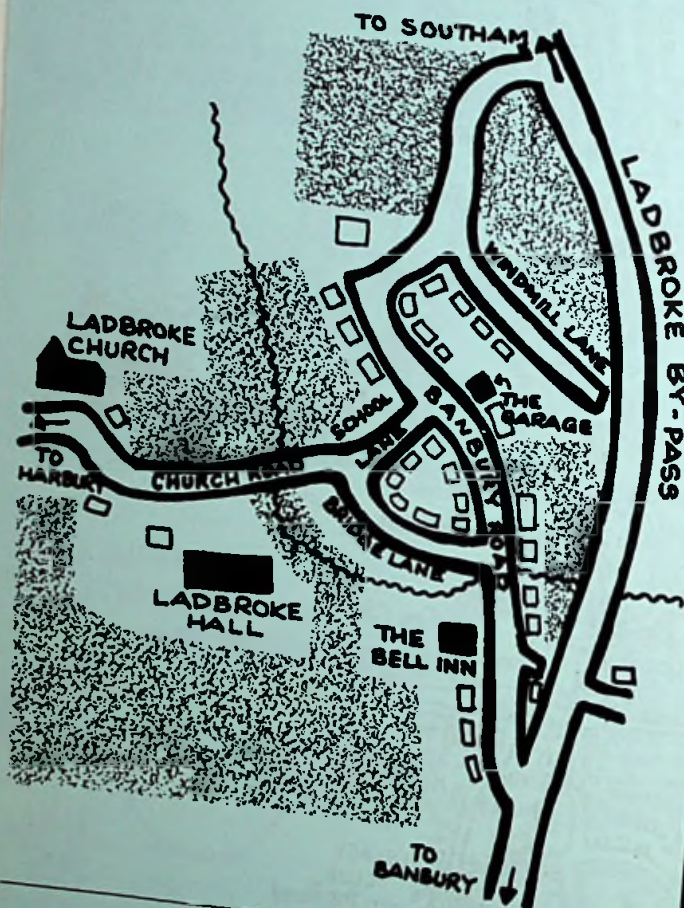


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This month's photograph shows the post box at the top of Farm Street, which replaces the modern box. As this is a conservation area the replacement box is in keeping with its situation.

In view of the recent accident involving a young cyclist in Binswood End, we would ask all road users to be especially vigilant now that it goes dark earlier. Remember the Road Safety motto "see and be seen" so make sure your lights are in working order!

Whilst in the theme of safety remember, that fireworks should be handled with care, and check your bonfire before lighting to make sure no hibernating hedgehogs are in residence.

Congratulations to Gladys and Fred Hutchins who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in October. Finally we extend out sympathies to the family of David McLauchlan.

# Harbury Diary

## NOVEMBER

- Sat 5 Village Bonfire at Recreation Grounds
- Sun 6 **SEVENTH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS**  
Sung Eucharist 9am; Evensong 4pm
- Mon 7 Prayer & Praise in Tom Hauley Room, 8pm  
No Yoga
- Tues 8 Book Week at the Village Hall Nursery Playgroup until Friday 11th.  
Step Aerobics in Village Hall 1.30-2.30pm  
Toddler Service 2.15pm  
Holy Communion 7.30pm  
PCC Meeting in Tom Hauley Room 8.10pm  
Village Hall Committee in Village Hall 8pm
- Wed 9 Beginners Cotswold Morris in School at 7.30pm  
Grapevine Coffee Morning in Tom Hauley Room 10am - Noon
- Thurs 10 Coffee Morning with Raffle at Village Hall for Nursery Playgroup  
9.30am - Noon  
Slimming World in Tom Hauley Room 10.30am  
Holy Communion at 9.45am  
Thursday Club in Village Hall at 2.30pm  
W.I. in Village Hall at 7.45pm  
Annual Parent Governors Meeting in School at 8pm
- Sat 12 Hedgework Day at Village Hall with Training by BTCV. All volunteers welcome. Starts at 10am.  
NSPCC Casino Evening in Village Hall  
Coffee Morning & Mission for Seamen Christmas Sale in Tom Hauley Room, 10.30 - Noon
- Sun 13 **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**  
Holy Communion 8am, Remembrance Service with procession to the War Memorial 10.15am, Sung Eucharist 4pm
- Tues 15 Step Aerobics in Village Hall 1.30 - 2.30pm  
Holy Communion at 7.30pm

Mothers Union in Tom Hauley Room 8pm  
 Senior Citizens Committee in Village Hall 8.30pm

- Wed 16 Beginners Cotswold Morris in School 7.30pm  
 Grapevine Coffee Morning, Tom Hauley Room 10am - Noon
- Thurs 17 Holy Communion at 9.45am  
 Slimming World in Tom Hauley Room at 10.30am
- Sat 19 Men's Prayer Breakfast in Tom Hauley Room 7.30am  
 Faith Supper Celebration for the Completion of ROC Appeal in Tom Hauley Room at 7.30pm  
 Living Prayer in the Tom Hauley Room 2-4.30pm led by Michael & Sharon Simpson

**FENCEWORK DAY AT THE VILLAGE HALL STARTS 10am. ALL VOLUNTEERS WELCOME.**

- Sun 20 **FIFTH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS**  
 Holy Communion at 8am, Family Communion 10.30am, Benediction 6pm
- Mon 21 Harbury News Committee Mtg. in Tom Hauley Room 8pm
- Tues 22 Step Aerobics in Village Hall 1.30-2.30pm  
 Holy Communion at 7.30pm, Julian Group at 8.10pm  
 Myton Hospice Support Group, Coffee Morning. Fox Cottage 10am
- Wed 23 Beginners Cotswold Morris in School at 7.30pm  
 Play - THE RAILWAY CHILDREN in Village Hall 7.30pm  
 Grapevine Coffee Morning in Tom Hauley Room 10am - Noon
- Thurs 24 Holy Communion at 9.45am  
 Slimming World in Tom Hauley Room at 10.30am  
 Thursday Club in Village Hall 2.30pm  
 Parish Council in Tom Hauley Room 7.30pm
- Fri 25 Holy Communion at Noon  
 Play - THE RAILWAY CHILDREN in Village Hall 7.30pm  
**ALL ARTICLES FOR DECEMBER'S ISSUE TO PETE'S PLACE**
- Sat 26 Play - THE RAILWAY CHILDREN in Village Hall 2.30pm and 7.30pm  
 Myton Hospice Support Group, Dance at Harbury Club 7.30pm
- Sun 27 **Advent Sunday**  
 Holy Communion at 8am, Sung Eucharist 10.30am, Choral Evensong 4pm in thanksgiving for the Completion of repairs to roof, organ and clock
- Tues 29 Step Aerobics in Village Hall at 1.30 -2.30pm  
 Holy Communion at 7.30pm
- Wed 30 **ST. ANDREWS DAY**  
 Grapevine Coffee Morning in Tom Hauley Room 10am - Noon

## DECEMBER

- Thurs 1 Storytelling in the Library 10am  
 Slimming World in Tom Hauley Room at 10.30am  
 Holy Communion at 7.30pm, Mens Society in THR 7.45pm  
 Folk Club in Lounge of Old New Inn at 8.30pm
- Fri 2 Deanery Service 7.30pm  
 WI Christmas Party in Village Hall



- Sat 3 **FENCING TRAINING AT VILLAGE HALL STARTS 10AM, ALL VOLUNTEERS WELCOME.**  
**CHRISTMAS FAYRE** with SANTA in Village Hall
- Sun 4 **ADVENT II** Sung Eucharist 9am, Evensong 4pm,  
 Works County Youth Choral in Church 7.30pm

