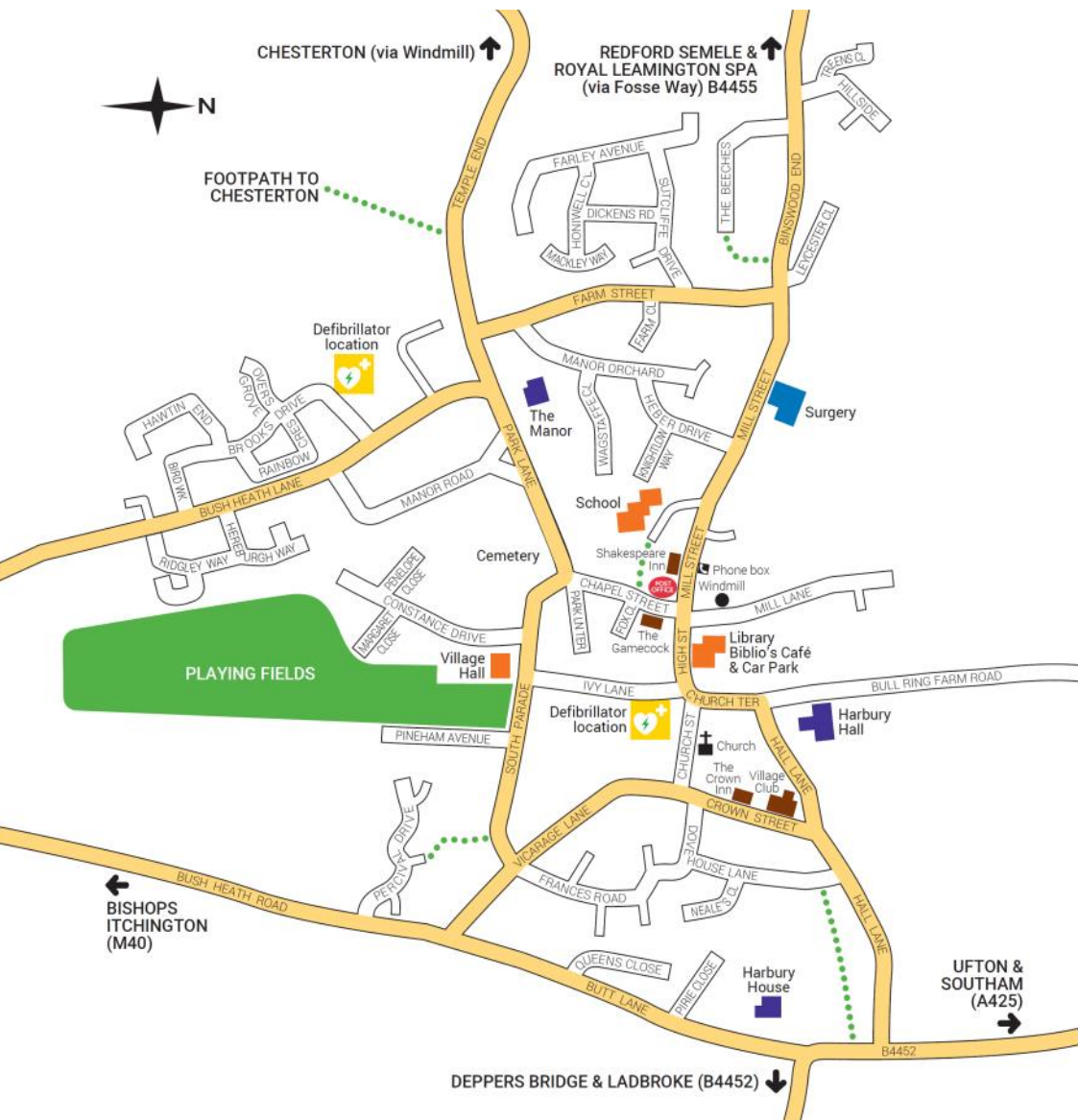


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EDITORIAL

A round up of local news

We did mention that the map would make a return in the occasional edition and we hope that you like the front cover which is in keeping with the new style magazine. The Ladbroke map will also be updated shortly. Sadly, we were recently advised that our printers will cease trading at the end of July. We were very sad to hear this news and have appreciated the guidance which they gave us when moving to full colour. We are now in the process of finding a new printer, hopefully in time for the September edition! One nearby village magazine is shortly to be produced online but our magazine's committee feels it is important to keep in print for all at the present time.

If your primary school children are at a loose end during the school holidays, why not encourage them to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge? The challenge, aimed at youngsters aged 4 to 11 years, is to read six or more library books over the summer - visit Harbury Library to register.

As well as being open for visitors on designated days each month, on Saturday 20th August, Harbury Heritage Centre will be holding their annual Family Treasure Hunt. We are sure that this will be an enjoyable afternoon and there will also be a chance to win a prize! Details about this are on page 26. Ladbroke has a Treasure Trail too which can be done at any time, more details on page 15.

Congratulations to Alison Abbott and Jonathan Guy who have both been ordained as Deacons into the Church of England. We send them our very best wishes and are sure they will be a great asset to their parishes.

Looking forward to September, don't forget the Village Show on Saturday 10th. Schedules are available from the Library and the Milkshed or can be downloaded from our website - hlnews.co.uk/harbury-village-show. Do think about entering one of the classes, be it showing off your vegetables, fruit or flowers, baking some chocolate chip cookies or exhibiting your arts and crafts. Entry forms should be sent in by Wednesday 7th September.

Ladbroke is setting up an informal Friendship and Heritage group, please get in contact with the organisers if you would like to come along. August will also see summer family events including the return of the rock detectives.

Finally, congratulations to Heather Loosemore and Steven Moore and Lucy Walker and Graeme Kerr who were recently married at All Saints, Harbury. Also, to Andrew Moore and Sophie Broome who were married at All Saints, Ladbroke.

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HARBURY DIARY

For local events

AUGUST

- Mon 1 Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall
 Tue 2 Meeting Point, 12.30pm, The Crown Inn (bookings by 29th July)
 Wed 3 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall car park - Claydon (3.5 miles) - see article
 Thurs 4 Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
 Folk Club, 8.00pm, Village Club
 Sat 6 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Heat, Light and Stone Appeal
Sun 7 TRINITY 8
 Holy Communion, 9.00am
 Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall
 Mon 8 Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall
 Tue 9 Mothers' Union are meeting, 2.00pm, Café at Galanos House, Southam
 Wed 10 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall car park - Cropredy (3 or 5 miles)
 Thurs 11 Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
 Harbury WI Garden Party, 6.00 - 8.00pm, Highcroft
 Sat 13 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Heat, Light and Stone Appeal
 Family Bingo, 7.30pm, Harbury Club
Sun 14 TRINITY 9
 Holy Communion and Children's Church, 10.30am
 No Messy Church in August
 Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall
 Mon 15 Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall
 Tue 16 Harbury Theatre Group Meeting, 7.00 for 7.30pm, Village Club
 Wed 17 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall car park - Warwick
 Connections (Dementia) Café, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
 Thurs 18 Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
 Sat 20 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Heat, Light and Stone Appeal
 Family Treasure Hunt, from 2.00pm, register at Harbury Heritage Centre (Park Lane entrance)
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Sun 21 TRINITY 10
 Holy Communion, 8.00am
 All Age Service, 10.30am
 Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall
 Family Fun day, 12.00 noon onwards, Harbury Club
 Harbury Heritage Centre open, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Harbury School - (Park Lane entrance)
 ARTICLES FOR NEXT ISSUE TO: HARBURY PHARMACY, HIGH ST OR EMAIL TO ARTICLES@HLNEWS.CO.UK BY 5.30PM
 Wed 24 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall car park - Southam (4 miles)
 Thurs 25 Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
 Fri 26 Monthly Cash Bingo, 8.00pm, Harbury Club

- Sat 27 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Heat, Light and Stone Appeal
Harbury Local Market: 10.00am - 12.30pm, Village Hall
Black Flowers Band, 9.00pm, Harbury Club
- Sun 28 **TRINITY 11**
Holy Communion and Children's Church, 10.30am
Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 29 Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall
- Wed 31 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall car park - Ebrington

SEPTEMBER

- Thurs 1 Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
Folk Club, 8.00pm, Village Club
- Fri 2 Music Workshop, 5.00 - 6.30pm, All Saints Church
Harbury Beer Festival, 4.00 - 11.00pm, Village Hall
Sheep Dip Session: Doug MacLeod music event, doors open 7.30, show begins at 8.00pm, Harbury Village Library
- Sat 3 Harbury Beer Festival, 11.00am - 11.00pm, Village Hall
- Sun 4 **TRINITY 12**
Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall

Refuse Collection Rota			
Week Commencing Monday	Wednesday Collection	Thursday Collection - Harbury Friday Collection - Deppers Bridge	Friday Collection - Ladbroke
01-Aug	F - W	F	F - R - G
08-Aug	F - R - G	F - R - G	F
15-Aug	F	F - W	F - R - W - G
22-Aug	F - R - W - G	F - R - G	F
29-Aug	F	F	F - R - G
05-Sep	F - R - G	F - R - W - G	F - W
12-Sep	F - W	F	F - R - G
F = Food caddy - R = Recycling (blue bin) W = Waste (black bin) G = Garden (green bin) Wednesday Collection - roads in central Harbury, Thursday Collection - Harbury Friday Collection - Deppers Bridge and Ladbroke			

The new refuse rota has become more complicated in the last few weeks with residences in both Deppers Bridge and Ladbroke receiving revised rotas. One can only hope that the refuse collection teams are well briefed!!

A Stratford on Avon District Council App can be downloaded from their website which, amongst other things, will give you a reminder of which bins and when to put them out. See below:

www.stratford.gov.uk/waste-recycling/waste-and-recycling

John Holden



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FROM THE RECTOR

Rev Andy Batchelor

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As I prepared my article this week, the forecasters are telling us that there is a good chance that the all time temperature record for the UK may well be broken over the course of the next few days. While I am thrilled by that prospect, being a lover of the sun and heat, I know not everyone shares that view, and many will not be looking forward to it. But have no fear, it's not long until the schools break up and we all know what happens to the weather then! By the time you read this it may well be that the heat is a distant memory and we will all be moaning about the rain! Well perhaps summer is not your favourite season, but each season has a spiritual significance too. Autumn is a time of change. Winter is a time of barrenness and preparation. Spring is a time of rebirth. And summer is a time for bearing fruit and embracing the abundant life and light that surrounds us. The key to embracing our spiritual summer, is to seize the joy of the season. This is a time to feel the heavenly warmth on our face and to revel in the beauty that surrounds us. Relax, have fun, celebrate, and be grateful for the blessings that surround us. Autumn and Winter will return in due time, but don't let worries about the future rob you of the joy of the moment. The seasons will change, but our loving Father does not. Let's make the most of this summer, both in a natural and spiritual sense and allow God to refresh and renew us.



FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS

Liz & Michael

The Festival of Hope, which was held from Saturday 25th June to Sunday 3rd July, was well received judging from all the comments in the visitor book. One thread runs through the comments as people described the atmosphere as peaceful and happy. It was lovely to welcome so many to church. Our thanks go to all the welcomers, those who made the teas and to all the musicians who took part every afternoon. And thank you too for all the donations made for the Heat, Light and Stone fund which came to £1,066 across the week (pictures on next page).

We had a church family barbeque in the rectory garden which was another happy occasion and thank you to Andy and Julie, Abigail, Amy and Jamie for inviting us all there (and doing all the cooking and preparation.) A gift was given to Alison Abbott as a thank you to her for all she has given to our church and wishing her well in her new role in the ministry.

You may see an odd small figure or two attached to the Tom Hauley room ceiling. Messy Church was having fun after listening to the story of Zacchaeus as they "threw" him up an imaginary tree getting higher and higher and finally, out of reach, of even Charlie. If you haven't tried Messy Church please come along - we will be back on 11th September from 3pm.

The All-Age service is held on the third Sunday at 10.30am - the next will be on 21st August at 10.30am. These services are both enjoyable and thought provoking and it was great to see a good range of ages of people at church at this last service which was ably led by Julie and Lesley (aka Martha and Mary).

And congratulations to all the couples who have finally got married in church having had to postpone their wedding ceremonies a number of times over the last two years.



The Festival of Hope

If you have any questions or want to join in and find out more about what goes on then please contact either of us. Liz McBride (612421) or Michael Vincent (614806).

FROM THE REGISTERS

Wedding

9th July 2022 Heather Loosemore & Steven Moore

16th July 2022 Lucy Walker & Graeme Kerr

Baptism

26th June 2022 Delilah Grace Bowell



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John Stringer

A Big Step Forward

The Fabric Committee of All Saints Church Harbury are delighted to report substantial progress with the Coventry Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC). On 7th July the Consistory Court of The Diocese of Coventry issued a Faculty (the equivalent of planning permission) to upgrade the heating, lighting, rewiring, and audio visual equipment in the church and Tom Hauley Room. Repairs to the external stonework have not yet been approved, but this is a real breakthrough, and thanks are due especially to Philip Mayer and John Guilford for their determination.

The Fabric Committee's options appraisal is well documented in the faculty application. It led them to conclude that ceiling mounted radiant panels are the best way of warming the congregation. It is a mature technology that has been around for more than a hundred years and a proven way of making large buildings more comfortable and more energy efficient.

The Church Building Council had recommended the Fabric Committee visit St Mary's, Chalgrove in the Oxford Diocese with advisers from Coventry Diocese. The installation of ceiling radiant panels there was approved by Geraldine O'Farrell, Senior Building Services Engineer at Historic England and National Advisor on Building Services to the heritage sector. The heating installation in St Mary's church is recommended as a case study by the Cathedral and Church Building Division of the Church Building Council.

All Saints' current energy tariff under the Parish Buying Energy Basket is electricity at 15.4p per kWhr and gas at 2.1p per kWhr (electricity being more expensive by a factor of 7.33). It is likely that by 2030 at least 20% of the national gas supply will be "green" hydrogen and/or "green" gas and we have selected boilers that will be ready for this change.

Our proposals align with the recent announcement by The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, that the Church of England has pledged to become Carbon Neutral by 2030 and will dedicate £190M of its funding over the next nine years to achieve its environmental targets.

Now the Faculty has been issued the project moves into fundraising mode and numerous grant applications will be submitted. The current budget is around £400,000, and thanks to the generosity of donors in the village and beyond, we have around a £130,000 on account towards this increasing project cost. Another appeal and more fundraising will be needed.

But we hope to be warm again this winter!





MOTHERS' UNION

Gillian Hare

On a sunny afternoon, 14 of us enjoyed a lovely trip to Newbold Pacey. We were greeted and informed by an enthusiastic and well informed guide. Her family had lived locally for several generations so she had lots of info about the church and the area. Newbold is a not uncommon name in the area but the Pacey denotes the name of the Lords of the Manor for many years. It was a thriving estate village but population drift has reduced its size considerably. It was believed that plague could not cross water so there was a migration across a stream to nearby Ashome which is now much bigger! The Church suffered a disastrous fire in the late 1800s but was rebuilt in quite an elaborate style, including a beautifully carved reredos by the Bromsgrove Guild.

We then carried on to the Pavilion Café at Lighthorne where we were restored by drinks and extremely yummy cakes.

We do not meet in August but are invited to join Southam branch to mark our founder, on Mary Sumner's Day on 9th August. This will be at the new Hub at Galanos House - more cake! - between 2 and 4pm. Cost £7.50. Let Chris know if you want to go and we will sort out lifts.

We wish you a happy summer, enjoy the sunshine but keep cool.



LADBROKE NEWS & DIARY

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AUGUST

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| Wed | 3 | Friendship & Heritage Group, Village Hall, drop in between 10.30am - noon |
| Sun | 7 | TRINITY 8
Family Communion, followed by refreshments, 10.30am |
| Tue | 9 | WI outing to the National Memorial Arboretum |
| Sun | 14 | TRINITY 9
Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am |
| Mon | 15 | Ladbroke Heritage family activities (details on Eventbrite) |
| Wed | 17 | Ladbroke Heritage family activities (details on Eventbrite) |
| Sat | 20 | ADVERTS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE TO 36 MANOR ORCHARD,
HARBURY OR EMAIL ADVERTISING@HLNEWS.CO.UK |
| Sun | 21 | TRINITY 10
Holy Communion BCP, 9.00am
ARTICLES FOR NEXT ISSUE TO: HARBURY PHARMACY,
HIGH ST OR EMAIL TO ARTICLES@HLNEWS.CO.UK BY 5.30PM |
| Sun | 28 | TRINITY 11
Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am |

SEPTEMBER

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| Sun | 4 | TRINITY 12
Family Communion, followed by refreshments, 10.30am |
| Tue | 6 | Photography Club, Village Hall, 7.30pm |
| Wed | 7 | Friendship & Heritage Group, Church, drop in between 10.30am - noon |



LADBROKE CHURCH NEWS

Peter Rigby

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Now that the repairs to the lychgate and the south roof have been completed, the Church is once again open each day between 10.00am - 4.00pm for you to drop in for a moment of quiet prayer or contemplation. For the latest on the Church repairs and upcoming heritage activities, please see the separate report in this edition.

Our normal services will be continuing throughout the summer, as below.

Services and events this month:

Sunday 7 th August	10.30am	Family Communion
Sunday 14 th August	9.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 21 st August	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Sunday 28 th August	9.00am	Holy Communion

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FROM THE REGISTERS

Wedding

2nd July

Andrew Moore and Sophie Broome



LADBROKE PARISH COUNCIL

Jackie West, Harbury News Correspondent

Official minutes can be viewed on the noticeboard by The Bell Inn or on the parish council website.

May Meeting

The May meeting of our parish council was rescheduled from its original date to be quorate. I wasn't there on the night, but reading the hard copy of the documents on the noticeboard by the pub I have a fair idea of what happened.

They were still low on numbers, with just three of our five parish councillors present. With Cllr Batty in the chair, they first discussed the other items on the AGM agenda, proposing to continue having Parish Council meetings on the second Wednesday of alternate months: July, Sept and Nov 2022, Jan, March, May and July 2023 and working through various annual formalities. Then it was on to the agenda for the regular meeting.

Official Minutes - The clerk agreed to make the draft minutes available by the 1st of the following month, following criticism from residents that the draft minutes were not

available on the noticeboard and they had to rely on the Harbury and Ladbroke News report. The official minutes are brief, predominantly recording decisions whereas the report in the magazine gives a resident's perception of the meeting which is not checked by the clerk or councillors. Residents are encouraged to contact councillors or the clerk if they have a query and/or to attend the meetings.

Foul sewer from Ladbroke Hall - no further issues had been reported. If there are in future they should be reported to Severn Trent with the 'what 3 words' reference to locate the exact position.

SDC - The merger of Stratford and Warwick District Councils had not gone ahead as SDC would have brought debts of £1.5M and WDC £8M, so SDC residents would have had to contribute to paying off WDC debts. Some joint working will continue - legal services and refuse/recycling.

WCC - It was too expensive to roll out "20's plenty" across the county. Each councillor has their own highways budget but this is limited and decisions for "20's plenty" signage are based on evidence of persistent speeding and accident rates. Cllr Kettle also advised that WCC would not be installing, supporting or repairing vehicle activated speed signs, as the cost was too high.

Planning - the proposal at Brock Farm stud had been withdrawn but see July report for a new application. Cllrs had made no representation on tree works at the Paddocks, felling of a field maple at the Croft nor on listed building consent for installation of the fibre optic cable at Ladbroke Hall for superfast broadband and all three applications had been approved subsequently.

HS2 - There had been notification of June road closures for surveys. Concerns about signage relating to diversions would be passed on to HS2.

July Meeting

Admin aspects - Proposers and seconders are no longer required for resolutions. Actions will be documented in future minutes. WALC had advised that there is no legal requirement to record reasons for absence. Cllr Batty will remain chairman until the next election. Cllr Morten will be standing down at the next election.

Motorbike noise - It's true that the A423 is like part of the TT circuit! (*So, no surprise to me that some motorcyclists like to get the full effect by speeding and/or, having passed its MOT, down-tuning the silencer on their bike*). A villager is communicating with Jeremy Wright about this ongoing issue. Cllr Kettle (WCC) said noise cameras are being trialled elsewhere and we could express interest in being a test site.

