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Editorial



With Spring just around the corner the new exercise equipment installed behind the Village Hall should see much use. This has been funded from payments to the Parish Council from the new housing developers.

We were saddened to hear of the death of Gladys Hutchins last month. She had lived in the village for over 50 years and had been a founding committee member of the Harbury & Ladbroke News in 1974. She maintained her links with the

magazine for many years which included co-ordinating the stapling sessions. Gladys was also involved in many other village activities such as the PTA and Carnival Committee.

We congratulate the WI on their centenary and are pleased to see they are celebrating in style and thriving.

Harbury Library has been refurbished and is looking lovely; why not pay them a visit and see for yourself?

It's not yet Easter, but don't forget to save the date for the Carnival – 9th June.

The magazine subscriptions are due next month and your distributor will be calling to collect the £6 due for the year. We have been able to hold the subscription rate at this level for the last five years, despite a rise in printing costs. This is mainly due to the number of businesses that regularly advertise in the magazine. The Harbury & Ladbroke News management committee very much values this support and we hope that villagers in turn will think of them first when looking for goods and services.

Harbury Diary

MARCH

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| Sat | 3 | Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Harbury Rugby Minis and Juniors
Dandy Development, 10.30am, Farley Room, Village Hall |
| Sun | 4 | THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
Holy Communion, 9.00am
Little Saints' Service followed by breakfast, 10.30am
Taize Service, 6.00pm |


- Sun 4 Zumba, 9.00am, Village Hall
Steam Chicken concert, 4.00 - 6.00pm, Village Hall
- Mon 5 Upholstery, 9.15am, Village Hall
Martial Arts, 6.30pm, Village Hall
- Tue 6 Pilates, 9.30am, Village Hall
Meeting Point, 2.00 - 4.00pm, The Crown Inn (tea, coffee and biscuits)
Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm, Village Hall
Holy Communion with Lenten Reflection, 7.30pm
- Wed 7 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park -
Combrook / Compton Verney (4 miles mostly flat)
Mothers' Union Communion Service, 2.00pm, followed by meeting in the Tom Hauley Room
Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
Ballroom Dancing, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 8 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
Harbury Cemetery tidy, 10.00am - 12 noon
Harbury WI, 7.45pm, Tom Hauley Room - Cheryl Rawbone and Fiona Roche "Friendship Project for Disadvantaged Children"
- Fri 9 Dandy Development, 10.30am, Farley Room of Village Hall
- Sat 10 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Harbury Tennis Club
Hereburgh Morris Workshop, 10.00am - 4.00pm, Village Hall
- Sun 11 MOTHERING SUNDAY**
Holy Communion, 8.00am
Mothering Sunday Family Communion Service, 10.30am
Messy Church, 3.00 - 5.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
All Saints' Youth Group, 7.00 - 8.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
Zumba, 9.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 12 Upholstery, 9.15am, Village Hall
Martial Arts, 6.30pm, Village Hall
- Tue 13 Pilates, 9.30am, Village Hall
Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm, Village Hall
Heritage Room open, 6.30 - 8.30pm, Harbury School
Holy Communion with Lenten Reflection, 7.30pm
- Wed 14 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park -
Saxon Mill - Leek Wootton (4 miles fairly flat)
'Away Day', 10.00am - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
Ballroom Dancing, 7.30pm, in Village Hall
- Thurs 15 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
Ben Holder Jazz Quartet, 7.00 for 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Fri 16 Dandy Development, 10.30am, Farley Room, Village Hall
- Sat 17 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Harbury WI
- Sun 18 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**
Holy Communion, 8.00am
Sung Eucharist Service, 10.30am
Evensong, 6.00pm

- Sun 18 Zumba, 9.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 19 Upholstery, 9.15am, Village Hall
 Martial Arts, 6.30pm, Village Hall
- Tue 20 Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm, Village Hall
 Holy Communion with Lenten Reflection, 7.30pm
 Harbury Society AGM and talk 7.30 for 8.00pm,
 "My Wildlife Haven" with Graham Robson
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- Wed 21 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park -
 Frankton - Marton with optional pub lunch (4 miles flat)
 Connections (Dementia) Café, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
 Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
 Ballroom Dancing, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 22 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
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 5.30PM
 Parish Council, 7.30pm, Farley Room, Village Hall
- Fri 23 Dandy Development, 10.30am, Farley Room, Village Hall
- Sat 24 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid
 of Harbury Toddler Group
 Harbury Village Cinema presents, 'Goodbye Christopher Robin',
 doors open 6.15, film begins 7.00pm, Village Hall
- Sun 25 PALM SUNDAY**
 Holy Communion with distribution of palms, 8.00am
 Palm Sunday Procession from School 10.15am
 Holy Communion with distribution of palms and
 Children's Church, 10.30am
 All Saints' Youth Group, 7.00 - 8.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
 Zumba, 9.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 26 Martial Arts, 6.30pm, Village Hall
 'Voices from the Crowd' service, 7.30pm
- Tue 27 Pilates, 9.30am, Village Hall
 School Easter Service in church, 10.00am
 Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm, Village Hall
 Holy Communion with the laying on of hands for healing, 7.30pm
- Wed 28 No Wednesday Walk
 Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
 Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
 Ballroom Dancing, 7.30pm, Village Hall
 Service of Light and Shadows, 7.30pm
- Thurs 29 Maundy Thursday - Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
 Holy Communion with foot washing (at Ladbroke), 7.30pm
 'The Watch' silence, space and meditation, The Lady Chapel,
 9.00pm
- Fri 30 Good Friday - Children's Service followed by hot cross
 buns, 10.30am

- Fri 30 'One Hour at the Cross' devotional service with hymns and readings, 2.00pm
- Sat 31 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Southam Bowling Club
Holy Saturday - Lighting and Blessing of the Easter Candle with renewal of Baptismal promises, 8.00pm

APRIL

- Sun 1 EASTER SUNDAY**
Easter Communion service, 9.00am
No 6.00pm Evening Service
- Tue 3 MeetingPoint Easter lunch, 12.30pm, The Crown Inn, (booking required)
No Holy Communion this evening
Heritage Room open, 6.30 - 8.30pm, Harbury School
- Wed 4 No Wednesday Walk
Mothers' Union Meeting, 2.30pm, Tom Hauley Room, (there will be **No** Communion service today)
- Thurs 5 **No** Holy Communion service this morning
Folk Club, 8.00pm, Village Club
- Sat 7 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Save the Children
Tennis Club AGM and Chequebook Tournament, 10.00am

Refuse Collection Rota			
	Deppers Bridge	Harbury, Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge outlying properties	Collection Week
March	Wed	Fri	
	7	9	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	14	16	Grey Bin
	21	23	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	28	30	Grey Bin
April	4	6	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	11	13	Grey Bin
	18	20	Green & Blue Lid Bins

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From the Rector

Reverend Craig Grocock

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The Things He Carried

This is the theme this year for our Tuesday evening services during Lent. Together we have been reflecting on the things Jesus carried on Good Friday, not just the physical wood of the cross but many others things - a broken heart, his followers' disappointment, a crown of thorns, the sins of the world.

On Good Friday, we ponder the pain and agony of the cross. It does us good to take some time to consider what the cross meant in Jesus' day.

There wasn't a hot debate then about lethal injection or other methods of putting criminals to death in the Roman Empire. The Romans wanted executions to be excruciatingly painful and as public as possible in dealing with the worst in society. The cross did the job very well!

We often turn away from the horror of the cross. Sometimes we want to take encouragement from the fact that Jesus died for us, but skip over the messy details. But we shouldn't. The reality of the cross is increasingly lost upon today's society. I remember a few years ago going to watch the Mel Gibson film "The Passion of the Christ". It was horrific but it certainly made me see the cross in a different and deeper way.

We must never lose sight of the true meaning of this. It reminds us that the full expression of God's love we see there didn't come cheap. Jesus paid a huge price for our forgiveness and in this he transforms pain and death into life and hope.

The extraordinary power of the cross is that no matter where we've been or how far we've wandered, we can come into God's presence and experience newness - just as we are. It serves as the bridge between a broken people and a Holy God.

Take a moment this season of Lent to ask yourself which side of the breach you're on and then believing in the power of Jesus' death and risen life, cross that bridge and find God's deep and lasting peace for yourself.

God bless you this Lent.

From the Registers

Baptism

28th January

Olivia Rose Brangwin

Funeral

7th February

Father Roy Brown (76 years)



From the Churchwardens

Liz & Michael

The Sunday before Lent we celebrated the joyful traditions of Shrove Tuesday (pancakes) and Mardi Gras/Fat Tuesday (carnival masks, streamers and maracas) at Messy Church. Cellophane pancakes were decorated and flapped in races around the church aisles followed by a noisy carnival procession ending with a pancake tea. From Ash Wednesday we are encouraged to give up plastic for Lent along with churches throughout the country. It's fairly easy to give up cellophane pancakes but here are some tips from the Supporting Communities group:-

"It will be almost impossible to avoid plastic completely but by challenging ourselves to avoid it during Lent we'll be able to see where we can make lasting switches to alternatives that are kinder to God's world. So as a starter for 10 here are a few suggestions to get started:

1. Don't buy bottled water. Get a reusable water bottle and fill it from the tap.
2. Buy paper sandwich bags.
3. Shop for veg from a greengrocer's rather than the supermarkets and take your own cloth bags to put your veggies in (this is a great use for old pillow cases) or join a veg box scheme.
4. Use loose-leaf tea.
5. If you like a coffee to go take along a Keep Cup and ask the barista to fill that for you instead.
6. Refuse single-use plastic like cutlery and straws.
7. Take your own containers to the takeaway.
8. Consider making your own cleaning products to avoid all those plastic bottles. There's not a lot that white vinegar and bicarbonate of soda can't clean.
9. Stop using cling film. Decant to a container with a lid instead.
10. Choose products sold in glass bottles instead of plastic.

