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EDITORIAL

A round up of local news

Many thanks for all of your feedback regarding the new style magazine. As expected, there was a mixed reaction with readers both liking and disliking the changes. Going forward we are sure that tweaks to certain publishing elements will continue to be made. We are aware that some of you prefer the map on the front cover and, as mentioned last month, it will make a return on some editions! Some people have remarked that they don't like the smell of the glossy pages and although there is not much we can do about that, we must point out that the magazine is fully recyclable so it can go in your blue bin as normal.

Our thanks must go to our advertising manager, Sue Dronfield who designed and produced much of the art work for the revamped magazine. However, the Harbury & Ladbroke News is now seeking to fill an important role within our team. We are looking for someone to take over the magazine's collation and layout, a job which was previously described as our typist, although now not much typing is involved. An advertisement on page 41 gives all the details. If you think that this role would suit you then please do get in touch.

One other thing to mention is that the June edition deadline will be changing day next month. It will be Saturday 21st May, this is due to the Jubilee bank holiday and extra time needed at the printers. The usual emailed reminder will be sent out. However, if you are submitting an article via the Pharmacy remember that they close at 1.00pm.

With the Carnival making a comeback on 11th June, there is a request from the Carnival Committee asking for volunteers to help sell raffle tickets, marshals on the day and for ticket sellers on the gate. Please contact the committee if you are interested.

It's theatre time again and Harbury Theatre Group presents 'Comedy, Music and Mayhem' on 12th, 13th and 14th May. Tickets can be purchased from Harbury Pharmacy, the Library and the Theatre Group website. Do go along and support them.

Ladbroke Church's lychgate has started to be repaired, which means that during the working day a diversion will be used for entry to the churchyard. Don't forget to send in your artwork for the phone box project and if you still fancy participating in one of Ladbroke's guided tours do contact the Ladbroke Heritage Team to make a booking.

A celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee is planned in Ladbroke on 5th June at the front area of the Bell Inn with additional activities in the Village Hall.

Finally, our congratulations go to Catherine Gibson and Richard Butterworth on their wedding blessing. We extend our condolences to the families of Keith Kleinmann and Lisa Tebaldi.





HARBURY DIARY

For local events

MAY

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|------------|-----------|---|
| Sun | 1 | EASTER 3
Holy Communion, 9.00am
Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall |
| Mon | 2 | Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall |
| Tue | 3 | Bumps and Bundles, 10.30 - 12.00 noon, Tom Hauley Room
Meeting Point, 12.30pm, The Crown Inn (bookings by 29 th April)
Harbury Heritage Centre open, 7.00 - 9.00pm, Harbury School - (Park Lane entrance) |
| Wed | 4 | Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall car park - Oakley Woods (4 miles flat)
Mother's Union, 2.00pm, meeting Karen Morris, Diocesan President
Ballroom Dancing, beginners 7.30pm, experienced 8.30pm, Village Hall |
| Thurs | 5 | Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
Helen Barlow's talk about the work of the Dogs Trust, 7.30pm, Harbury Village Library |
| Sat | 7 | Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Harbury Environmental Group
Ben and Soph's Jazz, tickets - 07515 275655, 7.00pm, Village Hall |
| Sun | 8 | EASTER 4
Holy Communion and Children's Church, 10.30am
Messy Church, 3.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall
Icon Youth Club, 7.00 - 8.30pm, Tom Hauley Room |
| Mon | 9 | Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall |
| Tue | 10 | Bumps and Bundles, 10.30 - 12.00 noon, Tom Hauley Room |
| Wed | 11 | Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall car park - Fawsley – Badby bluebell wood (4 miles hilly)
Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Ballroom Dancing, beginners 7.30pm, experienced 8.30pm, Village Hall |
| Thurs | 12 | Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
Harbury WI, 7.30 for 7.45pm, Tom Hauley Room - Geoff Thorpe's memories of being a vet
Annual Parish Meeting, 7.30pm, Harbury Village Library
Harbury Theatre Group presents 'Comedy, Music and Mayhem' 7.00pm, Village Hall |
| Fri | 13 | Deadline for Senior Citizens' trip replies, 4.30pm, Village Library
Harbury Theatre Group presents 'Comedy, Music and Mayhem' 7.00pm, Village Hall |
| Sat | 14 | Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of GASS
Harbury Theatre Group presents 'Comedy, Music and Mayhem' 7.00pm, Village Hall |
| Sun | 15 | EASTER 5
Holy Communion, 8.00am
All Age Service, 10.30am
Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall
Harbury Heritage Centre open, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Harbury School - (Park Lane entrance) |


- Mon 16 Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall
- Tue 17 Bumps and Bundles, 10.30 - 12.00 noon, Tom Hauley Room
- Wed 18 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall car park - Wootton Wawen (4 miles)
Connections (Dementia) Café, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Ballroom Dancing, beginners 7.30pm, experienced 8.30pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 19 Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
- Fri 20 Harbury Society, guided tour of Ladbroke, 2.00pm
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- Sat 21 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Leicester Royal Infirmary
Repair Café, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Harbury Village Library
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HIGH ST (BY 1.00PM) OR EMAIL TO ARTICLES@HLNEWS.CO.UK BY 5.30PM
- Sun 22 EASTER 6**
Holy Communion and Children's Church, 10.30am
Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall
Icon Youth Club, 7.00 - 8.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Mon 23 Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall
- Tue 24 Bumps and Bundles, 10.30 - 12.00 noon, Tom Hauley Room
- Wed 25 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car park - Norton Lindsay (5 miles)
Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Ballroom Dancing, beginners 7.30pm, experienced 8.30pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 26 Ascension Day - Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Sat 28 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Southam Bowling Club
Harbury Local Market: 10.00am - 12.30pm, Village Hall
- Sun 29 EASTER 7**
Holy Communion and Children's Church, 10.30am
Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 30 Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall
- JUNE**
- Wed 1 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall car park - Boddington (4 miles)
- Thurs 2 Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
- Fri 3 'Eazy Street' playing 7.00pm, Harbury Village Club
- Sat 4 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Harbury Village Show
- Sun 5 PENTECOST**
Holy Communion, 9.00am
Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall



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May	Wednesday	Friday	
	4	6	Grey Bin
	11	13	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	18	20	Grey Bin
	25	27	Green & Blue Lid Bins
June	1	3	Grey Bin
	8	10	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	15	17	Grey Bin



FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS

Liz & Michael



Easter was joyfully celebrated at both services on Easter Sunday and thank you to all who decorated and prepared the church for this season. Many, many Easter eggs were hidden around church and, hours later, most of them were found. I think. However, if you do get a little peckish during the next service you may well find a small chocolate egg nearby.

Our annual meeting was held on Palm Sunday and both churchwardens and all current members of the Parochial Church Council were re-elected.

On Easter Saturday the New Life needlework wall panels were at last hung up in church in the children's corner. Our thanks to Ros Baldwin - aided and abetted by Gordon - that this project was conceived, planned, executed and completed almost two years ago but the waiting was worth it as the result is absolutely brilliant. The team of workers who came together to make these panels were - Ann Mayer, Anne Moore, Annette Hughes, Barbara Thistlethwaite, Carol Jackson, Charles Catt, Christine Williams, Eileen Picken, Elaine Barnden, Ellen Drain, Gordon Baldwin, Isobel Grimes, Jenny Patrick, Joan Smith, John Bristow, Karen Ellis, Kath Ching, Lesley Jones, Lin Hayes, Liz Grundy, Marion Dickerson, Ros Baldwin, Rosie Bristow, Rosie Rainbow, Ruth Guy, Sue Cook and Sylvia Barrett. What talented people we have in this village.

Festival of Hope: -



We are in the early stages of planning a Festival of Hope in church from Saturday 25th June through the following week to Sunday 3rd July. We will be showing, not only our new wall panels, but also the Churches Together Quilt of Hope which was created by churches across Leamington during the pandemic. There will be floral arrangements and displays of the work the church does in the community. We are hoping to provide musical entertainment and afternoon teas every weekday. Please make a note in

your diary - it should be well worth it. The second weekend is also Garden Walkabout so a good time to welcome friends and family to Harbury.

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 Blessing

26th March

Catherine Gibson and Richard Butterworth



HEAT, LIGHT & STONE

John Stringer

Much Done; More to Do

It's good to record progress after so long. Like everything, the cost of restoring and improving the church is rising, so time is even more of a priority. Philip Mayer, who is heading the Heat, Light and Stone project, feels confident in issuing a letter of intent to Mellor and Mottram, the heating contractor who will install the boilers and radiant panels in the church. We expect that the heating will be replaced between August and October, so the church will be closed for three months. That at least ensures that we are protected from future price rises, and prevents another cold Christmas in church.

Installing the heating will mean significant scaffolding inside the church. So will the new lighting and sound system. Clearly, we want the scaffolding to be used for both the heating, and the lighting and sound. So, we are waiting on approval from the Diocese on the latter. We have answered all their questions; the ball is in their court.

Approval for the essential external stone and brickwork repairs is still slowing us down. The Diocesan architectural advisor has had our proposal for nine months, but had not realised there are so many stones to repair and has asked for photographs marked up to show the extent of the stones to be replaced and/or repaired, indicating the source of new stone. The architect, stone mason and building contractor prepared a report which was quickly submitted but unfortunately has raised further detailed questions.