Parking at School Lane/Banbury Road Junction - although this does reduce speed and some house owners have no off-street alternative, parking here makes the junction very difficult for large vehicles and hinders visibility. There is no WCC money for yellow lines; it would cost £2,600 for legal aspects plus the actual cost for painting the lines if the community wanted to finance it. Since it is illegal to park within 10m of a junction, it's a traffic offence, i.e. a police matter.

SDC & WCC - New Waste Collection Rota - Villagers should have received a letter with the corrected rota, Ladbroke is still Friday but check carefully for which bins

each week. If anyone has not yet had their food waste caddy contact streetscene at SDC (tel 01789 260123 or email streetscene@stratford-dc.gov.uk).

Boundary Changes - in May 2023 Ladbroke will move to Harbury ward. Most if not all other villages represented by Cllr Rock will become part of an enlarged ward which will include Bishop's Itchington and retain Chapel Ascote, Hodnell and Wills Pastures.

HS2 - There had been some traffic problems as roads were closed e.g. many vehicles coming through Ladbroke at night and HGVs in the middle of Southam. Cllr Rock has requested a global review of signage, even if well intended does anyone check it's done correctly? In some places people are apparently changing signs to cause disruption and get HS2 blamed for the consequences.

Potential "self-build" development in Windmill Lane - SDC's self-build policy does not change Ladbroke's categorisation that there is insufficient infrastructure for significant developments so the Parish Council will not support any survey of villagers or other approach from Langstrom. If any individual owner wished to put in a planning application that would follow the normal process.

Speeding - Ladbroke has an insufficient accident record to get funds in the current round of HS2 money for traffic measures. There will be later rounds but decisions are based on accidents not perceived danger. Cllr Kettle has his own delegated highways budget (for works in 12 villages this council year). The Parish Council told him they would like chevrons, repainted slow signs on the road and white gates on the verge.

Planning - The council would make no representation for works at Rectory Farm Cottage and supported the new submission for an equestrian worker's cottage at Brock Farm Stud. They would make no response to the Site Allocation Plan.

New Parish Council Website - the clerk said this was now live (*though I personally haven't been able to find it yet*). As there is no longer an active village website, it was recommended that the various separate ones: Ladbroke Parish Council, Ladbroke Church, Ladbroke Heritage etc, give links to the others.

Other matters - a grant of £460 to Ladbroke Matters for Jubilee entertainment expenses was approved. All three sections of the noticeboard by the pub will be locked and for Parish Council use only as there are so many pages of information to display, the board by the Millenium Green will continue to be for general use. 150 copies of the updated Village History booklet will be printed.

Village Meeting - Even though it's not a legal requirement, pre-Covid the Parish Council co-ordinated an annual meeting when all village organisations shared what's been going on and other topics were discussed. The clerk will not be involved but Cllr Neal will invite representatives from each organisation and the Parish Council will raise the need for new councillors to come forward; apparently if we are not quorate, SDC will send in voting representatives.

Next meetings: Parish Council: Wed 14th September, 7.45pm, **Village Meeting:** Wed 26th October, 7.30pm (note earlier start).



The speaker for our July meeting on the 12th was Anne Langley who is the secretary of Stretton on Dunsmore History Society and an author of various historical books.

Anne's Great Grandfather had been an engineer, pioneering the building of railways in India and Japan. The letters he wrote home to his mother formed the basis of Anne's talk.

Born in 1843, William Potter trained as an engineer and, after working on the railways in England, he went out to Madras in 1869. There were interesting details of his voyage there, including playing croquet on deck, seeing hand woven silks at a market in Alexandria and taking a steam ship down the Suez Canal. He also played and tuned the piano on board so he was a man of many talents.

From 1869 – 1873, as well as building railways in Madras and Bombay, he also went snipe shooting and on a crocodile hunt. However, after infected mosquito bites and heat stroke he decided the climate was not suited to his constitution and returned to England and thence to Japan. In 1868 there were no railways as the regime thought they were a sign of Western decadence but a new government started to modernise Japan and, as there was no local expertise, most of the staff were British. William had the job of surveying the land which was mountainous and prone to earthquakes.

However, many lines were opened by 1877 and he returned to England with many artefacts from his time there including netsukes and Hiroshige wood block prints some of which were still in the family and formed part of this well illustrated talk.

Anne offers talks on many different historical topics and can be contacted on anne.langley1@btinternet.com or on 024 7654 2703.

During the business meeting which followed, Dianne fed back from the Warwickshire Federation meeting including the information that Ladbroke's 50 years was recognised. We will be inviting past members, representatives from the Federation and members from our twin WI, Willoughby, to our Big Birthday party on 11th October where refreshments will be provided. We hope to have a display of past photos, so if members have any to share that would be greatly appreciated. Please also get ready to bring a baby photo of yourself in a named envelope to the next meeting.

Katy Gabbittas has now been appointed as the new administrator at the Warwickshire Federation centre.

The August outing is to the National Arboretum and the September meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th where we will hear a talk about Hill Close Gardens. New members always welcome.



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LADBROKE MATTERS

David Wright

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.



Our July coffee morning was well attended and we were delighted to welcome our Ukrainian friends: Vasyl, Ivanka, and their five children. Their children produced some delightful art work. Our next coffee morning is scheduled for **Saturday 3rd September** in the Village Hall so come along to enjoy a drink, read the paper, or just have a chat. All are welcome including children and dogs.

On **Saturday 10th September** we are planning to live stream the **Last Night of the Proms** in the Village Hall. So, dust off your Union Jacks, don your patriotic gear, and come and join us for a great evening. More details available soon.



We are working on a long-term plan for the Millennium Green and in particular the childrens' play area where much of the equipment is old and the surrounding surface in poor condition. This will be an expensive project and we will be actively raising funds and researching the potential for grants. We plan to conduct a survey to seek your views in the near future. In the meantime any thoughts and suggestions would be most welcome.



To book your special celebration in our Village Hall contact Debs (07779 225105 or email debs.dptv@gmail.com). The rates are still £15 per hour with a generous 20% discount for Ladbroke residents.

If you would like to join the Ladbroke Matters team, have any suggestions for future events, or any other comments please contact the Trustees.

LADBROKE VILLAGE HALL MILLENNIUM DRAW FOR JUNE 2022

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£25	Carol Lane	£25	Colin and Kay Constable
£25	Malcolm Wray	£10	Alan Lord
£10	Graham Lewis	£10	Linda Spence

Margaret Bosworth





LADBROKE PHOTOGRAPHY

Kip Warr

We celebrated a long early summer evening with a garden buffet. We sat in the warm evening sun enjoying the many and varied dishes that everyone had brought. Then we had a photography session. Mike Todman brought some bubble-making gadgets and we rediscovered our childishness as we followed the huge bubbles, drifting in the gently eddying breeze, trying to capture them on camera before they burst.



We have no meeting in August, so the remainder of the year (all in Ladbroke Village Hall) will be:

6th September - Painting with light

11th October - Competition and phototopic - pictures taken during the outings

8th November - Talk - photographs from the Red Sea

For more information about this very friendly and informal club please contact ladbroke.photoclub@btinternet.com



LADBROKE GENERAL NEWS



LADBROKE HERITAGE

Jackie West & Nicky Lewis

www.ladbrokeheritage.org.uk

Repairs

Now the lychgate repairs are finished, Ladbroke Church is open every day from 10am - 4pm and sometimes longer. If the hot weather continues you'll find it's lovely and cool inside thanks to the thick stone walls and lofty roof. There is drinking water and a toilet too should you need either of these. If you are making a special visit to go inside, I recommend you take a look at our website ladbrokechurch.org.uk under the services and events section of the menu and check on the calendar that there is nothing happening that would hinder your visit.

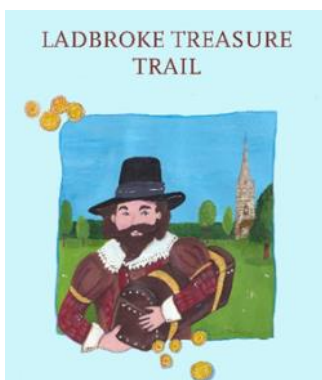
The lychgate was almost the last of the repairs we can do with 66% of the funding coming from the National Lottery Heritage Fund, the very last one involves the cracks

in the wall near the twisted buttress. We have just received permission for the below ground investigations to decide what is best to do and to check if the old yew, now covered in a Rambling Rector rose, is part of the problem. Watch this space.

Activities

Phone Box Exhibition: Did you get to see the updated exhibition? There's still time as these pictures will be up for a few more weeks before the next display. We already have the first contributions for that but are on the look out for more, so please contact Jackie if you have a photo or artwork on the Ladbroke Heritage theme - that's buildings, views, people, nature etc. Remember we only display copies - you will get your original back once we've copied it.

Treasure Trail: Our treasure trail has received a big thumbs up from families and teenagers and it is now on sale in Ladbroke, Harbury Library and the Southam Heritage Centre at Tithe Place.



Copies cost £5 each. You'll only need one per family and for youth groups or uniformed organisations etc, we can offer you a significant bulk discount, when purchased direct from us. The whole trail with its 20 clues to solve takes 1-2 hours but you can split it over several days, include a picnic on the Millennium Green and/or explore inside Ladbroke Church, and/or a drink or meal at The Bell Inn. Come in good weather and there are lots of options to make it a great day out.

Ladbroke Friendship and Heritage Group: Knowing that some people have found the last couple of years difficult, because of lockdowns, health concerns or caring responsibilities, we are starting up an informal friendship group, initially based around our village, its

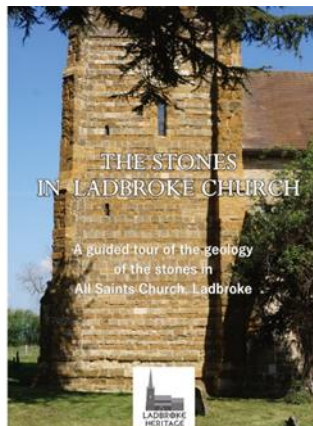
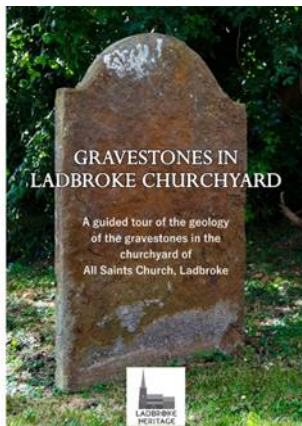
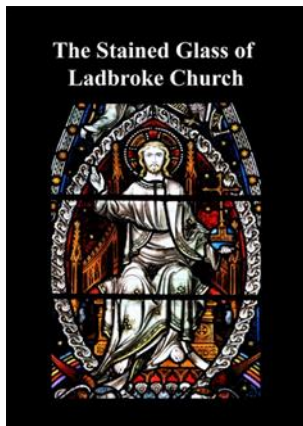
heritage, memories etc and the all important cuppa and cake! We plan to meet monthly, the first one is on **Wednesday 3rd August 10.30am-12 noon in the Village Hall** and the next on **Wednesday 7th September at Ladbroke Church**. For more information, including transport available, please contact Carol on 814715.

