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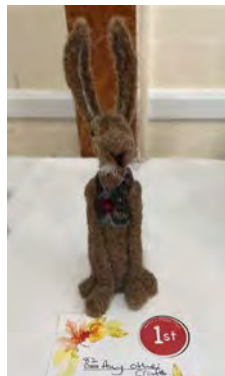
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EDITORIAL

A round up of local news

Congratulations to the Harbury Village Show organisers on another very successful event. There was a good standard of exhibits and a good turnout. Our picture shows an entry which won first prize, other photos taken at the show are with the report in the general section.



Once again both Harbury and Ladbroke churches will be participating in the 'Night of Our Light' on Friday 3rd November where the churchyards will be lit up with hundreds of candles. If you have not visited this event before, it is certainly worth seeing.

GASS will be running the Bonfire and Fireworks on Saturday 4th November. Tickets can be bought in advance or on the day. The usual house collection of garden rubbish and wooden items will be taking place. If you would like to use this collection service, please complete the cut off slip on page 33.

In Ladbroke, the Ladbroke Matters Team are hosting a Quiz and Fish & Chip Supper on Friday 13th October. Further details are in the article. The deadline for donating your Christmas Shoe boxes filled with goodies is Friday 3rd November. Lastly, if you are an experienced pianist and can help with rehearsals of the choir which practises in Ladbroke Church, please contact Bill Bosworth.

The annual Remembrance Day will be held in November and the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal starts at the end of this month. Once again there will be a village collection organised in Harbury with poppy merchandise available in local outlets.

The magazine committee would like to recruit another editor (or two), to join the editorial team. Further details are on page 52.

Finally, we send our congratulations to Adam Rowe and Katie Beechey on their recent marriage at All Saints Harbury.

Our condolences go to the families of Carol Dean and Patricia Summers.



HARBURY DIARY

For local events

OCTOBER

- Sat 7 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Mothers Union Southam
Harvest Supper, 6.00 for 6.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Sun 8 **TRINITY 18**
Holy Communion with children's church, 10.30am, Church
Messy Church, 3.00 - 5.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Mon 9 Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall
- Tue 10 Free Chair-based Activity Class, 10.00 - 11.00am, Village Hall
Bumps & Bundles, 10.30am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room

- Wed 11 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car park - Lowsonford (4 miles with optional pub lunch)
Knitwits and Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Spellbound Dance Classes, 5.00 - 5.30 & 5.30 - 6.15pm, Village Hall
Ballroom Dancing, beginners 7.15pm, improvers 8.30pm, Village Hall
Harbury Heritage Centre's AGM, 7.30pm, Heritage Centre (Park Lane entrance)
Hereburgh Morris Practice session, 8.00 - 10.00pm, School Hall
- Thurs 12 Said Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
Harbury WI, 7.30 for 7.45pm, Tom Hauley Room - Fused Glass Art by Pam Kallender
- Fri 13 Ben & Soph's Jazz Night, Tickets - Tel: 07989 017427, 7.00pm, Village Hall
- Sat 14 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Muscular Dystrophy
- Sun 15 TRINITY 19**
Said Communion, 8.00am, Church
All Age Service, 10.30am, Church
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 Free Chair-based Activity Class, 10.00 - 11.00am, Village Hall
Bumps and Bundles, 10.30am - 12.00 noon, Tom Hauley Room
The Collective, 7.30pm, Shakespeare Inn
Harbury Society, Stuart Pierson from Wessex Archaeology, Doors open 7.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Wed 18 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car park - Brinklow (4 miles flat)
Connections (Dementia) Café, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Spellbound Dance Classes, 5.00 - 5.30 & 5.30 - 6.15pm, Village Hall
Hereburgh Morris Practice session, 8.00 - 10.00pm, School Hall
- Thurs 19 Said Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
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- Sat 21 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Warwick RNLI
Harbury Village Cinema presents '*The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry*', doors open 6.15, film starts 7.00pm
- Sun 22 TRINITY 20**
Holy Communion & Muddy Church, 10.30am, Church
Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 23 Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall
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- Tue 24 Free Chair-based Activity Class, 10.00 - 11.00am, Village Hall
Bumps & Bundles, 10.30am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room
Harbury Theatre Group, 7.00 for 7.30pm, Village Club
- Wed 25 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car park - Kenilworth Common (4 miles)
Knitwits and Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Spellbound Dance Classes, 5.00 - 5.30 & 5.30 - 6.15pm, Village Hall
Hereburgh Morris Practice session, 8.00 - 10.00pm, School Hall

- Thurs 26 Said Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
Harbury WI Lunch, 1.00pm, Crown Inn
Parish Council, 7.30pm, Village Hall
Tennis Club Men's and Ladies Doubles Tournament, 6.00pm, Tennis Courts on
Playing Fields
- Fri 27 Myton Hospice Christmas Card Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room
Sheep Dip Session, 7.30 for 8.00pm, Harbury Village Library
- Sat 28 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of St. Giles Church,
Chesterton
Harbury Local Market, 10.00am - 12.30pm, Village Hall
Councillors Corner, 10.00 - 11.00am, Village Hall
- Sun 29 TRINITY 21**
Holy Communion with 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
- Tue 31 Free Chair-based Activity Class, 10.00 - 11.00am, Village Hall

NOVEMBER

- Wed 1 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car park - Shuckburgh (3 miles, one long hill)
Mothers' Union Service 2.00pm, meeting starts 2.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
Ballroom Dancing, beginners 7.15pm, improvers 8.30pm, Village Hall
Hereburgh Morris Practice session, 8.00 - 10.00pm, School Hall
- Thurs 2 Said Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
Folk Club, 8.00pm, Village Club
- Fri 3 Meeting Point, 12.30pm, The Crown Inn
Night of Our Light event, 5.30 - 7.30pm, Church
- Sat 4 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Ladbroke &
Deppers Bridge WI
Harbury Bonfire and Fireworks, bonfire lit 6.00pm, firework display at 6.30pm,
Village Hall Playing Fields
- Sun 5 TRINITY 22**
Said Communion, 9.00am, Church
Little Saints, 10.30am
- Mon 6 Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall
- Tue 7 Bumps & Bundles, 10.30am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room
Harbury Heritage Centre open, 7.00 - 9.00pm, Harbury School (Park Lane entrance)
- Wed 8 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car park - Priors Marston (4 miles, one hill)
Knitwits and Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Ballroom Dancing, beginners 7.15pm, improvers 8.30pm, Village Hall
Hereburgh Morris Practice session, 8.00 - 10.00pm, School Hall

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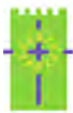
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9 October	F - W	F - R - W - G
16 October	F - R - G	F
23 October	F	F - R - G
30 October	F - R - W - G	F - W
6 November	F	F - R - G
13 November	F - R - G	F
<p>F = Food caddy - R = Recycling (blue bin) W = Waste (black bin) G = Garden (green bin) Wednesday Collection - Parts of Ladbroke - Thursday Collection - Harbury Friday Collection - Deppers Bridge and Parts of Ladbroke</p>		



**All Saints
HARBURY**

FROM THE RECTOR

Rev. Andy Batchelor

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As the year moves on and the seasons change we enter a time of year for remembering. Many churches begin October with a Harvest Festival, remembering with gratitude God's goodness as we gather produce we have grown or bought, fresh or canned. The foodbank, which does such essential work in providing for people who struggle to make ends meet in our increasingly cruel society, will have a huge influx of donations at Harvest time as generous offerings are delivered both by churches and local schools, and we remember those who are not as fortunate as we are.

At this time of year we look back at the past in both sorrow and celebration. At the end of this month Halloween is an opportunity for children to dress up and excitedly tour their local community to claim their sweet rewards. 'Trick or Treat' is perhaps a more recent import from America, but this annual festival has ancient roots. For Christians it has always been known as All Hallows Eve - a time when we prepare to celebrate All Saints Day on 1st November. Over the past few years our churches have participated in 'Night of our Light' where the churchyards and churches will be lit up with hundreds of candles and we invite all who would like to join together as we celebrate the lives and legacy of lost loved ones and name them before God.

So this time of year our remembering is bittersweet, celebration and pain all mixed together - all part of the human condition, but it reminds us that God is at work in all of this - as creator, healer, comforter, provider and redeemer. The world turns, the seasons change, but only he remains constant, a source of life, hope and love that we can always depend on.



FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS

Liz & Andy

Harvest

Autumn coming means Harvest Festival in the church and once again Gillian and her team came up trumps with the decoration of the church for our All Age Harvest service. A collection of food was made, with non perishable food going to the Food Bank.

On 7th October the church community will be gathering for a bring and share Harvest Supper - a great opportunity for us to be thankful for the food that we are provided with.

Lighting

By the time you read this the new lighting should be close to being installed within the church - very exciting times bringing to an end the first part of the Heat, Light and Stone project.

Children

We are very grateful for Fliss and team that Little Saints is starting back in October - on the first Sunday of every month at 10.30am for Children up to Infants age, with siblings welcome. Bacon sandwiches will be served followed by a Bible story and a craft activity. We'd love to see you there.

Messy Church will be back on 8th October from 3 - 5 pm in the Tom Hauley Room. Messy church involves a number of craft activities in the Tom Hauley Room, followed by some songs and a short talk in church and then children eating a meal together.

We have started running Muddy Church as our Children's group on the 4th Sunday during the main Communion service (starting at 10.30). We meet outside (unless awful weather) where we start with hot chocolate and toasting marshmallows on a fire followed by a number of activities focussed on appreciating the environment around us. We'd love to see you there - wrap up warm in the winter months. The next Muddy Church will be on 22nd October.

From the Registers

Funerals and Memorial Services

7th September Carol Dean (78 years)

22nd September Patricia Summers (75 years)

Baptism

17th September Harley Ella Florence Wingrove

Wedding

8th September Adam Rowe and Katie Beechey



MOTHERS' UNION

Gillian Hare

Our September meeting started with a service in church when we enjoyed singing to Ros' playing and an address by Rev Denise Burgess. She unpicked the scripture where Jesus tells John's disciples that He is fulfilling the Scripture which prophesied that the Messiah would heal the sick, bring sight to the blind and so on. She followed by describing the many examples of Mothers' Union members, in the UK and abroad, continuing the same work. We felt privileged to be part of such a wonderful organisation.