We cannot appeal to funding bodies, including Garfield Weston, HS2, Biffa, The Congregational & General Charitable Trust and Coventry Diocese Church Fabric Fund until we have approval for every aspect of the Heat, Light and Stone project. Currently, the delay on the stonework approval delays everything.

The village response to our fundraising appeal has been tremendous. To date, we have raised about £135,000. This includes £900 from the Winter Woollies concert, and receipts from two private lunches held by Lin and Keith Hayes. Lin is organising an open fundraising lunch in the Village Hall on 21st May. Tickets will cost £10 for a two-course meal with tea or coffee to follow.

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The Churches Together Quilt of Hope is a Diocesan project, patching together individually sewn squares to make a huge blanket. Ros Baldwin has reserved it for us to display in church from Wednesday 22nd June to Sunday 3rd July. It will head a fundraising event over the weekend of 25th/26th June, to include a display of the building planned for the church.

A second appeal for donations is needed. Costs are rising; and the more we can raise locally, the more we can apply for in matching grants.



MOTHERS' UNION

Gillian Hare

In April we had an interesting talk by Gian Clare, the husband of Rani whom we met last year. As a young man, he was inspired by Dag Hamerskold, then Secretary General of the United Nations. This led him to form a local branch of which he served as secretary. He led us through the gradually growing awareness of the precarious state of planet Earth, especially referring to the Lord's entrustment of its stewardship to humankind. It's still work in progress, but he does see that progress, however slow, is happening.

On 4th May we shall hear our Diocesan President, Karen Morris, explain her vision for MU locally and further afield. Visitors are welcome; we meet in the Tom Hauley Room, starting with a communion service at 2pm.

Members are invited to note the dates of our Festival of Hope, 25th June to 3rd July, when help as welcomers and tea hostesses will be needed, as well as bringing friends to see the displays.



LADBROKE NEWS & DIARY

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

MAY

Sun	1	EASTER 3 Family Communion, 10.30am, followed by refreshments
Tue	3	Photography Club outing to Radway Meadows
Wed	4	Parish Council, 7.45pm
Sun	8	EASTER 4 Holy Communion, 9.00am (sung)
Tue	10	WI, 7.30pm, Village Hall
Wed	11	Parish Council, 7.45pm, Village Hall
Sun	15	EASTER 5 Holy Communion, 9.00am (BCP) Church Geology, 10.30am and 2pm and Rock Detectives 2pm, Church (must book on Eventbrite, search for Ladbroke Heritage)
Fri	20	Closing date for Exhibition in Phone Box entries ADVERTS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE TO 36 MANOR ORCHARD, HARBURY OR EMAIL ADVERTISING@HLNEWS.CO.UK
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Sun 22 EASTER 6
Holy Communion, 9.00am (sung)

Sun 29 EASTER 7
Holy Communion, 9.00am

JUNE

Thurs 2 Exhibition in Phone Box starts

Sun 5 WHITSUNDAY/PENTECOST

Family Communion, 10.30am, followed by refreshments

Village Jubilee Celebration from 3pm, front car park at The Bell Inn

Tue 7 Photography Club outing on wildlife photography



LADBROKE CHURCH NEWS

Peter Rigby

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We held our Annual Church Meeting on 3rd April and a new PCC was elected. "New" is not entirely accurate as all the existing members were re-elected:

Church Wardens: Sue Moore and Peter Rigby

Deanery Synod Reps: Sue Lord and Jenny Rigby

PCC Members: Margie Bosworth, Janet Moore, Jackie West,
David Wright

The Annual Reports and the Accounts were also received and approved. If anyone would like copies, please email us at the address below.

During the week leading up to Easter we held some extra services including a devotional service led by the choir on Good Friday. On Easter Day itself we had a congregation of 45; special thanks to those who cleaned, decorated the Church with flowers and provided Easter eggs for hunting.

During May the lychgate is due to be repaired as part of the All Saints for All Generation Project. As a result, the Church, the lychgate and the stone stile next to it will be closed during working hours (Monday - Friday). During this period access to the churchyard will still be possible via the field (which can in turn be accessed via the gate opposite Lodge House). Access at evenings and weekends should not be affected and Sunday services will take place as normal.

Services and events this month:

Sunday 1 st May	10.30am	Family Communion
Sunday 8 th May	9.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 15 th May	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Sunday 22 nd May	9.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 29 th May	9.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 5 th June	10.30am	Family Communion

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptism

3rd April

Rory Moore

Funeral

14th April

Keith Kleinmann



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LADBROKE & DEPPERS BRIDGE WI

Carol Lane

On Tuesday evening, 12th April, the ladies of the Ladbroke and Deppers Bridge W.I. met for their monthly meeting. The theme for April was "Puddings - a Tasting Session for the Queen's Jubilee".

As usual the ladies came up trumps, and provided an attractive and delicious selection of puddings. The following is a list of the puddings, there for all to share and taste:

Raspberry and Lemon Roulade, Summer Fruit Pudding, Tiramisu, Maltesers Cheese Cake, Sponge Cake with Strawberries and edible gold spray, Banoffee Pie, Ginger Chocolate Mousse, and Ginger & Passion Fruit Trifle.

It would have been hard to choose a favourite as each one was delicious. Well done ladies!

The business meeting followed when we were all too full to eat any more.

We went through the forthcoming programme which Dianne has now printed and copies were distributed.

May: Annual meeting where we will discuss and vote on this year's resolution "Women and Girls with ASD and ADHD - (under identified, under diagnosed, misdiagnosed, under supported). Our Link Trustee will be coming along to this meeting.

On 17th May we have an extra guided tour around Harbury, starting around 7pm, weather permitting.



June: The Queen's Jubilee afternoon tea celebration. The Welsh Road Warblers are coming along to help entertain us. Red, white and blue theme.

July: We have a speaker talking about the railways in Japan during the war.

August: A coach outing is being arranged by Sue Dargan to the National Memorial Arboretum with refreshments on arrival and tours around the gardens or you can go on your own to see the memorials yourselves.

September: A talk on Hill Close Gardens

October: L&DB WI 50th Birthday Party

November: Penny Varley - telling us about her life as a Studio Potter, we may also be able to have a go and perhaps take a keepsake home.

December: Of course, our Christmas meal, yet to be arranged.

There are several other Federation events such as a Golf Taster Day and a visit to the Hay on Wye Book Festival, but information on these and other events can be found on the WI Website. Other local events are Stockton Fashion Show and an evening at our "Twinned" WI, Willoughby, for an evening of "Funny Turns" entertainment.

The WFWI Annual Meeting returns this year in July to Dallas Burston, fingers crossed.

Carol Rhodes & Joan Perry



LADBROKE MATTERS

Alan Lord

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 coffee morning in the Village Hall on Saturday 9th April was well attended including a number of our four legged friends. We raised an excellent total of £400 which has been sent to the British Red Cross Ukraine fund. The next coffee morning is planned for Saturday 7th May from 10am in the Village Hall. Again, all are welcome including children and dogs.



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration is planned for Sunday 5th June commencing at 3.00pm. The event is in conjunction with the Bell Inn who will provide food from their food truck. The venue is in the front area of the Bell where there will be various activities including a bouncy castle for children. There will be additional activities in the Village Hall including a photography exhibition. More details will be announced shortly.

If you would like to book the Village Hall, please contact Debs (07779 225105 or email debs.dptv@gmail.com)

If you would like to join the Ladbroke Matters team or have suggestions or comments, please contact the Trustees (details on the Ladbroke website)

LADBROKE VILLAGE HALL MILLENNIUM DRAW FOR MARCH 2022

£50	Simon and Jackie West	£50	Andy Hay
£25	Jill Norgate	£25	Sue Lord
£25	Jo Rose	£10	Miranda Lowman
£10	Laura Taylor	£10	Debs and Seth Brown

Margaret Bosworth



LADBROKE GENERAL NEWS



LADBROKE HERITAGE

Jackie West

Repairs

Good news! Repairs to our Grade 2 listed lychgate have started at the contractor's workshop thanks to support from the National Lottery Heritage Fund and many generous people. They should start on site at the beginning of May. The lychgate will have permanent scaffolding at the sides and no-one will be able to go through while the contractors are actually working on it. So, as that is the main access to the church **from 3rd May** until they finish in June:

- Ladbroke church will be closed Monday-Friday. It will be open on Saturdays and Sundays as usual (10am - 4pm) and Sunday services will not be affected.
- If you wish to enter or leave the churchyard during the working day please use the field gate and footpath through Farmyard Field.
- You can walk through the lychgate before the contractors arrive, in the evening and at weekends.

Sorry for any inconvenience.