Summer Holiday Family Events: We have several half-day events for children in August - a repeat of our popular Rock Detectives (discovering rocks and fossils) and also a new topic, Maps (involving measuring, magnetism & cartography). One will be on **Monday 15th August** and the other on **Wednesday 17th**, repeating them later in the month if there is enough demand. Search for Ladbroke Heritage on Eventbrite for details and to book. These are free events but donations are very much appreciated.



Heritage Open Days: Now a regular fixture in the Ladbroke calendar, we definitely will be taking part this year though we missed the deadline for inclusion in the Warwickshire booklet. There will be a special exhibition at church on this year's national theme, *Amazing Inventions*, on **Friday 16th - Sunday 18th September**. More information next month - in the meantime, can you guess what amazing inventions there are in Ladbroke Church building?

Talks and Tours: Whether you need a tour for 2 or 32 or you are a group or event organiser looking for a speaker, look no further. We love to share the sights and stories of our village and church. Please contact Nicky on 815196 about tours and Jackie on 810331 or ladbrokechurch89@btinternet.com for talks.



You can also go on a self-guided tours around the village and the church with our free leaflets and also borrow or buy detailed guides on the stained glass or geology of the church and churchyard. Jackie can even lend out loupes (magnifiers) so you can see the rock structure and minute fossils for yourself.



LADBROKE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Nigel Rock

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New Waste Collection Arrangements

As previously reported, there have been some concerns that an incorrect collection calendar may have been sent out for the new system starting in August. In many places a new or duplicate calendar has been posted out to make sure. There is a full page spread in the council's 'View' magazine (which everyone should have had now) explaining the system. The main feature of the revised arrangements is the added weekly food/kitchen waste collection in the new caddy and the switch to three weekly collection for the general waste. Recycling collections are still two weekly.

I made sure that the special case of stoma and colostomy patients was discussed at the full council meeting this month and hope that the administration will be looking at this tricky problem, together with that of disposable nappies.

HS2 Roadworks & Traffic

Diversions and roadworks are likely to be a feature over the whole area for many years. I regret to say that the systems for dealing with this are, in my view, in need of improvement. Also we still are having problems with HS2 traffic using unapproved routes through villages. I continue to pursue HS2 and their contractors to improve how these matters are dealt with.

Large Solar Arrays

I have asked if the Council can investigate innovative ways of encouraging the use of appropriate buildings with large roofs for energy generation. The Council has a Climate Change Panel and it would seem a useful area of work if buildings such as large barns and warehouses across the district might be promoted for this purpose. Correctly done, the cumulative effect of many such installation (and we already have some locally) could be very valuable. I would be pleased to receive comments on this idea.

Could you be a Councillor?

The boundary review is expected to be confirmed shortly. The effect of this is to add a few extra district council seats to revised representative areas. I would be pleased to talk to anyone thinking of contributing to the work for communities by becoming a candidate next May, or enquiring about how the system works across the wider area.



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

June 2022 Meeting Report

Organisations: - Schools: Ex-Councillor Gibb had been successful in securing Section 106 money from the County Council for upgrading work for the Primary School. An old “block” at Southam School had been demolished as part of their extensive rebuilding work.

Village Hall: David Gimson, a relatively new member, is now the Hall’s Secretary. A £1000 has been spent on the drains at the Hall and it was hoped that this would be a solution to recent problems. When there were two to three thousand people on Bonfire Night, there were not enough toilets for such a large number.

Energy Initiative: Councillor Julie Balch had been pleased with the attendance at the Energy Initiative stall at the Eco Fair on Carnival Day.

Roads: Chairman Tim Lockley reported that the work at the Bendigo Mitchel crossroads was “out for tender” but said it was unclear how long it would be before work started there. It had been reported to him that HS2’s road diversion signs were being left in place after work had been completed, and this was causing hold-ups for motorists.

Planning: The Council had no problem with the proposed rear extension at 10 Pineham Avenue. However, there was serious concern about a proposal for “Green Field Development” along Bull Ring Farm Road, where it was proposed to have eight self-build “cottages” erected there.

Bull Ring Farm Road is part of the County’s Centenary Way Walk. Councillors said that access to the proposed site would be difficult because the road was very narrow, with only room for single vehicles. County Council Highways was reported to have made an objection to this proposed development. Our Councillors had concerns

about the potential of up to 16 vehicles trying to use the road which they believed could not be widened sufficiently to be made safe. They remarked that at present the bin lorry always backed down the road as there was no way to turn around.

They also pointed out that much would need to be done to improve the sewerage system. In the last 25 years there had been no major sewage improvement works and effluent has had to be pumped down to Deppers Bridge.

The Proposers said they were working with a "Transport Consultant" and would be able to deal with the problem of access for refuse vehicles going into and out of the proposed estate. Construction vehicles would have to keep to a specific plan to comply with the Highways Acts. Difficulties would be short-term.

Councillors explained that the proposed development did not match Harbury's Local Plan. It did not enhance the Conservation Area or the Listed Buildings close to the site. They thought that the self-build idea would complicate the scene. The Proposers had not demonstrated a local need for these dwellings. There seemed not to have been any analysis of local housing needs.

Chairman Tim Lockley said the Council wished to protect the Conservation Area. He said there were major grounds for objection: - the proposal could lead to more building at a later date; there was no evidence of local need; there would be Highways problems; it would impact on the Conservation Area and nearby Listed Buildings, and the entire site was outside the "Built Up Area Boundary". The Parish Council would object to the development.

Village Tree Planting: The budget for tree planting is to be re-evaluated. There had been no adverse comments at the Carnival on the project and Facebook comments were also positive. The Council would talk to residents about seven sites within the village where trees could be planted. More trees would be planted on the verges up to the Mound on Bush Heath Lane. The Pre-School would seek advice from Colin Sheasby on where to plant their trees.

Bush Heath Road: There was no update on plans to reduce the speed limit on this road.

Properties: Steve Ekins would organise repairs to the car park bollard. Memorial bulbs will be planted on the Old New Inn Green.

Climate Change: Cllr Balch thanked everyone for their efforts at the Carnival and reported on where the children planted sunflowers. Forty-five people answered a questionnaire focusing on what they wanted and how homes could be made more sustainable. There was interest on the use of air-source heating.

Reports: Cllr Julie Balch asked for more people to help take down the bunting.

Cllrs said that to obtain a crime number, residents should report the youths who have been driving round the car park on 101.

Current Parish Council members contactable via the Parish Office are:

Tim Lockley (Chairman), Keith Thompson (Vice-Chair), Samantha Allen, Julie Balch, Jess Dominick, Steve Ekins, Alan Knowles, Alex Potter, Andrew Rutherford, Janet Thornley



HARBURY SOCIETY

Sue Turner

As the Harbury Society visit to the Buffalo Farm at Napton has been postponed due to the unprecedented heatwave, hopefully you'll find the article replacing that report of interest.

The publication 'Hungry' Harbury was produced by the Harbury Society in 1980 and it gives a comprehensive history of Harbury through the ages. What follows is a very brief outline of some of the subjects covered in the book.

Why is there a village here?

When the glaciers melted after the last ice age they left a thin coating of clay and gravels spread on the older resistant limestone rocks of the Lower Lias series. The unusual combination of a hill-top location and a good water supply made the area attractive to incoming settlers.

The Bronze Age

Bronze Age cooking pits, discovered at Sharmer Farm, have been carbon-dated at 1400 BC, providing the earliest evidence of human presence in Harbury.

The Iron Age

The Iron Age people sought good defensive sites and it is rumoured that Hereburgh, an Iron Age noblewoman, settled here with her tribe sometime between 600 and 300 BC. The name Harbury is a relatively recent contraction of Herberbury – the camp or fortified settlement of the people of Hereburgh.

The Romans

The Romans have left little impression on the village of Harbury. The Fosse Way was a military road, built around 72 AD, that ran between Exeter and Lincoln. It forms the western boundary of today's parish.

The Anglo-Saxons

The Saxons came from the north and east, probably following the Fosse Way, and settled here. They cleared the forest and carved out communal fields. Farming was on the three-field system, one field for wheat, one for barley, and one field fallow. The crops were rotated each year to allow the land to recover its fertility. Animals were pastured on the fallow field, on the commons and on the other open fields after harvest.

The three large open fields were ploughed by the village as a whole. The system of ploughing produced an undulating surface known as ridge and furrow. Saxon farmers owned strips scattered about the three fields; this gave them both good and bad land and they also had grazing rights to the common and the heathland to the south.

The Normans

The Norman Conquest brought social and political changes and especially changes in the system of land tenure in Britain as William I rewarded his followers with grants

of land. As a result, the parish lands of Harbury were divided up and given to his supporters.

The Middle Ages



Once it was established, Harbury continued to exist as a settlement despite adversity. It was fortunate in neither being decimated by the Black Death nor depopulated in favour of sheep farming and it formed a pool of labour for the surrounding countryside. Although blessed with a good water supply and a numerically stable population, the land was poor, and Harbury was never a prosperous village. Nevertheless, it continued to grow slowly, moving westwards as more and more land was taken into cultivation, until the Parish boundaries were reached, after which time the common land was gradually encroached upon.

The earliest stone building in the village is the Church, parts of which date from the late 13th century. One of the oldest surviving buildings in Harbury is the timber framed cottage in High Street.

The 17th Century

Harbury was a poor village, the soil was not productive and its inhabitants suffered hardships and, as a result, the village was known as 'Hungry Harbury' but there were still feasts and festivals, fairs and other recreations. Fairs were held on the Pound Green, while sales and other market activities took place at the Bull Ring. One of the earliest stone houses was the Wagstaffe School, founded in 1611 by Thomas Wagstaffe on a site to the north of the church.

