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16 September	F - R - G	F
23 September	F	F - R - G
30 September	F - R - W - G	F - W
7 October	F	F - R - G

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

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EDITORIAL

A round up of local news

Thank you to all those who supported our coffee morning on Saturday 3rd August. The photo shows some of the magazine's committee on hand to sell drinks, cakes and tickets for the raffle, (thank you Ellie for taking the photograph).

September sees many children starting Nursery, Primary or Secondary school for the first time with others returning to their familiar classes and friends. Older teenagers will be venturing further afield joining university courses. We wish them all well.



With the start of autumn, in Harbury there will be the Village Show on the 7th of this month. The Heritage Centre's annual Village Treasure Hunt is on Sunday 22nd from 2pm onwards. The re-commencement of the Village Cinema run by the WI sees their first film night of the season "One Love" on Saturday 28th. Please do support these events if you can.

Just a reminder that Harbury Library & Biblio's Café will be closed from 31st August for three weeks for much needed work to replace the old heating system. The library and café will re-open on Wednesday 25th September. In the meantime, if you are unable to get to another local library to borrow your usual pile of books, the County Mobile Library will be visiting Harbury on Monday 16th and Monday 23rd, 10am - 1.00pm and will be parked at the Village Hall.

The first mention of Christmas has appeared in the magazine!! Sue Wright from Ladbroke will once again be coordinating the village's local contribution to the Christmas gifts shoe box appeal. Plenty of notice to give villagers a chance to start gathering donations.

Ladbroke Photography Club has a busy few months ahead. They are hosting an evening of culture showcasing Jordan as photographed by Nicky and Gray Lewis. They will be holding a competition for members on 'Summer Spectacles' in October and a workshop on 'Models and Miniatures' in November. You are welcome to join them.

All Saints Church Ladbroke will be joining in with the national Heritage Open Days, 6th to the 8th September. You will be very welcome to visit - see page 15 for details. There are many other local places opening which are not normally accessible to the public, see www.heritageopendays.org.uk

Finally, we send our condolences to the families of Clare Finch, Shirley Reid and Rozena Florence Watts.



HARBURY DIARY

For local events

SEPTEMBER

Sun 1 PENTECOST 15

Said Communion, 9.00am, Church
Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Bishops Itchington

Mon 2 Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall

Tue 3 Chair-based Activity Class, 10.00 - 11.00am, Village Hall
Bumps & Bundles, 10.30am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room
Harbury Heritage Centre open, 7.00 - 9.00pm, Harbury School (Park Lane entrance)

Wed 4 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.35am, Village Hall car park - Long Itchington - Stockton (4.5 miles flat)
Mothers' Union service, 2.00pm, Church
Deadline for entries for Village Show no later than 6.00pm today
Hereburgh Morris Practice session, 8.00 - 10.00pm, School Hall

Thu 5 Table Tennis, 9.30 - 10.30am, Village Hall, Tel: 01926 612951
Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
Folk Club, 8.00pm, Village Club

Fri 6 Meeting Point, 12.30pm, The Crown Inn

Sat 7 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Southam Mothers' Union
Harbury Village Show, viewing 2.00pm, prizes 4.00pm, Village Hall

Sun 8 PENTECOST 16

Sung Holy Communion with children's church, 10.30am, Church
Messy Church, 3.00 - 5.00pm
Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall
Litter Pick, 10.00 - 11.00am, meet Village Hall car park

Mon 9 Harbury Toddler Group, 10.00 - 11.30am, Scout Hut
Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall

Tue 10 Chair-based Activity Class, 10.00 - 11.00am, Village Hall
Bumps & Bundles, 10.30am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room

Wed 11 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.35am, Village Hall car park - Yarningale Common (4 miles)
Quiet Space, 10.00am, 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

Thu 12 Table Tennis, 9.30 - 10.30am, Village Hall, Tel: 01926 612951
Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
Harbury WI, - Murder and Mayhem (writing crime fiction) with Jane Isaac, 7.30 for 7.45pm, Tom Hauley Room

Sat 14 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Save the Children - Southam

Sun 15 PENTECOST 17

Said Communion, 8.00am, Church

Harvest Festival, 10.30am, Church

Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall

Mon 16 Harbury Toddler Group, 10.00 - 11.30am, Scout Hut
Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
County Mobile Library, 10.00am - 1.00pm, parked at Village Hall
Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall

Tue 17 Chair-based Activity Class, 10.00 - 11.00am, Village Hall
Bumps & Bundles, 10.30am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room
Harbury Society, Talk: Barry Durman, 'The Millennium Way', doors open 7.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
The Collective - 'Climate Change', 7.30pm, Shakespeare Inn

Wed 18 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.35am, Village Hall car park - Welcombe Hills (4 miles - 1 hill, no stiles)
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

Thu 19 Table Tennis, 9.30 - 10.30am, Village Hall, Tel: 01926 612951
Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room

Fri 20 Harbury WI Harvest Supper, 7.00 for 7.30pm, Village Hall

Sat 21 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge WI

Sun 22 PENTECOST 18

Sung Holy Communion, 10.30am, Church

Muddy Church, 10.30am, meet in Tom Hauley Room

Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall

Harbury Heritage Centre open, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Harbury School (Park Lane entrance)

Annual Village Treasure Hunt, 2.00 - 5.00pm, starting from Harbury Heritage Centre

Mon 23 Harbury Toddler Group, 10.00 - 11.30am, Scout Hut
Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
County Mobile Library, 10.00am - 1.00pm, parked at Village Hall
Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall

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Tue 24 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 9.35am, Village Hall car park - Shotteswell (4 miles - rolling and stiles)
 Knitwits and Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Village Library
 Spellbound Dance Classes, 5.00 - 5.30 & 5.30 - 6.15pm, Village Hall
 Hereburgh Morris Practice session, 8.00 - 10.00pm, School Hall
 Last day for purchasing Village Cinema Tickets (film Sat 28th)
- Thu 26 Table Tennis, 9.30 - 10.30am, Village Hall, Tel: 01926 612951
 Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
 Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Fri 27 Ben & Soph's Jazz Night, doors 6.30pm / show 7.00pm, tickets via www.ticketsource.co.uk/bsjazz, Village Hall
- Sat 28 Councillors Corner, 10.00 - 11.00am, Village Hall
 Harbury Local Market, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Harbury Pre-School
 Village Cinema presents 'One Love', doors open 6.15, film begins 7.00pm, Village Hall (Tickets in advance from Harbury Supermarket/Post Office - cash only)

Sun 29 PENTECOST 19

Sung Holy Communion with children's church, 10.30am
 Zumba, 9.00am - 10.00am, Village Hall

- Mon 30 Harbury Toddler Group, 10.00 - 11.30am, Scout Hut
 Badminton, 10.00am - 12 noon, Village Hall
 Martial Arts, Juniors 5.45pm, Seniors 6.45pm, Village Hall

OCTOBER

- Tue 1 Chair-based Activity Class, 10.00 - 11.00am, Village Hall
 Bumps & Bundles, 10.30am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room
 Harbury Heritage Centre open, 7.00 - 9.00pm, Harbury School (Park Lane entrance)
- Wed 2 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.35am, Village Hall car park - Farnborough - Wormleighton (4 miles)
 Mothers' Union, Service 2.00pm, meeting starts 2.30pm - the NSPCC & childline, 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
- Thu 3 Table Tennis, 9.30 - 10.30am, Village Hall, Tel: 01926 612951
 Holy Communion, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
 Folk Club, 8.00pm, Village Club
- Fri 4 Meeting Point, 12.30pm, The Crown Inn
- Sat 5 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of RNLI Warwick

Sun 6 PENTECOST 20

Said Communion, 9.00am, Church

The Refuse Rota can be found on the inside of the front cover.



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FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS

Liz & Andy

It was a very special day on 28th July as Phebe was baptised and welcomed into God's family at the morning communion service. It's joyous when the regular congregation can join the family and friends to celebrate the baptism. And, yes, the yellow duck still takes part in the font!

Although August has been a quiet time at church (have most of Harbury residents fled?) we have had some very thoughtful services. An Agape service, led and organised by Peter and Gemma Took, was held instead of the Thursday communion service one week. A simple meal of croissants and jam was shared in fellowship along with readings and discussion. The All-Age service, led by Bob and Ann Clucas, was on the saying "I am the Bread of Life" which Bob chose to illustrate with profiteroles. It did make sense.