What's On This Month

A Picture a Day in the Month of May

Follow **Ladbroke Heritage** on Facebook and Instagram to see more photographs of our lovely village where a new picture will be shared each day. We have the first couple of weeks' images ready to go but welcome more for later in the month – please email your photos to ladbrokechurch89@btinternet.com If you don't use Facebook or Instagram each week's pictures will also appear on our website, ladbrokeheritage.org.uk

Church Geology

As a follow up to the fascinating workshop last year on Graveyard Geology, on **Sunday 15th May**, we welcome back Philip Powell and Nina Morgan on who will show us the veritable treasure trove of stones used to make Ladbroke Church and the fossils you can see in some of them... if you know where to look. There are two sessions, 10.30am and 2pm and we are also offering Rock Detectives for accompanied children at 2pm too. More details and booking on Eventbrite (search for Ladbroke Heritage) or email ladbrokechurch89@btinternet.com

Ladbroke Phone Box Comes to Life

Jasmine, one of our Duke of Edinburgh volunteers needs your help. She's looking to borrow, **artwork, in any media, photography or poetry** for a **Jubilee exhibition** in the phone box. Don't worry that it will get damaged, we will make a copy to display and return your original. Don't worry either that your work might not be good enough - it's the taking part that counts - we welcome creative work from all ages 3 to 103.

Ideally entries will be: 32 x 18cm (landscape) or 16 x 18cm (portrait) to display one or two per window in the phone box, but we can scale up or down during copying.

The creative piece should be based on one of the three following themes:

- **Ladbroke heritage**, e.g. a view, the church, an historic building or a past event
- **The Queen's Jubilee**, e.g. something representing the Queen, her life, homes, interests or accomplishments
- **Ladbroke's nature**, e.g. a representation of any nature found in our village

Once completed and ready to be copied please contact Jasmine directly if you know her or phone 01926 810331 or email ladbrokechurch89@btinternet.com **Closing date for entries 20th May 2022**. The exhibition starts on Jubilee weekend.

Book Your Talk and/or Guided Tour

We have seven trained guides ready to take you on a **tour** of all Ladbroke has to offer; church history, village history, stained glass, geology, nature, and of course the story of Alice and Robert Dudley. These tours have been very well received with excellent feedback. So, if you would like to bring friends, relatives or even a group to Ladbroke to see for yourself, please contact me on 01926 815196 or email to nicolalewis1958@gmail.com

The Bell Inn would welcome you for lunch or an evening meal too.

Jackie has now given many **talks** to local organisations. She has a range of talks available, each accompanied by high quality photos. If you would like to book a talk



on Stained Glass, Church Repairs, Ladbroke Village or Alice and the Adventurer, please call Jackie on 01926 810331 or email ladbrokechurch89@btinternet.com



Thanks to You - Our Stained Glass in the Spotlight

On Saturday 26th March, the National Lottery promoted a range of events as a thank you to Lottery players. Here in Ladbroke, Jackie gave three very detailed tours of our beautiful Stained Glass windows. Those who came were impressed both by our Stained Glass and Jackie's information. The history of, and stories contained within, our windows always interests people, and Jackie explained this with her usual knowledge and enthusiasm. And we all enjoyed coffee, cake and a chat afterwards.

School Visits - At Last!

The fact that school trips have been a big casualty of Covid restrictions, and many children have missed out on days out and adventures was really brought home when Year 3 from St James C of E Academy visited us last month. Two of the youngsters said, *"It's the best school day I've ever had."* We wanted to give them a good time but this was way beyond our expectations!

School visits are within our project remit and we are keen to do more – either here at Ladbroke or supporting other churches to do something similar with their local primary school. What's more this calendar year, thanks to the support of National Lottery Heritage Fund, we can provide free coach transport to Ladbroke for schools within 15 miles or so. Do pass the message on if you know of any schools that might be interested.

We have two subjects on offer so far, both closely aligned with the curriculum, **RE** and **Rocks**, and for the St James visit on 1st April their teacher chose both.

So 24 pupils had not one but two sessions of hands-on activities on Rocks, the first at school the day before, and then during the visit itself, when the rocks changed from samples in the classroom to the walls of the church, complete with fossils and signs of erosion from weather, bees and even arrow sharpening. The majority of the time at Ladbroke was spent doing activities about prayer (that term's RE topic) or linked with the codes and symbols in Ladbroke Church and its stained glass. Lunchtime feedback was that making wristbands with beads representing the five elements of Christian prayer (Praise, Ask, Sorry, Thanks, Amen) was the most popular, with searching for symbols on gravestones and designing their own family shield not far behind. Our volunteers were impressed by how much they already knew about prayer and the poignant words and pictures they added to our prayer tree.



Our Treasure Trail Takes Shape

On 13th April, experienced illustrator, Jessica Hartshorn, led two children's workshops in Ladbroke Village Hall. We invited children to come and help us design our Ladbroke Treasure Trail.

It will involve answering clues around the village to find "Robert's stash of treasure", an idea based around Robert Catesby of the Gunpowder Plot – and one time owner of the Manor of Ladbroke.



Jessica started by giving the children key tips on how to draw and create characters using basic drawing skills. They soon got the hang of it, and then chose a character or animal to draw and illustrate using paints. Farmer Read, Widow Richardson, Sarah Cook and many others will appear in the trail and could know where the treasure is hidden.

We are now in the process of scanning all the illustrations, and these will be included in our treasure trail, to be launched soon. It'll be a fun activity for kids over the summer holidays so watch this space for how to get a copy.



LADBROKE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Nigel Rock

Council Merger: On the day I wrote this piece, a surprise announcement was made that the Conservative leadership of the two Councils have decided that the merger cannot go ahead as anticipated. Work to assess the viability of the merger had been going on, both at central government (who would have to decide whether to permit it) and between Warwick and Stratford Councils. We knew detailed investigation work was expected, and was showing that the financial factors to align the two councils with one another may have been challenging, but I am concerned to learn that the merger has been called off at this late stage and after a considerable amount of time and money has been spent on it. Financial savings were being forecast from the merger and the question now must be what happens if those savings don't arrive. A special council meeting to discuss the situation is to be called on 11th May.

Covid: I am sure everyone knows someone with Covid, or has had it themselves. The severity and post infection effects appear to vary widely, but absenteeism has been having an effect on public services, including the health services. I have found it has become more difficult to get objective data locally by age, but infection rates

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locally are showing signs of falling back in the area around Southam to under 600 per 100,000 at the time of writing.

Council Tax Rebates A-D Bands: The Council have just received the software to pay the £150 rebates, which was announced by the Government some weeks ago. Council staff now have much work to do which has included working over the Easter break to start making payments, spread out over the coming weeks. This will commence with direct debit payers. Others will need to be contacted and dealt with manually.

The Council is also starting to look at the Discretionary scheme for those customers most in need of extra help who are not covered by the main scheme.

Homes for Ukraine: This complicated scheme is just getting off the ground. The following link provides details:

www.gov.uk/guidance/homes-for-ukraine-scheme-frequently-asked-questions

Rather like the rebates intended to help with Council tax and fuel bills, these announcements have been made by the Government without working out the methods of how to do the job, so there have been delays. The work has fallen on local government without any extra resource, and I thank Council staff for their dedication in doing their best in difficult circumstances.

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HARBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Alison Biddle - Clerk to the Council

HARBURY & DEPPERS BRIDGE - ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Thursday, 12th May 2022, 7.30pm

Harbury Village Library



All residents are invited to the annual parish meeting to review the past year, celebrate all the good things about our community, and discuss the topical issues of the day. Please come and meet other residents and local councillors and enjoy a glass of wine after the meeting. This is our first face-to-face parish meeting for three years so we're looking forward to seeing you there.

Everyone is welcome!



HARBURY SOCIETY

Sue Turner

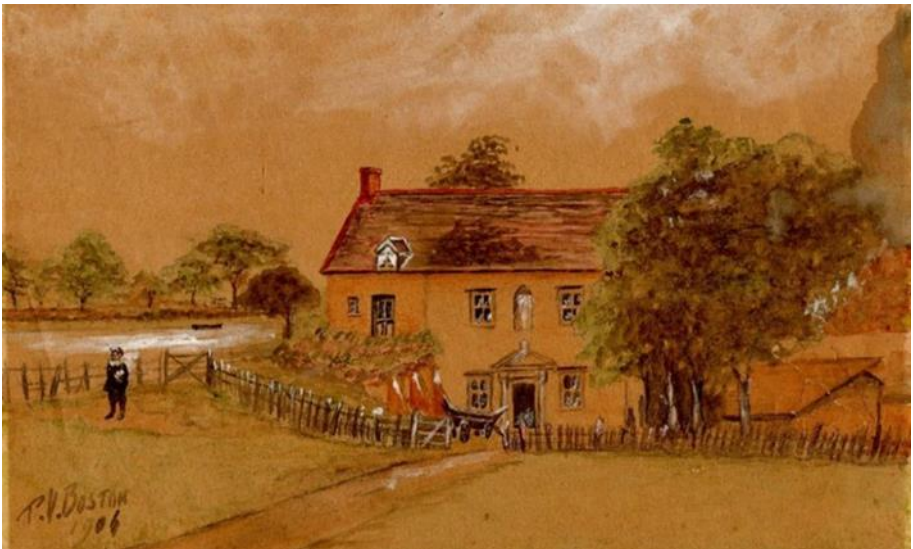
From the Harbury Society Archives

As the Society didn't have a meeting in April to report on, it's hoped this article from 1984 might be of interest. Perhaps some of you might even have been at the meeting.

In her excellent talk to the Society, Celia Barrett gave the history of many village families. She has been researching old photographs for only three years, but has built up a remarkable catalogue of local history in this time.