The 18th Century

By the 18th century the pressure on the land was greater, the forests had been cleared and all available land brought into cultivation. It was not until 1779 that the open fields of Harbury were enclosed by the Parliamentary Commissioners, who redistributed the village lands. Enclosure had come late to Harbury which was of economic benefit to small landowners who were able to hire themselves out to the wealthier, larger landowners of the surrounding enclosed parishes.



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The 19th Century

Work on the Oxford to Birmingham branch of the Great Western Railway began in 1847, the eminent civil engineer, Isambard Kingdom Brunel, was the chief engineer, and the line was opened in 1852. Harbury Cutting, half a mile long and 110 feet deep, was the deepest cutting in the world at that time. The work was hard and dangerous, one of the most hazardous elements being the removal of the spoil from the bottom of the cutting.

The Co-operative Movement

Around 1863 the brothers George and Enoch Bustin, who worked in the quarry and Jabez Bustin, who was employed on the railway, opened the Co-operative, Industrial and Provident Society shop in Mill Street, in a stone cottage next to Chesterton Farm. Initially the shop was only open after they finished work and it was one of the earliest Co-ops in Warwickshire. The Co-op flourished and amassed enough capital to purchase its own premises.

The 20th and 21st Centuries



Many organisations and societies flourished in Harbury prior to the First World War and there were several social events in the year. Fairs were held on both the Pound and the Old New Inn greens. The Shakespeare Fete, celebrating the playwright not the inn, was held off Middle Road. The Transport and General Workers Union Fete was held at Harbury House with races being held in the field at Butt Lane.

Services and Development

During the interwar period there was little private building, although council houses were erected in the 1920s and 1930s. The possibility of installing a piped water supply was first discussed in 1919, but schemes were rejected as too expensive and 'unnecessary', so that it wasn't until 1939 that houses in Harbury had their first piped water system. A sewage system was installed in the late 1950s which led to an increase in housing development and population. A new school and village hall were opened to serve this new community.

To request a copy of 'Hungry' Harbury (£5) please contact Sue Turner on 07917 055920 or email sue@turners.co.uk

The WI continues to be busy with meetings and events. A group of us enjoyed tea in Charlecote Garden Centre - and bought some lovely plants - and others attended the Warwickshire Federation AGM at Dallas Burston with excellent speakers, including Rev Richard Coles, as well as the usual business.



At our meeting this month, Trevor Langley reminded us that the canal paths are free to walk on and, if we do, we will see some surprising aspects of local history by these waterways. He gave a comprehensive account of the long past and recent history (which some of us remembered well!) of Warwick town in connection with the waterways, opening our eyes to interesting tunnels, bridges and aqueducts and why roses and castles are the staples of Canal Art. Our local canals formed a route from Warwick to London in the early 1800s. It was much cheaper to transport heavy goods such as coal and grain by canal than over very rough roads. The canals fell into disrepair with the coming of railways in the 1830s, although boats continued to trade into the 20th century. The decline was arrested by Tom Rolt who led a successful campaign for their restoration. Trevor is an excellent speaker with very good photographs.

As I write this, we are looking forward to running a stall at Harbury School on 16th July, having a WI group garden party on 23rd July, outdoor games at the village hall on 21st July and our own Garden Party in August. The programme for events in 2023 is in hand, and we welcome any women who'd like to be part of our WI life.



HARBURY THEATRE GROUP

Celia Stockdale

Time is flying by as we find ourselves in August with the ACT (Amateur Community Theatre) Festival behind us. Those of you who read our last article will know that the Harbury Theatre Group entered the Warwickshire Festival which was held in Kineton on 2nd July. Our group performed the play 'A Charming Affair' which was one of five one act entries and we are proud to say that our cast, comprising Caroline, Lara, Nikki and Sue, came first!! What an achievement!

We have now decided on our next play which is entitled 'The Affairs at Meddler's Top' which is a comedy set in the 1920s that we hope many of you will be able to come and watch. The dates for your



diaries are **24th, 25th and 26th November**. It should prove to be a great deal of fun along with some songs and music too.



Finally, we are always looking for new members who would like to be a part of the group – even if going on stage doesn't appeal, there are many other supporting roles that are available. Our email is harburytheatregroup@gmail.com or you are very welcome to come to our next monthly meeting which is 23rd August at the Village Club - 7pm for 7.30pm start.



FOLK CLUB

Ian Hartland

What a difference a month makes. The June Folk Club was bursting with artists eager to perform again after more than two years of lockdowns. July's Folk Club was surprisingly sparse, leading one to believe that, having sated their appetite for singing, our performers had gone to pursue some other item in their 'bucket list'.

The theme was "Favourites" and it received various interpretations. The Harvesters kicked off the evening with "Singing Through the Hard Times" and "Shores of Jordan". Bob Clucas revealed that his favourite songwriter is Paul Simon and he sang "Flowers Never Bend in the Rainfall", followed by an instrumental penned by Donovan. Peter Mason sang of "Hull and Halifax and Hell" and followed it with Ralph McTell's thought-provoking "Peppers and Tomatoes". Rik sang a Jake Thackray song about "Isobel" (who makes love in the Albert Hall!) and then performed "Brandy". We were delighted to reintroduce Gerda to the audience. She lived in the village in the 1980s before moving to the North but had made a pilgrimage south to meet old friends and to perform for us. She sang the beautiful "Who Knows Where the Time Goes" and followed it with the classic "It Ain't Necessarily So". Martin Day gave us "Dead Men's Boots" and sang a hilarious song about "Six Black Paintings", suggesting that 'Art' can sometimes deceive and perplex. Peter McDonald brought the first half to a fine conclusion with his favourite Tom Paxton song, "Home for Me" and then Steve Knightley's "Man of War".

The second half was kicked off by Debbie with her excellent poems "The Coffee Morning" and the "Zona Nudista". Richard Collyer recited Jeremy Taylor's "All Along the South Coast" and followed that with the John Golding song "Got the Wind in My Hair". Sue Harris sang about "The Love You Leave Behind When You're Gone" followed by the amusing "Joyce the Librarian". Don Arthurson gave us his version of

Steeleye Span's "The Lowlands of Holland" and then followed that with "The Wild Mountain Thyme", though not the more familiar song of the same name. Nick took to the floor with his melodeon for a rousing sea shanty and then played cajon for "My Son John". Having now given all available artists their first spot, those who had prepared a third piece could now come forward to complete the evening's entertainment if they chose. Rik chose to recite an amusing and self-deprecatory poem about forgetfulness. Peter Mason sang "Slip Jigs and Reels" and Martin recited another amusing poem about "Tortoises Always Come Last". Gerda invited us to "Wrap Your Arms Around Me Tonight" and then Peter McDonald sang Tom Paxton's "Leaving London", a folk club favourite if ever there was one. Richard gave us a Jeremy Taylor song called "Love on the Sands" and Don skilfully played "The Mixed Bag Rag" on guitar. Finally, The Harvesters sang the Depression-era classic "Make Me A Pallet on Your Floor".

Sue is running next month's club and her chosen theme for the evening is "Flowers". Make it a date in your diary to come along and hear more excellent music in Harbury Village Club on Thursday 4th August 2022, starting 8.00pm.



HARBURY TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Ron Temple

Bastille Day, 14th July, is an important event for the French people. To celebrate with them, 25 five of our Association joined together for a classic French meal at the Eleven Restaurant in Leamington Spa. The food and wine were superb as was the company.



We have other events coming up over the summer including a game of boules and a BBQ.

As I've mentioned before we are always keen to welcome new members. If you are interested please contact me at:

drtemple@hotmail.co.uk.



HARBURY HERITAGE CENTRE

Bill Timson

The Open Gardens weekend was once again well organised and well supported despite the heavy showers experienced, especially on Saturday afternoon. The Heritage Centre was open for refreshments; teas, cakes and scones were served to our visitors. I would like to thank David and Sue Turner for organising and leading from the front and also for the help given by Mary and Keith Thompson, Neville Sheasby and Saffie on Saturday and Karen Rea on Sunday. Unfortunately, Judy and I were recovering from the 'virus' and could not take part.



July saw some very hot weather and on Tuesday 5th our open evening was very well attended (13 visitors) with interest in Mill Lane, new and existing residents coming for a 'look around' and a family who had moved from a new house on Oakfields to an old house in Chapel Street (see photos below).



Thanks go to Tim Lockley MBE, chair of our Parish Council for supplying us with a copy of the **cemetery records** which date back to 1874 through to 2019. He has also 'given' us a good start on the **1911 Census**. Both of these pieces of Harbury history need to be digitised so that they can be used more easily by visitors for research etc. If **anyone** has an hour or two to spare we would be **very** grateful if you would like to 'type up' this information. Full training will be given although it's very easy, just time consuming! Thanks to village resident Dave Hodges for supplying a copy of the 1939 'census' which was carried out prior to the outbreak of World War Two. This too

needs digitising! Contact me on 07813 739972 or email group@harburyheritage.org.uk

Our collection of village history and information is definitely growing. David Turner has spent hours digitising the 'Enclosure Act' of Harbury dating from the 1700s. This shows how the agricultural land was divided up and who owned it. A map to accompany this document has also been produced by David. This, I'm sure would be of interest to current land owners and local farmers.

Come along and have a look: **Next Open Days – Sunday 21st August 2 – 4pm and Tuesday 6th September 7- 9pm. Entrance via Park Lane.**



Now AUGUST is the time for our annual **Family Treasure Hunt!** Keep Saturday

afternoon 20th August free. Bring along the whole family including your dog for a walk around the village and see if you can solve the clues that lead to the treasure. Come and

meet the pirates and have a go in the 'lucky dip barrel'. The overall winners will be treated to the 'Treasure' in the form of food hampers. Cost only £5 per family. All profits to the running of the Heritage Centre. Last year's overall winners with their Treasure Chest - shown *right* and *above* the 'Lucky Dip' creating a lot of interest.



Look out for the **Treasure Hunt Posters** around the village.

Remember Saturday 20th August from 2pm.

A FUN and informative afternoon for all the family.

See you there!



