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Editorial

This edition contains reports of a number of successful events including Ladbroke Church's Auction of Promises, Heritage Open Days and Harbury Village Show. Events in October include the Harvest celebrations and Harbury's Victorian Street Fayre with even more to look forward to in November. We are lucky to live in such thriving villages.

However, a decision is awaited on the future of our bus routes. Many villagers have come to rely on these services. There are also concerns about the imminent closure of part of the Fosse Way which could make travel arrangements very difficult for a few months.

You are urged to vote for the grant towards the cost of solar panels at the Wight School; please see page 43 for further details.

Harbury Diary

OCTOBER


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|------|---|--|
| Sat | 1 | Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon in Tom Hauley Room in aid of Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge W.I.
Harbury Victorian Street Fayre, Chapel Street from 4.00pm |
| Sun | 2 | TRINITY IXX
Sung Eucharist, 9.00am
Little Saints' Service, 10.30am, followed by breakfast
Holy Communion with Laying on of Hands, 6.00pm
Zumba, 9.00am in Village Hall |
| Mon | 3 | Upholstery Class, 9.15am in Village Hall
Karate, 6.30 - 7.30pm in Village Hall |
| Tues | 4 | Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall
Holy Communion, 2.00pm
Mothers' Union Meeting, 2.30pm, Tom Hauley Room -
"Blue Sky Centre" - those who help victims of sexual assault
Junior Theatre, 6.30pm in Village Hall
Heritage Room open 6.30 - 8.30pm at School
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
Horticultural Society, 8.00pm, Tom Hauley Room, Linda Smith on
Our Chelsea Show Experiences |
| Wed | 5 | Wednesday Walk, 9.40am from Village Hall Car Park,
Leek Wootton, (3½ miles - flat)
Inspire Dance, 4.00pm in Village Hall
Ballroom Dancing, 7.30pm in Village Hall |

- Thurs 6 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
NSPCC Ladies Lunch, 12.30pm Tom Hauley Room, Tickets call 614664
Folk Club, 8.00pm in Village Club
- Fri 7 Dandy Development, 9.15am Village Hall
My Life in the Freezer Talk by Mark Wood (Polar Explorer), 7.30pm in Village Hall
- Sat 8 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon in Tom Hauley Room, in aid of RNLI
Harvest Supper, 7.00 for 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Sun 9 TRINITY XX**
Holy Communion, 8.00am
Sung Eucharist, 10.30am
Zumba, 9.00am in Village Hall
Messy Church, 3.00 to 5.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Mon 10 Upholstery Class, 9.15am in Village Hall
Karate, 6.30pm - 7.30pm in Village Hall
- Tues 11 Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall
Junior Theatre, 6.30pm in Village Hall
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 12 Wednesday Walk, 9.40am from Village Hall Car Park, Henley in Arden, (4 ½ miles - one hill)
Holiday at Home Away Day, 10.00am-4.00pm Tom Hauley Room
Inspire Dance, 4.00pm in Village Hall
Ballroom Dancing, 7.30pm in Village Hall
- Thurs 13 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
Harbury W.I., 7.45pm in the Tom Hauley Room, 'Furniture Restoration' by Julia Fowler
- Fri 14 Dandy Development, 9.15am Village Hall
Meeting with Phil Bennion: what next for Europe? 7.30 for 8.00pm in Tom Hauley Room
- Sat 15 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon in Tom Hauley Room, in aid of Cricket Club
Harbury Village Cinema presents, 'Hail Caesar', doors open 6.30, film starts 7.00pm
Caldicot Male Voice Choir, 6.30 for 7.00pm in Church, - Tickets from Muggleston's £12, Concessions £11, 16 and under £5
- Sun 16 TRINITY XXI**
Holy Communion, 8.00am
Family Communion Harvest Festival Service, 10.30am
Evensong, 6.00pm
Zumba, 9.00am in Village Hall
Tennis Club Quiz, 7.30pm at Village Club
- Mon 17 Upholstery Class, 9.15am in Village Hall
Karate, 6.30 - 7.30pm in Village Hall
- Tues 18 Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall

- Tues 18 Junior Theatre, 6.30pm in Village Hall
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 19 Wednesday Walk, 9.40am from Village Hall Car Park
Long Itchington to Bascote (4½ miles)
Connections (Dementia) Café, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Harbury Village Library
Inspire Dance, 4.00pm in Village Hall
- Thurs 20 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
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- Fri 21 Dandy Development, 9.15am Village Hall
- Sat 22 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon in Tom Hauley Room, in aid
of Tennis Club
- Sun 23 LAST AFTER TRINITY**
Holy Communion, 8.00am
Sung Eucharist, 10.30am
Zumba, 9.00am in Village Hall
- Mon 24 Karate, 6.30 - 7.30pm in Village Hall
- Tues 25 Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall
Harbury Society talk on Architectural Delights of Leamington by
Alan Mayes 7.30 for 8.00pm in Tom Hauley Room
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
Julian Meeting, 8.00pm
- Wed 26 Wednesday Walk, 9.40am from Village Hall Car Park
Upper Tysoe (4½ miles - hilly)
Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Thurs 27 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
ARTICLES FOR NEXT ISSUE TO: HARBURY PHARMACY,
HIGH ST OR EMAIL TO ARTICLES@HLNEWS.CO.UK BY
5.30PM
Parish Council, 7.30pm, Farley Room, Village Hall
- Fri 28 Myton Hospice Christmas Cards Sale 10.00am - 12 noon with
Coffee in Tom Hauley Room
Twinning Association Jazz Concert in Village Hall
- Sat 29 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon in Tom Hauley Room, in aid
of Embrace
Napton Art Group Exhibition, 10.00am - 5.00pm, Napton Village Hall
- Sun 30 4 BEFORE ADVENT**
Holy Communion, 8.00am
Sung Eucharist, 10.30am
Zumba, 9.00am in Village Hall
Napton Art Group Exhibition, 10.00am - 5.00pm, Napton Village Hall
- Mon 31 Upholstery Class, 9.15am in Village Hall
Karate, 6.30pm - 7.30pm in Village Hall

NOVEMBER

- Tues 1 Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall
 Junior Theatre, 6.30pm in Village Hall
 Heritage Room open 6.30 - 8.30pm at School
ALL SAINTS' DAY
 Holy Communion, 7.30pm
 Horticultural Society, 8.00pm, Tom Hauley Room, Robin Pearce
 "Ornamental Grasses and Hardy Ferns"
- Wed 2 Wednesday Walk, 9.40am from Village Hall Car Park,
 Bubbenhall with optional Pub Lunch (5 miles)
 Holy Communion, 2.00pm
 Mothers' Union Meeting, 2.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
 A Talk about Maundy Money
 Inspire Dance, 4.00pm in Village Hall
- Thurs 3 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
 Folk Club, 8.00pm in Village Club
- Fri 4 Coffee & shoebox packing, 10.00am - 12 noon in Tom Hauley
 Room
- Sat 5 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon in Tom Hauley Room, in aid
 of Harbury Senior Citizens
 Bonfire and Fireworks on Recreation Ground, Bonfire lit 6.00pm,
 Fireworks 6.30pm

Refuse Collection Rota			
	Deppers Bridge	Harbury, Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge outlying properties	Collection Week
October	Wed	Fri	
	5	7	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	12	14	Grey Bin
	19	21	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	26	28	Grey Bin
Nov	2	4	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	9	11	Grey Bin
	16	18	Green & Blue Lid Bins

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From the Rector

Reverend Craig Grocock

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Caring for our world

One of the things I most love about taking my dog Gus for a walk is watching the seasons change as we walk around Thwaites. The green turns to gold before the branches become bare and winter is upon us. But, then the miracle of new life appears in the spring as the trees bud and the crops grow.

I find this time of year awe inspiring as I watch the harvest and see our local farms preparing the fields for next year's crops. Creation is bountiful and with good stewardship of land and resources there's enough for everyone. But, sadly we all know that the human race isn't always as careful as we should be with all that we've been given. It's good to know however that Harbury does its best to be a good steward. The Harbury Energy Initiative, the wild flower garden at the library, the Electric Car Club, E-wheels and the eco friendly churchyard are just a few examples among many of how seriously this village takes looking after our environment.

Sadly it's not the same the world over and one of the places where the effects of climate change are most visible are at the North and South poles. The week for Action on Climate Change begins on the 8th of this month and we're fortunate to have the polar explorer Mark Wood coming to the Village Hall to speak on "My Life in a Freezer" describing his recent complex and cutting edge expedition to the North Pole. With over 28 major expeditions to date, Mark has reached the Magnetic North pole/Geomagnetic North Pole twice, has completed solo expeditions to both the Geographic North and South Poles. He has been a part of major BBC and Channel 5 documentaries and over the years has trained and led people in the extremes of the planet.

The proceeds from the evening will be divided between Harbury e-wheels and Hire a Hero. Tickets £10 and £5 for under 16s and are available from Muggleston's Country Fayre, Harbury Pharmacy, Bob Sherman (01926 612277), Chris Finch (01926 612305) and Liz McBride (01926 612421).



From the Churchwardens

Liz & John

As we move from summer to autumn we take time to give thanks and reflect on all the hard work farmers everywhere do for us to bring food to our tables.

On the 16th October (10.30am) we will be delighted to welcome the children from school to a Harvest Festival service where donations will be received

and, as last year, this produce will be donated to the local Foodbank. Please come along and give your thanks for what is always a lovely service.

Talking of food, it is only right that we all share and enjoy the efforts of our farmers' labour with some wonderful food at our Harvest supper which is "a bring and share" evening. It will be held in the Harbury Village Hall on the 8th October (7.30pm), tickets are £3 and, if you can, please bring along a small plate of cold food or a dessert (don't forget your own drink!) that will be appreciated. There is always plenty to go around and it is a fun evening with some entertainment to finish off the evening. If you would like to know more please speak to one of us.

There are lots of other activities going on in and around the church this time of year so please do look out on the notice boards for more information.

Liz (612421) and John (614206)

From the Registers

Burial of Ashes

5th September

Edna Chapple

	<h2>Mothers' Union</h2>	<p>Gillian Hare</p>
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Our autumn programme started in style, with a communion service in church. We welcomed Jane Hill, our Diocesan President, who enrolled three new members: Kath Abbott, Joy Lewis and Jo Spurr. We hope they enjoy their membership of M.U here in Harbury.

Bible readings about Elijah and the widow's son, and Jesus healing the blind man set the theme for the service. Our speaker, Liz Harvey, talked about the work of The Well, the Christian Healing Centre in Leamington. Very inspiring, and we wish them well as they plan the move to their own premises at last.

Afterwards we enjoyed a delicious tea.

There will be a Members' Day on 8th October at St Nicholas, Warwick. Please tell Chris Rutherford if you would like a lift.

Our next meeting will be on 5th October when we shall hear about the work of the Blue Sky Centre in Coventry, caring for the victims of sexual assault.

And a change of programme: on 2nd November Mrs Christine Philp will be describing her experience as a recipient of Maundy money this year. Visitors are especially welcome to hear this interesting talk – 2.30pm in the Tom Hauley Room following the communion at 2pm.