**DATES FOR INCLUSION IN THE HARBURY DIARY PLEASE TO:  
 LINDA RIDGLEY - TEL. 612792.**

<b>For Village Hall Bookings</b>	<b>Mrs. Hughes 612716</b>
<b>For Wight School Bookings</b>	<b>Mrs. Hayes 613488</b>
<b>For Tom Hauley Room Bookings</b>	<b>Mrs. Smith 613680</b>

### **REGULAR DIARY DATES**

**BABY CLINIC:** New Surgery, 2-4pm 2nd & 4th Wednesday  
**BADMINTON:** Village Hall Tuesdays  
**BEAVERS:** Scout Hut, 6-7pm Tuesdays  
**BELLRINGING PRACTICE:** Church, 7.30pm Fridays  
**BINGO:** Village Hall, 8pm Mondays  
**BROWNIES:** Village Hall 6-7.30pm Tuesdays  
**CHOIR PRACTICE:** Church, 6.30pm Fridays  
**CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU:** Over Southam Magistrates Court,  
 10am-3pm Tuesdays (Except Bank Holidays)  
**COFFEE MORNING:** Tom Hauley Room 10am-12noon Saturdays  
**CUBS:** Scout Hut, Wednesdays  
**DANCING CLASSES:** Farley Room Village Hall, Children & Adults 4-9pm  
 Wednesdays.  
**GRAPEVINE:** Tom Hauley Room, Coffee Morning 10-12noon Wednesdays  
**GUIDES:** Scout Hut, 7-8.30pm Monday  
**GYMNASTICS:** Harbury School, 6-7pm (U7-10yrs & Beginners 7-8pm;  
 Over 10yrs 8-9pm Mondays)  
**HARBURY CRUSADERS:** Tom Hauley Room, 10.30am Sundays  
**HARBURY FOLK CLUB:** Old New Inn 8.30pm 1st Thursday of Month  
**HARBURY FRIENDS:** School, 8pm 2nd Tues of Month  
**HEREBURGH MORRIS DANCERS:** School Hall, 8-10pm Wednesdays  
**HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY:** Village Hall, 8pm 1st Tues (Oct. to May)  
**LIBRARY:** Stories, Rhymes for U5s, 10am 1st Thursday of Month  
**NETBALL CLUB:** Village Hall Car Park, Training 6.30pm Thursdays;  
 Matches Saturday Afternoon  
**NURSERY SCHOOL:** Village Hall, Tuesday to Friday mornings  
**PLAYGROUP:** Wight School, Tuesday to Friday mornings  
**SLIMMING WORLD:** Tom Hauley Room 10.30 Thursdays  
**SCOUTS:** Scout Hut, 7.45pm Tuesdays & Thursdays  
**STEP AEROBICS:** Village Hall, 1.30-2.30pm Tuesdays

**TENNIS CLUB:** (Apr-Sept) Tue & Thur 6.30pm onwards (6pm for April);

Sat 2-5pm, Mon & Wed 1.45-3pm

**THEATRE GROUP:** Wight School, 8pm last Friday of Month

**THURSDAY CLUB:** Village Hall 2.30pm 2nd & 4th Thursday of Month

**TODDLER GROUP:** Wight School, 10-11.30am Mondays & 2-3.30pm Wed.

**UPHOLSTERY CLASSES:** Wight School, 2-4pm Mondays

**W.I.:** Village Hall, 7.45pm 2nd Thursday of Month

**YOGA:** Village Hall, 1.30-3pm Monday, Diane Surgey Tel.817904

**YOUTH CLUB:** Village Hall, 7.30-9.30pm Wednesdays

## **DO YOU NEED HELP WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING?**

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**VISITING:** Hospital. If you are unable to visit a parent or relative, or parents would like support with a child in Hospital: Call Fr. Roy Brown 612377 or Keith Dormer 613254.

**HOME VISITING:** Caring for a sick or elderly relative and need a break for a few hours, or you would like someone to call on you: Call Betty Knappe 612679 or Sue Dormer 613254.

**CHILDRENS' CLOTHING:** for 0-6 Years old: Call Anne Woodward 613536, Maureen Darby 613330 or Mary Catt 612864.

**EMERGENCY TRANSPORT:** Call Vivien Neill 613461 or John Algar 613864.

**HELP WITH FORM FILLING:** Job Applications, CV's, Council Tax Forms, etc.: Call Joanne Cooper 613859 or Jeff Bedford 612753.

**For University/Job Applications, Interviews, CV's**

Call Philip Bushill-Matthews 612476

For Personal Tax Claims, Rebates on Tax Paid to Building Societies (on incomes below £4,500) or on Shares: Call Jim Chapple 612044.

**HOUSEHOLD BUDGETING ADVICE:** Call Tony Brunton 612191.

**ODD JOBS ABOUT THE HOUSE:** Call Jeff Bedford 612753.

**HELP WITH COOKING, SHOPPING, READING:** If you live alone and need help with cooking or shopping, or you need help with reading, or you are partially sighted and would like someone to read to you: Call Mary Catt 612864.

## ALL SAINTS' CHURCH HARBURY SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion, 8am

Sung Eucharist, 10.30am (Exc. 1st Sunday of Month: Sung Eucharist 9am)

Family Service, 10.30am on 3rd Sunday of Month

Evensong, 6.30pm (Except 3rd Sunday)

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

### FROM THE RECTOR

Advertising people are always working out new ways of 'reaching people'. Schemes are devised in order to catch people's attention and entice them towards some new product. And it works, sometimes people change the habits of a lifetime under the influence of a clever advertising campaign. People who believe in Christ are also concerned about reaching others. If you believe and value that belief, you will want to hand it on to those you love. You will also be anxious to share that belief with as many people as possible. But there is one thing that must always be remembered, it is Jesus who reaches people through us. Spreading the Gospel means living it so wholeheartedly that the good news that Jesus lives in you becomes good news for others. Jesus actually reaches out and touches others because you have allowed him to be alive in you. What we do is important, but what we allow God to do is infinitely more important. To be a herald of the good news is to proclaim by the way you live who Jesus is and what your faith in Him means to you.

To believe the good news is not just to accept that Christ was your Redeemer in the past, it is to accept Christ as your friend and brother in the present. And all this is true not just for your good but so that through you Christ might even now reach out to others. No one can say, "But God could never use me". St. Paul said that God's power working in us could do infinitely more than we could hope for or imagine. In the words of St. Theresa, "Christ has no body on earth but yours, no hands on earth but your hands, yours are the feet with which he looks out with compassion on the whole world".

**Fr. Roy**



## LAUGH LINE

When the Vicar had been in his new parish twelve months a parishioner asked him what he thought had been his main contribution to the life of the church. He replied "People here didn't know what sin was till I came".

## HOLY MATRIMONY

Harbury        October 8th, Neil Falconer to Emma Harrison  
Ladbroke      October 22nd, Andrew Peel to Jenny Dixon

## HOLY BAPTISM

Harbury        October 9th, Emma Snell  
                  October 23rd, Charles Stephen Henshaw  
                  October 30th, Naomi Georgine Bradford

## FUNERALS

Oakley Wood: October 7th, David McLauchlan of Constance Drive  
Ladbroke        October 18th, Enid Sherriff

## FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS

November heralds the time of year which we relate to the beginning of the winter period although we are still very much in the autumn period.

The Village Bonfire is a popular village event which attracts a lot of families to enjoy the fireworks and the refreshments afterwards. Remembrance Sunday follows a week later and the local branch of the British Legion will lead the service and ceremony at the village war memorial.

The theme for this year's Christmas Fayre will be Nursery Rhymes, so all stall holders and those taking part have plenty of notice to rummage in the cupboard to find or adapt an appropriate costume.

The organ is currently being put back together. We use this phrase as we have been surprised at the seemingly endless parts, pipes and fittings which are being assembled. We are sure it will be worth waiting for.

