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## Editorial



This has been a busy month and congratulations are due to many people, including the winner of the Spirit of Harbury award, Paul Winchester, and Sean Mansell who cycled 200 miles in 20 hours and raised over £1000 for charity. In Ladbroke, the bellringers rang a Quarter Peal as part of the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations and Harbury Carnival and Games Week produced many worthy

winners. Photographs of the Carnival and Games Week have kindly been supplied by Anthony Allcock and Ken Stephenson.

On a more sombre note, the police have issued a warning about a suspicious BMW posing as a police vehicle, details of which can be found later in this issue.

Finally, the editors extend their condolences to the family of Sandra Ridley.

# Harbury Diary

## JULY

- Sat 2 Harbury Open Studios  
Coffee morning, 10.00am-12 noon in Tom Hauley Room in aid of Bumps & Bundles  
Harbury PTA Summer Family Fun Day, 3.00 - 6.00pm at School  
Revd Nikki Moon's Ordination Service in Coventry Cathedral
- Sun 3 **TRINITY VI (St. Thomas)**  
Eucharist Service, 9.00am  
Little Saints' Service, 10.30am, followed by breakfast  
Revd Nikki Moon's First Communion Service, 6.00pm  
Harbury Open Studios  
Zumba in Village Hall, 9.00am
- Tues 5 Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall  
Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm in Village Hall  
Heritage Room open, 6.30 - 8.30pm at Harbury School  
Holy Communion, 7.30pm

- Wed 6 Mothers' Union Outing to St. Mary's, Leamington Spa  
Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park,  
Frankton - Draycote (3½ miles) with optional pub meal  
Inspire Dance, 4.00pm in Village Hall
- Thurs 7 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
- Fri 8 Dandy Development, 9.15am in Village Hall
- Sat 9 Coffee morning, 10.00am-12 noon in Tom Hauley Room in aid  
of Myton Hospice  
'A Taste of Silence', 1.00 - 5.00pm, Tom Hauley Room & Church
- Sun 10 TRINITY VII**  
Holy Communion, 8.00am  
Sung Eucharist, 10.30am  
Messy Church, 3.00 – 5.00pm, Tom Hauley Room  
Zumba, 9.00am in Village Hall
- Tues 12 Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm in Village Hall  
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 13 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park,  
Priors Hardwick (3½ miles)  
Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room  
Inspire Dance, 4.00pm in Village Hall
- Thurs 14 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee  
Harbury W.I., 7.45pm, Tom Hauley Room - 'Life of a Studio Potter'  
- Penny Varley
- Fri 15 Dandy Development, 9.15am in Village Hall
- Sat 16 Coffee morning, 10.00am-12 noon in Tom Hauley Room in aid  
of Mothers' Union
- Sun 17 TRINITY VIII**  
Holy Communion, 8.00am  
Family Communion Service, 10.30am  
Evensong, 6.00pm  
Zumba, 9.00am in Village Hall  
Great British Tennis Weekend, 10.00am – 12 noon at the Tennis  
Courts
- Tues 19 Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall  
Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm in Village Hall  
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 20 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park,  
Hidcote bring a picnic, (4½ miles) hilly  
Connections (Dementia) Café, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Harbury Village  
Library  
Inspire Dance, 4.00pm in Village Hall  
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- Thurs 21 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
- Sat 23 Coffee morning 10.00am-12 noon in Tom Hauley Room, in aid  
of Shoebox Appeal

**Sun 24 TRINITY IX**

Holy Communion, 8.00am  
 Sung Eucharist, 10.30am  
 Zumba, 9.00am in Village Hall

Tues 26 Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall  
 Holy Communion, 7.30pm  
 Julian Meeting AGM, 8.00pm

Wed 27 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am from Village Hall Car Park,  
 Fenny Compton - Oxford Canal (5 miles), one hill  
 Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room

Thurs 28 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee  
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Sat 30 Coffee morning, 10.00am-12 noon in Tom Hauley Room in aid  
 of Southam Bowls

**Sun 31 TRINITY X**

Holy Communion, 8.00am  
 Sung Eucharist, 10.30am  
 Zumba, 9.00am in Village Hall

**AUGUST**

Tues 2 Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall  
 Heritage Room open 6.30 - 8.30pm at Harbury School  
 Holy Communion, 7.30pm

Wed 3 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am from Village Hall Car Park,  
 Lowsonford (4 miles), with optional pub lunch  
 NB - No Mothers' Union Meeting

Thurs 4 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee  
 Folk Club, 8.00pm in Village Club

Sat 6 Coffee morning, 10.00am-12 noon in Tom Hauley Room in aid  
 of the Village Hall

**Sun 7 TRINITY XI**

Eucharist Service, 9.00am  
 NB - No Little Saints' Service  
 Taizé Service, 6.00pm

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<b>Adverts to:</b> 36 Manor Orchard or e-mail to advertising@hlnews.co.uk by Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July
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<b>Refuse Collection Rota</b>			
	<b>Deppers Bridge</b>	<b>Harbury, Ladbroke &amp; Deppers Bridge outlying properties</b>	<b>Collection Week</b>
<b>July</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Fri</b>	
	6	8	<b>Grey Bin</b>
	13	15	<b>Green &amp; Blue Lid Bins</b>
	20	22	<b>Grey Bin</b>
	27	29	<b>Green &amp; Blue Lid Bins</b>
<b>Aug</b>	3	5	<b>Grey Bin</b>
	10	12	<b>Green &amp; Blue Lid Bins</b>
	17	19	<b>Grey Bin</b>

	<b>From the Rector</b>	<b>Reverend Craig Grocock</b>
<b>All Saints HARBURY</b>	The Rectory, Vicarage Lane, Harbury ☎612377 ✉kankudai43@aol.co.uk	

### **Sometimes a job's never done!**

Revd Nikki was ordained as a priest at Coventry Cathedral on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July. An ordination service is a grand occasion where the Bishop, on behalf of the church, 'lays his hands' on the person being ordained and 'commissions' them into their vocation and ministry. Nikki was ordained last year as a Deacon but now she is ordained as a Priest. This means she can now preside at communion services, declare God's forgiveness and 'bless' people in His name.

An ordination service is a very special and emotional occasion. It signifies not only the Church's recognition of a person's ministry but also the belief that they are called and set apart by God for this task. It was a joy and privilege to stand alongside Nikki as she knelt before Bishop Christopher. The Bishop also anointed her with oil that she might be strengthened to bless and anoint God's people, all very moving and powerful stuff.

It's a strange old job sometimes – being a vicar. Many people often wonder what a parish priest actually does in the course of a week. A typical day might look something like this:

Morning prayer in church

School assembly

Staff meeting or supervision

Lunch appointment with Deanery clergy colleagues or mid-day prayers in church

Pastoral visits at home or hospital or funeral visit in preparation for a service

Meeting with secretary

Sermon preparation

Church Council meeting in the evening

In the course of a week there may be also diocesan and deanery meetings, clergy chapter appointments, preparation for Sunday services, baptism preparation with families, marriage preparation with couples, pastoral care team meetings, various parish working groups, school governors, not to mention the care of the bereaved and planning and conducting of funerals when required. The vicar is also responsible for the spiritual life and care of the church congregation.

The role can be very demanding and so often it feels like the job's never really done. I am delighted that Nikki is amongst us. Please do continue to pray and support Nikki as she continues her training in Harbury and Ladbroke. It is only in God's strength that she will fulfill all he asks of us.

God bless.

## From the Registers

### *Funeral*

16<sup>th</sup> June Sandra Ridley (aged 71 years)

### *Baptism*

4<sup>th</sup> June Cullen Beaumont Fishburne

12<sup>th</sup> June Maximus John O'Keefe



## From the Churchwardens

**Liz & John**

June has been a month of celebration and thanksgiving. We have been delighted to see Sue and Keith Dormer home with Caroline and give thanks for Caroline's ongoing recovery.

Following an opportune conversation Colin Ingram had with the site manager of Murphy's, the area for the new memorial garden has now been levelled, all

waste cleared and a trench dug ready for the footings of the new wall. We are truly grateful for this extremely kind and generous offer of support from Murphy's, as this will now enable us to move forward with our plans to create a quiet and reflective garden for many to remember their loved ones in years to come.

There is now only limited access to the current memorials in this area for safety reasons; for more information please contact one of us or the Project Manager, Philip Keeping (614342).

Quotes are now being sought for the building of the memorial wall and hard landscaping. If anyone is interested, please contact us.

Thanks are also due to the Hereburgh Morris for coming to play and dance at our Saints Alive "Let's Celebrate" service on Sunday 19th which was a truly joyous and energising occasion.

Thanks to the Carnival organisers for the Pub Games (we came third – getting better slowly) and to Carl Wallington who kindly lent us his "Toad in the Hole" game which raised £140 for church funds. It was all good fun at the Carnival with so many taking part – including a certain odd Reverend and his wife!

And the celebrations are not over, as we look forward to Reverend Nikki Moon's ordination to the priesthood at Coventry Cathedral on 2<sup>nd</sup> July and her first communion service on 3<sup>rd</sup> July at 6pm in Harbury Church.

If you have any questions or require information about the church please feel free to contact Liz (612421) or John (614206).

	<p><b>Mothers' Union</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Gillian Hare</b></p>
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At our 1<sup>st</sup> June meeting Chris Rutherford told us about the beetle drive and fish and chip supper enjoyed by members at Whitnash, St Margaret's branch, where a competitive but fun social evening was enjoyed.

Our speaker, Julie Blake, the co-ordinator for Leamington Street Pastors talked about their work nationally but more particularly at Leamington in the main town area. Friday and Saturday evenings from 10.30pm to 4am approximately, they can be found offering support to people who are vulnerable; e.g. stranded without a lift – they can often arrange a cab or lift. Anyone who is thirsty – no, no alcohol, but they carry bottled water to save people dehydrating and flip flops for ladies who, after partying, find they cannot walk in their high heels.

However, on a more serious note, they provide a listening ear and sometimes just sit and talk with people. They care, share compassion, help if possible and engage with people where they are. There are 52 teams of Response

Pastors and it is easy to identify them as they wear a uniform, - a dedicated band of people. Tricia Harrison thanked Julie for an informative talk.

**At 2.15pm, Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2016**, we are going to St Mary's Church, Radford Road, Leamington Spa. If you would like a lift please contact Chris Rutherford on 01926 613757. All are welcome and refreshments will be provided. The more the merrier and a chance to see inside St Mary's.

**On Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> July 2016** in the Tom Hauley Room, Mothers' Union is holding coffee morning from 10am to 12 noon – we hope to see you there.

Any donations of cakes, preserves, raffle prizes and items for the Bring and Buy will be greatly appreciated.

## Ladbroke News & Diary

<http://www.ladbroke-pc.org.uk>

### JULY

- Sat 2 Rev Nikki's ordination, 5.00pm, Coventry Cathedral  
Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Sun 3 Trinity 6**  
Family Communion, 10.30am followed by refreshments  
Joint service at Harbury, 6.00pm followed by bring and share supper
- Mon 4 Homegroup, 8.00pm, 2 Hedges Close
- Tues 5 Photography Club BBQ, 7.30pm
- Wed 6 Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 7 WI, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Fri 8 Film Night, doors open 7.00pm, film starts 8.00pm, Village Hall
- Sun 10 Trinity 7**  
Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am
- Wed 13 Parish Council Meeting, 7.45pm, Village Hall
- Sat 16 Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Sun 17 Trinity 8**  
Holy Communion (BCP), 9.00am
- Mon 18 Homegroup, 8.00pm, venue TBC
- Wed 20 Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall  
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- Sat 23 Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Sun 24 Trinity 9**  
Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am
- Wed 27 Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall

Thurs 28 ARTICLES FOR NEXT ISSUE TO: HARBURY PHARMACY,  
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Sat 30 Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall

**Sun 31 Trinity 10**  
Holy Communion (said), 9.00am

## AUGUST

Tues 2 Photography Club, 7.30pm

Wed 3 Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall

Sat 6 Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall

**Sun 7 Trinity 11**  
Family Communion, 10.30am followed by refreshments



## Ladbroke Church News

**Jackie West**



Congratulations to our bell ringers who rang a Quarter Peal - 1272 Single Court Place Minimus - according to their certificate, awarded by the Coventry Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers, or nearly an hour of constant accurate ringing, before celebrating with a bottle of bubbly at The Bell Inn. Four of our bell ringers, Keith Archer, Andy Crompton, Paul and Laura Taylor joined trainer, Mike Rigby, in ringing this

Quarter Peal, on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June, the first Quarter ever for Andy and Paul and Martin Neal rang his first Quarter with Keith, Laura, and Mike at Lighthorne the following week. Both of these Quarter Peals were part of the Guild's 90 Quarters in 90 towers for the official 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Another way we marked the royal birthday was by giving to every home in the parish a copy of the book "The Servant Queen" which we hope you enjoyed reading. If we didn't manage to find you in, or your letterbox, please let me know (810331) and I'll bring your copy to you.

