hear that there had been a break-in at the Village Hall.

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Wednesday 19th May at 8pm in the Church. This is the occasion when all the various village organisations give their Annual report to the village. It is always a very well attended meeting and interesting occasion - so do try and come along.

KATE LIVERTON

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Every time I put up a poster to remind everyone that the Best Kept Village Competition will soon be judged, the wind and rain seem to make short work of the poster! Please remember to make sure that your patch of Ladbroke is looking its best, particularly the parts that can be seen from the road! The daffodils at the Village entrance seem to have been a complete waste of money, but I must say the current dandelion crop are really putting on a magnificent show.

KATE LIVERTON

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

We were very pleased to welcome several visitors to our meeting to hear about Old Ladbroke. After the usual opening prayers our speaker, Mr Cecil Bloxham, proceeded to tell us about Ladbroke as it was in the first part of this century. We were greatly entertained to hear about various folk who lived in the village, especially ones related to several of our members. This caused many laughs and some reminiscing. A most enjoyable meeting.

As a result of the Lent Lunches we were able to give a cheque for £237 to David and Pam Clarke to take to Christian Outreach in Leamington Spa. This is to help towards the cost of transport around the

village in India where they helped to build a school.

We are having a Coffee Morning on the 19th May from 10.30am until 12 o'clock at the home of Hazel Sharples, 5 Ladbroke Hall. The money will go towards the cost of alterations to our Village Hall.

Will anyone who has been collecting money for the Gideons please bring it to this next meeting, when Mrs Emery will receive it. Our next meeting is on the 12th May at 2.30pm at the home of Betty Winkfield, Hall Farm, when we are hoping to welcome Violaine Junod to hear about her life in South Africa. Anyone wishing to meet her will be very welcome.

NANCY STUBBS

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING FOR APRIL 1993

The squeeze is on. Rocks and hard places loom. Pensioners defending tokens; Hopscotch ambitions for the Play Area; Netball Ladies with the whiphand and Harbury Society hopes for housing all competed for Councillors attention and money!

Sympathy must come from Severn Trent who were themselves still experiencing difficulties with their sewer refurbishment and now plan to mine under the Station Road corner!!!

Bruce Teuten assured Steve Norman the road from Deppers would be open by 24th April (it was promised for the 9th). Accidental severing of services deprived the Great Western of water for several hours and electricity for fourteen recently, but Hall Lane was immaculate for the Harrison wedding. Harbury Society wanted Cllrs to be more pro-active in the battle to secure low-cost homes and John Hunt agreed the PC ought "to be relentless in keeping up the pressure on", Severn Trent whose opposition to development prior to 1997 was "totally unacceptable". MP Alan Howarth would be informed and Ed Wilson would continue to liaise with the Rural Housing Trust and the County to try to circumvent ST objections.

Chairman Bill Middleton asserted that the PC was pursuing the matter but Ken Stephenson reminded him that they had assured the Allotment Holders no development plans were imminent. Stratford DC granted permission for extensions 11 Neales Close, 1 Park Lane, 9 Ivy Lane and 43 Deppers Bridge. The PC made no representations on replacement workshops at

9 Church Street and Millview Chesterton Rd; a Tennis Court at the Manor and extension to 25 Manor Orchard. Mr Salmon's Appeal against refusal for development in Ivy Lane was dismissed.

Pensioners, Mrs Waddell assured the PC, wanted Travel Tokens retained, but the PC Working Party had found the system unsatisfactory and Sharon Hancock pointed out they were obliged to make the best use of its limited resources. Some people who were eligible for Tokens took them and never used them. (As the PC pays upfront for these - that's a waste of your money and mine). A way must be found of "supporting the journeys made, not those that people thought they might make!". Bill Middleton found the Netball Ladies letter setting out their terms for an agreement to contribute to a Sinking Fund "unacceptable". The Ladies wanted safety work to the ditch and a path to the Court before they were committed to contributing to Court Maintenance.