A plastic free Lent will help us to reduce the amount of waste we produce. In reducing waste generally it's useful to remember the 5 Rs

Refuse - Reduce - Reuse - Rot - Recycle

At the end of Lent each of us will be able to see what we could live without into the long term and our planet will thank us for it."

An Easter card is being delivered to all homes in our two parishes showing the times of services over Holy Week and Easter – from the reflective and meditative to the joy of Easter Sunday. All are welcome to join us.

Liz McBride (tel: 612421) or Michael Vincent (tel: 614806)



Mothers' Union

Gillian Hare

In February many members attended the inspiring service celebrating the life of Father Roy Brown. Some of us were pleased to be able to offer hot drinks after the service, and to have the opportunity to express our condolences to Pam – so long a part of our branch here.

Our next meeting on 7th March will be rather different. After communion at 2pm, we shall be painting eggs for Easter! It sounds fun, all materials will be provided and friends are very welcome to join us.

And on 4th April a new resident, Pat Mott, will tell us about her “10 years inside”. Intrigued – come and find out more.

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

MARCH

Sun 4 LENT 3

Family Communion, 10.30am, followed by refreshments

Mon 5 Homegroup, 8.00pm, 2 Hedges Close

Tues 6 Photography Club, Talk on Diving and Underwater Photography, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Wed 7 Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall

Thurs 8 Yoga, 6.30pm, Village Hall

Fri 9 Yoga, 9.30am, Village Hall

Sun 11 MOTHERING SUNDAY

Family Communion, 10.30am

Wed 14 Lent Lunch 12.30pm, Chapel Ascot Farm

Parish Council, 7.45pm, Village Hall

Thurs 15 Yoga, 6.30pm, Village Hall

Fri 16 Yoga, 9.30am, Village Hall

Sun 18 LENT 5

Holy Communion (BCP), 9.00am

Mon 19 Homegroup, 8.00pm, 2 Hedges Close

Tue 20 ADVERTS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE TO 36 MANOR ORCHARD, HARBURY OR EMAIL ADVERTISING@HLNEWS.CO.UK

Wed 21 Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall

Thurs 22 ARTICLES FOR NEXT ISSUE TO: HARBURY PHARMACY, HIGH ST OR EMAIL TO ARTICLES@HLNEWS.CO.UK BY 5.30PM

Yoga, 6.30pm, Village Hall

Fri 23 Yoga, 9.30am, Village Hall

Lent Lunch, 12.30pm, The Old School

Sun 25 PALM SUNDAY

Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am

Wed 28 Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall

Thurs 29 Maundy Thursday - Holy Communion with Washing of Feet, 7.30pm

Fri 30 Good Friday - One Hour at the Cross - a meditative service with hymns and readings, 12 noon

The Cross of Christ - a devotion for congregation and choir, 6.30pm

APRIL**Sun 1 EASTER DAY**

Family Communion, 10.30am, followed by Easter Egg Hunt

Thurs 5 Yoga, 6.00pm, Village Hall

WI, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Fri 6 Yoga, 9.30am, Village Hall

**Ladbroke Church News****Peter Rigby**

11th February was Rev Nikki's last Sunday with us as our Curate. Normally when people leave a job, they are given a gift, but typically of Nikki, she had a present for us first - a book of prayers for every week of the Church's calendar. We were able to return the compliment later at a joint farewell lunch with our friends from Harbury.

Before Christmas we took part in the "8 Essential Qualities" survey to find out how "healthy" is Ladbroke Church. If you took part in the survey (or even if you did not) and would like to find out the answer, come along to our family service on Sunday 4th March at 10.30, when Rev Steve Hood will be presenting the results of the survey during the service.

During March we shall be having not one but two family services; 11th March is Mother's Day, and we shall be celebrating this with a special family service at 10.30 (instead of the normal 9.00am service).

During Lent we are holding our lunches of a friendly welcome with soup, bread and cheese. Thank you Sue and Joan for hosting the first one, there are two more this month on Wednesday 14th March at Chapel Ascot Farm from 12.30pm and on Friday 23rd March at The Old School, again from 12.30pm. Everyone is welcome and donations will be to the All Saints for all Generations Fund.

During Holy Week (the week before Easter) we shall be having the following special services, to which all are welcome:

Palm Sunday: (25th March) at 9.00am Holy Communion with distribution of Palms

Maundy Thursday: (29th March) at 7.30pm Holy Communion with Washing of Feet

Good Friday: 12.00 noon 'One Hour at the Cross' - a meditative service and 6.30pm 'The Cross Of Christ' - a devotion for congregation and choir

Holy Saturday: 8.00pm Joint service at Harbury

Easter Day: 10.30am Easter Family Communion followed by Easter Egg Hunt

Finally we extend our condolences to the family and friends of Pete Edgar.



Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge Women's Institute

Carol Lane

About 20 members arrived at Ladbroke Village Hall for our meeting on Thursday, 1st February armed with scissors and tweezers. We chose from a selection of packets which included blank cards, strips of coloured paper and motifs. Using these under the careful guidance of Hazel Harrison and Heather Brooks we each created greeting cards which we will be pleased to send to our friends. Personally, I thought Geoff would appreciate a homemade Valentine card!



During the business meeting which followed Dianne reported that many members had attended the WI Lunch to launch a new WI cook book 'Kitchen Wisdom' which includes some of Dianne's recipes.

She and Hazel had also attended the President's meeting and learned more about the functions of the Trustees.

Corunna News, the monthly magazine for Warwickshire WIs, is currently available on disc and they are working towards having a digital version in the future.

£540,000 has now been raised and will be ringfenced for the maintenance of Denman College, the WI Centre for learning. It will be 70 years old on 24th September this year and there will be some sort of celebration. Also planned is a gardening demonstration on 15th September. If you need ideas for presents, vouchers are available for £10, £20 and £50.

The MyWI website is available for all members and is full of ideas on all sorts of interests.

Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW) for which we donate money each month is currently trying to raise money to support women in developing countries. Warwickshire Federation WI has raised almost the full £5,960 pledged for this year. They will continue to collect items as last year, mobiles, cameras, jewellery etc. so please donate unwanted items to any WI member.

One of the tables in the Village Hall was filled with over 100 knitted poppies towards an event later in the year and baby clothes for Warwick special care baby unit which members have been working on over the winter. There will be an appeal to knit for the homeless starting in the summer and a chance to make a teddy bear with soft joints.

Ladbroke and Deppers Bridge WI is entering a photographic competition for the best 12 photos relating to WI over the next 12 months so please get snapping and bring the results to WI.

Future Events:

As last month plus -

Behind the scenes at RSC and lunch, Mon 14th May, 10.30 – 3.00pm RSC foyer, £32

Centenary Produce and Craft Show, 18th August, Napton. Lots of different categories. Entries by 28th June.

Warwickshire Women and the Fight for the Vote, 8th March Bishops Itchington church, 7.30pm, £5.

Kenilworth Show, 9th June, Stoneleigh Park, lots of categories to enter. Can get reduced price tickets.

Mikron Theatre company, Revolting Women, 14th June, 7.30pm, Bulkington, £16.

Centenary Treasure Hunt, Warwick, 25th June, £5 per person.

Service of thanksgiving in St Mary's Warwick, 19th November.

Centenary gala concert to round off the year's events, 23rd February 2019.

The date booked for the Annual Group Meeting has changed and is now Monday 11th June, 7.30pm at Napton Village Hall. The theme this year is Old Time Music Hall and the competition is to decorate a hat in the Edwardian style of 1901-1918. There will be first, second and third prizes of £20, £15 and £10.

Ladbroke Events

Coffee morning, Tom Hauley Room, Saturday 12th May.

Strawberry Tea, Saturday, 23rd June, tbc.

Any other business

Dianne carried out a short survey to see how digitally savvy we are.

A card was sent to Harbury WI to congratulate them on reaching their centenary.

Date of next meeting

The meeting on 1st March will have been held by the time this magazine is distributed but the April meeting will be held on Thursday 5th in the Village Hall starting at 7.30pm when Alan Winterburn will show us more of 'Little Known Warwickshire.' All welcome.



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.



By the time you read this, we will have had and enjoyed our latest supper and film night on Friday 2nd March. Our next one is scheduled for Friday 25th May.

The next film has yet to be decided, but we will let you know as soon as we can.

As always, you'll need to book early as places are very limited, so if you would like advance notice of our films make sure you are on our email circulation list. Email Nicky (nicolalewis24@tiscali.co.uk) to be added.

**Coming
Soon!**

We have a number of events planned for later this year, including another live band/barbecue evening, a wine tasting evening, and more film nights. More details soon!