The rain arrived just after the high level gutters were removed from church and has meant that the repair work has only been progressing in intermittently, hopefully July will be better.

Thank you to everyone who supported our THR coffee morning and even more so to those who have donated recently to our All Saints for All Generations fund raising campaign recently or taken out or increased their standing orders; it is much appreciated.

Plans are progressing for two events in September. There is the **Auction of Promises on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September** which we hope will raise a significant sum. Wouldn't it be great if every single household in the parish and other friends of the church were involved by giving a promise, buying one or supporting the event in another way? You can find out how to participate on the lilac coloured flyer we delivered, further copies are available in both Ladbroke and Harbury churches. There are also details on the church website, [ladbrokechurch.org.uk](http://ladbrokechurch.org.uk)

Please make your promises and offers of help by 11<sup>th</sup> July so there is plenty of time to produce the auction catalogue and encourage sealed bids from those who can't come on the night.

Ladbroke Church is also taking part in **Heritage Open Days on Friday 9<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September**. There will be guided tours, information about more graveyard characters, and an exhibition on Ladbroke School (1876 - 1979). On the Saturday afternoon there will be a four hour musical marathon on the organ and other instruments. Entry is free and sponsorship of the musicians entirely optional, though Kate hopes you will all be generous!

## Flower Rota

3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Jean Clews
10 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Carol Lane
24 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup> July	Helen Morton



## Ladbroke Parish Council

**Jackie West**

As I was not at the May meeting of the Parish Council this report is a summary of the most interesting points in the minutes issued by the clerk, which will be available in full on the notice board by the pub. It looks as if I missed a short meeting.

**Highways, Footpaths & Drainage:** Feedback from Highways on the drains near the church is that it is still in for root cutting, the gang were issued with the job but were called away before they could start. As the job needs traffic management it will have to be noticed with streetworks and reprogrammed.

The Parish Council discussed the fence at the end of Windmill Lane and will see if it is acceptable to SDC's Footpath Officer to put a gate there as it is difficult for people to access the bus stop and it is dangerous for people climbing over the barrier.

**Planning:** The council made no representations for a single storey side extension and brick wall at 6 Hedges Close, treeworks to a cypress at Attwood Cottage nor the double garage and driveway at The Willows, Radbourne Lane (*but that application was refused by SDC subsequently*). SDC had approved a new agricultural building at Follyfields Farm and limb reduction on two yews at Ladbroke Hall.

*Since the May meeting there have been a number of planning applications in Ladbroke including another application for a house on the field "off" Windmill Lane, an extension at Sarah's cottage and a new house behind Old Rectory House next to the Millennium Green. Details of all these and more can be found on the SDC planning website via the links on the village website [ladbroke-pc.org.uk](http://ladbroke-pc.org.uk)*

**SDC:** The core strategy has been approved, 15500 houses will be built over the next 15 years in our district. An application for 500 houses in Daventry Road in Southam has been supported. The Parish Council had raised concerns about large containers at Folly Fields Farm. The enforcement officer has followed this up and agrees that the containers should not be there so enforcement is now taking place.

**Next meeting:** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 7.45pm

	<p><b>Ladbroke &amp; Deppers Bridge Women's Institute</b></p>	<p><b>Carol Lane</b></p>
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It was a good turnout for the June meeting on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> and we were treated to an evening of images depicting God's Wonderful World. Over many years Richard and Pauline Higginbottom must have had the camera ready at all times to capture the many pictures, some funny, some beautiful, some educational and all interesting.

The presentation was divided into topics and appropriate music was played for each section so that Land of Hope and Glory accompanied the castles and the theme from the Magnificent Seven highlighted the firework pictures. Louis Armstrong's 'What a Wonderful World', with lovely views of the countryside and gardens, left us feeling peaceful and positive.

Anyone wishing to organise such an evening can contact Richard and Pauline on 01926 491854 or at [Richard@richandpoll.plus.com](mailto:Richard@richandpoll.plus.com)

Dianne led the business meeting which followed and fed back from recent events.

Our decisions regarding this year's resolutions had been sent to our link delegate; Dianne had expressed our views on this process to the NFWI (National Federation of Women's Institutes) and had been notified that the process is now under review.

If you wish to take advantage of the many outings and events on offer, please bring your cheque book to the meetings so that you get the best chance of reserving a place.

The coffee morning held last month was very successful and raised £246 with a couple of items which Mandy is going to put on eBay to add. Dianne thanked all concerned for all the contributions and help on the day.

Dianne and another member are planning to go to London for one of the NFWI Open Days on 30<sup>th</sup> November and wondered if anyone else was planning to go.

Dianne has also been busy at Kenilworth golf course where she and Sue Lord took advantage of the coaching taster session and are planning to take up the offer of five more sessions.

### **Dates for your diary:**

**American Independence Day walk**, 4<sup>th</sup> July, £4. Four mile walk from Sunnyside Farm, Stockton.

**Hardwick Hall**, 22<sup>nd</sup> September, £30 (£15 for NT members), 8.30am Tesco.

**Essence of India**, 28<sup>th</sup> September, £20 inc. lunch and demonstrations, Rowington Village Hall.

**Help I've got a new iPad**, 29<sup>th</sup> September, £10, Federation House.

**Lane Cup**, Design a Frontal Celebrating WFWI Centenary, £10 by 29<sup>th</sup> September.

Our annual group meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> June was hosted by Long Itchington WI who provided a delicious supper and some lovely raffle prizes. Unfortunately we weren't lucky in either the raffle or the Denman bursaries which were drawn on the evening. We toasted Her Majesty and all entries for the Queens's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday card were beautiful, including one made by our very own Hazel. The winning card was made by Southam WI. Entertainment was provided by the Spa Strummers who got us all tapping our feet and singing along, making it a very enjoyable evening. Our next group event is an autumnal walk at Batsford Arboretum on 20<sup>th</sup> October.

The July meeting is on the 7<sup>th</sup> and as our speaker is expectedly unavailable, Bill Davies will entertain us with memories of his cycle ride from Santiago to Compostela.



## Ladbroke Matters

David Wright

The Ladbroke Matters team is responsible for the upkeep of the Village Hall and Millennium Green. To help with this we organise regular fundraising events so that we can continue to offer both of these resources for the benefit of our community.



Our next ever-popular film and supper night is scheduled for **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July** when we will be screening 'Dad's Army'. So do come along to a light hearted trip down memory lane (for most of us!) and remember a favourite British comedy. Doors open at 7pm for supper. Film starts at 8pm. Bring your own drinks. Ice creams available during the interval.

Our last two film nights were sell-outs so book early to avoid disappointment. Tickets £12 each from Nicky (815196).

### Here are some more dates for your diary:

- We have a quiz night planned for **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October**.
- A further film and supper night is scheduled for **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November**.
- Our Village Christmas Party is planned for **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December**.
- On **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November** one of our very popular race nights will be held in Harbury Village hall - jointly in aid of Ladbroke Matters and All Saints' Ladbroke church building repair fund.



If you would like to join the Ladbroke Matters team, have any suggestions for future events, or any other comments please contact the trustees (details on the Ladbroke website).

### Ladbroke Village Hall Millennium Club

£50	Mary Coley	£50	Sue Lord
£25	Keith Tancock	£25	Carol and Peter Loftus
£25	Carol Lane	£10	Geoff Timms
£10	Derek and Colette Batty	£10	Sue Moore
£10	Carol and Peter Loftus	£10	Lorna Carleton

Margaret Bosworth



## Harbury Parish Council

Linda Ridgley

*Official minutes can be viewed in the Library, on the Parish Council website [www.harbury-pc.gov.uk](http://www.harbury-pc.gov.uk) or obtained from the Parish Clerk Tel: 01926 614646*

### May 2016

At the Annual Meeting which had been held earlier in the month, the membership of working parties remained the same. Additionally a new short-term working party was set up comprising the Chairman, Tim Lockley with Cllrs Gibb, Allen and Summers to liaise with David Wilson Homes the developers of the Bush Heath Lane site.

**Public Participation** - Concern was expressed about the potential insertion of another house on the frontage of Farm Close.

### Reports from other bodies

Cllr Gibb said although the Government had said academy status for schools would not be compulsory, our School Governors believe that if they don't comply, the school could be left behind, although as a Church School the conversion process might be difficult.

County Cllr Bob Stevens said the County was hoping to bring all its schools into one consortium. There would be a meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> June for governors on this topic.

Cllr Thornley reported the Village Hall was getting quotes for insulation and heating upgrading and the Hall floor was to be resealed.

Cllr Cristou for the Energy Initiative wanted Council support for a Lottery bid to put PV panels on the Library roof. This caused much debate on the PC and PCC's roles and consultation with all the occupiers; the lifespan of the panels, responsibility for their installation and removal and who received the grant. Answer to the last is the PC (they can reclaim VAT). Matter approved: 6 for, 2 against.

**Highways** - Cllr Gibb drew attention to the mounting accident toll at the Bendigo Mitchell Crossroads and suggested that traffic lights should be installed before the Gaydon/Lighthorne Heath development starts. Cllr Ekins asked what actions would be taken on the HGVs still crossing the railway bridge at Deppers Bridge. Chairman Tim Lockley reported work by Network Rail had made the Ufton Road verge smaller.

**Planning - Bush Heath Lane** changes to Reserved Matters including planting schemes, and changes to housing layouts elicited no representation from the Cllrs. However the bizarre plans by Dallas Burston for 700 houses, care home, hotel, primary school, surgery etc out by the Polo Ground was condemned as the worst kind of speculative and isolated development with

inadequate consultation. The Chair agreed to write an objection from the Parish Council.

**Neighbourhood Plan** - is still progressing, but slowly. The Chairman thought it would probably have to wait for the District's Core Strategy to be approved.

**Properties - Recreation Ground** – The play area repairs were finished and quotes would be sought for repairs to the skate park. The grant application for a climbing wall had been rejected but the walking route had secured funding.

**Burial Grounds** - Cllr Summers had managed to contact relatives whose family graves might be impacted by the soil removal operation. The Cllrs decided, on advice, that the beech tree would be thinned again at the appropriate time. The Chairman said they did not intend to remove the tree. Successful negotiations have secured a new burial's site along Bush Heath Lane but it will remain as farmed land until it is needed.

More allotments have been taken but there was no news on who was responsible for the dangerous damage to the path-side tree there.

**Lighting** - Repairs to a light on Bush Heath Lane and to the lantern in the Lychgate were agreed. A quote would be sought for the tranche of light replacements. Negotiations were still taking place with David Wilson Homes as the 23 lights planned was thought to be too urban for the Bush Heath Lane development. Fewer lights would mean less impact on the village edge.

**Safety** - Residents would be warned, via the Harbury & Ladbroke News that the Council had asked Stratford DC to provide better policing of parking in the village. The Parish had also complained that the Church Paddock walls in Church Street and Hall Lane were in an unsafe condition, but the District Council had inspected them and declared them safe.

**Finance - Centenary Project** Cllr Gibb said the research was complete on all 33 of the fallen. He would write to residents on whose houses the PC would like to erect plaques and, if Listed Building Consent were necessary, the PC would bear that cost. Plaques would be placed as close as possible to where demolished houses had stood. At the proposed Bush Heath Lane development, the PC had rejected the developer's offer of the 'Open Space' designation of land on the site. This meant that the maintenance of it would be the responsibility of a Management Company and paid for by the residents.

