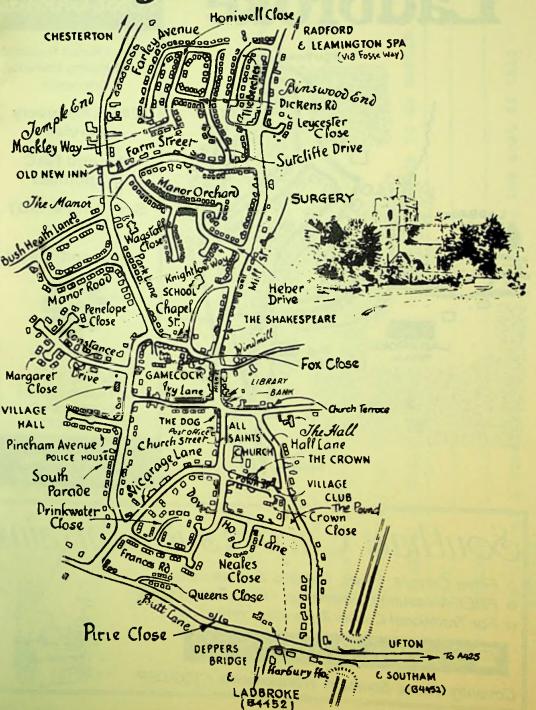
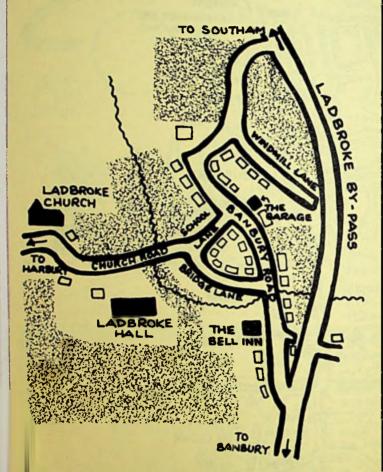
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The Harbury Horticultural show held last month proved an amazing success despite the hot and very dry summer. The show has evolved over the years to include many creative and recreational skills

The photograph below shows Patrick Clarke displaying his giant leeks which helped him to win the Farley Cup.



Another prize winner who obviously knows his onions, Brian Wilne took time off from his other duties to exhibit his produce.



This time of year we think of those who are facing new challenges in their lives. Some are starting in their new Primary Schools, others are moving to Secondary education, and some who are nearing the last stages of their education, or embarking on new careers. We wish good luck to all of them.

This month we are pleased to publish the photograph of Ladbroke Paris Council taken at their September meeting.

Finally we extend our sympathy to the families of Mrs Kate Boydell and Dorothy Giles.

# Harbury Diary

OCTO	BI	ER Jacob Book role Mold quoquals locales MgW
Sun		Pentecost 17. Sung Eucharist 9am; Evensong 6.30pm
Tues	3	Bible Study 10.30am, 3 Penelope Close
		Yoga 1-3pm Village Hall
		Holy Communion 7.30pm
		Horticultural Society 8pm in Village Hall
		Internet Demonstration 8-10pm at School
Wed	4	Grapevine Coffee Morning, 10-12noon in Tom Hauley Room
		Mothers Union Communion, 2pm in Church
		Mothers Union Meeting 2.30pm in Tom Hauley Room
		Bible Study 8pm in Tom Hauley Room
Thurs	5	Children's Photographs by Gary Maxwell 9am at Village Hall
		Holy Communion 9.45am
		Storytelling 10am in Library
		Wight School Playgroup Cake Sale outside Library
		Fun Français, 4-6pm in Village Hall
		Folk Club 8.30pm at the Dog Inn
Sat		Wight School Playgroup Jumble Sale 10-12noon in Village Hall
Sun	8	Pentecost 18. Holy Communion 8am, Sung Eucharist 10.30am
		Sunday School 10.30am in T. Hauley Room, Evensong 6.30pm
Mon	9	Harbury Society talk "24 Years in the Workhouse" by Arthur
		Measures, 7.30pm for 8 in Tom Hauley Room
Tues	10	Bible Study 10.30am at 3 Penelope Close
		Yoga 1-3pm in Village Hall
		Toddlers Service 2.15pm
		Holy Communion 7.30pm
750		Helpline AGM 8.10pm in Church
Wed	11	Grapevine Coffee Morning 10am-12noon in Tom Hauley Room
		Youth Club 8pm in Village Hall
CVM		Bible Study 8pm in Tom Hauley Room
Thurs	12	Holy Communion 9.45am
		Thursday Club 2.30pm in Village Hall
		Fun Francais 4-6pm in Village Hall
		W.I 7.45pm in Village Hall
Fri		Conservatives Bridge Evening in Village Hall
Sat	14	PTA "Les Barker" Entertainment in Village Hall
		Car Boot Sale 10am Wight School Car-park
1530	AT.	Wight School Playgroup Annual Dance 8.30pm-late Village Club
Sun	15	Pentecost 19. Holy Communion 8am, Sunday School 10.30am
		Tom Hauley Room, Family Communion 10.30am

Tues 17 Bible Study 10.30am at 3 Penelope Close
Yoga 1-3pm in Village Hall
Holy Communion 7.30pm
Mothers Union 8pm in Tom Hauley Room
Senior Citizens Benefit Committee 8pm in Village Hall
Wight School Playgroup AGM 8pm Wight School

Wed 18 St. Luke Holy Communion 7.30pm
Bible Study 8pm Tom Hauley Room
Youth Club 8pm in Village Hall

Thurs 19 Holy Communion 9.45am
Fun Français 4-6pm Village Hall

Fri 20 Break-up for Half Term

Sat 21 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7.30am in Tom Hauley Room

Sun 22 CLOCKS BACK
LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Holy Communion 8am
Sung Eucharist 10.30am, Sunday School 10.30am in Tom Hauley
Room, Evensong 6.20pm

Tues 24 Bible Study 10.30am at 3 Penelope Close Bring & Buy Sale 7pm Tom Hauley Room Holy Communion 7.30pm Julian Group 8.10pm

Wed 25 Grapevine Coffee Morning 10am-12noon in Tom Hauley Room Toddlers Sponsored Walk around Village 10am from Wight School Car-park
Bible Study 8pm in Tom Hauley Room

Thurs 26 Holy Communion 9.45am
Thursday Club 2.30pm in Village Hall
Parish Council 7.30pm in Village Hall

Fri 27 All Articles for NOVEMBER'S News to Pete's Place by 5.30pm

Sat 28 Dorling Kindersley Book Sale with CD ROM 10am-12.30pm in Wight School

Breakthrough "Archers Evening" in Village Hall

Sun 29 NINTH BEFORE CHRISTMAS Holy Communion 8am Sung Eucharist 10.30am, Evensong 4pm

Tues 31 ALL HALLOWS EVE
Wight School Playgroup resumes
Bible Study 10.30am at 3 Penelope Close
Yoga 1-3pm in Village Hall
Holy Communion 7.30pm

#### **NOVEMBER**

Wed 1 ALL SAINTS PATRONAL FESTIVAL
Grapevine Coffee Morning 10-12 in Tom Hauley Room
Mothers Union Corporate Communion 2pm
Mothers Union Meeting 2.30pm in Tom Hauley Room
Sung Eucharist 7.30pm followed by Faith Supper ALL WELCOME
Youth Club 8pm in Village Hall

Tues 2 ALL SOULS Holy Communion 9.45am Storytelling in Library 10am Fun Français 4-6pm in Village Hall

Sat 6 Bonfire & Fireworks Party 6pm on Playing Fields

Sun 7 EIGHTH BEFORE CHRISTMAS Sung Eucharist 9am, Evensong 4pm

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

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

#### **REGULAR DIARY DATES**

BABY CLINIC: 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 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 TERM

TIME ONLY

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

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?

Harbury Helpline is for you!

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 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.

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

For Personal Tax Claims, Rebates on Tax Paid to Building Societies or on Shares: Call Jim Chapple 612044.

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.

HOUSEHOLD BUDGETING ADVICE: Call Tony Brunton 612191.

ODD JOBS ABOUT THE HOUSE: Call Jeff Bedford 612753.

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.

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#### ALL SAINTS' CHURCH HARBURY SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Communion, 8am
Sung Eucharist, 10.30am (Except 1st Sunday of Month:
Sung Eucharist 9am)

Family Service, 10.30am on 3rd Sunday of Month Evensong, 6.30pm (Except 3rd Sunday) Please see notice board in Church for weekday services or revised

FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS

times on special occasions.

At the recent meeting of the Parochial Church Council it was agreed that the present fifteen year old sound system in Church should be replaced by what is generally referred to as the latest technology. The installation will include an inductive loop which will be an aid to the hard of hearing and a radio microphone for use of those giving a talk or presentation and wishing to make full use of the space available. It is hoped to have the

installation completed before the Christmas services.