**Beryl and Jeff**

## MOTHERS' UNION

At our afternoon meeting Charles Catt gave us a delightful illustrated talk on the wild flowers of Britain entitled "*The Lilies of the Field*". It is Charles' aim to eventually photograph all the species of British wild flowers. Mary read us the passage from Matthew where the title of his talk came from.

The subject of the October evening meeting was Autumn/Harvest. Members brought along a particular item of interest which reminded them of this colourful time of the year. Poems were read by a number of members and others brought books with photographs which illustrated how times have changed since the days when the "gathering in" was done by the whole family, whereas today machinery has taken over most of the manual work. There was a flower arrangement full of autumnal shades and a picture entitled "*Maple trees*" painted by former M.U. member Gwen Douthwaite. In November the speaker at the evening meeting will be from the Salvation Army.

Shirley Keir/Lorna Bedford

## TODDLERS' SERVICE

Our service was about the Harvest and Mrs Catt had brought various fruits to show us and some wheat. She then produced some bread dough and small loaves were made by everyone to take home and bake. We thanked God for all the good things that we have to eat and sang "Stand up, Clap hands, shout thank you, Lord".

Shirley Keir

## R.O.C.

September was a busy month for R.O.C. with a MOTOR RALLY which was much enjoyed by those who took part. The rally made a profit thanks to the generosity of the RAC who waived their fee.

In the same month, Ken and Annette Hughes organised a delightful ANTIQUES EVENING where we received either good news or bad news about our treasured possessions. These two events made a profit of £330.

In early October, Wendy Stubbs and Dorothy Travis organised a successful TABLE TOP sale which made a further £100.

The fund raising came to a resounding conclusion on Saturday 29th October when the church echoed to the sound of "*Gilbert and Sullivan favourites*". Clive Watts and his choir with Mary Shelley (narrator), Kerry Stanton (guest organist) and Mains Young (pianist) treated us to a feast of music which raised the roof! The profit from the evening was £410 and this will be divided equally between Harbury and Ladbroke parishes, as singers from both parishes contributed to the evening which entertained over 200 people. This was a fitting climax to a very successful year, as we have reached our target with funds to spare.



The sale of tickets for the HEREBURGH QUILT has now been completed and the raffle will be drawn at the annual Christmas Fair which takes place in December.

Thankyou to everyone on the R.O.C. Committee, to all the people who organised or helped in any way with the events that have taken place, and not



least to you for supporting them. We hope to be able to report a final total for the fund next month.

**Joyce and Harry Windsor**

## **HARBURY & LADBROKE CHURCH Men's SOCIETY**

The Society met on 6th October, for the first meeting of the 1994/95 period to hear a most interesting talk given by Mr. Ray Cooper entitled: *The Mines Rescue Service*. Ray was a miner, then a Mine's Safety Officer. A very dangerous job. He began his talk explaining how the seams were formed from trees in swamps millions of years ago that had become carbonised plant tissue and then formed into coal.

He then explained how coal was initially retrieved by digging individual shafts expanded out at the bottom. These were known as Bell Shaft Pits. Since then, shafts dug in mines have been dug out in twos or fours to form a ventilation circuit, allowing fresh air to be blown in and foul air to be driven out. To explain how the air flow is controlled, Ray drew diagrams. He told us how different gases can be identified and dealt with. In 1911 Henry Fluce developed a respirator that could be worn by a rescue worker and this too was explained in detail, with the aid of drawings.

Subsequent to this, air locks were added to the respirators and they became known as *Air Selected Flow Type* providing oxygen to the wearers whenever the body required it.

A Davy lamp was dismantled in order to explain its operation, showing how the flame is protected by a double gauze from coming into contact with firedamp, the miner's name for an explosive mixture of methane gas and air.

Ray concluded by saying, Mine Rescue Workers must have at least two years experience working underground before volunteering as a rescue worker. Volunteers must be tough, with a fitness second to none, as they are tested to their absolute limits dealing with unusual situations.

They must keep themselves, their equipment and station in tip top condition at all times. Their equipment and training is continually under examination.

Davy Lamps are split down and inspected after every shift. This was an ~~interesting~~ talk that prompted many questions and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

P.D. Edwards



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## CHRISTMAS APPEAL FOR LEAMINGTON CHRISTIAN MISSION

We are asking for your help for Steph and Geoff as they work to bring Christmas joy to the poor families and homeless of Leamington district.

They need **NEW** gifts suitable for men, women and children, such as toiletries (including disposable razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste and soaps), underwear, knitwear, toys, gloves, scarves, socks, books and sweets etc., also food for inclusion in Christmas hampers.

They have about 200 people to distribute presents to, so we rely on your generosity as in previous years. Don't forget that extra item when you are out shopping and thank you!

**Jill Winter, 19 Farm St. 612858**

**Liz Suttie, 4 Sutcliffe Dr. 613209**

# Ladbroke News

## NOVEMBER

- Wed 9 Holy Communion 2pm  
PCC Meeting 7.30pm
- Sun 13 **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**  
Sung Communion 9am with Act of Remembrance
- Wed 16 Holy communion 10.30am
- Sun 20 **5TH SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS**  
Sung Communion 9am, Childrens Church 10.30am, Evensong 3.30pm
- Wed 23 Holy Communion 10.30am
- Sat 26 **CHRISTMAS FAIR 2.30PM IN VILLAGE HALL**
- Sun 27 **ADVENT SUNDAY**, Sung Communion 9am
- Wed 30 Holy Communion 10.30am

## DECEMBER

- Sun 4 **ADVENT 2**  
Family Communion 10.30am

## FRIENDS OF LADBROKE CHURCH

Songs of Praise - 16th October 1994. I would like to thank all of my "stalwarts" who, once again, turned up trumps with the refreshments. With

your support and particularly of the Committee (you must know them by now, Gill Moore, Pam Barnett and Beryl Ross) my life is so much easier. Thank you all - but I shall call on you again, ere long!

Just in case there are any of you who do not know, I regret having to tell you of the recent death of a friend, Enid Sheriff. There were to be flowers or a donation to Macmillan Nurses so we made a donation of £10.

**Gwynne Badman**

## **CHURCH NEWS**

The 7th Sunday before Christmas, plus the fact that the clocks have gone back; sorry folks, but if you haven't had your summer holiday yet - you're too late!

Harvest Thanksgiving and the Harvest Supper were both very happy occasions. Coffee after the Thanksgiving service was a success, so much so that Hazel Sharples has been inspired to buy the church its own cups and saucers, (with the surplus moneys from the Harvest Supper). This will enable us to extend the fellowship of the service more often.

The children entertained us beautifully after the Harvest Supper. We could have done with a microphone so that the people at the back of the hall could have appreciated them more.

I was sorry to have missed the Songs of Praise on October 16th but that too was a happy occasion, well supported by our friends from Harbury.

Remembrance Sunday - 13th November. Our service is at 9am, the British Legion will be with us and we shall observe the two minute silence as usual. The Communion service will follow.

November 26th, 2.30pm at the Village Hall, our annual Christmas Fayre. Please come and support us, the proceeds are shared between our church and national and overseas charities. We shall be most appreciative of any items you can give towards the Cake Stall, Tombola and Gift Stall. There will be a leaflet in the Leamington Review nearer the time saying when we will come round and collect, alternatively if you would like to bring anything you may wish to donate to me or any P.C.C member that would be a great help.

**Betty Winkfield**

## **WOMEN's FELLOWSHIP**

The Rector gave us a most interesting talk about St. Michael the Archangel and Michaelmas at our October meeting, there was a great deal of discussion about it afterwards.

Novembers meeting on Wednesday 9th is at Jo Sowerby's home. (Following our Corporate Communion at 2pm in church) when she will show us how to make our own Christmas Crackers.