Her husband's ancestors, the Becks, were recorded in Chesterton in 1738 as millers, and continued there until 1870 when they owned not only the wind and water mills there but also Harbury Mill, two mills which they had built in Stockton, a mill at Copt Heath and another in Solihull.

The family actually lived in Chesterton Water Mill and in 1850 it is known that James Beck and his wife, his son and his wife, together with their children and menservants, a total of 11 souls, were living at the Mill. Although this sounds rather a crush, Celia also has records of Mr Gascoigne, the Tailor, of Church Terrace, who lived with his wife and seven children in a two-up, two-down cottage, and ran his business from his home!



Chesterton Watermill c1906

Her photographs record all the village notables: the Bustins and Mr Bedding who founded Harbury Co-op and signed the actual agreement in Celia's cottage on South Parade; old Ma Overton, a formidable woman who told fortunes and was widely

believed to be a witch; the Knights and Blackwells, important property owners in Harbury who lived at Marylands (now Church House); George Savage, chauffeur to the philanthropic Dr Pirie; and Derek Lowe, a charming photograph whose date she would not disclose, showing the gentleman as an infant, having just won a competition as the Bonniest Baby.

Some of the written records she has collected made interesting and sometimes amusing reading. Empire Day in 1913 was celebrated by a procession of children in costume, with 'bringing up the rear, a wagonload of babies'. The punishment record at the School shows how little children have changed over the years. One child was admonished for 'putting a stone up another child's nose'! Although they obviously worked hard, as the reports of the Schools Inspectors show, they had a remarkable number of holidays, often on the flimsiest pretext; for the Royal Show, Southam Mop, and the Hounds' Meet, and were let off school altogether for harvest or if the weather was bad.

Harbury at the turn of the century was obviously an active, thriving place with plenty of social activities and many local societies; the St. John's Ambulance Brigade, supported by Dr Pirie, being prominent. Teas were held almost weekly at the slightest excuse. Dances were common, a Ball in the National School in 1886 featured 'Living Waxworks'; part of the cost of another included the purchase of 6 packets of Lux! Harbury WI was founded in 1918 and met in the Reading Room in Vicarage Lane. During the Great War, efforts were increased to help the troops, but teas ceased because of lack of foodstuffs. The schoolchildren collected 14cwt of blackberries to be made into jam for the soldiers - 14cwt!

A few dates for your diary:

Friday 20th May - Tour of Ladbroke for Harbury Society members

Saturday 11th June - Stall at Harbury Carnival

Tuesday 19th July - Visit to the Buffalo Farm at Napton

Thursday 22nd September - 'Harbury Schools', a presentation by Bill Timson

Tuesday 18th October - 'The Salt Routes', a presentation by Anthony Poulton-Smith

Tuesday 15th November - Archaeology at Coleshill Manor, a presentation by Wessex Archaeology

If you would like to become a member of the Harbury Society, please contact Sue Turner on 07917 055920 or email sue@turners.co.uk.



LOCAL FOODBANK - The foodbank supplies the local area, including Harbury. Please bring donations of non-perishable food to the Wight School (library) car park on Mondays between 11.30am and 12.30pm. One of the e-Wheels drivers will be there to receive your items. Alternatively, donations may be dropped off at the library foyer during its normal opening hours.

Thank you

Our meeting on 14th April proved to be very unusual. We only had 19 members present due to holidays and Covid and then our speaker had to cancel at the last minute because she tested positive for Covid.

In March, Lin had asked for ideas to attract members to WI so she was able to report back on her findings - food for thought for us. She then posed two questions - why did you join WI and why have you remained as a member? We look forward to hearing more from Lin in May.

At our May meeting, we normally discuss the resolution which will be discussed at the National AGM. In the absence of a speaker, Chris talked us through the resolution which will be debated in Liverpool in June. The resolution is asking the government to give more recognition to girls who suffer with Autism and ADHD. Chris described the problems created by these two conditions, not only for those that suffer from them but for their families and schools as well. These are often unrecognised conditions in girls. Harbury will be represented by a delegate from Bishops Itchington WI and members agreed that she should vote to support the resolution. We also agreed that this is something that we should be more aware of locally.

Lin rounded off our evening by giving each member a coin. We had to look at the date and describe what we were doing that year - easier for some than others! Finally, Lin entertained us with a "silly quiz" - the answers produced a lot of groans.



Sadly, we didn't learn about Willow Weaving, as expected, but nevertheless it was an enjoyable evening.

At our meeting on 12th May we look forward to welcoming Geoff Thorpe who is going to talk about his memories of being a vet. Visitors are very welcome.



HARBURY THEATRE GROUP

Natalie Taylor

Rehearsals are in full swing for our May production - three nights of comedy, music and mayhem. It's not been easy rehearsing due to most of the cast being knocked down by Covid at some point since we started, but we hope this means everyone will be fit and well in time for the shows. We have chosen some really fun short plays and songs to bring joy after a difficult few years. We really hope everyone will come along to support our lovely group and enjoy the laughs we are aiming for!

By the time you read this we will have had our AGM where we will discuss all things to do with Harbury Theatre Group including future plans. We hope to have more exciting news and events planned for the rest of the year and into 2023. We are always looking for new members to come along and join us, so do get in touch if you'd like any information. We have a team available to answer any questions on harburytheatregroup@gmail.com so please drop us a note to say Hi.

Tickets are now on sale for our May performances. These can be purchased at Harbury Pharmacy, the Library and online via the link on our website <https://fienta.com/s/comedy-music-mayhem>

We can't wait to see you all there.



FOLK CLUB

Doug Freeman

Celebration Concert

We had originally scheduled this, our 10th annual concert for January 2021 and then tried for January 2022, finally, it was held on Saturday 2nd April 2022.

Our celebration concert featured 26 local performers/support crew. Debbie Ellis, our MC, introduced the splendid variety of acts: the Folk Club Orchestra, Morris Oxford, The Harvesters, Pete & Liz Bones, The Somerville Gentlemen's Band, Daft Dames, Rumble-o, Peter McDonald, and the Folk Club Choir.



The evening was opened by the Folk Club Orchestra playing the Ukrainian national anthem. The Village Hall committee had kindly agreed to split the concert profits 50/50 with the DEC Ukraine appeal and, in addition, we had a collection bucket. Liz Bones had added to our usual bunting with some Ukrainian flags, and Celia Neill provided freshly cut flowers to match the colours of the Ukrainian flags on each table.

It was another fine evening of entertainment with an excellent and varied choice of material from all the performers. The concert raised a total of £1066.74, with £675.00 donated to the DEC Ukraine appeal and £391.74 to Harbury Village Hall.

We have already started planning for our 11th annual concert which will be on Saturday 1st April 2023, and the tickets will go on sale on Saturday 7th January 2023. If you would like to be added to our distribution list, to receive details when the tickets go on sale, please contact me (01926 612002 or douglasfreeman@gmail.com).



HARBURY TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Ron Temple

On Friday, 8th April, 21 members of the Twinning Association made what had, prior to the Covid outbreak, been an annual journey to the Navigation Inn at Wootton Wawen for supper and a game of skittles. We split up into five teams. Margaret McDonald gave each team the French name for a tree; these were Chêne (Oak), Bouleau (Birch), Maronnier (Horse Chestnut), Cendre (Cedar) and Orme (Elm).



The Winning Team, Orme

The winning team was Orme: Anne Megeney, Margaret McDonald, Michael Vincent and David Eaves. Each was presented with a winner's certificates and a young tree. Michael Vincent, who was the evening's highest scorer, was also presented with a small wooden fir tree.

The wooden spoon was presented to the evening's lowest scorer and John Stringer was the winner of the elimination game, "Killer".

We have hosted two coffee mornings recently at the Tom Hauley Room. The coffee morning on Saturday 8th of April was somewhat special as we decided that the takings, and any donations, should be dedicated

to a Ukraine aid appeal. All of the proceeds, over £600, with donations still coming in, will be sent to UNICEF to support the children affected by the dreadful war in Ukraine. We wish to say a big thank you to the people of Harbury for your generosity, to those volunteers who helped with the event and to those who were not able to attend but have contributed to the appeal.

Our next event is a BBQ in late June followed by Bastille Day on the 14th July when the members will celebrate the occasion with a restaurant supper in Leamington Spa.

John Stringer, the Winner of the "Killer" Round





HARBURY HERITAGE CENTRE

Bill Timson

It seems appropriate to write about Royal Jubilees in this month's article. The forthcoming celebration of Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee is the first celebration of its kind.

The first milestone a monarch celebrates is the **silver** jubilee. Only four monarchs before Queen Victoria, had reigned for more than 25 years. There is little information about Henry III, Edward III and James I (James VI Scotland) and how they may have celebrated. The first real celebration by a monarch in more recent times was that of George III in 1809 when he had a public celebration to commemorate 50 years on the throne.