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

January 2018

£50	Joley Malby	£50	Rob Kendall
£25	Malcolm Wray	£25	Joan Perry
£25	Trevor and Dianne Surgey	£10	Simon and Jackie West
£10	A and H Dowdeswell	£10	Carole and Peter Loftus
£10	G and T Varriale	£10	Russell Griffith

Margaret Bosworth



Ladbroke Photography Club

Kip Warr

February is the time for our mighty seventh AGM. We reviewed another year of competitions, workshops, outings and speakers (notably the wonderfully irreverent Rusty Aldwinckle). Our finances are in good shape so we hope to be able to get two or more external speakers in the coming year. Our Photographer of the Year was revealed to be Mike Todman so he keeps the coveted trophy for another year. Two new committee members were elected, so the committee is now Jackie West, Mike Todman, Kip Warr, Jennie Daniels, Graham Gee, Tony Mansell and Maggie Watts. The AGM was followed by a phototopic session on 'Christmas and Snow'. We had a great selection of photographs to remind us of the festive season and the recent bouts of snowy weather.



**Horses in the Snow by
Jennie Daniels**

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 6th March at 7.30pm in Ladbroke Village Hall when Andy Hay will talk on diving and underwater photography. Visitors and guests are welcome at our meetings; for more information see our website:

(tinyurl.com/ladbrokephoto) or contact:

jackieszone-
photogclub@yahoo.co.uk



Nativity by Sally Simmons



Ladbroke General Section

Heritage Group

Sorry that the meeting on 27th February was postponed, we will let you know the new date soon.

Jackie West



Harbury Parish Council

Linda Ridgley

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

February 2018

County Cllr Bob Stevens' written report acknowledged damage the recent housing boom had done to village roads as frustrated commuters abandon the major highways for our village streets and lanes. He continues to press for the promised traffic lights at the Bendigo Mitchell Crossroads. The Parish Council would seek repairs to our verges and greens from developers in Hall Lane and Bush Heath Lane.

Despite Harbury having overachieved on its housing total, there is still the possibility we will have to provide even more homes, as the Government has decreed "Self-build" houses are exempt from the cap. Mr Brough was seeking Parish Council support for his vision for a six plot development to the north of the David Wilson Homes site. Councillors were not necessarily opposed to such development but would want assurances homes were reserved in perpetuity for people with a strong local connection. At present, Stratford DC's policy is for the majority of such homes being for those working in the District, and the safeguard only covers the initial sale. The Parish told the District they had no objection to Self-Build subject to the homes being solely for local need.

Councillors made No Representation on: extensions to 10 Hillside, 5 Park Lane and 2 Highfield Cottages. They had no comment on the tree-work proposed at Church View, Crown Street but did quiz John Moore on the retrospective plans for "coach parking" at Walworth Farm. Reassured by his explanation that the coaches could exit safely from the site they made No Representation.

Planning also dogged discussions on the potential new Burial Grounds as the PC found that achieving planning permission could cost £40,000, as so many different surveys of the site would be needed, with extra costs for paths, hardstanding, landscaping and trees. The Council thought it should provide

this facility but agreed the community should be asked if they supported the project.

Work has begun on repairs to the chapel in the existing Burial Grounds, and the hollies that surround it will be reduced in height. Cllr Summers announced the Friends of the Burial Grounds had received a donation to be used for snowdrop planting.

The time for the public consultation on our Neighbourhood Plan has passed, but work on defining "Assets of Community Value", such as our remaining pubs, will continue.

Tim Lockley suggested the Council should mark the Centenary of Women's Suffrage in some way. Chris Gibb believed the WI might be interested in helping with research, as they were also celebrating their Centenary and their founder was Mrs Bland of Greenhill, who also may have been one of Harbury's first female Parish Councillors. The Annual Parish Meeting could be an opportunity to have a speaker on this project.

There had been positive feedback from the public about the newly installed outdoor gym at the playing fields. The Clerk still had hopes of finding a fabricator to replicate the small football goal.

Next Meeting: 22nd March, 7.30pm in the Farley Room of the Village Hall.

	<h2>Harbury Society</h2>	<p>Linda Ridgley</p>
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I just knew Geoff Thorpe would be a hit but he far exceeded my expectations! Thanks Geoff.

Before they switched to veterinary work Geoff's family had been blacksmiths – the old carts at Charlecote were made by his grandfather and other ancestors from the Wellesbourne area.

Geoff retired as a vet 15 years ago but he first took us back to earlier days. The London Veterinary School was the first in the world opened in 1791 on the fields of Camden Town. Photos of a dissecting room of 1890 showed vets in their "street clothes" cutting up a horse. The undergraduates wore bowlers - academics toppers!

He told us of his experiences when he first qualified right through his professional life. Much of it was hilarious. He lived in fear of Southam Zoo and told the tale of the escape from the Zoo of the PG Tips Chimps, one of which had to be shot.

One Saturday a "Man in a Mac" came into the practice with a dead parrot which he pulled from a carrier bag. It had died of psittacosis so Geoff put it in the fridge. He did then send it to the Ministry to confirm the disease.

When he was first in practice, dogs were taken to the vets but never cats. One day his two year old son had remarked to a client "We've got a dead dog

here. My daddy kills a lot of dogs". Now his former practice, which is owned by "big business", deals mainly with "small animals".

Geoff's daughter, a vet of 20 years standing has, he says, still not treated anything with **hooves!**

I could not possibly repeat his tales about the "sex problems" of dogs he had to deal with. However, there was reassurance that although chocolate can be poisonous to dogs, Geoff has never seen a case but, he warned, just 3-4 sultanas (or raisins) can be toxic to some dogs, and organophosphates, glyphosate, slug pellets, fungi, lead and strychnine are lethal.

Geoff highlighted the growing trend for dog owners to throw away the poo-filled bags they have used to clean up after their pets. He praised one lady who goes round Ufton Fields collecting these offerings.

He does not like the present fashion of breeding "designer dogs" like Cockapoos or Labradoodles. Nor was he keen on the short-nosed dogs with inbuilt disabilities which keep vets in business. Yorkies, he said, have now got smaller than the rats they were bred to catch!

The most dangerous animal he reckoned was a hamster. They can bite right through your nail and one of his "girls", when she was bitten, unintentionally hit the hamster and killed it – so lethal then!

At Geoff's request we made a donation to a veterinary charity in memory of Jock Stobo.

Our next meeting is our AGM on Tuesday 20th March, 7.30 for 8pm in the Tom Hauley Room. The speaker is Graham Robson who will update us on his "Wildlife Haven".



Harbury Women's Institute

Mary Thompson

The 8th of February saw members of Harbury WI celebrating their 100th birthday with Prosecco and the tasting of seven puddings provided by some of our members. We were delighted to receive birthday cards from the national chairman, county chairman and Southam WI.

This was our annual "Members' Evening" and some members had volunteered to talk about a person they would like to sit on a bench and chat with. We heard about Sophia Duleep Singh, an Indian princess who became involved in the Suffragette movement; Lady Dorothy Vernon from Haddon Hall; a member's Granny Smith; Thich Nhat Hanh, a Buddhist monk from Vietnam; Reginald J Mitchell from Stoke on Trent who inspired the development of the Spitfire; Tom Paxton, the folk singer. A very enjoyable and interesting half hour.

Lin Hayes then entertained us with a quiz.

Our centenary celebrations will continue with a Jigsaw Challenge on 12th March. Hopefully the daffodils that we planted outside the Village Hall will soon be in flower. Do take the opportunity to look at the WI display in



The Heritage room at Harbury School - it will be open on Tuesday 6th March from 6.30pm to 8.30pm and on Sunday 25th March from 2pm to 4pm.

Our next meeting is on 8th March when we shall hear about The Friendship Project for Disadvantaged children. Visitors are always welcome.

The WI coffee morning will be held in the Tom Hauley Room on Saturday 17th November.

The next rural cinema showing "Goodbye Christopher Robin" is on Saturday 24th March - doors will be open at 6.15pm and the film stars at 7pm. Tickets are available in advance from Harbury Chemist and must be ordered by Wednesday 21st March - remember numbers are limited.



Harbury Theatre Group

Chris Barber

We have our cast! Rehearsals are now under way for the Alan Ayckbourn comedies "Gosforth's Fete" and "Between Mouthfuls". Harbury Theatre Group will be presenting these classic one-act plays, along with several rib tickling sketches, for their Spring production from 17th to 19th May.

As ever, however important they may feel (!) the actors are only one element of a show and we would love to recruit additional people to help with the many interesting roles backstage such as constructing sets or finding props and furniture as well as being there on the night to make it all happen! There are also very sociable 'front of house' jobs looking after our audience, serving drinks, selling tickets etc.

This can be a great way to make new friends and share in the excitement of putting on a show. Who knows, you might even be tempted to be an actor one day! Ring Chris Barber on 613542 to find out more.



Folk Club

Ted Crum

This being the 399th Harbury Folk Club meeting, much was said in anticipation of next month's milestone. However, it didn't deter anyone from the music on a chilly night since we were, as always, warm, well lubricated and in thoroughly good company.