**Betty Winkfield**

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

We commemorated the lives of Saint Simon and Saint Jude on October 28th. They were both martyred in Persia - (Iran) for preaching the Gospel there. Saint Jude is known as "The Patron of hopeless cases". He was given this patronage because no one invoked him because his name was so similar to Judas. St. Jude is often seen holding a club - the instrument depicting his death, while Simon is seen holding a fish.

**Betty Winkfield**

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

There was a meeting of Ladbroke Parish Council on Wednesday 21st October. The new road name signs were now in place, and would no doubt prove a great help for all those puzzled motorists, I frequently see peering at the Ladbroke History Map, outside the pub. Our local Police Constable commented that they would be a great help to the emergency services as well.

It was thought that the unsafe barnwall opposite School Lane, would need further demolition to make it safe, but that for Conservation reasons it would have to be rebuilt eventually.

The new 30 m.p.h. speed limit throughout the confines of the village should be in place by Christmas. The 20 m.p.h. signs on the dangerous bend would remain until they need replacing.

P.C. Andy Went reported that there had been yet another burglary at the "Bell Inn", all suspicious incidents should be reported to the Police as well as to your Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 16th November at 7.45 p.m. in the Village Hall.



Subscriptions of £4 per annum (for the Harbury & Ladbroke News) should have been collected by the time you read this. If you haven't yet paid please take your sub to Pearl Edwards.

We say farewell to Christine and Mike Jerome as they leave Ladbroke after living here for the past 17 years. We wish them all happiness in their new home.

**Kate Liverton**

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## **HARBURY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

Planning, planning and more planning this month attracted a room full of South Parade/Vicarage Lane residents anxious to have their say about the Bryant application for 37 houses at Sonas Mor.

Under Chairman, Ed Wilson's skilful direction the following points emerged:- opposition to development of the site would fail (it had been identified in the Local Plan as an area for some of the 9,000 new homes Stratford District had been instructed to provide); however the Local Plan specified a "significant proportion of low-cost homes here and only four were offered; access was a legitimate concern as was the low water pressure; residents themselves should complain about loss of privacy and press for adequate fencing and planting, supported by the PC; designs were unsuitable and suburban, did not specify the affordable homes would be for rent, nor integrate them with the other houses, which would be built first.

The Council secured an extension to the consultation and as always would try to get the best for Harbury as a whole. It agreed to support the provision of low-cost homes at Hillside Farm subject to clarification and assurances that rents would be kept within £52-56 a week.

It expressed dissatisfaction with enforcement procedures at the Old Forge where revised plans had been submitted only after work was completed. Enforcement was delayed at Deppers Bridge where the Post Office had been unable to deliver the Notice to Mr Heath. Stratford Officers would visit No. 2 Farley Avenue in case Planning Permission was required. The PC would monitor Bretherens Farm developments.

Steve Norman costed work on the Recreation Grounds to pave and fence the access to the Play Area, repair the kick-about tarmac, and provide an aerial runway.

All roads into the village will be on the Gritting list this winter. No decision was reached on removing the Tip direction signs at Beggars Lane.

The VAT man has refused to reimburse the tax element of the Village Hall roof payments but the shower work should not be affected as this is funded by a Parish Council grant. John Hunt has examined Audit Commission guidelines and reported that Harbury was doing just about everything by the book and could give itself "a big tick".

**Linda Ridgley**

## **HARBURY SOCIETY**

We have packed a lot of events into the early autumn:- fund-raising at the Coffee Morning and Street Fayre and talks on the Council for the Protection of Rural England and the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers.

Now comes the exciting bit - the chance to learn countryside skills like how to plant up a hedge and care for it and how to erect a fence.

Gillian Luscombe from BTCV is coming to the Village Hall on Saturday and Sunday 12th and 13th November with all the tools and plants we need. Harbury has to provide the volunteers and old carpet as a mulch for the hedging plants.

Do come along and lend a hand, even if it is only for an hour on one of the days. If you are really keen you might like to help with the fencing on following Saturdays, the 19th November and 3rd December.

You will enjoy it and there will be refreshments for the volunteers. People who helped make the Coffee Morning and Street Fayre stall so successful know taking part is much more fun than just watching.

**Linda Ridgley**

## **HARBURY W.I.**

First of all let me apologise to Eileen Picken for not mentioning in last months Harbury News that she had won the Horticultural Society Cup for Craft and the Firck Cup for Novice Flower Arranging at the recent Produce Show. Belated congratulations Eileen.

What an enjoyable Harvest Supper we had. Food was provided by Doreen Bloxham and her hard working Committee and was delicious. Entertainment was provided by The Park Street Players (members of various W.I.'s in the

area) and was very amusing. Our sincere thanks to all who helped to make the evening such a success.

We have decided to hold a Mince pie stall again at the Church Christmas Fair in December so we do hope members will 'do us proud' and bake for us as they did last year.

A short business meeting as we were entertained to a demonstration of Scottish Dancing by the Leamington Scottish Dance Group. Scottish dancing is so popular that there is hardly a town or city or a country in the world that has not got a group. Leamington have very young members ranging to the 80's.

I must say that they all looked very fit and ok, the swirl of tartan kilt and dress and the lightness of foot was delightful.

Members and visitors from other W.I.'s were instructed in a few dances (not so light of foot) and there was a lot of hilarity. A very good evening.

**November Teas:** Audrey Atkins, Barbara Ayres and Doreen Bloxham.

**Jeanne Beaumont**

## **HARBURY FOLK CLUB OCTOBER '94**

This month's edition of Harbury Folk Club proved to be its usual confection of differing styles and approaches. However, this month was unusual in that the *icing on the cake*, as it were, was of a particularly tasty variety.

Mike Houston returned as an artist, after an absence of some months, with a couple of cultural Scottish offerings, whilst Fill and Drill debuted Drill on guitar (or is it Fill?) whilst Dick Middleton was the only artist to sing to this month's theme, which we didn't have.

Jean and Ron Shuttleworth entertained in their individual, though separate unaccompanied ways and Peter MacDonald gave us a few pages from the Huw and Tony Williams song book for a change. The Harvesters gave us some of their own songs, whilst Mike Putnam gave us a recitation. Oh, yes, and I sang a couple here and there.

Then in the third half, we were all treated to nothing less than Nothing By Change, who were flexing their vocal chords before embarking on a tour of Cyprus. They were, as always, quite superb; though I do confess to being somewhat biased in this particular. Gilly gave us the full range of her considerate vocal talent and Keith linked the songs together with episodes of



lunacy in a way that is uniquely theirs. Eventually we had to let them go home.

Another excellent night at the best singer's club in the county.

**Steve Dudley**

## **HARBURY THEATRE GROUP**

Remember those days when almost every village had its own railway station, Harbury being no exception? Our November play has been specially adapted and is set at Harbury Halt. A small country station on the main Birmingham-London line.

Many will know the story of the Railway Children made famous through book, film, TV, radio and of course the play (written by Edith Nesbit and adapted by Dave Simpson).

This is a very moving account of a once wealthy family being forced to move to the country. At first they find it difficult to be accepted into the close-knit community but manage to overcome this through their own never ending kindness. Added to this, the railway children become local heroes and all through the play we can see how they are always willing to help others even to their own detriment.

The whole play will be a sheer joy to watch so remember to bring your tissues. We'll leave the lights low so that no one will see you shedding a little tear at the end!!

The performances are as follows:

Wednesday	23rd November	7.30pm
Friday	25th November	7.30pm
Saturday	26th November	2.30pm (Matinee)
Saturday	26th November	7.30pm

Tickets priced £2.50 adults and £1.50 for children are available from Pete's Place. (Wednesday night only, children and Senior citizens £1.00.) Telephone booking line: 613415.