Harvest Supper

This year's Harbury Harvest Supper will be at Harbury Village Hall on Saturday 8th October, at 7.00 for 7.30pm and, as last year, it will be a Bring and Share Supper. Contributions could be cold meats, cheese, salads, quiches or similar, or a dessert - and whatever you will be drinking. Bread and butter will be provided as well as plates, dishes, cutlery and glasses - and of course there will be entertainment. If anyone can't come but would like to make a contribution it will be gratefully received. Tickets at £3 will be available from Felicity Harris shortly (612395 - or see her in church) and proceeds are likely to go towards the fund raising for the Memorial Garden. We look forward to seeing you there!

Elaine Barnden

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

OCTOBER

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| Sat | 1 | Quiz night, 7.00pm, Village Hall |
| Sun | 2 | Harvest Festival |
| | | Family Communion, 10.30am |
| | | Harvest Party, 12.00 noon, Village Hall |
| Mon | 3 | Homegroup, 8.00pm, venue 2 Hedges Close |
| Tues | 4 | Photography Club, 7.30pm, Village Hall |
| Wed | 5 | Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall |
| Thurs | 6 | WI, 7.30pm, Village Hall |
| Sun | 9 | Trinity XX |
| | | Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am |
| Wed | 12 | Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall |
| Sun | 16 | Trinity XXI |
| | | Holy Communion (BCP), 9.00am |
| Mon | 17 | Homegroup, 8.00pm, 2 Hedges Close |
| Wed | 19 | Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall |
| Thurs | 20 | ADVERTS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE TO 36 MANOR ORCHARD,
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| Sun | 23 | Bible Sunday |
| | | Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am |
| Wed | 26 | Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall |
| Thurs | 27 | ARTICLES FOR NEXT ISSUE TO: HARBURY PHARMACY,
HIGH ST OR EMAIL TO ARTICLES@HLNEWS.CO.UK BY
5.30PM |
| Sun | 30 | All Saints |
| | | Holy Communion (Said Service), 9.00am |

NOVEMBER

Tues	1	Photography Club, 7.30pm, Village Hall
Wed	2	Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall
Thurs	3	WI, 7.30pm, Village Hall
Sun	6	Third Sunday before Advent Family Communion, 10.30am followed by refreshments
Mon	7	Homegroup, 8.00pm, 2 Hedges Close
Wed	9	Parish Council Meeting, 7.45pm, Village Hall
Fri	11	Film Night, doors open 7.00pm, Village Hall
Sat	12	Free Concert, 7.30pm, Church
Sun	13	Remembrance Sunday Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am Village Remembrance Service, 3.00pm



Ladbrooke Church News

Jackie West

September has been a time of hard work and pleasant surprises. It started with the Auction of Promises - thanks to everyone involved - cooks, bar staff, washers up, ticket sellers and auctioneers not to mention everyone who came, donated and bought promises, together with those who couldn't but made donations anyway - raised £3500, a fantastic result. It wasn't just a success financially but great fun too and I reckon if Rev Craig ever becomes an atheist he should apply to Sotherbys for a job as an auctioneer! Some promises were sold two or three times over, like the dog walking by Felix and Kip's DIY skills and the ukulele lesson was converted to a group event with 11 people paying to join in. I have been sent photographic evidence of one of the promises - the hosts of the Mexican meal were slightly taken aback when four amigos in sombreros and moustaches turned up on their doorstep! If anyone else has pictures of promises being taken and would like to share them, please email to ladbrokechurch89@btinternet.com and I'll put them in the gallery on ladbrokechurch.org.uk on the events page.



The following weekend we had our Heritage Open Days, with over 50 people coming to find out about more Ladbrooke School (or in the case of past pupils put names to faces on the photographs and for one family find the kneeler Grandma stitched 40 years ago). Others discovered more about the building and some of the characters buried in our graveyard including Rev AB Lloyd

who had been a well known missionary in Uganda and Jack Wall whose efforts helped us win the best kept churchyard back in the early 1970s and many people came to support the Music Marathon. Kate played quiet background music to start before being joined by Alice on sax and Rory on trumpet for the next hour. Hymns by request were planned for the following hour but proved so popular that they continued for twice this long until Kate and her *ad hoc* choir closed with the national anthem after four hours of non-stop music. I'm most grateful to Linda Doyle, our local historian, for putting the school exhibition together, with a little help from me and last year's year 6 pupils and staff at St James School, Southam, to Carol Lane for her display on Uncle Jack and to our musicians and all who came to listen to them and sponsored Kate.



During last month the work on the roof and rainwater goods reached practical completion and the workmen finally tidied up and left so now we are back to normal, except in one respect. Ill health has prevented Betty joining us at services - we send her our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Home group is meeting alternate Mondays, see the Ladbroke Diary for exact dates. This term our theme is Discipleship and each meeting we listen to one of the sermons on the topic from our pulpit to start off our discussion. Actually the sermons are recorded at Harbury and they are available to all on **allsaintsharbury.org** on the podcast page, so if you'd like to hear what Revs Craig, Ann or Nikki or the readers have to say week by week, try it out.

Ladbroke Church is celebrating Harvest on Sunday 2nd October but I expect by the time you get your copy of Harbury & Ladbroke News we will have had our Harvest Festival service (10.30am) and Harvest Party (noon). There are several events in church on Remembrance weekend first a concert on Saturday 12th November (**see details on page 16**) and then the Village Remembrance service, when wreaths are laid on our war memorial, starting at 3pm on Sunday 13th November. The following weekend it's the Supper and Race night, see **page 39** for more details.

From the Registers

Baptism

4th September

Oscar Grocott

Flower Rota

2nd & 9th October

Various for Harvest Festival on 2nd

16th & 23rd October

Margaret Clarke

30th October

TBA



Ladbroke Parish Council

Jackie West

The following are key points from the meeting on 14th September. The formal minutes issued by the clerk will go on the notice board by the pub and the village website in due course.

Neighbourhood Watch: There were two burglaries within Ladbroke in late August. The police came to church during Heritage Open Days and left leaflets for people with reminders of how to improve home security. They also advised that if you see anything suspicious to report it on 101 as each piece of the jigsaw may help to stop crime; for any burglaries in progress ring 999. Although they could not be specific, the officers who came believed the action taken by their colleagues following a number burglaries around here had resulted in no break-ins during the previous seven days.

Removal of the Bus Service: There is a proposal to cease the service which stops on request on the by-pass, this had been financed for several years by development money from Tesco but with that funding at an end the level of use does not warrant continuing it. *Of course if it had come through the village, rather than passengers from Ladbroke needing to dice with death crossing the bypass to use it, there might have been more uptake from Ladbroke residents!*

Planning: The Parish Council were making no representations on the French windows, hardstanding and retaining wall at Flat 14 Ladbroke Hall nor on tree works in the spinney belonging to Woodlands and they had no comments regarding the resubmission for changes at Sarah's cottage, however their previous concerns still stand on the resubmission for a dwelling on the field "off" Windmill Lane. SDC had approved the extension at The Willows on Radbourne Lane. The application for a replacement front door and frame at Attwood Cottage had been withdrawn as approval was not forthcoming.

Highways & Footpaths: Councillors disagreed with SDC's view that crossing the bypass at the end of Windmill Lane was less safe than where the footpath officially comes out, they will send photos and offer to show it in person. To progress works on the drain near church requires hire of equipment and so SDC are waiting for it to be bundled it with other similar work. At least one

drain cover is missing on the A423 and will be reported as this is a hazard for cyclists etc.

Flooding: The letter of complaint to WCC has resulted in a meeting about the study and next steps with our representatives being scheduled for mid September.

A gully sucker and camera had been seen investigating the section between the village hall car park to just upstream of the bridge and there were concerns that if this flows more freely but nothing changes downstream of the bridge it would increase the risk of flooding to some homes.

Village Hall, Millennium Green & Church Events: The church had held a successful auction of promises and Heritage Open Days including a music marathon. Ladbroke Matters is organising a quiz on 1st Oct and a film night on 11th Nov. There will be a supper and traditional race night on 18th Nov, jointly organised by the church and Ladbroke Matters which is being held in Harbury Village Hall, but car sharing to and from Ladbroke is being co-ordinated.

HS2: HS2 Ltd has a new team to improve community engagement and boundaries have changed, with Ladbroke now in a different area from Southam. The Select Committee is expected to finish by Christmas.

Broadband: After a number of conversations and sending photos and an annotated map to them, the Coventry & Warwickshire Rural Broadband Roll Out team now understand that Ladbroke was too far away to receive any benefits when Cabinet 10 (in Southam) was upgraded and is served by Cabinet 10/1 on the corner of School Lane and Banbury Road. They will update their records and make sure we are part of the roll out, though this could still be more than a year away.

WCC: Cllr Williams reported that politics as a whole seems to have gone to sleep until after the Government's autumn statement. WCC has to cut budgets by 20% so are considering cutting school transport of less than two miles for under 8's and less than 3 miles for those over 8 years old. Some parish councils are buying their own speed cameras, if they note registration numbers and pass them on, the police will write to the miscreants. The Fosse Way northbound will be closed by the Harbury bridge near the garage for several months - this might increase traffic through Ladbroke as people try to find alternative routes. J12 on the M40 should have been completed, the work on the dual carriage way is done but "gardening" seems to be ongoing. There are some old computers available free of charge to organisations but as the few groups in Ladbroke are run by volunteers those at the meeting could not think of anyone who would be interested in these.

Poppy Collection in Ladbroke: If anyone would like to volunteer to take British Legion poppies house to house within Ladbroke 29th Oct - 12th Nov please phone 814031. If no-one volunteers you'll be able to get your poppy and make a donation at church services, village events and at The Bell Inn.

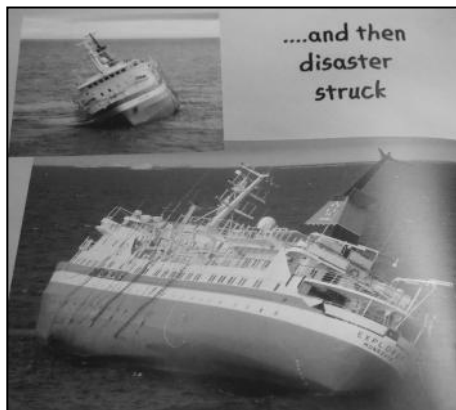
Our September meeting was held on Thursday 1st in Ladbroke Village Hall. Georgia Hale kept us all spellbound in recounting her experiences of being shipwrecked in the Antarctic.

In 2001 her husband, Clive, was diagnosed with an incurable form of blood cancer and in periods of remission between treatments, he tried to cram as many things as possible into his remaining time.

When Clive suggested they should go on a Northern cruise Georgia happily accepted, imagining cocktail frocks and a life of luxury. However she was slightly warned when the kit list included waterproofs and thermal underwear with no mention of any sort of frock!

Her doubts were confirmed when, between the luxury cruise ships in the East of Greenland where they started the cruise, there was a 'little red ship' and she joined 90 other passengers on what was not a cruise but an expedition. She spent 10 days in good company seeing marvellous sights and listening to well informed lecturers which gave her a taste for this sort of holiday which they repeated to the Arctic the following year.

In 2007 they set out for the ultimate in cold weather expeditions, the Antarctic, flying to the tip of Argentina and joining the 'little red ship' first to the Falkland Islands then to South Georgia where Clive, who also had a keen eye for photography took amazing pictures of the wildlife there.