The re-opening of the Sunday School will take place on Sunday 1st October in the Tom Hauley Room at 10.30 am. We believe this commencement time will be kept fairly constant. However, do please

keep a regular check on the timetable in the News. Further details ar included elsewhere in the magazine.

The Sunday School will generally cater for children up to the ages of 1 and 12, but for the past few years a youth group for slightly older youngsters has been meeting in school term time on a Sunday evening. This group has been co-ordinated by Dorothy Travis who has decided to step down for the time being. Needless to say, we are looking for a person who might wish to take over Dorothy's role. It is to be emphasised that this is a co-ordination role, as other helpers are available on a part-time basis. Should you be interested please contact either ourselves or Dorothy, Tel: 613264.

The Christmas Fair will take place in the Village Hall on Saturday 9th December. There are usually a small number of surplus stalls which become available and if you should wish to take advantage, please speak to Ken Hughes, Tel: 612273.

We understand that the Church Clock is currently a little wayward and the correct number of chimes are not being sounded each hour. We apologise to all those who live close to the Church and have been getting up an hour earlier than usual, however we promise to have the clock adjusted as quickly as possible.

#### Ruth and Jeff

#### FROM THE RECTOR

In my previous Vicarage the telephone started to play up. For a while it didn't work at all. That was a nuisance and it was no comfort to know that many others locally were in a similar position. That particular fault was repaired at a distance. It then became apparent that there was something else wrong. While we could ring out and others could ring us, there was still a fault. There was no way other than a slight "ping" that we could be made aware that some one was wishing to speak to us.

We found that there were limitations to this arrangement. The first was that in order to hear the "ping" you had be very near the telephone. Secondly, one could only hear the "ping" if there was absolute silence in the room. The third was that when we responded to a "ping", contact with a caller was only made in a minority of cases. It was not a satisfactory arrangement and British Telecom had to be called in.

Their reaction was to ring us up - fortunately, their call was one of the successful "ping" calls.

Now why am I bothering you with this domestic tale? It concerns communication, something which is at the heart of the Christian faith. There is no Christianity without communication between God and the individual Christian. So how does communication between God and His creation compare with the inadequate arrangements I have described above.

You will recall that in order to receive a call on my phone at that moment, we had to be in a certain location - i.e by the phone. Does that apply to communication between God and humanity (and we might as well call it prayer)? I know that some are inclined to that view. You need to be in a special place at a special time. However, God will communicate with us anywhere and in the same way we can and should communicate with Him wherever we happen to be. It is true to say that there will always be places where it is easier to pray than others. For some that will be the hills or the sea shore, for others it will be a Church, but location is an aid to prayer, not a requirement of it.

Secondly, in order to make the connection on my phone, silence was a requirement so as to hear the "ping." Now surely, that is true of prayer. My response would be yes and no. No, in the sense of exterior silence. I know of people who commute vast distances on the train daily. That is not a silent exercise and yet some use that time to pray. In order to do that, and this is where the 'yes' comes in, there has to be an interior silence where the noise of the commuter train has to be blocked out.

Yet there is also a sense in which noise can be a very positive factor for prayer. God can and does communicate through the words and actions of people. I am not thinking about the formal teaching of religious people - but perhaps the words of a child, a pub conversation or even a TV programme. Experience would seem to show that yes, God is in the silence, but He communicates through the noise of the world as well.

You will recall that as far as my phone went, making the connection was a somewhat hit and miss affair. As the fault persisted, I came to the view that a successful connection depended upon a swift response to the "ping." The speed of response in turn depended upon the degree to which I was open to the possibility that there was someone out there

trying to get in touch. If I was immersed in some task, the "pings" wern un-noticed and the people out there, trying to get in touch were frustrated. They must have felt like God feels when He is trying to get through to us and we do not respond. Perhaps my experience with the phone will help me to be more aware of Him in the future.

Fr. Roy

#### **ALL SAINTS CHURCH, HARBURY**

A new Sunday School for children starts on Sunday 1st October in the Tom Hauley Room, behind the Church. All village children between 4 and 11 are welcome. There will be groups for each age range, with a collection towards costs. To fit in with the pattern of Church Services, the format each month will work like this:

Day	Example for October	Start time	Activity	End tim
First Sunday of the month	October 1	10.30 am	Short Act of Worship and groups	11.15 am
Second Sunday of the month	October 8	10.30 am	Groups, then into Church for part of the service	11.30 am
Third Sunday of the month	October 15	Just before 10.30 am	Meet in the Tom Hauley Room, then into Church for the Family Communion Service	11.30 am
Fourth Sunday of the month	October 22	10.30 am	Groups, then into Church for part of the service	11.30 ar
Fifth Sunday of the month	October 29	10.30 am	Groups, then into Church for part of the service	11.30 ar

If you would like more information, or your child would like to come along, please phone 613214 before October 1st.

#### FROM THE REGISTER

**Holy Matrimony** 

Harbury - Saturday 9th September: Richard Manners to Jo Hill

**Holy Baptism** 

Ladbroke - Sunday 3rd September: Jodie Christine Clare Goldsmith

Harbury - Sunday 10th September: Andrew lain Graydon

#### **Funerals**

Friday 1st September at Oakley Wood: Kate Boydell Tuesday 5th September at Oakley Wood: Dorothy Giles

#### Laugh Line

A child on the way from school decided to call in the Church and have a look around. When he arrived home he told his Grandmother he had been in God's house. "Oh" said Grandma, "And did you see God?" "No," replied the little boy, "but I saw his wife scrubbing the floor."

#### **MOTHERS' UNION**

Our new programme started with a communion service. The Rector talked to us on "Why Prayer?" The world-wide M.U. is the biggest prayer group in the Church, and prayer is necessary to us all, for our own needs and if we are to be the people God wants us to be.

As our evening meeting clashed with other meetings, there were not many of us present, but we more than filled the time with our memories of holidays, at home and abroad, and picked up some ideas for future holidays.

At the afternoon meeting on October 4th. Mrs Anne Lancaster will tell us about Corrie Ten Boom.

The evening speaker on October 17th will talk about the Church's recent report on marriage and family life "Something to Celebrate". This will be an open meeting as the subject should be of interest to most people and all are very welcome to come.

#### **C.Mary Catt**

#### **TODDLERS' SERVICE**

At our Harvest Service we looked at fruit and vegetables and talked about them. We hunted for pictures of fruit and stuck them on the board. After thanking God for our food, we sang "Praise Him," making a joyful noise with the percussion instruments.

#### **C.Mary Catt**

#### **HEARING-AIDS**

Action to end the frustration caused by Harbury Church's temperamental sound system, installed 15 years ago for £50, was taken by the PCC on September 19th. An estimated £3,000 is to be spent on a new system which will include an induction loop linking output to the personal

hearing-aids used by some members of the congregation. An additional feature, not previously provided, will be a radio-microphone which will be a tremendous boon during family service presentations. A new amplifier and four new loud-speakers will complete the system. Harry Windsor was thanked for his thorough research and comprehensive technical report.

Arrangements are well advanced for the re-launch of a Sunday School on Sunday October 1st. Sally Stringer is co-ordinating the teachers' rota which is already 15 strong. Children will be organised into three groups spanning the ages four to eleven. (More details will be found elsewhere in this issue in a special article from the Rector).

From the group of four looking into the Alpha mission course currently running in 1,200 U.K. churches, Tony Stubbs reported on their first meeting. They now plan to attend a special day for potential Alpha course leaders in Kenilworth on October 14th, and they were also aware of two or three alternatives which they would be exploring over the next few weeks. The Rector said that thought was being given to the idea of tackling this approach to mission on a deanery basis, so as to cater for the smaller churches.

A Diocesan working party is seeking information from parishes on new patterns of ministry. Those which have already been proved or promise success will eventually be promoted throughout the diocese. The Harbury contribution will include the Family Communion Service and the formula adopted for the new Sunday School.

Ken Hughes, with a string of yuletide successes under his belt, has again agreed to be the man in charge of the Church Christmas Fair on December 2nd. Part of the proceeds will go to S.H.A.K. (the Scout hut appeal) and the balance will help to meet the cost of the new sound-system in church.

As the pressure of other commitments prevents Dorothy Travis from continuing to run the term-time Sunday Evening Youth Group in the Tom Hauley Room, volunteers are urgently required by the Rector to lead the club on a rota basis.

Cafe de Hauley 'till rolls' reveal that the cream teas held on the four August Saturday afternoons made £205.90, the regular Wednesday Grapevine Coffee mornings brought in £200 over seven months from January, and the monthly Saturday lunches are averaging £94 - all for the church. Thanks were expressed to the various organisers.

Glowing tributes were paid to Rosemary Eld for her leadership of Harbury School Governors in recent years. Her successor in the chair is John Stringer to whom the PCC extended good wishes.