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October's meeting is a talk about Harvest traditions. And on the 12th we are invited to join Southam branch for an update on the work in our link in Kapsabet.

1st November will be our AGM: brief and informal, followed by a walk down memory lane to our old Sunday school hymns.

We meet in the Tom Hauley room starting with a service at 2pm. Friends are always welcome to join us.



LADBROKE NEWS & DIARY

OCTOBER

- Sun 8 TRINITY 18**
Holy Communion, 9.00am
- Tue 10 Table Tennis 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Fri 13 Quiz Night, 7.00pm, Ladbroke Village Hall
- Sun 15 TRINITY 19**
Holy Communion (BCP), 9.00am
- Tue 17 Table Tennis, 7.30pm, Village Hall
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Holy Communion, 9.00am
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- Sun 29 TRINITY 21**
Holy Communion (said service), 9.00am
- Tue 31 Table Tennis, 7.30pm, Village Hall

NOVEMBER

- Wed 1 Heritage & Friendship Group, 10.30am -12noon, Village Hall
- Thurs 2 WI, 7.45pm, Village Hall
- Fri 3 Night of Our Light from 5.30pm in the churchyard, names read at 7pm inside Church
- Sun 5 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**
Family Communion followed by refreshments, 10.30am
- Tue 7 Photography Club, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Wed 8 Parish Council, 7.45pm, Village Hall
- Sun 12 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**
Remembrance Service, 3.00pm (no morning service)



LADBROKE CHURCH NEWS

Peter Rigby

www.ladbrokechurch.org.uk

As I write this we are looking forward to our Harvest Festival followed by Harvest Brunch in the Village Hall on Sunday 1st October. If you do not receive this month's edition in time, we hope you came anyway!

On Friday 3rd November we will be holding a Night of our Light event to which everyone is invited. The churchyard will be candlelit by 5.30pm and we will be reading out the names at 7pm inside the church (please wrap up warm as we won't have the heating on!).

Remembrance Sunday this year is on 12th November; our village Remembrance Service will be at 3.00pm and all are invited.

Upcoming services and events

Sunday 8th October	9.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 15th October	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Sunday 22nd October	9.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 29th October	9.00am	Holy Communion (said)
Friday 3rd November	From 5.30pm	Night of our Light
Sunday 5th November	10.30am	Family Communion
Sunday 12th November	3.00pm	Remembrance Day Service

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LADBROKE PARISH COUNCIL

Jackie West - H&L News Correspondent

Official minutes can be viewed on the noticeboard by The Bell Inn and the parish council's website - www.ladbroke-pc.gov.uk

The meeting on 13th September started with an update on HS2 works by Simon Davis, from EFKB, the civil engineering contractors working on the line south of Southam:

The **one way traffic lights on the A423** near the entrance to Starbold Farm were linked to the relocation of the high voltage electricity line which involves the deep excavation close to the carriageway. The hole will be temporarily filled and those lights removed while parts are awaited to finish the job.

The **A423 overbridge** is progressing with the south abutments and ramp in place; some work on the north side will wait until the power line move is completed. There will lots more to do in 2024 so the earliest date for the tie-in to the existing road is predicted to be late 2024. SPOILER ALERT - this tie-in, and therefore closure of the A423 will take longer than one weekend, as previously stated. This news did not go down well with the councillors, who while not wishing to "shoot the messenger" emphasised that they expect a serious effort against extra traffic coming through the village. Closure(s) of the A423 must be scheduled when there is negligible working traffic and tightly managed. Councillors also wanted to get an understanding of the duration of the closure, whether more resources would shorten it, if it would be weather dependent, whether there an option to have some extra temporary tarmac laid to keep the traffic flowing etc. There were concerns too regarding heavy traffic over the weak bridge in Church Road and some debate as to

whether limitation on use by heavy vehicles is because of environmental concerns (which can be paused by the Highways Authority) or due risk of damage from weighty vehicles using it.

Other road closures

Work on the green overbridge between Wormeighton and Priors Hardwick means that Stoneton Lane/Leisure Drive will be closed for 18 months to two years; this will impact Hill Farm, The Butchers Arms etc from November. Travel between Fenny Compton and Chipping Warden will be affected by various road closures as well. The Wormleighton Road will be closed for four weeks, starting in October. Catteralls, who will need to change the school bus route serving Ladbroke, are aware.

Noisy sheet piling (corrugated sheets to support the banks) is about to start on the Oxford Canal Viaduct. This will be in daytime only and is expected to start by early October and last two to four weeks.

In Radbourne they are working on the viaduct and farm overbridges, called accomodation overbridges.

The mobile engagement unit is elsewhere at present but expected back here next year.

WCC

Cllr Kettle had sent in a written report so this only covers what was actually said at the meeting. He started by saying we should "Hold HS2's noses to the grindstone" and insist they go through in detail changes affecting us.

Regarding anti-speeding measures in Ladbroke, marking the road surface should be completed within the next two weeks but the proposed gateways will not happen.

The delays installing traffic lights at the Harbury Lane crossroads are for two reasons: moving the utilities and extra work requested by SDC because of the impact on an occupied house of the piling needed. Thus a seven month job is expected to take a year.

Each year county councillors have a £8000 grant fund for their communities, Cllr Kettle has £1500 remaining for this year.

There is only one WCC - maintained school building with RAAC which has already had mitigation works and re-opened, two academies are also affected (Myton and Aylesford) and the extent of RAAC used in Fire Stations and other public buildings is still being assessed.

There is a new school bus schedule this year for Priors Marston to Southam (including Ladbroke) which seem to be working well but if there are problems let Cllr Kettle know.

WCC and SDC have financial challenges but neither are near the point of a 114 notice when a council is significantly at risk and the Finance Officer has to become a whistle blower, as happened at Birmingham Council and others.

SDC

Cllr Olander reported the creation of the "Eastern 7" group, the seven ward members representing this side of the county, as the full council is Stratford-centric with regard to policing, transport, infrastructure and less interested than us in HS2.

She had given the chairman of Ladbroke Millennium Green Trust ideas about sources of funding (CIL being the largest) and offered to support grant applications.

SDC are drawing up a new council plan for the next four years which is out for consultation.

National government has a massive agenda and local government will have to facilitate changes but there is also a desire to get information flowing from grass roots in the other direction. Cllr Olander will be speaking to the clerk of the parish council to find out about Ladbroke issues and is keen to meet community groups. She was immediately invited to the Harvest Brunch and a Heritage & Friendship Group session as these provide good opportunities to meet Ladbroke residents.

Electricity costs

Streetlight energy costs are very high, the council will investigate if assumed consumption should have been reduced when we changed to low energy lights, also the clerk was authorised to change supplier provided the contract does not restrict changes in future.

No electricity supply is needed for the phonebox as there is no light or equipment in it.

Planning

The “stable block” at the end of Windmill Lane is likely to go to the Planning Committee during October; pro bono advice for objection has been sought. It was noted that roadworks are planned in Windmill Lane to bring electricity in to the site.

Website & email

Almost all the content is now loaded onto the new website, ladbroke-pc.gov.uk Hugo Fox have introduced charges for Parish Council websites. Ladbroke are using the cheaper option without planning permission functionality so this page (currently misleading) will be replaced with a link to the SDC planning webpage. The clerk’s email is now clerk@ladbroke-pc.gov.uk and each parish councillor has one too.

The public, including your HLNews volunteer, then left the meeting for a confidential section on contracts.

Next meeting: 8th November, 7.45pm



LADBROKE & DEPPERS BRIDGE WI

Carol Lane

There was a bumper turnout on Thursday 7th September in Ladbroke Village Hall to hear our home - grown speakers Geoff (Timms) and Jo (Horne) ‘In conversation’. They didn’t disappoint!

Geoff began by relating his early life from his birth in Brook Cottage, which became Sarah’s Cottage, in Bridge Lane. He attended Ladbroke School from the age of five but as there was an influx of evacuees, the school room was not large enough and the boys were taught in the Village Hall. As there was neither mains water nor electricity in the village, the room was warmed with coke stoves which didn’t give off much heat.



Both Geoff and Jo recounted their experiences of the Coventry Blitz: Geoff witnessed the red sky from Windmill Hill but Jo, living in Wolston, just outside Coventry, heard and felt the bombing and vividly remembers the devastation which she witnessed when she and her mother went to the railway station the next day. Geoff and his friend saw a training plane from Wellesbourne in trouble and heard the crash as it came down in Hodnell, killing all seven Canadian airmen. Geoff and his friends set off at a run to get as close as they could to the scene.

Geoff took the 11+ but no-one from the Southam area passed as there were no vacancies in either Warwick School or Leamington College. However he seemed to have enjoyed life at Southam School recounting a prank when he and his friends used the whitewash from the cricket pitch lines to paint the headmaster's bicycle. The ringleader was caned but Geoff said he would have remembered if he had been!

As soon as he was 14, he went to work in a garage in Leamington for £1 per week. Offered an apprenticeship two years later, would have meant cycling to Coventry in the evenings after a day's work so as there was a vacancy for a gardener at Ladbroke Hall where his father had responsibility for a herd of Guernsey cows, he worked there for the rest of his working life.

Jo, born in Wormleighton, took us further afield with stories of the Spencers of Althorpe and the changes in the owners of Ladbroke Hall. Jo became a makeup artist learning under the famous Mr Teasy Weasy, working at film studios in London and the Midlands where she had her own salon.

She met her future husband, Derek, when she drove her golf ball into him on the golf course. He complained about her - then married her 10 weeks later, the start of 56 years together. They brought up their four children and others in need of care at Christmas Hill Farm in Bishops Itchington. Derek died in 2013 and Jo moved to her present home in Ladbroke.

In the Business meeting Dianne gave a brief resume of the finances. She expressed her gratitude for the Tom Hauley Room coffee mornings, thanked Heather for organising the monthly raffle and Sue Moore and Sue Dargan for the recent monthly Bring and Buy initiative.

At the Warwickshire Federation Annual Meeting in the Spa Centre, the speakers were Nick Bailey, the TV gardening expert talking about colour in the garden and James Squire from the Warwickshire Police Cyber Unit.

Thirteen members had enjoyed the guided tour of Hill Gardens in Warwick.

The WI have traditionally had the responsibility for the flower tubs outside the village hall which have been tended to by Jenny for many years. Volunteers were requested to take on this job, either singly or in a rota.

