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Editorial

During these cold, dark, post-Christmas days it is tempting to stay indoors as much as possible, particularly in the evenings. However, several interesting upcoming events in both villages may encourage you to leave the TV for one night: on 5th February there is a free talk on self-publishing in Harbury Village Library and on 4th March, again in the Library, there is an evening with Mary Rhodes, the BBC Midlands Today television presenter. Details of how to get tickets for this event are given on page 32. The popular village cinema in Harbury will show 'Downton Abbey' on Saturday 29th February whilst, in Ladbroke, the Ladbroke Players will present the play "Anything you Ask" on 7th and 8th February – full details of where to get tickets are on page 12.

Harbury Parish Council is holding a consultation event on Monday 3rd February on the position of a proposed new youth shelter for the playing fields. If you miss this event you can still register your comments by visiting the Library; details on page 17.

Finally, we extend our condolences to the families of John Dickerson and Tony Stubbs.

Harbury Diary

FEBRUARY


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|-----|---|--|
| Sat | 1 | Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid Of Harbury Pre-School |
| Sun | 2 | PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE/CANDLEMAS
Holy Communion (Said) Service, 9.00am
Little Saints Service, 10.30am, Tom Hauley Room
Candlemas Evening Service, 6.00pm
Youth Group, 7.00pm – 8.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
Zumba, 9.00am, Village Hall |
| Mon | 3 | Martial Arts, 5.30pm, Village Hall
Harbury Parish Council Public Consultation on youth shelter, 4.00 – 6.00pm, Harbury Village Library
Yoga, 8.00pm, Village Hall |
| Tue | 4 | MeetingPoint Lunch, 12.30pm, the Crown Inn (booking required)
Heritage Room open 6.30 – 8.30pm, Harbury School
Holy Communion, 7.30pm |
| Wed | 5 | Pilates, 9.30am, Village Hall
Wednesday Walkers meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park - Hellidon (4 miles)
Mothers' Union Service and meeting, 2.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall |

- Wed 5 Ballroom & Latin American Dancing, beginners 7.30pm, improvers 8.30pm, Village Hall
Self-Publishing talk by Jeremy Atkins, 7.30pm, Harbury Village Library
- Thurs 6 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
'Pound' Fitness Class, 11.15am, Village Hall
Mini Reds Junior Tennis, 4.45pm, Village Hall
Yoga/Gratitude Workshop, 6.00pm, Village Hall
Folk Club, 8.00pm, Village Club
- Sat 8 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Senior Citizens
Coffee with the Lib Dems, 10.30am – 12 noon, Harbury Village Library
- Sun 9 THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**
Holy Communion (said service), 8.00am
Holy Communion and Children's Church, 10.30am
Messy Church, 3.00 – 5.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Zumba, 9.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 10 Martial Arts, 5.30pm, Village Hall
Yoga, 8.00pm, Village Hall
- Tue 11 Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 12 Pilates, 9.30am, Village Hall
Wednesday Walkers meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park - Edgehill & Radway (4½ miles, hilly)
Away Day, 10.00am - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
Ballroom & Latin American Dancing, beginners 7.30pm, improvers 8.30pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 13 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
'Pound' Fitness Class, 11.15am, Village Hall
Mini Reds Junior Tennis, 4.45pm, Village Hall
Jazz Club, doors & bar open 7.30pm, music starts 8.00pm, Village Hall
WI Members' Night, 7.45pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Sat 15 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of e-Wheels
- Sun 16 SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT**
Holy Communion (Said Service), 8.00am
Saints Alive Informal All Age Service, 10.30am
Evensong, 6.00pm
Youth Group, 7.00pm – 8.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
Zumba, 9.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 17 Martial Arts, 5.30pm, Village Hall
Yoga, 8.00pm, Village Hall
- Tue 18 Holy Communion, 7.30pm
Harbury Society talk : 'Canals and Canal Horses' by Sean Neill, 7.30 for 8.00pm, Tom Hauley Room

- Wed 19 Wednesday Walkers meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park, Snitterfield – Welcombe Monument, (4½ miles, hilly with stiles), optional pub lunch
Connections (Dementia) Café, 2.00 – 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
Ballroom & Latin American Dancing, beginners 7.30pm, improvers 8.30pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 20 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
'Pound' Fitness Class, 11.15am, Village Hall
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- Sat 22 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Mothers' Union
- Sun 23 SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT**
Holy Communion (Said Service), 8.00am
Holy Communion and Children's Church, 10.30am
Informal Service, 6.00pm
Zumba, 9.00am, Village Hall
Youth Group, 6.00pm – 8.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Mon 24 Martial Arts, 5.30pm, Village Hall
PCC Meeting, 7.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
Yoga, 8.00pm, Village Hall
- Tue 25 Holy Communion, 7.30pm
Julian Meeting, 8.00pm
- Wed 26 Wednesday Walkers meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park – Henley (4½miles)
Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
Ballroom & Latin American Dancing, beginners 7.30pm, improvers 8.30pm, Village Hall
Ash Wednesday Service, 7.30pm, **All Saints Ladbroke**
- Thurs 27 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
'Pound' Fitness Class, 11.15am, Village Hall
Mini Reds Junior Tennis, 4.45pm, Village Hall
Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Sat 29 Local Produce Market: 10.00am – 1.00pm, Harbury Primary School
Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Church needlework panels
Soup & Sandwich Lunch in aid of Church needlework panels, 12.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
Harbury Village Cinema presents 'Downton Abbey', doors open 6.15pm, film begins 7.00pm, Village Hall

MARCH

- Sun 1 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**
 Holy Communion (Said Service), 9.00am
 Little Saints Service, 10.30am, Tom Hauley Room
 Zumba, 9.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 2** Martial Arts, 5.30pm, Village Hall
 Harbury Village Library & Biblio's Café AGM, 7.30pm,
 Harbury Library
 Yoga, 8.00pm, Village Hall
- Tue 3** MeetingPoint, 2.00 – 4.00pm for tea, coffee & biscuits, The Crown Inn
 Heritage Room open 6.30 – 8.30pm, Harbury School
- Wed 4** Wednesday Walkers meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park -
 Combroom – Compton Verney (4 miles)
 Mothers Union Service and Meeting, 2.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
 Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
 Ballroom & Latin American Dancing, beginners 7.30pm,
 improvers 8.30pm, Village Hall
 'An Evening with Mary Rhodes', (tickets available in Library,
 £7.50pp, proceeds to Breast Cancer Haven), 7.30pm,
 Harbury Village Library
- Thurs 5** Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
 'Pound' Fitness Class, 11.15am, Village Hall
 Mini Reds Junior Tennis, 4.45pm, Village Hall
 Folk Club, 8.00pm, Village Club

Refuse Collection Rota			
	Deppers Bridge	Harbury, Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge outlying properties	Collection Week
February	Wed	Fri	
	5	7	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	12	14	Grey Bin
	19	21	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	26	28	Grey Bin
March	4	6	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	11	13	Grey Bin
	18	20	Green & Blue Lid Bins





From the Rector

Rev Bob Clucas

Before Harbury and Ladbroke entered into vacancy, when Craig Grocock left for new pastures, I had presided at one main service in each church. They were not desperate for clergy cover back then! Unfortunately, on the one occasion I was leading at Harbury, the heating broke down and I kept the service short because of the cold. Strangely, now that I am leading about half the Sunday morning services, the heating has broken down in a more permanent fashion. I can't see how it can be my fault, but you never know.

When the ministerial team met to organise our part in the vacancy we set ourselves to keep the churches "moving" in the same direction and pace as under Craig's leadership. One particular area of possible "moving" was the spectrum of formal to informality. Under Craig's leadership I think most people would have seen a gentle move towards being less formal while maintaining that things were done in good order. (As I do a lot of work with children and teenagers, I have a tendency towards informality with an appearance of chaos.)

With the heating on perma-frost mode our best intentions of a normal pace of change at Harbury are well scuppered. We are meeting in the Tom Hauley room for some weeks to come and inevitably this makes for a more intimate and informal atmosphere. Additional change was brought on as our regular organist left at the end of December. The organist booked for cover in January only plays the organ, not piano, so the hymns' accompaniment is different too. Thank you to those pianists who are willing to cover.

As usual, you can't please all the people all the time. I imagine that some like the more relaxed services in the smaller room and some are looking forward to a return to normal. In all of this we are trying very hard to maintain business as usual. Baptisms, weddings and funerals will carry on as normal. Sundays are enjoyable and the sense of awe in God's presence should be due to his Word and Spirit rather than the imposing building and organ.