#### John Algar

#### HARBURY JULIAN GROUP

'The Julian Meetings' is a network of groups which takes its name from Dame Julian of Norwich, who lived in the fourteenth century. During a near-fatal illness she experienced a series of 16 'showings' expressing Christ's love for mankind. For 20 years she meditated on these visions before writing the final account, which proves her to be a religious thinker far ahead of her time, though even in her own day, she was sought after as a counsellor and adviser.

The purpose of the Julian groups is the practice of Christian meditation. After an initial reading or piece of music, silence is kept for half-an-hour. A different member leads each month, so no two meetings are the same. To be quiet in the company of others, with no pressures or demands, can be renewing in these days when silence and stillness are at a premium. There are leaflets for those who would like to help in using the silence.

For more details, please phone me on 612783 or come along to one of our meetings; they are held in the church at 8.10pm. on the fourth Tuesday of each month: you will be very welcome.

Vanda Ball

# Ladbroke News

#### **OCTOBER**

Sun 1 Harvest Thanksgiving. Family Communion 10.30am

Wed 4 Holy Communion 9.45am, PCC Meets 7.30pm Fri 6 Harvest Supper 7.15pm for 7.30pm Village Hall

Sun 8 Pentecost 18. Sung Communion 9.00am

Wed 11 Women's Fellowship Days Retreat at Offa House

Sun 15 Pentecost 19. Sung Communion 9.00am, Children's Church 11.00am, Evensong 3.30pm

Wed 18 St. Luke Holy Communion 9.45am

Sun 22 Last Sunday after Pentecost, Sung Communion 9.00am

Wed 25 Holy Communion 9.45am

Sat 28 St. Simon and St. Jude, Holy Communion 9.30am Sun 29 9th Before Christmas, Holy Communion 9.00am

#### **NOVEMBER**

Wed 1 All Saints. Holy Communion 9.45am Thurs 2 All Saints. Holy Communion 7.30pm

Sun 5 8th Before Christmas, Family Communion 10.30am

#### **WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

John Eld came to our September meeting and with slides to help him, gave a very moving account of the situation both in Romania and parts of Bosnia. He also told us how his faith helped him in some difficult situations. He needs all the help and prayers we can give him in the marvellous work he is doing. Thank you very much for the valuable time you gave us John.

In October - Wednesday 11th, we are having a Quiet Day at the Retreat House at Offchurch. The Rector will be leading our thoughts during the day. If anyone other than our members would like to join us - male or female, Harbury or Ladbroke, please let me know the minute you read this article so that I can tell Rev. Sharon Simpson how many to cater for. There will not be a Communion Service at Ladbroke that day. We hope to leave Ladbroke in cars, by 10.10 am at the latest.

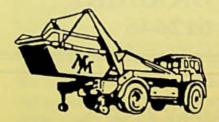
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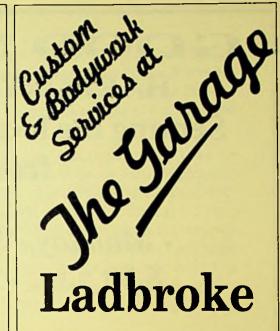
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#### **CHURCH NEWS**

By the time you read this we shall have had our Harvest Thanksgiving service and the produce will have been taken to Castel Froma, Home for the Handicapped. I hope everyone has got their tickets for the Harvest Supper on Friday October 6th. It is always an evening of fun, food and fellowship, so please come and join us.

We have three Saints' commemoration days in October. St. Luke on 18th, the service will be at 9.45 am as it will be the usual Wednesday morning service at Ladbroke. On 28th - Saturday it is St. Simon and St. Jude's day. Being a Saturday we thought people could manage 9.30 am. Most importantly our Patronal Festival which we share with Harbury will be on All Saints' Day-November 1st. The service in Ladbroke will again be at the usual Wednesday 9.45 am. Harbury, however, have invited us to their service at 7.30 pm which will be followed by a Faith Supper in the Tom Hauley Room. They would love to see a contingent from Ladbroke.

#### SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE - Saturday September 9th

Christian managed to visit 13 churches in all - that was after a football practice at school - so he really did do extremely well. We don't yet know how much he raised, but whatever he raised we are very grateful to him. Thanks again Christian.

#### CHILDRENS CHURCH

A reminder to all mums - we still have Children's Church at 11 am every 3rd Sunday in the month. We start with a short prayer and a hymn. We then have a discussion with the children about a story from the Bible. After this they make or draw something relevant to what they have heard. We finish - when we can get them to stop drawing, with another hymn and prayer, about 45 minutes altogether. If you wish to stay with your children that's fine. Most children are ready to start Children's Church at about 4 years old.

Elsa Greenway plays the piano for us; Gwlady Gould, Jane Steenstra and Betty Winkfield take turns to "officiate." We would love to see your children there. Next Children's Church is Sunday 15th October.

#### FRIENDS OF LADBROKE CHURCH

We've had a couple of interesting things recently, with more to come.

On 3rd September we had a Treasure Hunt around the village. Special thanks to Peter and Meriel Williamson, for working on and providing all the clues for the hunt. Thank you both for a most professional job. We finished with a Sausage and Mash lunch at Hall Farm, thanks to Charles and Betty Winkfield.

We have made a donation to Ladbroke Church and a small donation to Christian Aid for the former Yugoslavia.

#### FUND RAISER - for Ladbroke Church - 21st October

We are holding a Coffee Morning 10 am - noon and lunch, noon - 2pm at the Tom Hauley Room in Harbury. If anyone can give any help, e.g Cakes, Raffle prizes, Waitress help, please ring me on 812187.

Future date for your diary - 17th November 8 pm Curry/Casserole Evening at Woodlands, kind permission of Richard and Irene Bennet.

Gwynne Badman (Sec.)

#### LADBROKE AND DEPPERS BRIDGE W.I.

Most members spent a very enjoyable evening in August at The Swan, Kineton, bowling and having supper.

Two members and their husbands went to Edgbaston Cricket Ground to watch Warwickshire play on September 8th. They were taken for a tour of the Complex and had a very interesting day. Their names are already down for a visit next year!

A W.I. baton has been travelling around Warwickshire, being sponsored to raise money towards a new Sports Hall at Denman College. It was brought, on foot, to Ladbroke from Priors Marston and Priors Hardwick W.I. It was then taken, on foot, by one of our members to Southam.

The W.I. Autumn Fair was held in the Village Hall on September 21st. It was well supported by some other local W.I.'s and our own members. The proceeds will enable us to provide a Bursary to send a member on a course at Denman College and to help with the Sports Hall there.

For several years we have provided a Bursary for one of our members who has chosen a course of interest to them. They have all returned very knowledgeable in their chosen subject.

#### **Hazel Sharples**



Members of Ladbroke Parish Council pictured before a Council meeting at Ladroke Village Hall, seated (Chairman) Peter Williamson, From left: Carol Northorpe, Peter West, (Clerk & Treasurer) Elsa Greenway (Vice-Chairman) Geoff Timms and Marion Grainger

#### LADBROKE PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

A meeting of Ladbroke Parish Council was held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 20th September with all councillors present and Peter Williamson in the chair.

P.C. Andy Went was very pleased to report no criminal activity in the month of August.

An open day will be held at Southam Police Station on Friday 13th October from 10.30am to 5.00pm. All community officers as well as representatives from organisations such as Neighbourhood Watch and Victim Support will be present. For the two days prior to this event two special constables will be joining regular officers policing the area as part of development training.

Councillors are still not satisfied that the letters received from Severn Trent Water have given a complete explanation of the water loss at the end of June. A further enquiry will ask Severn Trent to specifically explain why water was unavailable after three days of dry weather, but did not fail again throughout the longest drought on record.

Some concessionary fares forms have already been distributed to men over 65 and women over 60 years. Anyone who has not yet taken advantage of this scheme should contact Mrs Elsa Greenway (814313).

At a recent District Planning meeting, consent had been given for the following plans: the conversion of the Barn at the front of the Bell Inn for a children's play area, internal alterations at The Croft, an extension to the farmhouse under construction at Barn Hill Farm and stables at the bottom of Windmill Lane.

The footpath group, led by Geoff Timms, has completed the 5th bridle gate on the footpath to Lower Radbourne.

District Councillor Bob Stevens reported the forthcoming opening of the Stratford Leisure Centre, including a sports hall and restaurant, adjacent to the swimming pool.

He further reported that the Department of Environmental Health are concentrating on the problems of air pollution, noise and the passage of travellers through the District. A door to door paper collection is to be made fortnightly and coloured bags will be distributed to facilitate this.

Chairman Peter Williamson proposed a vote of thanks and expressed his gratitude to Linda Doyle for all her hard work, which resulted in the superb exhibition of the history of Ladbroke. This was warmly supported by all the councillors. One hundred and fifteen copies of the Village Book had been distributed free. A further 45 copies had been sold and more are available at Southam Library and The Mart.

Finally, Elsa is on the case of the rubble pile and cones left at the bottom of Radbourne Lane. BT, East Midlands Electricity and the County Council were all suspects, but Elsa has narrowed it down to E.M.Electricity, so I'm sure its days are numbered.