They were due to land on the Antarctic Peninsula the following day and after a matey supper the 78 passengers all went on deck to watch a spectacular sunset.

When almost all the others went to their cabins Georgia remained on deck filming in the silence broken only by the ice breaker cutting through the ice floe. She felt nothing more than a judder but became aware of the behaviour of the captain and crew. In a short space of time the siren

sounded and the Captain was saying 'This is serious. This is not a drill' and the passengers assembled in the lecture theatre in full cold weather gear and life jackets. The hull had been struck by underwater ice.

I'm not going to tell you anymore! If you can get Georgia to come and speak to any organisation I could not recommend her too highly and you will be able to hear the rest of the story.

Clive has since died and Georgia has started the Clive Hale Memorial Fund to raise money to help others with limited life expectancy to realise some of their dreams. Georgia can be contacted on 02476 502970 or at georgina.hale@tiscali.co.uk

In the business meeting which followed, Mandy Boyce was thanked in her absence for her work as Treasurer and wished well for her new life in America. Hazel Harrison has agreed to become Treasurer for a trial period.

Four members had a lovely day out at Hardwick Hall on Thursday 22nd September. The weather was glorious and they had time to enjoy both halls and the gardens. If you haven't been, it is a fascinating place to visit. Their appetites had been whetted earlier in the year when they went to a super talk on Bess of Hardwick, the most amazing woman who became second only to Queen Elizabeth I in her wealth and influence. The conditions she set out in her pre-nup have to be heard to be believed!

A group outing to Kiss me Kate at the Spa Centre between Tuesday 18th and Saturday 22nd October is to be organised. Contact Sue Moore if you would like to be included in this trip.

An artwork competition is being held to celebrate the WI centenary. Works can include painting, embroidery etc. and must be submitted by 29th December.

On 14th January there is 'Learn to knit' course.

Ladbroke and Deppers Bridge Annual General Meeting is to be held on 6th October starting at 7.30pm and in our November meeting we will hear Jan Warner give a talk entitled 'Survival of the fittest' which is described as a social history of child rearing. Our December Social will be held on Thursday 1st. Visitors welcome, as always.



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 event is a quiz night planned for **Saturday 1st October** in the Village Hall. Start time is 7.30pm and ideally we would like teams of four people. The cost is £8 per person, egghead, mastermind, or university challenger, and includes a mini fish and chip supper. There will also be a bar available.

Events planned for later this year::

- A film and supper night on **Friday 11th November**.
- Our Village Christmas Party on **Saturday 10th December**.



On **Friday 18th 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

Draw for August 2016

£50	Trevor and Dianne Surgey	£50	Cyril Spence
£25	Joley Malby	£25	Pete Edgar
£25	Helen Morten	£10	John Lowman
£10	Malcolm Wray	£10	Alan Rylance
£10	Roger Plaskett	£10	Simon and Jackie West

Margaret Bosworth



Ladbroke Photography Club

Kip Warr

Sports photography was the subject of our September competition. As usual, a seemingly predictable theme produced unpredictable results. The canoe on the Avon (shown here) was a favourite - is that an unfortunate capsized or a highly skilled manoeuvre rolling the canoe end over end? Another winner was a white water raft going down a vertical waterfall in New Zealand - we could imagine the screams! Other pictures portrayed cycling, riding, polo, fell racing, egg-and-spoon racing and many more activities. After the competition we had a phototopic session looking at members' pictures of sports and action.



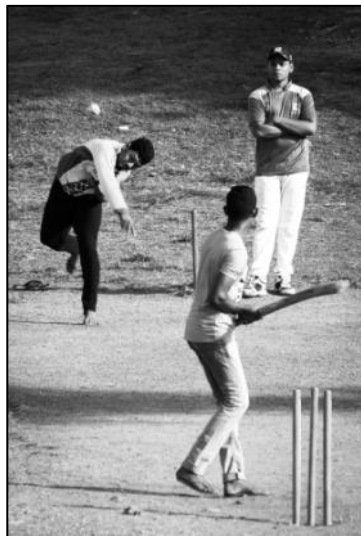
During such sessions we discuss the pictures and encourage the photographers to tell us how they got each picture and the story behind it.

Our next meeting will be about manipulating photographs and creating cards. The cards can contain more than one image; Jackie will send them off to be printed as greetings cards or postcards.

Canoe on the Avon by Bill Moore

We also hope to be able to photograph an antique Japanese sword with some very fine figuring on it. That will all be on Tuesday, 4th October. In November the subject will be Weather. As ever, visitors and guests are welcome; our meetings are usually held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in Ladbroke Village Hall. For more information see our website (tinyurl.com/ladbrokephoto) or contact jackieszone-photogclub@yahoo.co.uk

Right: Village Cricket in Sri Lanka by Mike Todman



Ladbroke General Section

Free Concert at Ladbroke Church, Saturday 12th November

A small group of post graduate music students from the Guildhall School of Music & Drama will be giving an evening concert in Ladbroke Church on Saturday 12th November, starting at 7.30pm. There will be a retiring collection in aid of our All Saints for All Generations campaign to raise funds for building repairs. Please see ladbrokechurch.org.uk from mid-October for details of the programme.

Carol Lane



Huw & Ruth's Third Anniversary at the Bell Inn

As the photos show (and there are more in the photo gallery on ladbroke-pc.org.uk) The Bell Inn was packed to help Huw and Ruth celebrate their third anniversary running our local. I'm sure everyone would like to join me in saying thank you for inviting us to the hog roast and also to thank them and all their staff for making it such a welcoming pub and a great asset to the village all year round. Wearing my church hat I'd also to thank them for donating half the bar proceeds that evening to our All Saints for All Generations campaign, raising funds for building repairs. The other half went to the Air Ambulance who I'm sure are just as appreciative.



Jackie West



Harbury Parish Council

Tim Lockley

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

Quarterly Report

In the past three months the PC has:

- Project managed the construction of a path at the park, to encourage walking
- Arranged for the clearance of excess soil at the cemetery
- Met with Jeremy Wright regarding the proposed new surgery in Bishops Itchington.
- Begun the consultation on the final draft of the Neighbourhood Plan
- Made a grant supporting the Victorian Street Fayre

Harbury Neighbourhood Development Plan

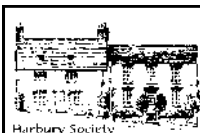
By the time you read this the Consultation should be over and all comments will be considered by the Steering Group and the Parish Council

during October. The Draft Plan then goes to Stratford for examination which will take about six weeks. We are hoping for a positive outcome.

In the new year we are expecting to be given information about a date for a referendum so that it can be adopted by the Parish. The Plan has to be approved and voted on by all residents.

Thank you for your support so far. We will need your votes in 2017.

Councillor Pat Summers

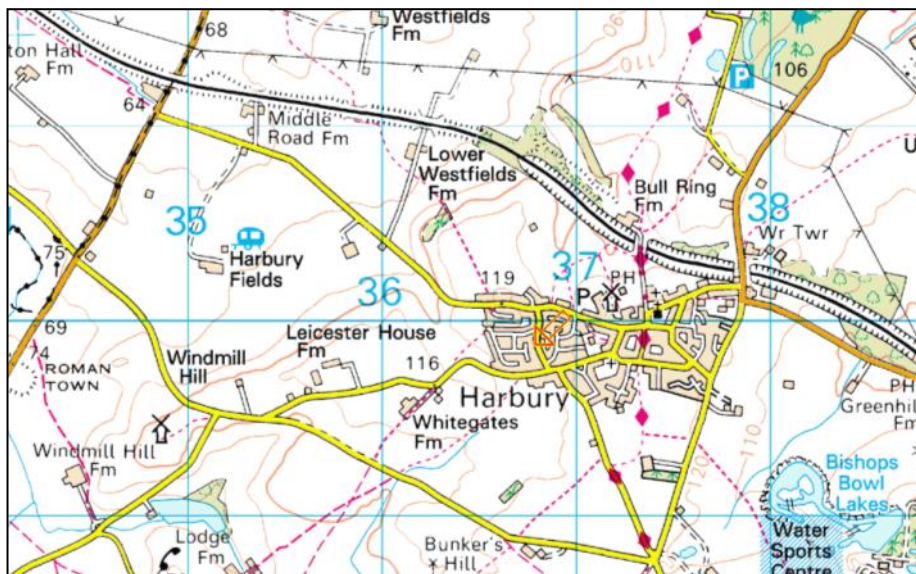


Harbury Society

Linda Ridgley

The Society recently provided Warwickshire Local History Association with a History Walk round the village finishing with tea provided by the WI at the Tom Hauley Room. The Committee suggest that others might like to know what the tour told them – some of it mere conjecture. Here is the first part but you can learn more from our book Hungry Harbury.

Possible History and Growth of Harbury Part 1



The village lies just behind the scarp slope of the Lias ridge and was until recently not visible from the Fosse. Founded possibly in the Iron Age, by a noblewoman, Heber, it lies just within the Fosse defensive ditch that at one time marked the extent of Roman Britain.

The original settlement (Heber's Bury) was on the spring-line of the eastern dip slope where until late 1970's there was still a prominent tree-topped earthen bank east of Pound Green.

The pre-historic Lear Street runs north/south through the present village (marked on this map by the diamonds of the Centenary Way!)

The thirteenth century church lies between Lear Street and the old Bury. This and the Manor House are the oldest surviving buildings in the village.



Recent investigations revealed that the central section of the Manor House is an early twelfth century hall house. The right-hand wing is mid 16th Century, the left-hand 17th. It was sympathetically renovated in the 1990's by Peter White.

A few other timber-framed buildings remain in the village – The 16th Century Shakespeare Inn; Saddlers in Chapel Street; The Cottage High Street, the Stone House and parts of Wissett Lodge but many others were demolished in the late 1950's in an orgy of "improvement" by Southam Rural District Council.

Linda Ridgley, Hon Secretary, Harbury Society

Our next event is a talk on the Architectural Delights of Leamington Spa by Alan Mayes at 7.30pm on 25th October in the Tom Hauley Room. All are welcome.



Harbury Women's Institute

Julia Fowler

100 years is a lot of history, even for a village WI, so in readiness for our Centenary in 2018 we're busy reviewing our archives, and hunting out stories and photos. The earliest years, naturally, are the most challenging; records are fewer, harder to find, or simply lost. But we've uncovered some fascinating material. Here's a splendidly assertive voice from 1924,

castigating men on the council for their lack of 'enlightenment' and recommending that women take their place (and pretty sharpish too). Harbury WI was only six years old, but already a force to be reckoned with.

"Sir, May I, through your valuable paper, thank Mr E.P. Smith, a member of the Southam Rural District Council, for the honour he paid to old women, in his remarks last week, that "they ran the blessed society" (namely, the RSPCA). I congratulate these "old women".

I think that the sooner the Southam Rural District puts some women (old or young) in the place of the men who are hardened and ignorant as to what is cruelty, and who still wish the pole-axe to be used, the better it will be for the whole of the district. Men who have so little imagination and so little enlightenment as to what animals suffer when killed by the axe are not fit to represent the district. Scientists, who are not "old women", have proved that meat eaten after animals have suffered is detrimental to the nervous system.