From the Churchwardens

Liz & Michael

Well it's a little chilly in our church building at the moment but do not be put off as a warm welcome awaits you in the adjoining Tom Hauley Room where we are holding as many services as possible. We are adapting to this situation day by day – so bear with us!

The boiler, which has served us well for rather a long time, is no more. A working party is looking at heating, lighting and re-wiring the church with a view to improving, rather than just replacing, the current systems. This will

require a considerable amount of money, some of which may be claimed from grants but the balance will need to be raised in the parish.

The process of appointing a new vicar is underway but has been slightly delayed so we are even more grateful to all who are ministering to us during this vacancy, both clergy and lay people.

Church life continues with all our normal services including Little Saints, Saints Alive and Messy Church. The next Messy Church is on 9th February at 3pm in the warm Tom Hauley Room and we will be looking at "commandments, rules and laws". Sounds a little forbidding, but with a short introduction followed by junk modelling traffic signs, playing board games and carving out soap commandments, we hope to show that following rules can be fun and helpful to a good way of life. Moses may get a look in too!

Please do contact either of us should you have any queries relating to church life.

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

From the Registers:

Baptism

12th January Ava Mollie Roberts

Funeral

10th January Anthony Stubbs (84 years)



Mothers' Union

Gillian Hare

We started our New Year party in style, with sherry and nibbles. After the usual frenetic 'pass the parcel' we shared our memories of Christmases past; there seemed to be many involving cold bedrooms and undressing under the blankets! The tea, needless to add, was lavish and delicious.

We remembered our much-loved departed friend 'little Mary' – how she enjoyed our parties and the deplorable cracker jokes!

And we send our sympathy and best wishes to Marion Dickerson at the passing of John, after a long battle with poor health.

On 5th February at 2pm, our lay-led service and talk gives a nod to Valentine's Day: the many kinds of love.

On 22nd February we are running the Tom Hauley coffee morning; offers of help, cakes, bric-a-brac and raffle prizes will be appreciated.



Soup and Sandwich Anyone?

A team of skilful ladies led by Ros Baldwin are working on a set of needlework panels to beautify the west wall of the church. To raise funds for these to be mounted and fixed, the Tom Hauley coffee morning on 29th February will be followed by a lunch. This will consist of homemade soup, a choice of fresh sandwiches and a hot drink – all for £5! Order forms are in the information area in church and at previous coffee mornings.

I have had a sneak preview of the project so far and it is quite outstandingly inspirational. Please support the coffee morning and/or lunch when some of the work in progress will be displayed.

Gillian Hare

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

FEBRUARY

Sun 2 PRESENTATION OF CHRIST

Family Communion, 10.30am followed by refreshments

Mon 3 Pause and Pray, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Church

Wed 5 Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall

Thurs 6 WI, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Fri 7 Ladbroke Players present "Anything you Ask", doors open 7.00pm, play starts 7.30pm, Village Hall

Sat 8 Ladbroke Players present "Anything you Ask", doors open 7.00pm, play starts 7.30pm, Village Hall

Sun 9 3rd SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am

Tue 11 Ladbroke Photography Club, 7.30pm, Village Hall (postponed from 4th Feb)

Wed 12 Table Tennis, 7.30 - 8.30pm, Village Hall

Sun 16 2nd SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Holy Communion (BCP), 9.00am

Mon 17 Homegroup, 8.00pm, 2 Hedges Close

Wed 19 Table Tennis, 7.30 - 8.30pm, Village Hall

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Sun 23 SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Wed 26 Ash Wednesday Service with imposition of ashes, 7.30pm, Table Tennis, 7.30 - 8.30pm, Village Hall

MARCH**Sun 1 LENT I**

Family Communion, 10.30am followed by refreshments

Mon 2 Pause and Pray, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Church

Wed 4 Table Tennis, 7.30 - 8.30pm, Village Hall

Thurs 5 WI, 7.30pm, Village Hall

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

Our first events of the New Year were our Family Service on the first Sunday followed by "Pause and Pray" the following evening. Both were well attended and we were particularly pleased that some of our friends from Harbury were able to join us on the Monday evening as we shared our "2020 vision" and prayed for our two major projects of the moment.

These are the recruitment process for our new vicar, which is now progressing again after a delay which coincided with Christmas, and our All Saints For All Generations building repairs and heritage activities project. By the time this article is published, we expect to have had a meeting with the assessors from the Heritage Lottery Fund who are considering our grant application.

In both cases we are working through complicated processes which take a lot of time behind the scenes, but with little firm news to give until we get to the end! As we are able to give more news, we will do so – so watch this space!

Christmas seems only just over but spring and Easter will soon be here. The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, which is on 26th February this year. As usual, we shall be having a special service that evening, at 7.30pm.

**Ladbroke Parish Council****Jackie West**

Official minutes can be viewed on the noticeboard by The Bell Inn or on the parish council page of the website. <https://sites.google.com/site/ladbrokevillage/parish-council/pc-meetings>

Ladbroke has a small Parish Council, just five councillors, and the meeting on January 8th was only just quorate with three of them present; it proved to be a short meeting too.

SDC: The council, but not our councillor, voted **for** charges to empty green bins - see Cllr Rock's report for more details.

WCC: Cllr Williams reported "wait and see" messages regarding changes in tiers of local government and forthcoming HS2 decision. House prices in the county are rising as it is seen as a pleasant place to live.

Police precept: The Parish Council had been consulted on whether they thought this should rise by zero, 4.99% or more. Given that it rose by 6% last year to little perceived benefit and there is a central grant from the Home Office, our council's response is "a rise up to the inflation rate", though this wasn't actually given as an option.

Ladbroke Parish Precept: To remain unchanged.

Planning: The council made no representation regarding tree works in Ladbroke Churchyard, at Hallsfield, The Old School or land off Bridge Lane.

Highways and Footpaths: It transpires that Highways had requested the drains in Church Road be sorted and they were surprised this was not yet done. *(Note a few days after the meeting the worst section was unblocked so finally, after three months of the road and pavement being under water, this has drained away. However several gullies between this corner and the stream are still blocked).*

In the recent very heavy rain, the Banbury Road had flooded near Ladbroke Farm. However this was only temporary unlike the persistent flooding before the new drainage works undertaken a couple of years ago.

Village Hall and Millennium Green: The new entrance and accessible toilet at the village hall are practically complete thanks to funding from the HS2 Community Fund. The next works will be new gravelling and a hard space for disabled parking (*in progress*) followed by some kitchen improvements. Ladbroke players will be performing the comedy, "Anything you Ask" in the village hall in early February, and Ladbroke Matters have plans for various fund raising events during the year. They are also looking into the new Severn Trent Community Fund as a source of funding.

HS2: As everyone knows, we are awaiting the government's decision on HS2. Documents showing the general look of bridges etc. have been received and will be put on the village website.

Speed monitoring: Five people have said they will support speed measurement but more are needed to make this viable and worth obtaining the equipment.

Water pump: It was agreed to service the petrol driven pump which is available to move large volumes of water in case of flooding.

Next meeting: Wednesday 11th March, 7.45pm.

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Adverts to: 36 Manor Orchard, Harbury or e-mail to advertising@hlnews.co.uk by 20th February

Articles to: Harbury Pharmacy, High Street or e-mail to articles@hlnews.co.uk by 5.30pm, Thursday 20th February



Our January meeting on Thursday 2nd saw the return of Felicity Howatson. Her talk this evening was entitled 'My Life as a Textile Artist' and the table was full of her colourful work.

One of her passions was the effect of colour on the environment. The waistcoat she was wearing was created out of a myriad of reds, oranges, and yellows and represented fire. The one displayed on the table was equally bright in shades of blues and greens and was inspired by water. Felicity thought her early life in India gave her the love of bright colours.

As an ecclesiastical embroiderer, she had remnants of fine materials which she used to great effect.

However, what to me seemed revolutionary, was her use of soluble film - the material which in one form is used for washing pods. This gave substance

to the fine materials such as organza and allowed her to create work such as fine butterfly wings, jewellery, pictures and brooches. The embroidery is completed with the backing of the film which is then washed away.

Felicity runs classes and can be contacted on 01926 612733.

In the absence of Hazel who was not well, Joan chaired a short business meeting.

This year's resolutions are in WI Life and members are encouraged to study them prior to voting.

We are also encouraged to start knitting again for the homeless - hats, scarves or even blankets.