Carol Northorpe

#### LADBROKE VILLAGE HALL

I hope all residents of Ladbroke are enjoying all the marvellous events your Village Hall Committee is organising for you. We ladies had a great time at the Fashion Show on September 8th with our very own local models. They were really lovely - I didn't know we had so much talent. The evening made £182 for Village Hall funds.

Then again, Linda Doyle must have worked really hard to produce her marvellous "History Weekend" on 16th and 17th September. Her indepth knowledge of our local history is amazing and her love of her subject was obvious in the display of data she had collected. If you missed it - you missed something of great historic worth.

Next, we have the Magic Lantern show, plus an exhibition of optical toys of the Victorian period on Friday 20th October 7.30 pm prompt. Tickets are £3.50 adults, £1 children including a Sausage and Mash supper. Come along - the Magic Lantern evening is always a winner and the children enjoy it too.

#### Betty W

Thank you to everyone who is supporting my husband, my family and myself with your love and prayers during Charles' very extended stay in hospital. He is coping remarkably well - in spite of the "goal posts" being moved away so often. We are all longing for the day when he is up and walking about again, please keep praying for him.

#### **Betty W**

#### HARBURY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - AUGUST

Councillors, (people in positions of power), have to be very careful not to be seen to influence decisions which have an effect on them, their property or their finances.

Clerk Alison Hodge spotted a potential conflict of interest on the agenda of the August meeting and honed up on the law. However, when problems came they were not what she had anticipated!

John Hunt, explaining the SHAK request for financial help with the Scout Hut refurbishment, mentioned that he was the Treasurer - that's alright Alison was able to reassure him as he has no direct or personal financial interest.

Colin Humphreys stressed that the three large detached homes planned at Brethren's Farm were next to Harbury's last working farm and other residents explained that they were unhappy about this potential urban style development within the Conservation Area. There were additional complaints that the applicant had plans to flatten the area, destroying trees, barns, walls and a pump without seeking permission.

Phil Holtom declared an interest and wanted to point out the dangers of the narrow entrance, the number of cars generated, the difficulties for pedestrians, the proximity of the telephone kiosk and the pub entrance opposite, but this information was deemed inadmissible, because he had a pecuniary interest, living next-door-but-one to the site. The day was saved, however, by quick-witted Cllr Mary Shelley who dutifully reiterated the very concerns that had worried Cllr Holtom!

The Chairman got Cllrs to agree to re-enforce their previous objections to the six one-bedroomed flats on the Dovehouse Autos site now at Appeal. Ken Stephenson did, however, decide that John Woodward should prepare the submission. Guidance on conflicts of interest was circulated amongst Parish Councillors.

John Woodward reported that the Area Planning meeting had voted to reject Blue Circle's renewed application for industrial development at the Quarries, but this had to be endorsed by the full Council. Cllr John Hunt was appointed to the County's Planning Consultative Panel.

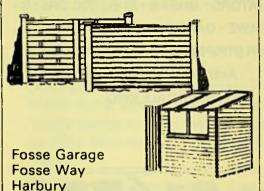
The Council did not want to introduce a Bye-law banning golf on the Playing Fields, but would rely on the good sense of residents not to endanger the public. The Under 11 Football Squad expressed their appreciation of the new goalposts.

Accident Reduction measures had been taken at the Fosse/Middle Road junction; whilst the 40 m.p.h. signs for Butt Lane were coming and quotes had been sought to replace defective street lamps. John Drinkwater remarked that the old cobbled surface had been temporarily revealed outside the Newsagents during the pavement upgrade, and Cllr Woodward congratulated the workmen for their efforts in the extreme heat.

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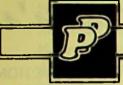
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John Hunt complained that in repairing a pot hole in Farley Avenue, the County had not cut back to sound material and would soon have to revisit the site. "True", said Cllr Keith Thompson, "but we asked for a hole to be filled and they filled it!"

#### Linda Ridgley

#### HARBURY SOCIETY

Once again the sun hardly shone on Chesterton Windmill! The mud was ankle deep and emergency parking had to be provided at the farm with a trailer shuttle service back up the hill. Nevertheless most of the 1,145 people seemed to enjoy themselves and appreciated the efforts we made to allow them to see the Mill working. Thank you to everyone who helped.

We have a super programme lined up for the Autumn/Winter session starting with "Twenty five years in the Workhouse" by Arthur Measures on Monday 9th October in the Tom Hauley Room, 7.30 pm for 8 o'clock.

The Warwickshire Gardens Trust tell us about their work on Monday 13th November, same place and time, and the Theatre Supper is booked for the Village Hall on Friday 23rd February 1996 with the AGM and a talk on the Restoration of the Lord Leycester Hospital Garden on March 26th.

As a follow up to the Landscape Audit Presentation, we hope to invite the County Ecologist to tell us how we can encourage wild flowers to re-colonise our roadside verges. This may take the form of a survey in the Spring.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our recent fund raising Coffee Morning. I forgot when it was and had to appeal for help at very short notice.

#### Linda Ridgley

#### HARBURY W.I

After enjoying a glorious summer, which passed far too quickly, September's meeting was upon us.

As usual, many activities and classes were offered which included a W.I. Speaking Competition, a Gold Work Class, a Christmas preview at

Notcutt Garden Centre and a Country walk. Our own walk is on Thursday, 19th October meeting at the Village Hall at 9.30am.

We were sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs Boydell and Mrs Bicknell, who were members for many years. Our sympathies go to their families and friends.

The Produce Show was a success and considering the recent weather, entries of garden produce were excellent. Congratulations to all winners (the details will be in the Produce Show section) and many thanks to all the helpers and afternoon viewers. Good to see new people entering the Show to support a real village occasion.

Our speaker was Mrs Frances Poupard who was born in Harbury and now lives in Australia. She is of the Mann family, a very old local name mentioned in the 1641 census.

Mrs Poupard remembers being introduced to W.I. by her mother when meetings were held in the Wooden Hut which was sited on what is now the Club's car-park. In those days there was a very strong Committee that seldom changed.

Her education started at 3 years in the Wagstaffe School (behind the church), then from 7-14 years she attended the Wight School, now the library. There were evacuees from Coventry and Dagenham and although there was one bombing incident on the outskirts of the village, they felt very little effect from the war.

Mrs Poupard spoke mainly of the various jobs she took to support her family after she was widowed. In those days it was not easy to take up a profession and even though she had passed to become an S.R.N. she was dissuaded by the Matron because of her family situation. She worked at Weston-under-Wetherley, when the home had its own farm, as a cook in a private hotel, a house mistress at two boarding schools and she related incidents experienced during her employment. She then went to Australia to join her daughters.

After visiting Harbury over the years and seeing how fast the village was changing, with houses packed where lovely cottages used to be, the idea of writing a book of childhood memories became a reality.

Her book "Keck, Cowpats and Conkers" is being launched in October and should be interesting reading.

As Mrs Poupard says, home is Harbury wherever she lives. We wish her luck.

October Teas: D. Travis, T Wade and M Watson

Jeanne Beaumont

#### **YOUTH CLUB**

#### **Upcoming Events:**

27th September

4th October

18th October

1st November

8th November

Craft & Design Night

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#### Vikki Holroyd

#### HARBURY FOLK CLUB

September 7th 1995 marked the Folk Club's 11th Birthday and, with it, the end of an era. This was the last session to be held in the Old New Inn, our home since records began. After 11 happy years in the Lounge Bar, we are moving the Club to the restaurant at the Dog Inn where we hope to preserve the intimacy and the special atmosphere that we have enjoyed, while having a bit more space for both the audience and the performers.

When, some months ago, I thought about the theme of "Water" for September's Folk Club, I had no idea that we would see so little of it for most of the summer and then be deluged on the night. Most of the performers had made a real effort to choose suitable material and those that hadn't, used their imagination.

Naturally, there was the occasional shanty and other songs of the sea, but still water, fizzy water, rain, puddles, mud, rivers, lochs, tears, beer

(what's the connection with water?), meters and Severn Trent also featured. Those responsible for this aquatic extravaganza were Pete and Liz, the Harvesters, Ron, Jean, Des, John (look, no Nick!), Steve, Alan (look, no Jug Band!), Parker and Watts (from Nuneaton) and me. In addition to these seasoned performers, it was particularly nice to introduce "Snooches" - Janny, Maureen and Celia, with their glamorous assistant Doug - with a song in Dutch about umbrellas called "Onder moeder's paraplu".

The charity raffle raised £28.50 for Myton Hospice. The next Folk Club session is on October 5th, at 8.30 pm, hosted by Peter Bones. I'm slightly embarrassed to add that I've been asked to do the "guest spot" that evening, but don't let that put you off! Why not join us for our opening night at The Dog? Hope to see you there.