Date of Next Meeting: On 5th October starting at 7.30, we have Janet Mobbs explaining how Science is all around us, telling us that Everyone is a Scientist.



LADBROKE MATTERS

Carol Lane



A Quiz with Fish and Chip Supper will be held on Friday, 13th October in Ladbroke Village Hall starting at 7pm. Teams of four, £12.50 per person to include the supper. For more information and to register your team, preferably with a team name, contact Carol at carolandgeofflane@gmail.com or on 07484 809893.

Ladbroke Village Hall Millennium Draw for August 2023

£50	Caryl and Chris	£25	Tracy Juba
£50	Carol Lane	£10	Margie Bosworth
£25	Susan Moore	£10	Sarah Taylor
£25	Joan Perry	£10	John Liverton

Margaret Bosworth



LADBROKE PHOTOGRAPHY

Kip Warr

We were back in the village hall for our September meeting where John Lewis (not a retailer!) gave a talk titled "Making Colour Work in Photography". Colour photography dates back to 1861 when James Clerk Maxwell demonstrated a coloured image of a tartan ribbon. Academics are still happily disputing whether it was really colour photography and anyway it was too complicated to be practical. Further complex systems were developed until Kodak produced the first popular colour film in the 1930s.



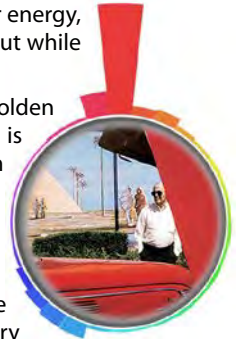
Tartan ribbon, 1861. The first colour photograph - or was it?

We like colour photographs because they portray the world as we humans see it (birds see more colours, cats see fewer and insects see different colours). Colours can affect our feelings, even taste (blue chips or black tomatoes, anyone?). We can use red in photographs to portray passion or energy, blue for coolness and green for tranquillity. Warm colours tend to stand out while cool colours recede.



The colour wheel. Opposites complement each other.

The best times for outdoor photography are the 'Golden hours' around sunrise and sunset when the light is soft and warm, or the cooler 'Blue hours' when the sun is just below the horizon. And then there is colour harmony which John illustrated with the colour wheel. Colours that harmonise or contrast, depending on their relative positions on the wheel. For example colours opposite each other on the wheel are complementary whilst those that are adjacent harmonise. He showed how great artists used these relationships in their paintings - I don't think we are quite up to that standard yet.



Analysing the colours in an image

In October we shall have a competition on the theme 'Summer in the Park' and see the results of July's balloon bursting fun. Visitors, guests and new members are all welcome to our meetings which are usually in Ladbroke Village Hall on the first Tuesday of the month. For more information please contact ladbroke.photoclub@btinternet.com

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LADBROKE GENERAL NEWS



LADBROKE HERITAGE

Jackie West

"When will you be taking down the plastic over the organ?" is a question I'm frequently asked. Hopefully, only a few more weeks as the last Lottery supported work has started on an intermittent schedule. There was enough budget left to do some repointing and minor stonework repairs at low level, including near the organ, which is why it is still has its dust-proof jacket on.

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The evaluation report was issued last month by the consultants and we've had feedback from the Lottery activity monitor that ours was "better than good... it has been a stand out-project". So the activity side of the project is now officially finished with a big tick in the box. Here are six of the 80+ volunteers involved celebrating this fact with the "Cross-fingered salute", acknowledging that the project was made possible many generous by many generous people, including Lottery players.



Even though we don't have specific targets to meet anymore, we aren't putting our feet up. Last month was Heritage Open Days when around 60 visitors came to see the church, fossils including Ladbroke's oldest resident and our special Creativity Unwrapped exhibition of art and photos. We always appreciate being in the Warwick and District booklet publicising the places taking part as it draws in a number of visitors from our nearest large towns. This year those visitors included the Chairman of WDC, I'm glad it wasn't me wearing a heavy ceremonial chain on such a hot day!



The project has left a legacy of other activities too; one is the **Heritage and Friendship Group** which meets on the first Wednesday morning each month to chat over refreshments. Each time we have a theme and some of those that come bring along objects and memories to share. In September it was holidays and in October pets and animal encounters. On 1st November the theme will be famous friends and relatives. The group is dementia-friendly and everyone is welcome, more information from Carol on 814715.

We also offer **guided tours** of the church and/or village, **talks** about the repairs, stained glass, Alice and the Adventurer and local wildlife and **school sessions**, usually on rocks and/or fossils. To find out more about all of these look at the website ladbrokeheritage.org.uk or give me a call on 810331.

Finally this month, a big thank you to everyone who created and coloured sea creatures for the phonebox aquarium. It looks great and has been much appreciated by passers-by of all ages.

T4U TEAMS4U – LOVE IN A BOX SHOEBOX APPEAL UPDATE ——— *Sue Wright*

Hopefully you will have seen my notice in September's issue explaining that I will once again be coordinating our local response to the Teams4U Shoebox appeal.

Anyone who needs an empty shoebox please contact me as I have some spares including flatpack boxes I have purchased from the charity. I have had some kind donations of knitted items from the Harbury knitting group so can supply these if needed.

Top tip - if you would like to just contribute items for the boxes eg toothpaste, soap, pencils, notepads, socks, or small toys please drop these round to me anytime before the deadline as I can combine things to make up additional boxes.

Further information as always can be found on Teams4u website (www.teams4u.com) which has a brilliant guide on how to complete a box and methods on how to make a financial donation.

In order for me to get boxes to our local collection point I need them at the latest by **Friday 3rd November**.

My address is Cherry Trees, School Lane, Ladbroke CV47 2BU

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Please contact me for any further information or if you need me to collect completed boxes.

As always thank you in advance - all your contributions are really appreciated.



BIN COLLECTION CALENDAR

Jackie West

The following information appeared on the Ladbroke Village Facebook page just after the deadline for last month's magazine and I thought that those not on Facebook, or perhaps not even on a computer, might find it useful.

Stratford District Council have made the decision not to send out bin collection calendars to households. This is for two reasons. Firstly, there is a significant cost to sending out 60,000+ letters. Saving taxpayer money is generally appreciated. Secondly, there is an environmental cost to printing out that number of calendars too and this is also something that is important to be thinking about.

However, if any residents would still like a paper calendar there are two ways you can get one:

1. Email 123collections@stratford-dc.gov.uk and ask for a bin collection calendar to be sent to your home.
2. Ring 01789 260123 and request a bin collection calendar.

I have requested five paper copies for the Ladbroke Collection days, if you don't have a computer and would like one, let me know on 01926 810331 (first come first served).



WANTED - EXPERIENCED PIANIST TO ACCOMPANY CHOIR REHEARSALS

Bill Bosworth

We are a voluntary choir which sing in Ladbroke Church, mainly at special services at Christmas and Easter. We do not sing at regular weekly services. Most of the members come from the local area.

We rehearse from 7.30pm - 9.00pm on Tuesday evenings in the church. For this coming Christmas Carol Service we will commence rehearsals of carols and anthems on 14th November 2023. Next Spring, it is our intention to perform Stainer's Crucifixion on Good Friday, 29th March 2024 with rehearsals commencing on 13th February 2024.

If you are an experienced pianist and think you might be able to help us at rehearsals, we would love to hear from you. Please call Bill Bosworth on 07751 007630 or 01926 817312 for an informal chat.



HARBURY SOCIETY

David Turner

Manor House Visit

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Harbury Society it was thought fitting to arrange a visit to the Harbury Manor House, the iconic building that galvanized many members of the community to oppose its demolition in the 1970s. The success of this campaign led to the formation of the Harbury Society which has since been instrumental in monitoring planning with the aim of preserving the culture and character of our village. On Tuesday 22nd August, the current owners of the property, Brendan and Frances (Fran)



Watts generously opened their doors to Society members. They were then given a guided tour of the Manor led by Fran, who pointed out many of the interesting features of this lovely property. Following this, tea with home baked scones, served with jam and cream, gave members the opportunity to refresh themselves. The weather was kind to us that day, so we were able to sit outside in the delightful Manor garden soaking up the sunshine that has been all too scarce this summer.

The building has been modified, extended and altered many times over the years but some of the earliest parts are thought to date from the Tudor period, and the fact that it all sits together so well is evidence of the thought and effort that has made it happen.

Society chairman, Ed Wilson, presented Fran and Brendan with a Heritage Medal for taking on the challenge of maintaining the Manor House. Having seen at first hand the work they have done since acquiring the property, Harbury Society couldn't be happier that, after their efforts to save this special building all those years ago, the Manor has now found itself in some very capable and loving hands.



The Last Man in the World

Our new season of talks kicked off on Tuesday 19th September to a full house with a presentation by Peter Walshe, with an account of his life as an actor.

He was born in Newport, Wales and, when he was 18 months old, his family moved to South Africa. Travelling in a flying boat they made an overnight stop in Egypt where Peter narrowly escaped being dropped into the Nile. He spent the next 14 years in a village called Hillcrest near Durban. Peter returned to England at the age of 15 and managed to secure a place at Bromley Grammar School, where he pursued his love of the stage. Mrs Franklin was the drama teacher and awarded him the part of Ross in the play about Lawrence of Arabia after Peter had impressed her by describing his performance of Oedipus in South Africa. He had played the part so effectively, that a member of the audience had fainted during the scene where Oedipus blinds himself.

Following school, Peter performed with the National Youth Theatre at the Scala Theatre in a production of Anthony and Cleopatra which also starred Helen Mirren. In 1969 he was playing several parts in a version of Henry IV part 1 where he had to exit the stage and then make his way underneath it while explosions were occurring above, he would then reappear as a different character. During one performance, Peter's timing went awry resulting in him being too close to the explosions and rendering him temporarily deaf. He couldn't hear what the other actors were saying and he couldn't hear the prompt either, resulting in extreme confusion.

However, these performances helped him to audition for a place at the The Royal Central School of Speech and Drama. During the audition Peter managed to trip up the steps to the stage making everyone laugh - this obviously impressed the judges because he was awarded a place. He graduated in 1970 and his first job was in Midsummer Night's Dream which also starred Brian Cox. Peter's part was 'Mustard Seed' and difficulty with the costume led to him being painted yellow all over with just a piece of material glued on to protect his modesty. The intention was for him to assist with lifting Titania while singing her to sleep. Unfortunately the strength of the adhesive failed and the modesty patch pinged off rendering Peter unable to assist with the lifting as he attempted to cover his embarrassment.