The next meeting will be held on 6th February, when John Butterworth will talk about 'Hitting the Headlines as a Newspaper Editor'. The March meeting on the 5th will be a light hearted talk on later life planning entitled Tax, Care and Toy Boys! The mind boggles?

The meetings are in Ladbroke Village Hall and start at 7.30pm. We love new members so do come along if you are able.



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



By the time you read this we are hoping that work will have been completed in upgrading our car parking facilities including a blue badge space.

Our next project will be to upgrade the kitchen area.



Our village thespians, techies, and scene builders are working tirelessly on a comedy by Nick Planas entitled 'Anything You Ask' - *a retired couple get an attractive domestic robot: what could possibly go wrong?*

There will be two performances: on **Friday 7th February** and **Saturday 8th February** both at 7.30pm in Ladbroke Village Hall. Drinks will be available at the bar.

Tickets at £12 each are available from Kip – 01926 815004 or kip.warr@gmail.com



We are hoping to present another of our **supper and film nights in March**. More details will be available soon.

Looking further ahead, we have a **Sixties Soiree** planned for **Friday 8th May** (which is the first May bank holiday this year). Based around the 1960's, the decade which saw many changes, we will have more details later.

....and even further ahead we are looking to organise a **dog show** on **Saturday 11th July!**



Don't forget that you can hire the Village Hall for your party or celebration at a very reasonable rate (£15 per hour with a 20% discount for Ladbroke residents). We have a kitchen, and room for up to 80 people. To book your special occasion contact Debs (tel 07779 225105 or email debs.dptv@gmail.com).

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 Draw for December 2019

£50	Steve Copley	£50	Betty Winkfield
£25	Helen Hay	£25	Jo Horne
£25	Clive Coleman	£10	Caryl Thompson
£10	Joan Perry	£10	Carol Locker
£10	Bill Bosworth	£10	Sophie Kendall

Margaret Bosworth



Ladbroke Photography Club

Jackie West

Our January meeting, on a wet and windy night, was in the cosy warmth of the the White Hart at Ufton enjoying their good food.

We are back to things photographic this month but have moved the date by a week to allow the Ladbroke Players an extra rehearsal night. So our February meeting will be on Tuesday 11th February, on the theme of **Plants**. Our March meeting is also going to be on the second Tuesday, March 10th, it will be the AGM followed by photos of **Water**. After that we return to the first Tuesday each month. Visitors and potential new members are welcome, for more information about the club see our website tinyurl.com/ladbrokephoto or email kip.warr@gmail.com



Ladbroke General Section

From Your District Councillor

Green Waste. You may remember that I reported that the last Council meeting of 2019 voted through a £40 annual charge for the continued collection of green waste starting this this summer, a move which I opposed.

Since the meeting, three of my colleagues have made formal complaints about the process leading to this decision and asked for it to be set aside. Firstly, because the information given in the public consultation and to Councillors was inaccurate and misleading, particularly around the finances and recent funding of the District Council, and secondly because the County Council appears not to have had the chance to properly consider the effect of more traffic, as people take their green waste to recycling centres such as the Stockton one, which serves the area around Southam. That site is already at capacity at weekends and is located on a dangerous stretch of road.

At the time of writing the complaint has been rejected and colleagues are considering what sensible steps can be made to have both the timing and concept of this proposal revised.

Budget: The council will be looking at the budget during the coming session.

The announcement by the government on 20th December of its Provisional Local Government Settlement for councils for the coming year has delivered a bonus to Stratford District Council. This 'settlement' provides £9.33million from central government to Stratford - £2.47million more than the £6.86million more than was forecast in last year's medium term financial plan.

This is a very welcome bonus for the District Council but one wonders why the Council should now continue with £40 charge for green waste which was put forward as a fund raising exercise, especially since the Council's reserves are predicted to remain at over £9 million for the next two years, against the minimum requirement of £3 million.

Climate Emergency: The new planning guidance document to respond to climate change is now open for consultation. Comments must be received by 5pm on Friday 21st February 2020.

The document can be viewed at www.stratford.gov.uk/climatechangespd (or at public libraries). The Council is also hosting a public drop-in session when officers will be available to answer questions and provide more information. This is at the Council offices in Stratford on Tuesday 4th February from 3-7pm. (At the moment no information session is planned more locally, but if enough people request one, I would make enquiries.)

Nigel Rock
Councillor for Napton, Fenny Compton & Ladbroke Ward
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Wonderful Villages Photo Competition

Allied Westminster are running a photo competition on the theme **Village Life** - a photo which characterises the value of community in your village. The winning entry will receive £500 plus £1000 for your village hall. The closing date is 15th March

2020 and all the details are on <https://villagehallsurvey.com/survey/photo-competition>

Jackie West



William Hudd, Guitarist

When Bill (as he told us he liked to be called) played at Ladbroke Church's fund raising concert last year, he mentioned he was releasing a CD soon. I'm not sure if nine months counts as soon but I have heard the CD and downloads are now available. He also has a smart new website at <https://william-hudd-guitarist.com> where you can hear short extracts of him playing for free. Plans are afoot for Bill to return to Ladbroke this year for another live performance. Watch this space.

Jackie West



Harbury Parish Council

Linda Ridgley
Harbury News Correspondent

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

January 2020 Meeting Report

Surprisingly little to report; matters needed little discussion and it all ended early for once!

A vacancy on the Council will be published as Cllr Pat Summers has resigned, but intends to continue, with her volunteers, to beautify the Burial Grounds. Fees for burial will be increased slightly but fees for child burials will be scrapped. The chapel roof has still not been repaired due to an extreme pluvial season. Parts of the playing fields have also been underwater for months and damage from Bonfire Night is extensive.

A resident wrote to suggest that, in future, fireworks should be silent; there should be no bonfire, and trees could be planted on old site. Instead Councillors agreed to negotiate with GASS on what happens if the weather is too extreme. They then made no representations on Stratford District's Climate Change and Mitigation Policy.

There will be a Public Consultation on 3rd February for residents to express their views on which of three potential sites on the playing fields, would be the most suitable site for the youth shelter. The sites will be pegged out so that people can evaluate them.

Late in the proceedings a resident arrived to petition for a bus shelter at Binswood End for the many elderly people who had to wait there in the cold. Cllr Gibb, the Chairman said, is aware of the problem and is "in the queue for funding" for such a project. The mystery of how the lamppost in Binswood End was damaged remains. It will cost £1,500 to £2,000 to replace.

The Clerk and Cllr Gibb met WCC Highways to discuss the damage to the carriageway and verges along Bush Heath Lane. The County will replace the missing Harbury sign, put boundary markers along the verge and fill in some of the damaged grass to the east. But the western side has to wait until Henry's developers have installed the promised footpath and removed the wrongly installed gates about which our Parish Council has complained.

Cllr Rutherford reported Village Hall improvements were stalled over HS2 uncertainty. It was not prudent to go-ahead when the proposed funding from the scheme was on hold. However plans for a £5,400 (plus VAT) joint CCTV project for the car park and Hall was to progress.

Probably the most amusing item revolved round a complaint, from Stratford District, that the red dog waste bin on the playing fields was too heavy for the bin men to carry. It is close to the gate from Ridgley Way to the fields. The obvious solution would be for them to access it from that estate as the bin is only feet away from the roadway. It appears SDC is under the

misapprehension that the road is private. The PC strenuously asserts that this is not the case.

There was some discussion about the budget (£113,378) and the very slight rise in the rates (1.2% increase for Band D payers) and a tedious process to approve the Standing Orders, Financial Regulations, Financial Risk Management and Asset Register, which has to be done “by the book”.

Next Meeting of the Parish Council: Thursday 27th February, 7.30pm in the Farley Room, Village Hall.

Parish Council Meeting Notices

As a small contribution towards saving the planet, the parish council has decided to discontinue the practice of advertising each monthly meeting separately by way of laminated posters. In future, a single notice will be displayed on each of the village noticeboards, listing the meeting dates for the coming year. We currently produce a minimum of 55 laminated posters every year, which all go to landfill after a few days. We estimate that even taking into account that the notices will have to be replaced 2 or 3 times during the year, we will be able to reduce the number of laminated posters to around 20 each year. A formal notice for each meeting, along with a copy of the agenda, will continue to be displayed in the window of the parish council office and full details will also be available on our website: www.harbury-pc.gov.uk

Parish Councillor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a parish councillor. This is a great opportunity to serve the local community. If you would like to know more about what the role entails, please contact the parish clerk, Alison Biddle, on 01926 614646 or call into the parish council office. We are usually open 10.00am to 12 noon from Monday to Thursday.