## **Parish Council Quarterly Report June 2016**

In the past three months the PC has:

- Secured a grant for the construction of an 'enhanced walking route' around part of the playing fields.
- Made a grant to the Village Hall for an enlarged cinema screen

- Agreed on a site for a new cemetery with a local landowner
- Ordered a further 10 new streetlights to continue our replacement programme of old lights with LEDs
- Passed a budget for 2016-17 with an average increase of £1.97 per year for a Band D property
- Continued to work on the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

**Tim Lockley**  
**Parish Council Chairman**



### **Trees in Harbury**

As our village expanded it incorporated some magnificent trees from the surrounding countryside. Harbury has some fine yews, cedars, walnuts and oaks as well as smaller more decorative trees, and land-owners also enhanced their land by planting more exotic trees like robinia, Judas tree, monkey puzzles, horse chestnuts and beech as well as redwoods, willows, pines and other conifers.



But the dominant tree was the towering elms and in the early 1980's Dutch Elm Disease struck. This photograph of Bush Heath Lane shows the Elms in

all their majesty. Many land-owners tried to save them by injecting fungicides but within two or three years they were all gone.

The County Council embarked on a massive replanting scheme and as time went on the ash began to replace the elm. Now of course the ash is threatened by Calara.

To protect what trees remain there are now strict rules. Planning permission is required before work on, or felling of, any tree (except fruit trees) is undertaken.

Many of our trees have been protected by TPOs (Tree Preservation Orders) and all trees in the conservation areas, whether they have a TPO or not, are protected in the same way. In some cases there is a blanket TPO put on an important area of trees.

The penalties for undertaking work on these trees without permission is quite severe. For those with a TPO the maximum fine is up to £20,000 and for trees in the Conservation Area without a TPO it is still £2,000.

It is indeed fortunate that many of our best remaining trees are under the protection of our Parish Council which takes their care seriously, but our village is, like many others, expanding again and it is important that we value and keep as much of our rural heritage as possible.



**Schoolchildren planting  
the Centenary Oak on  
Bush Heath Lane**



**Harbury Women's Institute**

**Jeanne Beaumont**

A busy time of the year and the Carnival arrived.

Sorry to report that the W.I. did not enter the parade as there was not enough support. This was a great disappointment as we have entered Harbury Carnival since it started in 1971.

Thank goodness we had the cake stall plus the lovely cake Ann Mayer made and Tony Estick decorated for the "Guess the Weight". That was won by Izzie Grimes. Thanks to everyone who baked cakes and those who helped to erect the stall and serve.

There are plenty of courses and outings organised by the Federation if one has the enthusiasm and time to participate.

The visit to the McIntosh Gallery on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July is leaving the Village Hall at 12pm. Our Garden Party is on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> August and the Village Show is on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> September.

Our speaker was Frances Freeman who spoke on a Working Warwickshire Wood. She arrived to speak dressed in the gear that she wears for working with her husband (when he is not away) to maintain the 78 acre wood they bought at Binton Hill.

I think members thought it might not be that interesting but how wrong we were.

The planting and growing of their trees which were thinned every seven years and the care taken was very important. The aftercare of the cut wood was interesting too and well planned. Frances spoke of different woods in Warwickshire and Worcestershire that had wood owned by the well known brush firm of Harris. It had to be the right wood for the brush handles.

She had so much knowledge and it was a brilliant talk that we would love to hear it again.

The next meeting on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 7.45pm is in the Tom Hauley Room. Speaker: Penny Varley – Life of a Studio Potter.



## Folk Club

**Steve & Maureen Darby**

The theme for Folk Club 379 was “Songs for the Summer time”. With the thought of summer on the way, it was hoped that the chosen theme would bring a lightness, energy and positivity to the renditions of the performers; so it proved to be with all 13 artists giving of their best and making the whole evening a memorable one.

Maureen and Janny opened the evening with the Threlfalls’ “Searching for Lambs” and they were then joined by Peter on guitar and Margaret on violin to perform the Silly Sisters’ “Almost Every Circumstance”. The accompaniment of the two instruments gave richness to the two voices and we all agreed we should hear more of this new supergroup. Rik then sang the very relevant “Sunbathing”, a song about the consequences of spending too much time in the sun, followed by “New York State of Mind”, all about not being bothered to holiday and deciding to holiday at home. Ted and Sue duetted the traditional Broken Token song “Claudy Banks” with Ted then singing for the first time at Folk Club the Flanders and Swann song “The English” which described the dubious character of the Irish, Scots and Welsh, with the English being by far the best. Pete Grassby sang a song written by

14 year old New Zealander Chloe Anson about "Waiting for the Rain" and then played the melodeon to Bill McChesney's "Summertime, Summertime". Norman Wheatley had travelled across the border from Worcestershire and beautifully sang the song "Love to a Fault is Always Blind" (words by William Blake) followed by 70s' singer John Golding's "I Might Change". The first half ended with Sue and Ian giving an energetic performance of the Carter Family's "Keep on the Sunnyside" and then Loudon Wainwright's "Swimming Song", to which Sue danced some Appalachian tap steps.

Steve announced some sad news. His Folk Club notebook would be full after this evening's entertainment and after 11½ years (since Folk Club number 239) it would need to be replaced. It contained a record of some wonderful nights of singing and performing in Harbury.

The second half began with the Folk Club Choir singing "Bringing in the Sheaves" together with "O Makunde", which was taken from the Cirque du Soleil show, "Ka". Anne and Ray sang a twelfth century Latin hymn, "On this Holiday", and "Donna, Donna". Lou returned to the club without his granddaughter and went solo with "Winter it is Past" followed by a Bill Staines song, "Roseville Fair". Peter McDonald sang Eric Bogle's "Barbecue Song", which was themed around how you know it's summer time when the Aussies light up the BBQ which has become a National Institution. He then told us of the trials of the Romany who are always on the move, never being allowed to settle, and so sang "My Wagon Keeps on Rolling". Pete and Liz painted a picture of the summer times of our childhood, of lapping seas, crabs and clear blue skies by singing "Orange Balloon" and then Pete performed, (and it truly was the performance of his career), what he described as the monologue of a muddy "Bing and Chips", Costa del Cleorthopes – the tale of Mr and Mrs Ramsbottom, their son Albert, of Wild Morris Men and full tankards and how Albert was saved from the Humber River – a remarkable tale told with such gusto! Des closed the second half with a song from the 1920s about a shepherd and then we all joined in with a rousing chorus of "John Kanaka".

The third half began with Robin singing "Sealed with a kiss" followed by "The Summer that Never Came" and then the Somerville Gentlemen told us of their journey to France some 40 years ago where they picked up a tune about a rat which they duly performed and then sang "The Wanton Seed", a song about the needs of a young lady and the young man who fulfilled them. Pete Grassby played and superbly sang "Summertime" and the evening closed with another rousing shanty from Des, "Go Down You Blood Red Roses".

The quality of the evening's performances cannot be underestimated; you had to be there to appreciate how well every artist contributed to the enjoyment of the evening. The raffle raised a magnificent £75 for TOFS, a charity that supports children who are born unable to swallow.

Next month's Folk Club will be hosted by Pete and Liz Bones with the theme of "Singing Together". The aim of the theme is to encourage performers to sing songs with choruses that, where possible, everyone can join in with.



## Harbury Twinning Association

**Tony Thomas**

June was a busy month. It started when we hosted the Saturday Coffee Morning in the Tom Hauley Room.

Then once again, the Twinning Association participated in all the 'Carnival Week's activities, Jan and John Freeman, suitably attired in fancy dress, ran in the wheelbarrow race. Our Chairman, Peter Rollason, did not allow his recent surgery to prevent him from participating by allowing himself to be wheeled around the course sitting on a very large cushion! All credit to the super-fit George Simpson, the barrow pusher, who successfully managed to finish the course in a respectable time.

At the end of the week of pub games the Twinning Association ended up a creditable fourth place out of seven.

We ran our traditional French-themed stand on Carnival day, selling cheese or pate baguettes with a complimentary glass of French wine.

We wish to thank everyone who supported us during this busy month and all the Association's members who took part.

On Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> June, forty-five of us will be travelling to Samois-sur-Seine for our annual get-together with our twinning partners. They have promised us an entertaining and enjoyable week-end despite the effects of the serious flooding which they have recently experienced.



## 1<sup>st</sup> Harbury Scouts

**John Rea, Mark Clifton & Richard Tonge**

It has been a good few months since our last update in these pages, so we thought we'd write now to give you a whistle-stop flavour for what we've been up to. We continue to run at near capacity, currently twenty three Scouts ages ten to fourteen on roll. We try to offer a varied selection for our Thursday night activities; we've built crystal set radios, gutted and cooked fresh mackerel over open fires, we've plaited leather woggles, learned about the HEI Electric Cars and taken a four-stroke petrol engine apart to learn how it works. We've been on night hikes in the local area and just last week the Hereburgh Morris Dancers kindly came along to teach us some moves! Oh, and to keep our traditional scouting skills alive we've also learned how to tie some knots, read maps and carry out some basic first aid. In the next few weeks we'll be kayaking on the river Leam, helping Mr Chapman in the school grounds and we plan to finish the term at the outdoor laser quest at Edge Hill.

In February we had a great weekend away at Wilderhope Manor Youth Hostel in Shropshire and have recently returned from our Summer Camp in the Lake District. One of our older Scouts Jonty takes over the story....



..... Early on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May in the morning we all assembled at Harbury Scout Hut, and boarded the minibus that would take us to the Lake District. It took us about five hours to get there, but when we arrived we immediately set to work putting up the tents. By this time the temperature had risen to very hot, and this would be the normal temperature for the rest of our stay, allowing the insects to come out and bug us! Later we found a fallen tree which we collected firewood from to make our camp fire. The day ended with fantastic hot chocolate and a game of football, after which we retired to the tents.

The next day we prepared for a gruelling ten mile hike from the camp to the village of Coniston. At about half way, the toughest amongst us swam in Beacon Tarn, which is a large lake. Later it was time to put the swimming trunks back on as we reached the shores of Lake Coniston. Finally, we arrived, totally exhausted, and had a look around. One ice cream and a minibus ride later we were back at



camp. In the afternoon we cooked our own food over open fires that we made in our Patrols.

The highlight of the next day was going gorge scrambling. We all had a lot of fun clambering over rocks in freezing cold water and jumping into the deep pools. At the end of the session we clambered behind a waterfall and had our photos taken. We got absolutely soaked but really enjoyed ourselves.

The next day we packed our bags and took down our tents. We had some eggs left over, so we played catch with them, taking a step back each time until they broke! After a very long minibus ride, we arrived back in Harbury after a fun and exhausting camp.

I would like to thank all the leaders for taking us and looking after us so well. We really appreciate their time, energy and, most of all, their patience!



## Harbury Juniors Football Club

**Malcom Tanner**

The team have had an excellent season, being unbeaten in the league this year and finishing joint runners up in the Three Counties League.

In addition the team were finalists in the Three Counties Tournament and the icing on the cake was winning the Tysoe Tournament beating Kenilworth Town in the final.

In the Tysoe Tournament, Harbury faced strong opposition from teams in the Mid Warwickshire League, including Tysoe, Khalsa and Kenilworth Town who comprehensively beat Harbury 4-0 in the opening rounds.

However, Harbury showed that, not only do they play good football, but have a tremendous spirit in the side as they dominated Kenilworth in the final with a 2-0 victory.

All the players improved over the season both individually and as a team and at the presentation evening the following awards were made:-

Most improved player - Jamie Smith

Clubman - Helen Huke

Golden Boot - Harry Latus

Player of the Season - Joe Ward





## Harbury Junior Netball Club

### Netball Award for Beccy

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June saw us at Aston Villa Football Stadium for the West Midlands Netball Golden Globe Awards. Beccy McDaid, our daughter, had been nominated for the Muriel McNally Grass Roots award – an award for persons involved for more than 10 years in all aspects of the game. In this category, she won. She has given years of enthusiasm, drive, fun and laughter to many children and adults. Thursday evenings and weekends she has encouraged and trained the youngsters in skills the many teams have developed for their league matches. Colleagues and parents have supported the Club helping with training sessions, scoring and transport to venues – whatever the weather! This year is the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary for Harbury Netball Club. It's good to see it flourishing with young children rising through the age groups. We are very proud that Beccy can still find the time and energy to help keep the Club thriving.



**Bridget and Chris Burnham**



## Harbury Tennis Club

**Colin and Sue Mercer**

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/HarburyTC>

As usual June was a really busy month for the club, shame it wasn't a flaming one!