This month's theme was "Some you win, some you lose". 1st February being Candlemas Eve, when all the church congregations would bring their year's supply of candles to church to be blessed, Sue Crum started the ball rolling with her version of Kate Rusby's "Candlemas Eve". Don followed with the Bob Dylan favourite, "Is your Love in Vain", and "The Blacksmith" from the singing of Shirley Collins. Mention should be made of his super guitar technique. Andrew, friend of Martin Day and newcomer to Harbury sang "City of New Orleans" and the Ricky Skaggs number "I'm Crying my Heart Out over You". Next up was the threesome, Right side of the Grass, who sang a song recollecting travel on the Gulf Coast highway, and the 1930's torch song "Stormy Weather". Following them was Rik, who reckons he only sings love songs in February, so Billy Joel's "She's Got a Way" and Jim Croce's "Time in a Bottle" fitted both the theme and Rik's February resolution. Peter McDonald sang Les Barker's take on "Lord Franklin" and "Pack up your Sorrows", a song he told us he learned at school. Maureen and Janny finished the first half in their usual charming style with Brian Bedford's "Snakes and Ladders", and were joined by Ian Hartland on guitar for "Ballad of the Shape of Things".

We recently enjoyed the annual Harbury Concert in the Village Hall, and the act who opened the second half of the concert were persuaded to do the same for Folk Club. On they came, four suspiciously familiar ladies dressed in what appeared to be their grannies' bathing costumes and launched headlong into "Didn't we Have a Lovely Time the Day we Went to Bangor". Ably assisted by Sven, the inflatable man (don't ask!), a set of marginally musical kazoos, and a crate of cider, they rendered we, the audience, weak with laughter. Phil followed with "Leaving of Liverpool" and "Frankie and Johnny", followed by Pete and Liz who sang "Heads you Win, Tails you Lose" and "Three Score and Ten" about a night in 1889 when seventy fishermen out of Grimsby were drowned during a storm. An almost unprecedented delight next: Celia (who is a member of the Folk Club Choir and Orchestra) took the stage solo to give us dramatic renditions of two poems, Pam Ayres' "The cunning vending machine" and Les Barker's "Odd Sock". Ian and Sue sang "A Man of Constant Sorrow" and the Louvin Brothers' "I Don't Believe You've Met my Baby". Martin closed the second half playing A GUITAR(!!!). A first for him at Harbury, and he sang "I Got No Love Today", following it with a poignant monologue from Cockersdale, "Tortoises Always Come Last".

We entered the third half with another debut performance, this time from Margaret, another member of the Folk Club Choir and Orchestra who, ably assisted by her best husband, produced a lovely version of Joni Mitchell's

"Both Sides Now". To send us home happy, Keith sang "That's Alright by Me" and finished with "Talking Folk Club Blues".

Another super night of music and fun, and our lovely audience donated £81.00 which has gone to the MND (the motor neurone disease charity). Don't forget our next Folk Club (the 400th!!) will be on 1st March at the Village Club, and the theme will be "Magic Moments".

Harbury Folk Club - Musical Journey Concert

The Village Hall was filled to capacity on Saturday 27th January for the Harbury Folk Club "A Musical Journey" concert. This, our 7th annual concert, was again a sell-out.

The evening featured 24 local artists and an energetic support crew of seven. Debbie Ellis, our MC, introduced the splendid variety of acts: Folk Club Orchestra, Janny Freeman and Maureen Darby, Ted and Sue Crum, The Harvesters, Pete and Liz Bones, Daft Dames, Rumble-o, Peter McDonald, and the Folk Club Choir. The concert finished with a rousing finale by all the artists as they went "Rolling Home".

I would like to thank the many people who so freely gave their time to make the evening such a success. The performers would like to say a big thank you to our very appreciative audience.

We made a profit of £769 which has been donated to the Harbury Village Hall. The seven concerts have raised a total of £5,251 for the Village Hall.

We have started planning for our next concert in January 2019. If you would like to be added to our distribution list, to receive details when the tickets go on sale later in the year, please contact me (01926 612002 or douglasfreeman@gmail.com).

Doug Freeman



Harbury Twinning Association

Tony Thomas

We held a very entertaining evening on Friday 9th February thanks to Julie and Richard who arranged the film show with an excellent cheese and wine supper. The French film, "*La Vie en Rose*" vividly covered the tough and arduous life of the cabaret singer Edith Piaf from her birth to her death in 1963 at the age of 48.

On Friday 16th March we shall be holding our annual "Supper & Skittles Evening" at the Navigation Inn, Wootton Wawen. Look out for the winner's photograph in next month's edition.

As a result of the extensive efforts of our Chairman, Richard, in resolving the problems associated with getting over to France on a bank holiday weekend, we can now confirm that we will be travelling to Samois-sur-Seine for our

bi-annual visit on Thursday 24th May returning on Monday 30th. During this visit we will be celebrating the twentieth anniversary of the partnership.

Remember to keep open Friday 29th June for the Caribbean Evening we will be hosting in the Village Hall.



Hereburgh Morris

Lynne Cooke

The Bells! The Bells!

You may have heard an unexpected quarter peal on the Harbury Church Bells on the morning of Saturday 10th February. Apologies if we disturbed your normally peaceful Saturday morning.

8th April 2017 was Hereburgh Morris' 30th birthday and a year of celebratory events was planned. Two of our members are also bell ringers and thought it might be a nice idea to ring a quarter peal in celebration. Further, they wondered if it would be possible for it to be rung by Morris dancers. So the challenge to learn to ring from scratch and to get up to quarter peal standard within the anniversary year was laid down at a normal weekly Morris practice way back in September of 2016...

Having been a member of Hereburgh for almost 30 years (not quite a founder member), I was conscious of edging towards a respectable retirement, and had wondered about taking up bellringing as a replacement. With no idea of the size of the task ahead, this seemed a good opportunity to try it out so my hand went up...



A year and a half later, and with the end of Hereburgh's celebration year looming, a date for the quarter peal was fixed as the date we were also hosting a coffee morning at the church - an opportunity to combine a quarter peal of church bells with the chance to perform all our dances with 'bells' and 'ringing' in the title.

So how did we fare with the quarter peal? Of the six ringers required, four were Morris dancers: Douglas and Avril, who normally ring in Leamington, William, Harbury's tower captain, and me. Of the other two, Evan is a regular Harbury ringer, and Spike is a friend from the neighbouring Southam Church. My eternal gratitude goes to an extra experienced Harbury ringer, Jim, who stood at my shoulder throughout and managed to keep me on track when my concentration or confidence wavered.

Furthermore: How did I find the experience of learning this new skill?

Initially daunting; great, gentle exercise; mentally challenging; an opportunity to visit and perform away from home; a group of like-minded, light-hearted individuals - not necessarily church goers. All things I could say about Morris dancing, in fact. So here's to the next few years!

If you would like to have a go at:

Morris dancing: turn up at Harbury Primary School between 8 and 10pm on a Wednesday evening, or afterwards at a local hostelry - currently the Shakespeare on Mill Street.

Bellringing: turn up at Harbury Church between 7:30 and 9pm on a Friday evening.

Or contact William Jones on Harbury 611914 for either.



Harbury Rugby Football Club

Steve Kittendorf

Saturday 27th January - Harbury 7 Redditch 13 Midlands 4 West (South)

Harbury had taken 53 points from Redditch four months ago at their ground and entered the match with some anticipation. However, Redditch provided a stern defence and, with Harbury unable to convert pressure into points, Redditch took the victory.

Saturday 3rd February - Stoke Old Boys 36 Harbury 8 Midlands 4 West (South)

A glance at the score line suggests a totally one-sided game. However, it was far from this with the home side running in tries towards the end of play which produced a rather harsh score line for an otherwise commendable effort from Harbury.



Saturday 10th February - Claverdon 22 Harbury 22 Midlands 4 West (South)

A frustrating outcome for Harbury as Claverdon snatched a draw in the final play of the match. This was a game that fitted that terrible sporting cliché - 'a game of two halves' - but it was and the dominant factor was a strong wind blowing down the pitch. A disappointing outcome for Harbury when simple rugby could have resulted in a crucial win.

Saturday 17th February - Harbury 28 Tenbury 12 Midlands 4 West (South)

A deserved and very much needed league win for Harbury. This was a game against a side that had beaten Harbury in Worcestershire – an outcome that seems to have hung over Harbury since.

Harbury 2nd XV 13 Shipston 3rd XV 5 *Alan Padbury Memorial Match*

Skipper Adrian Exton drew together an excellent side to celebrate the life of Alan Padbury ('Paddy') who died from cancer at a young age, twelve years ago. Special thanks to all the players, Shipston and referee Steve Challis for overseeing this very special game.

Mini & Junior Report

February has been a bit kinder with regard to the weather. Pitches are still suffering from the rainfall, but training or fixtures have taken place every weekend. The Minis travelled to Old Leamingtonians and Long Buckby which brought some notable wins for the different age groups. At home they hosted Coventrians who have just set up their own mini and junior sections. The juniors travelled to Stow and Old Laurentians (Rugby) for their fixtures. Tougher matches at these age groups but all played in the spirit of the game.

Sunday 25th February saw 160 players, supporters, parents and family travel to the Ricoh by coach at the invitation of Wasps. The players participated in match day activities, including Guard of honour and the Giant flag wave. One lucky player was also chosen to be the club mascot. A fantastic day which highlighted the support that the club receives from its members and Wasps.

A full fixture list is planned for March and squad tours are all in the final planning stages. Hopefully the weather will start getting warmer and not interrupt the final few months of the season.

Forthcoming fixtures in March:

Saturday 3rd - Harbury away to Bedworth.