We will celebrate Harvest on 15th September and any suitable donations will go to the food bank. And we won't have too far to take it as the food bank collection point is temporarily moving from the library to church. The collection boxes will be located not far from the main door inside church and will be fairly obvious. The church is generally open from 8.30am and closed about 5 to 5.30pm every day.

Yet to be confirmed - we may be hosting a performance from the Riding Lights Theatre Company in October in church of the play *Cups on a String*. "Challenging, surprising and hopeful, *Cups on a String* will take audiences into the heart of the friendship between a child and their coach, and the profound impact it has on them both". If we get the play, it will be advertised on the noticeboards, Facebook, the church website and wherever else we can.

Thank you to those who supported the coffee morning on 17th August and to Lin, who organised it. It raised almost £220 towards the Audio-Visual project.

If you have any questions, we can be emailed on warden@allsaintsharbury.org or phone Liz (01926 612421) or Andy (07753 497967)

From the Registers:

Baptism

28th July

Phebe Jane Wilkins

Funerals

31st July

Clare Finch (54 years)

7th August

Rozena Florence Watts (93 years)



MOTHERS' UNION

Gillian Hare

Although we have no regular meeting in August, Chris, Gill G and Gillian H went to St John's in Kenilworth for the annual celebration of our founder, Mary Sumner. We were welcomed with tea and cake, and shared in a joyful service during which Chris gave an interesting and well researched talk - Harbury members, be very proud of her!

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We start our new session, on 4th September, with a service in Church at 2pm, followed by tea in the Tom Hauley Room. And, on 2nd October, in the Tom Hauley room, we have a talk about the NSPCC and childline following a communion at 2pm.

As ever, visitors are most welcome.



LADBROKE NEWS & DIARY

SEPTEMBER

Sun 1 TRINITY 15

Family Communion followed by refreshments, 10.30am

Tue 3 Photography Club open meeting - Talk on Jordan, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Wed 4 Heritage & Friendship Group, 10.30am - noon, The Old School

Thu 5 WI, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Fri 6 Heritage Open Day 2.00 - 4.00pm, Ladbroke Church

Sat 7 Heritage Open Day 10.00 - 4.00pm, Stained glass tour 11.00am, Fossil tour 2pm, Ladbroke Church
Boules & Barbecue, from 5.00pm, Village Hall

Sun 8 TRINITY 16

Holy Communion, 9.00am
Heritage Open Day 2-4pm, Ladbroke Church

Tue10 Table Tennis, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Wed11 Parish Council, 7.45pm, Village Hall

Sun 15 TRINITY 17

Holy Communion (BCP), 9.00am

Tue 17 Table Tennis, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Sun 22 TRINITY 18

Holy Communion, 9.00am

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Tue 24 Table Tennis, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Sun 29 TRINITY 19

Holy Communion, 9.00am, (said service)

OCTOBER

- Tue 1 Photography Club, 7.30pm, Village Hall
Wed 2 Heritage & Friendship Group, 10.30am - noon, The Old School
Thu 3 WI, 7.30pm, Village Hall
Sun 6 HARVEST FESTIVAL
Family Harvest Service, 10.30am
Village Brunch, from 12 noon, Village Hall
Tue 8 Table Tennis, 7.30pm, Village Hall



LADBROKE CHURCH NEWS

Peter Rigby
www.ladbrokechurch.org.uk

There is an old story of a Church Warden who was interviewed on his retirement after many years. "You must have seen many changes over the years?" he was asked. Back came back his reply, "Yes – and I've opposed every one of them!"

Our church at Ladbroke has seen many changes over 800 years, both to the building and its styles of worship as it has served successive generations in our village. Now that the All Saints for All Generations project to repair the church and share it's our heritage is largely complete, it is time to look forward and review how we can make best use of it, for both those who worship with us regularly and those who do not. To help us do this, we would like to give everyone an opportunity to tell us their views.

Over the next few weeks, we will be delivering a questionnaire to your home. Even if you have little interest in the church, we would invite you to answer the first four questions.

If you would like to respond on a hard copy, these can then be left either in the church or posted through a choice of letterboxes in the village. If you prefer to answer online, the questionnaire can be accessed via this QR code:



The online version can be accessed more than once, so if different members of your household have different views, we would like to hear all of them!

Looking ahead to October, we will celebrate Harvest at our Family Service on 6th October and this will again be followed by a Harvest Brunch in the Village Hall, from about 12.00. All welcome!