We started off with our Great British Tennis Weekend and the village Carnival where, between the showers, we had plenty of interest throughout the day and we signed up some new members. This was followed by our pre-Wimbledon Strawberry Tournament, which, on Mid-summertime, had to be completed under floodlights! The 7 pairs participating were kept busy, each playing six matches with a mid-evening break for lots of strawberries with lashings of cream. I suspect this may have hampered some performances in the second part of the evening, but not for Helen Cooper and David Bristow



(pictured) who won all six matches to become the first winners of the magnificent new trophy!

This was followed on the following day by our second Primary School Tennis Festival. Our *coolsportz* coaches, Lianne Candappa and Rob West, had been into Harbury, Moreton Morrell and Southam St. Mary's schools to deliver taster sessions and invited them to send a group of pupils to the Festival. We welcomed 22 children and teachers/classroom assistants to the club and luckily the rain held off again. Lianne set

up 10 mini red courts and organised and explained the rules to a very attentive audience (pictured), followed by around 50 matches, a mix of singles and doubles, between the schools. The children were really enthusiastic and there were lots of very close matches with last year's Moreton Morrell again being declared winners.



In the league matches we secured our first win in the Banbury Summer League Division 4 against Deddington C. Caroline Morla and, Debs Brooks, and Eira Owen were in good form, winning all three



ladies' doubles to put Harbury in a strong position. In the men's doubles Deddington's men had the edge over Harbury's Steve Stark, Olly Wiltshire and Colin Mercer, but winning two of the mixed doubles was enough to give us a 6-3 away win.

The next match was at home against Division leaders, Byfield C. Caroline, Debs, and Eira were again in top form and won the ladies' doubles. In the men's doubles Harbury's trio of Steve Marshall, Paul Crowton and

Colin Mercer weren't able to overcome Byfield's men although Steve and Colin went very close in a tiebreak, and even had a match point. This eventually proved crucial as Byfield won two of the mixed doubles to go home to Northamptonshire with a 5-4 win.

In the Weekend Mixed format Harbury are still looking for the first win after a narrow 3-5 home defeat against Deddington. Caroline Morland, Steve Stark and Karen and David Bristow entertained the visitors from Oxfordshire. All four rubbers were closely contested, and Harbury won more games than Deddington, but unfortunately not sets!

July will be another busy month. The Junior programme continues to attract more participants and runs until the end of the school summer term. For more details contact Lianne on 07919104093, lianne@coolsporz.co.uk or check out the website at [www.coolsporz.co.uk](http://www.coolsporz.co.uk) We are also running another Great British Tennis Weekend (GBTW) on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July between 10.00am and 12.00 noon. For more details contact me ([sucolmercer@btinternet.com](mailto:sucolmercer@btinternet.com)) or visit the GBTW website: [clubspark.lta.org.uk/OpenDays](http://clubspark.lta.org.uk/OpenDays)



## Harbury Toddler Group

Lynne Barton

Rain stopped play in June with an unexpected flood in the room; we wish our colleagues and families attending Pre-School a speedy and positive response from workmen and hope that the roof is soon repaired. A few parents and grandparents took refuge in the Library and had a warm welcome from John with a great selection of children's books to keep them amused.



Toddlers are such delicious fun, easily pleased with the activities we present come rain or shine and are always busy engaging. Here are Olivia and Elijah trying out the newly made orange play dough. The recipe we use for this is easy if you want to try it at home : 2 cups of flour, 2 cups of warm water, 1 cup of salt, 2 tablespoons of vegetable oil, 1 tablespoon of cream of tartar and food colouring. Mix all together and stir over a low heat, when the mixture pulls away from the saucepan and 'clumps together' remove from heat and allow to cool. Store in air tight container and it keeps for weeks.



Fresh flowers are more easy to come by this time of year and those with thicker stems like chrysanthemums make it simple for little hands. They had great fun

making decorations for mummy and daddy, made with love and concentration what more can you ask ?



Our local amateur photographer Alan Toms came and took photographs of the children during indoor and outdoor play and some had a portrait picture, can't wait to see the results, such anticipation when he returns with the prints.

Miss Lorraine from Love Ballet was super as always and stayed most of the morning as she had her two little ones with her. The children really enjoyed her class with lots of music, props and free movement. We look forward to welcoming her again soon.

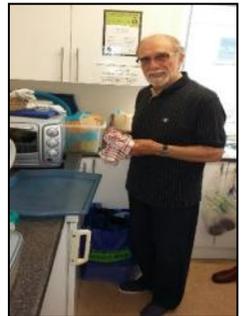


We have lots more to look forward to before the end of term: large easel art with Deb Dutton from the local Children's Centre, Aimee Mann's messy play experience, Shiver Me Timbers Pirate themed morning, Ready Steady Gymnastics and Henry's Castle on 18<sup>th</sup> July.

And here's Reg doing a very important role, washing up after the children's snacks and drinks, thank you for being so flexible. It is great to provide the children with a welcome mix of both gender roles and ages.

Finally, Lynne, Selina and Reg look forward to welcoming parents, carers, grandparents, childminders and children under five - come on round, the kettle's on, and don't forget if you want to be the one to put it on please call.

We are based at the Wight School, High Street, Harbury, CV33 9HW (brown gate to the side) and meet at 9.30am saying bye bye at 11.15am.



Thinking of coming along or need more information? Please do ring Lynne on 01926 612748 or email [lynnebarton@btinternet.com](mailto:lynnebarton@btinternet.com)



**Banana Moon Day Nursery**

**Lucy Nealon**

We have two big reasons to celebrate at Banana Moon this month:

Firstly, Harbury girl, Ellie White, our very first apprentice has qualified. She has completed her NVQ 3 in Childcare not only early but with fantastic grades

and feedback from both tutor and parents. Most importantly the children love her! We look forward to seeing Ellie flourish and we welcome a new apprentice, Sian Chapple-Hyam in September.

Secondly, it gives me great pleasure and pride to say we have passed our first Ofsted inspection. I was confident, as were Banana Moon Head Office, that we were performing well within the grading of 'Good' but with it being our first inspection we knew it would be a challenge to achieve this. Not only did we achieve the grading of 'Good' but we received some fantastic feedback and only a couple of very specific areas to work on to achieve 'outstanding' which is ultimately what we are always striving for in our day to day practice.

The inspector was nothing but complimentary throughout the day and the key thing she kept coming back to was the dedication and passion of the staff and the high quality of teaching and learning. In her final feedback she said: **'A real highlight of the setting is how well everyone works together and the strong partnership with parents, other settings and local schools. As part of the passion the setting acts professionally and has a passion for Special Educational needs as well as safeguarding being effective'**.

When I opened the nursery, one of the things I was disappointed about was that we couldn't have a bigger outdoor space and have it more conveniently located outside the nursery. As a consequence, knowing this is our area of weakness, our outdoor provision is something we are always striving to improve and features in our Development Plan. Ironically, the inspector was spontaneously very complimentary about our outside provision and loved we used the zebra crossing to educate the children on road safety. We took the opportunity to discuss expanding our outside space by using the car park with the older children. (After careful risk assessment, during parts of the day when the car park isn't really in use we shut the gates and have been using the space to allow the older children to develop their motor skills with bikes and various sporting activities). The inspector reviewed our process and health and safety assessment and thoroughly endorsed us doing it which is excellent as it provides us with more space for the older children. Obviously we appreciate the limitations of this and only use this facility with very close supervision.

In the final report (which can be found on the Ofsted website), the inspector captures the ethos of the nursery perfectly and I cannot thank my staff team enough for not only how they performed under the pressure of a 10 hour inspection, but most importantly how they tirelessly perform every single day, having the care, development and safety of the children at the heart of what they do.





## Harbury Pre-School

Staff & Committee

**Carnival Float:** Wow! What a result! As promised last month, the Pre-School float, based on the rhyme “Walking through the Jungle” spoke for itself. A group of parents, led by Graham and Kelly, used the children’s artwork to produce a wonderfully dressed float. The children, staff (and most of the adults) dressed up accordingly and between them they won **first prize** in their category! Very many thanks to all those who helped to make it such a success, not least Rob Hadley, who once again loaned us his trailer, allowed us to decorate it in his barn and to David, who towed it with such care in the parade.



**Farm Visit:** We are very grateful to Louise Trice for allowing us to visit her farm. George was there to meet us and the children were thrilled to be able to feed some of the young calves. They also watched the cows being fed. Many thanks to Louise and George, who made this visit possible during a very busy time for them, and to Pam Parton, Maureen Handle and Tom Conway who walked down with us.



**Father’s Day:** Cards were created by the children using a computer program which enabled them to create a picture of a bug. Using their mathematical

skills, they chose the number of legs, antennae, spots, tails and eyes, printed their picture then wrote their own messages.

### The Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday 'Street Party':

Pre-School's 'street party' – with flags and bunting decorating the canopied area in the outdoor classroom and food provided by the parents – proved a huge success. A card showing a photograph of the children and signed by some of them, has been sent to the Queen herself!



**Butterfly Garden:** Thanks to a grant from Warwick Natural History Society, Pre-School purchased a Live Butterfly Garden kit. The caterpillars duly arrived and have been observed on a daily basis by the children. This gives them the opportunity to watch caterpillars change and grow into chrysalides and then later emerge as beautiful Painted Lady butterflies.

*If you would like further information, or to register a child for Harbury Pre-School, please contact Rosemary Jackson, Pre-School administrator: e-mail enquiries@harburypre-school.org.uk text*

*07907 598461 or look at the web site [www.harburypre-school.org.uk](http://www.harburypre-school.org.uk)*



## Village Hall Update

Chris Finch

How many people noticed the roses planted in front of the extended wall of the Village Hall in time for the Carnival?? Maybe not many, as the bush roses and two climbers were yet to flower, but now at least two of the yellow bushes have developed flowers and hopefully more will follow on the other bushes, which were discovered (after purchase!) to be the variety Queen Elizabeth.

It might be possible to claim that it was a pre-planned planting celebration in time for the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, but it was more a case of similar bushes being purchased to make a co-ordinated show! At least, it might be remembered in future that the rose bed was actually planted in 2016 whether it was pre-planned or NOT!

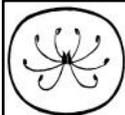
Fortunately the 'spits and spots' that weather forecasters always seem to mention these days, held off by the time the procession reached the playing fields, so it allowed visitors to enjoy the many stalls. Inside the hall, the 'new' stage was used to advantage for the several routines which entertained those who enjoyed the traditional W.I. Tea. At the end of June, six local drama groups will have experienced our impressive facilities when they visit Harbury and are 'Caught in the Act' with their various performances.

Carnival Day obviously attracts considerable parking in the area and as many people as possible use the playing field car park, which is managed by the Parish Council. However, the P.C. has had to be notified recently about the number of occasions on which 'young mums have unloaded toddlers on the road side before entering the hall for a regular activity'. As there is a bus stop almost opposite the Village Hall, there have also been problems for the local buses when cars have been left parked on either side of the road. Apparently not all users of the Hall are aware that there is substantial parking at the rear of the Hall and it has been suggested that a more noticeable sign should be placed in each direction, so that the safety of all visitors to the Hall, particularly youngsters, is ensured.

Last month, the update reported on mundane matters, which are addressed by the committee at their regular meetings and this month there are two concerns to report: one an on-going housekeeping problem, which happens at regular intervals, the collection of lost property, and another relating to the care of the premises by all users who are asked to 'leave the Hall as they found it'. Recently, it has become obvious that heavy items (stacks of chairs - or the temporary stage blocks?) have been dragged across the floor, with the resultant effect of a gouged double tram-line running from side to side across the body of the hall. There are wheeled chair transporters in the hall, which can be used to move several chairs at a time and it is hoped that these will be used in future, especially after the floor is cleaned, treated and varnished in August. As a member of the committee visits the hall each day, any problems are noted on a daily basis and a record kept of any correction which may be needed.

Finally, it is hoped that anyone who recognises any of the items left in the corridor of the toilet block will collect them by the end of the month, otherwise items of clothing will be put into one of the recycling bins and other items will be handed on to a place where they can be used. The current items include: a clear plastic umbrella, a yellow/green child's umbrella, an Arsenal cap, a purple Peppa Pig holdall, a pair of red patterned gloves, a single black glove, a grey FAT FACE mohair cardigan, a grey 8-9 yrs. GAP hoody, a light grey

hoody, 1 pair small black tights, a dark purple cardigan, a dark grey FF cardigan and a CLASSIC adult's beige light jacket. If anyone recognises any of these items as their own property, please take it with you when you next visit the Hall for an activity. The coat hangers in the corridor have been provided for the use of visitors attending any function at the Hall, but at present there is a lost item on every single peg! Please help if you can, by keeping the hangers free!