Saturday 10th - Harbury home to Birmingham Civil Service.

Saturday 24th - Harbury away to Burbage.



Harbury Tennis Club

Colin and Sue Mercer

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

Great News! Rob West, one of our coaches, has been shortlisted for a Warwickshire LTA Award, the James Cooper Coach Award. This is for all the great work Rob has done at Harbury and the other clubs he coaches at, Henley-in-Arden and Warwick. The winner will be announced at a presentation ceremony at Aston Villa Football Club on 9th March. Also, congratulations to club member James Owen who has recently completed his Level 1 coaching qualification, with Rob mentoring him.

The club's playing activities so far this year have been severely disrupted by the weather with the traditional New Year's Muffler Tournament being cancelled and a number of league matches being postponed which has created a fixture backlog.



Matches have now resumed and all four teams have been in recent action. In the Floodlit League Division 2, Harbury A (Caroline Morland, Debs Brookes, Ben Fish and Colin Mercer) travelled to league leaders, Brackley. The Ladies' and Men's doubles were halved so it was all to play for in the mixed. The home pair were too strong for Caroline and Colin but Debs and Ben salvaged a creditable draw for Harbury in a marathon that was only decided by a very close tiebreak in the second set. Harbury remain in second place but have games in hand on Brackley.

Harbury B took on unbeaten and runaway Division 3 league leaders Banbury. Eira Owen, Sue Panton, Nigel Eaton, and Josh Marshall were in excellent form and gave their Oxfordshire visitors their hardest match of the season. It was nip and tuck all the way, and only a narrow defeat in the final mixed doubles prevented Harbury getting a draw and denting Banbury's perfect record. They did have the satisfaction of winning more sets against Banbury than any other team in the league so far this season, and are currently in fifth place in the league but only one point behind second-placed Towcester. It's all very close and plenty to play for!

In the weekend format, Caroline Morland, Katy Wiltshire, Olly Wiltshire, and Colin Mercer set off for Byfield in heavy rain doubting the BBC's weather website which indicated a long enough dry spell to get the match played. Fortunately, the rain did stop and the match was completed. All rubbers were closely fought but the home team just edged it by 5-3. Despite the loss, Harbury A still occupy second place in Division 3 with games in hand over leaders Charlbury.

The B team of Karen Bristow, Jane Minchin, David Bristow and Steve Stark made the short journey to Priors Marston for a Division 4 match. Although it ended in a 3-5 defeat there was some really enjoyable tennis and the teams tucked into one of the best post-match teas of the winter!!! Despite the defeat, Harbury remain in second place in the league table.

The *Coolsportz* coaching programme has sessions for Juniors on Mondays (coach Elizabeth Holding) between 4.30 and 7.30pm, with a session for Adult Beginners/Improvers at 7.30pm. On Thursdays, coach Rob West runs Junior sessions between 3.45 and 5.45pm, and on Friday mornings (9.30-10.30am) has a Ladies' Group. For more details email Lianne Candappa at lianne@coolsportz.co.uk



Harbury Toddler Group

Lynne Barton

Hello Harbury Readers,



We operate Toddlers on a Calendar Year and always review our numbers, the sessions we run, the highs and lows and the state of our finances early in the New Year. When I volunteered to lead the group four years ago I was attending with my two grandchildren. I am sure you have heard the phrase about engaging one's brain before speaking - **I didn't!** However, the group was under threat of closure and as a decision I have never regretted it. It is now a thriving, vibrant group of parents who attend regularly and meet up outside the group which is fabulous and we are pleased to facilitate these friendships.

In 2017 we have welcomed 73 children from January to December with, on average, just over 15 children and parents attending per week. Our social media profile is flourishing and at each Facebook post these days we regularly have over 1,000 hits so we must be doing something right! Thank you all for your support.

All the Action

Miss Laura from Love Ballet.com joined us to lead a creative movement session; the children were enchanted.

I have never seen so many of the children having such fun at our dancing sessions, it was great to watch. It must have been inspired by the combination of children attending on that morning, their developing maturity and perhaps the chocolate biscuits they had eaten.



Great Moves Everyone



Through the *magic door* is always a favourite, there is the big build-up when we line up and then knock the door and hear a response from Sue or John and, when the door is opened into the Library, it is heart-warming to recognise such wonderment with each child. Wow, it's the Library. Shall we all try to 'catch this' at least sometime this week, however 'small' the moment, and take a fresh look at the world. Here is a picture of Sue reading the story. Thank you, Harbury Library.

Deb Dutton Creative

We haven't got any large easels of our own and limited storage space so it's a nice treat to have Deb Dutton pop along with her paints, aprons, paper, rollers, brushes and easels for the children to experience free-flowing art. They are always very responsive.



Get Cooking



Anne Marie helped us make our very own pizzas from scratch with extra special dough made with yoghurt and lovely healthy toppings to choose from. Nobody had to prepare lunch, just popped the pizza in the oven when they arrived home and *voila*. We had some great reports back from parents and carers about what a tasty lunch they made - a win win situation, children having fun making their own food, eating well and giving mum and dad a well-earned rest.



Shopping with style

These shop keepers are certainly busy with their purchases. What engaging children we have coming to Toddlers, so creative, such good sharing and happy friendships.



Come and join us

If you want to join us at the Toddler Group then Lynne, Selina, Chelly and Reg look forward to welcoming you; 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



Harbury Pre-School

Staff & Committee



Chinese New Year: As I write, Harbury Pre-School's Chinese New Year Celebrations are in full swing. The role play area has been transformed into a 'Chinese Kitchen' where the children have been enjoying dressing up in traditional Chinese costumes and serving up a 'stir fry' of 'noodles' and 'vegetables' to one another, using authentic Chinese kitchenware. Some of the children have taken their role as 'chef' very seriously, dressing up as a chef and taking 'orders'.

Children (and staff!) are always excited when the Pre-School's homemade Chinese Dragon makes his annual appearance and this year has been no different. The children have produced some fantastic representations of our dragon using paint; carefully looking at his many features. The staff team love to listen to them describe their finished result, for example, *'It breathes fire. 'Snowflake Dragon!' The favourite thing she likes to eat is ice cream because she's a special dragon' and 'He's colourful. He likes to eat people. It's called Charlotte'.*



Thanks to a few of our lovely parents kindly giving up their time to provide support during the sessions, the children were given the opportunity to make a delicious stir fry of vegetables and noodles for their snack. They carefully chopped up the vegetables using a knife and we talked about their appearance and texture and why they are good for our bodies. The children investigated the noodles and were fascinated to see them soften after hot water

was added. Snack was then served! We were particularly impressed to see the children all opt to try the chopsticks rather than a fork to eat their stir fry!

Chinese New Year cannot be complete without a Dragon dance and the children thoroughly enjoyed dancing underneath the dragon to the beat of the drum; taking it in turns to lead the dragon on his way.

Canine friends: In the spirit of it being the Year of the Dog, the children have been bringing in photos of their canine pets to share with the children and staff. This week, we were delighted to welcome Anne's dog, Theo, who came for a visit to meet the children. We talked about how we look after dogs and what we need to do to make sure they stay healthy. We were all brave enough to stroke Theo and give him doggy treats! He enjoyed it so much that he came in for another visit later in the week.



Holiday Away Day: It was our special privilege to be invited to join some members of the community at their 'Holiday Away Day' this month at the Tom Hauley Rooms. This is a wonderful group run by volunteers on a monthly basis to offer people in the village a day of company, entertainment and refreshments. After a soggy walk down, we were all welcomed and made to feel at home. It was especially lovely to watch as, one by one, the children started chatting away and became engrossed in making beautiful collage cards, reading stories, doing puzzles, playing board games and, in the

case of one Pre-Schooler, playing a ruthless game of cards!

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Gill Guildford who helped to facilitate this visit and it is something that we very much hope to repeat in the future.

New faces: A new half term often means new faces and we are very much looking forward to welcoming Tania and Noah as they begin their Pre-School journeys.



If you would like further information, or to register a child for Harbury Pre-School, please contact Deborah Williamson, Administrator: e-mail enquiries@harburypre-school.org.uk text 07907 598461 or look at the web site www.harburypre-school.org You can also find us on Facebook.



Village Hall Update

Geoff Thorpe

The Village Hall Committee are rightly proud of the improvements made to the hall over the last few years, but to some extent victims of their own success. We believe the booking levels to be the highest in the hall's history and this leads to a far greater workload for the committee, especially the booking secretary and treasurer. Using the hall for a Zumba class or an hour's badminton, it is easy to overlook the work going on behind the scenes. Cleaning, replacing light bulbs, collating bookings, invoicing and so forth: in many respects it is a small business. You have probably guessed, we could do with some extra help! **The AGM is at 7.45pm on Monday 16th April** this year and we would be pleased to welcome anyone who may be able to help with this valuable part of the village community. If you want to know more please ring Geoff on 613801.

The continuing improvements are quiet at the moment, although this month sees new lighting on the stage and in the Farley Room and also improvements to the outside lights. Next year, however, plans are afoot for modernisation of the front porch and Farley Room.

We have a new venture on **Thursday 15th March**.

The "**Ben Holder Jazz Quartet**" has been booked for the evening, 7.00 for 7.30pm. Ben Holder organises and performs at the Dunchurch, Market Bosworth, Moreton, and National Brewery Centre monthly Jazz Clubs. He has performed at the Paris and Oxford Jazz Festivals and at Ronnie Scotts'.