Cruelty in any form is a disgrace to any British subject. A short time ago the members of the Harbury Women's Institute sent an urgent appeal to the Council begging for the use of the pole-axe to be made an offence. One can hardly realise that only two men - Dr Lattey and Mr Dunn - were in favour of the use of the humane killer being enforced in the district."

Letter signed "A Member of Harbury Women's Institute", published February 15th 1924 in the "Royal Leamington Spa Courier and Warwickshire Standard" (sourced via the British Newspaper Archive, online free, at the Library)

There was no time for history last month, one of our busiest ever Septembers. First up was a talk on hedgehogs, when Simon Thompson of Warwickshire Wildlife Trust shared conservation tips, and debunked fantasy after fantasy. Think Mr and Mrs Tiggywinkle live in your garden exclusively, grateful for their nightly pet food? Think again - in fact they have food sources and nests in several locations, and trot around all night from saucer to saucer, like guests at a prickly progressive dinner. They don't give your dog fleas, and milk is bad for them. Members reported their hedgehog sightings to Simon, doubling the number on his records. We posted his new map on our Facebook page the next day.

We did tea and cakes at the Village Show on the 10th; another tea on the 17th for 47 members of a visiting history society; our annual Harvest Supper on the 23rd; and our jam jar tombola at the fabulous Victorian Street Fayre on 1st October. Thanks to everyone who helped at these events, and to everyone who generously supported them.

Our next meeting is on 13th October, when Julia Fowler and Marie Stanley will talk about giving new life to furniture and household items with chalk paint. Marie is an artist, and the owner of Hillbilly's in Leamington Spa, where she sells paint and painted furniture. Marie will bring along samples of what can be achieved and we'll have paint available for people to try. We plan to offer a workshop with her soon.

Harbury WI meetings are usually at the Tom Hauley Room, 7.30 for 7.45pm, on the second Thursday of the month. All women are welcome, whether it's to hear a particular speaker, or to see if WI is for you. Contact us on harburywi@gmail.com, or 07834 667 523. You can also keep up to date on our Facebook page - www.facebook.com/harburywi



Harbury Theatre Group

Andrew Lawrence

Rehearsals are now in full swing for our next production, "All Exclusive" by Hugh Morrison. It's a very amusing comedy about a group of British tourists who find themselves in the middle of a military coup on a tropical island. How they react to their predicament is hilarious so come along to one of the performances and have a great evening. We will be performing on Thursday 24th, Friday 25th and Saturday 26th November. Doors will open at 7.00pm and there will be an interval with a bar and refreshments. Tickets will go on sale during October so keep an eye out for posters and notices in the November edition of Harbury & Ladbroke News.

If you're interested in being involved back stage, front of house or as our prompter (who we hope will have very little to do!?) please call me on 614937 or Brian Wade on 612831.



Folk Club

Sue Hartland

'Botanicals' was the theme for Folk Club number 382.

Ian and Sue opened with 'Let the Mystery Be', which mentions carrots and sweet peas, followed by 'Wild Rose of The Mountain'. Theresa followed with a beautiful French song entitled Le Muguet. Pete and Liz performed two of my favourites 'Isle of Eigg' and 'Rosebud in June'. Ray and Ann gave us 'Lemon Tree' and 'Yellow Bird'. Rik announced to us all that he actually was a botanist which I have to admit made me panic, thinking that he might expect me to remember all the Latin names he quoted before he sang 'Watercress' and 'Daisy Lady'. Maureen and Janny sang 'Hedger & Ditcher/ Sorry the Day I was Married' followed by the brilliant Kinks song 'The Village Green Preservation Society' and Norman closed the first half with a self-penned song called 'The Last Day in August' and 'Alberta'.

Peter Mason opened the second half with 'What's the use of wings if you can't fly' and 'Peppers and Tomatoes'. Barbara made a rare visit to the Club and entertained us with 'Mr. Smith's Vegetable Garden' and 'When the Chestnut Blooms in Flower'. Next was two thirds of a new group called Essaress (I think that's right) who gave us 'Blue Bonnets' and 'Edelweiss'.

Debs sang 'The Water is Wide' and then recited her great poem 'Zona Nudista'. Ted and Sue were next with 'A Bunch of Thyme' and 'Misalliance'. Keith closed the second half with 'A Song without Words' and 'Three Birds Flying'.

The third half featured Essaress singing 'Country Roads' and Barbara singing 'Yellows on the Broom'. Keith closed the evening with an hilarious medley of 'Girl from Ipanema/50 Shades of Grey/Black Country Roads/Nelly the Elephant'. The verse about Donald Trump certainly sent us all home laughing!

The raffle raised £72 for Cancer Research UK which is the charity that Ian ran the Great North Run for. The theme for the October Folk Club is 'Transport' when Doug and Janny will be the hosts.



Harbury Twinning Association

Tony Thomas

On Sunday 11th September we held a "*Picnic in the Park*". Not strictly correct as the picnic was a barbeque and the park was the Village Club car park. 35 members of the Association enjoyed the Annual Barbeque and Petanque event which, by kind permission of the Village Club Committee, was held in their car park, the car park surface being the nearest thing to a Petanque pitch we have in the village.

The Knock Out Petanque Competition was won by the Ladies Team of Rosemary Harley, Margaret McDonald and our two youngest members, the sisters Saffie and Nuala Chiba, seen here receiving the trophy from our Chairman, Peter Rollason.



We are pleased to announce the return to the Village Hall on Friday 28th October of the very popular Jazz Group "*Playing Django*". Tickets, at £20 each, which includes a hot supper, will shortly be available from the Twinning Association Committee Members. This is a popular event so if you don't wish to be disappointed order your tickets early.

Why not join the Twinning Association and enjoy taking part in our numerous social activities, you don't need to be able to speak French, accommodate a French family into your home or travel to France, just contact our Secretary Ceri Edwards on Harbury 612136.



Harbury Juniors Football Club

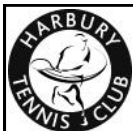
Keith Hanson

The new football season has started and Harbury Juniors has kicked off with teams in most age groups from U6 to U16 already.

We are a charity and an FA affiliated club with professional, trained coaches running each of the age groups. Harbury Juniors welcomes new players in all age groups. If you or your child would like to join us then please email our club secretary Jane Workman - janeworkman@hotmail.com and we will connect you with the team coach for your age group.

We are also looking for volunteers to help. Would you like to coach your own team with full training, a coaching assistant and support? We need at least two new coaches this year so please help! Or can you offer us a few hours a month to help in other ways? - please contact Keith Hanson, Chairman to find out more via keithhanson1@yahoo.co.uk

Thanks for your continued support and we look forward to another great season in 16/17.



Harbury Tennis Club

Colin and Sue Mercer

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

We held our doubles tournaments on 11th September 2016. There were close fought matches for both Ladies and Men's Doubles on a perfect sunny Sunday. All players rotated to play in different combinations (ladies separate from the men) to ensure the eventual winners really earned their trophies.



The standard of the games was very high with many long rallies, perhaps inspired by Jamie Murray and Bruno Soares victory at the US Open the day before. Eira Owen and Jane Minchin narrowly took the Ladies title by a short distance. In the Men's it was hugely competitive but in the end Steve Fitzgerald and Joe Robson triumphed. As usual it was a thoroughly entertaining fun morning with tennis played in the best spirit as we have come to expect in the Harbury Tennis Club tournaments.

The *coolsportz* coaching programme is up and running! The coaching team of Elizabeth Holding, Curren Sandhu, and Rob West are running sessions for all ages! For the youngest group, Mini Reds (4-8 years) there are sessions on Mondays (4.30-5.30) and Thursdays (3.45 to 4.45). These groups will be moving into the Village Hall from November to March. For the Green/Yellow groups (10-16 years) there's a Monday session between 5.30 and 6.30. For adults there are sessions on Mondays, 6.30 to 7.30 (Improvers) and Thursdays, 5.45-6.45 (Advanced) and a Ladies' session on Fridays (9.30 to 10.30). For more details please contact Lianne Candappa, 07919104093, lianne@coolsportz.co.uk or check out the website at www.coolsportz.co.uk

As ever, players of all standards are welcome to come along and join us!



Quiz Time for all!

Sunday 16th October starting 7.30pm sharp in the Village Club.

The Tennis Club Fun Quiz to whom ALL are welcome (not just Tennis Club members) – get your friends and family together in teams of four for a great night out (£20 a team). Delicious sandwiches supplied, prizes for the winners and no tennis knowledge required!

There is still time to book your team in: Contact Peter Walshe on 01926 612477 or peter.walshe@millwardbrown.com.

Peter Walshe

	<p>Guides and Scouts Support</p> <p>G.A.S.S. Committee</p>
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Harbury Bonfire and Fireworks - Saturday 5th November 2016

GASS (Guides and Scouts Support) are already making preparations for this year's Guy Fawkes Night bonfire and firework spectacular at the Village Hall playing fields on Saturday 5th November.

- The bonfire will be lit at 6pm and the fireworks let off from 6.30pm, so make sure you get to the playing fields on time. For safety reasons, entry will be via South Parade only (unfortunately we will have to close the Ridgley Way pedestrian gate for the evening due to its proximity to the firework launch zone).

- **Advance tickets only will include a hotdog & a chocolate bar** – Cost £4.50 for adults and £3.00 for children aged 3-16yrs. Infants 0-2yrs who require food can purchase a ticket for just £1.00. Tickets will be on sale from early October until Thursday 3rd November at Mugleston's in Chapel Street.
- **Tickets bought on the gate will not have food** - Cost £4.00 for adults, £2.50 for children aged 3-16yrs and free for infants 0-2yrs.
- Warming drinks of mulled wine and hot chocolate will be on sale on the night.
- Do you have any unwanted wood? If you would like the Scouts/Guides to collect it on the morning of the bonfire, please **book a collection**. Just complete the slip enclosed with this magazine and take it to Mugleston's with a **generous donation** before Friday 4th November. There is a safe limit to the size of bonfire we can build and hence a limited number of wood collections that we can make, so **please get your booking slip in early** (bookings will be accepted on a first come first served basis).
- **Please do not deliver bonfire material to the Village Hall car park or playing field. This will cause an obstruction and can be dangerous so you will be turned away.**

All proceeds from this event will be used for the upkeep of Harbury Scout Hut and for supporting our uniformed youth groups – Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Harbury Toddler Group

Lynne Barton

Many many thanks again to all who attended the Coffee Morning at the Tom Hauley Room, All Saints' Church, it is always such a joy for us to be there and this time was no exception. People were also able to stay and enjoy a lunch afterwards prepared by members of the congregation which all smelt delicious, made us hungry and so we all had to decamp to the Crown for a delicious bite to eat!

The picture on page 26 shows our volunteers waiting for our customers.

We raised **£202** for which we are very grateful. Entrust Care Partnership, the not for profit organisation for disabled children and their families, will use this money towards our stay and play groups, support for carers and our one to one service. Thank you to **EVERYONE** who contributed.



We love **Miss Lorraine from Love Ballet**, she always captivates the children, bringing lots of props to help them with their creative movement, dancing, twirling, catching and spinning. Just look how intently they are looking at her, everything at that age is just awesome.



Nicoletta from **Usborne Books** will be joining us on 10th October, so you can browse and purchase children's story and picture books throughout the morning.