The Parish Council by contrast is committed to spending almost £8,000 on Play Area improvements with Hopscotch providing the rest of the £14,000 needed for the present phase. Negotiation and compromise have resulted in some of the present Play Equipment being retained, but the Climbing Tubes, Pipes and Rocket go, half the swings will be relocated outside the perimeter fence and the South Parade entrance stopped up. The Tarzan Swing, that adventurous item for the older child was almost lost too following an accident to Mr Peter Rollason. Having fractured his wrist when the rope broke as he played on the Swing, he asked the PC to refer the matter to their insurers. The Chairman was all for having the Swing chopped down, but if Ken Stephenson has his way the rope will make a comeback.

LINDA

HARBURY SOCIETY

The Great Hedge Survey takes place along Beggars Lane on Saturday 22nd May. This is part of a nationwide assessment of hedges initiated by the Charity "Plantlife" and is our contribution to Environment Week. We intend to survey the physical state of the Parish Boundary Hedge and in certain stretches count the species (to give an indication of its age).

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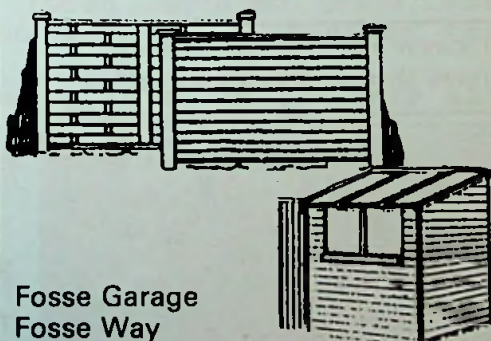


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For the Carnival this year we are recycling jewellery and someone will call on you during May to collect any old, broken or unwanted pieces, You may also leave your contribution with the Secretary at 16 Farm Street.

Celia Barrett is organising a series of village photographs; modernday versions of the old pictures we have of villagers outside their homes. We hope to reproduce these as postcards for sale as part of our Parish Maps Project. The Society is very conscious that it is almost four years since the Housing Survey revealed a need for Low-cost homes. There are difficulties, not least Severn Trent's opposition to development until the Sewage Works is upgraded in 1997, but we have been working with the Warwickshire Rural Housing Association to secure funding and land and we have urged the Parish Council to make a clear commitment to affordable homes.

FOR OUR A.G.M. EVE DENNIS SPOKE ON:-

Living Churchyards and Nature Conservation.

Prompted by a friend with an interest in Churchyards Miss Dennis had produced a popular leaflet extolling the virtues of encouraging the wildlife that Churchyards contain. People who believe Churchyard Conservation schemes equal WILDERNESS are wrong, and Eve illustrated the point with a series of slides.

She reminded the audience that within living memory Churchyards had been managed much more conservatively, by scythe and sheep, because that was all there was!

But grass was not everything - trees were also important, especially mature evergreens (some Churchyard Yews had been found to be over 3,000 years old!) > Holly and Ivy enriched the fauna (Holly Blue butterflies lay eggs first on the Holly and then the Ivy.)

Berried shrubs and trees keep the birds in the Churchyard in winter. The stones of the memorials and the enclosing walls were often from local quarries long since closed and were important geologically and for the lichens they supported.

Loxley is a local Churchyard to visit in spring and Ettington slightly later for its cowslips.

If people want to persuade others to accommodate wildlife in the churchyard, they should check to see whether everything in the County biological record was still there; then Warwickshire Wildlife can advise on how the area could be managed to encourage the plants to flower and set seeds and for the wildlife to flourish. It only needed small patches at first or perhaps a wavy line next to the walls.

Ken Stephenson pointed out that Education was a way forward. Harbury had an excellent Cemetery Caretaker, who the Parish Council would not pay unless he kept the grass short! Miss Dennis seized upon the word - CARE. We were all Caretakers of our wildlife heritage and trustees for the future as well, she explained.

LINDA RIDGLEY

HARBURY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

A Bowls morning for beginners is being arranged and preparations for our 75th anniversary are well underway. Badminton, Darts and Short Mat Bowls evenings were very enjoyable, close score, but unfortunately we did not win our matches - best of luck next time.