The dedication of "Betty's bench" in the churchyard

Future Services

Sunday 1st September	10.30am	Family Service
Sunday 8th September	9.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 15th September	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Sunday 22nd September	9.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 29th September	9.00am	Holy Communion (said Service)
Sunday 6th October	10.30am	Family Service followed by Harvest Brunch

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LADBROKE & DEPPERS BRIDGE WI

Carol Lane

Instead of a meeting this month, a big group of us made our way to The Old Dairy Farm in Upper Stowe, Northamptonshire. Some of us were interested to watch the female blacksmith at work creating wonderful bespoke gates and there were lots of examples of garden features in glass cases in the adjoining barn.

We then spent much time in the craft shop which sold handmade jewellery, greeting cards which were really different, pottery and interesting globes gently rotating – by solar power, I think.

We all met up at an upstairs room in the cafe and enjoyed afternoon tea. It was beautifully presented with three tiered stands, each between three ladies. The savoury items consisted of delicate sandwiches, cheese scones and pastry tartlets followed by a new set of stands with a selection of cakes. I think we all had a to-go box to bring home as, try as we might, we couldn't eat it all.



The next meeting will be on Thursday 5th September in Ladbroke Village Hall starting at 7.30pm when Cheryl Rawbone will talk to us about 'Friendship Group, support for young people'.

All are welcome.



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LADBROKE MATTERS

David Wright

The Great Boules Challenge and Barbecue

Come and join us at the village hall on Saturday 7th September for a game of boules and a barbecue supper. The fun starts at 5pm. You don't have to play boules – just come along to enjoy the atmosphere, and of course the barbecue too.

Tickets are £16 per adult and £6 per child (under 12 years old) including the barbecue. There will also be a cash bar.

Tickets are available from Debra Neal (debraneal@btinternet.com or 07768 954756) or Kip Warr (kip.warr@gmail.com or 07779 254241).

What next?

We have more events planned for this year including...

- A quiz night on Friday 11th October
- A Christmas or New Year party in December

Our Responsibilities

The upkeep of the village hall and Millennium Green is the responsibility of all of us who live in Ladbroke. The village hall and Millennium Green are registered charities whose admin and finance are overseen by a group of trustees; whilst our larger Ladbroke Matters team takes care of maintenance, and plans fundraising events. So, the more you support us with your skills, time, or money, the more we can continue to maintain these facilities for the benefit of us all.

Our website at www.ladbrokevillagehall.org.uk contains photos of the interior and exterior of our village hall and general information. You can get in touch with us via the form on the contact page.

The Millennium Green Play Area....

...is getting past its best. The facilities were installed in the year 2000 when the green was established. We have allocated a sum of money to enable work to begin overhauling, replacing, and/or adding new items in the playground. However, more funds are needed so we're continuing to raise funds through our forthcoming events. Contact us via the village hall website if you have any suggestions for the play area.

Next year will be the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Millennium Green, so we hope to hold a celebration on the green next Summer to mark this milestone.

Celebration Time

Our hall has a small kitchen, and a stage area with sound and lighting. It can accommodate up to eighty people. So to book your special celebration, or if you wish to hold regular classes or meetings, contact us through the village hall website or telephone Debs on 07779 225105.

Our hourly booking rates are £15 per hour, or £12 for Ladbroke residents. Non-residents may be asked to pay a £50 deposit on booking.

Ladbroke Village Hall Millennium Draw for July 2024

£50	Cara Jenkins	£25	Steve Palmer
£50	A and H Dowdeswell	£10	John and Jenny Barrett
£25	Sheena Healey	£10	Colin and Kay Constable
£25	Martin and Debra Neal	£10	Caryl and Chris

Margaret Bosworth



LADBROKE PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Kip Warr

Come and join us for an evening immersed in the history, culture and the wonderful scenery of Jordan. Home to Petra (the Rose City), Wadi Rum, Bedouin life, Fabulous Roman Ruins, Crusader castles, early Christian settlements....oh, and camels! This illustrated talk by Gray and Nicky Lewis is an open event and all are welcome (a contribution of £3 each would be appreciated). Tuesday 3rd September at 7.30pm in Ladbroke Village Hall.