Not sure that I am cut out to be a sculptor as the clay we purchased seemed initially to be a difficult medium to work with - my kitchen will testify to that!!! In preparation for a Monday session, trying to roll out air dried clay in to squares proved a little tricky. The children had no such challenges with little hands finding it easy to make patterns: just look at these (opposite page).

And to our surprise Emily, one of our parents shared the news that her father is a sculptor and will be able to donate some clay to the group - how wonderful is that! You just never know who can help.



Aimee Mann, mother to Freddie, Bella and Jago is our 'artist in residence' and brought us autumn crowns, autumn leaf rubbings and with the Tuff Tray borrowed from Banana Moon Nursery (thank you again Lucy) we were able to experience the feel and smell of lovely fir cones, twigs and dried leaves.



We are delighted that Chelly, mother to Megan and Melissa, is volunteering for us. It is great to have an additional 'pair of hands' to ensure everything runs smoothly, everyone is made to feel welcome and has someone to chat to. Thank you Chelly xxx

Lynne, Selina and Reg look forward to welcoming parents, carers, grandparents, childminders and children under five - come on round the kettle's on.

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

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Harbury Pre-School

Staff & Committee

New Term: We were delighted to welcome new faces to Pre-School at the start of the new term. William, Alice, Monty, Ariadne, Harrison, Emily, Alice and Lily have all settled in very well with their new friends. We also welcomed Vonnie, our newest member of staff, who has already become a fantastic addition to our wonderful team.

Ourselves: At the beginning of the term, the children brought in photographs of themselves as babies, together with pictures of other members of their families, which we looked at and thought about. These inspired the children to communicate their thoughts and draw pictures of themselves, resulting in lovely creative pieces of work.

Outdoor Play: At Harbury Pre-School we aim to provide as much outdoor play as possible. Our lovely soft play surface, coupled with the canopy, provides an excellent safe area to play. There is shade from the sun or shelter from the rain, ensuring the children get plenty of outdoor fun whatever the weather. Our ceiling fans indoors, however, provide the children with a welcome retreat if, as this September, we actually get the odd rather hot day!



The last days of summer have seen the children able to “freeflow” between the indoor and outdoor classrooms, making good use of the climbing and balancing equipment, ride on vehicles and water play; a wonderful way for our new children in particular to begin their new adventures at Pre-School.

Visitors: We are very lucky at Harbury Pre-School to have some varied and interesting visitors. We were thrilled to have Vicky bring in her brand new baby girl for the children to meet. This gave the children further opportunities to

think about how we care for babies and meet their needs and how they are kept safe and grow up into children and adults. The children also welcomed Rev. Nikki and Gill, who together, brought thoughts of harvest time. This was timed to link in with our focus on seeds and growth.

AGM: The Annual General Meeting of the Pre-School will be at Harbury Pre-School, The Wight School, Harbury on Tuesday 18th October at 7.45pm.

Fundraising: As a charity the Pre-School relies heavily on all extra funds gathered through important fundraising activities amongst the community. We are excited to be involved with village events such as the Victorian Street Fayre and the village Carnival. All these funds raised go directly towards activities and equipment to support the children's learning and play. Look out for the next exciting event planned before Christmas and thank you for all new and ongoing support.

Christmas Fair, Sunday 11th December. If you would like a stall at this wonderful family event, then please see our details on stallfinder.com



If you would like further information, or to register a child for Harbury Pre-School, please contact Angie Clifton, Business Manager: e-mail enquiries@harburypre-school.org.uk phone 07907 598461 or look at the website www.harburypre-school.org.uk. Please note that although the starting age for Pre-School is normally two years nine months, your child is never too young to be registered.

	<h2>Harbury School PTA</h2>	<p>PTA Committee</p>
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By the time you read this, our biggest fundraiser of the year, The Victorian Street Fayre, will have already taken place. A massive **Thank you** to Julie and Brian Young for all their hard work in making it happen, as well as the wider committee and to all those volunteer helpers without whom an event of this scale just could not happen.

Thanks also, of course, go to our sponsors and supporters - to Harbury Parish Council for funding the entertainment, to Rob and Libby of Cana Wines/The Gamecock for their unfailing generosity and all the local businesses and organisations, (of which there are too many to mention), who donated raffle prizes or contributions from their own profits. We do hope you came along and enjoyed the event.

We would also like to thank David Wilson Homes for their grant towards the lovely lighting. Steve Barton, Senior Sales Manager for David Wilson Homes Mercia, said:

"We are delighted to provide the new lighting for the Harbury Victorian Street Fayre and hope that the local community will be able to use them for many years to come. The event is a fantastic way to bring the local community together and we are pleased to have contributed towards it."

With the Street Fayre behind us, we look forward to another great Harbury tradition - the annual **Quiz Night** on the evening of **Friday 18th November**. Held in the school hall, with a light supper and fully stocked bar, this event is always great fun and one not to be missed. To book your tickets and register your team, please email Julie Young on julie@pagato.co.uk. Do hurry as this event always sells out fast! Further details will be published on our open access Facebook page nearer the time.

Finally, as the winter nights start drawing in, you can add a summer date to look forward to – on **Saturday 8th July 2017**, the **Harbury School Family Summer Fun Day** will return to the school grounds. Building on the success of the new format this year, and listening to visitor feedback, we hope this event will be a fantastic occasion for all the family!

All the details of forthcoming events and updates on our fundraising are published on the Facebook page, www.facebook.com/HarburySchoolPTA, so it really is worth having a look from time to time.

Don't forget, if you haven't done so already, please do sign up to www.easyfundraising.org.uk/harburyschool and please keep donating those unwanted textile items to our clothing bin in the school car park.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.



Village Hall Update

Chris Finch

Harbury - we have a problem! The Village Hall Committee has been endeavouring to source a suitable group/band or disco for the annual New Year Dance, but have drawn a blank so far. For several years, the Likely Lads played during the evening and then Phill King and the Royals took over more recently and fronted very enjoyable evenings.

As we identified at a recent meeting the age profile (demographic??) of supporters at the dance has remained much the same for some time and we hoped to encourage a younger set of villagers to join us, but maybe the format wasn't attractive to villagers under the age of 60 years? As a result, we have a problem and would like to offer any group/organisation within the village the chance to organise a dance/evening event with a different format for 2017. If this sounds an attractive proposition, then please let any member of the committee know - see Harbury Parish Council website for officers' details or ring 613801 / 612305. For those who have been in the village for many years, recollections of the times when the Football Club organised the annual fancy dress dance never fail to bring back many happy memories. It was a time when the streets of Harbury were thronged with revellers in fancy dress who often visited the pubs before and after the dance. It may be a chance to revive this tradition if something different to a black tie event was organised?

A similar thought was raised in connection with the recent CAMRA Beer Festival. Whilst the small V.H. committee has been happy to join with G.A.S.S. to source and prepare the food for the event, it needs 'many hands to make light work' and the committee is mainly composed of retired people who are happy to ensure that the running of the hall proceeds on a daily basis, but sometimes have a struggle to find enough members to cover more demanding events. This year CAMRA celebrated its 25th anniversary in Harbury (postponed by one year due to the extension work last year) and it is thought that the organising group are anxious to continue the well-recognised event. This year, unfortunately was the first time in many years that it rained on Saturday, so although not a complete washout, the attendance was lower than usual.

However, despite the possible problems outlined so far, the V.H. continues to have considerable success in offering impressive facilities for the village cinema and 'one-off' opportunities such as the chance to hear the exploits of polar explorer, Mark Wood - billed as My Life in a Freezer on 7th October. Tickets are currently available at Mugleston's and the Pharmacy and by phoning 612277 / 612305 for local people, but the event will be opened up to adventurers in the local area in the first week of October.

Apart from the continued support of the regular hirers, a new venture is being offered in October with the creation of a Karate class. Please look out for details posted around the village for timing of the Monday class - contact 612819 if more information is required.

The next film on 15th October is 'Hail Caesar' starring George Clooney, Scarlett Johansson, Ralph Fiennes etc and tickets are available with the usual option of fish and chip supper if required or tickets on the door for the film only, if there is available space.



Garden Jottings from Bridge Nursery

Christine Dakin

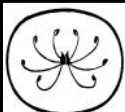
I have been having a grumble (I'm rapidly becoming one of those grumpy old women) about supermarkets selling plants outside their front doors. The plants are very often dried out or almost dead. There is no-one available to offer help and advice. If a novice gardener buys one of these poor specimens which then fails to survive, it might put them off buying another plant for a long time. In the long run it will put some small independent nurseries out of business. Another outcome is that there will be a smaller range of plants to choose from. So, I urge you to buy from a place where they care about their products and can assist in your purchases.

Autumn is here and this means it's a great time to plant new plants. The soil is warm and you won't have to water them like you would with spring planting. Please take advantage of our great SALE for the first two weeks of October. Lots of reductions across the range which means you can sparkle up your garden for next year.

One last thing.....I am offering a new service tailored to your garden so you can have your own personalised advice. See the website for more details.

www.bridge-nursery.co.uk

Bridge Nursery, Tomlow Road, Napton



Horticultural Society

Judy Morrall

We are looking forward to the 2016/17 new season and we start on Tuesday 4th October in the Tom Hauley room from 7.30pm onwards. Our first speaker is Linda Smith who is making a return visit to us. She and her husband own a super aquatic nursery near Hinckley and have, for the last few years, ventured into water displays at RHS shows and at the first one in the marquee at the Chelsea Flower Show they won a gold medal. So Linda will be talking to us about our Chelsea Show Experiences, she is a super speaker. I have booked two new speakers this season and return visits from previous speakers. There is a diverse selection of topics so please come along and enjoy a talk, raffle and refreshments, and all this for just £10. New members are very welcome. The next meeting after October is on Tuesday 1st November when Robin Pearce will be talking to us about Ornamental Grasses and Hardy Ferns.

The Summer weather was very mixed, and some plants and vegetables performed better and some not so good but that is the joy of gardening with surprises and disappointments. Hanging baskets and troughs can last well

into October if dead headed and Autumn is absolutely the best time to divide plants and establish new ones as the ground is still warm. You can have colour all year with a huge variety of plants. There are some lovely winter evergreen clematis and other climbers. Grasses look so elegant with their stately plumes in the Autumn and many herbs keep their scent and structure with just a light trim. The only thug that pops up in my garden is borage and it is very rampant! Ivy too is an absolute menace unless you restrict its growth by hard pruning.

There are some great places to visit in October to enjoy the changing colours of Autumn. In Warwick the Lord Leycester gardens, although large, are very well cared for and well worth a visit. Combine this with a trip to nearby Hill Close Gardens open daily from 11am to 5pm. We are so lucky to have these gems on our doorstep. Don't forget to go to Ryton Organic Gardens in Wolston open daily from 10am to 5.30pm, admission can vary but usually is £4.50. Very good food and a wealth of plants. Near Moreton in Marsh, Batsford Arboretum never fails to cheer us up. Open daily with some unusual trees and shrubs, a very good tea room and plant centre for the admission price of £6.95. The Mitford sisters lived in the large house - can you imagine what went on then!

A bit further away is Harcourt Arboretum near Nuneham Courtney, Oxford, post code OX44 99X. It is part of the Oxford Botanic Gardens, is open daily from 10am to 4pm and costs £3.50. No tea room but there are some truly amazing trees here. It was often featured in murder scenes in Morse and Lewis but perfectly safe now!