He appeared as a waiter with Tom Courtenay, who he said was the nicest actor imaginable, in a production of Peer Gynt, where he had to hand Tom a cigar to smoke. During one performance, someone persuaded Peter to use a gigantic cigar, smuggled up his sleeve. After handing it over, without a moment's hesitation, Tom Courtenay asked if he had anything larger.

For an information film for Hillingdon Hospital, Peter was cast as an ill patient and, as a result, was heavily made up. During a break the director handed over some money and asked Peter to go to the canteen for refreshments for the cast. Whilst in the queue at the canteen, suspicions were raised and Peter was consequently escorted to the psychiatric ward by three orderlies and his situation had to be explained by the film crew before he could be released.

Peter continued with numerous anecdotes about his performances, working with actors like John Hurt in the Naked Civil Servant and many others. He went on to explain the precarious nature of the business - he estimates that 90% of actors are out of work at any one time and that only 5% make a living entirely from acting.

The Last Man in the World were two episodes of Doctor Who that Peter had a part in and he showed some clips. Tom Baker had the part of Doctor Who and, during filming, he fell and broke his collar bone and had to be hospitalized. Upon hearing that he was going to be replaced he discharged himself at midnight and arrived at the set the following day, heavily bandaged. This was disguised using a prop, a large scarf which went on to become a feature. Peter was playing the part of an alien, chosen because he could speak with a South African accent, which the director thought sounded quite alien.



After nine years of acting he became involved in the market research field, joining a small company called Millward Brown and moving to Harbury with his wife Beverley where their two sons Doug and Benn were both born and raised. As Millward Brown progressed to become a global leader, Peter was promoted to become the Global Brand Director. With his acting background, he became the spokesman for the company and appeared on many TV and Radio programmes and was interviewed by John Humphrys for the Today programme.

He is now retired but continues to volunteer for e-Wheels and Peter and Beverley's sons now both work in the media.

After some questions and answers, Peter was warmly thanked by Chairman Ed and was enthusiastically applauded by the audience.

Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 17th October: Stuart Pierson from Wessex Archaeology will be giving a presentation featuring the excavations carried out at Coleshill Manor. Meeting in the Tom Hauley Room. Doors open 7.30pm. All welcome - free to Harbury Society members - guests £1.

Tuesday 21st November: Harbury Society's 50th Anniversary Party. The venue for this special occasion is going to be Harbury Windmill! As the current owner knew the mill was the Harbury Society's logo, he has very generously offered the ground floor as the location for this event. Harbury Society members will receive full details nearer the date.

January 2024: Harbury Society's annual social event. Full details will be circulated to members towards the end of 2023.

Tuesday 20th February: Michael Luntley will be giving a presentation entitled 'Carry us away: Migration to Brazil - Warwickshire agricultural workers 1872'.

Tuesday 19th March: Presentation by Bill Timson, Harbury Heritage Group Chair, entitled 'Harbury Windmill Past, Present and Future'.

For further information, or to become a member of the Harbury Society, please contact Sue Turner, Secretary, on 07917 055920 or email sue@turners.co.uk.



Harbury WI resumed their monthly meetings on 14th September. Members were congratulated on their success at the village show particularly Maureen Handle who won the WI cup; Maureen had also won 1st and 3rd prize in a Warwickshire WI photographic competition.

Our speaker for the evening was Judy Warner who is a volunteer with Zoe's Place Baby Hospice in Coventry. The first Baby Hospice was set up 30 years ago in Liverpool and there are now Hospices in Middlesbrough and Coventry as well. The Coventry Hospice is based on land adjacent to Exhall Grange School which Warwickshire County Council gave to the hospice for a peppercorn rent in 2009.

The strap line for the hospice is "a home from home for babies with life limiting and life threatening conditions". It costs 1.5 million pounds for each hospice per year; they receive 10% from the government and the rest is very much dependent on a range of fund raising.

Although the hospice can have 40 children on their books they only accommodate six children at a time. Zoe's Place provides Respite, Palliative and End of Life Care for children 0 to 5 years.

The main service is giving respite care either in the form of day care or for a couple of days and nights. They also try to support the family - parents need a break and also need to give time to siblings.

The Hospice employs highly skilled nurses and play workers. They take their patients on outings and have visitors such as therapy dogs, alpacas and even snakes.

They have a Graduation Wall and a graduation party for children who are discharged from the hospice which hopefully gives hope to families.

Judy described the wide range of fund raising that has to be undertaken including a recently produced cake recipe book and being part of Children in Need. This was a really moving talk enlightened by a visiting grandmother who confirmed the support that Zoe's Baby Hospice had given to her family.

Our annual Harvest Supper was held in the Village Hall on 22nd September. A meal was enjoyed by members and guests provided by a group of members. The speaker was Alan Rogers MBE who gave an amusing talk describing his life as a local policeman. He became a cadet in 1971 and worked in Warwick, Leamington and Kenilworth areas for about 30 years taking on various roles.

At our next meeting on 12th October we shall welcome Pam Kallender from the Glass Barge who is going to talk about Fused Glass Art.

We look forward to a WI lunch at The Crown on 26th October.

The next Rural Cinema will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 21st October when the film will be "The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry." The film stars Jim Broadbent and Penelope Wilton - the story of a man who sets off on a remarkable Journey. Tickets should be purchased from the village library by Wednesday 18th October - cash or card accepted.



HARBURY THEATRE GROUP

Alison Lewis

Hello boys and girls! Hello grown-ups!

It's the Queen here! (no not THAT Queen - Camilla is far too busy) I'm the Queen from Harbury Theatre Group's upcoming production of Jack and the Beanstalk. (oh yes I am!) You can all come and see me and my loyal subjects at Harbury Village Hall in November.

We have a dashing Hero, a beautiful Princess, a Giant! (oh yes we do!) a good fairy, a cow!! Plus loads more bad (the witch) and silly (too many to mention) characters!

Beanstalks are being grown, beautiful costumes sewn, scenery painted and lines carefully learned. Lots of people, all involved to bring you the best Pantomime ever!

We hope you will come and sing along, heckle (oh yes you will!), laugh, cry (with more laughter) and cheer us on.

Take your magic beans to the library to get tickets, or buy through our website on line. (whatever that means - don't think we have it here in Old Windy Bottom!) We are here on 23rd, 24th and 25th November with a matinee on the Saturday too, so plenty of opportunities for you to come and have fun. Bring all your friends and family!

Can't wait to see you all there!



FOLK CLUB

Sue Hartland

The theme for the 440th Folk Club was Bitter Sweet. The Harvesters opened with "Bitter Green" followed by "Ned of the Hill". Mike was next with a Travis Tritt song entitled "I don't love you anymore" followed by a song he co-wrote called "Exclusively Yours". Dave sang a Harry Chapin song, "Cats in the Cradle", and then the audience joined in with him singing "Leaving on a Jet Plane". Maureen and Sue performed next singing "The Deserter" and then "Our Captain cried all Hands". Rik was next with an Edith Piaf song entitled "Lovers for a Day" and then the beautiful ABBA song, "Like an Angel passing through my Room". Bob finished the first half singing "A Case of You" and then he described his glass of Doom Bar beer while Don and Ann got their instruments to accompany Bob's next song, "Barges".

The Harbury Folk Club Choir started the second half with "Bright Morning Star" and "Let's Recycle".

Next was Richard singing "Plaisir D'Amour" and then a Tom Paxton song, "I've got nothing but Time". Des raised the roof singing "Sammy's Bar" and a Keith Donnelly composition which was a shanty take on "Sally Free and Easy". John followed with a Cat Stevens song, "Moon Shadow", and then "Forever Autumn". Don was next with "My Father's Song" and an Appalachian Gospel Song with Bob and Ann joining him. Peter closed the evening with "Liberty's Sweet Shore" and "Farewell to the Gold".

The raffle raised £60 for Myton Hospice, thank you to everyone who contributed.

Next month the theme is "Body Parts" and the hosts are Maureen, Steve and Sue.



HEREBURGH MORRIS

Celia Neill & Peter McDonald

Morris Dancing in Harbury

Hereburgh Morris, your local Morris team, has been established in the village now for over 36 years. We have had a very busy summer, dancing some Wednesday evenings at village pubs in and around Warwickshire and enjoying events such as Warwick and Sidmouth Folk Festivals, Harbury Carnival, the White Horse Festival in Oxfordshire and the Apple Harvest Weekend at Canons Ashby. And we've never missed a Harbury Beer Festival!

Morris dancing is an ancient English village tradition, going back hundreds of years. We're proud to be able to preserve this tradition but, above all, we enjoy the exercise and an excellent social life. Apart from the dancing, we play music, go walking together, have an annual cycle ride and of, course, enjoy a Christmas party.

If you're tempted to try Morris dancing, or just curious to find out what we do, now would be an excellent time to join our friendly team as we teach our newcomers. We'd love to welcome new members, men or women, young or old, as dancers and/or musicians.

If you want a fun way to keep fit, we practise in Harbury School Hall every Wednesday evening from 8.00 to 10.00pm. If you just want to see what we get up to, please come along; you will be very welcome. You can find us on Facebook or our website: www.hereburghmorris.org.uk





HARBURY TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Ron Temple

After our fabulous visit to Samoie-sur-Seine in late May, it has been a quiet time for the Association recently with our members being away for their summer holidays. With the arrival of Autumn though, our social events are getting started.

On the 15th October we have our afternoon Boules competition in one of our member's gardens. This is followed by a glass of wine and a buffet. Prizes for the best players and, of course, for the worst!



In November, on the 10th, there will be our Annual General Meeting at the Tom Hauley Room, followed by drinks and nibbles and the screening of a French film.

The AGM is obviously for members only but we would like to invite anyone who is interested as non members to join us for both the film and the boules competition. If you joined us you would perhaps learn a little bit more about our Association, meet some of our members and, of course, have a bit of fun.

If you would like to come along please let me know at my email address: drtemple@hotmail.co.uk and I will let you have some more information.

Looking forward to seeing you.



HARBURY HERITAGE CENTRE

Bill Timson

The long summer break brings news of examination success and for many students this may mean making decisions about the next step in their education. GCSE's lead onto A Levels and other qualifications; A level students will be moving onto higher education establishments including university.