Thank You to Cllr Pat Summers

We were very sorry to receive Pat’s resignation just before Christmas. Pat has been an enthusiastic member of the council for several years. During that time, she led the working party for the preparation of the Harbury Neighbourhood Development Plan which now forms part of local planning policy and is helping to protect Harbury from inappropriate development. She also set up Friends of Harbury Cemetery who have worked hard planting spring bulbs and generally tidying up parts of the cemetery that had been overlooked for some years. These are just a couple of the things Pat has been involved with during her time on the council. We shall miss her contributions at parish council meetings and her general good sense but wish her all the very best for the future.

Current Parish Council members contactable via the Parish Office are:

Tim Lockley (Chairman), Keith Thompson (Vice-Chair), Samantha Allen, Steve Ekins, Chris Gibb, Alan Knowles, Tony Mancell, Andrew Rutherford, Janet Thornley

Contacting Southam Police

Our local police team at Southam, led by PC Matt Simms, are going to be running drop-in surgeries over the next few months. Please look out for notices of when these will be taking place. In the meantime, please note the following contact details:

Email: southam.snt@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk

Tel: 01926 815158

Members of the team also have work mobile numbers in use when they are on duty:

PC Matt Simms 07814 048543

PCSO Kat Campion 07919 887674

PCSO Nas Hussain 07870 167909

Harbury Parish Council

Youth Shelter - Public Consultation

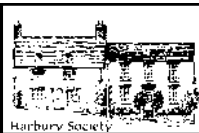


The parish council has recently added to the play equipment on the playing field as a result of additional funding and consultation, during which a request from young people was received for a youth shelter. The council has therefore researched suitable items and has chosen a Tewkesbury Recreation Shelter (full details will be available at the consultation event).

In order that the shelter is installed in the most suitable location, the parish council is conducting a public consultation. This will take place in Harbury Library on Monday, 3rd February from 4pm until 6pm when there will be an opportunity to view the three possible locations and vote for your choice using the available voting slip. Voting slips will remain available in the library and voting will close on Saturday 15th February. A final decision will be made on the outcome of the consultation at the meeting of Harbury Parish Council on Thursday, 27th February 2020.

In order to ensure that the proposed locations are clear, three sets of wooden stakes will be installed on the playing field showing the relevant voting code/letter from Saturday, 1st February. Please have a look at the options and vote for your choice.

Harbury Parish Council



Harbury Society

Sue Turner

A society for the villagers of Harbury which celebrates the heritage of the area by way of lively talks and outings.

Please find below details of our Spring programme of talks.

Tuesday 18th February

A talk by Sean Neill 'Interpreting Canal Towpaths: Traces of Horses'. Sean's talk focuses on canal architecture and how it developed to 'accommodate' working horses.

7.30pm for 8pm in the Tom Hauley Room.

Tuesday 17th March

A talk by Gordon Robbins 'The Honey Bee and Beekeeping – What's the Buzz?'. Gordon's aim is to raise people's awareness of honey bees.

7.30pm for 8pm in the Tom Hauley Room.

You don't have to be a member to attend, so please come along as a visitor.

We won't press visitors to join the Society, but hope that you might consider it having seen what we do.



Harbury Women's Institute

Mary Thompson

At the first meeting of the new year our speaker was Charlie Demetriou who addressed the very topical issue of 'Zero Waste and Realism'. Tackling plastic waste is frequently in the forefront of peoples' minds which was shown by the number of members who braved torrential rain to attend the meeting.

Charlie recently opened Zero in Russell Street in Leamington. Zero was founded in February 2019 and started life as pop up stalls, including Harbury, and mini stalls in local shops, including Harbury supermarket. Charlie has now given up her job as a primary school teacher to concentrate on running her business in Leamington, using local suppliers wherever possible.

Charlie told us that there are 150,000,000 metric tonnes of plastic in the oceans worldwide and this is increasing every day. A lot of developing countries don't recycle. She acknowledged that the recycling of plastic was still confusing and some don't break down as we assume they will. She encouraged us to use refill stations for our cleaning products. Charlie also made a strong case for using loose tea rather than tea bags which don't decompose as we think they might.

She reminded us that past generations were a “make do and mend” generation but at present we tend to use something and then get rid of it; Charlie was encouraging us to borrow, swap and share things to avoid so much waste. Cooking from scratch and sewing are a great way to avoid waste. She also told us what a problem disposable nappies are – washable nappies are much easier than they used to be.

Charlie acknowledged that recycling depends on where you live and encouraged members to look at the Warwickshire recycling website – we can’t be perfect but we can all make an effort to protect future generations.

Our New Year Party was held in the Village Hall on January 17th where members and guests had a lovely supper provided by members. We were then entertained by Cathy Morris who combines her work as a community nurse in Coventry with life as a professional singer. She has a fantastic voice and soon had everyone singing along with songs from the 50s, 60s and 70s. She entertains lots of WIs and remarked on our super Village Hall and said it was the best WI supper she had ever had!

Our next meeting on February 13th will be a “Members’ Evening” when we shall be entertained by quizzes and activities created by some of our members – always a pleasant social occasion. Visitors and new members are always welcome.

The next cinema in the Village Hall will be featuring “Downton Abbey on Saturday 29th February. Tickets will be on sale in Harbury Pharmacy until Wednesday 26th February, but don’t leave it until the last minute as this will probably be a very popular film and we can only sell so many tickets. A reminder that neither the pharmacy nor WI committee members keep a waiting list for the cinema.



Folk Club

Sue Hartland

The theme for the January Folk Club number 422 was “New Beginnings”.

After a Happy New Year greeting to everyone, Ian and Sue sang “Someday Soon” and “Garden Party”. Bob was next with “Teach Your Children Well” and “4 + 20”. Janny and Maureen followed singing “Hedger and Ditcher/Sorry” and then a very funny song called “Hot Water Bottle Cover”. It was good to see Peter Mason return to the Club and he sang an old favourite, “Kilkenny Ireland” followed by “January Man”. I think everyone joined in with Rik singing “A Farmer’s Boy” and he followed this with the Jake Thackery classic “The Widow of Brid”. A new duo called “The 3 Ps” (not really new, it was Peter McDonald, Pete Grassby and Peter Mason) closed the first half with a lovely version of the carol “The King”.

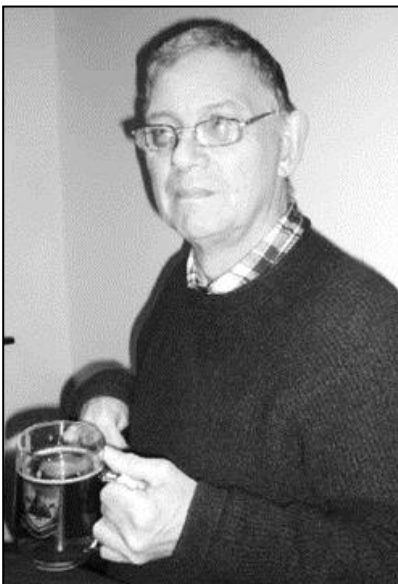
The Harbury Folk Club Choir kicked off the second half with the carols they had sung in the Christmas Eve church service, “Follow That Star” and “Mary Did You Know”. Sue Harris was next with “The Month of January”.

and "Another Train". Robin made a welcome return to the Club singing "The Blue Cockade" and "Innocent New Year". Peter Scott sang "Cawsand Bay" and then a particularly fine version of "Shenandoah". Pete Grassby followed with "A Gift of a Brand New Day" and a "Mail Order Annie". Don performed "Hill Climbing for Beginners" and "Clearwater". Peter McDonald entertained us with "We'll Sing Hallelujah" and "Struck It Right This Time". Keith Donnelly closed the evening with "Plagiarism Blues" which was hilarious! Then he persuaded Ursula to sing "New Lang Syne" and invited performers to join him. It was a super end to the New Year Folk Club.

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to the raffle which raised £86 for Cancer Research. Thank you to all the performers and thank you to the enthusiastic audience!

Next month the theme is "Cheer Up February" and Ted and Sue will host the evening.

	<h2>Harbury Heritage Room</h2>	<p>Bill Timson</p>
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Memories of growing up and living in Harbury

This month we are featuring Neville Sheasby, a Harbury man born and bred.

Neville was born in the Warneford Hospital, Leamington Spa in October 1952, eldest of four.