#### Peter McDonald

#### S.H.A.K.

#### The Winning Formula

Take one Village Hall, add 120 people, stir in a mix of film, food and fluid (of the alcoholic sort) and you have an instant delicious dish - the S.H.A.K. Race Night.

A vintage Bell & Howell 16mm movie projector held court on a precarious plinth in the centre of the Hall. Beside it was the latest disco sound effects board operated by a large man who looked like Pavorotti, but sounded more like Rab C. Nesbitt. From this mix of ancient and modern the horses came alive in eight tightly contested races.

The compere Peter Walshe, dressed in a bright yellow and blue polka dot jockey's silks, proceeded to whip the evening into action.

Each race film (sealed by the suppliers) was randomly chosen by one of the punters in the audience to avoid any charges of fixing by the bookies. The audience seemed to think that by shouting at the celluloid, the horses would somehow hear their exhortations. They would then magically edit the film to mid gallop to change the result! In spite of this, it was certainly no surprise that Crown the Dog (trainer W. Shakespeare) was beaten by Jimmy's Riddle (owner J Ward esq). But many were disappointed that Brownie Points (trained by A.Kela) did not come in.

Planned by Raymond Flanagan in order to raise funds for the refurbishment of the Scout Hut, the Race Night was a big winner. S.H.A.K. Chairman Pete Woodward announced that over £1,000 was raised thanks not only to those who came, but also to several sponsors (in alphabetical order):

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A filling and scrumptious supper, masterminded by Sues' Buck and Ward, was executed with aplomb by the incredibly hardworking team of Mary Mugleston, Sue Buck, Janice Montague, Moi Hughes and Pamela Shepherd and assisted by preparation beforehand from Pat Armitage, Pauline Fitzgerald, Jo McKenzie, Martine Jenkins, Bev Walshe and Heather Stack. Served on Wedgwood and no shortage of second helpings, the meal was voted excellent value.

Meanwhile Amanda Randall, Steve and Caroline Dorning, Eilish Flanagan and the two Daves' (Hughes and Thistlethwaite) parted punters from their pounds on the Tote (and not to be outdone, Anne Woodward sold what seemed to be a thousand raffle tickets with prizes sponsored by Wood Street Volvo).

And then there were the drinks. Charles McKenzie called fellow solicitor Peter Rollason to the Bar and, with Martin Randall, Jon Walters and Jo McKenzie in support, served everything except a writ all night long.

As Debs Ellis remarked at the end "it was one of the great nights in Harbury".

Well done everyone and thankyou for your support! Watch this space for further announcements of forthcoming S.H.AK. attractions.

#### HARBURY NURSERY SCHOOL

A warm welcome back to everyone with what promises to be a fun and interesting term culminating in our Christmas concert.

Thinking ahead towards Christmas, if you are wondering what to give grandparents, aunts and uncles as a special present from your little ones, why not bring your toddler/child along to the Village Hall on Thursday 5th October, 9am where Leamington's Leading Portrait photographer 'Gary Maxwell' will be taking photographs of the children. This would make the ideal gift at the unbelievable price of under £10 for a set (comprising of 1 large and four smaller photographs). All children will be very welcome. Hope to see you there.

#### **Kate Smart**

#### THE WIGHT SCHOOL PLAYGROUP

It's lovely to be back in the swing of things again, after the long summer break.

Firstly, a big welcome to all our new children and their families, and good luck to all the "big ones" who have now left us to start school.

On Thursday 5th October, we shall be holding our CAKE SALE outside the library.

On Saturday 7th October, we are having a JUMBLE SALE in the Village Hall, 10am to 12 noon. (ALL DONATIONS OF JUMBLE TO THE WIGHT SCHOOL A.S.A.P. PLEASE).

On Saturday 14th October, we are holding our ANNUAL DANCE at the Village Club, 8.30pm 'til late with live music provided by "Boom Box". Tickets £2.50 each from Playgroup or Committee Members. Raffle prizes and lots of fun to be had by all!

On Tuesday 17th October at 8pm in the Wight School, we are having our ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

On Friday 20th October, we break up for HALF TERM, returning on Tuesday 31st.

We look forward to meeting you at some time during what is a busy month for us!

#### Nikki Jones

# HARBURY MOTHER AND TODDLER GROUP - WIGHT SCHOOL

The Mother and Toddler Group takes place on Monday morning 10.00am to 11.30 am and Wednesday afternoons 2.00pm to 3.30 pm in term time. School holiday sessions continue, subject to demand. Our meeting point is at the Wight School Room at the rear of the Library.

We offer a wide range of activities for the Toddlers from glueing, sticking, painting and playdough, to jigsaws and all types of ride-on toys also educational toys, books and a selection of items for babies. These meetings enable new and existing mothers of the village to mix their child's play with a drink of tea or coffee and get to know a few more faces within the village. Each child has a splendid playtime together with a drink of juice and a biscuit. A small charge of 30p per person is made and children under the age of one are free!

The Toddler Group is run by the Mothers on a rota basis with organisers and their helpers for each session. We have recently seen so many new faces in the village that we would welcome anyone to come and join us.

As our funds for buying new equipment is limited, any toys that are unwanted or out-grown would be extremely welcome!! To try and provide the children with new toys, we have arranged the following events to raise funds:- A CAR BOOT SALE at the Wight School Car Park on Saturday 14th October at 10.00 am (teas and coffees will be available) pitches at £3.50 each (Contact: Shirley 613795, Denise 613285 or Linda on 613304 for further details) and a SPONSORED WALK by the Toddlers of one mile (hopefully!) around the village on Wednesday 25th October at 10.00 am (meet at Wight School). Your sponsorship, support and interest in these events would help us immensely, we look forward to seeing you.

#### Shirley Wright

#### HARBURY VILLAGE'S SILVER LINING SCHEME

You may have read in the last 'Harbury News' of the Silver Lining Scheme which aims to provide a silver lining to the otherwise black cloud hanging over the School's funding. The scheme, which is being run by a group of parents, is designed to encourage people to use the village businesses more, and as a result of the increase in business, retailers participating in the scheme will make donations to the school funds.

The SILVER LINING SCHEME cards, bearing designs by school pupils, have been printed and are ready for collection. All of the school children have been give one to take home with them. Anyone else wishing to join in the scheme can collect a card from the school office, or from 'Muglestons Country Fayre', who are the only participating shop for the trial month.

ANY MONEY YOU SPEND AT A PARTICIPATING SHOP WHICH YOU WOULD NORMALLY SPEND OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE WILL INCREASE THE CONTRIBUTION THE SCHOOL RECEIVES

THE SILVER LINING SCHEME STARTS ON 2ND OCTOBER 1995

Nikki Jones
(on behalf of the Silver Lining Scheme organisers)

#### HARBURY SCHOOL P.T.A. - ENTERTAINMENT EVENING

As you read this, Harbury School P.T.A. are in the throes of preparing for the imminent return of Les Barker and the Mrs Ackroyd Band - you may already have seen the advance notice.

For those of you who have seen Les on one of his previous visits - what more can we say?! You may well have already ordered your tickets. For others who have been unfortunate enough to miss him on previous occasions and have never heard of him, it is difficult to describe the unique talents of this experienced performer. His ability to turn anecdotes into stories and songs of side - splitting entertainment against a background of music and song from the Mrs Ackroyd Band has to be seen to be believed. As a result of previous connections with the village, now sadly ceased, Les and the Band have agreed to make what will probably be their final visit, knowing their reception will be second to none.

This year they will be supported by 'The Harvesters' - Harbury's very own well known musical talent fresh from venues nation-wide.

This evening is one of the P.T.A.'s premier fund-raising events - and as you will be well aware, that role is becoming increasingly important as school budgets are set to shrink still further. P.T.A.'s no longer provide



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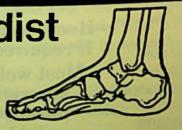
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However, we'd love to see you <u>all</u> at the entertainment evening, even if you have no connection with the school. The P.T.A strive to provide the best entertainment for the whole community.

We <u>guarantee</u> you an evening to remember. There'll be a well stocked bar and light refreshments will be available. All you need is a ticket - priced £7 and available from school (612656) or P.T.A members - and a box of tissues for when you laugh till you cry! See you there.

#### Maureen Darby

## A HOME MADE EVENING WITH CECIL BLOXHAM - Harbury School P.T.A

In our continual search for interesting and fun events we think we have got a real winner with this one:

Cecil Bloxham, an authority on Harbury (and a few other things), has very kindly offered to talk about a great variety of amusing topics.

We are going to combine Mr Bloxham's repertoire with the opportunity for folk, both young and old, to bring along a made-up version of their favourite recipe. This could be a cake, or a pudding, wine, beer, or a pie, or you name it and it will be welcome.

Everyone will be able to sample the goods on display, and then purchase a small booklet of all the recipes. The cost of this will be in the region of 25p to 50p depending upon the number of participants.