A few years ago on one of our day trips we went to Painswick Rococo Gardens, post code GL6 6TH just outside Malmesbury on the Stroud road. They are the only surviving pleasure gardens in the UK, dating from the 1740's. They had theatrical sets built with stunning backdrops and held many a decadent party! Their restoration work was started in the 1970's when it had become very overgrown and jungle like. It took many thousands of hours to bring it back to how you see it today. Luckily there were paintings made of the original gardens so there was a point of reference. It is now run by a trust. Today you see superb views of the countryside, fanciful garden buildings, woodland walk, maize and a huge vegetable garden, there is a restaurant here, it is open daily and entrance is £6.50. It is a magical place and well worth a visit.

We also paid a visit to Birmingham Botanical Gardens in Westbourne Road Edgbaston, post code B15 3TR a few years ago. There are some brilliant planting combinations here and a great glass house with lots of unusual succulents and much more. Somewhere to eat and a good shop with reasonably priced plants and other items. Open daily from 10am to 5.30pm and costs £5. Upton House and Gardens have some wonderful asters and autumn flowering plants, come and see us and see how near we are to beating the Guinness book of records for the longest bunting which will be displayed in November.

I do hope that you are able to sample at least one of the places as it is nice to go and experience something new or revisit to see what changes made. So much to look forward to in Autumn with the stunning leaf colours and various fungi and hedgerow fruit. I look forward to seeing everyone at the meetings.



Nature Notes

John Hancock

Today (Monday 19th September), it's dreary and overcast with rain lingering and so there is doubt over a planned bat walk this evening. Tricia Scott of the Warwickshire Bat Group was going to take the U3A Natural History Group for a stroll through St Nicholas's Park near the river armed with bat monitors. These, tuned to differing frequencies, can pick up the sounds made by different species of bat as they use echo location to home in on their prey. Unfortunately if it's wet and cool the bats stay in their roosts so we are at the mercy of the British climate.

Several readers, including Alan Knowles, have reported sightings of large brownish caterpillars in their gardens. When alarmed, the creature can swell up impressively with bulging false eyes to ward off predators. They are harmless and if left alone will pupate and overwinter. Next June, a large moth with glorious pink coloration emerges to continue the life cycle of the Elephant Hawk Moth, so called because of the larva's trunk like proboscis. That's rather fanciful as an earlier name for it was 'Porcellus' - the little pig. The moth's pink colour is perfect camouflage on its host plant which is Rose Bay Willow Herb. This is now seeding along many country lanes. Another exquisite moth, seen by many this summer, is the Humming Bird Hawk moth which mimics its avian namesake as it hovers to feed on Buddleia, Valerian and Honeysuckle. It is native to Southern Europe and North Africa but has been a regular immigrant since the 1940's

On a narrow boat cruising the Oxford Canal, as August morphed into September, we were surprised not to see any herons. Usually they are quite common. There were plenty of swans with cygnets of adult proportions, coots galore and mallards with young ducklings in the waterside vegetation. On one occasion we spotted a grey squirrel clinging to the wall of a lock as our narrow boat 'Jenny' entered. It fell into the water and we assumed it would drown but then saw it swimming desperately for the wall on the other side as the lock filled up. It was unable to scale the wall but our friend Bob Wilkins came to the rescue with a branch from the hedge which the squirrel climbed up to lie exhausted in the sunshine. Later, rested and dried out, it ran off. Grey squirrels are viewed as a pest but in this case we changed the rules. There is 'nothing like messing about on the river' to steal words from Kenneth Graham's *Wind in the Willows*. At a slow pace, with good friends for company, it is thoroughly to be recommended.

Sharon and I visited the village of Dumbleton yesterday. It was a glorious late summer day. The Cotswold outlier of Dumbleton Hill lies just a few miles south of its larger neighbour Bredon Hill near Evesham. As we approached the church of St Peter's, originally a Norman structure enlarged and improved by monks from Abingdon, a christening was just exiting through the churchyard leaving us to explore. Above the north door was an interesting ancient tympanum, a stone relief of a primitive nature showing an animal with foliage springing from its mouth, a fertility symbol we presumed. Several unusual tombstones led us to those we had come to see close to the lych-gate. They were the graves of Patrick and Joan Leigh-Fermor. Patrick was a Greek scholar, a war hero and a writer of renown. In 1933, age 18, he set out to walk from Rotterdam to Constantinople. Three books, starting with 'A Time of Gifts', trace his journey in prose as good as any I have read. While in Greece earlier this year we stayed on the Mani Peninsula and visited his home which is looked after by a Trust. The weather there was perfect with the Mediterranean glinting in the sun below the terrace. Now we had come on a pilgrimage to see the village where his wife was born and they made their English home. A sentence in Greek and a jar containing twigs from an olive tree graced both headstones. I hope to have a translation in next month's issue.

Now the arable fields have mostly been tilled and the landscape is a patchwork of green and brown. The first frost is perhaps not so far away. Until then the trees will hold their leaves.



General Section



Harbury Village Show

Thank you to everyone who supported the show, by entering or taking a look. It seemed to be a very happy occasion with a decent number of entries and a better quality this year. Our judges were complimentary, especially of the children's entries. What an array of vegetable monsters!

More thanks to our raffle sponsors, the W.I members for the teas and a most welcome gang who carted chairs and tables before and after. And, of course, to Paul Winchester who, with the help of his cousin, gave out the prizes.

The awards were as follows:

Farley Cup	Pat Clarke
All Saints Cup	Margaret McDonald
Reg Harris Cup	Margaret McDonald
Courier Cup	Dawn Teverson

Rosamund Schofield Salver

Dawn Teverson

Finch Challenge Cup

Pat Clarke

Allotment Holders Challenge Trophy (awarded by the Parish Council)

1st Malcom Bloxham2nd Gordon and Liz Robbins3rd John Clifford

Brunton Challenge Cup

Ann Mayer

Daniel Challenge Trophy

Dorothy Groves

Horticultural Society Trophy

Liz Robbins

Rigden Cup

Brian Young

Barns Cup

Pat Smith

WI Trophy

Gillian Hare

Top Tray

Pat Clarke

Top Vase

Margaret McDonald

Harold Wilkins Cup

Pat Clarke (awarded for most points in show)

Children's Section

Buck Trophy

Gethan Butler

Jean Dunn Cup

Jessie Murphy

Fred Lines Cup

Sofia Edwards

Janice Siddle Trophy

Ruby Young

John Smith Cup

Ellyn Gibbs

Gillian Hare**Harbury and District Poppy Collection 2016**

As in previous years, I've ordered all the Royal British Legion's items which are sold annually in support of ex-servicemen. I've added more of the metal pins, dated 2016, as they proved more popular than expected last year, whilst I've reduced the number of stick on badges, which did not appeal to some people. The wreaths needed for the Parish Council, the Scout group and the British Legion supporters themselves have already arrived and will be delivered to the appropriate individuals in the coming weeks - or they can be collected by ringing 612305. It takes approx. 40+ collectors to cover all the households in Bascote, Depper's Bridge, Harbury and Ufton and it would be nice to know if anyone would like to join the willing villagers who collect from houses in their immediate area. It's not always possible for everyone to help each year, so newcomers to any of the rounds would be most welcome. Please ring 612305 for details.

Chris Finch

Harbury Village Show - September 2016

Photos taken by: Gordon Robbins



Village Hall



Vegetable Monster



New category - Pizza



Margaret McDonald presented by
Paul Winchester. Top Vase.



Patrick Clarke presented by
Paul Winchester. Most points in show.

Harbury NSPCC Committee

We are holding a Ladies' Lunch on Thursday, 6th October in the Tom Hauley Room starting at 12.30pm. Tickets are £15 for a two course meal plus wine or £12.50 for food only. Our speaker is Dr Gill White who is going to talk about "Robert Dudley, Queen Elizabeth and the Kenilworth Entertainment of 1575". If you are interested in booking a ticket please contact Elaine Bruce on 614664.

Elaine Bruce

Baby Loss Awareness Week

I think there will be many women in the village who, at some point, have suffered the loss of a baby during pregnancy. The National Baby Loss Awareness week is from 9th to 15th October to mark the brief lives of babies lost in pregnancy, during or just after birth. For any people affected by this, whether recently or in the past, there will be a special service in the Chapel of Unity, Coventry Cathedral, on 14th October at 1.30pm, followed by refreshments. The organisers are very keen to let as many people as possible know about this and everyone who goes will be made very welcome.

Jill Winter

Harbury Craft Fair - Saturday 12th November 2016

The Myton Hospice Harbury Support Group would like to remind you that this year's Craft Fair will be held on Saturday 12th November from 10.00am - 4.00pm and as always entry is free.

The Village Hall will be full of lots of interesting handmade craft stalls with lots of new stall holders again this year. Come along and treat yourself or make a start on your Christmas shopping!

As usual tea, coffee, cakes and hot lunches will be available throughout the day.

After the success of the Craft Fair Raffle over the last couple of years we are pleased to announce its return this year. First prize is 7 nights' accommodation in a static caravan in Cornwall. Tickets are £1 each and will be available to buy on the day and also leading up to the event from the following locations:

Sandra at the Old New Inn

Neil at the Crown Inn

Christine at Serenity

Shirley Crossan, Contact 01926 612798

The draw will be made at approximately 3.30pm before the Craft Fair closes.

If you are interested in helping out on the day or would like to donate a bottle for the bottle tombola, a teddy for the teddy tombola or a prize for the raffle please do not hesitate to contact us. All help/donations are greatly appreciated.

Please contact Shirley on 01926 612798 or Fiona on ficadwallader@btinternet.com

For anyone considering having a stall we can confirm we are now fully booked but have a waiting list should we have any cancellations.

On behalf of the Harbury Myton Support Group I would like to thank you in advance for your continued support of our fundraising events and look forward to seeing you on the day.

Fiona Cadwallader



Supper & Traditional Race Night, Friday 18th November

Similar events in Ladbroke in 2012 and 2014 were enormous fun and completely sold out so this year's is being held at the larger Harbury Village Hall race course! If you've not been to one of ours before you may be asking *why traditional races?* That's because we have real live jockeys reeling in their horses, to the encouragement of the punters. None of your new fangled videos!

The bar will open at 7pm and the first race will be at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £10 (or £5 for children under 12) and include a chicken and chip supper (or veggie option if pre-booked). All the proceeds are in aid of Ladbroke Church, Village Hall and Millennium Green. As the event is being held at Harbury Village Hall, and you may like to enjoy a few drinks during the evening, we would like to match spaces in cars travelling from and back to Ladbroke with those who would appreciate a lift - so if you are driving over with spaces or would like a lift between Ladbroke and Harbury please contact Carol, tel. 814715.

Sue Moore & Kip Warr

Harbury Senior Citizens Committee Update

It is still a few months away but as a reminder the Christmas party will be on Saturday 10th December in the Village Hall from 5pm. Invitations will be delivered to you in early November.

In addition to the Christmas Party, we also have a coffee morning in the Tom Hauley room on Saturday 5th November. Please come along to support us.

As usual we will be having a raffle at both the coffee morning and the Christmas Party. If you would like to donate prizes for either event they will be most welcome and can be delivered to either 1 Park Lane or 32 South Parade.