Many of you will know his brother Colin and sister Geraldine; his other brother John lives in Stratford and is a heating engineer. Neville's father Gerald was a master butcher and worked at Sid Cowley's in the High Street, now 'Phoenix House' and Percy Cowley's in Crown Street, the building opposite the Crown Inn, today known as 'The Homestead'. Neville remembers at the early age of four going with his father to work and being in the slaughter house behind the shop, sat up on

the counter feeding the cut up meat through the mincer for the sausages.

Neville's mother, May passed away last year; he remembers walking with her to Chesterton on many occasions to visit his grandparents, Sam and Sally Sweatman, May's parents, who lived at 10, The Green. Neville lives in Harbury around the corner from 'The Crown' public house where he enjoys a pint or two!

Neville attended the Wagstaffe School as an infant under Headteacher Mrs Watts and his class teacher Miss Endall. He transferred to the Wight School, headteacher Mr Reg Farrow, and onto Southam High School in 1964. On leaving secondary school in 1970 with a good mixture of O Levels and CSEs, he gained a place at Mid-Warwickshire College to study further. Neville began his working life at Warwickshire County Council. He had a couple of different roles at the Central Area Education Office before settling at North Leamington School as the first point of communication in the main school reception office. Thirty-one years later he retired!



Back in Harbury Neville used all of the local shops, Taylor's, of course, known locally as 'Top Shop', run by Mr and Mrs Taylor and later their son, Brian. Neville bought 'Lucky Bags' there for 6d. Mrs Messers' shop in High Street; George Marshall's hardware shop run by Mr Verity, a good place to buy caps for his cap gun. Colwell's Grocers run by Mrs Colwell. Her son Tony operated a mobile shop which he drove around the village and down to Chesterton. Lines' Store in Chapel Street, where 'Saddlers' is today. The newsagents on the corner of Mill Lane run by Mr and Mrs Lowe, Phil Lindop's in Chapel Street, now the hairdressers where 'you could buy anything!' Harbury Co-op as it was called at one time; the manager was Mr Honiwell who lived in the detached house between the chemist and the Wight School.

Neville commented on how the village has changed during his lifetime, noticeably in the 60's and 70's with all the new housing and cars parked everywhere. Before then he added 'the streets were relatively quiet and there were a lot more fields and green areas'.

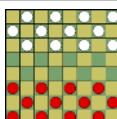
Neville's hobbies include playing darts, crib and reading and for many years he was an active member of the Carnival Committee. Now he has retired he has more time to take part in other village activities. He is a volunteer in the Library and at the Heritage Room.

If you know Neville you will appreciate why he has asked me to add this statement:

'Without the help and support of my parents, May and Gerry, I would not be as independent as I am today, thanks Mum and Dad'.

Helping to celebrate 100 years of the Village Club

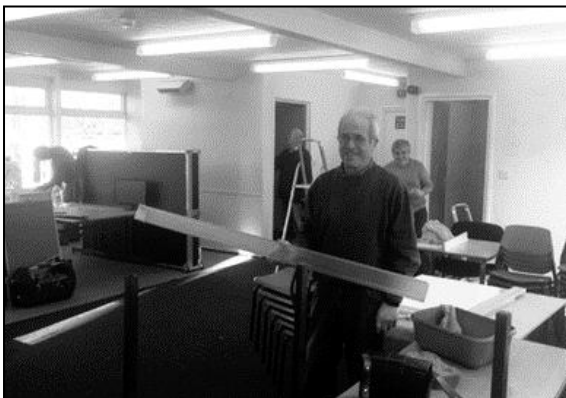
The Heritage Committee was asked to help by running a games afternoon at the Village Club on Saturday 4th January. We brought along a range of games and children were invited to come along and play. Our research showed that at the end of 1919, not long after the end of World War 1, popular games were hopscotch, snakes and ladders, blow football, Ludo, bagatelle, draughts and for the adults really, shove ha'penny. All of these were available and the photos show children and parents getting involved. Congratulations to the Village Club on its Centenary.



The Proposed New Heritage Centre

As you have found in this month's copy of the magazine, we are asking for donations to refurbish the 'Hut' in the Primary School grounds to provide a new Heritage Centre for all the people of Harbury.

Those of you who have visited the Heritage Room, currently in the main building of the Primary School, will have seen the large collection of documents,



photographs, maps and artefacts that have been collected over the past ten years or more.

Nigel Chapman, who needs no introduction I am sure, started this all off in 2008.

Please read the flyer and if you can, please donate. Those involved with the Heritage Group have already been busy cleaning, preparing and painting the inside of the New Centre. We need your help to make the Centre a comfortable and enjoyable place to visit. The children at the school will also benefit from this facility.

Many thanks in advance,

Bill Timson, Chairman



Harbury Energy Initiative

Bob Sherman

☎612277 ✉info@harburyenergy.co.uk

Warming the church

You may have heard, or will definitely know if you attend regularly, that the church's elderly, inefficient and unreliable heating has failed dramatically and is beyond repair. It is not a place to dwell at this time of year. Concentrating on a long sermon must have been quite a struggle in the hundreds of winters before heating was installed in the mid 19th century. Mind you, the carbon footprint was pretty low. The boiler has been changed since then - but not the pipes that snake round the building. The church is likely to need in the region of £150,000 to £200,000 to cover the cost of this, which is unwelcome but it does allow an opportunity to update all the heating to include the Tom Hauley Room and, at the same time, the lighting. HEI member and church Fabric Committee member, Philip Mayer, is overseeing plans for this and has already consulted a number of experts capable of delivering a modern,

energy efficient solution. HEI plans to support this exercise until it is resolved. It will take us well forward in our bid to become a Silver level Eco Church, even approaching Gold standard. Not bad for a 700 year old church. Meeting the costs will be a challenge but we are not afraid of those, as you know!

Energising the school

The school PV installation has now been operating for nearly a year. I am happy to tell you that the savings on electricity and income from generation are meeting expectations. It looks as though the school is on target to pay off its first instalment of the SALIX loan this year with a little to spare. What we need is a bit more sunshine. Solar rays on a cold day are the best...but don't last long.

Inspiring the county

I have been reporting on our progress with a scheme that takes HEI outside Harbury into the big, wide world of rural Warwickshire. The Low Carbon Warwickshire network now has a steering group and a bit of a plan and is succeeding in its aims. This initiative may not be strictly about activity in the village but it comes from Harbury so belongs to you. HEI has formed a consortium with Community Energy Warwickshire, Act on Energy and the RSA and in December submitted a pre-application concept proposal around this network idea to the National Lottery Climate Action Fund. This could provide a massive boost to the development of the network and to the stimulation of new carbon reduction and environmental activity in the county. There is a lot to do and communities need to get active. We wait to hear if our concept is worthy of a full bid.

Advising you

Staying with the same energy supplier for year after year could cost you dearly. It pays to check at the time your contract is due for renewal whether switching is going to benefit you. It is quite likely that it will. Switching is very simple nowadays and doesn't take long. Many energy companies now offer 'green' tariffs, which supports the development of more renewable generation. The country has fairly rapidly moved to almost 50% renewables generation now, so why not help us to reach 75% ...or even 100%! A couple of innovative energy suppliers have recently emerged. You might like to investigate them. Have a look at People's Energy (peoplesenergy.co.uk) and Ripple Energy (rippenergy.com), both of which operate on an ownership/profit sharing model. In the case of Ripple you buy a share in a wind farm as part of your energy package. People's Energy return 75% of their profits to members.

Looking ahead

HEI members Rich Fowler and Paul Quinney both have projects in development at the moment. More news as it happens. Or more likely just afterwards.

Keeping up to date

Websites are great resources but only if you keep them up to date. The HEI site has become a little out of date. I have contacted our web designer and am working out what we need. One benefit of an update is that I will no longer receive quite so much spam email offering me sexual encounters with women in Australia, America and Canada. There will be a cost to this (the web upgrade, I am not planning trips to Australia etc) and I am looking for funds that help charities with their IT development. Anyone know of any?



Harbury Tennis Club

Colin Mercer

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

The Club was officially launched in 1980 with the first Committee meeting on 2nd April so we're planning a "bit of a do" later in the year and would love to hear from any former members with any particular memories of their time with us, or photographs of any club events. You can send them to me at sucolmercer@btinternet.com

January was a busy month despite the frequent heavy rain that caused some flooding of the courts. The main event was our traditional New Year opener and organiser Peter Walshe's report gives an excellent flavour of the morning!

"New Year 2020 was a time to celebrate and make merry. For the first time in two years we were able to play on the nominated day, albeit quite cold, but the rain held off and there was no sign of frost or snow."