Mrs Dorothy Knight, a lecturer on biology and botany, came to speak on a History of Gardens. She used to live in Harbury some years ago. A very interesting talk, also with slides, on types and styles of gardens over the centuries, from Egyptian, Medieval, Italian and Dutch, Roman, French and Spanish to our own beautifully styled gardens: The plants that were grown for food and decoration and use of water, walls, moats, trees, hedges, broken pottery and even coal for decoration. It is amazing how much information is known about the plant life of so long ago.

We have decided to run a Book Stall again on Carnival Day so please, please, any books would be gratefully received. They can be taken to Dorothy Groves, Celia Barrett and Peggie Middleton. Thankyou.

JEANNE BEAUMONT

HEALTH MATTERS

REDUCING THE RISK OF COT DEATH

Cot Death, also known as Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, usually affects young babies. It happens while they are asleep and is always sudden and

unexpected. Thankfully it is comparatively rare. Studies have shown that by taking a few precautions you can reduce the risk.

Sleeping Position

Recent research shows, that it is important to lie babies on their sides with the lower arm forward to stop them rolling over. Alternatively they may lie on their backs with their head to one side.

The right sleeping position is only important until babies can roll themselves over in their sleep. Once they can do this it is safe to let them take whichever position they prefer.

Temperature

Babies should be kept warm, but they must not be allowed to get too warm. Keep the temperature in your baby's room so that you feel comfortable in it. Use lightweight blankets which you can add to or take away according to the room temperature. **DO NOT USE A DUVET OR BABY NEST** which can be too warm and can easily cover a baby's head.

Smoke-Free

Create a smoke-free zone for your baby. **DO NOT SMOKE ANYWHERE NEAR THE BABY.** Better still, do not smoke at all.

If your baby seems unwell seek medical advice early and quickly.

Article supplied by Mrs JM Newell, Health Care

CANCER RELIEF MACMILLAN FUND

This year the appeal is taking a new form in the hope that many more people will join in the Macmillan Mile Walk - walking a mile and giving a pound - with the aim of reaching nationally the magic target of a million!

Vicky Holroyd and I have therefore written to all the Harbury village organisations, asking them to spread the word amongst their members, and to organise their own walk in whatever way seems most appropriate to them, if possible during the National Appeal week the 8th to 16th May.

We have had a most encouraging response with members of the following organisations expressing their willingness to take part;-

The Bell Ringers, The Badminton Players, Conservatives, The Cricket Club, The Horticultural Society, The Mothers Union, The PCC, The Theatre Group, The Thursday Club, The Rugby Club, The Youth

Club, and at the School there will be a talk about the work of the Macmillan Nurses on 21st May, and a fund raising event on the 11th June.

If anyone finds themselves left out and would like to give their support, there will be Macmillan Mile Walks on Saturday 15th May from 2.30-4.30pm, starting and finishing at Temple House, dogs on leads are very welcome. We will walk the mile down the Temple End Right of Way.

Heartfelt thanks to all those who have undertaken to organise a walk, and to those who feel able to participate in this worthy cause.

MICHAEL LAMBERT

HARBURY FOLK CLUB

The 101st Folk Club on 1st April was run by Steve Dudley, with a little help from Sue Hartland.

The Jug Band set the mood for an evening of foolishness with their "Folking All Over The World", specially adapted by Steve. Other "Fools" were Peter Bones, singing. "Transvestite Progression", Fill and Drill with a song about nasty things that have happened this year, and a rare appearance by Celia Neill playing the Cuckoo Song, accompanied by Doug Freeman playing the Cuckoo! There were unaccompanied sets from Sue Hartland, and from Steve Dudley.

We were treated to some fine Appalacian Dulcimer playing from Rick Middleton, and Frank Richard visited us from Warwick Folk Club. Eddy Murphy and John Morris stole the show with their wonderful unaccompanied singing.

The raffle raised £16.50 for Joanna Watson. The next Folk Club is on 3rd June with John Kemsley in charge.

SUSAN HARTLAND

SCOUTS AND GUIDES SUPPORT COMMITTEE

Now follows our annual request for volunteers to serve on the Support Committee, to continue its valuable work in raising funds to enable many of the activities of the various units to take place. At the moment many of the committee members are parents of young people who have now grown up and passed through the units; it would be appropriate if there could be new members whose children are in Beavers, cubs or Brownies. The Annual General Meeting will take place on Wednesday June 23rd at 8pm in the Scout Hut.