Tickets are £12, available from the Harbury Chemist; CANA wines are providing the bar. Thanks are due to both for their wonderful and continued support.



Garden Jottings from Bridge Nursery

Christine Dakin

Would you agree that this has felt like a long winter? It's been grey and wet and cold and (my particular pet hate) windy. Overnight on 17th/18th January the wind was so fierce that it ripped the polythene (beyond repair) on the main tunnel. This was devastating, partly because the cover was quite new and had been on for less than a year. It's a right faff recovering a tunnel but we shall wait until it's a bit warmer so we can get a tight tension over the hoops.

In the meantime, if we get any decent weather days there is the garden to manage even at this time of year. Most of the cutting back is done, plants need to go in where I cleared some areas and a few things need moving. We already have three group visits booked, including two coach parties from

Holland! We are pleased to announce that we raised £1070 last year for the National Garden Scheme. Many thanks to all who contributed.

A few suggestions for the month ahead.....

- Get some hardy annual seeds, eg larkspur, love-in-the-mist and marigolds and scatter in gaps in the borders
- Prune roses
- Allow daffodils to die down naturally
- Plant onion sets and broad beans
- Sow peas and parsnips

Bridge Nursery, Tomlow Road, Napton
www.bridge-nursery.co.uk



Nature Notes

John Hancock

In last month's magazine I said that I had written to the Stoneythorpe Estate about access to Bascote Wood. I've had a handwritten reply from Adam Walter who is the Venues and Estates Manager at the Dallas Burston Polo Club, which seems very positive. He writes as follows: "The woods truly are a beautiful setting for a walk and when purchasing the private woodland we pledged to work with the National Forestry Commission to rejuvenate this ancient woodland. This is work which will help to ensure the wood's survival, allowing it to thrive for many more years. The project is set to continue for another 18 months. Much of the work involves felling and coppicing older, less healthy trees, opening up the woods and letting younger trees flourish. This allows for more species such as Early Purple Orchids and White Admiral Butterflies to become a little less scarce. During the work a safe walk cannot be guaranteed, hence the 'Private Woodland' notice." I was led to expect public access when the project is complete.

After some milder conditions we are promised a cold snap towards the end of February. A hard frost would suit me as I am due to lead a walk from Brinklow on the last day of the month. When I did a 'recce' yesterday (19th February), I ended up collecting a lot of mud on my boots and had to resort to washing it off in some large puddles on a track near Easenhall. I had started the walk by crossing the Fosse Way and ascending the motte, an artificial earth mound, of the Norman castle. This gave views over the village of Brinklow and south down the Roman road. Robert de Mowbray, Earl of Leicester, had been gifted Brinklow after the Conquest and, by 1095, the extensive castle defences, chiefly of wood with moats and bridges were complete. They were not replaced by stone and were allowed to decay as the area was effectively pacified. By 1173 it was abandoned, so we are left with a time capsule.

Around the village are fields of ridge and furrow. The breadth of each strip was approximately sixteen and a half feet, the width that a team of eight oxen could feasibly plough. Gradually over time the length became a standardised 'furrow length' or furlong. I am indebted for some of these facts to 'Walks into History - Warwickshire' by John Wilks. (A Countryside Books Walking Guide)

Cycling past Itchington Holt on 12th February with the sun low in the west, my shadow stretched halfway across the field to my right. I saw five Muntjac deer quietly grazing. Two in the first group stood their ground. A group of three, adjacent to the farm road, bolted and leapt a barbed wire fence before sprinting for the cover of the trees with their white rumps flashing in the sunlight. Muntjac, also known as barking deer, are the oldest deer in an evolutionary sense, having been found in Miocene deposits from 15-35 million years ago. Present day species are native to South-East Asia and have been introduced here.

Recently I received a letter from Kathleen Wetton who used to live locally and receives the 'Harbury and Ladbroke News' which is sent to her by Rev Craig. She writes from St Column, Cornwall and tells me about the wildlife that comes into her garden. At the time of her letter the village was snowed in for the first time in over 20 years. Cars had been abandoned as the locals were unused to driving in such conditions. Kathleen watched while a large crow chased a ginger cat out of her garden. For the last 14 years a little fox she calls Patch has come, sometimes with young, to receive food.

The 'Blue Planet II' series on television has reinforced the need to phase out the use of plastic bags and wrapping. Our government has pledged to eliminate plastic waste by 2042 but surely we cannot wait that long. It is estimated that 12.7 million tons of plastic enter our oceans each year. 1 in 3 turtles have eaten plastic. Cycling round our local lanes, especially in winter, is not the pleasure it should be, because of the accumulating rubbish. The villages are cleaned of this mess to a certain extent by residents but along the highways it is a different matter. Council workers do their best but it seems to be a losing battle. Recently at a pool in one of our newer nature reserves, Bubbenhall Wood and Meadow, a group of 'Wednesday Walkers' watched a gull try to take off. One of its legs had snagged on a plastic bag which, partly full of water, towed the bird back when it tried to fly. Eventually it managed to offload its burden and get airborne. We cheered.

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General Section



Royal British Legion Poppy Collection 2017

Although there was no house to house collection for the Poppy Appeal in Harbury and Deppers Bridge last year, the total included collections from Chesterton and Ufton. Lynn Smith collected £115.81 from Chesterton and several collectors co-ordinated by Ann Ainslow collected £304.04 from Ufton. As I was out of action during November, Liz McBride took on the distribution of poppy boxes and collated all the money from boxes placed in the school, village pubs and shops, Fosse Garage and All Saints Church.

The collections were:

All Saints Church	62.20
(Remembrance Sunday Collection)	566.09
Harbury Primary School	201.64
The Crown Inn & Gamecock	190.44
Harbury shops	641.66
Fosse Garage	66.66
Thwaites Estate	63.41

Including other donations, the overall total (over £2,000.00) was due to the efforts of Lynn, Ann and Liz and their helpers, so many thanks on behalf of the Royal British Legion.

Chris Finch



Harbury Village Library and Biblio's Café

Harbury Village Library reopened on Saturday 17th February after a major refurbishment which had entailed closing for the preceding two weeks. During that time, the books were stored in 150 large crates and piled high in the café area (see photo overleaf), while a new carpet was laid and new shelves installed. The 150 crates then had to be emptied and the books reshelfed. All the work of packing and unpacking and dismantling the old shelves was undertaken by volunteers from the village and surrounding area, just some of the 100 or so people who volunteer on a regular or occasional basis to ensure the continued existence of the village library.

All their hard work has paid off with a fresher appearance for the Library that has received a very positive reception from its users. You can see photos on our website www.harburyvillagelibrary.org.uk or, much better, come and see for yourself!



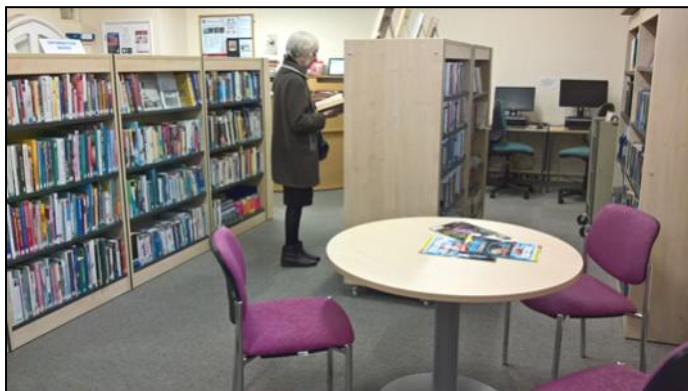
The new layout, which is bright and modern while still reflecting the historical character of the building in which it is housed, the old school, was largely paid for by section 106 money from housing developers in the area. The Library is lucky enough to have its running costs covered by the successful on site café, Biblio's, which opens for four mornings a

week and provides a much appreciated social hub as well as fresh brewed coffee, tea and home baked cakes.

Harbury is unusual in that almost half of its stock of books have been donated or bought exclusively for its own Blue Label Collection. Anyone with a WCC library card (obtainable from <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/libraries>) can borrow from the selection of books on display, from best sellers to biographies, histories and travel books; try out a board game; use the free computers or w-fi; or browse the art work and cards for sale during the five and a half days we are open each week (more than many city centre libraries).



Do visit us to see our new look during our opening hours: 9am-5pm Monday - Friday, 10am – 12 noon on Saturdays. Biblio's, our café, is open from 9.15am -12 noon Wednesday - Friday, and 10am – 12 noon on Saturdays. We are always looking for new volunteers to help us run the library or café, so if you would like to help - no experience is necessary, as you will be trained - please contact us as below or through our Facebook page.



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Janice Montague

Chairman's Report - Harbury Village Library



By now I hope many of you will have visited the Library and seen the improvements made during the two week closure. The Library Management Committee hope that you are as delighted as we are by the new shelving and furniture complemented by a new carpet.

On behalf of the Committee I would like to thank the many volunteers who gave so freely of their time to make this project possible. Over 150 crates were filled with books, labelled and stacked. Shelves were dismantled and dispatched to new homes. Paintwork was renewed and after the contractors who laid the carpet and installed the shelving had left, 150 crates had to be unpacked and the books organised on the new shelves. The whole area was then tidied and cleaned before the re-opening on Saturday 17th February.