In October we shall have a competition and topic on 'Summer Spectacles', November will be a workshop on Models and Miniatures and we shall have another competition in December based on our earlier activities with slot cars, models and miniatures.

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 HERITAGE

Jackie West

Heritage Open Days

This FREE national event is back! It runs from 6th - 15th September and once again we're taking part, showcasing our beautiful church and presenting a special exhibition celebrating this year's theme: Routes, Networks & Connections. While stocks last, you can also pick up a FREE copy of the Ladbroke Treasure Trail (normal price £5) which families and teenagers agree is a fun way to explore the village.

So come along, bring your friends and family too and discover something new, right on your doorstep.

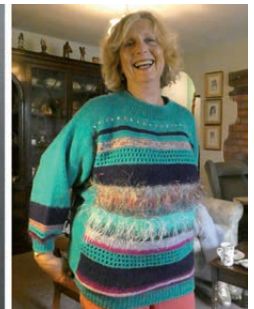
- **Friday 6th Sept 2 - 4pm**
- **Saturday 7th Sept 10am - 4pm, Stained glass tour at 11am, Fossils tour at 2pm**
- **Sunday 8th Sept 2 - 4pm**

You may have been inside our church many times before and already know about Ladbroke's connections with the Jurassic Coast, the Normans and the Gunpowder Plot but come that weekend and find out how we are linked to the Atlantic Ocean, an explorer, St Pancras Station, a Derbyshire coal mine and the Royal Shakespeare Company at Stratford.

We'll leave the displays up until the 15th, so you can drop in the following week any time when the church is open (10am - 4pm daily), if you are busy 6-8th September. Perhaps you will be away visiting other places you have seen on www.heritageopendays.org.uk, there are literally thousands, all FREE.

Heritage and Friendship Group

Last month's theme "Home grown and home made" was very popular with photos and treasures brought for us to admire. There were pictures of paintings and of a flower-filled garden, embroidery done at school and a book holder that had started as a very long piece of wood but was much diminished in size by the time the teacher approved the joints.



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We also saw a jumper knitted decades ago; it was in pristine condition as the recipient had hardly worn it. Don brought a collection of ironwork he'd made ranging from a griddle for cooking drop scones to various tools including a paperknife with an intricate ram's head. His collection was accompanied by a file of drawings and hand written instructions for each item - apparently the sequencing is critical so that one step does not damage another.

I also discovered from the designs in the file, that he had fabricated the wrought iron stands at church made for floral displays and used to hold the donation plate at weddings etc.

We meet again on Wednesday 4th September at the Old School between 10.30am and noon for a cuppa, cake and chat. Our theme that day will be "Clothes, hats and hairstyles". I'm looking forward to hearing about the fashions people have lived through, seeing lots of photos and perhaps some originals that have been lurking at the back of wardrobes! All are welcome but please let Carol know on 814715 if you plan to come or want more information.

Congratulations

We send our congratulations and best wishes to Nicola and Rory Pickin following their wedding last month. Three years ago they danced as a married couple at our *Evening with Lady Alice* and now they have done it for real. Double congratulations to Nicola who weeks earlier won the UK Senior 10 Dance Championships with her official dancing partner, Michael.

TEAMS4U - LOVE IN A BOX SHOEBOX APPEAL ---

Sue Wright

Once again Teams4U will be distributing Christmas gifts in shoeboxes to vulnerable children and families in Romania, Ukraine, Bosnia, Moldova and Georgia. Because of the deadlines involved in collecting, transporting and distributing boxes in time for Christmas we have to start preparing early!

I'm looking forward again to coordinating our local contribution to this year's appeal.

There will be different ways to get involved but if you want to start gathering items to go into a shoebox, that would be great - I've already been collecting items, and this year plan to approach Tesco Southam Community appeal to see if they are willing to contribute essential toiletries.

Top request.....If you have been buying shoes in the sales, empty shoeboxes are much appreciated. You can drop them off to me anytime from now at Cherry Trees, School Lane, Ladbroke CV47 2BU.

More details to follow in the next few weeks.

Further information can be found on the Teams4U website (www.teams4u.com) or by contacting me - Sue Wright on 07768 333675 or suewright21@googlemail.com.

Thank you in anticipation – these boxes really do make a huge difference to the children and families and never more so than in the present circumstances.



HARBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Nicola Thompson - HGL News Correspondent

**Official minutes can be viewed on the Parish Council website
www.harbury-pc.gov.uk or obtained from the Parish Clerk, Tel: 01926 614646**

Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council – 25th July 2024

Co-option of Councillor: Members resolved to co-opt Robert Stockdale onto the council from the September meeting following completion of the necessary paperwork. Robert has a background in HR and a particular interest in traffic issues around the village.

Reports from Outside Bodies: Harbury Primary School: Governors and staff have recently been very pleased by the excellent SATS results received by pupils at the school.

Planning: There were no planning applications to discuss in the meeting, however the council had made the following responses outside of the meeting under delegated powers:

Sharmer Farm Cottage, Fosse Way: Proposed demolition of existing buildings and construction of office/light industrial buildings, road improvements, parking associated infrastructure and landscaping – no representation.

Hurdiss Cottage, Bush Heath Road: extension to the north east at first floor level and a rear single storey extension and replacement porch – no representation.

Future Energy Project: There was nothing to report at present on the creation of a path through the Grasscrete surface on the new section of car park.

Properties

Perimeter Path: Cllrs Lockley and Mulley had spent some time trying to clear the overgrown parts of the path but had concluded that, unfortunately, it is beyond their ability and a man with a machine is needed. A quotation for such a man had been received of £300 per day – it is estimated that it will be roughly two day's work. The quote was agreed.

Pineham Farm Allotments: Cllrs reconsidered the proposed rent increase for the allotments but decided, on balance, that the decision to increase the rent to £50 per full plot and £25 per half plot should stand as per last month's meeting. It was noted that there had been some vandalism at the allotments with sheds broken into and tools stolen. It was also agreed that Cllrs Balch and Mulley will judge the allotments for the village show this year.

Hall Lane Allotments: One quotation has been received for the repair to the wall but it was noted that another two quotes need to be sought before a decision can be made. The council has now identified 26 plots of varying sizes, quite a few of which are vacant. It was agreed that a decision on an appropriate level of rent should be deferred until the spring to allow the council to carry out necessary work to bring the site up to standard.

Environment

Hedgehog Highway: It was noted that the school already has lots of the signs for the highway and does not need the PC to buy any more. The clerk will liaise with the school on what they do need to get the project up and running.

Tree Planting: Cllr Potter has reviewed the tree planting plan that the PC commissioned a while ago. He reported that potentially three trees could be planted on the Pound, four on Middle Road and up to nine at Temple End. He has created a task card for each site and will forward this to WCC for approval particularly for those trees which border the highway. The budget for this project will come from monies received from the Eastfield Solar Farm.

Climate Change: Cllr Gard reported that the working party has been looking at replacing all the remaining old-style lights in the streetlights with LEDs. Although this would be expensive it is hoped that grant funding may cover some of it. The group is also hoping to run the eco-fair again at the carnival next year.

Finance: Cllrs approved the budget and the bank reconciliation. A quote of £650 for a new laptop for the clerk was also approved.

Appointment of new Cllrs to Working Parties: It was agreed that the two new cllrs should join the following working parties;

Cllr Chris Bradley – Properties, Environment and Climate

Cllr Robert Stockdale – Environment, Staffing and Climate

Great Western Public House: The council agreed to submit the application on behalf of the Friends of the Great Western to make the building an Asset of Community Value. There is no charge to submit the application.

The next meeting of the parish council will be held on Thursday 26th September at 7.30pm in Harbury Village Hall.

Current Parish Council members contactable via the Parish Office are:

Tim Lockley (Chairman), Julie Balch (Vice-Chair), Samantha Allen, Christopher Bradley, Kate Gard, Alan Knowles, Ed Mulley, Alex Potter, Robert Stockdale, Keith Thompson.



HARBURY SOCIETY

Sue Turner

Tour of Avon Dassett

Sixteen Harbury Society members met with Dr. Sarah Richardson, a local historian, on a perfect summer's afternoon at Avon Dassett on Wednesday 17th July for a walking tour of the village. It started at St. John the Baptist Church where Sarah gave a potted history of Avon Dassett saying it had been one of the wealthier parishes of England since Norman times which is when the original Anglican church was built. The wealth came from farming and the sheep/wool trade in particular. In the 19th century, several important families came to settle in the village. The population has stayed more or less the same over time – 200-250 people. It rose in the 19th century to 350 but now stands at 211.