On Saturday May 8th the committee is organising a Car Boot Sale in the Wight School car park from 10am to 1pm. The cost for each car is £5. There will also be a Cakes and Produce Stall.

Members of all units will be taking part in the Macmillan Mile "fun" walk on the evening of Friday, May 7th in the village and would appreciate your support.

JO TANCOCK

HARBURY YOUTH CLUB

Our coffee morning was held on Sat 10 April and was a great success. We would like to thank everyone who helped and supported this event, which raised nearly £60 for Club Funds. We would like to congratulate the three Youth Club members on being chosen at the Disco, as Carnival Queen 1993 - Sarah Turner, her 2 attendants - Corinna Field and Gillian Kerr, well done everyone. Donna had an enjoyable and interesting visit to Belgium, which involved long discussions and workshops on world-wide topical issues e.g. addictions, racism, sexism and homelessness in the different countries. She is now involved with organising a programme ready to host the Belgians and Russians on their visit to England in July, which we all look forward to.

MARY REVITT

HOW I SEE MYSELF

I don't really know how I see Myself,
Here's what I would like to be,
I would like to be famous,
Yes, that's what I would like to be,
Drive a dark red sports car,
I would also like to be kind and caring,
Not just selfish,
Rebecca Hill, my best friend, she's kind and caring,
She is very funny too,
Her and me get up to exciting things,
We go on bike rides together and talk about our problems,
No, I don't want to be famous, not anymore,
I don't want to drive a dark red sports car,
Not anymore,
I want to care for people and be kind,
Not famous and selfish,
Not anymore,

KIRSTY BRADY Y6

HARBURY DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD GROUP. FOOTPATH MAINTENANCE PROJECT.

Last year, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Group applied for a grant from the Co-Operative Societies Care Grant Scheme, for the purchase of tools to use in our footpath maintenance project which started in 1991, in conjunction with the Countryside Access Team for Warwickshire County Council. We were awarded the grant in December last year, and have now purchased a small collection of tools.

The aim of this project is for the young people involved in the Award Scheme to undertake work which will be of benefit to the whole community.

We are running, regular Sunday afternoon 'working parties', from 2.30 to 4.30pm, meeting at the Scout Hut, behind the Wight School. Anybody interested in joining us to lend a hand, or see what we are up to will be most welcome.

We intend to start work on the most frequently used paths in and around the village - if you know of a particular path that requires clearing or maintaining please let us know.

CAROLINE HILL, TEL 613780

HARBURY CRICKET CLUB

The initial practice match of the 1993 Season on Sunday 25 April was unfortunately cancelled because of rain. Optimists in the club believe that this is the last cancellation of the Season, but then some of them also think they can bat. However the ground is in good condition, thanks to excellent care by Richard Carr and Harbury is set to maintain its reputation as one of the best village pitches. The condition of the players is a little more problematic, but it is expected that there will be regular nets. This season sees new Captains in charge at the club. John Wilkinson is now First XI skipper, Mike Daniels has taken over the Second XI and Ed Russell is Captain of the Wednesday League XI. The opening fixture for the First XI is against Flavels away on Sunday 2nd May, and their first home fixture is against Long Itchington at the Rugby Club on Sunday 9th May. The Second XI play their first game against Kenilworth Wardens III on 9th May, while the first league match is against Rugby Portland Cement. Spectators are always welcome and the full list of fixtures for May is given in the Calendar. The Club is always keen to see new

players. Anyone who is interested should phone John Wilkinson on 612209 or Mike Daniels on 612600. There seem to be a fair number of fit-looking young men about the village who would benefit from the vigorous exercise of playing cricket, no seriously....

IAN JACKSON

CORRECTION TO ERROR IN LAST MONTH'S HARBURY NEWS

Gremlins gobbled up half a paragraph of the School News Letter on Page 20. Please read the last paragraph as follows:

"Several of our children have done interesting things this term. For example, Graham Allcock had a letter recently which was a reply to one that he had placed in a bottle and tossed into the Channel in 1991. Nearly 3 years later it was washed up in Southern Netherlands, picked up by a German soldier visiting a relative in that area while out walking on the beach and 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."