## Horticultural Society

**Judy Morrall**

No meeting to report back on as the next one is not until October, but we did have a really good day out for our first outing on 16<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you to everyone for being prompt, we did have 30, which was a much better number than I thought a week ago. Our first destination was to a delightful National Trust property near Droitwich, Hanbury Hall and Gardens. After a very welcome cuppa and biscuit we were then able to explore these very unique gardens. It did rain to start with but soon stopped and we just dodged the puddles!

The most striking feature is the sunken parterre at the back of the Georgian house with super conical boxes within clipped box hedges and a walkway through the middle, some colourful planting and not a weed to be seen. The only sign of any damage we saw was a half eaten leaf on a banana plant in a pot. Lots of walks and great plants to see and enjoy but I have to admit that my favourite was the walled vegetable garden complete with a family of ducks and some chickens, so nothing wasted here. The vegetables were in rows and again no weeds. I was in awe of the variety of cabbages, green and mauve colours all with leaves intact and protected from pigeons by being in a cage with no sign of caterpillars either. All the other vegetables were in good health and strong, my idea of vegetable heaven! The views from the house over the Worcestershire landscape were stunning too, with glimpses of the Malvern Hills.

After a very good lunch we went into the house which was built by the Vernon family. There were some wonderful wall paintings on the stairs by Sir James Thornhill, it is the best example of these that I have seen. The house must have been quite splendid in its heyday with house parties and all sorts of influential guests. Some of the original furniture is still there and it too is stunning. The façade of the house is very much like the back of Hampton Court, influenced by William and Mary. We then got on the coach again after some shopping and went a few miles away to Spetchley Park Gardens.

It must be ten years since I organised an evening visit here and how things have changed....for the better. There is now a huge welcoming car park a short way from the gardens and a new visitor centre. After a lovely welcome

we all made our own separate ways throughout these magical gardens. The gardener's cottage, near to the old entrance is interesting in that it was used by Elgar when he came to visit the Berkeley family who own this house and Berkeley Castle. There are still melon houses but no longer in use. I remember the huge statue of a stag in the kitchen garden which did have weeds but just added to the experience. So many individual gardens: a Millennium garden, west border, lovers' walk and Apollo statue, south border with Adam and Eve statues, rose lawn, fountain garden and many more. The planting is very naturalistic and my kind of gardens with lovely poppies, peonies, roses, trees including a cork oak and an ordinary oak tree planted from an acorn from Blenheim Palace during the war and given by Winston Churchill. The lake, which was enlarged from an old moat, has been dredged and the lawn surrounding it and the new lawn walk are not to be missed. Then, to make it even more perfect, a male and female swan emerged from the lake with four very young cygnets who still had their downy coats on - magical. We met a very interesting elderly lady who had a whippet and a bowl of food who was going to feed the swans. She mentioned that she lived in the house and it turned out that she was the dowager Lady Berkeley. After a cream tea when the sun was so hot that we could sit out and enjoy it and the purchase of really good value plants, we left here at 5.45pm. I would recommend very highly these two very different but brilliant gardens if you want a good day out only an hour away.

The rain, which had held off all afternoon, decided to come down in torrents with thunder and hail mixed in just as we were about to get off the coach. I do hope that this did not spoil a super day out and again thank you to everyone who came. We are now looking forward to the second trip on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July to Sherborne Castle and Gardens. It's not too late to join us and cost is only £26.50 which includes admission to the Castle and grounds and coach fare. We leave the Village Hall at 8.30am so just give me a ring if you would like to join us.

Just a few suggestions for July garden visits etc. In Warwickshire on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> head for Avon Dassett gardens, seven gardens open from 2.00 to 6.00pm, cost £5. Also on the same day Wellesbourne allotments will be open from 2.00 to 5.00pm; there are 96 members and it is one of the oldest sites in the country, cost is £4. Ryton Organic gardens will be open for NGS on 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> July: lots of interest here and a chance to pick up ideas for your own gardens. Open from 10.00am to 4.00pm and cost is £6.50. Teas are available at all NGS openings.

In Worcestershire on 16<sup>th</sup> July there is a new garden open this year, Shuttifield Cottage in Storridge, post code WR13 5HA, from 1.30 to 5.00pm, a three acre plantsman's garden and the cost is £5. Then on 31<sup>st</sup> July, Kempsey, near Evesham, post code WR5 3NG, have two lovely gardens open from 10.30am to 4.30pm and the cost is £3.50. You could always go on from there to Croome Court nearby, a super National Trust house with a Capability Brown garden. Don't forget to come and see us at Upton House

and Gardens. The Country House Bank still features this year and the gardens are looking amazing - as you look over the lawn down towards the mirror pool it takes your breath away.

I do hope that you enjoy our wonderful countryside which is looking at its best now. I thought that Spring this year was fantastic but Summer seems to be heading the same way. Look forward to seeing everyone on the coach trip.



Each year I have to make a guess about which plants to grow and how many to grow. Obviously it would be far easier to order everything from a wholesaler but we are a proper nursery so most of what we sell is grown on the site. The problem is that one year, hostas are popular but then not for two years. The white agapanthus hadn't sold at all for two seasons but this year they have nearly all gone! I tend to grow plants which I like and can't understand it when some of them don't get noticed and rarely get sold. There are many plants growing happily in the garden which I've stopped potting up because no-one wants them. Perhaps I need to develop some clairvoyancy skills so I can grow exactly what people want.

#### **Reminders of jobs to do:**

- Feed tomatoes, remove lower leaves to let the light in.
- Take cuttings of rockery plants such as helianthemum, pinks and heathers.
- Prune philadelphus and weigela shrubs after they've flowered.
- Early potatoes should be ready and broad beans too.
- Keep sowing salad leaves every few weeks to have plenty for the rest of the season.
- The weeds are still growing (at least they are for me), so try to get them out before they seed everywhere.

Some of you lucky people will be having holidays so you need to ask friends and neighbours to water container grown plants. Unless you invest in an automatic irrigation system.

*Bridge Nursery, Tomlow Road, Napton, [www.bridge-nursery.co.uk](http://www.bridge-nursery.co.uk)*





## Nature Notes

John Hancock

Plenty of light, plentiful rain and relative warmth means plant growth is at its greatest and a multitude of plant species can be found. On 20<sup>th</sup> June, I took off on my bike to check several nearby locations. These are not nature reserves but roadside pockets of land where nature has been allowed to thrive. I turned onto the Fosse Way and was about to cross the M40 when I glanced to the left and a pink flower caught my eye. It was a Pyramidal Orchid, the tallest I have ever seen. Competing with long grass had given rise to a flowering stem over 2ft in length.

Turning up the B4100 towards Gaydon, it is half a mile to a sweeping bend to the left with a very wide vision splay to improve road safety. As a consequence there is an area of limestone grassland which is mown sympathetically by the council. As I walked over the turf I disturbed numerous Marbled White butterflies (*Melanargia galathea*), the first I've seen this year. This is one of the loveliest insects to be seen in Southern Britain. In fact, here in Warwickshire, we are at the northern end of its range. Despite its name, it belongs to the 'browns' - the family Satyridae. Its colouring is unmistakable and it could be likened to a flying chessboard. They were feeding on the numerous common rock rose flowers together with knapweed. Eggs are laid singly as the female perches on a tall grass. They fall to the ground and in about three weeks a caterpillar emerges, eats its egg case and promptly hibernates until spring. Emerging, the larva feeds on grasses such as Timothy or Cock's Foot. Its colour varies from yellow brown to light green and this means it is well camouflaged. I found one bee orchid at the same spot; in some years they are more plentiful. Coming back to Harewoods House and turning left to go up the hill on the Fosse, the verge on the left is another nutrient poor, flower rich place. Several Common Spotted Orchids were in flower. The passing motorists must have wondered what I was doing strolling about with my head down.

Instead of dicing with the traffic, I took the quiet lane over Bronson Hill and headed for Ashorne with its tiny strip of land dedicated to wildlife which is owned by the village. Shortly after I pulled off the B4087 and took the minor road to Newbold Pacey's church with its saddleback spire. This is a wonderfully peaceful spot where my friend and mentor Phil Pain is buried. He was a first class lepidopterist who did voluntary work at Hampton Wood Nature Reserve (OS sheet 151; SP254600). Some years back, Phil 'phoned me to say there were Green Hairstreak butterflies at Harbury Spoilbank. I went there but could not find them. A day or two later, Phil joined me. He walked up to a hawthorn bush, tapped a branch and a Green Hairstreak lifted into the air beside me - a magical moment. Phil and his wife Rene's headstone is adorned with a coloured relief of a Purple Emperor butterfly.

Whilst reconnoitring a 'Wednesday Walk', I came across a patch of hedge garlic above Idlicote. Its seed was already set. I searched for caterpillars as it is one of the food plants of the Orange Tip butterfly larva. Eureka! There was a green caterpillar some 2cms in length mimicking a seed pod. Will it still be there when we do the walk on 29<sup>th</sup> June I wonder?

Down at Sharmer Farm the barn owls have hatched. Five in all though, as is usual, the smallest has not survived. They have been measured by professional ornithologists and should be ready to fly by mid July.

Sharon and I recently enjoyed a holiday in Greece. With the temperature around 30C at noon, it was a pleasure to enjoy breakfasts on a terrace overlooking the Argolic Gulf at Nafplio in the Peloponnese. The terrain was rugged with tall spire-like Cypress trees dotting the landscape and olives with their, as yet, tiny fruit growing where a thin covering of earth allowed as they have done for millennia. We toured the classical sites of Mycenae and Epidaurus with its beautifully preserved theatre before moving to Olympia with the site where the Pan-Hellenic Games were held which gave rise to our modern Olympics. A visit is a 'must' for all athletics fans like us. On the way we saw several tortoises, well camouflaged but unfortunately, like our hedgehogs, not compatible with traffic. Lizards also abounded.

Staying on the beautiful Mani peninsula, we paid homage to war hero and renowned travel writer Patrick Leigh Fermor. His home is open to the public by appointment and he could have left it the day before we arrived. It had the feel of being lived in with his many books, photographs and letters available for perusal. Later, we swam from his beach. Walks in the Mani were taken slowly with time to talk to the locals and other visitors. We felt part of a European family in a land which gave us the word democracy.

One day, a Swallowtail butterfly settled on Sharon's blue T-shirt as if it had found a flower, giving me time to take a photograph as it was in no hurry to leave.

It's always good to get home however. The garden had taken off in our absence and e-mails were mounting. Today, we will head to the Library and Biblio's to chat and put things in perspective. Enjoy summer at its zenith.



## **HARBURY SURGERY MILL STREET, HARBURY**

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## General Section

### Spirit of Harbury Award 2016

The Spirit of Harbury award has been presented each year since 2003 in memory of John Hunt who was County Treasurer for many years. The Harbury & Ladbroke News publishes an annual request from John's family for a person(s) to be nominated for the prestigious award, which recognises the selfless contribution of an individual (or a couple) who have contributed significantly to the community for many years.

This year, the person who has been presented with the shield is Paul Winchester, who said that he



was 'thrilled and honoured' to have been nominated by the many people in the village who have been impressed by his unflinching efforts to help a number of different groups, both in the village and beyond.

Paul came to live in the village in 1987 with his parents, Ian and Ann Winchester and brother, John and as a teenager he was very active around Harbury and took part in many sporting activities, particularly rugby. After attending school, he took an apprenticeship as a carpenter and joiner with a local building firm and was recognised as a very efficient and very capable worker. Eventually, he set up his own business aged 19 years and worked on refitting shops both locally and all over the country until he was 25 years old.

As one of the supporters of Paul's nomination wrote "twenty years ago he had a terrible accident, which resulted in him spending almost a year in hospital and returning home in 1997 as a tetraplegic confined to a lifetime in a wheelchair. Many people in this position would have found a life of severe disability difficult to cope with, but Paul was determined to live as full as life as he could".