Harbury Tennis Club brewed up mulled wine (in Caroline Morland's travelling slow cooker) and a record 18 participants contributed to a feast. By popular demand we did play service 'lets' even though there were many less popular 'sudden death' points to contend – but it did mean that we could get the 19 matches completed on time.

Results of the Round Robin groups were extremely close with Caroline Morland and Simon Garratt being edged out of the semi-finals at the last minute by Emma Brangwin and Andy Smith. The other semi-final was the battle of the Marshalls with Steve accompanied by Andrew Cook, and Josh playing with Keith Thompson. The younger Marshall pairing won through and met Emma and Andy who were playing their fourth match in a row, but a quick swig of



mulled wine and they were re-fortified! The final was a triumph of age and the youngest and oldest players (as pointed out by Helen Cooper) were a perfect combination of agility and cunning – and may not have imbibed as much mulled wine as their opponents! So, ye Olde Muffler (Keith) took the honours with a bit of youth (Josh)."

In the Banbury League eight fixtures were scheduled in January and at the time of writing three have been completed. The weekend team started with a home fixture against Charlbury B. With Sue Panton and Emma Brangwin starting with a good straight sets win and Steve Stark and Colin Mercer halving their rubber, Harbury were in a good position at half time. The mixed doubles followed a similar pattern with Sue and Steve winning both sets while Emma and Colin shared theirs with the Oxfordshire visitors. The final match score was a 6-2 win for Harbury. The next match was a trip to Byfield with Caroline Morland and Eira Owen winning a marathon first set tiebreak by 12-10. The home pair came back strongly to take the second set. Meanwhile Colin and Steve also won their first set but lost the second, although they had a very long wait while the ladies finished their rubber! Byfield proved too strong in the mixed doubles winning all four sets so a 2-6 defeat for Harbury.

After the effects of Storm Brendan during the previous couple of days, it was a relief to get a clear evening for the Harbury Floodlit B team to play the reverse fixture at home against Towcester A. In the away fixture at Towcester the Harbury team had been well beaten, so the target for Nigel, Josh, Helen and Emma was to improve on that result. In the first set of matches the points were shared by the men, while the ladies battled well against very strong opposition but lost both sets. In the mixed matches it was the same outcome where the Towcester A pair were too strong for Harbury, winning both sets, while in the second mixed match Harbury won a very close first set, but then rested on their laurels/got tired and were well beaten in the second set. So, the final match result was a 6-2 victory for Towcester. The disappointment was that there were chances for a better result; however, the good news is that Harbury did twice as well as in the first fixture! We will take the positives.

Our Winter 2019/20 coaching programme, delivered by **coolsportz** coaches Rob West and Elizabeth Holding, has started again after the Christmas break. The programme caters for Juniors, ages 4 to 16 years, with Rob running sessions on Thursdays and Elizabeth on Mondays. The Thursday Mini Reds session is in the Village Hall this term. There are also sessions for adults on Monday and Thursday evenings and a Ladies' group on Friday mornings. All sessions are open to members and non-members (small surcharge applies) and **coolsportz** offers a free introductory session. For more details please contact Lianne Candappa, lianne@coolsportz.co.uk or phone/text her on 07919 104093.

For more information about the club go to clubspark.lta.org.uk/HarburyTC or contact Colin at sucolmercer@btinternet.com





Harbury Toddler Group

Lynne Barton

Brilliant start to 2020

Hello readers, supporters, parents and friends, we were so very pleased to welcome everyone back to Toddlers at the start of the year. We had new children and families join us and they were helped to settle 'right in' by our regular attenders. Our Christmas Party had been so busy we had to have our Pass the Parcel in January! Great fun with a present for every child.

Forthcoming events to look forward to:

AGM Monday 24th February at 10.30am - have your say during drink and biscuit time

- Sing and Sign
- The Cookery Kitchen
- Large Easel Art
- Love Ballet for dancing and singing
- Photographer for family photos



Coffee Morning Save the Date

We will be raising funds for Toddlers at our forthcoming coffee Morning at the Tom Hauley Room, All Saints, **21st March between 10 and 12 noon**. We look forward to your donations of raffle prizes, homemade cakes and bric-a-brac. Many thanks



See you soon

Look out for our new and exciting calendar for 2020 and make sure you get yours - we wouldn't want you to miss a thing.

If you want to join in the fun, then Lynne, Selina, Suzi, Judi and Reg look forward to welcoming you - come on round, the kettle's on.

We are based at the Scout Hut, High Street, Harbury, CV33 9HW and meet every Monday at 9.30am saying bye bye at 11.15am. Sessions are just £1.50 and an additional 50p for a second child in your family. 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



A New Term: It was lovely to welcome all the children back fresh from their Christmas break. We enjoyed hearing about the adventures they had experienced over the holidays as they shared their stories during circle time.

We are especially delighted to welcome some new faces to our Pre-School family. The new children have made themselves at home and it has been lovely to see some of our

existing children take them under their wing and help them to settle. We hope that they enjoy their Pre-School journeys.

Chinese New Year: With Chinese New Year just around the corner, the children have been busy learning all about China and how people celebrate Chinese New Year.

We have been looking at some Chinese artefacts and thinking about how they differ from ours in Britain. The children have been fascinated looking at Chinese dress, Chinese print, chopsticks and Chinese decorations. We have been looking at our globe and estimating how long we think it might take to get to China and what mode of transport we might have to use.

2020 is the Year of the Rat and we have been using props to re-enact 'The Great Race' to find out how the different years came to represent different

animals. The children very much enjoyed looking at the story and helping the animals across the 'river'.

Chinese New Year would not be complete without a dragon and 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 results, for example, *'He's called Harry. He likes to eat people and fly to the forest'*.



Outdoor Play: It has been a very cold start to the year, but the children have been keeping themselves warm with physical activity outside as they work towards their Physical Challenge Certificates.

They have been walking on stilts, kicking the balls, riding the bikes, throwing beanbags into buckets, walking on stepping-stones, jumping off our 'mountain' and balancing on the beams. The ride-on vehicles and trikes have also been popular this half term.



Outdoor Play at Pre-School

Winter: We took advantage of the frost outside this week to provide some mark making opportunities. The children used chopsticks to write the initials of their name or draw different patterns.

The children have been fascinated by the ice in our exploratory area. We have been exploring its texture and temperature and looking at how and why

ice melts and turns into water. We have been investigating how we can speed the process along by rubbing it in our hands or using brushes.

If you would like further information, or to register a child for Harbury Pre-School, please contact us via 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.



Harbury School PTA

PTA Committee

Now the Christmas holiday is behind us and the children are settled back in to school, the PTA are planning the rest of the year's fundraising after a well-earned break following a busy December.

Our aim this year is to raise money to create a library area at school, as well as continuing to help fund resources such as iPads to help enrich the children's learning.

Fundraising in December

The raffle and refreshments at the Infant Christmas Play were a hit, raising just under £500 and amongst the prizes, one lucky parent and pupil bagged our giant Olaf toy, who wouldn't be thrilled with that?! A big thank you to everyone who donated prizes for the raffle and to some of our local businesses who also contributed, in particular Nikki at The Salon, The Crown, The Shakespeare and Iceland, Leamington Spa. We also need to thank Regent Studios, who donated some fantastic gift vouchers for family photo-shoots which were made available to be purchased by parents at school, with all funds going to the PTA.

Our 5p challenge was won by Year 2, who raised a whopping £72.75 by collecting spare 5ps. In total, the challenge raised £226.15. Year 2 will enjoy a treat for the whole class to celebrate their victory. In addition, the grotto at Harbury Local Market and sale of Harbury School jute bags jointly raised around £500. We do still have jute bags available, so please email or collar one of us in the playground or around the village if you would like one.

Date for Your Diary

Our next event will be Rock and Roll Bingo, to be held in the School Hall on Friday 28th February. This is a music-based quiz and promises to be a great evening. Entry is £5 per person, there will be a bar and food available plus prizes to be won! Please look out for our posters around school and on the village Facebook groups for further information.

Harbury School PTA and Harbury Pre-School Committee Team Up

The PTA and Harbury Pre-School are also going to work together this year to run a couple of events. The first of these is planned for May (date TBC) and will be a pamper evening. Please get in touch with us at harburypta@gmail.com if you would like to be involved in the pampering of our guests as we will be looking for therapists and pampering products of all kinds.



Ongoing Projects

The Scooter Pods have now been installed on the school grounds and will hopefully mean that it is easier to 'park up' for those pupils that use scooters for getting to and from school. Once again, we extend our thanks to Harbury WI for their generous grant which has made installing these possible.