The students moving from their first year in the sixth form (Year 12) will be filling in their UCAS forms during the Autumn Term and for many this will mean making decisions about what they want to do as a possible career.

One such student, Jake, who was visiting 'granny', as she is affectionately known and lives in the village, recently spent a morning in the Heritage Centre in order to gain some experience prior to making his application for university where he hopes to read History.

It was great to have Jake's energy and enthusiasm, albeit for such a brief time; it makes you realise that young people are far quicker and more adept at using I.T. than us older generation.

Jake started his morning with a brief introduction, followed by carrying out some research from the Victorian censuses of Harbury. He followed one family through from 1841 to 1901 and wrote a short biography of the Head of the family.

After a break he got involved with scanning some of our many documents which we are slowly





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backing up. Jake did the scanning and I got the documents out of their wallets and put them back again. We made very good progress in a short time.

The last part of the morning gave Jake the opportunity to browse our collection and look at the wall panels and displays around the Centre. On returning back to granny's house at lunchtime I received this email: *'Dear Bill, thank you so much for giving Jake such an interesting and enjoyable morning at the Heritage Centre. He was buzzing when he got back and enthusiastically told us about the things he had done!'. She continued: This would be such a valuable experience for teenagers considering studying history.'*

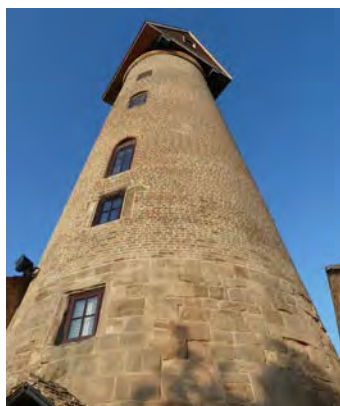
Thank you, Jake and good luck with your university application and A levels at the end of this year.

If anyone else would like to get involved feel free to contact us at group@harburyheritage.org.uk

Other News!

On the 16th August we held an extraordinary general meeting to agree updates to our constitution document. During the meeting it was proposed that Nigel Chapman, who needs no introduction, so far as to say without whom there would be no Harbury Heritage Collection, was unanimously voted in as our President. Well done, Nigel.

On Monday 11th September I gave a presentation entitled 'Harbury Windmill, Past, Present and Future' to the Whitnash History Society. Dressed as a Victorian and complete with a Dutch friend who was visiting (an expert on windmills perhaps?), the presentation lasted about 50 minutes and took place in St. Margaret's Church Chapter House in Church Lane. I was delighted that Harbury Windmill owner Mr. Jeremy Atkins was also in attendance. This is Jeremy's photo of the mill looking fantastic! The scaffolding finally down.



Calendar - It was decided that we would have a year off from producing a fundraising calendar this year. If you usually buy one or more, thank you! However, you may have to purchase a 'Countryfile' or similar one for 2024.

Annual Treasure Hunt

On Sunday 17th September, 23 teams wandered around the village dodging the rain and solving clues to try and win our 'Treasure Chest'. On arrival back at the Centre children had a go on the lucky dip and adults were given a scroll containing 'The Story of Harbury' poster. Thank you to our volunteers (pirates), for making the event run so smoothly and for contributing to the prizes. We raised over £130 towards the running costs of the Heritage Centre; thank you to all those who took part. The overall winner was Chloe and her family, runners up the Bosley family and third was Terri Brown and family.



Finally

Our AGM - our annual general meeting will be held in the Heritage Centre on Wednesday 11th October at 7.30pm - all are welcome, particularly if you would like to come and get involved!

Open Days in October - **Tuesday 3rd**, 7 - 9pm and **Sunday 15th** 2 - 4pm.

Open Days in November - **Tuesday 7th**, 7 - 9pm and **Sunday 19th** 2 - 4pm

For more information visit our website - www.harburyheritage.org.uk



HARBURY RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Steven Kittendorf

Harbury 24 - Woodrush 24

Harbury invited Woodrush over to play a pre-season warm up game in August in preparation for the start of the league games due to get underway in September. Harbury named a very different squad from the victory against Southam, with only 11 of the 24 named making the starting line up.

Woodrush took advantage of the hosts lacklustre start to score an easy try following a number of pick and go attempts, missing the conversion to go 0-5 ahead. Thankfully Harbury didn't let this poor start define the game and hit back quickly with a score from the back of a driving maul. Woodrush responded with a goal spurring Harbury on to score two goals of their own. Half Time 19-12.

Woodrush started the second half the better of the two sides scoring two quick tries and converting one. Harbury scored an equaliser on the hour mark and despite chances late on to win the game, Harbury were unable to find their way through the Woodrush defence for a winner.

Harbury 84 - Worcester 2nd XV

The opening game of the new league season was against a Worcester side Harbury had never previously encountered and as such were an unknown quantity. As the scoreline suggests it turned out to be a bit of a one-sided affair with the bonus point try scored after 20 minutes and five league points banked, putting a marker down early on in the season.

Pinley 21 - Harbury 65

Harbury made it 2 wins from 2 games the following week as they brushed aside a combative Pinley side on the hottest day of the year. With the 2s in action in the league for the first time in a decade, the 1s named a 19 man squad to head over to Coventry to play one of the relegated sides from last year. On the back of one of the best wins in the club's history the week before, the coaches were keen to ensure that there was no complacency in the squad and that we picked up where we left off.

Minis and Juniors

Our first four weeks of the Mini and Juniors have been packed with learning new rules, the kids getting to see their rugby mates again, a load of fun and some bacon baps and sweets to top it off. All our players are excited to get into their matches with the U14s getting a head start with a 25-0 win over a mixed Berkswell and Balsall and Old Coventrians team.

If you have kids that are interested in getting involved we run age groups from U5 (Reception school year) to Colts (U18s) including a junior girls touch team, give our Chair, Chris, a call on 07834 972999 or drop us an email on harburyrfc.enquiries@gmail.com.

Colts

The colts have had their first two league fixtures against Barker Butts and Old Leams. Two losses, but two very good performances, scoring some tries in tough conditions.





HARBURY TENNIS CLUB

Colin Mercer

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

Tennis Fact! - Researchers at Oxford University have concluded that tennis is the most useful sport for human health. According to scientists, playing tennis regularly reduces the risk of premature death in older people by up to 47% compared to swimming (28%) and riding (15%). If you're impressed or motivated by that, our coaching programme delivered by Coolsportz coaches Lianne Candappa and Ian Shorrocks has sessions on Mondays and Fridays for all age groups, including Beginners/Rusties on Mondays. We're also looking into running a Walking Tennis group. If you're interested in any of the sessions, please contact Lianne Candappa on 07919 104093 or lianne@coolsportz.co.uk for more information.

As we move into autumn there are still a few Banbury summer league fixtures to be played and both Harbury Teams currently occupy second place in their respective divisions. The "A" team's most recent match in Division 2 was away at Brackley "B". Emma Brangwin, Jeunine Crabtree, Jane Minchin, Ben Fish, Jacob May and Ed Lockley came home with a fine 7-2 win to move into 2nd place in Division 2. The final match is at 3rd placed Byfield "B" and will decide which club secures the runners-up position.

Division 3 is extremely competitive and will go to the wire. The "B" team finished its fixtures with a trip to Byfield "C" and the team of Helen Cooper, Lucy Ewen, Hannah Benjamin, Nigel Eaton, Rick May, and Tom Whitehead also had an excellent win by 6-3 and moved into second place. They could finish anywhere between 2nd and 6th place depending on the results of other matches.

Preparations are in hand for a busy season with four teams in the Banbury Winter League, 3 in the Floodlit format and one in the weekend format. For the first time we're also entering a Ladies Team in the Warwickshire Helen Cole League.



GUIDES AND SCOUTS SUPPORT

David Browne

As is traditional at this time of year, Harbury Guides and Scouts Support, with All Saints Church will be once again hosting the annual Harbury Bonfire and Fireworks Night in celebration of Guy Fawkes Night on **Saturday 4th November from 5.30pm at the Village Hall**. We hope you will be able to join us, enjoy the bonfire and fireworks, some food and drink and help raise funds for the scout hut and all of our village's uniformed groups.

This year we will be continuing to run a one-way system at the gates serving hot drinks only but will have some local vendors serving hot food and a wider selection of drinks in the Village Hall car park.

Some key details of the event:

- Gates open at 5.30pm, access will be via the Village Hall entrances **ONLY**.
- For safety reasons, members of the public are not permitted to enter from behind the bonfire and through the firework display area so the **gate to Ridgley Way will be locked**.
- The bonfire will be lit at 6pm, fireworks display at 6.30pm. Arrive in plenty of time to buy your food and hot drinks and make your way across the field.
- Entrance will be £5 for adults, £3 for children (under 3's go free) at the Constance Drive gate.

- Tickets may be bought in advance allowing priority access to buy hot drinks from the South Parade gate.
- Tickets will be on sale at the Harbury Village Library from early October until Thursday 2nd November.
- On the night, there will be the opportunity to purchase hot drinks from the hatch at the village hall and local food sellers will be situated in the car park.

Save up your bonfire materials and let GASS collect them from your door!

We will also be running our garden refuse/wood collection service, find all the details and application form on opposite page (more forms available from the Harbury Library). We have a limit on the number of collections we will be able to make so if you have any suitable wood/garden refuse please do get request forms back in early.



HARBURY TODDLER GROUP

Lynne Barton

Toddlers needs a new Leader for 2024!

Entrust Care Partnership is a Harbury-based not-for-profit organisation offering a wide range of services for disabled children, young people, adults and families.

In 2013 we started running Harbury Toddler Group, as a separate entity, as it was under threat of closure. Lynne was, at that time, attending as a Grandparent with her two grandchildren aged one and three. It now feels, after ten super years, that it is time for us to move on and let others take the lead and bring fresh ideas to the Group.

We have had a great time meeting so many children and parents and feel privileged to being part of their first journey towards formal education. We have made many friends along the way and felt blessed to have offered this local service to the Harbury community for so long. Thank you for all your support.

It is our intention to leave at Christmas 2023 but know that Harbury Toddler Group will go on as it has done for almost 40 years. As we hand over the reins, we can reassure you that:

- The Group is in a healthy position with a good bank balance which will provide cover for running costs for about eighteen months to two years.
- The shed is full of toys and recently tidied and cleaned.
- There are two volunteers ready to continue to help every Monday and we have a great group of parents and grandparents who come regularly.