As a consequence, when he returned to Harbury after his treatment in the Duke of Cornwall Spinal Unit at the hospital in ODSTOCK, Salisbury, he was determined to fund-raise for the unit and put 'something back' to acknowledge the life-saving treatment he had received. Initially he supported the unit with

charity events where he raised a considerable sum of money, but after a while his efforts turned to more local needs and he organised various events in support of the Scouts (G.A.S.S.), the Harbury Albion Football Club and Harbury Rugby Club. Over the past few years, he has organised several successful quiz nights, always attracting over 100 people, which have raised funds for the Senior Citizens and other local charities.

Paul acknowledges that his parents have provided continual encouragement to him and with the help of his family and many friends he set about rebuilding an independent life. He set up a home of his own in Harbury and started a successful business, The Door Store, in Leamington in 2011. In recent years he has sponsored both the H.A. football club and the Harbury Rugby Club through his business enterprise and together with Dean Merrick raised funds for the football club by arranging a Race Night, which helped the club to buy its kit and cover some expenses. As he explains, he started on his charity work as a result of a night organised in the Regent Hotel in Leamington, where his father, Ian had previously carried out electrical work. The hotel provided the venue, whilst the dinner dance and speaker were organised with the assistance of several members of the Rugby Club, which created a positive challenge for him in his avowed quest to "help others, as I have been helped".

Certainly he feels privileged to have been helped by many people, including a 'mate' from Aylesford School, Andy Davies and 'Miles of Tiles' owner, Graham Foster, who supported him in 1998 with a working space in his shops before Paul ventured out into his own premises. He also acknowledges that he benefited considerably from courses at Warwickshire College on computer drawing techniques and business management, so that he was able to design shop layouts and source labour to help with the various projects. As a result of his wide background in the construction industry in his earlier years, he is always able to offer advice about interior design and has been able to assist with a number of smaller projects in support of village groups - including small kitchens and door furniture etc.

Paul continues to support his local rugby team at Middle Road, where a stair platform was installed to help him and other supporters reach the upstairs viewing area and he has visited Twickenham to watch England Rugby. He regularly goes to watch Coventry City F.C. and is grateful to those who always ensure that he retains a quality of life through his own effort and their support, because he has the determination and strength of character to continue to make the most of every day. He is undoubtedly a worthy recipient of the Spirit of Harbury Award and his name will be inscribed on the shield to join the previous 13 winners, who have all been instrumental in making Harbury the 'special place' many value for all the right reasons.

**Chris Finch**

## Harbury Carnival Games Week 2016

### Wheelbarrow Race

The sun was shining, the marshals and scrutineers were in place and by the time the race started we had 10 teams entered, a lot less than has been usual in the past few years. Partly because of injuries and retirements and partly because several of our more athletic previous entrants decided they would complete in triathlons instead! Maybe next year everyone will be fit and healthy. This year we started and finished at The Shakespeare Inn where the management team of Alex and Gill were hosts. Thank you for your support and we hope you enjoyed a Harbury experience.

The winners of the Men's Beer Race were Simon Pattison and Ben Swidryk, running in the Harbury Rugby Club strip. Simon and Ben get the Scandrett Shield and £25 prize money.

The water race was won by the father and daughter combo of Brendan and Laura Watts who were presented with the Wallington Trophy and £10. T



The Ladies Beer Race was won at last by Heather Burt and Vicky Woodhouse who have been runners up many times. They were awarded the Gibbs & Simpson Shield and £25.

The Rollason Tankard is presented to the team completing the Men's Beer Race in the fastest time with a combined age of 100 or over and this year it was won by George Simpson with Peter Rollason in the wheelbarrow.

We must make special mention for the number of runners who were in fancy dress. These participants add another dimension to the race and prove that you don't have to be that serious to take part!

Once again, very many thanks to all the licensees who provided beer and water, the volunteer timekeepers, scrutineers and stewards and to the marvellous crowd who came out in the sunshine to cheer on the runners in their ordeal.

We look forward to welcoming old and new participants in 2017.

## Harbury Wheelbarrow Race 2016



## Pub Games

This year we had EIGHT teams take part in the Carnival Games Week and more than 70 people competed in one or more of the games. The eight teams this year were: The Crown Inn, The Old New Inn (two teams), Twinning, All Saints, Girls-R-Loud, Last Year's Losers and the Wednesday Club. The winners of the individual events were as follows:

Aunt Sally - The Wednesday Club

Horse Shoes – The Crown Inn & All Saints

Toad in the Hole – The Wednesday Club

Quiz – The Crown Inn

At the end of the competitions the winners were The Wednesday Club with 54 points, followed by The Crown Inn – 51 points, All Saints - 49 points, Twinning - 38 points, Girls "R" Loud – 31 points, Old New Inn - 28 points and Last Year's Losers – 21points.

The winners were presented with the Dan Killian Pub Games Shield and the congratulations of the Carnival Committee. If you want a bit of fun playing games, not too seriously, on early June evenings and want to put a team together, please get in touch with the committee. You only need four people for each event out of a maximum 12 players per team – and they could be the same four who enter them all. It's good fun and gives you a chance to meet many fellow villagers and to visit our well known hostelries. Perhaps those teams who have taken part in previous years will enter again?



Finally, our thanks must go to all the teams for taking part. Along with the 28 team members each evening and the various supporters we estimate there were about 60 people at each game. This is a great number and we hope that you all enjoyed it. Lastly, we would like to thank the licensees for letting us use their premises, it would be difficult to hold the events without you.



**Mike McBride, John Broomfield and the Carnival Committee**



## Thank You from Harbury Carnival

Thank you for the rain holding off for most of the time.

Thank you for the many happy visitors who seemed to have a most enjoyable Carnival.

Thank you to the fabulous array of costumed walkers and fabulous floats (the winners list is shown below).

It was one of the best Parades we have seen in years led by the Shirley Pipe Band the day before they travelled to the Mall to take part in Her Majesty's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Parade – Harbury was definitely a great rehearsal for them!

And a special thank you the Childrens' Theatre Group for the storytelling in the Arena, Inspire Dance and the Young Theatre Group in the Village Hall, as well as one of the best Dog Shows we have ever had run by Geoff and Gill Thorpe.

Thank you to the many, hardworking stallholders.

Thank you to the Carnival Committee (John Broomfield, Ann Winchester, Julie Linforth and Haidee Powell) and to the many volunteers who marshalled the Parade, sold the entry programmes and raffle tickets. It all seems to happen by magic, but the truth is lots of sweat and elbow grease.

And finally many thanks to our twenty four great SPONSORS: *Banana Moon Nursery, Brooks Chimney Sweep, Drop Dead Gorgeous Curtains, Gardens by Wendy, Goode Clean, Hallowood, Harbury Rambling Hounds, Harbury Pharmacy, Harbury Supermarket & Post Office, Kleinmann Properties, Miles of Tiles, Mugglestons Country Fayre, Napton Music Festival, OCD Outside Cleaning Direct, Roger Coy Partnership, Rollason Fencing, Rollasons Solicitors, Rollason Timber, Serenity, The Crown Inn, The Door Store, The Salon, TM & JM Grey Builders, Top to Toe Beauty.*

See you in 2017.

## Harbury Carnival 2016 Winners

### Procession

**Decorated Float Trade:** 1<sup>st</sup> Crown Vikings - The Crown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Shakespeare – The Shakespeare, 3<sup>rd</sup> Top of the Pops - The Gamecock

**Decorated Float Private:** 1<sup>st</sup> Harbopoly – Markham and Watson Families, 2<sup>nd</sup> Midsummer Night's Dream – Harbury Theatre Group

**Children's Float:** 1<sup>st</sup> A Walk Through the Jungle – Harbury Pre-School, 2<sup>nd</sup> To the Moon and Back – Banana Moon Nursery School

**Horsedrawn/Mounted/Lead:** 1<sup>st</sup> Alvin and the Chipmunks – The Warners

**Walking Tableau Family:** 1<sup>st</sup> Rockin' Reptiles – Chiba Family, 2<sup>nd</sup> Angry Birds – Knapp Family, 3<sup>rd</sup> Alice in Wonderland – Thann Family

**Walking Tableau Adults:** 1<sup>st</sup> The Village Show – The Village Show, 2<sup>nd</sup> Warped Disney – Rollasons and Groococks

**Walking Tableau Children (More Than 8 persons):** 1<sup>st</sup> Jaws – Young Family and Friends, 2<sup>nd</sup> Minions – Harbury C of E Primary School

**Walking Tableau Children (2-8 persons):** 1<sup>st</sup> X Ray Machine – Ishbel and Eleanor, 2<sup>nd</sup> TV Weather & News – Harriet and Hattie, 3<sup>rd</sup> Annie - Flora and Anaya

**Walking Adult:** 1<sup>st</sup> Butterfly – Alisha Long, 2<sup>nd</sup> Flower – Indiana Long, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunflower - Katherine Giblin

**Walking Child:** 1<sup>st</sup> King of Diamonds – William, 2<sup>nd</sup> Queen of Hearts - Daisey

**Child Best Original Costume in Parade (Tim Percival Cup):** Nuala and Saffie (Chameleon and Bearded Dragon)

**Adult Best Original Costume in Parade (Sue Andrews Cup):** Moira Rollason (Stinkerbell)

**Best Adult Walking Group (John Ridgley Trophy):** Village Show (Village Show)

### **Fancy Dress**

**Under 5yrs:** 1<sup>st</sup> Mia “Parrot”, 2<sup>nd</sup> Seren “Butterfly”, 3<sup>rd</sup> Payson “Leopard”

**5-7yrs:** 1<sup>st</sup> Noah “Minion”

**8-10yrs:** 1<sup>st</sup> Nuala “Bearded Dragon”, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ben “Dog and Shepherd”, 3<sup>rd</sup> William “King of Diamonds”

**11-17yrs:** 1<sup>st</sup> Alisha “Butterfly”, 2<sup>nd</sup> Saffie “Chameleon”, 3<sup>rd</sup> Indiana “Flower”

**Adult Group:** 1<sup>st</sup> Rollasons and Groococks “Warped Disney”, 2<sup>nd</sup> The Gamecock “Top of the Pops”, 3<sup>rd</sup> The Shakespeare - Shakespeare

**Adult Individual:** 1<sup>st</sup> Peter Rollason “Peter Pants”, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bronda Hawkins and Patrick Johnson “Sonny and Cher”, 3<sup>rd</sup> Karen Ellis “Tomato”

### **The Dog Show (run by Geoff & Gill Thorpe)**

**Best Biscuit Catcher** 1<sup>st</sup> Tanya with Lacey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cameron with Shakespeare, =3<sup>rd</sup> Jodie with Phoebe =3<sup>rd</sup> Darcy with Bess

**Waggy Tail:** 1<sup>st</sup> Jess with Gus, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rosie with Sweep, 3<sup>rd</sup> Jodie with Phoebe

**Best Behaved:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tanya with Lacey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Josko & Hana with Flash, =3<sup>rd</sup> Tina with Brook, Alice, Hannah & Laura with Maple =3<sup>rd</sup> Anne with Theo

**Most Like Owner:** 1<sup>st</sup> Lola with Tiggy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Anna with Clyde, 3<sup>rd</sup> Anthony with Shakespeare

**Submitted by Peter Walshe on behalf of the Carnival Committee**

## Harbury Senior Citizens Update

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June we travelled to Cambridge. Having left a pretty dreary and wet Harbury, by the time we got to Cambridge the sun was shining and we didn't need cagoules or umbrellas. River trips, visits to museums, the Botanic Gardens and colleges and long lunches filled the afternoon. Most of the colleges were closed



because of graduation ceremonies and setting up May balls, which have now moved to June because the weather is usually better!!! Most of the college churches and chapels were open including the magnificent Kings College Church, and although the organ was undergoing restoration, it is still a fantastic building to look at.

The sun being out made the day and we were able to sit outside at many of the cafes, coffee shops and pubs that fill the centre of Cambridge.

We left Cambridge and took a scenic route to Towcester where we stopped and dispersed into the pubs and restaurants for a meal and a drink on our way back to Harbury. The committee hope that everyone who came on the trip enjoyed the day.

Also, thank you to everyone who supported our tombola stall at Harbury Carnival as part of our fundraising activities both in providing chocolates and having a go. After the success of last year, it seems that our passion for all things chocolate is alive and kicking. We doubled the number of prizes and almost sold out by the end of the Carnival making a good contribution to our funds. Thank you all.

We have a coffee morning in November and our next event will be the Christmas Party in December. More details will follow.