Everyone can donate a small entry fee of their choice. All proceeds from the evening will go to providing additional computer equipment for the children of the village, the likes of which can no longer be afforded from the education authority budget. Please put Friday 17th November in your diary. We will be starting at about 7.30pm.

It would be helpful if those interested in coming and possibly bringing along a recipe, could ring me to discuss it further.

Stephen Kelly (613175)

#### LIFE IN THE BIG LEAGUE

"There is no success without hardship" Sophocles.

That old Greek sage must have been thinking about the plight of the plucky squad of 16 Harbury lads because competition comes with a vengeance in the Mid-Warwickshire Boys Football League. Our Harbury Under 9's have now transformed into the Under 10's with proper League rules, refs and results.

The rules are strict, the referees variable and the results hard to come by (played 5, won 1, drawn 1, lost 3).

But are we downhearted? Not for a millisecond! The team spirit is as strong as ever and some superb football is being played with improved ball control, better passing and superior tackling. It is just that the opposition teams are far more experienced.

The institution of the "Well Played Award" after each skirmish is a welcome motivator and has so far been deservedly won by:

#### Michael Armitage & Chris Harris Jamie Norman & Simon Hemming

What I predict we shall see over the next 4 or 5 months is the shaping of an excellent and ultimately successful team.

As the old English proverb has it:

"He who would climb the ladder must begin at the bottom."

And our team should take heart from the old Burmese proverb that surely applies to the opposition forces:

"The top of a pinnacle now, fire-wood soon."

Peter Walshe

#### HARBURY FOOTBALL

#### Season 1994/95 Achievements

First Team DIVISIONAL CUP WINNERS LEAGUE RUNNERS UP DIV.4 Reserves LEAGUE RUNNERS UP DIV.5

First Team Goals Tally

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League Games	60	25
Cup Games	34	15
Total	94	40

Second Team Goals Tally

	<u>For</u>	Against
League Games	87	30
Cup Games	16	14
Total	103	44

At the start of last season Harbury F.C. were not quite sure whether they had enough players to field two sides, but with the help of Trevor Betts taking on the reserve team manager's position and adding influence to the club, it has shown what dedication can achieve. Both teams excelled last season and with a bit more fortune and a few extra players, both Trevor and Craig Knowles (first team boss) could have come away with both league titles. However, they achieved the best results for many years since both the 1st team and Reserve team were Runners-up in their respective divisions and the 1st team won the Clubs first Divisional Cup for 45 years!

#### **AWARDS FOR THE 1994/95 SEASON**

First Team

Player of Year - Duncan Williams (Goalkeeper)

Top Goalscorer - Paul Askew (19 Goals)

Second Team

Player of Year - Terry Sheasby (Defender)
Top Goal Scorer - Bill Russell (38 Goals)

Other Awards

Young Player of Year David Swain (Midfield)

Clubman of Year - Paul Gladden

League Linesman

of Year - Trevor Betts

Thanks go to SYD FIELD who retired after what must have seemed an eternity running the tote, which has now been taken over by Paul Gladden. Thanks also to KAY at the Club for sponsoring the football

teams which would not survive without her support, especially from the sale of tickets. The final thanks go out to everyone in the village who supports the football week in and out.

It is good to see an under 10's side has emerged this coming season as this can only benefit the senior sides in the long term, so good luck to them. Finally if anyone wishes to join the club and feels they can help in adding some strength to the sides, then phone either Paul Gladden on 613082 or Vince Crossan on 612798 to find out when the training starts (it costs nothing to join the club).

#### Paul Gladden

#### HARBURY LADIES NETBALL CLUB

The new season begins on 7th October when the 'A' and 'D' teams play away in Coventry and 'B' and 'C' teams play at home.

There were many problems with our selection dates this year, as wet Thursday evenings and lack of interest on Saturday afternoons, gave the members of the Selection Committee headaches - they just didn't know who was available to play next year. Many players were undecided about their commitment to the Club and of course, in team games such as netball, commitment is vital.

Many youngsters in the village have shown an interest in netball and, with a little more training, I'm sure they will be the players of the future. One or two girls are mature and experienced enough to play soon, but they have to realise that many players in this ladies league have years of experience and are 'tougher nuts' than those in schoolgirl leagues.

The final selection is as follows:

"A" team:Shirley, Paula, Leah, Leasal, Beccy, Hilary, and Janet.

"B" team: Mal, Dayle, Teresa, Mandy, Sue, Leone, Helen and Vanessa.

"C" team: Julie, Donna, Jean, Jenny, Hannah, Lucy and Becky.

\*D\* team:Lisa, Pat, Dot, Jo, Kay, Julie, Carla, Charlotte, Nikki, Marie, and Sarah-Jane.

I do hope that everyone has a successful season and welcome Leone, Hannah, Jo, Carla, Charlotte and Sarah-Jane to the Club.

The Safari Evening was a great success and many people cannot believe that we made a profit because we ate and drank so much! We did though -£150.74. Thank you to Janet, Kay, Marie, Kim, Paula, Shirley, Pat and Jenny (and their FAMILIES) for opening their homes. Also to Rita (quiches), Beccy (pasta), Julie (coleslaw), Des (trifle), Janet and Jenny

(rice) and anyone else who contributed in any way.

Another date for your diaries: Sunday Evening 22nd October when we have a fun Quiz Night at the Village Club. Do come along. Teams of 4 - £1 per head. Raffle.

**Pat Summers (612059)** 

## ATHLETIC SUCCESS - THE WURR BROTHERS GAIN NATIONAL RECOGNITION

The Wurr Brothers of Vicarage Lane have gained National recognition this year in their individual athletic events. Simon (18) is currently ranked in the top 10 Under 20's for the 2,000 metre Steeplechase event and he was selected to run for the Midlands Under 20's team at Hendon against Wales, North and South England, where he came 5th. He broke the Warwickshire Schools and AAA Championship records for the Steeplechase and his personal best time of 6 minutes 3 seconds allowed entry to the English Schools Championship because he achieved the qualifying standard.

Simon has just completed his studies at Warwick School and has been accepted by Durham University to read Geography. He is hoping to return from University to compete for the Leamington Athletics Club in the Birmingham League Cross Country during the winter. His efforts for the local team this year helped them gain promotion to Division 2. In March this year, Simon captained the Warwickshire Schools team in the English Cross Country Championships at the N.A.C. Stoneleigh.

During training, Simon runs up to 60 miles a week with other shorter runs fitted into the training schedule.

Tim (16) has just entered the VI form at Warwick School where he is studying French, Maths and Economics. He has had a very successful year in the Under 17 Men's hammer and he is currently ranked in 2nd place for this event in Great Britain.

During this year, he has entered 17 competitions and has won 15 of them including the Warwickshire AAA, the Midlands Championships at Stoke, the Inter Counties Schools event at Derby and the Warwickshire Schools Championship. He received the CECIL WILKINS cup for the Best Male Performance at the last event and he has just been awarded one of twelve TSB National Scholarships for the purchase of sporting equipment.

Tim achieved a personal best throw of 59.86 metres when he won the hammer event at the English Schools Championship at Nottingham in July and he then went on to win the Schools International Event as England's representative at Colwyn Bay against Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

Tims achievements are regularly listed in Athletics Weekly and his latest entry records a stadium best performance at the TELFORD stadium where the National Championships were held last year.

In winter, Tim trains 6 days a week - with 2 hammer-throwing sessions and other sessions for fitness, strength and speed. He is currently playing hockey for the Warwick School 1st XI in his "rest phase," which is recommended for all athletes as a break from the demands of their individual sports.

Simon and Tim are top class athletes in their field and Harbury is proud to recognise their achievements which could put the village on the sporting map in future.



LEFT: Tim Wurr (16) Right: Simon Wurr (18)

Next month we hope to feature Joe Harvey, another Harbury teenager who is currently gaining international recognition as a mountain biker.

Harbury News Editors

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#### **NSPCC**

Many thanks to all the people who supported our recent Jumble Sale which raised £315. We look forward to seeing you at our Coffee Morning at the Tom Hauley Room on October 7th when we will have Christmas cards for sale.

N.S.P.C.C. Committee

#### BREAKTHROUGH BREAST CANCER

A date for your diary: Saturday November 18th.

We shall be holding a GRAND CHARITY AUCTION in the Village Hall. All proceeds to Breakthrough. Would you be kind enough to look out suitable items of bric-a-brac, small furniture and electrical goods (in good working order).

We will also have a 'nearly new' clothing stall, but not jumble. Items of any value may be sold 50/50 if so requested.

Small items may be delivered to Nifty Needle and larger items can be collected by contacting any of the following.

Tony Mancell 613313 Dave Waddell 613850 Chris Carter 613049 (Nifty Needle)

Once again, many thanks for supporting us at our recent events.

**Chris Carter** 

#### ARCHERS ADDICTS - OUT YOU COME

#### **Breakthrough for Breast Cancer**

You may have listened in private for years or just a few weeks. Did you think you were alone? Well now is the time to come out of the closet and meet your problem head on.