George III set the precedent for a royal celebration and Queen Victoria continued the trend celebrating her Golden Jubilee over the 20th and 21st June 1887 and ten years later (the first monarch to do so) celebrated her Diamond Jubilee on 1st March 1897. An article in the 'Warwick and Warwickshire Advertiser and Leamington Gazette' dated July 17th 1887 talks of a Jubilee Handbook being produced in Harbury at a cost of one shilling each. Does anyone still have a copy? There was a special church service at All Saints followed by a sit-down meal for 700 adults and later 300 children. The men were given a ticket for a half-pint of ale and the ladies the same or a glass of lemonade. Later the men were given a second ticket for a pint of ale. Sports were then entered into; opposite is one half of the programme outlining the events. Dancing went on until dark (10pm) with music provided by a Bavarian string band.

JUBILEE CELEBRATION,			
31st JUNE, 1887.			
HARBURY.			
PROGRAMME OF SPORTS.			
1. FLAT RACE, 150 Yds.			
(a) Men over 50 years of age	3s.	2s.	
(b) Men under 50 years of age	3s.	2s.	
(c) Boys from 13 to 16 years	2s.6d.	1s.6d.	
(d) Boys under 13 years	2s.	1s.	
2. HOP, STEP, and JUMP.			
(a) Men over 50 years of age	3s.	2s.	
(b) Men under 50 years of age	3s.	2s.	
(c) Boys from 13 to 16 years	2s.6d.	1s.6d.	
(d) Boys under 13 years	2s.	1s.	
3. THROWING CRICKET BALL.			
(a) Boys from 13 to 16 years	2s.6d.	1s.6d.	
(b) Boys under 13 years	2s.	1s.	
4. Wheelbarrow Race, Blindfold.			
Open to all.	5s.	2s.6d.	1s.6d.
5. Cutting down 1-lb. Tea, Blindfold.			
For Women only. Six prizes, 1-lb. Tea each.			
6. Blowing out a Candle, Blindfold.			
For Women only. Four prizes, 3s., 2s.6d., 2s., 1s.6d.			
7. Scrambles and Races.			
For Children only.			

HARBURY.

THE JUBILEE.—The Celebration Committee have, under the presidency of Mr A. Sabin-Smith, J.P., held frequent and long deliberations to arrange for the Jubilee celebrations on Tuesday next. At first it was decided to give a tea to the aged people and children, but since then the committee have seen their way to extend the scheme, and it is now proposed to give a good, substantial meat tea to all adults in the village, and a plain tea to the children. The meat will consist of roast and boiled beef, mutton and ham. It is computed that upwards of 800 will partake of the repast. A successful canvas has been made in the village, and liberal subscriptions have been received from outsiders. Upwards of £60 has been received or promised. A Leamington band has been engaged

The cutting shown left from the same newspaper dated 17th June 1897 provides a brief report on the planning for the Diamond Jubilee, an equally grand affair to 1887.

George V was the next monarch to celebrate; his Silver Jubilee was on 6th May 1935.

Since then our wonderful Queen, Elizabeth II has broken all records! Silver in 1977, Golden in 2002

(50 years), Diamond (60 years) in 2012 and on June 2nd / June 3rd this year Platinum (70 years).



Back in 1977 a Commemorative 'Plane Tree' 18 feet tall funded by donations and costing about £100 was planted on Good Friday on the Old New Inn Green, not without drama though as two holes were dug (by a mechanical digger) and TWO cables were discovered. The tree had to be lowered into the hole carefully by crane. There is a lovely article written by Linda Ridgley in the May 1977 edition of the Harbury and Ladbroke News of the whole event. (Don't forget you can

view back copies of the Harbury & Ladbroke News on their website and in the Heritage Centre.) Also, in 1977 I understand that all the school children received a 'Silver Jubilee Crown' coin, delivered personally by our parish councillors. John Smith was chairman of the carnival committee and they organised a Jubilee Go Kart Grand Prix and a Silver Jubilee Pony Show. Harbury School held a jubilee fête in glorious sunshine and there were several street parties around the village. John Hancock reported on the Jubilee Sports which were held a week before the carnival. Les Sollis and Drew Bloxham won the prize for the best Jubilee Fancy Dress in the inaugural wheelbarrow race. There were Jubilee Pens produced as souvenirs and a special jubilee edition of the Harbury and Ladbroke News. Above: The pre-school group celebrate.



2002 saw both villages out in force again to celebrate the Golden Jubilee. Ladbroke held a grand garden party attracting over 200 people with Harbury staging several smaller affairs

Ten years on 2012, these royal jubilees are coming thick and fast now! The weather threatened to put a dampener on things so Ladbroke held their Jubilee fete in their village hall. The Heart of Harbury Games was introduced with 38 events and the overall winner was the Cana Wine

Team. Later there was a BBQ at the Old New Inn and several smaller street parties including this one in Ivy Lane.

Other News: Our next open days are **Sunday 15th May 2pm to 4pm and Tuesday 7th June 7pm to 9pm.**

On 22nd May we are hosting the Stretton on Dunsmore History Group so you may see groups walking around the village before we offer them afternoon tea at the Heritage Centre.

If you are a mature Harbury resident with a story to tell please get in touch. Contact details below.

If you want to get involved with Harbury Heritage and find out more about your village, please contact me on 07813 739972 or email group@harburyheritage.org.uk
- all ages welcome.



HARBURY ENERGY INITIATIVE

Bob Sherman

Other news may have driven the climate emergency off the front pages and temporarily out of many people's minds but the emergency has not lessened. If there is a war worth fighting that might have a positive outcome it is the war to repair our ecology and climate. We cannot afford to lose focus.

Keeping the Heat In



We wrote last month about controlling house heating so that it heats the occupants and not empty rooms. This month - how can we trap the warmth we have paid for, so that it does not immediately escape from the house? Most obvious, most inexpensive, but - depending on your family's lifestyle, possibly very tedious - is to close the door to any room you heat. Warm air rises, so if you are heating your lounge but the door is open,

you may be heating your bedrooms upstairs more than your lounge.

Controlling draughts is also obvious, but you have to find them first. It may be easy to find cold draughts coming in, but it is not so easy to check where heat is escaping. One trick is to wait for a windy day and feel for cold draughts blowing in - on other days those will be routes out for warm air. Search again when the wind is from a different direction! DIY stores sell many different types of draught strips, so it may be more straightforward than you think to fix them. An open chimney also allows a great deal of heat to escape, so if you are not using the fire it may be worth closing it off in some way. Permanent blocking should not be done without professional advice because it may cause dampness in the house structure, but it may be worth experimenting with a chimney balloon or other temporary solution. HEI would be keen to hear from anyone who has tried something like this.

If the age of your house is measured in decades rather than years, do check how much insulation is in your loft. Current building regulations specify 270mm - nearly a foot. That is not just between the joists in the loft, but as a complete blanket over the

top of the joists as well. Topping up loft insulation to at least 270mm will cost money, but it is likely to be one of the most cost-effective energy-saving measures. It will be more complex if you need storage space in the loft, but there are systems to put boarding on stilts to hold it above full depth insulation. Loft insulation can be a DIY job, but do take advice about covering cables and ensuring adequate ventilation for the roof structure.



Electric Cars and Harbury Future Energy Project

There are definitely more electric cars in Harbury and this is going to increase as drivers move away from fossil fuels. The Harbury Future Energy project plans to provide a chance for Harbury electric car owners without off-road parking to recharge their cars in the village by installing a charging station, part powered by renewables, behind the village hall.

After two years of planning and preparing with professional consultants and with financial backing from the government through the Rural Community Energy Fund, we have now reached the trickier stages of the project. Sometime this month we will hear from the planners whether our proposals are acceptable or need adjustment. Beyond that we need to find the significant finance to make it a reality. We are working in collaboration with Warwickshire County Council on a bid to a competitive government fund called LEVI (Low Emission Vehicle Infrastructure). The first submission to this will be in June and the process is unlikely to be quick - and may, we have to accept, prove unsuccessful. We cannot access the fund except through the County and we are delighted to have their strong backing.



The Big Plastic Count

You may have read that Greenpeace and a group called Everyday Plastic are collaborating on a project to quantify how much plastic we have to deal with in our houses every week. Harbury Environmental Group has done a great job of encouraging and enabling us to recycle as much plastic and other materials as possible. Even recycling has a carbon

footprint, however, and so does the initial manufacture of virgin plastic used in packaging that passes through our houses daily.

Everyday Plastic is a research-led non-profit organisation focusing on education and campaigns. Having founded *The Big Plastic Count* with Greenpeace, Everyday Plastic's unique methodology for calculating people's personal plastic footprint continues to push for change at every level of society.

You can sign up to contribute vital information to the scheme by signing up at <https://thebigplasticcount.com>. You will receive a pack with instructions on how to count your plastic for one week between the 16th and 22nd May. Nearly 75,000 have already signed up. I think I may join them. Will you? They say:

"Across the country, households of all shapes and sizes, schools, community groups and businesses, will gather new evidence. How much plastic are we really having to throw away, and what happens to it?"

They are looking for schools, communities and individuals to take part and assemble as much evidence as possible in that week.

Ted's Tech Trawl - New Hydrogen Electrolyser

Hydrogen based solutions to energy are likely to be amongst the most successful ways of solving our global energy problems. In April's column we talked about methods for storing surplus electricity by companies from UK and Italy. Hydrogen has a part to play in this too.