**Brian Thurogood**

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## **1ST HARBURY CUBS**

On Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th October the Cubs held a Jamboree on Air. Bob, Steve and Dave all from Stratford-upon-Avon Amateur radio club set up their radio's Saturday morning and waited for the first group of Cubs to arrive. Cubs and Scouts from around the Leamington District were invited.

Everyone who came enjoyed themselves, but unfortunately due to weather conditions we were only able to make contact with Australia and Malta once, but local radio's made contact with other Cubs and Scouts from Birmingham, Peterborough and Malvern to name a few. Many thanks to Bob, Steve and Dave for giving their time, also thanks to Lisa and David for keeping the teapot full.



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## **K. ZONE**

We are now eight weeks into the second year of what was formed as the Harbury After School Club and re-named the K.Zone by the children.

Already this school year there are 45 children registered for the session and a new member of staff has been appointed to cope with the numbers.

On one or two days each week we are either fully booked or close to capacity unless there are cancellations. However there are still a few registration places available.

Thanks to the Horticultural Society who have generously donated £50 to the club which will be put to good use.

The Victorian Street Fayre was a success and thanks especially to Ann Hall who sat with me the whole time. Thanks too are due to all the mums who baked cakes for the stall.

The Gamecock darts team I would also like to express my gratitude to. They held the pig roast at the Fayre and donated to the club. This money has purchased new games already and there will be more to follow fed in on a drip feed basis.

For Christmas we are planning to hold a draw with some great prizes so look out for the poster on our window.

I want to be the first to wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and my thanks to everyone who has helped over the past year and for all the support which has been given since I took the club over on my own in September. Special thanks to my staff Kate, Moi, Sue, Clare and Mary without whom the K.Zone could not have become the success it has.

**Mandi Wood**

## **HARBURY ALBION FOOTBALL CLUB**

The club is running two teams in Divisions 4 and 5 of the Leamington Sunday League and both teams have started their fixtures as well as anyone connected with the club can remember, with neither team defeated in League

or Cup at the time of writing. Top goalscorers are Paul Gladden and Paul McDaid with 6 goals for the first XI, and Will Russell with 12 goals for the Reserves. The best form of all, though has been shown by the Reserves Defence which hasn't let in a goal since the first game of the season. Goalkeeper Martin Perry has notched up 6 consecutive 'clean sheets', totalling 9 hours without conceding a goal. Away from the field, the club is once again organising a New Years Eve Fancy Dress Disco at the Village Hall. Tickets will be available from the club members throughout December.

**R Davis (612457)**

## **HARBURY RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

Over the summer several club stalwards, including Steve Byford, Dave Davies and Dylan Rogers, left the club and so the 1994/5 season was always likely to be one of rebuilding. However, injuries have also sidelined several senior players, including Club Captain Colin Phillips, whilst Vice Captain Jamie Williams has played only twice due to work commitments, so the 1st team has been seriously lacking in experience.

Consequently, despite improved training lights and the efforts of coach Neville Lee, the senior side has yet to register a win. Relying heavily on youth, seven of last season's Colts have played, with Shane Exton, Richard Mazurek and Richard Smith establishing regular places. Whilst this infusion of youth bodes well for the future, more streetwise opponents have exploited this inexperience in league games, resulting in 0-58, 0-38 and 3-51 defeats by Old Silhillians, Linley and Spartans. Despite these results morale and commitment remain good and 0-12 defeats by both Warwickshire Police and Coventrians provide hope for the rest of the season, especially as several senior players should soon return from injury.

The seconds under John Golden's Captaincy, have enjoyed a good start with five wins from eight games, including a Warwickshire cup 1st round win at Ford. In the last few weeks the 3rd team have also played twice, combining old and young players, and have enjoyed two closely fought games, although both resulted in narrow defeats.

The Harbury mini festival on 25th September was again a great success thanks to the efforts of Alan Lord and the Mini's Committee. With teams at all ages from under 8-12, plus junior sides at 13, 14 and 16, Harbury is the



envy of many town clubs. New players of all ages are always welcome - senior training is on Wednesday evenings, minis and junior on Sunday mornings.

**Graham Lewis**

## **HARBURY LADIES NETBALL CLUB**

We are now four weeks into the season, and I'm pleased to report that all the players are enthusiastic and motivated. Most of them realise that the Club is in need of a new surface on the court at the playing field, and this will prove to be an expensive job, meaning that a lot of money will have to be raised this year to pay for it.

We have made a good start to our fund-raising, and thank Ellie and Lucy for organising the stall at the Victorian Street Fayre. As you read this we should be 'recovering' from the LADIES NIGHT' which will have taken place at the Village Hall on Thursday 3rd November.

Team selection was as follows:

- A) Mal, Shirley, Lucy, Vanessa, Kim, Teresa, Ellie.
  - B) Joan, Leah, Susan, Mandy, Emma, Hilary, Janet.
  - C) Julie, Vickie, Helen, Jenny, Sue, Emma R, Beccy, Kate.
  - D) Donna, Pat, Jean, Nicki, Emma T, Lucy, Emma H, Carina, Sue Br
- The Captains are A - Kim,, B - Hilary, C - Jenny and D - Pat..

Congratulations to Beccy and Paul McDaid on the birth of their daughter Maggie. We look forward to Beccy's return to netball in the near future.

At the end of September Helen, Janet, Jean, Jenny, Joan, Mandy, Pat and Shirley formed a team and went away for a week-end of sport at Prestatyn in North Wales. It turned out to be a very successful week-end tournament, with games of high standard. The team performance was well above expectations, although whether that was due to their ability, the alcohol, lack of sleep or Shirley's sandwiches is rather unclear!!

Please remember that November's social night is **LADIES NIGHT** and December's is cancelled because of the Christmas Dinner. The next official 'social night' will be on 5th January 1995!

**Pat Summers**

## NSPCC

First the bad news, - the Caribbean Evening on November 12th has had to be postponed until next year, but the good news is, - we have replaced it with a **Casino Evening** instead.

Tickets are limited to 80 and at a mere £7.50 to include a hot supper they are sure to be in demand, so pop into Pete's Place for yours. It may already be too late!

Recent events have gone well, we raised £270 from the Jumble sale, £84 from the Coffee morning and £102 from the Street Fayre stall, with a further £600 donated from the raffle at the same event. This should be yet another good year. Thank you all for your support.

**C Ross**

## 4th HARBURY HASH

Have you got a full set? Yellow, Red, Blue and this year White? I refer to the Hash Tee Shirts with the distinctive windmill motif. Designed by Mandy Miller when she was an Art student. Now she is at the workplace and will get a special invitation to next year's event. I think the colour will be Green. Those Tee Shirts have travelled; one being even now on its way to Singapore putting Harbury on a world stage.

The course for this year's event broke new ground by crossing the M40. Permission from Mr. R. White of Kingston Grange Farm, opened up a swathe of untapped hashing terrain. A false trail through some bee hives provided a sting in the tail, as the field came back across the motorway and *On In*.

Luckily the rain, which had washed out the Street Fayre the night before, just held off. The trail was laid by a skeleton crew of Hares. Kingston Manor, the venue, was prepared and then we kept our fingers crossed.

Thank you everyone for turning up. Our appeal for the *Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children* raised £110.



Thanks to Nigel Chapman for organising the Barbecue and forgoing his *run*, Molly Putnam for amongst other things, taking entries on the day and keeping an account.

We were treated to a vintage rendering of *Round Cape Horn* by Hereburgh Morris Side before they got their inevitable *Down Down*. Thanks also, to my fellow Hares, Mick, Douglas and Mike. A special thank you to Michael Thwaites and the Estate for allowing us, once again, to have the run of the place. Sharon helped a lot too.

See you next year. Keep training. On On.