If you want further information or are interested in joining or helping us, please contact Mike McBride on 612421 or Julie Clarke on 612066 or talk to a committee member at the coffee morning in November.

Meanwhile, we look forward to seeing you at the party and / or the coffee morning and we hope that you will enjoy yourselves.

Mike McBride,

On behalf of the Harbury Senior Citizens Benefit Association



Harbury Village Library

10 reasons for not visiting Harbury Village Library this autumn.....

(and why you will be pleasantly surprised if you did.)

1. There are only books (boring!)

No, there are also: board games, talking books, children's DVDs, free wi-fi, three open access computers, Ancestry (family history website), art displays, an online newspaper archive, OS maps, topical displays, information leaflets, a printer and laminator and, on four mornings each week, a café (Biblio's) serving hot and cold drinks and home baked cakes.

As for the books, as well as best-selling and prizewinning fiction, we have biographies of celebrities, sports personalities and politicians; cookery and travel books; poetry and foreign language texts; and popular science books, among many others. You can borrow up to 10, at no charge.

2. There are never any new books on the shelves

Harbury Village Library has a delivery of books from Warwickshire County Council (WCC) nearly every week, and we have over 3000 books in our own collection. We had a copy of J.K Rowling's new book on our shelf two days after publication last month! You can also reserve any book online or in person for delivery to the library.

3. I have a Kindle or other tablet so I don't need it

E books, magazines and newspapers are available to download for free – see <http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/ebooks> - using your WCC ticket.

4. I haven't got a ticket

You can sign up online at: <http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/jointhelibrary>. It takes only a few minutes and costs nothing. Or come into the Library and we'll help you.

5. It's never open when I want to use it.

Harbury Village Library is open five and a half days a week – 9am-5pm Monday – Friday, 10am-12 noon Saturday – longer than many libraries in big cities. You can renew and reserve books online at any time.

6. I will be fined if I'm late bringing back a book

You can avoid this by renewing on line or by phone and WCC will email you to remind you that your book is due for return. As you can usually renew the book twice, and have three weeks each time, that is nine weeks in which to finish your books.

7. Libraries are quiet, dull places

The old Wight School, which was in use as the village school until the late 1950s, is a light, warm building and, particularly when Biblio's is open, a buzzing social hub. Sometimes the library rings to the sound of children singing (Tunes and Tales on Thursday mornings) or older people (Connections dementia café, third Wednesday every month).

8. Librarians are traditionally strict

Harbury Village Library is run entirely by volunteers who are committed to keeping the library in Harbury open, after it would have been closed down by WCC four years ago. They always try to be welcoming and helpful, and we promise that at no time will a volunteer go 'Sshhhhhh!'

9. Libraries are for old people

There are shelves of books for young adults; a children's section, complete with Biblio the cat; a summer reading challenge each year; three computers and free wi-fi ; a quiet-ish place to study after school or college from 4-5pm most afternoons - and books to help your studies. We have our own website <http://www.harburyvillagelibrary.org.uk/home>

Twitter, and Facebook accounts.

10. OK, I've run out now, but go on – give it a try.

Janice Montague



Connections Café - for those with a dementia diagnosis and their carers - 1st birthday

Connections Café, which is held every third Wednesday afternoon in the month in Harbury Village Library, has been running for a year in October, so the meeting on 19th October will include birthday celebrations. Everyone with a diagnosis of dementia and their carers are welcome to join us from 2pm.

For further information, please contact either:

Jill (01926 612483) jillbaker2015@outlook.com or Janice (01926 612340) janellmont@gmail.com

Janice Montague

Wednesday Walkers

We're now well into "the season of mists and mellow fruitfulness" – when better to explore our local countryside and enjoy the Autumn colours? Our Wednesday group welcomes anyone who likes company whilst discovering new places. There is no register or committee, just a very friendly group, so why not give us a go? Dates, venues and distances are on the diary page or 'phone 614809 for more details.

Gillian Hare



Operation Christmas Child

Yes, I know it's much too early to mention Christmas but the shoeboxes of goodies take time to reach their delighted targets. Please bring your completed boxes or any gifts to the Tom Hauley Room on Friday 4th November from 10am. Donations towards the £3 carriage also gratefully received. Leaflets with lots of suggestions (and DON'TS) are in the back of church.

Thank you in anticipation.

Mike Jones & Gillian Hare



Harbury Heritage Room

Our next two open evenings are Tuesday 4th October and Tuesday 1st November 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. For more information contact: nigel.chapman@hotmail.co.uk

We have loads of school class photos which need faces identifying. Some are recent from 2011 up to date. Others are groups, classes, teams etc. It is important that we collect this information so that future generations can benefit from it. If you can help, call in and fill in the sheets.

In the Village Library there are also two of the framed class photos, complete with ID sheets. Once these are filled in, they will be replaced with others, and so on. There is also a display of Heritage Room items (documents and photos) relating to the Wight School, which of course is the building which now houses the library and Biblios cafe.

Nigel Chapman



Harbury Energy Initiative

Final chance to Vote Harbury a Little Sunshine

On October 10th voting finishes for the Wight School Solar Panel project bid to M&S Energy. The whole process has been fraught with frustrations and all our dogged efforts will be for nothing unless we win the voting in our region. As I write we are languishing in third place with just over 100 votes. **Can you help us to boost our numbers?** Vote here:

<https://www.mandsenergyfund.com/projects/the-wight-school-solar-panel-project>

To vote you don't have to live in Harbury. You don't even have to know where it is. **Anyone can vote for us.**

If you have a problem voting, please get in touch with me.

Charged Up

One of our keen electric car users has worked out that it is more economical for him to book one of our electric cars for a longer journey than to drive the family car. He has a tip to offer us all:

"We noticed yesterday that the distance you get per charge can vary quite considerably. On the outward trip we drove to the Telford Service station on the M54 for our first charge (distance of 66 miles) and still had 22 miles charge available (didn't have car in ECO mode). On the way back we stopped at Telford Services again and charged up to 98% and so thought we'd be fine to do the 66 miles back to Harbury. However, there was a torrential rainstorm, so windscreen wipers, demister and lights were on and the road was very wet with lots of puddles. We were now driving in ECO mode, but charge was going down very quickly and GPS said that we would fail to get to Harbury by about six miles. At this point the weather improved so*

wipers and demisters went off and we drove more slowly, to the irritation of other drivers, but the available charge improved. When we got back to Harbury display was showing that we still had about 13 miles worth of charge left. The moral of the story, I suppose, is that by adjusting driving style you can extend the range of the cars by up to 20 miles."

* In ECO mode the car is restricted to 60 mph and use of power is confined to the essentials.

Users of the car club will have noticed, I hope, 'Ted's tidy', a clever way to keep the cables clear of the ground and neatly coiled. Ted is also responsible, by the way, for the nudge bumps on the ground that tell you when you are about to hit the wall or the other car. I think that he may have some more ideas to lighten our lives. We will see.

Lit Up

The school has its LED lighting, or some of it. You could say we have LED the way - but probably better not to. Thanks to Warwickshire County Council several rooms in the school, including the Heritage Room, kitchens and the main hall, have been fitted out with the new very low energy lighting. We are now working on the next phase that will complete the process. This might be by a share offer, by fundraising or it might be by an interest-free loan. The first stage is to assess what is left to do and find out the cost by inviting quotes to install the lights. It all means that the school has a brighter future.

LED lights have a very short payback time and a very long life expectancy. The payback time depends what kind of lighting you are replacing. An LED bulb that is equivalent to an old-fashioned 100W incandescent uses just 12.5W of electricity and gives a clear bright light instantly. I recently bought some of these from Tool Station in Leamington Spa and we can now actually see what we are cooking in the kitchen. A 12.5W low energy compact fluorescent delivers just 40W equivalent and takes time to warm up.

If you are replacing the old type of bulb you will recover your investment within one year. This sounds a little hard to believe, given that LED bulbs cost more but it is nevertheless true. It is truly worth gradually replacing all your bulbs with the new ultra-low energy type.

Cooled down - Chilling and Thrilling!

There is still time to buy your tickets for 'My Life in a Freezer', an illustrated talk by polar explorer Mark Wood on 7th October at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Mark Wood, explorer, speaker and educator, will speak and show images of his recent complex and cutting edge expedition to the North Pole.

With over 28 major expeditions to date, Mark has reached the Magnetic North pole/Geomagnetic North Pole twice, has completed solo expeditions to both the Geographic North and South Poles. He has been a part of major BBC and Channel 5 documentaries and over the years has trained and led people in the extremes of the planet.

There will be a bar and refreshments. All proceeds will go to Harbury e-Wheels (see www.harburyenergy.co.uk) and Hire a Hero UK (www.hireaherouk.org).

Tickets £10 and £5 for under 16s; available from Mugleston's Country Fayre, Harbury Pharmacy, Bob Sherman (612277), Chris Finch (612305) and Liz McBride (612421).

...AND DON'T FORGET TO VOTE FOR HARBURY!

Bob Sherman - 612277
info@harburyenergy.co.uk



Caldicot Male Voice Choir are Back!

Many years ago, the Caldicot Male Voice Choir raised the roof of All Saint's Church, twice, at sell out concerts. Since then, I have been regularly asked if there was any chance the Choir could perform again. I am pleased to announce they have indeed agreed to return; in fact, it didn't take much to persuade them as they remember the very warm Harbury welcome they received.

About the Choir

The steelworks near Newport, South Wales, spawned the Caldicot Male Voice Choir in 1963. Since then they have performed throughout Europe and extensively in the USA and Canada. They have supported many singing celebrities, including 'The Three Tenors' at Wembley Stadium, and have also performed by Royal Command. This is the Choir's third visit to Harbury.

The choir will be supported by a guest artist; Harbury's very own harpist, 16 year old Lucy Bishop.

About Lucy

Lucy first heard a harp play in the Nutcracker Suite and thought it was the most fascinating thing she'd ever seen or heard. She got her first small lever harp for Christmas in 2014 and started to take lessons. Since then, she has moved onto the concert pedal harp. Lucy recently auditioned and has been accepted into the Junior Royal Academy of Music, she is enjoying her journey into the world of music, which she says, "is still a work in progress".

Concert Details

Saturday 15th October, 7pm at All Saint's Church, Harbury, (doors open 6:30pm). Tickets are available from Mugleston's Country Fayre, Ann Megeney - 612745 or Julie Marshall-Hardy 613355.

All proceeds will help to support two local projects; All Saints Memorial Garden and Harbury e-wheels.

We look forward to seeing you at what promises to be a fabulous evening.

Julie Marshall-Hardy



Harbury Surgery – Flu Vaccinations

Please call the Surgery on 01926 612232 today to book an appointment for your Flu vaccination.

Flu is an unpredictable virus that can cause mild or unpleasant illness in most people. It can cause severe illness and even death among vulnerable groups including older people, pregnant women and people with an underlying health condition. Certain people are more likely to develop potentially serious complications of flu, such as bronchitis and pneumonia. These people are advised to have a flu jab each year. For otherwise healthy people, flu can be very unpleasant. Most people will recover from 'flu within a week or two

Who should have the Flu vaccine?

The injected flu vaccine is offered free of charge on the NHS to people who are at risk.