I must single out for particular thanks our Library Manager Janice Montague. She practically lived in the Wight School for the two weeks organising the work and making numerous hot drinks for thirsty volunteers.

Harbury has a Library of which it should be very proud and an excellent café which supports it and this is all due to our community spirit and wonderful volunteers.

Sharon Hancock (Chairman)



Harbury Cemetery Report

Fran Leonard (nee Sollis) has made a generous donation to enable us to plant snowdrop bulbs and bluebell bulbs in the cemetery. Fran is from an old Harbury family, has lived in the village and has relatives buried in the cemetery. We thank her very much for her generosity.

In the future we would like to buy lavender plants and buddleia bushes to attract bees and butterflies; also bird boxes and 'bug' hotels/shelters to encourage all sorts of wildlife. If you would like to make a donation please leave it at the Parish Office with a note saying what it is for (the Friends of Harbury Cemetery do not have a bank account). If you want to donate bulbs/plants/shrubs they can be left at the cemetery and we will plant them.

Many residents have commented on how good the new fence looks and by the time you read this the front hedge should have been made straighter. In the Spring and Summer the flowers will produce a mass of colour - well worth a visit to see them!

The Friends of Harbury Cemetery will be tidying and weeding in the cemetery on Thursday 8th March (10am until 12 noon). After that it is the first Thursday in each month throughout the summer. Do join us if you can.

Pat Summers on behalf of the Friends of Harbury Cemetery

Harbury Senior Citizens Committee Update

Thank you to everyone who supported our coffee morning in January. Our next coffee morning is on Saturday 14th April and we hope to see you all there again. This time of year is usually quiet for us but we will be supporting a quiz night being organised for the end of April by Paul Winchester. Details of that will appear elsewhere. No ideas yet on where the summer outing will be this year but we will let you have the details as soon as we have them. At the moment, your guess will be as good as ours!

We would like to thank you for the cards and letters that we have received regarding the Christmas party and would just like to let you know who the members of the committee are. The committee is chaired by Julie Clarke and consists of Gill Holden, Linda Roe, Ann Winchester, Judy Timson and me. We also get support from our partners and as those of you who were at the party are aware, many volunteer helpers.

If you want further information about what we do, please come along to the coffee morning on 14th April and talk to a member of the committee.

Thank you.

Mike McBride
on behalf of the Harbury Senior Citizens Benefit Association



Harbury Heritage Room

Our next open evenings at the Heritage Room are Tuesday 6th March and Tuesday 3rd April from 6.30 to 8.30pm. At both of these events we will also be showing DVDs connected with the village. Please also put in your diary an open afternoon on Sunday 25th March from 1.30pm.

We are celebrating 100 years of the WI with an impressive display of Harbury WI material gathered over many years. Come and see!

If you would like to receive information regarding the Heritage Group, please send your email to group@harburyheritage.org.uk

Our website contains many photos and information: go to <http://harburyheritage.org.uk>

The following is a questionnaire given to Gladys Gurden in 1985 by the children of Year 6 at Harbury School. They were comparing life in the 1930s with that of their own generation.

28th March, 1985 - HM1370

Q *How did you come into service?*

A *I wanted to be a dressmaker, the day I left school at 14. The lady who lived in Temple House offered to train me to be house parlourmaid, which was to wait at table, to serve wines, to carve meat, to clean silver and other housework.*

Q *How big was your own family?*

A *Mother, Father and one sister younger than me.*

Q *What sort of age did you go into service?*

A *14.*

Q *What sort of time were you expected to get up in the morning?*

A *6.30am*

Q *What time did you have to go to bed at night?*

A *9.00 o'clock*

Q *How much leisure time did you get per week?*

A *1 half day each week and every alternate Sunday afternoon until 9.00pm. Christmas and Holidays. I did not have much time off.*

Q *Did the job pay well?*

A *No, but our uniforms and bed and food were provided*

Q *Did you have the early vacuum cleaner to help you in your duties?*

A *No. Brooms, dustpan and brush and lots of polish (Beeswax and Turpentine)*

Q *Please could you make a list of what jobs you were expected to do?*

A *Clean our fireplaces, which had to be blacklead, polish all the fire-irons which were steel or brass, brush the carpets, polish the furniture, clean silver, as a parlourmaid I had a special room to wash up glasses and silver. We had large lunch and dinner parties and it was my job to wait at table and serve the food and wine, after such parties it was much later than 9.00pm when I went to bed.*

Q *At what age did you leave service?*

A *I left when I was 21 to be married, but I did not stay at the same place, by then I was a cook and worked in Leamington.*

Harbury Village Club & Institute Ltd

Another month gone and thank goodness Spring really is just around the corner. We have had a busy time at the Club over the last few weeks from all of the teams who play darts, pool, snooker, cribbage, dominoes and darts and all of the various societies and groups who use our facilities. It is so nice to get your feedback and we all appreciate that. Our bar staff work so hard to ensure that you all have a good experience. We are so lucky to have such a good team who work together so well.

As last month I have been busy processing your membership payments but sorry to say that after 25th February those who have not paid will be receiving a letter advising that membership ceases. I do not like doing this and wherever possible and time permitting I will try to contact the non-payers to advise. Sometimes I know that circumstances change but we do not want to lose our valued members. Just a quick reminder again that there is a box full of renewed membership cards behind the bar, please call in and collect yours and perhaps stop and have a drink and a chat, a good excuse to do so!

I was chatting to Ray again after the weekly bingo and I was intrigued to learn that in the 1970's we had a bouncer, I know it is so strange but there were lots more members then but I'm sure everyone was well behaved. Also there was a well behind the boiler room, but covered in long ago. I have been sent some information by Tony Thomas concerning the relatives of the late Captain Osborne from whose estate the club was purchased in 1919. The hall and estate were inherited in 1866 by two sisters Henrietta and Caroline Hill. Eventually the brother of them, Edwin inherited from his late spinster sister Henrietta in 1892 and in 1905 he sold it to Captain Osborne who lived in Leamington. After Captain Osborne's death in 1914 it was left to the trustees, then as above, sold in 1919 to the Club. This is a brief synopsis and I thank Tony so much for some more pieces of the puzzle.

Bob has been busy recently removing and replacing the old radiators in both toilets and doing another splendid job, thank you very much Bob. The pots outside the entrance doors and plants at the entrance to the drive are looking really good and again I have received some lovely comments from you. It does make a difference to have a colourful welcome. We are slowly improving things inside and out so watch this space for further developments!

We will be holding the Easter Family Bingo on Saturday 24th March, doors open at 7.00pm and eyes down at 7.30pm. I will be putting up posters around the village in the next couple of weeks. The Christmas Family one was a huge success so please come along for a fun evening. A few Sundays ago we had a birthday party in the concert room for three children of the same family and it was so good to see them playing old fashioned games such as musical chairs. All enjoyed the afternoon from the children to the parents and we had some great feedback. Then, as they say, for something completely different, three very talented musicians were having a rehearsal on Sunday lunchtime two weeks after the party. They had not long been together as a band but they were very good, they did turn the sound down but if you enjoy a bit of heavy metal or similar we are trying to persuade them to perform in the

evening at a weekend. They are honestly as good as you will hear anywhere so I will keep you informed about that.

At our recent committee meeting we approved four more new members and three bookings for the concert room - brilliant. Our finances are still looking good and we are getting ready for the AGM which as stated before will be on Tuesday 3rd April. I will be putting up sheets on the notice boards in the lobby for nominations and seconders etc for the officers of the Club and any committee members. Please don't be shy as we would love to have some new faces on the committee. The AGM is your chance to let us have any feedback, thoughts, criticisms or even praise! Please try to make it and I promise it will not be very lengthy.

Chatting to members after the bingo it is good to know that my articles are being enjoyed. Thank you so much for your very nice comments I promise not to get big headed! I look forward to meeting everyone over the coming weeks, it is such a pleasure to be part of a village asset.

Judy Morrall

CARNIVAL Make a date with Carnival – Saturday 9th June

The second Saturday in June is always Harbury Carnival day! As usual there will be lots of fun, stalls and rides, as well as the renowned Dog Show. It will start with the Shirley Pipe Band leading the floats and fancy dress parade around the village.

Don't delay; put it in the diary today!



Peter Walshe
on behalf of the Carnival Committee



Harbury Energy Initiative

More power to your elbow

It went well, that talk about battery energy storage for the home. I knew it would. It was well attended and very lively with some fascinating insights and ideas. This is what one of the two presenting the talk said:

"On behalf of Sure Power I would like to thank each and every person that attended the village hall last night. I have never presented to a more passionate or well informed group of people before and both Stephen and myself would love to work with you in any way we can in the future." - Mark Graham, Sure Power

Anyone with photovoltaic (PV) panels installed would do well to look at what is on offer (www.surepowergroup.com). You will know that the assumption is that you put 50% of your panels' electricity generation into the grid. In fact it is closer to 75%, which means that you are giving Western Power Distribution (WPD) 25% free. With a battery you give nothing to the grid but still retain your FiT and assumed 50% contribution to the grid payments. Mark Graham will do a free assessment for you with a breakdown of how quickly the batteries will pay for themselves. Sure Power will install solar panels as well as batteries for anyone who is thinking about generating their own energy. They liked us so much that they are offering a £500 'Harbury discount'. You can contact Mark on 07482 185557 or 0800 6893832.