Apologies to Gerry Bailey.

JANNY FREEMAN

CRISP RAFFLE

Crisps made a brief reappearance at the Old New Inn last Sunday, courtesy of Ralph Jones PLC, who donated three packets to the crisp raffle.

Winners were; Melvin Best, John Ridgley & Brian Wallington, £5.50 was donated to the Senior Citizens Benefit Association.

LINDA RIDGLEY

MAY-HEM IN THE GARDEN OR

The Beginners guide to gardening - Employ the services of a landscape gardener. This service will however make a sizeable hole in your pocket. Cost aside, you could just be looking for a little challenge or a vent for your pent up creativity. Whatever the case the acquiring of knowledge is necessary before you go any further. Sign up for a gardening class. You may imagine that your fellow students will be of a similar horticultural ability. Be warned you might find yourself in the nursery group of an 'A' level class. However, do not be daunted, you can always look up the exotic sounding names in your "Idiots Guide to Gardening", once you are in the privacy of your home, don't be too

disappointed when you learn that the posh sounding plant bears a strong likeness to the nettle forest which you have been feverishly trying to destroy.

Armed with this newly acquired wealth of horticultural knowledge you will attack the garden with enthusiasm and vigour. A colourful little soil testing kit tells you that your planned lawn area is totally deficient. However, undaunted you scatter the seed, and watch a wide variety of the local bird population dive out at your expense. After spending the following months housekeeping on a few shrubs, consult your address book for the telephone numbers of these friends who have well stocked gardens. Issue an invitation suggesting any offerings they may care to bring, also accompanied by wellies and spades. Avoiding being a slave to your new found pastime you escape for a weekend to stay with friends. Relaxing with a Gin & Tonic you hear that the entire weekends entertainment has been planned around - yes, The Garden. V.H.

HOPSCOTCH UPDATE

If you think that things have gone quiet on the Hopscotch front, you would be wrong! Over the last three months, Hopscotch representatives have held regular meetings with Parish Councillors to thrash out a scheme within our means for the revitalised playground. Five different playground contractors have been approached for their estimates and designs, and we hope to reach a final decision very soon, subject to Parish Council approval.

We would like to provide seating for parents supervising their children in the refurbished playground, but unfortunately, the budget will not stretch to this in the foreseeable future. So we would like to make a plea for one or two 'park benches' similar to those already found around the village (Approximate cost £160). If anyone would like to donate one, we would be more than happy for such a gift to bear a commemorative nameplate. If you would like to contribute in this way, please phone Amanda Randall (613373) in the first instance.

Next month, I hope to be able to give more detailed plans of our progress and perhaps to announce a start date for the work!

AMANDA RANDALL

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If you feel you could make a commitment to help others, are reliable, could give time and effort, and, above all, have a sense of humour, why not find out a bit more about us? Lions are, or could be, someone like you.

For further information, contact any Lion, speak to our membership officer, John Thorne on 0926 814468 or President, Jeff Biddle on 0926 812767.

LONDON MARATHON 1993

Nearly a treble for the Lathan family. Andy sensibly did not toe the line on Sunday 18th April as he had a heavy cold. Having completed the course before he left it to his wife Kay and sister Nicky. They didn't let him down and provided the Lathan and West families with something to shout about. Kay battled round in 4 hours 42 minutes and raised money for St Cross Hospital Skin Care Department. Nicky,



also running her first marathon gave it all and finished in 3 hours 59 minutes, raising funds for the British Diabetic Association. Well done to both athletes and thanks to all sponsors.

JOHN HANCOCK

NSPCC

Many thanks to all who attended our Fondue evening in March, making it a great success. Entertainment by the Jug Band seemed to provide inspiration to budding aeronautical engineers and the applause must have been heard in Leamington. The Fondue Evening raised £450 for the NSPCC funds and our Tom Hauley Room Coffee Morning raised another £66. Raffle prizes at the coffee morning were won by Mrs Bugg, Mrs Hunt, Mrs Wilkins and Mrs Kettle and special thanks go to Pino of Take Two Cooks in Penelope Close for providing us with one of his superb gateaux for the main prize.