John L. Hancock

## HARBURY HELPLINE - ALIVE AND KICKING

The Annual General Meeting of The Harbury Helpline was held recently. We have now been going seven years and are very much alive and kicking. At our meeting the leaders of each group gave a progress report on our activities during the last year. The Emergency Transport Group is as popular as ever and has made quite a number of journeys over the past year; the majority for pensioners during the day. We urgently require more drivers, preferably young retired folk, so if you are interested please contact John (613864) or Vivian (613461). It was pointed out the service is for emergencies only and should be to places within a twenty mile radius.

Mary has had two requests for shopping outside Harbury and as Mary has no car she was unable to help with these. Mary wondered if anyone was willing to help with the cooking side of things, and it was said that in an emergency Meals on Wheels could help.

The Clothing Group has not been used much over the year, clothes are no longer stored, but if there are requests then clothing can readily be found and passed on.

Jeff reported all quiet on the Western Front, only two odd jobs in the last six months and three people were helped with form filling. Jim has helped three people with Personal Tax Claims and Tax paid to Building Societies and Tony has helped two people with Household Budgeting.

So as you can see some areas are used more than others. We are fortunate to live in a caring village and we are here to help you in a confidential nature whenever we can.

**Vanda Ball**

## **AN OLD STORY WITH A NEW NAME**

On Sunday October 16th during the morning service at church a group of children of various ages performed a version of some of the works of Daniel, who was a wise man in the court of heathen kings. His actions enabled others to see the light of God.

The polished performance was delivered with great enthusiasm by young actors and actresses who had worked hard to learn their lines in addition to other pressing commitments, and as a result the christian message contained in the play was presented in an interesting and original way.

**Anthony Andrews**

## **MISSIONS TO SEAMEN**

### **Coffee Morning and Gift Sale - Saturday 12th November**

Travelling by sea is a relatively safe form of human activity but one which will always carry inherent risks, sadly we all have been reminded of this following the loss of Estonia in the cold Baltic waters last month. Supporting our coffee morning and sale of gifts means that you will be helping those who care for seafarers of all races in over 300 parts around the world. Offers of cakes/raffle prizes - please contact Bill Davies 612661.

### **Children's Society Boxes**

Boxes will be collected during November - please have your box ready or deliver to 29 Neales Close (Nancy Davies).

**Bill Davies**

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## **NEW PARTNER FOR HARBURY PRACTICE**

As most of the village is now aware, Dr. Brian Wilne is retiring as the end of this year. He has been with the practice here for 28 years and I'm sure he will be greatly missed.

Dr. Jonathon Wilkinson will be joining us in the New Year. He comes from Lancashire and trained at Birmingham University Medical School, qualifying in 1988.

Perhaps some of you may meet Dr. Wilkinson in November when he will be conducting an occasional surgery. I know you will want to welcome him and his fiancée Cath to the community.

**John Hancock**

## **HARBURY VICTORIAN STREET FAYRE**

The Committee would like to thank everyone who contributed to make this year's Fayre a success. Even though the weather conspired to curtail the proceedings, the feedback from stallholders indicates that their charities and organisations will all benefit quite handsomely.

£540.00 raised from the Grand Draw, Donations and Committee Stalls will be donated to the NSPCC. The winners of the first four prizes in the Grand Draw were as follows: £50.00 - Gordon Bennett, £30.00 - Smith, £20.00 - Take Two Cooks, £10.00 - Haines, (all winners have been notified). We are extremely grateful to all the shops, pubs, businesses and individuals who so generously gave prizes for the Draw, thus enabling us to offer a total of 25 prizes!

Congratulations to all the fancy dress prize winners and The Wight School Playgroup who won the 'Most Attractive Stall' prize of £10.

We would like to make a 'special' mention of the following who freely gave of their time and effort - Tony for yet again marvellously fulfilling the difficult role of .M.C. - Terry Grey and his 'crew' for providing the materials and erecting the stage (and dismantling it in the very early hours of Sunday morning!) - Kath for allowing us to put the stage in front of her garage and for using the garage itself. - the Carnival Queen and little Victoria for performing the opening ceremony - Stan Greenway for the use of his delightful veteran car - the Entertainers: Harvesters, Jug Band, Rupe's Band,

Buskers, Hereburgh Morris and last, but certainly not least, Gerry Bailey and the children of Harbury School. Thanks also to everyone who provided electricity (with apologies to residents of 'The Street' for leaving the lights on all night) - all those who prepared the street on the day and helped in the clearing up operation afterwards, and many, many more. What a wonderful village Harbury is and how lucky we are to have such a fantastic community spirit.

The Committee is always looking for new ideas and attractions, even constructive criticism, so if you think we can make any improvements or changes please drop a note to Dan Killian at The Bungalow, Chapel Street or Brian Ingram, Kingston House, Mill Street.

We can only say, yet again, many thanks to all those who supported The Fayre and we hope to see you all in two years' time.

**The Harbury Victorian Street  
Fayre Committee**

### **THE ROBERT APPEAL**

Thanks to everyone who supported our Tombola stall at the Victorian Street Fayre. We made a total of £223.76 with your generous help.

'Peter Painter' was won by Ellenor Cleveley of Bromson Hill, Ashorne.

Our Coffee morning in October raised a further £58.89. Thanks again.

### **STEVE'S SPONSORED PARACHUTE JUMP**

On Sunday 27th November Steve Lines has arranged to do a brave feat, his first parachute jump, for Robert's Appeal. This event will take place at Hinton-in-the-Hedges Airfield. For information or any offers of sponsorship please telephone 613140 or 614290 and make your pledge, whatever the amount every little helps.

Lastly, please note, Saturday 10th December we are holding a Christmas Disco and raffle at Harbury Village Club, 8pm. For tickets Adults £2.00 - Children £1.00, please phone 613140 or 614290. Come and join the fun and bring all the family along to get in the Christmas spirit and enjoy a night out. Once again many thanks for your support.

**Mary Revitt**



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## HARBURY SUPPORT GROUP FOR MYTON HOSPICE

Firstly I will give the result from our Victorian Street Fayre stall.

Mr Hodgkinson won guess how many kilo's for a traction engine to travel from Fosse Garage to Bloxham and back, Mr Hodgkinson guessed 353 the answer was 360. Sweets in the jar was jointly won by Lee Campbell and Daniel Hyde both guessed 92 there were 93.

Raffle prizes:- car valet-Joy Moore, Basket of Soaps-Mrs Boneham, Box of Groceries-Shirley Crosson, Silk Picture-Mrs Merriman, Planted Basket-Doreen Bloxham, thanks to everyone who came and supported us on the evening. Our plant sales have again been very successful, we have made just over £2,000 this year. Many thanks to Andy Thornicroft and all at Lancet.

Our last few events for this year are as follows, 3rd November - selling Xmas cards, roundabouts etc. at the Ladies Evening, Coffee morning Bring and Buy at Fox Cottage on 22nd November 10am - 12 noon, November Dance on 26th November at Harbury Club dancing to Porridge (of course!!) tickets are still only £5 to include food, we still have a few tickets left, if you would like tickets please phone Pip on 613478.

Thanks to Fran Padbury for all the work she has done selling our "hearts". Thanks also to Maurice Newbold who gave us a remote controlled boat, this was auctioned by Tony Ceney (Victorian Street Fayre) which raised £95.

## VILLAGE HALL HEDGE PLANTING

There have been several references in recent months in 'The News' about exchanges of land and hedge planting schemes around the Village Hall. In case it is not entirely clear what all this is about may I explain before the work begins.

The exchange of land has been brought about by the need for the Village Hall Management Committee to give up a strip of land at the playground side of the Hall in exchange for the Parish Council owned strip at the rear of the Hall. This will provide more convenient and safer access to the new children's playground and also provide a longer mustering area in the event of a fire at the Hall.