We would love to hear from anyone who is interested and Lynne can be contacted at lynebarton@btinternet.com or on **01926 612748**, alternatively pop in and see us one Monday morning.

In full swing

Autumn Sensory Tray caused a stir and we made pine cone Hedgehogs to take home.

We loved spreading the butter and here we are making lunch, with a smart





GASS fundraiser garden refuse and scrap wood collection service



All donations of garden rubbish and other wooden items, such as fence posts, pallets, shed panels, benches will be gratefully received and collected **from your door** by our team of volunteer bonfire builders.

- Complete and cut out the slip below or message your details on the GASS Facebook page @GASSHarbury
- Take your slip and a **generous** donation to Harbury Village Library before Friday 3rd November.
- Leave your pile of bonfire material within easy reach of the roadside by 9am on the morning of Saturday 4th November.
- **No** metal, soft furnishings, rubber, glass, plastic/melamine coated chipboard etc.
- **Apply early to avoid disappointment!**

Please do NOT deliver to the Village Hall car park or playing field yourselves as it may cause danger or obstruction and slow down our carefully planned operation.

Please do NOT leave any valuable wood near your bonfire wood OR label it clearly AND tell our wood collectors ON THIS BONFIRE SLIP.

Call 07792 514647 with any queries or message @GASSHarbury on Facebook.

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GASS fundraiser garden refuse and scrap wood collection service slip

Thank you for your donation and for supporting our uniformed youth groups.

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jungle lunch box but guess what... the jam sandwiches never made it home!

Getting into character helps with the singing when Miss Ellie is around, happy times for everyone to finish off the session.



Forthcoming Activities

Mini Bamboo Louise and Luke will be providing a lovely range of soft play and a glorious Ball Pool which the children just love. **Best Party Hire - Bouncy Castle Hire, Leamington, Warwick, Kenilworth.**

Love Ballet Dance Company will join us for singing, rhymes and music.

DBA Events Ltd have spoken to the white rabbit and we are confident that we can help Alice in Wonderland get to the tea party in time.

Jessi Illustrates story, art and craft all in a unique style.

And Finally

With much affection, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all very soon, Monday @ 9.30 to 11.15am. Our cost per session has remained constant for almost a decade at £1.50; we know families feel it represents good value with every little helping in a cost of living crisis. Please do get in touch if you are able to help.

Love from Lynne, Selina, Debbie, Gill and Judi x x



HARBURY PRE-SCHOOL

Staff and Committee

Welcome back to Pre-School

We have had a busy but fun-filled few weeks to start our new term. All the existing children seem to have grown over the summer and we have loved hearing about all the lovely things that they have been doing over the summer holidays with their families and friends.

We have also welcomed no less than eight lovely new children to our Pre-School. They have already slotted in beautifully and it is lovely to see new friendships blossoming and the children settling so well.

Ice-Cream

We were all in for a treat last week when Anne brought in some ingredients to make banana ice cream! The children mashed up the bananas themselves extremely well and with the additional of a few other ingredients, a lot of stirring and an ice cream maker, it wasn't long before the ice cream disappeared for snack time! We also had an ice cream stall in the role play and the children made some quite spectacular ice creams which we enjoyed eating!

Bears, Bears, Bears

You don't have to wander too far into Pre-School before you spot a bear. Luckily, they are all very friendly bears. In our role play area, you will find the three bears' cottage. We have some dressing up so the children can dress up as a bear or Goldilocks. The cottage also has three different sized beds, three different sized chairs, the three bears' breakfast table and kitchen with bowls and porridge and most importantly, Daddy



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Moving Pictures



Bear, Mummy Bear and Baby Bear! We have been reading the story of Goldilocks during circle time and the children have run away with it, acting it out independently or with their friends.

The children have been bringing in their teddies from home and the bears have been remarkably well-behaved and sat extremely still while the children painted some wonderful pictures of their bears for the wall.

Planting

Our planting borders were looking a bit worse for wear after the holidays and needed a good weed, water and tidy up. We were excited to notice that we had a fair few tiny apples growing on the apple tree.

The children were eager to help and with their trowels, gloves and watering cans and got busy watering, weeding and sweeping.



Looking forward

The term seems to be flying by but we have lots of exciting plans before Christmas. We will continue with the theme of bears and be re-enacting 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt', we will be looking at light and dark which will lead nicely into Diwali and Bonfire Night and before long we will be rehearsing our Christmas songs again!



HARBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Lucy Bosley - Headteacher

To love, learn and grow together.

"Let us not love with words and speech but with action and in truth" 1 John 3:18

Welcome to new pupils

We have had a great start back to the new academic year. We welcomed a full reception class of 30 pupils to Harbury CE Primary School. They have already started their phonics learning and are getting used to life at primary school and the realisation that they have to come every day! We also had new families join across other year groups. Welcome to all. We are holding two open afternoons for children due to start school in 2024 on 11th or 12th October at 2pm. Please contact school to book a place.

"Let us not love with words or speech but with action and in truth" 1 John 3:18
Is your child starting school in September 2024?

Please visit Harbury C of E Primary School

on Wednesday 11 & 12th October 2024
 Booking via Mrs. Wilson
 admin052@woburnc165.com
 or 01926 612656

To love, learn and grow together. 



International Day of Peace

Each year group spent an afternoon reflecting on what peace means. We thought about peace in our homes, schools and community. We remembered and wrote prayers for the places in the world where there isn't peace. There were some beautiful prayers written by the children which we will read out during the next half term.

Over the summer, we had a running track installed which will allow us to use the field even if it is wet and muddy. The children and staff have been challenged to complete the eight laps a day to complete a mile.



HARBURY LIBRARY & BIBLIO'S CAFE

Janice Montague

The library and the café depend entirely on volunteers to keep operating, and many of our faithful volunteers have supported us from the beginning, over 11 years ago. We are very grateful to them for the time and effort they put into their various roles. We are always happy to welcome new volunteers, so if you can spare a few hours each week, or as a stand in, please come in to speak to us, or email the address below.

You can find details of all our activities and our history on our website, harburyvillagelibrary.org.uk, but here are just a few. With the new academic year, we are continuing with Spanish language classes and looking forward to a new season of Sheep Dip musical performances, along with other regular activities such as the Classic Book Club which meets every month and the Friday afternoon board games session. Recently, some of our older books have been removed from the shelves to make way for some fresh titles, so look out for these in the coming weeks.

The library is open five and a half days a week, 10 - 4.30 Mondays and Tuesdays, 9.15 - 4.30 Wednesday - Friday and 10 - 12 Saturdays. Biblio's, our café, is open every week, Wednesdays - Fridays 9.15 - 12 and 10 - 12 on Saturdays, serving freshly brewed coffee, tea or hot chocolate plus children's drinks and home baked cakes and biscuits.

When the café is not open, you can help yourself to a drink and a biscuit, while you read the daily newspaper, do a jigsaw, admire the artwork on the walls or even read a book. We have two public computers which are free to use and printing, copying and laminating facilities available for a small charge. We are sure you will agree that this is an amazing resource to have in our village and hope you will continue to make full use of it.

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GARDEN JOTTINGS

Christine Dakin from Bridge Nursery

Does your garden look dreary through the winter months? Having a few splashes of colour can lift your spirits on dark days. I wouldn't be without *Lonicera fragrantissima*. This is a shrubby honeysuckle which has creamy scented flowers for weeks and attracts bees. *Viburnum farreri* 'Nanum' is a slow growing shrub with small pink flowers from mid to late winter. The shrubby

wallflower, *Erysimum* 'Bowles Mauve' is a mass of purple flowers almost all year round. One of my favourite shrubs is *Cornus alba* 'Elegantissima', the red stems show up well from October til March. To see a wide range of colourful plants do try to visit places such as Anglesey Abbey in Cambridgeshire where there is a wonderful, much photographed winter garden.

One of my favourite roses here is one called Sally Holmes, she has masses of flowers and is completely disease-free. I intend taking lots of hardwood cuttings this month. Books tell you to dig a trench outside and put your 6-10 inch cuttings in it but it would get waterlogged so I put them in deep pots round the edge and keep them in the tunnel. They don't all root but any that do are very pleasing. I never get tired of propagating plants, it is so satisfying.

I will be having a sale this month, many plants will have generous discounts, check Bridge Nursery Facebook page for details.



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



NATURE NOTES

Martin & Amanda Randall

On our local walks we have been watching the leaves starting to change colour as Autumn approaches. Before the trees and hedgerows lose their leaves it is worth taking a closer look to see what might be hidden among the leaves and branches. Oaks in particular are regarded as having more associated species of wildlife than any other native trees in England. These organisms range from fungi, lichens, mosses and invertebrate animals to birds and mammals. During the year oaks support over 280 different insect species, such as moth and butterfly caterpillars that feed on the leaves, and beetles that burrow under the bark.

There is also one group of insects that have a fascinating relationship with the oak trees. These are the gall wasps - very tiny insects, unlike the much larger yellow and black wasps that bother us in the garden. The gall wasps cause the oak to develop odd-shaped growths on the foliage, flowers, acorns and stems of the tree. Female gall wasps insert eggs into the appropriate part of the oak tree, such as buds or acorns. On hatching, the legless grubs begin secreting chemicals that cause a reorganisation of the oak's normal growth processes. Instead of producing normal oak tree tissues, the gall structures are created by the plant around the developing grubs, which then eat the inside of the gall. There are around 70 different gall wasps of oak in Britain and each species produces distinctive galls. Some have two generations a year each producing a different type of gall.

We found several different galls in the local hedgerow oaks this year. Perhaps the most well-known is the oak apple; a large and spongy, pale green growth on the oak twig. In the summer they become cream/pink or red, and then brown later in the year. Inside are multiple larval chambers each with a developing gall wasp. The appropriately named artichoke gall is formed in buds at the shoot tips, which become greatly enlarged during the summer. Their second generation (in spring) develops small hairy pale green or brown galls on the male catkins. Also look out for the curious knopper galls on



the oak acorns. Instead of the normal cup and nut, the acorn is converted into a ridged woody structure in which the gall wasp larvae develop. The gall is initially yellowish green and sticky but later becomes greyish brown. The knopper gall wasp became established in Britain during the 1960s and is now found throughout England, Wales and as far north as Scotland. This month these galls will drop from the trees in huge numbers, crunching underfoot on the pathways.