Please keep watching out for further dates for events, as always, we are so grateful for your support.



Harbury Village Library & Biblio's Café

Janice Montague

Two important dates for your diaries: **our Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 2nd March at 7.30pm in the Library.** Please do come along to hear about how this award winning community venture has fared in the last year, and share in ideas for the future. Whether you are a regular user of the Library and/or Biblio's, or are new to the village and would like to learn what goes on, we would love you to join us.

Before then, we will have hosted an evening with Harbury publisher Jeremy Atkins **on Wednesday 5th February at 7.30pm**, when he will talk about and answer questions on self-publishing and his own business, *Fernhurst Books*, which specialises in books on diving, sailing and other water sports. Anyone interested in these activities, or who has fancied seeing themselves in print, should come along. Free tickets can be obtained for this event from the Library, or just turn up on the night.

Looking further ahead in March, we are also very pleased to be welcoming Mary Rhodes, the local broadcaster, to speak to us. Further details of this can be seen on the next page.

The French and Spanish lessons are progressing well, and you may still be able to join – see the website for details. We are also starting a weekly board game session on Friday afternoons. The first one will be on Friday

7th February between 2 and 4pm. Turn up individually or with others to join in a light hearted game, such as Scrabble or Monopoly, with a cup of tea or coffee. The next Classic Book Club choice is *Cannery Row*.

Meanwhile, the day to day business of lending books and providing services such as printing, laminating, and a fine café selling the finest home baked goods and fresh brewed drinks in Harbury, continues with the help of our committed band of volunteers. If you would like to join us, or want to find out more, please go to our website or contact us through one of the methods below.

www.harburyvillagelibrary.org.uk

library@harburyvillagelibrary.org.uk

biblios@harburyvillagelibrary.org.uk

01926 258776

An Evening With Mary Rhodes – Wednesday 4th March

Harbury Village Library will host a special 'Evening with Mary Rhodes' at 7.30pm on Wednesday 4th March.



Mary, a journalist and BBC Midlands Today presenter, will outline some of her career to date with plenty of interesting stories and anecdotes. Central to the evening will be audience questions which you can provide in advance by putting them in a box in the Library or mailing them to peterdouglaswalshe@gmail.com. Or you can simply ask your question on the night.

Tickets will be available in the Library from Monday 3rd February and are priced at £7.50 (all proceeds to Mary's chosen charity Breast Cancer Haven) and include a complimentary glass of wine or soft drink and some light snacks.

This event is sure to sell out, so make sure you book early!

Peter Walshe



Harbury Village Club & Institute

Judy Morraill

Where to start as so much to tell you about! The first of our centenary celebrations was the games afternoon for children held on 6th January and featured games played 100 years ago. Not many families came but those who did had a magical time. Bill Timson was dressed in clothes suitable for the era and bought along some wonderful games, blow football and bagatelle being the stars of the show. I don't know who enjoyed it the most: the children, parents or grandparents. The snacks were appreciated too and each child who came was given a present of their choice. A huge thank you to Bill and his friends for all of their efforts.

Then the main event was held on the evening of 18th January. What a treat for all those who came. We were full to overflowing and the whole club was buzzing! The Ukulele Group started proceedings with a half hour session and they were amazing, their music reflecting the 1920s and later periods too. Lots of toe tapping and singing. Peter Bones kindly acted as MC throughout the evening and guided us through. The Folk Club had three sessions, each one reflecting their many talents and the music was captivating. They entertained us with so many different performances, orchestra, choir and recitations. Again, audience participation and total enjoyment. They too were amazing. We had breaks in between and the party food was absolutely delicious and just right. Our centenary raffle raised £200 and even better we gave out many application forms for membership. A huge thank you to the Ukulele Group, Folk Club, Peter and our hard working bar staff. A very successful evening.

Before we set up for the evening I had been to The Works in Leamington to get helium filled balloons with 100 on. It took three of us to carry the six filled balloons from the shop to John waiting outside in the car and they filled the car. Even funnier was when I was fixing them to tables in the foyer and on the stage. They had a mind of their own and kept floating to the ceiling!! They did look good though and helped to create the right atmosphere together with the display boards with the history of our Club. Lots of people I have met in the village told me how much they enjoyed the evening and will use the club much more.

John worked very hard to ensure that the new signage was in place for the celebrations. The holes took a while to dig as there was so much rubble and bricks to dispose of. I was tasked with holding the sign in place whilst the spirit level was used and the quick setting cement was working. Needless to say the spirit level did the job! It is such an improvement and looks splendid and much more welcoming. The old sign took some getting out but is gone now. Whilst we were installing the sign I noticed more bulbs coming up along the drive. The plants there are all looking healthy and colourful. I will need to get the moss up which keeps coming through but will wait for the weather to improve before I tackle this. I have received some really nice comments about these plants and the four pots along the wall.

More mundane matters now. A reminder that annual subscriptions are now due and must be paid no later than 25th February. I have processed 172 memberships so far and thank you to all for your payments. That leaves about 138 still to pay. The cost is £12.50 for adults and £5.00 for pensioners. As before you can leave your card and payment in an envelope with the bar staff and I will ensure that your payment is processed also. I will be at the club at lunchtime on the first three Sundays in February.

We have recently received a donation of £120 from the WI ladies who use the club on Wednesdays. I have sent a thank you letter for their very generous gesture, it will be put to good use. We are so lucky to have such kind members. We are getting many more societies who use our facilities. The use of the TV room and concert room is absolutely free. Many of our guests at the celebrations did not know this.

At our last committee meeting we approved five new members and three new bookings, the calendar is starting to fill up nicely. Many things were discussed and we are determined to update the decor and seating this year in the club starting in the TV lounge. We have ambitious plans and will be exploring possible grants. The committee realises that this is the way forward. We will keep you updated on any progress.

The year end accounts to 31st December are at our accountants and we will be holding the AGM earlier this year as Andy our treasurer will be away for a few weeks from the end of February. It will be held on Monday 17th February at 7.30pm. We will have a short committee meeting on Monday 10th to ensure that all accounts etc are in order for us to present to you our loyal members. This is your chance to chart our progress in 2019 and to ask us any questions. We look forward to seeing you there. We will be advertising this as well as at the club on our Facebook page and posters throughout the village.

Talking about posters I note that there seems to be some concern about laminated ones and their disposal. When I take down any posters after the various events I burn them in my chiminea together with anything with a name and address on and letters no longer required. This is a win win solution as I then mix the ashes with compost and this in turn is spread onto the garden or allotments. Much better than cramming paper into the blue bins. So no recipes this month but watch this space.

As ever my thanks to you all for your continuing support and for taking the trouble to read these articles and your lovely compliments. Much appreciated.



LOCAL FOODBANK - there is a facility in the village to donate any non perishable food to your local Foodbank, which supplies the area around when need arises, including Harbury. Please put your contributions into the large plastic box located inside our Parish Church open 8.30am to 5pm. Enter the main door and you will find it on your left, just in front of the red curtain. Thank you.



Garden Jottings from Bridge Nursery

Christine Dakin

It's a bit late but here are my predictions for 2020.

There will be some extremes of weather, it will be the hottest, driest, wettest, or windiest and records will be broken.

At least one of your favourite plants will be destroyed by either rabbits, mice, deer, aphids or the family dog.

You will lose (mis-place) your secateurs/trowel/gloves at some time.

There will be a new pest or disease (from abroad) which will threaten a well-known, well-loved group of plants.

Taxonomists will reclassify another group of plants amid much raising of eyebrows from the general public.

We will all be a little bit older and some of the garden jobs will be harder to do.

I often wonder why so many of us are so keen on gardening when there are so many potential set-backs.

Most of us use far too much plastic; many of us are wanting to cut down our use of it. Our aim this year is to try to reduce the amount of plastic we buy in. If our customers return the pots which had our plants in (washed and not broken) we will pay 10p per pot. We can then re-use them. Please don't bring us pink/purple/blue pots or those with sticky stickers on which can't be removed, just the ones bought from us.

*Bridge Nursery
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Nature Notes

John Hancock

The bleak damp days of this winter can be somewhat dispiriting but then a special sunrise boosts morale. It happened on 14th January when the clouds were red and put something resembling zip into my progress up Mill Street. The 'Shepherd's warning' became reality by afternoon when the next low pressure area slammed in from the west and yet more rain fell on the already waterlogged ground. Pity the farmers trying to find a window for cultivation. There is something to be said for hibernation.