These changes will, at last, mean that the dilapidated chain link fence can be removed. It is, however, incumbent on both the Council and the Management Committee to maintain a physical boundary delineating the two

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ownership's. This will be provided in the form of a hedge on the two new boundaries.

The British Trust for Conservation Volunteers is offering its expertise and assistance in planting the boundary hedge. The Trust has suggested, for visual and wildlife reasons, a hedge of mixed species including hawthorn, blackthorn, field maple, hazel, holly, Guelder and dog rose.

This work is an ideal way to involve local volunteers and is eligible for Rural Action Grant aid. The volunteers will be fully trained by the Trust Officers.

If you feel like helping with this project in any way such as digging, planting, providing refreshments or recording work photographically, please come along to the Village Hall on 12th, 13th and 19th November and 3rd December. Further information can be obtained from me.

**Brian Ingram (612418)**

**Chairman of Village Hall Committee**

## **USE OF NATIONAL TRANSPORT TOKENS BY SENIOR CITIZENS**

In last month's edition of Harbury and Ladbroke News, The Village Taxi Bus-A&M Cars announced that with effect from October 25th, they would be unable to accept the silver transport tokens because in future they could be redeemed only in amounts of £150. An offer was made to redeem for cash any tokens not used by that date.

**Will Senior Citizens who still have silver tokens please note that they can continue to use them on Birmingham Stagecoach (formerly Midland Red) services.**

**Alison Hodge**

**Clerk to Harbury Parish Council**

## **BOSNIA AND CROATIA CHRISTMAS APPEAL**

As you probably saw in the last issue, a Christmas delivery of food and other essentials to displaced children and families in Bosnia and Croatia is being organised in the village, in conjunction with the London Ambulance Service (who organise the lorries etc).

Although the level of fighting has been reduced in the region, there are still thousands of displaced families and children living in refugee camps and



orphanages. Their homes have either been destroyed or are now in areas barred to them and so they live from day to day in miserable conditions hoping that one day they can return to some kind of normality.

Lynne Edwards of the L.A.S. who has been on several lorry convoys told me that several of the orphanages she visits are still partially in ruins whilst they share with the refugee camps an appallingly low level of sanitation and heating. These are people who until recently lived in warm, clean houses in a relatively advanced infrastructure of water, sewerage and other public utilities. It would be nice to think that we can at least make their Christmas a little happier with some nice food and some simple hygiene items that we take for granted in the UK.

If you can contribute any of the items listed below or even put together one of the boxes with your friends, we will arrange to deliver these boxes to the L.A.S. Please do not deliver individual items to the organisers. If you contact the nearest organiser, (s)he will tell you who else in your area is contributing and a joint box can then be arranged. Boxes must be completed by Friday December 2nd, ready to collect, so please contact an organiser this week or next if you wish to share a box with someone.

### **Survival Pack 1**

#### **Toiletries/Household**

Shampoo and soap  
Toilet rolls & cotton wool  
Bleach and disinfectant  
Toothbrushes and toothpaste  
Sanitary towels/tampons  
Matches, sponges/flannels  
Razors, combs and brushes  
Elastoplast and tissues  
Washing powder  
Deodorant  
Children's toys

### **Survival Pack 2**

#### **Foodstuff**

Pasta and pulses  
Coffee, tea and dried milk  
Dried soups  
Biscuits and chocolate  
Sugar, salt and pepper  
Tinned meat and fish  
Tinned/dried veg and fruit  
Cooking oil  
Flour  
Chocolate  
Christmas pudding/cake

Boxes should be about the size of a Walkers crisp box, lined with a dustbin bag and as full as possible. Gaps tend to cause breakage. Seal the boxes securely with tape and mark on the outside the pack number (Survival Pack 1 or 2).

The organisers are Bob Sherman (612277) (Church Terrace), Alan Guy (613959) (Mill St) and Gill Barber (613542) (Vicarage Lane). If you wish to add a photo or Christmas card, this will make a box into a more personal gift. Thank you in advance for your contributions which will all be welcome.

Alan Guy

## HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

A good speaker can make even the most mundane subject into an interesting and entertaining topic, as shown by Brian Cook from Moreton Agricultural College at our October meeting. Using slides he took us through the varieties of Soft Fruits available now. His humorous talk instructed us in cultivation and pruning techniques with the main points being, choose good plants then feed and prune them correctly. Blackcurrants like plenty of organic feed and all fruit benefits from a feed of Sulphate of Potash.

Unfortunately the Village Show, although giving pleasure to many people, did not manage to break even this year. The loss incurred will be borne by the Society, and we hope for continued support next year.

The hedge to the rear of the Village Hall will be planted on 12th and 13th November. If you would like to learn the correct way to make a hedge come along and give a hand.

Subscriptions of £2 per person are now due. Very good value for 8 meetings, 2 outings, 1 party and discounts at some garden centres.

Seed orders, also discounted, should be given in to Mrs H Turner, 11 Church Terrace, by the next meeting if possible, but no later than 16th November.

Next meeting is our A.G.M. with a talk by Mr. Sachs from Wellesbourne on Container Gardening - 1st November, 8pm, Farley Room. Visitors welcome - 50p.

P. Smith

## NOVEMBER IN THE GARDEN

Helped by a splendid Indian Summer the Autumn work in most gardens is probably well forwarded, an advantage as this is the big digging and planting month, ideal for planting all deciduous trees and shrubs including fruit and roses.

If planting from containers check that they are really damp before planting.



Late in the month check that the ties and stakes of recently planted trees and shrubs are firm, so that there is no rocking of the base. Movement in upper stems is desirable, so stakes should be short and stout.

Protect newly planted or tender evergreens against cold drying winds with mesh or bubble plastic and with straw or bark around the base.

When digging get the ground intended for sprouts, onions and potatoes completed early - they like firm soil.

The last of the bulbs, tulips, should go in this month, also plant, or replant, Lily of the Valley.

Take hardwood cuttings of Box, Weigela and Winter Jasmine.

Lift stock plants of early Chrysanthus and plant under glass. Keep Brassicas clear of dead and faded leaves and remove 'blown' sprout buttons as both encourage pests and diseases.

Check stored fruit and vegetables for any rot.

Begin pruning apples, pears, gooseberries and red currants. Start feeding the birds early in the month, so that they are using the feeders well before any really severe weather. They will repay you by clearing up any garden pests while waiting their turn at the feeders.

Don't forget to clean oil and check over the lawn mower early this year.

**V A Neill**

## **HEALTH MATTERS**

### **TEETH need GUMS - What do healthy gums look like?**

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### **What is gum disease?**

Gum disease is an inflammation of the gums. It happens when the teeth are not cleaned well enough and plaque builds up.

### **Signs of gum disease**

First signs: bleeding; redness; puffiness; bad taste; bad breath and later: lengthening teeth; loose teeth

## **Tooth brushing**

To brush your teeth use a toothbrush with a head small enough to get to every part of your mouth, and remember to get a new toothbrush as soon as the tufts become splayed out. Use a fluoride toothpaste as it helps prevent decay.

**Mrs. J.M. Newell**

**FOUND** - on a stall at the Victorian Street Fayre - a small leather wallet, with the initials D.O.C.M. Would the owner like to ring 612305 to secure its safe return.

**EXTRA** - Harbury School Y7 pupils have designed and produced their own Christmas cards. They are on sale at the Newsagents, Pete's Place and the School.

## **BEST POST OFFICE COMPEITION**

An error occured in the above article which appeared in the October edition of the Harbury and Ladbroke News.

The reference to "BILL" should have read "GILL".

**Brian Taylor, Sub-Postmaster**

# **Letters to the Editors**

Dear Editors

The Padbury family wish to convey their sincere thanks for all the cards, flowers, and messages of sympathy after the sudden death of their Mother, known to most people as Mrs Pad, on 14th September.

Also to all who attended the funeral. Collection for church funds £99.08. Thank you all.