Our next event is a Luncheon in the Tom Hauley Room on Thursday 27th May. Tickets may be purchased in advance, to guarantee a place, by phoning me on 613553.

LYNNE WATKIN

ELECTIONS

PAT BIDWELL - Conservative Party Candidate



I am pleased to have this opportunity to let you know as your present County Councillor, what has been happening at the Warwickshire County Council since the past election 4 years ago. Environmental Issues have now a much higher profile than in the past. As chairman of the Environment Committee, I am conscious of the need to protect our towns, villages and countryside from the ravages of over development. I also voted for an increase in the winter gritting programme, so that more rural roads like Treen Hill can be kept free from ice. The County Council and your hard working Parish Council have endeavoured to keep the disruption of the roadworks to a minimum. I am a member of the Education Committee and a governor of 3 local primary Schools. The standard

attained at the schools are excellent and I'm sure, due to the staff and governors. Many of you have talked to me regarding the library service and how much it is valued, subsequently, I have been successful in keeping it from closing. If elected, I will endeavour, during the next 4 years to improve services where ever necessary and regardless of your political outlook, I will continue to work for you all. Yours Sincerely.

PAT BIDWELL

ANDREW COOLEY - Liberal Democrat Candidate



An Honours graduate in agriculture, Andrew has a successful career in agricultural journalism behind him. He has faced redundancy three times and achieved successful transitions, into publishing, then computer systems development as a qualified systems analyst with organisations such as GEC, NFU, Mutual Insurance and the Milk Marketing Board.

Finally, he has become a lecturer in computing at Stratford College. He has been married for nearly 22 years and has two daughters aged 20 and 13. A passionate democrat, Andrew Cooley joined the party in 1974 and has been an active member ever since. "I believe that more decisions should be made by the people most affected," he says. "That means passing responsibilities, powers and funding down from County Council to District and from District to Parish. The legislation setting up the present Council in 1974 made it possible, but the controlling Conservative group has never been prepared to trust the people. Liberal Democrats do - and I will work for truly local government if I am elected on May 6th."

ROBERT READING - Labour Party Candidate



This last four years has seen a series of crisis in Warwickshire brought about by the policies of the ruling Conservative group. At Harbury Combined School, as else where, there have been protests and extraordinary meetings in order to stave off savage cuts in teaching staff. Due to this public pressure

the schools are being left alone but other areas like the Youth Service and Social Services have taken the brunt of spending cuts. Policing in this area has suffered numerous reorganizations in an attempt to make too few police officers cover larger areas. Of course, at the same time crime is on the increase. While many people in the Harbury Division possess cars, those who do not are becoming more and more isolated as the support for rural bus routes is being withdrawn. This has been the experience of the last four years; in contrast, during the previous four years Labour led Warwickshire County Council and gradually improved services in all areas. What we need is to move away from crisis management and back to a sensible caring approach to the services the County Council provides. Labour offers this alternative. If it is what you want then vote for me, Robert Reading, on May 6th.

HARBURY - HIGH STREET/HALL LANE RELIEF SEWER

Station road will open to through traffic, on Fri 23rd April. Areas of construction will still be visible and motorists and pedestrians are requested to proceed with care.

Hall Lane from the intersection with Station Road to the intersection Of Crown Street will be open in the form of a CUL-DE-SAC giving access to residents living in Hall Lane and those who have access across the Pound by means of Dovehouse Lane. Dovehouse Lane across the Pound is not a recognised through road.

The closure of Station Road between Butt Lane and Hall Lane has been held in abeyance until the completion of Crown Street works.

A deep excavation for a mined heading will commence at the junction of Butt Lane/Station Road on Monday 26th April.

Works in Crown Street and the section of Hall Lane one way system, will commence on the week commencing 26th April 1993 once the delicate system of pipework and services at the junction of Crown Street and Hall Lane have been overcome.

Constance Drive/Margaret Close/Penelope Close has seen the initial CCTV survey undertaken with the main volume of work to follow shortly. Every effort will be made to give full liaison to individual

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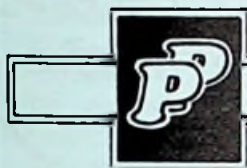
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Once again we express our appreciation to the co-operation received from individual property owners where work has been carried out. Every effort is being made to keep the contractor working in accordance with his programme.