Coming through the Thwaites Estate from Gaydon, I usually look out for the stand of Dogwood growing on a south facing slope near Kingston Farm. For most of the year the bark, a shade of red, is hidden by the foliage but in

winter the splash of colour is most welcome. Dogwood is a name probably derived from Old English 'dagwood' as the slender stems of its hard wood were used for making daggers, skewers and the like. Then, every tree was pressed into service - Oak for shipbuilding, Beech for fine furniture, Hazel for fencing hurdles and thatching spars, and Chestnut for fence palings.

I've enjoyed Peter Maren's book entitled 'Rainbow Dust' which I obtained from Harbury Library. It's the story of British butterflies from their heyday in the 18th century to the inexorable squeeze on their environment as the fens were drained, forests cut down, fertilisers spread around and insecticide use became the norm. Now, with greater appreciation of the interconnectedness of our flora and fauna, we are slowly rescuing butterflies such as the Pearl-bordered Fritillary from the brink of extinction. It was just too late for the Large Copper, a fenland specialist known locally as the 'Fire' butterfly due to its dazzling displays when its wings caught the light. The Large Blue died out in 1980 but reintroductions from Sweden have been successful. The best chance of seeing a Large Blue is the National Trust's Collard Hill near Street in Somerset. I am determined to pay a visit in late June to see this interesting insect and will report back to you via the Harbury & Ladbroke News. The Large Blue has a fascinating life cycle which has been gradually unearthed, almost literally, by painstaking observation. The caterpillars' food plant is Wild Thyme which grows in sunny open areas of downland. This terrain is also home to a particular type of red ant, *Myrmica*. The caterpillar is found by the ants which feed on the honey-like secretion it exudes. The caterpillar mimics an ant grub and is carried into the nest. Here it acts rather like a cuckoo attacking and eating the grubs. Eventually the caterpillar pupates and a month later the adult butterfly emerges by crawling up a tunnel in the nest, all the while accompanied by a retinue of ants.

Now (Wednesday 22nd January) atmospheric pressure is persisting at record levels. We have had several frosty mornings with blue skies and long views - real winter weather. Today, misty conditions persisted into the afternoon. On a south facing hillside in Napton primroses were fully open. Winter aconites and snowdrops are in flower around the Stobo Memorial by the south door of Harbury Church and lengthening days lead on to spring.



General Section

Harbury Senior Citizens Committee Update

A very brief article this month as we haven't yet decided where the summer outing will be going, however, we do have a fund-raising coffee morning in the Tom Hauley Room on **Saturday 8th February**.

We hope to see many of you there.

Mike McBride

On behalf of the Harbury Senior Citizens Benefit Association



A Welcome Return After Five Years – The Garden Walkabout

e-Wheels is planning to organise the Harbury Garden Walkabout on Saturday and Sunday 4th/5th July.

We already have owners willing to open their gardens but would like to call out to others who might wish to do so. It is not a competition or 'showtime' and is intended to display the variety and attractiveness of Harbury gardens as they normally are: from little to large and established to new. Please contact Janny Freeman on 01926 612002 or email jannyfreeman@gmail.com.

There will be teas, light snacks and possibly ice cream available in various places to add to the pleasure of strolling around the village and, at the same time, supporting a worthy charity.

Peter Walshe

Coffee with the Lib Dems



Downcast by electoral disappointment in December? Far from it!

Harbury Lib Dems are still very much alive and kicking, and would love to meet anyone who is free to come to the Village Library for coffee and/or delicious cake on the second Saturday of the month, 10-30am – 12 noon.

Starting 2020 with Saturday 8th February, and Saturday 14th March.

We'd love to see you there.

Andrew Patrick



Harbury Village Show

Happy New Year!

Although the Village Show isn't until September we have already started planning! We will be able to give further details in the months to come. After last year's show the judges gave us advice and hints that we will be passing on. These cover how we detail the categories and ideas on how to have winning entries. This is the time of year when the final tidying of gardens and allotments takes place (weather permitting) ready for the growing year. It's a good time to plan your planting for the coming year too especially if you haven't entered the show before. Novices welcome!

How about using these cold dark evenings to brush up your crafts or produce that one winning entry. Or how about some wintry photos when you're next out for a walk – they could be winners.

Harbury Village Show will be on Saturday, 12th September 2020 – put it in your diaries now.

Village Show Committee

HS2 HS2 Works Notification: Notice of Traffic Management on A425 Leamington Road

Early works to construct the new railway is carried out by a joint venture between Laing O'Rourke and J. Murphy & Sons, known as LM.

From 3rd February, over the coming weeks LM will be working near Southam to prepare the way for the new railway. The work LM will be doing includes installing fencing, hedgerow and vegetation clearance.

To ensure safe access to our work site, we will be operating temporary traffic lights along the A425 Leamington/Southam Road, near Dallas Burston Polo Club. These temporary traffic signals will be in operation between 9:30am – 3:30pm during the week starting from 3rd February.

Access to properties will be maintained during working hours.

If you have a question about HS2 or our works, please contact our HS2 Helpdesk team on 08081 434 434 or email HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk

Joan Gooden
HS2 Enquiries



Royal British Legion Seeks New Members

The Royal British Legion (RBL) is an organisation that seeks to improve the lives of service personnel and their families. The Southam branch covers the town and surrounding communities. It also enjoys a close relationship with Galanos House, the RBL care home located on the outskirts of Southam.

The branch actively supports local events including commemorations of major service-related events and the holding of ceremonies on Remembrance Day in the branch area. On request, the RBL can supply a standard bearer or bugler at appropriate events such as funerals.

Branch meeting are usually held at 10am on the second Monday of each month at Galanos House (next to the Shell Garage) and we wholeheartedly appreciate new members getting involved. You do not have to be a veteran to join the RBL.

More details can be obtained from the secretary Steve Garlick on 01926 817059.

Mick Gaffney



Energy Bills Unbearable? – Join our Collective Switch Today

Warwickshire County Council has partnered with iChooser, independent experts in group buying and Act on Energy to help residents save money on their gas and electricity bills. By using combined buying

power, residents can access highly competitive tariffs from gas and electricity suppliers. Switch and Save has saved our residents an impressive £518,423 collectively since the start of the scheme in February 2018. You too could save money on your gas and electricity by switching energy supplier.

How and where to register

All you have to do is have a recent energy bill to hand:

- Online at Warwickshire.gov.uk/switchandsave
- If you are unable to register online for any reason please contact our partners Act on Energy who can do this for you on 0800 988 2881.
- Visit our face to face registration events at a local library.

How Does it Work?

- Energy suppliers are invited to take part in the auction held on 11th February 2020 to bid against each other to offer the best electricity and/or gas deal.
- The winning supplier will be the one offering the lowest tariff.
- You will then receive personal offers from 25th February through the post or via e-mail showing what you could save, based on the information you have submitted.
- If you decide to accept the offer, simply complete the enclosed forms you will have been sent through the post or follow the steps online.
- You are not obliged to take the offer; it is your choice.

You have until 24th March online or until 17th March to register with us by phone or in person.

Missed the registration deadline? Try next time. Switch and Save auctions take place three times a year in February, May and October.

I don't have internet access. Can I register via the council? Call our partner Act on Energy on 0800 988 2881 or come and talk to an advisor face to face at a drop in session.

Stratford on Avon Library	Wed 5 th February (pre-auction)	9.30am-12.30pm
	Wed 4 th March (post-auction)	9.30am – 12.30pm
Southam Library	Thurs 5 th March (post-auction)	10am – 12pm
Leamington Library	Fri 13 th March (post-auction)	2pm - 4pm



LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors

Jean Herbert

I am sure all those kind and generous friends who donated money to Cancer Research UK at Jean's funeral will be pleased to know that £228.35 was raised.

Thank you

Betty Airola (nee Herbert)

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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: marknliz@live.co.uk

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

CONNECTIONS CAFE: (for those with dementia & their carers), 3rd Wednesday of the month,
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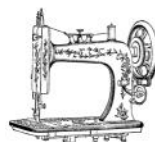
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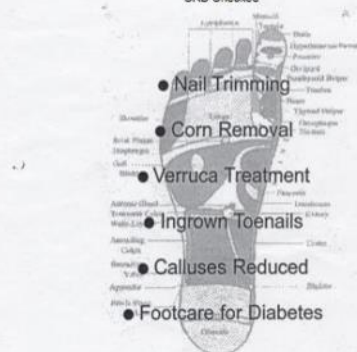
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