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Dear Editors

Further to the report from the Harbury Parish Council meeting in October's issue of the Harbury and Ladbroke News, I would like to point out that the



garage mentioned in connection with The Old Well Cottage, Farm Street, does not belong to us but is retained by Mrs. Major's executors and that it was my concern as to its condition that led me to approach one of the Parish Councillors, in order that it should not constitute a danger to the public.

Yours faithfully,

Moira Rollason

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Dear Editors,

I wish dog owners in Harbury would take notice of the 'No Fouling' signs or clear up after their dogs, as my three children and myself are tired of having to step over or round dogs' mess on the pavements, particularly now that some of it is obscured by falling leaves.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. C.R. Badger

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Dear Editors,

Many of your readers will have noticed the seat that has been placed outside the Village Hall in memory of Mr and Mrs Hunter.

The seat was purchased from the generous donations by family and friends from Sheffield and Harbury.

We would like to thank everyone for their generosity and for their kindness and friendliness which made our late parents stay in Harbury such a happy one.

Stella and John Small

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Dear Editors,

### **Imperial Cancer Research Fund**

I would like to thank everyone who supported my Tombola stall at the Victorian Street Fayre, and I am pleased to report a profit of £120. Also, following Danny's successful bid for the remote controlled launch auctioned on behalf of Myton Hospice, we decided to raffle the launch, together with a bottle of whisky and a bottle of wine. The draw took place on Saturday, 22nd October at the Gamecock with two year old Victoria selecting the winners, who were: 1st - Paul Griffin (0295-255329), 2nd - Domonic (0793-706303) and 3rd - Coates (c/o Steve and Margaret, Chapel Street).

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Consequently, with the profit from the raffle augmenting the stall profit, a grand total of £170 will be given to the I.C.R.F. this week.

Many thanks once again.

Sincerely

**Julie Killian** (with a little help from Dan)

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Dear Editors

**Robert Appeal Horse and Pony Show**

I would like to say a big thankyou to all our local businesses and friends who sponsored all of the classes at our Show for Robert. Also for our raffle prizes which were donated and most of the equipment we used. A big thanks also to the many judges, helpers, spectators, competitors, the Red Cross, and David Walker - Vet. Tony Ceney did a wonderful job as commentator.

A really big thankyou to Elaine and Harry Jamieson for all their help and the use of their land and thanks also to our Secretary Kay West-Latham, and Mr & Mrs Powell for the use of their field for parking.

I am pleased to tell you a total of £835 was raised. Everyone had a super day and fun was had by one and all, especially on the 'Bucking Bronc', kindly loaned by Mr Edgar. Special thanks to all our friends who manned the Barbecue and refreshment tent.

Thanks to everyone once again for all their help.

**Margaret Warner**

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Dear Editors

May I please draw attention to the Mini Recycling Centre in the Club carpark. Although it has been mentioned in the Harbury and Ladbroke News, many people don't seem to realise that it is there.



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Yours faithfully

C. Mary Catt

Dear Editors

On behalf of Parents in Communication I would like to thank all the people who supported during the Victorian Street Fayre. Our cake stall raised over £68 while the Victorian quiz made over £56. All funds raised will be used for the benefit of children with communication difficulties such as autism.

We are a small organisation formed about three years ago to support the parents of children who have difficulty understanding language. We are also trying to raise the level of awareness of these little known disorders. As yet the cause of these problems is not known, therefore we are closely monitoring new research into the field as without this knowledge the likelihood of finding either a cure or a prevention is unlikely. New techniques used to teach these children is also of great interest as we all want to do the best for our children.

We were asked by several people if we could publish the answers to our quiz. With the editor's permission they were as follows:-

1) Victoria became Queen in 1837.; 2) She adopted Buckingham Palace as the official royal residence ; 3) The world's first adhesive postage stamp was the penny black.; 4) The first world fair held at Crystal Palace in 1851 was called the Great Exhibition.; 5) The waterfalls discovered by David Livingstone in 1855 were the Victoria Falls.; 6) The piece of office equipment invented in 1867 was the typewriter.; 7) The famous London Hospital founded in 1858 was Great Ormond Street.; 8) The London landmark unveiled in January 1867 was Nelson's Column.; 9) The first rugby international played in 1871 was between England and Scotland.; 10) The first English F. A. Cup final was played in 1872.; 11) It was Alexander Graham Bell who invented the telephone in 1876.; 12) The famous battle portrayed in the film "Zulu" was Rorkes Drift.; 13) The first cricket test match played in this country was between England and Australia.; 14) It was the Channel Tunnel that was started in 1881, stopped after 879 yards, and only completed over 110 years later.; 15) General Gordon was trapped, besieged and eventually killed at Khartoum.; 16) There were six victims of Jack The Ripper in 1888.; 17) The famous rail bridge opened in 1890 was The Forth Rail Bridge.; 18) The socialist leader who became the first Labour M.P. in 1892 was Keir Hardie.; 19) The name of the famous Victorian cookbook was Mrs. Beeton's.; 20) Queen Victoria died in 1901.

There were 5 people who got 19 out of 20 correct, from which one was drawn as the winner. Congratulations to all of them and thanks once again to all the others who took part.

John Crossling

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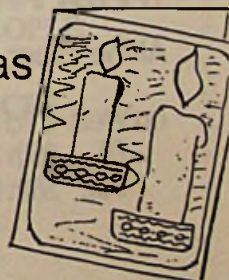
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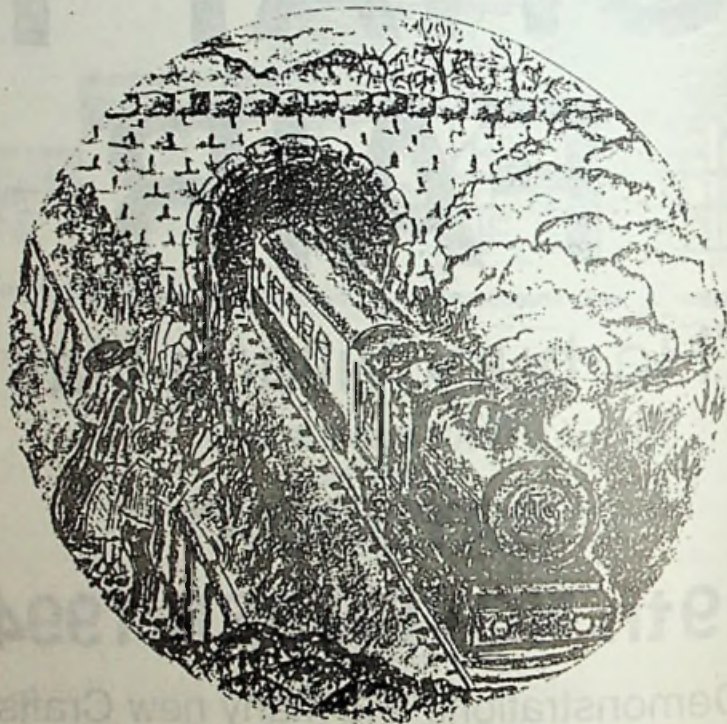


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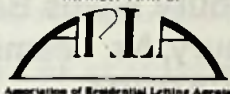
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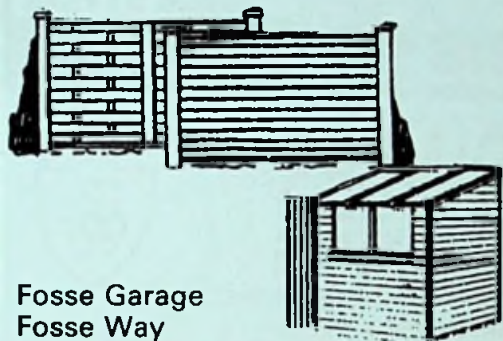
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