Oak Knopper Gall
(Martin Randall)



Oak Artichoke Gall
(Martin Randall)



Oak Spangle Galls
(Martin Randall)

Look on the underside of some oak leaves and you might see spangle galls. These are saucer-shaped, yellowish-green or pinkish-red discs up to 4mm in diameter. Each gall contains a single larva that pupates during the winter while the galls are on the ground and the tiny wasp emerges the following spring.

The oak marble gall wasp causes hard woody spherical galls up to 25mm in diameter on the stems. Marble galls are initially green but later become brown and can persist for several years. Marble galls have a high concentration of tannin and when extracted, and combined with iron sulphate, produce oak gall ink. The earliest recipes for oak gall ink come from Pliny the Elder at the time of the Roman Empire. Many famous and important manuscripts from the middle ages were written using oak gall ink and Leonardo da Vinci used it for his drawings.



Oak Marble Gall
(Martin Randall)

Gall wasps use many other plants as their hosts. One particularly conspicuous is the robin's pincushion. This widespread and common gall can be found developing on the stems of dog-roses during late summer. The gall is surrounded by a dense mass of sticky branched filaments. This structure gives the appearance of a ball of moss; starting off green and then passing through pink and crimson to reddish brown as it matures in autumn. A large specimen can be up to 10 cm (4 in) wide and hold many grubs, which feed on the gall tissues throughout the winter and emerge in spring as adults. We saw many of these galls at Ufton Fields nature reserve recently.



Robin's Pincushion Gall
(Martin Randall)

It is always good to hear from people who have been spotting local wildlife. We have heard a number of records of hawk-moth caterpillars being found in gardens around the village. Hugh Tottle sent us a photo of a privet hawk-moth caterpillar: lime-green with purple-and-white streaks on the side and a big, blackish hook at the tail end. These caterpillars feed mainly on privet, but also on ash and lilac leaves. Several people have also seen elephant hawk-moth caterpillars this year. Terry Hunt sent a photo of one, clearly showing the two spots behind its head, which look like eyes but are just patterns that swell up to scare off predators. The caterpillars mainly feed on willowherbs and bedstraws, although Susie Dronfield found several of these caterpillars feeding on the fuchsias in her hanging baskets!



Elephant Hawk-moth
(Terry Hunt)



Privet Hawk-moth
(Hugh Tottle)



HARBURY DISTRICT COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Susan Ostrander (Cllr Harbury Ward)

After the summer break I am enjoying getting back to the Parish Council meetings and providing help and support where I can. One major irritation for many is the delay on the installation of the traffic lights at the Fosse crossroads. There is some good and some bad news associated with this so I will start with the good: there is no cost to the taxpayer as this is a fully externally funded project. It is being funded by a private developer as part of their planning development conditions. The bad news is that due to delays caused by the utility companies and environmental concerns over noise and dust from the piling work for adjacent homes, the project will not be completed until early 2024. This is unacceptable and I know that your County Councillor Chris Kettle is chasing this as it is a highways issue and thus ultimately comes under their remit.

Other points of interest for residents:

Council Plan

The Council Plan detailing the priorities for the new administration in our district will soon be ready for public consultation. This is the result of many hours of careful and considered work by the Council's Cabinet, Staff, and all Councillors. Public Consultation will begin on or around 21st September and we welcome your views and comments. See www.stratford.gov.uk

Armed Forces Covenant

The Council's Cabinet recently considered a proposal that the Council should join the Armed Forces Covenant. In fact, the Council has been a signatory to this protocol for some years, but the Cabinet decided to improve upon this by appointing a Councillor - Cllr Dominic Skinner (Lib Dem Quinton) as Covenant Champion. Dominic is a member of the armed forces reserve.

Also, it was decided that the Council will apply for the Bronze Award under the Defence Employer Recognition Scheme and recommend this to the full Council for ratification to show support for our service veterans. Consideration will be given towards the requirements for the Silver Award.

Further information may be found here: www.armedforcescovenant.gov.uk/.

Shopmobility

Many people will be familiar with the Shopmobility service that provides mobility support for the less able in shopping centres across the country. In Stratford town centre the council's funding was due to cease in March 24 and the Cabinet was keen to ensure its continuity. Various options were considered to ensure the future delivery of the service and it was decided to make an arrangement with a provider for a one-off contribution from the Council of approximately £25k.

This proposal gave good value for money, increased opening hours and an extra location within the town from which to deliver support. This adds to the existing location at the Bridgefoot car park on the one-way system where the road from the M40/Warwick direction enters the town.

There is also a Shopmobility service based in the Royal Priors carpark in Leamington - Editors

Community Safety

I would like to remind everyone that there are Rural Crime Advisors as part of the Community Safety Team at Stratford District Council. The Community Safety Team works closely with the police and the Safer Neighbourhood Team.

You may contact Rural Crime Advisors if you live in a rural area and:

- you are a victim of crime or are concerned you may be at risk and would benefit from crime prevention advice.
- you would like to arrange a crime prevention talk to your community group or interest group.
- you would be interested in arranging a village crime prevention & property marking day where property such as bicycles, lawn mowers, power tools etc can be securely marked.

If you wish to contact the Rural Crime Advisors, their contact details are as follows:

- Rebecca.Jenkins@stratford-dc.gov.uk
- Alison.Packer@stratford-dc.gov.uk

HS2 and Road Closures

The road closures continue. For your ease of reference, up to date details of HS2 closures should be on <http://www.hs2inwarwickshire.co.uk>.

There have also been reports of heavy goods vehicles travelling on village roads. Contractors should only be travelling on formal diversions, so please report persistent issues to HS2 so the message can be repeated. The HS2 Helpdesk Team may be contacted on 08081 434 434

Councillor's Corner

Just a reminder that I am at Councillor's Corner between 10-11am on the last Saturday of the month in Harbury Village Hall when they hold the indoor market (which is very good and well worth a visit even if you don't wish to speak with me).

I can also be contacted at: sue.ostrander@stratford-dc.gov.uk or susan4harbury@gmail.com



HARBURY VILLAGE SHOW

Gordon Robbins

Mystery Solved!

The array of trophies waiting to be awarded to the winning entrants of the Village Show have a history. Many are named remembering people who have been prominent in the village or had something to do with the Horticultural Society (now sadly no longer existing). The Rosamund Schofield Memorial Platter (awarded for best exhibit in the flower section) however proved to be somewhat of a mystery, as no one it seemed, knew who Rosamund Schofield was! Searches through the Harbury and Ladbroke News archives, appeals in this magazine and on local Facebook pages produced no results. Then John Holden had the bright idea of emailing Pat and John Smith. Pat used to be Chairman of the 'Horticultural Village Show' committee and they provided this response:

Rosamund Schofield was Eleanor Zonik's sister. Pat thinks she lived at Moreton Paddocks. However, she was often here at Louis and Eleanor Zonik's house, the cottage opposite the windmill. The sisters were keen gardeners and Eleanor was chairman of the Horticultural Society for many years before Pat took over the role.

Louis Zonik was not a gardener but Eleanor was very enthusiastic and had a very nice cottage garden and she won prizes in the show for her flower arranging and produce. I imagine her sister donated the cup on her behalf.

So now we know the provenance of all the trophies awarded!



Harbury Village Show September 2023

Photos by Yvonne O'Neill



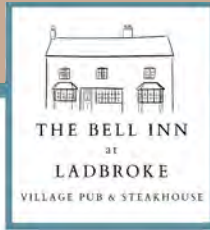
We're glad to say that this year's show was a great success. There were 80 separate entrants, supporting a total of 420 entries, a welcome increase on previous years. It's good to know that the talent of the village and surrounding areas is as strong as it's always been.

A huge thank you to the Village Show Committee who put a lot of effort into ensuring that the show is financially viable and not least good fun to take part in! Also, thanks to the Parish Council and the WI for their grants which help us to put the show on and keep it running every year.

A list of this year's prize winners

Farley Cup <i>For the most points in the vegetable Section</i>	Patrick Clarke
Grey Cup <i>Novice Class</i>	Yvonne O'Neill
All Saints Cup <i>For most points in fruit section</i>	Chris Hill
Reg Harris Cup <i>Best in exhibit in fruit section</i>	Tony Thomas
Courier Cup <i>For most points in flower section</i>	Patrick Clarke
Rosamond Schofield Salver <i>Best exhibit in flower section</i>	Rebecca Sparkes
Finch Challenge Cup <i>Most points 4 kinds of Veg</i>	Patrick Clarke
Brunton Challenge Cup <i>Flower Arranging</i>	Nikki Lee
Dorothy Groves Cup <i>For most points in food section.</i>	Rachel Bright
Top Tray	Sheila Newbold
Top Vase	Margaret McDonald
Allotment Holders Challenge Trophy <i>Best kept large allotment</i>	Helen and Kevin MacMahon
Horticultural Society Trophy <i>Craft including art</i>	Heather Rogers
Rigden Cup <i>Photography</i>	Angie Clifton
Barnes Cup <i>Best performance of exhibitor not winning another cup</i>	Caroline Hill
WI Trophy <i>Member with Most points</i>	Maureen Handle
Harold Wilkins Cup <i>Most points in show</i>	Patrick Clarke

Young People Classes	
The John Smith Cup <i>Judges Choice</i>	Alex Edge
The Buck Trophy <i>For young people aged 8 to 12 years</i>	Arthur Rooney
The Jean Dunn Cup <i>For young people aged 7 years and under</i>	Alex Edge
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Autumn has finally kicked in and coming October 4th we will be launching our new Autumn menu. We would love to invite you to come and try it! Book your table and bring this page with you to get 10% off your food bill!

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It has been lovely to welcome some new dancers as well to see our regular dancers again after the summer break. We learn a new dance routine in each six week block of classes, and for this current block, we are all learning the Twist Turn in the Tango. Improvers have also been brushing up on some other Tango routines that they have learned in the past, to create a longer sequence of steps.

There are two remaining Tango classes in the current block, on 4th and 11th October, followed by a two-week break. On 11th October there will be a half an hour joint practice session from 8.15pm - 8.45pm when the beginners' and improvers' classes will join to Tango together.

Dates for your diaries:

4th October - Usual timing.