This month we return to Wollongong, Australia, where an offshoot of their University has developed an extraordinary electrolyser producing 'green' hydrogen, using a renewable energy source. An electrolyser splits water (H_2O) into hydrogen and oxygen. Hydrogen can store power for months or years if necessary. This device is extraordinary because previously the maximum efficiency of an electrolyser of any kind had grown over the years from 50% to around 75%, a seemingly good outcome. This new one is producing hydrogen even more efficiently at over 95%, a rate that scientists predicted previously would not have expected to be possible until around the year 2050. When push comes to shove it's amazing what people can do.

Producing green hydrogen at this rate of efficiency, they claim, makes it cheaper than any 'grey' hydrogen, which is produced from fossil fuels. They have produced the world's most efficient, simple, climate safe and easy to manufacture electrolyser in the world! For more information about Hysata search:- hysata.com



HARBURY TENNIS CLUB

Colin Mercer

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

The 3rd April was one of the Club's busiest and most successful days for a long time. A cold but dry day started with a **She Rallies** taster session, a great free event for women and girls to encourage more even participation, as currently tennis is played by 70% men and only 30% women. It was organised and led by volunteers Emma Brangwin, Eira Owen, and Jane Minchin with lots of support from other club ladies, and focused on fun and ball skills, using a variety of circuits, relays, and races suitable for any age! 35 ladies and little ladies came and braved the cold and since then over 20 new ladies have shown interest in joining a new Sunday evening 'She Rallies Social Tennis Group' at the club. Let's hope this is the start of an exciting era of ladies and girls' tennis in the village!



No sooner had the session finished than the competitors for our first club tournament of the 2022/23 season were arriving. Many thanks to Peter Walshe for his hard preparation work and here is his report:

"The quaintly named 'Chequebook' Tournament (younger members probably have no idea what a chequebook even is) attracted 21 eager players on a cold but dry Sunday. The excellent turnout was despite a few last minute Covid withdrawals and started with a complex round-robin play off in three groups, carefully structured so that each person played with a different partner for each match. Top seed Ben Fish not surprisingly made the final with Andy Lewin although they fell at the last hurdle when Dan Chand and Ian Reynolds triumphed in a very close match.

Youth did win through to the finals but a shout out for the slightly older semi-finalists: Mary Thompson, Steve Attridge, Katharine Giblin and Colin Mercer.

Also at stake was the Mixed Doubles trophy for the best male and female players. Katharine won the female half and Ian, by virtue of winning more games in the round-robin section, was crowned alongside Katharine".



At the time of writing only three matches are left in the Banbury Floodlit leagues. This was the first season we've had a "C" team and some of the players had never played a league match, played on different court surfaces like Astro Turf, or in very difficult weather conditions. Team captain Ash Chand was delighted with the commitment and determination shown by all the players as the team finished sixth of seven teams in Division 4 with 37 points, but only four points off the third placed team. The "A" team have one match to play and have already comfortably retained Division 2 status, while the "B" team requires just one set from its last match to avoid relegation from Division 3.



HARBURY TODDLER GROUP

Lynne Barton

Hello from everyone at Toddlers

It has been great to meet new families and once again grow our little Toddler Group as we intended into a thriving and supportive community.

It can sometimes be lonely especially being at home all day for the first time, so we love to see new friendships formed and welcome chats shared. Thanks guys.

The weather has been glorious which will help with our continued ventilation of the Scout Hut. We would love to use the outdoor area if anyone can think of ideas to keep the children safely away from the cars.



We had some unexpected gifts recently. Thank you Sam Allen for kindly thinking of us - a Spring clean of younger toys resulted in free gifts for everyone. Wow, just amazing, and some very pleased and happy little folks.

Lots to Celebrate over March and April

St Patrick's Day: We loved the colours, greens and oranges and decorated shamrocks with lots of glitter. A belated happy St Patrick's Day.



Mother's Day

The children all went home with some daffodils and made Mother's Day bookmarks and cards with lots of hearts and kisses. Thank you to all the mothers everywhere on your special day. You all do an amazing job.

Easter

We celebrated by making Easter Baskets, fluffy chickens and of course everyone went home with a little



Easter Egg. Easter story books in the book corner helped to depict the meaning of the most important and oldest festival of the Christian Church. We hope that everyone enjoyed some precious moments with family and friends during this time.

Pop in and say hi...

Please do help spread the word that we are running our regular Monday morning (9.30-11.15am) Toddler sessions at the Scout Hut located at the rear of the Library. There is

always plenty to do, a warm welcome, a nice cuppa and the opportunity to make new friends - and all this for just £1.50 per session. All welcome - you don't have to be 'toddling' to attend.

And if you are lucky there may be jam sandwich making! Yummy.

With much affection, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all very soon. Love from Lynne, Selina, Reg, Debbie, Suzi and Judi x x



HARBURY PRE-SCHOOL

Staff and Committee

Warwick the Bear Road Safety: Harbury Library hosted a fantastic session all about road safety aimed at younger children.

We took the opportunity to bring along those children who were in session at the time to listen to the story and ask questions all about road safety. The children were fantastic. They sat nicely, listened beautifully and answered lots of questions. We were very proud of them.



Pebble Point Treat: The children can earn pebble points for lots of different things – being kind to a friend, sharing, tidying up, sitting well at circle time, having a go at something they struggle with etc. When a pebble point is earned, the children put a coloured pebble (bead) into a jar. When the jar is full, every child gets a treat!

Our Easter treat was making chocolate easter nests! The children mixed shredded wheat with melted chocolate to make their nest and added mini eggs to the top. The children followed a pictorial recipe card and thought about how we would melt the



chocolate, how we would mix the mixture and counted out three eggs for the top. They were all very excited to take their nests home. They looked delicious!

Vets Role Play: At the children's request, the role play shop was packed away and was set up as a vet's office. The children love to talk about their pets and their favourite animals with each other and the staff.

They took their role very seriously, dressing up in vets' uniform, 'diagnosing' the animals, bandaging broken limbs and using the different medical implements to inject and test heart rate and blood pressure. Some also took 'notes' and used the phone. I would happily take my animals there for a check-up!

Induction Morning: We very much enjoyed our induction session for the six new children who are joining us after Easter. The children and their parent/ carer joined the staff for an hour just before the holidays, the new children having the Pre-School to themselves. They seemed to be very happy meeting each other and getting a taste of Pre-School. We are very excited about seeing them all again next week!



Looking Forward: The next half term is all about bugs! We will be learning all about minibeasts and planning ahead for our Harbury Pre-School Carnival float!

Places filling fast: We have a record number of Pre-Schoolers currently enrolled and some of our sessions from September 2022 are already full. If you are considering Harbury Pre-School for your child, please do get in touch to enrol or join our waiting list.



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 LIBRARY & BIBLIO'S CAFE

Rich Fowler



Message From Sharon Hancock, Chairman

This month marks the tenth anniversary of the opening of Harbury Community Library and Biblios Café. It took a leap of faith by a dedicated group of volunteers led by Parish Council Chairman Tim Lockley to believe our village could sustain it. Ten years on and despite all the challenges of the Covid 19 pandemic, the Library and its café are at the heart of village life. Some of our wonderful volunteers have been there since the start, others, many new to the village, have just joined. Thanks to them we have a valuable asset which I trust will go on serving the community for decades to come.

Sharon Hancock (Chairman)



Bridging the Gap: Harbury Village Library is working with Arts Uplift and Harbury Primary School on a project to create a mural for the school which will explore seventy years of school life. The mural will consist of a tree with each leaf consisting of a different design reflecting the school's motto.

The plan is for a group of 15 older village residents to work with pupils from Year 6 to design the mural. The older residents will also work separately with a professional facilitator during three workshops taking place on the mornings of Monday 13th, 20th, and 27th June. If you are interested in participating in this project, please contact the library by e-mail at library@harburyvillagelibrary.org.uk, by phone on 01926 258776, or by coming into the library and speaking to one of the volunteers.

Green Label Collection: In collaboration with Harbury Energy Initiative we have established a collection of books about the Environment and Climate Change. You can identify these books by the green label on the spine.

What's On:

- Thursday 5th May, A talk by Helen Barlow of the Dogs Trust
- Friday 17th June, The Ghost of a Smile. This is the rearranged date for the production comprising the dramatisation of two Dickens ghost stories. Tickets purchased for the original date are still valid.



Harbury Theatre Group Tickets: Tickets for the HTG production "Comedy, Music, and Mayhem" which is being performed on Thursday 12th, Friday 13th and Saturday 14th May are now available from the library.

Platinum Jubilee: The library and cafe will be closed on Thursday 2nd June and Friday 3rd June, but will be open again on Saturday 4th June.



Biblio's: Please remember that customers are able to book tables in advance for Biblio's Café. To make a booking email bookingsbiblioscafe@outlook.com Tables are restricted to a maximum of six people.

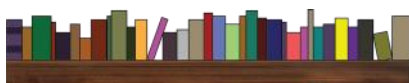
On arrival customers are asked to wait to be allocated a table, where their order will be taken.

Regular Opening Times

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

Biblio's Café - Wednesday to Friday - 9.15am to 12 noon, Saturday - 10am to 12 noon.

Please note that it will be table service only in the café, apart from takeaway items.