If there are any problems which give cause for concern to any member of Harbury in respect of the sewerage works, please contact Mr Bruce Teuten on 0926 614154.

VILLAGE CARNIVAL NEWS No 3

The ideas were flowing at the last meeting and things are progressing well. The committee is trying to arrange as many events as possible for people to participate in and provide something for everyone. If you would rather just watch then there will be plenty to keep you interested and entertained as well. For example, there will be a Tug of War, Vintage Cars and motorbikes, Punch & Judy and a Wheelbarrow race. These are just a few of the things that are planned.

Please remember it would be helpful if you are entering a float to let Bob Jenkins know on 613857. If you want ideas for floats ring Danny Killian on 612265. You should also contact Danny if you want to enter a Wheelbarrow race team. Teams of five plus one reserve.

There will be a "Steptoe" stall again this year. Would you please contact Jean Hayden on 612245 about delivery or collection of any items you plan to contribute. It is likely that items will be collected on the Friday 11th June. Could you also contact Jean if you could volunteer some time to help with the collections. Its not that far away so don't forget to plan your costume and/or float. Lets make it a bumper event.

PAUL WATKIN

HARBURY NURSERY PLAYGROUP - VILLAGE HALL

We would like to thank all those who have given the Playgroup so much support this year, our first year as a parent-run group.

As a result of several successful fundraising events, including a sponsored treasure hunt by the children, we have been able to buy some much needed new equipment and toys. These provide valuable play

experience for the children as was evident at our Open Morning in March; this was well attended and we were pleased to welcome many visitors including those with young toddlers (it is never too early for children to visit the Playgroup and see what it has to offer).

If you were unable to come to the Open Morning please feel welcome to call in at any of our sessions (Tuesday to Friday) and talk to Kate Smart, Supervisor.

Our next cake stall will be on Friday May 7th at the Dog Inn car park, from 09.30am. On Saturday May 22nd we will hold a coffee morning at the Tom Hauley Room to include a home-made produce stall and a raffle - with some excellent prizes. We will also have second hand books for sale, so come along and buy your next good read!! As usual all will be welcome including families (there will be a special play area for young children).

We look forward to seeing you at these events and at this year's Carnival, where we will be running a game stall.

RUTH GUY CHAIRPERSON

A COAST TO COAST THANK YOU.



With 188 miles under our belts, the North Sea came into view. I had collected a pebble on the beach at St Bee's Head and I was now able to throw it off the headland into the sea below. Robin Hood's Bay was just a slow exhilarating jog around the cliff top pastures - just two miles of enjoyment knowing that after eight hard days we had finished the 'COAST TO COAST'.

When we arrived at the Bay Hotel (the recognised finish and start) a welcoming party of friends and family were there to greet us. It included a representative of the Leukaemia Research Fund, and I was able to tell her that thanks to the people of Harbury and elsewhere we had raised a minimum of £1500. This was delightful news for her as she had not realised just how much sponsorship we had.

On behalf of Leukaemia Research I would like to thank all of you who sponsored myself, Bob, Joyce and Sally (the dog) for your support. At times I did feel tired and wanted to stop but I thought about all the money you had promised and that spurred me on to the finish. Thankyou all for your generosity.

Jane Hancock

Jane and her friends took the route devised by Alfred Wainwright. This mainly high level route using footpaths was a great challenge for them all, despite some awful weather, they kept smiling. Sally the dog seemed to enjoy it too! The Photograph shows them with Jane's dad (who joined them for two days of the run) outside Keld Youth Hostel at the start of Day 5. It is of course raining! John and I would like to add our thanks to you all for your generous help - we will let you know the final total when we have it.

SHARON HANCOCK (Who sensibly took the picture and then went by CAR)

THOSE WERE THE DAYS

Sent in by Dennis Andrews

Who is a Senior Citizen? What is one?