HARBURY ENERGY INITIATIVE

Bob Sherman

Tel: 07511 679312

Pesky Plastic

I don't know how many of you took part in the Big Plastic Count week. We did and were not a little surprised at how many miscellaneous small bits of plastic passed through the house despite our fairly determined efforts to reduce plastic use. Some of these may have been peel off thin film plastic pot covers or plastic screw caps from Tetrapaks or similar barely noticeable and ephemeral items. They add up.

The results of the week of the survey come from 250,000 participants. From these the organisers are able to extrapolate that UK households throw away at least 96.6

billion pieces of plastic a year. Add in industrial use and you have a figure even more unpalatable.

Harbury residents are good recyclers, strongly supported by Jessica Dominick's Harbury Environmental Group. The uncomfortable fact, however, is that only a small fraction of the plastic entering our houses is actually recycled. The rest is dumped abroad, burnt or goes to landfill. The only way to stop this dreadful abuse of the environment is massively to reduce plastic entering the waste stream. The best way to reduce waste is not to create it in the first place. As individuals we can only do so much. It has to be down to businesses and government to make the big moves. HEI does not lobby - but you can.

Let there be light - and heat

HEI has been supporting the church in its determination to bring modern low carbon solutions to the heating and lighting replacements desperately needed before this winter. We are delighted to hear, therefore, that not only has the church finally been granted permission to complete the work but also that the new Chair of the Diocesan Advisory Committee that make the decisions feels that our solutions should be applied across the Diocese.

That's not the end of the story, however, as there is just a small matter of raising the rest of the substantial sum to pay for the work. Several people are working on it to add to the generous donations from the village so far.

Powerful Funds

Talking of fundraising, I have bunged in a couple more small funding bids for village energy related projects. Through Harbury e-Wheels affinity relationship with Younity, a collaboration between Octopus Energy and Midcounties Cooperative that sets out to support community energy, we are able to apply to the Powering Communities Fund. The grants offered are up to £3,000 and it is a competitive process judged by an external panel. We have submitted two bids.

The first is for an energy monitoring display for the school similar to the one in the library foyer. The solar panels on the school roof are well above the sight line of the children - and probably out of mind too. A monitor would help to make it 'real', showing them energy as it is being generated from the sun and how it accumulates over time.

The second is for the Scout hut. There are major retrofit plans for this poorly insulated, cold building with some funding already in place. This bid, composed by 1st Harbury Scouts, is requesting a small contribution to all their plans.

We will hear the results this month. Competition will be strong so I am making no predictions on the outcome.

Also, this month we should hear the result of our bid through Warwickshire County Council to the government's Low Emission Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) Fund for the Harbury Future Energy EV charging station project. A great deal hinges on this so the HFE team may look a little stressed this month.

Ted's Tech Trawl

Last month we looked at Riversimple's hydrogen powered car. This month another very unique car comes to mind, an electric one that can partly charge itself whilst parked in the sunshine on your drive. This car comes from an idea started by three

young friends in a garage in Munich, Germany in 2016. It has solar panels embedded in its plastic body, which on average over a year have generated enough energy for around 75 miles a week, on a good sunny day enough for up to 20 miles - all for free!

On a full battery charged from the mains it has a range of 160 miles. When plugged into a home charge point it can provide power to the home, it can put power into another electric car and can be used for power on a camping holiday. It even has a trailer drawbar, unusual on electric cars. In addition, DIY is back for those who like home mechanics; many standard parts you can change yourself.

It is shortly going into production at the Saab factory in Finland, priced at around £29,000.

The company is called Sono Motors, the car is named Sion and, as with Henry Ford's first car, it is only available in black.

Search:- sonomotors.com



HARBURY RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Steven Kittendorf

Friday 27th May saw a packed Clubhouse where the Mini and Junior age groups came together to celebrate the outstanding contribution players had made throughout the 2021-22 season.

The Cheltenham Owners Caravan Club returned and pitched up during the first week in June to hold their Summer Rally. Campers joined in the Queen's Jubilee celebrations in the Clubroom.

Cricket continued every Saturday throughout June together with a couple of 20-20 matches on Tuesday nights. Cory's Monday Boot Camp also continued at 6pm and Slimming World held their meetings each Wednesday from 5pm.

Senior training took a break through the month of June and started up again in July - Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7.00pm.

The Mini and Junior section held their AGM on Thursday 16th June. Chairperson Phil Sheepy regretfully announced that due to work commitments, he would have to stand down with immediate effect. Vice-Chairperson Chris Woodhams immediately stood into the breach and thanked Phil for all his hard work over his two years in the Chair. Phil was encouraged and accepted the role of Vice Chairperson.

Officers were elected for the following positions - Safeguarding, Referee Coordinator, Mini Fixtures, Junior Fixtures, Coach Coordinator, Registration, Kit Manager and First Aid Coordinator.

Eleven groups of three (Lead Coach and two Support Coaches) volunteered to manage the individual age groups from the U5s through to the U16s for the forthcoming season. Becky will take charge of the girls' section.

Pre-season training starts back each Sunday from 7th August. The Harbury Mini Festival was confirmed as Sunday 16th October 2022 - save the date.



Over eighty caravans, motorhomes and tents from Scotland, Wales and England pitched up to compete in the annual volleyball tournament hosted by the North West Warwickshire Camping and Caravanning Club. The early rounds started at 10.00am on Saturday morning, whilst the Australia - England match was shown on the big screen in the Clubhouse. Volleyball continued through the afternoon alongside the cricket match being played. With temperatures up in the mid-twenties, thirsts were quenched in the bar with bar staff working a 12-hour shift!

Sunday morning saw the volleyball semi-finals and final contested followed by the campers heading home in the late afternoon.

Travellers arrived back in the County during early July. Apparently, they tried to settle at Berkswell and Balsall Rugby ground but were spotted and moved on to Massey Fergusons sports ground. They next made camp on the football pitches at Lighthorne Heath, interrupting the Juniors' football training. Having empathy with their situation, we were more than happy for the Junior teams to train at Harbury whilst their own pitches were occupied. It is with some satisfaction that we look back over last year to recall the increased security that was put in place at the Club - some of us slept a little easier this time!



HARBURY TENNIS CLUB

Colin Mercer

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

In the Banbury Summer League Harbury "B" are in second place after winning their opening two fixtures. In the first match Jeunine Crabtree, Sue Johnson, Wendy Lewin, Nigel Eaton, Craig Lenton and Ian Reynolds went to Northamptonshire to play Brackley "C". It was a closely fought match with Harbury coming home with a 6-3 win. In the next match we welcomed Hook Norton "C" to Harbury and Jeunine, Sue and Nigel were joined by Lucy Ewen, James Edge and Olly Wiltshire. This was a more comfortable evening with Harbury dominating and winning 8-1. At the time of writing the thermometer is creeping towards 40 degrees and tonight's scheduled "A" team match has been called off because of the excessive heat – strange times!

Wimbledon was very exciting for various reasons, particularly for Emma Brangwin, Jane Minchin and Jeunine Crabtree who were nominated by Warwickshire LTA to spend the middle Saturday at the Championships as guests of the LTA President, Dave Rawlinson. The special event was created to help celebrate members of clubs across the country who have given their time to grow grass roots tennis at their club and in their communities.

The trio were welcomed into the Agapanthus Suite and were given the opportunity to meet other members from all over the UK and to hear about their efforts at their individual clubs. Before lunch the guests heard from both Dave Rawlinson about the LTA's vision for tennis participation in the coming years and the hard work that has gone into making it the second most participated sport behind football.



After the speeches and special awards given for lifetime achievement to three of the members in attendance, the guests enjoyed a delicious lunch, finishing just in time to enjoy the first match on Centre Court. Guests were invited back to the Agapanthus Suite to enjoy an afternoon tea, of course with plentiful strawberries on offer! The afternoon's tennis was just as lively and enthralling and the Harbury Tennis Club ladies had a fantastic day, completely immersed in all things tennis. It was such an honour to be able to represent Harbury as Warwickshire Club of the year.



Saturday 16th July saw the return of the hot weather along with the second Tennisathon in aid of Dementia UK. Three of our Club members, Dan Chand, Emma Brangwin and Jeunine Crabtree braved the heat and played tennis for 12 straight hours. They were joined each hour by lots of participants who helped keep up morale as the sun got hotter throughout the day.

It was a very well-attended event and great to see so many people taking part, supporting and donating to this wonderful cause. Dementia UK helps families living with dementia by offering support, care and advice. There are an

estimated 900,000 people living in the UK who have been diagnosed with dementia, meaning the support Dementia UK provides is more essential than ever.

As of 18th July, the total raised from the Tennisathon stands at £1,096.70, and it would be fantastic to beat the £1,300 raised last year. If you would like to support this great cause, please visit: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/tennisathon2022

The Summer coaching programme delivered by *Cool/sportz* has finished and after a short break will start again on 5th September. Scott Smith is moving on after doing a great job for us and we'll be welcoming new coach Ian Shorrocks, LTA Level 2

Accredited. Great news is that Ian will be running sessions on Mondays **and** Fridays, so we'll be back to a full coaching programme again. Lianne Candappa will continue to run her Ladies and 1-2-1 sessions on Friday mornings. For more details contact Lianne on 07919104093 or lianne@coolsportz.co.uk



HARBURY PRE-SCHOOL

Staff and Committee



We're going on a bear hunt: Inspired by the fabulous Michael Rosen and his modern-day classic story about a family taking an exciting trip to find a bear, the children experienced all the same things as the fictitious family but at Pre-School.

We spent a couple of weeks reading the story book and listening to an audio version on CD which the children have really enjoyed. Though what a surprise we all had last week. When we arrived at Pre-School on Thursday morning, there seemed to be bear prints everywhere! On the doors, on the floors, on the cupboards. The children were totally captivated and set out on their mission to find the bear responsible.



The staff along with the children pulled together some great resources to create our very own, swishy swashy grass, splashy sploshy water, squelchy squerchy mud to make footprints, a swirling snow storm, dark forest and of course a narrow gloomy cave where we eventually found a bear! The children absolutely loved it. The bear has had lots of cuddles and had a fantastic time with the children. We hope to see him again someday.



Butterflies

They started as tiny caterpillars, grew daily and a week later formed cocoons. At the end of last week, the first painted lady butterflies emerged. We have been sharing our fruit snack with them and feeding them sugar water using a pipette.