What better therapy can there be than close contact with some of the cast? We can promise you three **REAL** members of the cast - maybe four.

If you want help with yoghurt making, are upwardly mobile and are in favour of 'cold calling' or even fancy running a village shop - then you will recognise who will be coming.

For one evening the 28th October - Harbury Village Hall will really be Ambridge in everyway. Tickets £8 available by phoning Lin Hayes 613488, Nifty Needle 612927, Carol Percival 612175, John Kemsley 613556, Gordon Robbins 612009. (They are going fast for this extraordinary fund-raising evening, so don't leave it too late - numbers limited.)

#### Lin Hayes

#### ROBERT APPEAL

Thanks to everyone who helped and supported our last two fundraising events.

Our August Jumble Sale made a total of £78.50 followed by our September Coffee Morning which raised a further £80.50.

Again, many thanks to all involved. Well done, everyone.

#### **Mary Revitt**

#### TOM HILLS SPEECH APPEAL

As our last Table Top sale raised over £100 we are holding another on October 21st in the Village Hall 2.30 - 4.00 pm. If you want to sell your bric-a-brac and make some extra money for Christmas give me a ring and book a table. Tables cost £4.50, for more details phone 613783. Many thanks

#### **Andrea Stowe**

#### HARBURY SUPPORT GROUP - FOR MYTON HOSPICE

Our fundraising events for this year are putting us well on target for another bumper year.

We are very lucky to be so well supported and encouraged to raise money for the Hospice. I think most of us know of someone that has had to spend time at Myton, whether it be for pain or symptom control, interval care, relative relief, convalescence following radiotherapy or for the final few weeks of life, which ever of these reasons it is, Myton Hospice is a wonderful caring place, for both patients and relatives. No charge is made to any patient who spends time at the Hospice.

The Hospice receives financial assistance from the local Health Authorities in the catchment area, which covers approx 40% of the running cost. The remainder, approx £880,000, is raised by public subscription, so please keep your support coming.

Thank you to everyone who came to our Coffee Morning when a profit of £100 was made. Plant Sales:- 23rd September-Harbury, 30th September- Myton, 7th October- Harbury, 14th October-Myton. We look forward to seeing customers old and new!!

We have another Dance booked, 25th November at Harbury Club from 7.30-midnight. Tickets cost £5 to include food, and the Group is PORRIDGE (of course). If you would like tickets please phone 613478, tickets are selling quickly, so phone early to reserve your tickets. Thank you once again for all your support.

#### Phillipa Birnie

#### **JESSICA BEERES' TRUST FUND**

I am holding a Bring and Buy plus Cake Sale on Tuesday 24th October at 7 pm in the Tom Hauley Room. The sale is in aid of Jessica Beeres my great niece. The whole family was saddened to learn Jessica has Bilateral Retinoblastoma a rare form of childrens cancer in her eyes. Jessica is just 12 months old. She has had one eye removed and at the present moment we are hoping after one month's treatment of Radiotherapy the tumour behind the other eye will have reduced. If after a scan that is not the case she will have to undergo Chemotherapy and even if the eye can be saved it is thought she may have 30% vision. Jessica's parents are hoping to fit her with a Coral eye which will grow with her and the blood cells will knit together. Unfortunately these Coral eyes are very expensive which is why we have set up a fund. If anyone cannot attend the Bring and Buy, but would like to contribute in any way i.e raffle prize or bake a cake I would really appreciate it. Please contact me on 612049.

Margaret Warner (milk lady)

#### "HOW DO YOU KEEP WARM IN BED?" OR

#### "LEAMINGTON WINTERWATCH NEEDS YOU"

The long, hot summer is over. The rains have come, and now we have a cold, grey winter to look forward to. This may be a dreary thought, but try to imagine how homeless men and women feel about the onset of winter. Sleeping rough is not only miserable. A mild illness can quickly become serious, and hypothermia is a real danger.

In Learnington, there is a project which provides emergency accommodation for those who have nowhere else to sleep. It is called, "LEAMINGTON WINTERWATCH". It is funded largely by the charity, "SHELTER" and is a non-political, non-religious organisation.

St. Paul's Church in Leicester Street has offered WINTERWATCH two rooms which can be used as a nightshelter. The shelter is open every night from November 1st to March 31st, to provide a bed, washing facilites, warmth and company to anyone who is homeless. We know that nightshelters are not the answer to homelessness, but they do offer immediate help, and they can be a point of access to further help of long-term accommodation.

If this service is to continue in Learnington, WINTERWATCH needs more volunteers to help run the shelter this winter. I am a volunteer and I can assure you that the work is not as difficult as you might imagine. Briefly, volunteers work in pairs to get the nightshelter ready, take charge of it while it is in use and tidy everything away in the morning. Normally, pairs work from 8 pm to 2 am or from 2 am to 8 am. Travel and other expenses are reimbursed.

If you would like to become a volunteer or learn more about the project you can contact me:- Gill, on 613542 or phone the LEAMINGTON WINTERWATCH organiser, Clare on 52851. A training programme for new volunteers will start in November.

Next time it is a cold, wet or foggy night, go to bed ..... and sleep on it.

Gill Barber

#### INTERNATIONAL 'TARGET' - ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTHAM

The agenda of the Rotary Club's fund raising efforts this year can be best described by the old saying:-

"give a man a fish and feed him for a day. Teach him how to fish and he can feed himself and others for life."

At the Pestalozzi Childrens Village Trust in Sussex there are over 120 young people. They are not hungry, they have not been beaten up, they are not even unhappy, yet they desperately need help. Sponsored by the UN and many Rotary Clubs nationwide the children are brought to England from India, Zambia, Thailand, Tibet and Nepal; all are bright but they come from desperately poor families. Here in England the youngsters can get formal education denied to them at home and perhaps more important, learn practical skills that will be of real value when they return home. They learn for instance, how to construct a working irrigation pump from little more than an old tyre and some tin cans. By the time they leave England the children will have become expert in a range of useful skills - to the delight of their loved ones. Above all they will have learned to be useful members of the community.

In an effort to raise funds for the Pestalozzi Childrens Village Trust the Rotary Club of Southam are holding an inform **Supper Evening** with guest speaker Dr John Bishop at 7.30 for 8.00pm on **Tuesday 31st October** - Stoneythorpe Hotel.

For further information about **PESTALOZZI** Children and Rotary, also for supper tickets at £8.50 and/or offers to help, please contact Bill Davies: Harbury 612661.

#### **Bill Davies**

#### HARBURY BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS 1995

With only six weeks to go someone has volunteered to organise the Bonfire. Until Julie Linforth and Jane Thomas came forward the event was almost a non-event. They will need the support of all those people who have helped in the past - we have given them names and telephone numbers! If anyone else would like to help them to plan and run the event, then please contact Julie on 612696 or Jane on 613403.

The bonfire will be on Saturday 4th November starting at 6 pm on the playing fields.

#### Liz and Mike McBride

#### THE VILLAGE TAXI-BUS: SERVING THE COMMUNITY

Three years ago this month saw the introduction of a new service to Harbury - the village taxi-bus. Run by Mike Thompson with driver Frank Robbins, it all began with Mike's taxi service, A & M Cars. Finding a group of regulars would club together to hire a taxi out of the village, he circulated a questionnaire around Harbury and Bishop's Itchington to gauge the possible demand for a taxi-bus service. With the ensuing positive response, backing from the Rural Development Council and both Parish Councils, the village taxi-bus was launched.

Mike sees it very much as a service to the community; with the bus itself costing around £60 a day to run, it's not a profit-maker. They do have a County Council contract to provide transport for mentally-handicapped people in the surrounding villages, and this apart from being a worthwhile service in itself, helps to fund the rest of the service. Several older members of the community rely of the village taxi-bus for necessary trips to town and the personal service is very much in evidence. Frank has a good rapport with his customers and a cheery word with each of them. As a villager, he seems to know everyone and if a regular is missing, will notice and ask how they are. Thus a caring attitude is fostered which benefits everyone.

However, Mike is keen to rectify the general impression that the taxi-bus is purely a service for older folk. Despite the fact that the return fare to Learnington is actually <u>cheaper</u> than the normal 'Stagecoach' bus (with the added benefit of door-to-door service) and there being lots of space at the back for pushchairs and shopping, not very many younger people e.g. mums with children, make use of it.

So come on, Harbury villagers, make the most of your assets! Did you know we were the first village to have a dial-a-ride bus service in South Warwickshire. All it requires is a free 'phone call to book your seat Leave your car (if you have one) at home, save money and care for the environment, all in one go!

The taxi-bus runs from Harbury to Learnington on Wednesdays and Fridays (including Sainsbury's and Asda). New timetables are due our shortly and will be available from the library, newsagent, Co-op and Supermarket. With seating for eight people, it can also be hired, and is well used by pub and club darts and dominoes teams, as well as for weddings, trips to Warwick Arts Centre, theatres etc and groups planning a night out in Learnington.