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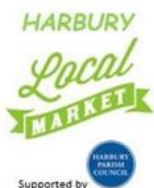
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lovely sunny day (19th April) and so nice to have had good weather over the Easter break. March was slightly better for takings but of course costs have increased too. Hopefully with the lighter nights and warmer weather more members will venture into our new seating area outside and enjoy a drink or two.



We are still offering discount rates to paid up members and this is being appreciated. As I said last time some of our loyal members did not renew their memberships and I will give the number so far this year at the AGM. This will have taken place by the time you receive the May copy of the Harbury & Ladbroke News but I will report salient matters in the next article.

There have been a couple of parties recently and a group played which was very well received. The CPR training was another success. Harbury Tennis Club will be holding their AGM and will have a buffet and the crib team have two Saturday evenings booked. Our thanks to them and hope that the events are a big success. See our Facebook page or posters in the village for any future events. The group Eazy (yes that is the correct spelling!) Street will be playing on Friday 3rd June from 7.00pm. The last bingo was another success with £10 for a line and £20 a house for eight games. The bonus game paid a massive £100 for a full house and the bumper raffle was well received. All who came had a great evening.



On the next day Saturday 26th March four of us were at the monthly produce market in the village hall. The rolls were enjoyed by so many customers and we sold over £100 of raffle tickets. The prizes were very kindly donated by the stall holders. A great range of products were on sale. We were given a donation of £515 which was amazing. Our thanks to Karena and the stall holders for making us so welcome and of course the customers.

The plants on the rockery are still putting on a splendid show. The single and double tulips are at their very best now and so many forget-me-nots which have self-seeded. The violas and primroses add to the colour range. I will be planting some seeds at the top by the fence for summer flowering annuals and doing weeding and tidying up too. The herbs have spread themselves out and my favourite heucheras and grasses seem to want to share the limelight! I am now watering the four pots along the path and these will last a few more weeks. The heathers and thymes just keep flowering. Thank you to all who take the time to tell me how you enjoy walking past the rockery - makes it so worthwhile.

Went to do more digging at my allotments yesterday. The ground is actually quite hard, so a lot of effort, but pleased with results. Planted lots of seeds, broad beans, peas, carrots, beetroot and some more herbs. The tulips are in full flower and some pink bells. The strawberry plants are starting to flower and the apple and pear trees awash with blossom. The rosemary and bay tree showing off too. Picked a lot of rhubarb so crumbles will be on the menu.



Very busy last weekend at Upton House and they all wanted to see where Sam Waley-Cohen lived as a child. Hope you were watching the Grand National and saw Sam complete a fairy tale last race and win on Noble Yeats. Only the second amateur jockey to win the Cheltenham Gold Cup and the Grand National. Some heart-warming coverage in the daily and weekend papers. One

showed a picture of his late brother Thomas as a child meeting Princess Diana. We didn't know that Sam had the initials of Thomas on the underside of his saddle - so poignant. Lovely to see his mother and father too as Felicity has been in poor health. She will be letting us have photos of the win and more so that we can put these next to the ones in the billiard room showing the Gold Cup win on Long Run in 2011.

I put bets on him at the club lottery. Any winnings from that and second and third places were donated by all who took part to Cancer Research in memory of one of our members and a dear friend, Lisa. I told Felicity that when I saw her at Upton last weekend as she was walking her dogs and she was delighted to hear it. She has raised many, many millions of pounds for bone cancer research, not just for Thomas, but for anyone who has been affected by it. As I have said before a wonderful family.

Once again, a huge thank you for reading my articles and your kind comments. We are off to Cornwall at the end of April for a week so I suspect a few more plants will be bought for my patio.

Hope that we get more nice weather for the next bank holiday and that you are all able to enjoy it. My best wishes to everyone.



GARDEN JOTTINGS

Christine Dakin from Bridge Nursery

After the frivolity last month (and yes, I did catch some people with my April Fool report of having a film crew here) it's back to jobs for the month. There is usually a lot to do this month to try to keep up with the amazing rate of growth in the spring, unless you have a garden which is all paving and artificial grass.



Old gardening books will suggest you zap any aphids, whitefly, slugs and other beasties with chemicals but the more up-to-date thinking is that there are beneficial predators such as ladybirds, hedgehogs and birds which will solve the pest problems for you. Anyway, many of the chemicals have now been withdrawn. If you



Lily Beetle

have any lilies do watch out for the dreaded lily beetle and squish it before it drops to the ground and becomes ble to find.

Later in the month you can begin to plant out bedding plants, dahlias, cannas and other tender or exotic/tropical plants. Last year's stems of hardy fuchsias and penstemons can be cut back now. Feed roses. Sow seeds of biennials such as sweet williams, wallflowers and foxgloves.

Sow carrots, beetroot, peas, and beans. Plant out young cabbage, cauliflower and lettuce plants. And, as ever, keep weeding.

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



NATURE NOTES

John Hancock

Good Friday, the 15th April, proved to be the warmest day of the year so far. It was a perfect day for a walk and Sharon and I chose Bishops Hill for ours. It has views from the summit stretching to the borders of Leicestershire and Northamptonshire. Before leaving home, I had spotted a Holly Blue butterfly while looking down on the back garden. A good 'rule of thumb' is that any blue butterfly seen in April must be a Holly Blue as other species do not emerge until May at the earliest.

There are several ways to gain access to Bishops Hill but I usually favour approaching from Ladbroke Road in Bishops Itchington where a gate leads into the Yellow Land (CV47 2UT), a local reserve owned by Bishops Council. A path from the Yellow Land leads past an excellent, descriptive board onto Bishops Hill. It is good to know that the hill, which is actually the spoil bank from the old cement works, is now a Warwickshire Nature Reserve. In terms of flora and fauna it is second to none in the county and has been described as a Sussex



down in miniature which is quite an accolade. Cowslips are the dominant flower at present and there must have been thousands of them. Soon we were getting our fill of the superb view from the summit. The band of Jurassic limestone stretching away to the north-east is marked by the chimneys of Long Itchington and Rugby cement works. Harbury cement works closed in 1970. Sharon and I can remember the winding gear for the spoil heap in action when we moved to the area in 1969. There is some of its metalwork atop the hill, a memorial to the generations of men who laboured here. When you visit you will note one of the predominant shrubs recolonising the thin, lime rich, soil is Cotoneaster, a member of the Rose family introduced to this country as a garden plant. It is a native of south-east Asia. Its berries are highly attractive to birds which explains its spread. If you visit in June you should see the Small Blue and Grizzled Skipper butterflies. The Small Blue is tiny which enables it to practically disappear from view when it comes to earth. Its larval food plant is Kidney Vetch and this flower is widespread.

Whilst out for a walk towards Ufton, I came across some caterpillars which looked to be those of the Large White butterfly. However my reference book stated they are not seen before May. The caterpillars I saw were feeding on Comfrey and my friend David Brown who is an expert instantly said they must be Scarlet Tiger moth larvae.



The best place locally to see the moth is on the footpath between Ashorne and Newbold Pacey church where Comfrey is much in evidence. The caterpillars of the Large White butterfly and the Scarlet Tiger moth are similar in appearance so taking note of the larval food plant and the time of year is integral for identification.



In the swale off Brookes Drive, the distinctive fleshy leaves and yellow flowers of the Marsh Marigold (*Caltha palustris*) can be seen colonising the wet depression. We walked along the southern margin of Ufton Woods recently. Bluebells, Violets, Primroses and Wood Anemones were putting on a show. We searched for the Early Purple Orchid which grows in this locality but failed to find any. They are never numerous in this spot but we may have been a little early and need to return in a week or two. Please let me know if you find any after the Harbury &

Ladbroke News drops through your letter box. Appropriately for Easter, the flowers of Yellow Archangel were easy to find.



HARBURY GENERAL NEWS



HARBURY CARNIVAL

Ceri Edwards

Get Ready for Carnival 2022 - Saturday 11th June

Preparations are well underway for Harbury Carnival 2022. Now is the time to start planning your float/costume for the carnival parade if you have not already done so. Dress up with friends, family or neighbours and get involved!

The carnival will be led by Shirley Pipe Band and this year's Harbury Carnival King and Queen - see opposite for messages from King Jasper and Queen Bailey.

To make this day a success, we need volunteers to sell raffle tickets before the carnival, marshals on the day and ticket sellers on the gate. If you would like to help

keep this tradition going, please call Haidee on 07775 857054 or e-mail harburycarnival@gmail.com

Messages from this year's Carnival King and Queen



Jasper Hunt - My name is Jasper Hunt and I enjoy playing football and rugby. I go to Harbury School and I have been nominated to represent it. My other hobbies include art and game design (Scratch). Now bow down to me. King Jasper.



Bailey Sykes - I am Bailey Mae and I have three hobbies: swimming, acrobatics and football. My dislikes are mud and slugs. The float is a once in my lifetime opportunity so I decided to take it. I had a small chance of winning but I managed to! Goodbye my people. Queen Bailey.



HARBURY ECO-FAIR

Julie Balch

As part of Harbury Carnival the Parish Council's Climate Working Party are organising an eco-fair! This will provide an opportunity for our village organisations tackling climate change to share ideas and information with our community. If you run an organisation in Harbury that would like to take part please get in touch.