11th October - Beginners stay on for an extra 15 minutes, until 8.45pm.
Improvers, please arrive 15 minutes early, at 8.15pm

No classes 18th or 25th October.

1st 8th 15th 22nd 29th November and 6th December (Christmas party)

Dances (after the half term break)

Beginners: Cindy Swing

Improvers: Cindy Swing and revision of Square Tango /Mayfair Quickstep/ Saunter Together

Want to join us but never been before?

As we learn a new routine in each block, come and join us after the half term break.

Please get in touch if you would like to give ballroom dancing a try. You will need to bring a partner to dance with.

Despite recent increased costs, the fee is still £15 per couple, per session, 'pay as you go'.



Harbury Ballroom Tango

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Follow us on Facebook (Harbury Ballroom Dancing Group) or Instagram @harburyballroomdancing for further updates.

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THE COLLECTIVE

Rev. Andy Batchelor

Events in today's world trigger a multitude of questions on issues to which our modern society is wanting answers. All Saints Harbury engages in discussion on such issues from both a secular and Christian perspective by meeting on a regular basis in the Shakespeare pub. The next meeting of THE COLLECTIVE will take place on Tuesday 17th October at 7.30pm, and monthly thereafter. Our next topic for discussion will be 'Science or Faith - do we need to choose?' Do come along, have a drink and engage in interesting debate.



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL 2023

Gill Holden & Nicola Thompson

The official dates for this year's Poppy appeal are between Thursday 26th October and Remembrance Sunday 12th November and we will be running the appeal in Harbury, Ufton, Chesterton and the surrounding areas as usual.

There will be ample opportunity to buy your poppy or pin from shops, pubs and businesses in the villages and School support the essential work of the Royal British Legion. Payment is, as always, by donation. If you are not able to get to one of the shops or pubs in the village or if you are looking for something a bit different to show your support for the Legion, a wide range of products are also available online. Visit <https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/ways-to-give/shop/poppy-shop> for more information.

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We are confident that Harbury, Ufton and Chesterton will be able to support the Legion as generously as in the past and we will be working hard to make this year's appeal a success.



HARBURY LOCAL MARKET

Steve Ekins

The next monthly Market is **Saturday 28th October** 10.00am until 12.30pm in the Harbury Village Hall. Up to 20 stall holders selling Food, Art, Crafts, Plants and much more.

If you are a local community group and would like to raise some money at one of next year's Markets. We have some slots available, to book a slot email us at harburylocalmarket@gmail.com

We are also on Facebook @Harbury Local Market, join our group for regular updates.



SENIOR CITIZENS COMMITTEE UPDATE

Mike McBride

We will be at the October Harbury Market on Saturday 28th October to run the raffle and provide bacon butties etc. as a fundraising activity. Please come along to support us.

The major event of our year is the Christmas Party. This will be held in the Village Hall on **Saturday 9th December** at 5.30pm and we hope to see you there.

Invitations will be delivered to those on our distribution list in November. We are aware that many people have moved to the village who may be eligible to join our distribution list, subject to GDPR regulations. To be eligible you must live in Harbury or Deppers Bridge and be in receipt of a UK State Pension.

If you want to go on the distribution list, please contact Mike McBride on 01926 612421 or Julie Clarke on 01926 612066.

For further information, watch this space for updates.



WEDNESDAY WALKERS

Gillian Hare

It looks as if autumn is here, with a nip in the air but some lovely bright days. We endured our first wet Wednesday for a long time on 20th September, so the advertised walk was cancelled, but, true to the spirit of the group, a hardy few walked from the village to Ufton and back through the nature reserve. Now we look forward to some bright colours as the leaves turn, and our first pub lunch together of the season. This will be on 11th October, at the Fleur de Lys, following a four mile walk from Lowsonford. We do not need to book in advance for this. As ever, new walkers are very welcome.



NIGHT OF OUR LIGHT

Dayle Adams

Night of Our Light is a night of reflection and celebration of loved ones in spirit, being held on Friday 3rd November 2023 from 5.30pm until 7.30pm.

Night of Our Light offers a lovely space to take time to honour those who have died and light a candle in their memory, regardless of where they are buried or scattered.

After the success of the last couple of years, hundreds of candles will fill Harbury churchyard again, lighting it by candlelight. Ladbroke Church will be participating, as will Ufton Church even though the church itself is closed.

Should it be raining, Harbury and Ladbroke events will take place, with the churches adorned with candles, however the Ufton event will unfortunately be cancelled.

Names of loved ones will be read out at approximately 7pm in both Harbury and Ladbroke Church. Refreshments are available at Harbury and Ufton.

To involve your church, get more information, or donate clean jars, please email us on admin@ourlightinside.com



WEST GALLERY QUIRE

Alison Biddle

Immanuel's Ground is a West Gallery Quire, formed in 2001 in Warwick. We are a group of singers and instrumentalists who meet to research, rehearse and perform music from the period roughly 1700 to 1860. Much of our repertoire is church music - rousing anthems, elaborate psalms and beautiful hymn tunes, but we also sing secular music including rounds, glees and folk songs. Most of our members are from the "Heart of England", which includes Oxfordshire, Northamptonshire, Worcestershire and Warwickshire. For this reason we sing many lesser-known locally composed pieces.

Christmas, of course, is a particularly good time of year to enjoy West Gallery Music and for this reason we are holding a “taster day” at Northgate Church Hall, Warwick, CV34 4TH on Saturday 18th November from 2.00 - 5.00 pm intended to introduce people to the joys of West Gallery carols. The cost of day is £10.00 which includes music and light refreshments. Singers and players of bowed stringed and wind instruments are welcome. Whether you have participated in West Gallery Music before or not, you are assured of a warm welcome!



For more information contact Gillian Warson: gillianwarson@btinternet.com

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GALANOS HOUSE

Shelley Fardon

<p>Armed Forces Veteran's Breakfast Club Last Wednesday of every month</p> <p>Come along, purchase your own Hub Breakfast, and join in with the banter.</p> <p>Next date: 25th October, 10am - 12noon</p> <p>Extra Date: Saturday 7th October, 10am. Join the Banbury AFVBC at the Community Hub and Café. Open to all serving and ex-serving personnel.</p>	<p>Galanos House Dementia Café (Free) Dementia support group with music and refreshments. Last Friday of every month.</p> <p>Next date: Friday 27th October, 2.30pm - 4pm. Open to everyone, come along on the day.</p>
<p>Sporting Memories (Free) Reminisce about all things 'sport' and some gentle exercise with guest speakers</p> <p>2nd Wednesday of each month 10.30am - 12.30pm.</p> <p>Next dates: 11th October and 8th November. Open to everyone, come along on the day.</p>	<p>National Silver Sunday (Free) Join us, bring a friend, and have a dance. Helen Pearson will be here to entertain us.</p> <p>Please wear something Green - a top, scarf, hat, trousers etc.</p> <p>Everyone is welcome to come along. Please telephone 01926 812185 Ext 5365 to book your place. Every other month, next date: Sunday 1st October. Next bi monthly Silver Sunday, 10th December, 2.30pm.</p>
<p>Nosh and Natter Cost £10 - Two Course homemade hot lunch and dessert. Everyone is welcome to come along, booking is essential. First Wednesday of every month. Next date: Wednesday 2nd August & 6th September. 12 noon - 1.30pm. Please telephone 01926 812185 Ext 5365 to place book your place.</p> <p>*Free transport available from Southam library to the Community Hub - Please book Collection outside Southam Library: 11.45 Return to Southam Library: 2.00pm</p>	

<p>New Events Menopause Fayre (Free) Dr. Kurti Viswanathan and other menopause specialists Wednesday 18th October, 7pm - 10pm Open to everyone, come along on the evening.</p>	<p>Patchwork & Creative Stitching Adult and Community Learning Starting Monday 2nd October, 10am – 12 noon Contact: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/acl Tel: 01926 736392</p>
<p>British Sign Language Course for Beginners Adult and Community Learning Starting Tue 3rd October, 10am - 12noon Contact: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/acl Tel: 01926 736392</p>	<p>Southam Book Festival Talk (Free) Wednesday 4th October, 7pm Jason Cobley will talk about his book 'A Hundred Years to Arras', which is the story of Private Robert Gooding Henson of the Somerset Light Infantry and his journey from the farm to the trenches. His story is that of the working-class Tommy; young men caught between rural values and a new kind of war. It is a story where the land knows no time. Refreshments will be available from the café.</p>
<p>Poppy Appeal Launch Celebrations Thursday 26th October. Details TBC Join us to remember and show your support for the service and sacrifice of our Armed Forces, veterans, and their families.</p>	<p>All events take place at the Community Hub and Café (Next to Galanos House, Banbury Road, Southam). Call 01926 812185 HUB Option 5</p>



READERS' LETTERS

Dear Editors

Bunty (Rosemarie) Smith passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on the 12th September. Much loved by all of the family, her son Gary, daughter Vicky. Grandchildren, Jordan, Calum, Connor, Skye, Charlotte, Theo and Toby, along with and a great grandchild, Arthur. She will be missed by many friends and family including siblings, Janet, Roger, Sue, Phil, Lenise and Nick.

The funeral will be held at Oakley Wood Crematorium on the 18th October at 3pm. Flowers are welcomed and should be sent to Wilf Smith & Sons Funeral Directors, Main Street, Bolton, Rugby.

Kind regards

Victoria Gent

VOLUNTEER AND JOIN OUR TEAM

There is currently a team of five editors who give their time each month to edit the magazine. We would like to recruit additional editors so that we have a larger pool to cover for holidays and other absences.

Editing is currently done in your own home and involves proof reading a section of the magazine making necessary changes. This can be done on either a printed copy or using your own computer by MS Word/PDF. Editing sessions are mostly on Tuesday evenings and takes no more than 1.5 hours. The final proof editing is undertaken by one of the team, Thursday evenings or Friday morning and takes around 3 hours. To fit in with the magazine's production, editing sessions are usually towards the end of the month.

If you are interested in becoming an editor, do please contact John or Gill Holden on 612155 or email articles@hlnews.co.uk to find out more and see how you can become part of this successful team.



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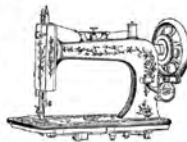
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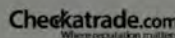
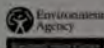
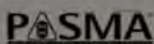
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