**Mike McBride,**

**On behalf of the Harbury Senior Citizens Benefit Association**



### Cycling for the RAF Benevolent Fund

In May's Harbury & Ladbroke News I reported that I would be taking part in the Davis Double Century in California. It is a 200 mile cycle ride which must be completed within 20 hours.

Well, I am happy to report that I completed the challenge with 15 minutes to spare! For those of you interested in the data, I cycled 200 miles with 9,500ft

of climb in 15hrs 26mins with an elapsed time of 19hrs 45mins. During the ride I had to avoid deer, snakes and a road traffic accident as well as a small section of pot holed roads.

So far I have raised £1,200 for the RAF Benevolent Fund and I really appreciate all the support I have received from everybody.



Many thanks

**Sean Mansell**



## **Harbury Village Library and Biblio's Café**

After a busy month in which the Library hosted successful referendum debates, a special art display and a local romantic authors' talk, there will be a lot happening in Harbury Village Library over the summer holiday period too. The new **Summer Reading Challenge** for children aged 4 -12 will begin on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July and continue through the school holidays. The theme this year is based on the ever popular children's author, Roald Dahl, and is called the **Big Friendly Read**. Children who enrol on the scheme can choose any books and, as they read at least six over the course of the summer, will collect various incentives such as medals, certificates and access to online materials to encourage them to read more and have fun. It is all free, and can be joined up to at any time during our opening hours from 9am – 5pm, Monday to Friday or 10am -12 noon on Saturdays, but we will be having a special launch on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July** when extra attractions such as puzzles and quizzes will be available, so do come along then if you can.

Older children are not forgotten, as we have a very wide selection of teen fiction and free use of our computers and wi-fi. There are also a large number of board games, including old favourites like Monopoly, Snakes and Ladders and Scrabble along with newer examples such as Cranium, which can be borrowed for free for a two week period, or enjoyed in the Library, if the weather is less than kind. We also have children's DVDs for a small hire charge.

The Biblio's café will be open throughout the summer school holiday period, selling hot and cold drinks and delicious home baked cakes from the later time of 10am until 12, Wednesday – Saturday mornings. Both the Library and the Café, which have become such a successful part of village life, are keen to recruit new volunteers to help out the many stalwarts who have been

keeping both operating over the four years since it became a community venture. Please contact us at the addresses below, or come in during our opening hours for a chat (and to admire the lovely wild flowers at the front – thank you Bob), if you are interested in helping – even a few hours of your time will be valuable.

**Janice Montague**  
**library@harburyvillagelibrary.org.uk**  
**www.harburyvillagelibrary.org.uk**  
**Tel: 01926 258776**

## **Harbury Duke of Edinburgh Award Group - Appeal for New Treasurer**

All the practices are over and now it is on to the qualifying expeditions with teams heading off to the New Forest, the Peak District and the Lakes over the summer. Our group relies on someone to keep our books in order and handle the expenses incurred during the expedition season. Andrea White has done this brilliantly for the last two years but is stepping down so we need someone from the village to step up and take her place. Someone with either a book keeping or accountancy background would be ideal to help us keep this voluntary group serving the young people of our area. Please contact [nicktawney@greenscheme.co.uk](mailto:nicktawney@greenscheme.co.uk) if you could help.

At the moment there are places available at all three levels for September 2016, so if you would like to start an award please either go via the website [www.harburydofe.co.uk](http://www.harburydofe.co.uk) or contact:

Nick Tawney [01926 614062, [nicktawney@greenscheme.co.uk](mailto:nicktawney@greenscheme.co.uk)] Bronze - Yr 10 in September 2016

Kathy Sampson [01926 612116, [ksampson@solidsolutions.co.uk](mailto:ksampson@solidsolutions.co.uk)] Silver – Yr 11 in September 2016

Caroline Hill [01926 613780, [caro.hill@btinternet.com](mailto:caro.hill@btinternet.com)] Gold – Yr 12 in September 2016

**Nick Tawney**



### **Harbury Village Show**

Thank you to everyone who supported the coffee morning, which raised £150 – a very useful contribution to the expenses. I hope you spotted our rosette winning entry in the Carnival – if you saw a large gnome accompanied by a slug and a tomato, that was us!

Apparently, originally there were two separate shows, one for the W.I. and one for the Horticultural Society. Later they merged into one; now autonomous, it is still supported by members of both and by the W.I. for the

supply of refreshments and judges. Entry is open to all residents of Harbury, Ladbroke, Deppers Bridge and Chesterton, pupils of our schools and art classes and members of the original clubs.

This year, so far, seems much more “grower friendly” than the last, so we anticipate lots of super entries. There is still time too for our photographers, artists and craftspeople to consider their entries whilst basking in the sunshine.

**Gillian Hare for the Show Steering Group**



## Operation Christmas Child

As in previous years, we plan to send a consignment of shoeboxes of goodies later in the year. The suggested donation towards transport remains at £3 per box. To contribute towards this there will be a coffee morning in the Tom Hauley Room on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July. Offers of cakes, bric-a-brac and raffle prizes will be gratefully received.

**Mike Jones & Gillian Hare**



## Harbury Energy Initiative

**If it's Carnival it must be summer - sort of.**

We like the Carnival. For a few hours the village masses in one place, even in the rain and wind of an English summer, and spends lots of small change on some great national and local charities. And many of you came to see HEI too, which meant that for the first time we raised some money (we don't usually try). We will now, because of you, be able to provide another 14 hours of free e-Wheels



electric travel in the Renault Zoes to local people in need for financial or physical reasons, allowing them to get to important appointments. ‘Bash the car’ proved popular but equally popular was our prize draw of one free life membership (normally £50) of the electric car club. This was won by Simon Broom, who will soon be joining the other 60 members with access to the low cost, low emission ‘fleet’. If you didn't win, I hope that some of you took up the accompanying offer of 50% off life membership with £15 of free driving time. Too late now if you didn't!

## **e-Wheels**

Last month I told you a little bit about our planning for e-Wheels. We have made a bit of progress on this. We have brought together a small but energetic fundraising team with the purpose of putting in place a supporter scheme to keep e-Wheels funded. In the meantime we are planning to register e-Wheels as a charity and have applied for some short term funding to allow us to complete our plans before we run out of hours - we have less than 150 paid for hours left.

## **M&S Energy Fund competition**

I was hoping to bring you up to date with the bid submitted to the M&S Energy Fund. It has now been judged to see if we go on the shortlist for the regional award of £12,500...but we haven't been told the outcome. Since the next phase is all about amassing as many votes as possible in order to win the one available pot of money, perhaps they are waiting until that other vote (EU Referendum, in case you have forgotten already) is out of the way. That means you won't hear further news in this column till August. In the meantime please look out for our appeal for votes with the on line link in Facebook.

## **School lighting**

As you may remember from following our column closely, we are trying to find a way to save the school money by finding the money to install LED lighting. This would also reduce their carbon footprint. The latest news is that the company Weblight has provided a trial light which has received approval from the person to whom it matters most, the teacher - and her class, I assume.

This is just one tiny step towards our goal. Watch this column for more news in the future.

## **The chill wind of autumn**



Pity to think about autumn when we are still waiting for some summer sunshine. But we have to keep thinking ahead. And we are bringing you a chilly blast from the frozen arctic in a talk by Mark Wood (pictured) called 'My Life in a Freezer'. Local explorer Mark has visited both poles, climbed Everest, been to the hottest, driest, coldest and most inhospitable landscapes on Earth and is coming to Harbury to share his experiences with us.

Tickets will be £10 for adults and £5 for age 16 and under. Proceeds will be split between charities Hire a Hero and e-Wheels. The event will be on the evening of October 7th in the Village Hall. There will be a bar and non-alcoholic refreshments. Tickets will be available from August. Join us in the freezer!

**Bob Sherman – Tel: 612277**  
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## **A Taste of Silence**

Do you sometimes feel you need more time to yourself? Is life a bit stressful and you don't have time to relax as much as you would like? Then 'A Taste of

Silence' could be just what you need. We invite you to an informal afternoon during which you can chill out and relax, which is something in short supply in this busy world. If you come to The Tom Hauley Room at 1pm, on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July, you will find various items designed to quieten the mind and aid relaxation, situated around the TH Room and the Church. Two different types of short meditation will also be offered. Feel free to bring anything which you think might help you - a cushion or a blanket maybe. You can help yourself to drinks during the afternoon, but we shall come together at 4.30pm for refreshments. We hope you will be able to remain for the whole time, but to stay for just part of the

afternoon is fine. You will be made very welcome. More details from Joan Smith 613680 or Rev Nikki Moon njmoon@outlook.com

**Rev Nikki Moon**



### **Harbury Heritage Room**

Our next two open evenings are Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August from 6.30 to 8.30pm. We are always open on the first Tuesday of each month, though local organisations are welcome to book other times at their convenience.

The Heritage Room is at Harbury Primary School, and contains hundreds of photos and documents relating to the village and its inhabitants. You might even be featured if you have been around here for some time!

Entry is free, though we appreciate donations, as the Heritage Room is entirely self-funding.

I was talking to someone the other day about how the village population has grown at various times. We thought it would be interesting for you to see where the spurts were. They obviously reflect when new housing development occurred.

## Harbury & Chesterton Population Figures

Date	Harbury Pop.	Chesterton Pop.	
1801	857	205	
1811	904	224	
1821	1045	231	
1831	997	188	
1841	1089	192	
1851	1195	232	Great Western Railway built
1861	1206	217	
1871	1121	207	
1881	1196	192	
1891	1219	184	
1901	1130	142	
1911			
1921			
1931	1246	135	
1941			
1951	1316	138	
1961	1378	156	Large housing estates built
1971	2384	110	
1981	2427	114	
1991			
2001	2485	110	
2011	2420	123	

Nigel Chapman

### BMW posing as a Police Car in South Warwickshire

Warwickshire Police are issuing a warning to motorists after a number of suspicious incidents in the south of the County and across the border into

Gloucestershire. The incidents involve a blue BMW (possibly a 3 series) posing as a police vehicle which has tried to force other cars off the road.

The first incident was reported in the early hours of Friday morning, 17<sup>th</sup> June when the BMW, which had had its number plates removed, came up behind a car on the B4632 at Lower Quinton flashing its lights to get the other vehicle to pull over. The BMW then overtook, stopped and blocked the road to force the other car, an Audi, to stop. The driver of the Audi managed to get past the BMW and lose it on a country lane.

On Sunday night 20<sup>th</sup> June a similar incident happened in Wilmcote. The offending blue BMW followed another vehicle into Stratford after flashing blue lights at it to make it stop, and was lost in the Timothy's Bridge Road area. Similar incidents have been reported to Gloucestershire Police, including one on the previous Saturday night which began near Moreton in Marsh.

If someone tries to force you to stop using an unmarked vehicle do not stop but keep going until you get into a lit area with other people around. This in itself seems to be deterring the offenders, but, if not, make your way to a police station or other secure location. If you are able, dial 999 when it is safe to do so.

**PC Craig Purcell**  
**Shipston Police Safer Neighbourhood Team**  
**01789 444670**

## **A Harbury Girl becomes Mayor of St Albans!**



Relatives of Frances Leonard (nee Sollis) were in St. Albans to see her become the Mayor of St Albans City and District for the next year. She was unanimously elected the 473rd Mayor of the City by her peers in the Council at a meeting on Wednesday, 25th May 2016. Following her election, 'Fran', as she is known by friends and family in Harbury, said "it's a great honour to be elected Mayor. I am looking forward to representing the Council and highlighting the work that it does. Most of all, I am keen to meet and support the many volunteers, charities and community groups that do such important work for the St Albans District".

Frances was born in Harbury in the nineteen fifties. She had an older sister, Leone and a younger brother, Geoffrey and she was educated at Harbury School, followed by Leamington College for Girls. She was the first member of her family to go to University and she obtained a degree in pharmacy at the School of Pharmacy at the University of London, where she also met her husband,

Graham who was studying for his PhD. They have a son and a daughter and two young grand-daughters and they spend a lot of time with them all, but especially the young ones.

Graham, her husband of forty plus years, on hearing about her election, said "Frances has a strong feeling for the importance of her role as Mayor of the ancient city, which has had a mayoralty since 1553 and as mayor, she will carry this forward with graciousness and style. She has a real sense of honour and the correctness that goes with it and will follow traditions and protocols, so that they do not get swept away in the modern idiom of carelessness and arrogance. We both love living in St. Albans and invite everyone from Harbury to visit, it really is a lovely place".