Finally, it was time to release our butterflies into the wild. The children all sat outside and, conscious of not scaring the butterflies, sat beautifully still and quiet whilst we unzipped the net. They slowly emerged and approached the children before they flew away. I suspect they were thanking them for looking after them so well.

Ready for School

We are approaching the end of term and, for some of our children, their final few weeks at Pre-School.

The new Reception 2022 have had some induction days with their new teachers at their new schools and we were very excited to welcome Mrs James who visited the Pre-School to spend a bit of time with the children.

There are still a few things to look forward to before we finish for the year. We are excited about our traditional end of term picnic at Harbury Park with parachute games!

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

What an incredible turnout for the PTA Summer Inflatable Funday! The sun was shining, children bouncing, drinks flowing, sausages sizzling and music playing. Lots of fun was had by all and it was a fantastic way to celebrate the end of term and raise lots of money for Harbury Primary School.

The event was made possible by the generosity and hard work from our amazing local businesses and volunteers. We would like to say a special thank you to:

- Our Sponsors - Atlantic Fluid Tech, Banana Moon Day Nursery, Brellis Recruitment, Catteralls Coaches, Drop Dead Gorgeous Curtains, Harbury Milk Shed, Lily Head Dental Practice Sales and Finance, Miles of Tiles and Stairways.
- Diana Hancox and the Harbury Steel Pans for putting on a wonderful performance
- Our amazing teachers and school staff for braving the stocks and helping on stalls
- Georgie Mason for providing an afternoon of awesome singing
- All our stall holders including Harbury WI and Earthworms
- Carpenters Butchers for their delicious BBQ food
- Our local businesses for raffle prize donations
- Mr and Mrs Kitchener for setting up and clearing away all the tables
- The Biddle family for kindly providing power for inflatables
- David Bristow for overseeing the electrical and safety aspects of the inflatables
- Kelly and William Jones for helping on the entrance tent
- Our extended PTA helpers and their family members and friends for helping with BBQ, bar, stalls, marketing and so much more

And last but not least, everyone who came and supported the event so generously!!!

We will keep you posted on the grand total raised and how this will be used to fund exciting projects over the next year.

Thank you - Harbury PTA.



HARBURY LIBRARY & BIBLIO'S CAFE

Rich Fowler



Summer Reading Challenge: This year's Summer Reading Challenge is up and running and will continue until Saturday 3rd September. We have a display of books about Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths to support the theme of "Gadgeteers". We will also be running two children's Craft Workshops, also based on the "Gadgeteers" theme. Dates to be announced.

Bridging the Gap: Some of the original artwork for the new mural now installed at Harbury Primary School will be on display in the library through the summer holidays.

Tunes and Tales: Tunes and Tales will continue to run in the library on Thursday mornings throughout the summer holidays. Please note that the session will start at the slightly later time of 9.30am.



Home Delivery: If you, or someone you know, can't get to the library, you can still borrow books. Either browse our online catalogue and request the books you'd like, or simply phone us, tell us your favourite authors or the types of books you like and we'll make a selection for you and deliver them. When you've finished with the books, let us know and we'll come and collect them. Our phone number is 01926 258776.

Cool Space / Warm Space: Financial journalist Martin Lewis recently wrote, *"I wonder if this winter we'll need 'warm banks' where people who can't afford heating are invited to spend their days at no cost with heating (e.g. libraries, public buildings)?"* Ayub Khan, Head of Face-to-Face Services for Warwickshire County Council, also pointed out that libraries can be used as a "cooling centre" during hot weather. Whether you're too hot or too cold, you can always drop into Harbury Library. We have through ventilation, ceiling fans, and an air purifier for the summer and radiators for the winter. As well as somewhere to sit, we have books and newspapers, coffee and cake when Biblio's is open, and takeaway tea and coffee when it's not.



Sheep Dip Session - Doug MacLeod: Dee and Michael Luntley have recently moved to the village and have brought with them the Sheep Dip Sessions, a series of exciting music events. Home for the first session will be Harbury Library on Friday 2nd September when acoustic blues musician Doug MacLeod will be playing. Doug, from Memphis, Tennessee, is a very fine player of acoustic blues, has a great blues voice and a rich and colourful repertoire of stories of his professional life on the road playing the blues. Oh, and he keeps on winning and being nominated for US acoustic blues player of the year, acoustic blues album of the year and many other awards.

Tickets are £10 and can be purchased at the library, or booked by email and pay on the door. Michael's email is michael.luntley@gmail.com



Biblio's Summer Holiday Opening: Please note Biblio's Café will be open as usual during the school holidays, Wednesday to Friday, 9.15am to 12 noon and Saturday 10.00am to 12 noon. All welcome.

Regular Opening Times

Library - Monday and Tuesday - 10am to 4.30pm; Wednesday, Thursday and Friday - 9.15 am to 4.30pm; Saturday - 10am to 12 noon.

Biblio's Café - Wednesday to Saturday - 9.15am to 12 noon, Saturday - 10am to 12 noon. Bookings can be made via the following email address: bookingsbiblioscafe@outlook.com





HARBURY CLUB & INSTITUTE

Club Committee



Another month has passed and summer certainly feels like it is in full swing. This year's team winter leagues have drawn to a close, although plenty of practise in preparation for next season is already well under way. Great results from our crib team, our pool /dart teams and our snooker teams. The charity summer leagues are as yet undecided, and still ongoing. A ladies' darts team would be a great addition to our club; if any of our members would be interested in making this happen, our chairman is available to assist with this.

We are now open all day Saturday and Sunday from 12pm throughout the summer and have introduced Beavertown neck oil to our range of IPA, a refreshing choice on a hot sunny day, a great price to our members too!!

Rena and the renegades will be bringing on back the good times on the 30th July, it would be great to see some of our not so frequent members along with our usual club crew, supporting this local act, it'll be a great night out.



Looking ahead in August, our gardens are a great place to spend a little time with the family - our outdoor games will be available, either already set up or on request. We now have swingball to add to your outdoor enjoyment. We will be having family bingo on the 13th followed by a family fun day on the 21st. We have our regular monthly cash bingo, including the snowball on the 26th and this month's band, which we are very proud and excited to be hosting, are The Black Flowers. They are another local band that play a great mix of old, new and classic rock n roll. They will be here on the 27th, helping us enjoy the final bank holiday of the summer. Thank you to all of our members who are supporting our efforts in bringing the club back into the hearts and minds of the village. We hope to see you in there for a drink sometime.



HARBURY GENERAL NEWS



HARBURY CEMETERY

Harbury Parish Council

Unsafe Memorials

During a recent inspection, we have identified some unsafe memorials which we have cordoned off until they can be made safe. Please take care to avoid these areas when visiting the cemetery and do not lean on any memorials. If you are the owner of any of the following memorials (overleaf), please contact the parish council office on 01926 614646 as soon as possible. If you know the family concerned, we would be grateful if you would pass this notice on to them and ask them to contact us.

Name	Year of Death
Ian Alcock	1932
Reginald Bloxham	1992
Arthur Edmund Bowell	1977
Enoch Bustin	1931
Frederick Cleary	1978
Elsie Tryphena Freeman	1958
Hilda May Freeman	2009
William Gardner	1979
Alfred Richard Garrett	1988
Emily Gurden	1951
Arthur Leonard Harris	1986
Emily Hillyard	1921
Eric Smith Jennings	1978
Alfred William Mayes	1961
Frank Miles	1967
William Jacob Neale	1966
Walter Owen	1956
William Owen	1956
Winifred Parkhurst	1972
Hilda Sanford	1966
Robert Stenhouse	1923
Elizabeth Whitehead	1943
Elizabeth Whitehead	1940
Frank Wrighton	1926

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WEDNESDAY WALKERS

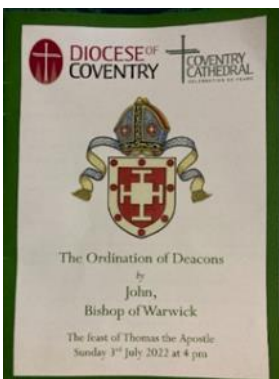
Gillian Hare

We are now in the part of the year when different members of the group take a turn to lead a walk. All being well, when you read this, we shall have been to Kenilworth, Stratford, and Flecknoe. And we had a delightful visit to Hidcote, with lovely views from the hill, a picnic, and a stroll round the gardens. I was pleased to see that the volunteers are now back and the gardens returning to their previous beauty.

On 3rd August, we are doing something a bit different, when a farmer near Claydon is taking us around her private land. She will then serve a ploughman's lunch (£10 including drinks and cake) and telling us about her "barrow". This is not Iron Age, but a new facility where people can place the cremated remains of a loved one. If you would like to join us, please contact Bernice or Libba.



NEWLY ORDAINED DEACONS



Congratulations to Alison Abbott from Harbury on her ordination as a Deacon at Coventry Cathedral. Alison is now curate to the Edgehill Group of Parishes.

Julie Batchelor

Those of you who know Jonathan Guy may like to see this photo of him at his recent ordination as a Church of England Deacon. The service took place at York Minster on 25th June and was conducted by the Archbishop of York. It was a lovely occasion. Jonathan attended Harbury Primary School, Southam College and Myton School before studying at Sheffield University. He recently completed his Theology degree at Wycliffe College in Oxford. He moved to Hull with his wife Suzi and toddler son Joey last month and has now started his curacy at St Columba's church in Hull.



Ruth and Alan Guy



HARBURY GARDENS WALKABOUT

Peter Walshe - e-Wheels

Thanks to the record number of garden owners taking part, this year's Harbury Garden Walkabout was a great success (in spite of the unkind weather on the Saturday).

Feedback has been extremely positive with comments ranging from how relaxed, social and fun the days were. Many commented on the variety of gardens and the friendly garden owners - and the inspiration gained from seeing such a range.

Harbury e-Wheels is delighted that over £1,650 has been raised for the charity. And, in addition, Wendy Hancox raised £1,000 (split between Myton Hospice and ABC Club - Affected by Bowel Cancer) from the Gardens weekend and the Jubilee weekend. She is indebted to her gallant helpers serving lunches and teas. Thanks also to Alison Lewis for her cakes and teas which raised £100 as did Liz McBride with her scones and teas. Other contributions came from Celia Neill (plant sales) and Philip Mayer (recipe book sales). The Harbury Heritage Room and The Church Festival of Hope did extremely well due to being places to shelter from the weather!