A Senior Citizen is one who was here before the Pill and the population explosion. We were here before television, penicillin, polio shots, antibiotics and Frisbees. Before frozen food, nylon, dacron, Xerox,

Kinsey, radar, flourescent lights, credit cards and ball point pens. For us, time sharing meant togetherness not computers, a chip meant a piece of wood, hardware meant hard wear and software wasn't even a word. We were before panty hose and drip dry clothes, briefs were something solicitors stared at. We were before ice-makers, dish washers, clothes dryers, freezers and electric blankets. Before Hawaii and Alaska became states and the British Empire was still about. Then, men wore long hair and earrings and women wore jeans. We were before Leonard Bernstein, yoghurt, plastic and the 40 hour week and the minimum wage. We even got married first and then lived together. How quaint can one be? Closets were for clothes, not for coming out of bunnies were small rabbits and beetles were insects not Volkswagens. We were before Grandma Moses, Sinatra and cup sizing for bras. Girls wore Peter Pan collars and cleavage was something butchers did. We were before Batman, Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer and Snoopy. Before DDT, vitamin pills, disposable nappies QE One, the Jefferson Memorial and pizza, Instant coffee, decaffeinated anything and McDonalds were all unheard of! We thought fast food was what you ate during Lent. We were before Boy George, gay meant lighthearted or frivolous. We were before FM, radios, tape recorders, electric typewriters, word processors, electronic music, disco dancing and ghetto blasters...and thats not all bad! In our day, cigarette smoking was fashionable, grass was for mowing, coke was for heating and pot was something you cooked in. If we'd been asked to explain CIA, NATO, UFO, UNO or Ms we'd have said; alphabet soup!

Walk tall and proud today's Senior Citizen. We are a hardy bunch, when you think of how our world has changed and all the adjustments WE have had to make!

ONE OF THE BUNCH....

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

In April our speaker was Mr Howells the Horticultural officer at Aston University. He illustrated his talk on water gardens with some lovely slides. Anything from a half barrel to a large lake is a way to bring the tranquility of water into the garden. It would also seem to be the

way to bring a great deal of humour into gardening, if Mr Howells tales are examples of what happens when building a pool. A few useful tips we also picked up were, to use carpet scraps or newspaper to line the pool shape in the ground. Keep the plants in scale with the pool and don't be afraid to divide the plants in Spring. This is easier if you plant in baskets lined with hessian, which also allows you to gradually move plants down to their proper depth in the water.

Final meeting, until the Autumn, is on Tuesday, 4th May, with Mr Williams talking about Plants for the Border. For the visit to the Dorothy Chive Garden and Bridgemere Garden Centre on June 3rd we have booked a larger coach, so there are still a few seats available. Please ring Eleanor Zonik - 612365

MAY IN THE GARDEN

Be alert for frosts right up to the end of the month. & protect any tender plants, Begin hardening off half hardy plants of your own raising and don't be in a hurry to plant out those you buy before the end of the month. Continue sowing hardy annuals for succession, biennials & perennials - plant dahlia tubers (not growing plants) & early chrysanths about the second week. Trim rock plants that have flowered and divide spring flowering alpiners and polyanthus. Prune early flowering shrubs and clip quick growing hedges e.g. privet and lonicera, Dead head lilac - sow outdoors dwarf french beans early, sweet corn and runner beans from mid-month. Final sowing of main crop peas and second sowing of French beans end of the month. Successional sowings of salads, spinach and winter brassicas, plant out early sowings of brassicas. Pinch out tops of broad beans to discourage blackfly as soon as lowest pods begin to set. (The tops can be eaten). Earth up early potatoes keeping tops covered as far as possible against risk of frost. Keep the hoe going against weeds and put down straw or mats round strawberries. Begin to plant up new tubs and containers, and to give a weekly feed from now on to established containers. This is a good time to construct and stock a new pond - you will find it colonised by frogs & insect life almost within hours of completion and an endless source of interest.

V.A. NEILL

Letters to the Editors

Dear Editors,

May I through your paper express my deep gratitude for all the love & support I have received during my recent operation ?

Thank you so much for all your prayers and enquiries, for your cards, flowers and gifts and for taking the time to visit me. All your care, together with the wonderful care from my family and hospital, have set me on the road to a good recovery. With all my good wishes.

Yours Sincerely

Esme Churchill

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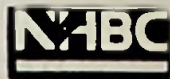
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