You are eligible to receive a free flu jab if you:

- Are 65 years of age or over
- Are pregnant
- Have certain medical conditions i.e. chronic (long-term) respiratory diseases, such as asthma (which requires an inhaler or tablet steroid treatment, or has led to hospital admission in the past), chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), or bronchitis, chronic heart disease, such as heart failure, chronic kidney disease, chronic liver disease, such as hepatitis, chronic neurological conditions, such as Parkinson's disease or motor neurone disease, diabetes, problems with your spleen - for example, sickle cell disease or if you have had your spleen removed, a weakened immune system as the result of conditions such as HIV and AIDS, or medication such as steroid tablets or chemotherapy
- Are very overweight with a BMI above 42
- Are living in a long-stay residential care home or other long-stay care facility
- Receive a carer's allowance, or you are the main carer for an elderly or disabled person whose welfare may be at risk if you fall ill
- Are a front-line health and social care worker. It is your employer's responsibility to arrange vaccination for you

Patients aged over 65 and at risk groups might also be due to have pneumococcal vaccination, please check with the receptionist to see if you can have a pneumococcal vaccination at the same time.

**Asim Arif
Practice Manager**

Bus Service Changes

This notice has been posted on the County Council Website.

The County Council has been advised by Stagecoach, who currently operate bus services 65/66, that they will no longer be able to continue running the services after Friday 17th December 2016 as they are not financially viable.

The Council have considered what effect this decision will have for residents living in the County and as a result are proposing to seek tenders from suitable operators to operate a contracted bus service from Napton to Leamington Spa via Southam, Bishops Itchington and Harbury. The planned timetable includes key peak journeys to access employment and education and daytime links to both Southam and Leamington for leisure. It will no longer be possible to provide the sections of service operating from Southam to Banbury or from Napton to Daventry as these sections of route fall outside the criteria for financial supported services. These extensions were provided through time limited developer funding secured from the Tesco development in Southam which has now expired and unfortunately numbers using the service fall short of a commercial proposition.

Stagecoach will continue to provide services 63/64 which are the main services linking Southam with Leamington Spa.

The proposed timetable is:

NAPTON - SOUTHAM - BISHOPS ITCHINGTON - HARBURY - LEAMINGTON	665
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ROUTE Napton, High Street, Hackwell Street, Vicarage Road, Butt Hill, A425, Southam, Daventry Road, A423, Coventry Road, Coventry Street, High Street, Market Hill, Warwick Road, A425, B4452, B4451, Bishops Itchington, Gaydon Road, Plough Lane, Bush Heath Road, Harbury, Butt Lane, South Parade, Chapel Street, Mill Street, Binswood End, Middle Road, B4455, Harbury Lane, Leamington, Tachbrook Road, Lower Avenue, Spencer Street, Victoria Terrace, Parade, Clarendon Avenue, Clarendon Place, Warwick Place, Guys Cliffe Road, Guys Cliffe Avenue,

ROUTE Leamington Parade, Victoria Terrace, Bath Street, High Street, Tachbrook Road and via reverse of outward route
RETURN

MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS

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NAPTON CROWN			0900	1100	1300		
Southam Bowling Green			0908	1108	1308	1618	
Bishops Itchington Church	0637	0747	0919	1119	1319	1629	1749
Harbury Supermarket	0643	0753	0925	1125	1325	1635	1755
Tachbrook Road Spa Park	0654	0806	0938	1138	1338	1648	1808
Leamington Opp Parish Church	0702	0811	0946	1146	1346	1656	1816
LEAMINGTON UPPER PARADE	0706	0815	0950	1150	1350	1700	1820
Warwickshire College Guys Cliffe Road		0820C					
Trinity School Bus Park		0825B					

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Trinity School Bus Park					1525B		
Warwickshire College Bus Park						1710C	
LEAMINGTON UPPER PARADE	0710	1000	1200	1400	1535	1715	1825
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Harbury Supermarket	0735	1025	1225	1425	1600	1740	1850
Bishops Itchington Church	0741	1031	1231	1431	1606	1746	1854
Southam Bowling Green		1042	1242	1442	1617		
NAPTON CROWN		1050	1250	1450			

Code:- B - serves this point on schooldays only C - serves this point when the College is open NS - Not Saturdays.

Meeting with Phil Bennion: What next for Europe?

Until 2014, Phil Bennion was one of the West Midlands region's MEPs. On Friday 14th October, Phil will meet with members of the Kenilworth & Southam Liberal Democrats Association, to discuss the way forward for Britain's links with Europe. 7:30 for 8:00pm, Tom Hauley Room. For more information, contact Alan Guy (614242) or Andrew Patrick (614359).

Andrew Patrick



Telephone Scams

A reminder about telephone scams purporting to come from HMRC / banks or in the latest instance, to be an oven cleaning company - the latter ringing several villagers last week between the hours of 11.30pm and 3.30am. If you do listen to the automated message in full, do not EVER be tempted to press any of the option numbers offered e.g. 1, 5 or 9 to remove the message. Put your receiver down or if on your answerphone delete it off. If any of the above numbers are pressed, the scammers are often keeping a householder's line open and will use it to further their own use from far off places (!) at your expense.

Chris Finch



Napton Art Group

Napton Art Group are holding their ever-popular Autumn Exhibition on Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th October at Napton Village Hall (CV47 8LS) from 10am until 5pm. On display and for sale will be paintings, cards, photographs and craft exhibits. There will also be refreshments, a raffle and tombola. The entry charge is £1 for adults and there is no charge for children.

Howard Collerson



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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors

Friends of Harbury Cemetery Coffee Morning

A massive THANK YOU to all those people who supported the coffee morning on 3rd September. We raised £290 and, after leaving £20 for the Tom Hauley Room and £30 towards a patch of turf in the cemetery, we have £240 to spend on bulbs and plants which will bloom next year.

Thanks also to all the helpers on the morning. We couldn't achieve so much without support!

Pat Summers

Dear Editors

Please may I send a very big "Thank You" through the Harbury & Ladbroke News to all my friends who have been praying for me and sending me gifts and get well cards whilst I have been unwell.

I am still managing to "do a bit and leave a bit", but I really am looking forward to getting right again.

With love from

Betty Winkfield

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Regular Diary Dates

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: 1st and 3rd Thursday of month, 1.45 - 3.15pm, Gillian Hare, Tel: 614809
2nd and 4th 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 3rd Wednesday, 2.00pm, Harbury Library

CUBS: Wednesday, 6.45 - 8.15pm, Scout Hut, first contact via AGSL, Tel: 614494,
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HARBURY FOLK CLUB: 1st Thursday of month, 8.00pm, Harbury Club, Tel: 613730

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Monday, 9.30am - 11.15am, Lynne Barton, Tel: 612748

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MOTHERS' UNION: 1st Wednesday of month, 2.30pm, Tel: 613757

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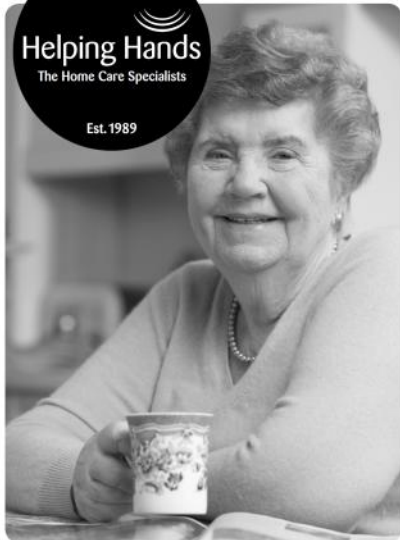
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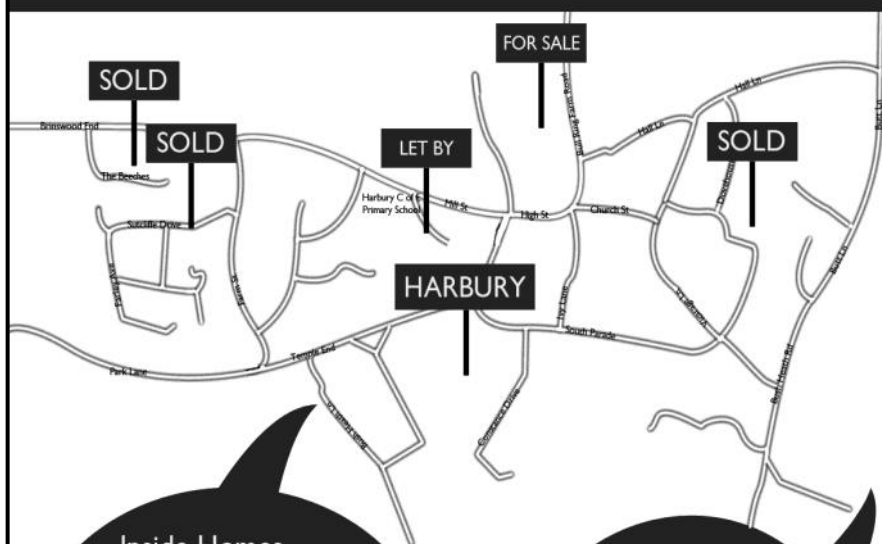
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Grade 1 Tap (10-11yrs)
4.30pm - 5.15pm
Pre-Primary Ballet (6-8yrs)
5.15pm - 6.00pm
Primary Ballet (8-9 yrs)
6.00pm - 6.45pm
Grade 2 Tap (12-13yrs)
5.15pm - 6.00pm
Grade 3 Tap (13 yrs+)
6.00pm - 6.45pm
Grade 4 Tap (14 yrs+)
6.45pm - 7.30pm
Grade 5 Ballet (15 yrs+)
6.45pm - 8.00pm
Adult Tap (Adv)
7.30pm - 8.30pm
Inter Foundation Ballet
8.00pm - 9.15pm
Adult Tap (Beg)
8.30pm - 9.15pm

Wednesday

Mini Movers (0-5yrs)
9.30am - 10.30am
Grade 2 Modern (12yrs+)
5.45pm - 6.30pm
Grade 4 Ballet (15yrs+)
6.30pm - 7.30pm
Pointe Class (Beg/Inter)
6.45pm - 7.30pm
Pointe Class (inter/Adv)
7.30pm - 8.15pm
Grade 3 Modern (13yrs+)
7.30pm - 8.15pm
Grade 4 Modern (14yrs+)
8.15pm - 9.00pm
Adult Ballet (no exp req)
8.15pm - 9.15pm

Thursday

Zumba (Over 50's)
10.00am - 11.00am
Adult Ballet (Over 50s)
11.00am - 12.00pm
Funky Dance (3-6yrs)
4.00pm - 4.30pm
Gymnastics (all ages)
4.30pm - 5.00pm
Grade 1 Ballet (10-11yrs)
5.00pm - 5.45pm
Commercial Street (9yrs+)
5.00pm - 5.45pm
Funky / Modern (7-10yrs)
5.45pm - 6.30pm
Boys Street Dance
5.45pm - 6.30pm
Grade 2 Ballet (11-13yrs)
6.30pm - 7.15pm
Grade 1 Modern (10-12yrs)
7.15pm - 8.00pm
Grade 3 Ballet (14yrs+)
8.00pm - 8.45pm

Friday

Mini Movers (0-5yrs)
10.00am - 11.00am
Little Tappers (3-5yrs)
4.00pm - 4.30pm
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10.30am - 11.15am
Musical Theatre (9yrs+)
11.15am - 12.45pm
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