We are looking at ways to promote the eco-fair within Harbury and would appreciate some help! If you would like to help us design notices or assist with other promotional activities please let us know. We will also need to make a sign for our area on the field so designers, artists and creatives – we need you!





CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA

Julie Clarke

After a tough two years of Covid, fundraising has been difficult for many charities including the Senior Citizens. We fundraise to provide various events throughout the year.

As part of our fundraising this year we are running a chocolate tombola stall at the carnival. We would really appreciate some chocolate donations, doesn't matter how small or large. All donations will maximise the amount of money we raise and this will go towards the senior citizens' day outing.

If you would like to donate you can drop them into Julie Clarke, 32 South Parade or Linda Roe, 4 South Parade. If you would like us to collect, please call 07799 375264.

Thank you.



SENIOR CITIZENS

Mike McBride

The committee have decided that we will have a summer outing this year and that it will be a trip to Bristol. By going to Bristol the journey time will be shorter, giving a bit more time to look around and hopefully return earlier.

Keeping with tradition, we will be going on the Wednesday after Harbury Carnival so that will be **15th June**. Invitations will be delivered to those on our distribution list in early May.

In the past, we have used two coaches which the committee has paid for and for which there has been no charge. As you will all be aware many things have happened since the last trip including higher fuel costs and increased inflation which means we will be booking one coach this year. Obviously, this will reduce the number of people we can take and, also, we will be asking for a voluntary contribution to the cost of £5.00 per person, which still means we will be mostly subsidising the trip. Could we ask that these voluntary contributions be returned with your completed invitations, should you wish to come on the trip? Thank you.

Seats will be allocated as the invitations are returned for collection from the village Library by **Friday 13th May** which gives us time to confirm the coach booking.

Since we mentioned Harbury Carnival we will be running a chocolate tombola as a fundraiser so chocolate contributions are welcome and can be delivered to Julie at 32, South Parade.

We are sometimes asked how you get on to the invitation lists for Harbury Senior Citizens. Well, you have to be a Harbury or Deppers Bridge resident and be in receipt of the UK state pension. You must also agree to have your details, such as name, address and contact number kept by the organisation to conform to the GDPR legislation on data privacy, which allows us to deliver the invitations to you.

If you have any queries or require further information, please call Julie Clarke on 612066 or Mike McBride on 612421.



HARBURY GARDENS WALKABOUT

Peter Walshe

Call for Gardens to Open (2nd /3rd July 2022)

We would very much like to have sign-ups to open your garden on Saturday 2nd July (12noon to 6pm) and Sunday 3rd July (2pm-6pm). We are trying to have 20+ gardens and still need more people to open.

As you know it is in aid of Harbury e-Wheels and several other local charities.

Please contact Peter Walshe on 07446 779879 or peterdouglaswalshe@gmail.com. We would love to include some gardens that have not opened before. A variety of small, larger, modern, traditional and/or unusual gardens are all welcome.

We would love to hear from you.



HARBURY VILLAGE SHOW

Show Committee

We hope you've had a good April and have got your seeds and planting off to a strong start. The weather has been dry and with a little warmth everything will grow away.

We plan to have the schedule for the show available any day now as we are just finishing off one or two categories. In the Vegetable section we've included a new Squash section. The recipes are agreed but you might want to practise your Bakewell Tart which we've included as a bit of a challenge. We also have a poem again this year, so thinking caps on!

Now that the carnival is back, we are planning to have our popular plant stall there. So we're all busy propagating and dividing for that.

We have moved our website onto the Harbury and Ladbroke News web page. (we now have a tab at the top). When the schedule is available it will be on there. More information on that next month.



WEDNESDAY WALKERS

Gillian Hare

What a beautiful Spring we are having! And what a joy to walk on firm ground and not clean our boots after every trip. We have enjoyed coffee at the canal café at Hatton, a pub lunch at Lowsonford, and nearer to home visited Ladbroke and admired the bluebells in Oakley Wood. In May, more bluebells, unless the fine weather cuts short their flower time. We meet at 9.40am each Wednesday, in the Village Hall car park, and welcome new members, so why not share our pleasure in our green and pleasant land?



REPAIR CAFÉ

Rich Fowler

Our next Repair Café will be on Saturday 24th May, from 2pm to 4pm at Harbury Village Library.

In addition to our team of volunteer repairers, we have glue, string, tape, lubricants, and a range of tools available so that you can carry out your own repairs.

Harbury Seed Library and the Green Label collection of books about the Environment and Climate Change will also be available.

At our last Repair Café we successfully carried out repairs on a model Romany caravan.

We have a monthly e-mail newsletter which we send out in the week before each Repair Café as a reminder, and with extra information about any special repair skills that we'll be offering that month. If you'd like to receive a copy, e-mail us at repaircafeharbury@gmail.com



SOUTHAM COLLEGE COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Sue Hawthorn

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WARWICKSHIRE TRADING STANDARDS

Simon Cripwell

Cold Callers Offer Marriage Allowance Tax Rebates

Warwickshire residents have reported being cold called by individuals offering to make Marriage Allowance tax rebates on their behalf, for a percentage of any money gained. The callers ask residents for their National Insurance number and ask them to sign agreements. Residents have reported then being chased for hundreds of pounds with the threat of court action if they don't pay up.





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Energy Rebate Scam

Warwickshire residents are warned to beware of scammers cold calling them and asking for bank details in order to qualify for the government's £150 energy rebate. The scammers use this information to steal money from your bank account. Never divulge any personal or financial information to cold callers, either on the phone or at the doorstep. For more information on this scam, visit: <https://www.which.co.uk/news/2022/04/fake-council-tax-energy-rebate-scam-targeting-households/>



Fraudsters Target Pre-Payment Meter Customers

In this time of increasing fuel prices, fraudsters are targeting people who use pre-payment meters. The fraudsters offer people a cut price deal on their doorstep, for example £50 of electricity meter top-up for a cash payment of just £25. However, the fraudsters are using cloned keys to top up energy credit illegally and energy companies do not receive payment for energy used, and the customer ends up paying for the energy twice – first to the fraudsters and then to their energy company.

Fake Ukraine Fundraisers

Action Fraud has received 196 reports about fake emails purporting to raise money for those affected by the crisis in Ukraine. Scammers use a variety of methods to con donors, including selling charity T-shirts. The Government has issued some advice on safe giving to support the Ukraine, visit: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/regulators-urge-safe-giving-to-support-ukraine>



Scam Delivery Email

Warwickshire residents have reported receiving bogus emails falsely purporting to come from delivery companies that state they have missed a parcel delivery. The emails almost always direct the recipients to a link to a website where they can 'reschedule their package delivery'. In reality these websites are designed to steal personal and financial information and may even ask consumers to make a payment to receive their non-existent package. You can report a scam email here: <https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/collection/phishing-scams/report-scam-email>





READERS' LETTERS

These three letters were submitted for the April edition but unfortunately were not published.

Many apologies - Editors

Dear Editors

I am very very grateful for all of your very kind prayers, cards, gifts and help during all of our difficulties. It has been your prayers and many kindnesses and yes, many answers to your beautiful prayers that have supported us. Colin's amazing turnaround was wonderful for a while which we made the most of. We also wish to thank all of you who drove me to the hospital, giving up beautiful afternoons of sunshine to do this. We travel onwards now in good care and heavenly light.

Thank you all.

Sent with Love and Thanks

Jen Ingram

Dear Editors

My partner recently died from cancer and I would like to thank all the people who offered help and support, you are all truly nice people and make Harbury the great place it is.

J Horton

Rainbow Crescent

Dear Editors

I would like to thank everyone in the village who sent me cards, presents and beautiful flowers for my 100th birthday.

I had a wonderful day. My family arranged a party to celebrate the occasion, one I will never forget.

Thank you.

Molly Draper



MAY CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Editors and Editorial Team

What a lovely surprise when I received the April issue of Harbury & Ladbroke News. The new design depicting Harbury Church and the new format are a great improvement on the original model.

Many thanks to the Team for this innovation and continued efforts in the production of village news and events.

Janet Thornley

Harbury & Ladbroke News

Would you like to join the team that produces the Harbury & Ladbroke News?

We need someone with a good eye for detail to collate the magazine articles for editing and then layout the final design. This key role is a paid position which is based on the number of pages produced each month.

Responsibilities include:

- Receiving articles by email and preparing them in MS Word for first round editing by our team of editors
- Arrangement of articles, photographs and prepared advertisements working in a MS Publisher template
- Amending the copy following a final proof read
- Uploading the file to our printers ftp server
- Checking final proof from printer

Essentials for the job:

A computer with Microsoft Word and Publisher and a printer

Whilst knowledge of MS Word is needed, experience of MS Publisher would be an advantage, though tutoring on the software can be given.

You will need to be available:

During our schedule of editing and publication dates, working to a deadline leading up to and including one weekend per month.

If you are interested in finding out more about this post please contact Gill or John

Email: articles@hlnews.co.uk or call 01926 612155

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

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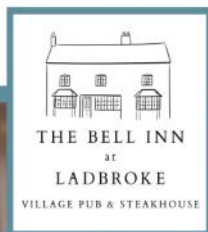
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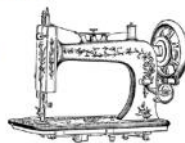
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