Particular thanks go to Kath and Debbie Ellis with Margaret Commons who sold tickets and programmes at 1 South Parade, Gillian Hare who covered the Beech's area and Richard Fowler (aided by Bob Sherman and Nic Burt) who opened the Library for the same purpose - as well as to the Library volunteers who sold tickets in advance.

We are already planning for next year: keep Saturday/Sunday 1st/2nd July free.

Many thanks for a wonderful community effort.



HARBURY GARDEN GROUP

Jacqui Temple

At the beginning of July many of us opened our gardens for the Garden Walkabout. I hope those who took part in the walkabout found it enjoyable and inspirational. Although I didn't get much opportunity to visit the gardens myself, I found those I did manage to see to be gorgeous (despite the rain) and all very different, I came away with many ideas (perhaps too many!)



Our next trip will be a visit to Bridge Nursery, Napton. Christine, who writes the article 'Garden Jottings' in Harbury and Ladbroke News, has agreed to give us a talk over tea and cake for a donation to the National Garden Scheme (NGS). This event was at the end of July, however, as I write, it hasn't taken place yet!

If, like me, you enjoy flowers in the house as well as the garden, the Alstromeria is a fantastic plant to grow. The more you cut this plant, the more it seems to give and they last very well in a vase too, what is there not to like!





Harbury Garden Walkabout



Ashdown House, The Larches and Manor Cottage



Witsend



Honeysuckle Cottage & Witsend



HARBURY BEER FESTIVAL 2022

John Crossling - chairman of Heart of Warwickshire CAMRA

The Harbury Beer Festival is returning for its 30th edition after a gap of three years. It is being held on the evening of Friday 2nd September and all day on Saturday 3rd. (see the advert for opening times). We are featuring beers and ciders from Herefordshire and Worcestershire with a few from Warwickshire.

There will be almost 40 beers and around 10 ciders and perries. There will be some craft beer which has been put in casks especially for us so expect some cloudy beers - yes they are meant to be that way!

The entertainment on Saturday sees the return of the Strumtroopers - an unusual ukulele led group who have been popular in previous years - watch out for the plastic trombone! The Village Hall will be supplying the food and the Hereburgh Morris troupe will be dancing at Saturday lunchtime.

There is likely to be quite a few new arrivals in the village since we last held a Beer Festival and we will be looking to you for your support as well as our old regulars! Local punters are going to be more important than usual as we no longer have late buses for people to be able to get back to Leamington.

The very first Beer Festival was almost entirely supported by people from the village and a great atmosphere was generated. This may be the last ever Harbury Beer festival due to age of the organisers and possibility of some moving away. New volunteers are needed if this is going to continue in the future.

Our latest innovation is that we will be able to accept contactless payment for entry and for beer tokens for the first time which will appeal to some of our younger visitors. You will also be able to join CAMRA using your card / phone.

We are once again, running a tombola in aid of the Air Ambulance but you will need some cash to support that!

Let's hope for some nice weather and we look forward to welcoming you all. Don't forget to use social media to let your friends know!



HARBURY VILLAGE SHOW

Village Show Committee

Thank you to everyone who has returned their trophy from last year. We can now get these engraved and polished up for this year's show.

The 2022 show is just over a month away (10th September) and I hope preparations are going well. Hopefully the weather conditions are encouraging all your produce to grow well. There has certainly been a need for extra watering this summer.

We have a varied "Food" section this year with everything for the new baker through to the more experienced. How about having a go at some jam making or perhaps, a little later, a jar of chutney?

We have a couple of new judges this year. One for flower arranging and one for the flower section. They would love to have lots of entries to judge. This would be a great

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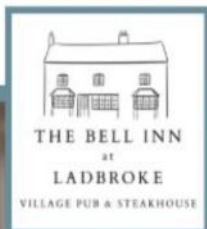
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year to have a go at these sections if you haven't before. There is a special novice section in the Flower Arranging category.

It's the long school holidays! Why not pick up a children's schedule and encourage your children to have a go and enter the show.

Schedules can be picked up from the library and the Milk Shed or downloaded from www.hlnews.co.uk/villageshow

And finally, to enter you must complete the entry form found on the schedule and enter by Wednesday, 7th September.



SOUTHAM HERITAGE COLLECTION

Linda Doyle

Southam Heritage Collection presents its latest free exhibition in Tithe Place, Southam, the "Southam Timeline". Open on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday mornings between 10am and 12 noon, it is a timeline through nearly 2,000 years of Southam's history.

The wall posters start in the Roman era, touch on how and why the town developed in the way it did, to come a full circle into the 21st century when Tithe Place was built over the remnants of a Roman boundary ditch. Follow the important dates in Southam's history such as when the land belonged to Lady Godiva's husband to be given to the Coventry Monks, through becoming a town when it was given its market charter in 1227, how the 17th century Civil War affected the people, when a major fire in 1742 burnt most of the town centre down resulting in major rebuilds in the Georgian style, how the cement industry started, to WW1, WW2, and on to the present day.

Look at our display cabinets and see if the children can recognise any of the items, or even if you do! There are various publications on different periods of life in the town, as late as Southam Zoo, with two different window displays on Roman Archaeology found on the Flying Fields new housing estate and the 1914 Southam Flower Show which was held at the start of the Great War.

For further details look at our web site www.southamheritage.org or contact us on southamheritage@hotmail.com



GALANOS HOUSE

Shelley Fardon

Galanos House Quiz and Curry Night - Venue: The Community Hub and Café

Thursday 18th August at 7pm.

Entry is only £6.50 per person which includes food and entry into the quiz. Maximum of six people per team. Plus, our bar will be open too! For tickets call 01926 812185 or ask at our reception.

Galanos House Summer Fête

Saturday 3rd September from 10am-4pm. Free entry and everyone welcome.

This family fun event will include lots of stalls from crafts, games, cakes, tombola, plants and the ice-cream van of course! And much more.

The Community Hub and Café will be open 9am-5pm as usual, serving a selection of homemade cakes, breakfasts, lunches and drinks (vegan and vegetarian options available daily).

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Upgrading Landlines to Digital Technology - What You Need to Know

The technology that we use to make landline phone calls is due to be upgraded over the next few years but what does this mean for you as a landline customer?

Traditionally, landline phone calls have been delivered over the old 'copper' telephone network known as the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN). However, the equipment used in the PSTN was developed and installed in the 1980s and is becoming harder and increasingly more expensive to maintain. BT has therefore taken the decision to retire the PSTN by the end of December 2025.

Telecoms providers have been investing heavily in new systems and infrastructure networks such as full fibre, which means that in the future, landline calls can be delivered via digital technology called Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP), which uses a broadband connection.

Your landline provider will contact you well in advance of when the process to start migrating your old landline to your new telephone service will apply to you and your property.

Once a home service is moved from PSTN to VoIP, the phone will generally work in the same way as it always has, but it will need to be plugged into a broadband router instead of into the phone socket on your wall. If you need any new equipment – e.g. a new router, your provider should sort this out for you.

This change from PSTN to VoIP will affect other devices that rely on a phone line - such as some fire and burglar alarm systems and telecare devices. It is therefore important that you mention those devices to your provider and check if they



need to be replaced or reconfigured in order to continue working when they notify you that your service is to be migrated.

Once the PSTN is switched off, if you wish to continue having a landline phone, but don't already have broadband or don't use a broadband service, you will generally still need to have a suitable connection. Ofcom expects that providers will have a range of options for people in this situation.

However, as VoIP services will operate successfully on broadband connections of less than 1Mbps, customers should not be forced to take out a high-speed broadband package if they do not want to.

One issue with VoIP that has raised concerns with residents is what happens during a power cut at your property? A phone connected to a broadband router wouldn't work as it gets its power from the property's mains electricity supply. So what if you needed to call the emergency services?

If you rely on your landline - for example, you don't have a mobile phone, are unable to use a mobile phone or you don't have a mobile signal inside your home - your ISP must make sure that you are able to contact the emergency services in the event of a power cut. This could be in the form of battery back-up so that your landline will continue to work for the minimum of at least one hour.

However, since the end of 2018, Ofcom's published guidance states an expectation to 'recommend only providing battery back-up or other protection facilities to vulnerable consumers.' If you would still quite like the option of a back-up solution but aren't in a vulnerable group, ISP Review's Solutions for Battery Back-up of Fibre Broadband and VoIP article provides you with some options.

If you have any further queries or concerns about the migration to VoIP technology, we suggest you contact your landline or broadband provider in the first instance. More information is also available at the Future of Voice website.



IMMANUEL'S GROUND - WARWICK'S WEST GALLERY QUIRE

Alison Biddle

Immanuel's Ground - Warwick's West Gallery Quire is Recruiting New Members

We are looking for both singers and instrumentalists. We rehearse in Warwick on Wednesday evenings and play and sing the music which was performed in the "West Gallery" of English parish churches during the 18th and early 19th centuries. This music was much loved by Thomas Hardy who wrote about it in his poems and novels, especially 'Under the Greenwood Tree'. This raw and exciting music was written by local people and performed by village musicians and is genuinely the "music of the people". Our repertoire also includes secular music from the period and psalmody from the American "shape note" tradition of the same era.

We have vacancies for singers of all parts (SATB). We are also looking for woodwind and string players to join our band which accompanies the quire. Violins, clarinets, oboes, bassoons etc. are all welcome. The standard is not too demanding – if you can play hymns, you will be able to play "West Gallery" but you will need to be able to sight read and play in most keys.

The instrumentalists mostly accompany the quire by playing the voice parts but there are also some separate instrumental parts and we often play instrumental pieces at concerts. We perform, usually in period costume, five or six times a year at a variety of venues around the Midlands.

We don't hold formal auditions; instead, we invite people to come along for a few weeks to see how they like 'West Gallery' music and how we get on together.



To find out more, please contact Alison Biddle on 01926 812767 or visit www.immanuelsground.com where you will find lots of information about the quire and what we do.

Regular Diary Dates

BEAVERS: Thursday, 5.30 - 6.40pm, Scout Hut, Email: harburybeavers@hotmail.co.uk

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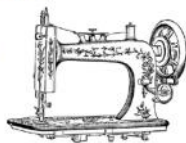
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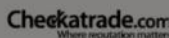
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