Signs of the times

You may have noticed the new temporary 'No Idle Zone' signs that Chris Christou put up recently in the village centre and by the school entrance in Park Lane. We are asking drivers to switch off their engines and not leave them idling when they are parked. Later in the year we will be putting up air pollution monitors in a couple of places to check on air quality in the village. We hope to work with the school on this issue this spring or summer.

Pollution from cars and commercial vehicles is a major international concern. It is one of the reasons why HEI initiated the electric car club in the village. You could join. Beijing has managed to improve its air quality...maybe Harbury can too!

Carbon Tracer App



It probably isn't the most pressing concern in your life but you may have occasionally wondered where your energy comes from locally. Is it from dirty coal, nice clean renewables, nuclear? This new app tells you hour by hour what proportion of each is going into the supply into your home and therefore what the carbon load into the atmosphere is.

You can download the app on to your smart phone from The Carbon Trust website (www.carbontrust.com). The site explains:

'Developed by WPD in collaboration with the Carbon Trust, working alongside digital agency Enigma Interactive, the app is the first to reveal real time information to consumers on their local energy generation mix and the amount of CO2 produced as a result, also known as its 'carbon intensity'.

The WPD network, which operates across the East and West Midlands, South Wales and the South West, has seen an increasing amount of low carbon generation being connected to the network over recent years.

By using the new app, electricity customers will now be able to see real time data on how the energy delivered to their local area is being generated, taking into account how much energy is coming from nearby solar panels and wind turbines in current weather conditions. In addition to renewables, the app also reveals what proportion of electricity is being provided through nuclear energy, fossil fuels, or other energy sources such as municipal waste incineration.

Having access to this information will allow individuals to make informed decisions about the best times to schedule their energy-consuming tasks - such as using the washing machine, tumble dryer, dishwasher or water heater - if they want to help make a difference to climate change.

To support this decision making, the app provides both live information and a seven-day forecast, helpfully colour-coding different times of day as green, amber and red depending on how carbon intensive electricity is expected to be at that time.'

Bob Sherman

t: 612277 e: info@harburyenergy.co.uk



Southam's French Street Market - Sunday 8th April

Southam will once again be extending a warm welcome to the ever-popular French Street Market on Sunday April 8th between 10am and 4pm.

Working in partnership with 'France At Home', volunteers from Southam First will be transforming Southam's High Street into a French-style market featuring a fantastic range of tempting French food and produce.

Freshly baked bread, croissants, cakes, biscuits and crêpes are things that the French do really well, and there will be a wonderful variety and style of baking to tempt you. Savoury street food, tartiflette, delicious cheeses, olives from Provence, cooked meats, paté and saucisson from Normandy, will all be there to persuade you to try something a little different from your traditional Sunday lunch. Beautiful French patisserie, tarts, cakes and pastries will make your teatime special too! Hand-made crafts, toys, games, baskets, leather bags and purses, fashions and accessories, vintage music and many more French-themed products that are not normally available on the British High Street.

In case you haven't had enough chocolate over Easter, Southam First will be running a chocolate tombola at the event, and there will also be an information stall and hot drinks available.

Southam's main High Street will be closed to all vehicles, so everyone can enjoy the market in a safe, traffic-free environment.

With plenty of free parking, this is a family-friendly event and the organisers are hoping to attract both residents and visitors from around the district to enjoy a very special market day in Southam.

Pam McConnell



Easter Weekend

Do you know where approximately 250 people go every Easter Weekend?

Napton Art Festival

For the past 50 years, Napton Artists have held an exhibition of paintings in Napton Village Hall. Artists of various talents exhibit their hobby for the enjoyment of all who visit. If a picture takes your eye it will 'probably' be for sale at a VERY reasonable price. I say 'probably' because sometimes members don't want to sell their work, they just want to share their talent.

Refreshments are available (all cakes are homemade). You will be supporting a community event, as well as having a very pleasant time.

Sitting in the conservatory after viewing, discussing who should win the 'Best Painting in Show' might even inspire you to paint/join the club.

We hope you will put the date in your diary:

Saturday 31st March and Sunday 1st April, 10am to 5pm and look forward to seeing you and your children.

Getting there: Post Code: CV47 8LS – typically, Harbury to Napton is 6 to 7 miles.

Haidee Powell

Harbury and Bishops Itchington Patient Participation Group

The group last met on 12th January. Among other items, we discussed:

The present time limit of 28 days on repeat prescriptions. Could this not be increased? It was explained that this is a requirement of South Warwickshire NHS, aimed at reducing wastage.

'Flu injections. The surgeries had met their targets. 76% of over-65s had been inoculated.

Harbury Pharmacy has appointed their dispenser Bobbie Sharpe to publicise 'flu jabs and other health campaigns.

There has been additional practice funding for the winter, resulting in one extra clinic a week until February. Attendance has been excellent.

Online booking of blood tests in advance at Warwick Hospital gives patients priority and saves time.

We welcomed the surgery text messages confirming appointments. It was suggested that the practice newsletter could inform parents of illnesses 'going the rounds' and highlight symptoms and treatments. The surgery welcomed the suggestion.

Concerns were raised about the outside lights in the surgery car park. They may need reprogramming to coincide with dusk. Sensor lights are not possible since there have been complaints from surgery neighbours about their being triggered at unsocial hours.

Numbers at the successful 'Connections' Café for patients with dementia had fallen; and the surgery agreed to make publicity available.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, 4th May, at Harbury Surgery, from 12.30pm.

John Stringer, 613214
or john23stringer@gmail.com



An Invitation to Have Your Say on Local Healthcare Services

NHS South Warwickshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), the local NHS organisation which plans and buys health services for the local population in Warwick and Stratford Districts, is inviting local residents to share their views on health services in the area.

If you would like to give feedback on current services or hear plans for future services, then go along to their next 'Have Your Say Day' on Wednesday 14th March, 6.30 – 8.30pm (refreshments from 6pm) in the Lomas Suite at Stratford Hospital, Stratford CV37 6NX.

To help plan for catering please register your intention to attend, although anyone is welcome to come along on the day. [<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/have-your-say-day-nhs-south-warwickshire-ccg-tickets-42501776959>]

If you have any questions call the patient engagement team on 01926 353810.

The Patient Engagement Team
NHS South Warwickshire Clinical Commissioning Group

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors

We would like to thank all our wonderful friends, in Harbury and Ladbroke, for the care and support during Roy's illness and for all the cards and letters received since his death.

His funeral was very moving and just what we'd hoped for - a real celebration and thanksgiving for his life. Again, thank you, for all involved in the service and provision of refreshments afterwards.

Roy, and we, loved the years here and still miss you.

May he Rest in Peace now, and rise in glory.

Bless you all.

Pam, Claire, Helen & David Brown

Dear Editors

It would be remiss of me not to write to the Harbury & Ladbroke News to thank the Hunt family for awarding me the Spirit of Harbury Award last year. At the time it was presented, I was out of action for some months in Walsgrave Hospital recovering from a back operation, followed by the onset of regular dialysis. During the time I was in hospital I was very grateful for all the visitors who kept my spirits alive.

Now that I am back home, I am trying to catch up on some of the village activities in which I have been involved over the years. I have decided to divide the John Hunt bursary equally between two charities with local connections - the Children's Air Ambulance and Harbury Energy Initiative.

Yours sincerely

Chris Finch

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	Harbury	Dr Wood 9.00 - 11.30am	Dr Wilkinson 9.00 - 11.30am	Dr Snowdon 9.00 - 11.30am	Dr Panting 9.00 - 11.30am	Dr Wood 9.00 - 11.30am
		Dr Panting 8.30 - 11.00am	Dr Wood 8.30 - 11.00am	Dr Hill 8.30 - 11.00am	Dr Wilkinson 8.30 - 11.00am	Dr Snowdon 8.30 - 11.00am
PM	Harbury	-----	Dr Panting 2.00 - 4.30pm	Dr Wood 2.00 - 4.30pm	Dr Hill 2.00 - 4.30pm	-----
		Dr Hill 3.40 - 6.00pm	Dr Wilkinson 3.40 - 6.00pm	-----	Dr Wilkinson 3.40 - 6.00pm	Dr Wood 3.40 - 6.00pm
		Dr Snowdon 3.40 - 6.00pm	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Bishops Itchington	Dr Panting 3.45 - 6.00pm	-----	Dr Snowdon 3.45 - 6.00pm	-----	-----



All Saints' Church Harbury Sunday Services

1 st Sunday in the month:	9.00am 10.30am 6.00pm	Sung Eucharist Little Saints Various/Ad hoc (see pew sheet)
2 nd Sunday in the month:	8.00am 10.30am 12.30pm	Said Communion Sung Eucharist Baptisms
3 rd Sunday in the month:	8.00am 10.30am 6.00pm	Said Communion Saints Alive! Informal Communion Service Evensong
4 th Sunday in the month:	8.00am 10.30am 12.30pm	Said Communion Sung Eucharist Baptisms
5 th Sunday in the month:	8.00am 10.30am	Said Communion Sung Eucharist
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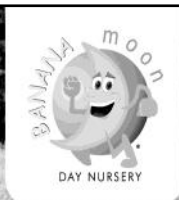
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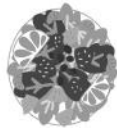


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