'Fran' was the daughter of well-known village postwoman, Ethel Sollis and quarry worker, France Sollis, who lived in a Farm Street cottage. Ethel was a very recognisable figure for over 30 years, as she pedalled around the village streets delivering her post. She could always be relied on to deliver her letters and parcels at an early hour even though she often found time to chat to established families in the village, as well as to the newcomers, who she encountered on her rounds in the new estates. Ethel contributed significantly to the life of the village and would probably have been a nominee for the Spirit of Harbury Award (see article elsewhere in Harbury & Ladbroke News), if it had existed at the time. She was a member of the Senior Citizens Committee for many years, as well as the Village Hall Committee and she was known as a



**Ethel Sollis**

fearless defender of village life, as a result of listening to all the opinions she heard whilst out on her bike! Her husband France had been awarded the Military Medal in the Second World War, and together they raised their family with strong ideals about life, which 'Fran' has obviously carried forward into her adult life. Many people will also remember her sister Leone, who was a postwoman in the village for many years, as she followed her mother's years of faithful service in Harbury.



Whilst she was in Harbury, 'Fran' was trained as a member of the bell ringing team for All Saints' Church by Tom Hauley and she has continued her love of campanology by being part of the 'tower team' at St. Albans Abbey. During her professional career, 'Fran' has worked at Harperbury Hospital (omit 'per' and

**Fran in her younger days**

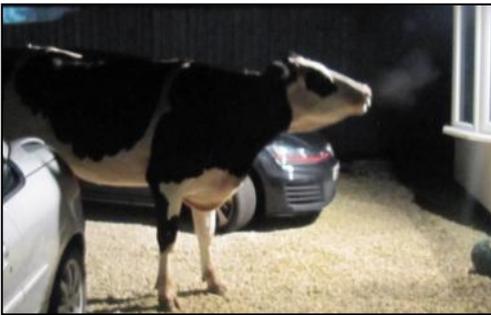
there is a link to her former life?), Hemel Hempstead General Hospital and at Spire Harpenden Hospital, where she has managed the pharmacy department for 27 years. She was also a committee member of the local branch of the Pharmaceutical Society for 25 years and has supported a number of causes, including the Stroke Association and Breast Cancer charities, with sponsored bike rides and runs.

It's always good to hear about the success of someone raised in the village and Harbury has reason to bask in the reflected glory of the new Mayor of St Albans City - an impressive recognition of a 'local girl'.

**Chris Finch**

## Girls Night Out

There were some unusual night time revellers in The Beeches recently when 10 Friesian cattle escaped from their field in Middle Road and visited the village. The midnight visitors explored some of the gardens and peered through windows. The party was broken up by a police officer and a number of residents and they were escorted back to their field.



*(Photographs courtesy of Harbury News Facebook page)*

**The Editors**

## Ufton Village Garage Sale

To be held on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August between 11am-3pm. Residents will have stalls outside their properties. Proceeds will go to help save Ufton Church.

**Gillian Ingham**



## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### **Dear Editors**

*Emma, Millie, George and Harry would like to send their heartfelt thanks to everyone within this wonderful village for all their prayers, condolences and support during this extremely difficult time, following the sudden, unexpected death of Chris at home.*

*Your warmth and support have helped us all to come to terms with our loss.*

*With our love to you all, from us all*

**Emma White**

### **Dear Editors**

*Please can we say a huge thank you to all those who attended and contributed to the GASS coffee morning in May. We had a great turnout and made a wonderful amount of £240. This money will go to all of the childrens' uniformed groups in the village that use the Scout Hut. The children have a great time week in week out and it is down to the hard work of the volunteer leaders every week that keeps it fresh and exciting. We have six groups altogether - Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. If anyone wants to get involved in helping with hut maintenance/fundraising to keep the hut going then please get in touch at corinnabutler65@gmail.com*

*Thanks again*

**GASS**

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**ART CLASSES:** Monday, 1.00 - 3.00pm, Tuesday, 10.00am - 12 noon and 1.00 - 3.00pm, Wednesday, 10.00am - 12 noon, The Studio, Church House, Crown St, Tel: 614251

**BEAVERS:** Thursday, 5.30 - 6.40pm, Scout Hut, first contact via AGSL, Tel: 614494, Email: harburyscoutgroup@hotmail.co.uk

**BELLRINGERS:** Friday, 7.30pm, Alison Abbott, Tel: 612939, Email: alison@abt1.net

**BIBLE STUDY:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of month, 1.45 - 3.15pm, Gillian Hare, Tel: 614809  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of month, 10.30am - 12 noon, Mary Catt, Tel: 612864

**BIBLIO'S CAFÉ (WITHIN HARBURY VILLAGE LIBRARY):** Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9.15am – 12 noon and Saturday 10.00am – 12 noon

**BROWNIES:** Monday, 5.45 - 7.00pm, Scout Hut, Email: paulabranscomb@aol.com, Tel: 613007

**BUMPS & BUNDLES:** Tuesday, 10.30am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room, Tel: 611914

**CONNECTIONS CAFE:** (for those with dementia & their carers), every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 2.00pm, Biblio's Café, Harbury Library

**CUBS:** Wednesday, 6.45 - 8.15pm, Scout Hut, first contact via AGSL, Tel: 614494, Email: harburyscoutgroup@hotmail.co.uk

**GUIDES:** Monday, 7.15 - 8.45pm, Scout Hut, Email: harburyguides@btinternet.com, Tel: 614316

**HARBURY FOLK CLUB:** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of month, 8.00pm, Harbury Club, Tel: 613730

**HARBURY FRIENDS:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month, 8.00pm, Tom Hauley Room, Tel: 612534

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Coach: Katie Wales Tel: 07785 459232

Training: Saturday 10.15am. Harbury School

#### Under 10's – Year 5 (Mixed)

Coach: Jane Workman Tel: 07803 414380

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**HARBURY PRE-SCHOOL:** The Wight School, High Street, Harbury. Monday, 12 noon - 3.30pm, Tuesday and Thursday, 9.00am - 3.30pm, Wednesday and Friday, 9.00am - 1.30pm, Text: 07907 598461, enquiries@harburypre-school.org.uk

**HARBURY THEATRE GROUP:** Last Tuesday of month, The Shakespeare, Tel: 614937

**HARBURY TODDLER GROUP:** The Wight School, High Street, Harbury. Monday, 9.30am - 11.15am, Lynne Barton, Tel: 612748

**HARBURY UKULELE GROUP:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month, 8.00pm, Village Pubs, Tel: 612377

**HARBURY VILLAGE CINEMA:** Lana Long, Tel: 613311 or 07535 622707, Email: markandlana@aol.com

**HARBURY VILLAGE CLUB:** Contact 612498 (evenings). Bingo every Friday 8.30pm – non members welcome.

**HARBURY VILLAGE LIBRARY:** Wight School, High Street, Harbury. Tel: 258776, Monday to Friday, 9.00am - 5.00pm and Saturday, 10.00am - 12 noon

**HEREBURGH MORRIS DANCERS:** Wednesday, 8.00 - 10.00pm, School Hall, Tel: 614217

**HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of month (Oct - May excluding January) 8.00pm, Tom Hauley Room, Judy Morrall, Tel: 613103

**INSPIRE DANCE:** Wednesday, 4.00 - 7.00pm, Village Hall, Tel: 07875 715876

**KICK START APPALACHIAN STEP DANCERS:** Saturday, 10.00am - 12 noon, Scout Hut Sue Hartland, Tel: 612734

**HARBURY NETBALL CLUB (Senior & Junior):** Training: Thursday, Harbury Playing Fields U14 - 5.30 - 6.30pm, U16 - 6.30 - 7.30pm, Intermediate Seniors, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Senior League, 7.30 - 8.30pm, Tel: 613163

**MOTHERS' UNION:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of month, 2.30pm, Tel: 613757

**RAINBOWS:** Tuesday, 5.30 - 6.30pm, Scout Hut, Tel: 612036, Email: ebbie@dimmock.org.uk

**SCOUTS:** Thursday, 7.00 - 9.00pm, Scout Hut, Tel: 612897, harburyscouts@hotmail.co.uk

**SLIMMING WORLD:** Primary School, Ladbroke Road, Bishops Itchington, Wednesdays 5.30 and 7.30pm sessions, Jodie Tel: 07771 930568

**TABLE TENNIS:** Thursday, 9.30 - 10.30am, Village Hall, Gillian Hare, Tel: 614809

**TAI CHI (Nei Chia Association),** Monday, 7.30pm, Ufton Village Hall, Tel: 612277

**TENNIS CLUB:** Harbury Tennis Courts, South Parade. CV33 9HZ

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If you would like to become a member or find out more about Harbury Tennis Club, please contact Colin Mercer (613284 or email [sucolmercer@btinternet.com](mailto:sucolmercer@btinternet.com))

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**W.I.:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of month, 7.45pm, Tom Hauley Room, Tel: 614896

**WEDNESDAY WALKERS:** Wednesday, 9.40am, meet Village Hall Car Park, Tel: 614188 or 614809

**YOGA:** Tuesday, 1.30 - 3.00pm and 6.00 - 7.30pm, Tom Hauley Room, Tel: 817904

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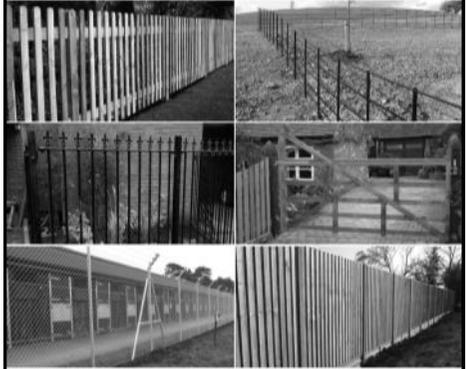
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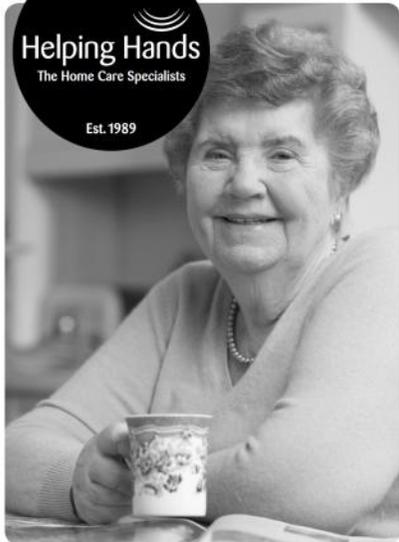
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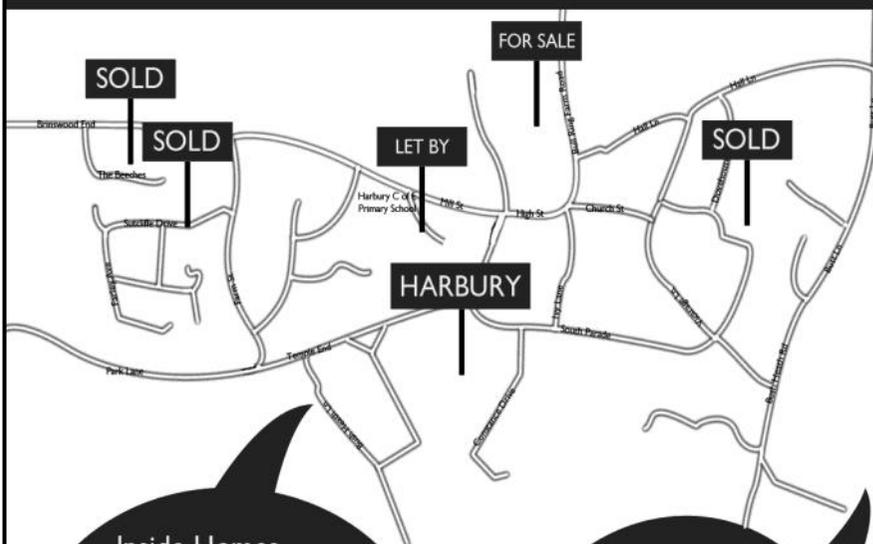
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4.30pm - 5.15pm  
**Grade 1 Tap (10-11yrs)**  
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**Pre-Primary Ballet (6-8yrs)**  
5.15pm - 6.00pm  
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### Wednesday

**Mini Movers (0-5yrs)**  
9.30am - 10.30am  
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