We are very fortunate to have a village taxi-bus and would do well to make full use of it, ensuring its survival for another three years.

#### Where else can you get to without a car?

Apart from the normal 'Stagecoach' service into Leamington and Southam (times in the bus timetable referred to above), Catteralls coaches run a regular bus to Moreton-in-Marsh (bus-stop outside Harbury Village Hall) on the last Tuesday of the month at 9.30am (or just later!). The fare is £1 return. This makes a pleasant day out on Market Day in this interesting Cotswold town - there are some good tea shops too.

Catteralls also run a bus to Banbury (same bus stop) on Friday mornings at 9.35 am. It takes an hour, and there is a bus back at 1.30 pm. The fare is £1.50 each way. Unfortunately the bus which used to run on Thursdays (market day) no longer comes through Harbury, but Banbury still has a good range of larger shops and makes a nice change for a day out.

As with all these facilities, the more people make use of them, the more secure and established they remain. The message is this: forget the car, think communal and catch a bus!

#### **Lesley Jones**

#### TAXI-BUS UPDATE

Recently the Harbury Taxi-Bus has been granted permission to travel the length of the Parade in both directions. It will now be possible to set passengers down opposite the Parish Church, the Regent Hotel and outside Tesco on the outward journey. The pick-up points for the return journey will be opposite the set-down points at the designated bus stops. All Harbury villagers are welcome to use the taxi-bus which provides a door-to-door service and either cash or tokens are accepted for the fare

#### M. Thompson

#### SOUTHAM SCHOOL EXAMINATION UPDATE

August again brought news of outstanding examination successes by Southam students. Coming hot on the heels of a very positive OFSTED school inspection report this gave the school a flying start for the new academic year.

Once again Year 11 GCSE students exceeded, on average, the challenging individual targets set for them based on our knowledge of their potential ability. Furthermore there was a new record pass rate of 41% of students with 5 or more A-C grades. Twenty students gained 9 subjects with A-C grades and there were some outstanding individual achievements including one student with 9 A grades, including 4 higher level A\* grades. Joanna Hancock from Harbury gained 6 A grades (2 A\*) and 3 B grades.

At 'A' level where the pass rate, at 81% was slightly up on last year, 29 students passed 3 'A' level subjects with one student gaining 5 grade As in Economics, General Studies, Maths, Further Maths and Physics so that she now goes on to Cambridge University to study Mathematics at Trinity College.

We now look forward to the celebration of this excellent set of examination results at our Annual Awards Evening which this year will be held on Thursday 14th December.

#### D.J. Knapp

#### HARBURY DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD GROUP



Harbury Duke of Edinburgh Group has continued to flourish this year, with Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards being achieved by members. Group members also achieved the Red Cross Adult First Aid Certificate following a training course held by the Group last Autumn and Winter.

Debbie Ellis in the Lake District

#### Achievements

Bronze - Domonic Travis, Chris Braggs, Jim Holmes, Helen Robbins.

Silver - Richard House, Duncan House, Julia Thorpe.

Gold - Melanie Heath, Mark Hayes, Debbie Ellis.

The summer months have been spent planning and carrying out expeditions around the country, for the 'expedition' selection of the Award. The photograph shows Debbie Ellis celebrating at the end of her Gold qualifying expedition in the lake District in August, where she and Sam Butler, Richard and Duncan House and Julia Thorpe walked 50 miles over four days in a mixture of blistering heat and torrential rain! They enjoyed every minute of it!

#### Caroline Hill

#### A NEW LOCAL CHOIR, "VILLAGE VOICES"

This is small mixed choir, based in Ufton Village Hall, which meets there every Thursday evening from 8-10pm. The group cover a mixture of serious and light 4-part choral works and welcomes new singers. Please look in to see what we are practising, or phone 812719 or 612915 for more details. No auditions necessary!

#### **James Turner**

#### "BEWARE THE WOOLLY BEAR"

The recent hot dry weather is likely to have resulted in an increase of those scourges of our homes and wardrobes, the carpet beetle or "woolly bear"!

If, when you start to sort through your winter woollies, you discover small holes in them, it is more than likely you have been visited by woolly bears, which are now more common than clothes moths.

The adult (ANTHRENUS VERBASCI) is small, oval shaped and similar to a small brown and cream ladybird, (though it is more mottled than spotted) and is around in Springtime. They prefer to be outdoors and feed on nectar and pollen. After mating the female enters houses via lofts and eaves and then along pipe-lagging into upper rooms, wardrobes, airing-cupboards etc - where they lay their eggs. The eggs incubate in 10 days and the life-cycle is about 12 months. The small golden brown woolly bear grub hibernates during the winter and can survive without food for up to 9 months. The dry cast-off skin of their moulting is often the first sign of their presence.

After their long rest the grubs will munch their way through wool, cotton, carpets and feathers and like clothes moths are able to digest keratin. If you discover carpet beetles (w.bears) you need to find our where they are

coming from. Search your lofts for birds nests or dead birds and remove them. Check your pipe lagging and vacuum your shelves, floorboards, cupboards, carpets and upholstery. Spray affected areas with a proprietary moth proofer which contains LINDANE (i.e. "DOOM"). Dust between floorboards with insect powder which contains CARBARYL or LINDANE.

Todays comfortable homes with fitted carpets and central heating have encouraged these pests - I hope they have not chosen yours for their "Woolly Bears Picnic".

#### **Barbara** Andrews

#### HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY



#### Exhibitors at the Village Show

I am delighted to report the Village show was a success, especially when the weather was not very co-operative as far as the fruit, vegetables and flowers were concerned. Many thanks to everybody who helped in any way, and for Ron Grey the Show Secretary who orchestrated it all - and kept us in order! Congratulations to Freya Brash who won the cup for children's Flower Arranging, which Mrs Buck kindly donated to the Society earlier this year.

The first meeting of the season is on Tuesday 3rd October when Mr Roberts will be talking about Patio Planting on Rockeries. Subs are due, and may we please have nominations for new Committee Members. How about it? It is very interesting behind the scenes. Please contact Mrs Zonik 612365.

Every year the W.I. Cookery Judges leave general comments for the guidance of exhibitors. Anyone interested may see them on the Notice Board outside the Library.

#### **Muriel Grey**

#### GARDENING NOTES

Lawns suffered badly during the blaze of Summer so now they need some attention. Aerate with a fork and reseed bare patches. Do not give any fertiliser as this can encourage fungal disease.

Roses bloomed well and now should be tidied up for the winter. In windy Harbury trim them back to prevent them being loosened in the soil. Herbaceous perennials should be divided every 3 to 4 years, replant the younger outer sections.

Pick the remaining tomatoes and ripen them in a paper bag containing an apple. Marrows and apples should also be picked before the first frosts. Carrots, beetroot and celeriac can be left in the ground until needed, but cover with straw and use before winter really arrives.

Plant bulbs and Spring bedding. Keep bought wallflowers clear of the vegetable plot. They belong to the Brassica family and so could introduce clubroot. Prick out any perennials you are growing from seed. Grow them on in individual pots ready for planting out next year.

Evergreens growing in containers may need some insulation wrapping around the pot to prevent the soil and roots freezing. We could get the first frost towards the end of the month.

Clear fallen leaves and compost them in punctured plastic bags. They take at least a year to rot, but do make leaf mould which is an excellent mulch.

Finally, remember the wildlife when tidying up and leave a few seedheads and hiding places to see them through the winter.

## Letters to the Editors

#### **Dear Editors**

The family of the late Kate Boydell would like to thank all those who attended her funeral, also for the lovely floral tributes and kind messages of sympathy.

A special thank you to the Reverend Roy Brown for his kindness, to all the staff at Arden House, Clarendon Square, Leamington Spa where Kate spent her last two and a half years and to members of the Mother's Union who visited her regularly.

Yours sincerely

Anne, Lynne and Tracey Robin, Maggie and Mandi

#### **Dear Editors**

Through the Harbury and Ladbroke News we would like to say a big thank you to both the past and present Landlords of the Old New Inn for their kind hospitality to the Folk Club on the first Thursday of every month for the last eleven years. We have enjoyed many memorable evenings in the intimate atmosphere of the Old New Inn lounge bar. Thank you.

Harbury Folk Club

#### Dear Editors

Catering at Harbury Beer Festival

I would like to thank all those people who supported us at the Beer Festival and everyone who helped at the three sessions. We made a profit of £431.15 which will be shared as follows:-

£100.00 to Leukaemia Research and £331.15 to the 1996 Victorian Street Fayre

The money allocated to the Victorian Street Fayre will enable us to make the event even more enjoyable and, hopefully, raise lots of money for the various charities and organisations taking part.

Yours sincerely

Dan Killian

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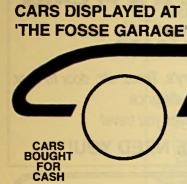


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