The original church of St. John the Baptist was Norman with a modest square tower but, following the arrival of the Catholic Knight family into the village, a new Catholic church, St. Joseph's, was erected in 1854.

A tall octagonal spire was added to St. John's in 1868 making it visible for miles around. The interior of St. John's largely dates from the Victorian period but one survivor from the

medieval church is an effigy of a deacon, thought to be Hugh, Rector of the church, who died in about 1240. The church was declared redundant in 1983 and is currently managed by The Churches Conservation Trust. A major restoration of the spire, costing £750k, took place in 2007-8 but now the bell tower needs restoring.



St. John the Baptist Church

After passing the Old Rectory, one of the oldest houses in the village, with the front dating from the 17th century but having an older north wing dating from the 13th century, we arrived at Bitham Hall. This was built around 1850 by Joseph Knight. The Hall has gardens on 7 levels and contains exotic plants and trees which Knight, who had been a nurseryman in Lancashire, had had planted and which also contains a glasshouse which had been designed by Joseph Paxton, the head gardener at Chatsworth and the architect of the Crystal Palace. After Knight's death, the estate was inherited by Thomas Perry who had married Joseph Knight's niece, Helen. He was a leading member of the Warwickshire gentry, a magistrate and Lord Lieutenant of the county. Bitham Hall was converted into flats in the 1980s.



Bitham Hall

Having walked down the driveway of Bitham Hall, the next stop was at St. Joseph's Catholic church. It has 16 stained glass windows which were designed by the John Hardman firm in Birmingham. This church has also been redundant since 1983. Next door to the church is the Presbytery which was built around the same time as St. Joseph's. At one time this was a school and later a convent and orphanage which was run by the Sisters of Charity of St. Paul from 1876-1910.

Across the road from the Presbytery stands The Yew Tree public house. This was formerly known for many years as the Red Lion changing its name in the 1970s when it became The Avon. In the 1990s it was called the Prince Rupert but soon reverted back to The Avon. It became a community-owned asset in 2017 and the name was changed again, this time to The Yew Tree.



Avon Carrow

Before heading to the Reading Room for tea and cake, the Society members were taken along a private drive to, what can only be described as, a magnificent surprise which is that of Avon Carrow. The land was bought from Thomas Perry in 1895 by Cecil Boyle who had the house built as a hunting lodge in the style of an Oxford University quadrangle but which, subsequently, became the family home. After the death of Boyle in a battle with a force of Boer sympathisers in South Africa in 1900, the family continued to live at Avon Carrow until selling it to Baron Albert Profumo in 1926. Profumo's eldest son, John, became the youngest Member of Parliament in 1940. The property is now made up of 16 apartments numbered according to the order in which they were sold!

Having had a very enjoyable outing, tea and a delicious selection of cakes were served in the Reading Room. The room had been conveyed by Thomas Perry as a gift to the Parish Council in 1898 for the benefit of the parish (men only!) and the following rules had to be observed:

To be opened every evening except Sundays

To be under the control of one of the committee

No books or papers to be taken from the room

No discussion on religion or politics

No swearing, obscene or other bad language

No smoking

Games to be permitted at the discretion of the committee

Everyone agreed that it had been amazing to learn as to how many grand buildings were to be found in such a small area.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 17th September: Presentation by Barry Durman – 'The Millennium Way'.

Tuesday 15th October: 'Roman Warwickshire' – a presentation by Dr. Paul Grigsby.

Tuesday 19th November: Presentation by Colin Clay and Phil Taylor – 'Back Tracks – Detecting the Past'.

All are welcome to the talks which take place in the Tom Hauley Room and doors open at 7.30pm. Free to Harbury Society members, visitors £2.

If you would like further information about the Harbury Society or would like to become a member, please contact Sue Turner, Secretary, on 07917 055920, email sue@turners.co.uk or visit the website www.harburysociety.org



HARBURY WI

Mary Thompson

Although we don't have a formal meeting during mid-summer we enjoyed two social events.

On 25th July, fifteen members gathered at the village hall for a games afternoon where we played Jenga, Boules, Darts, Connect 4 etc. A very relaxing social afternoon – thanks to Sally for her organisation.

On 1st August we held our annual Garden party. After six days of warm sunny weather what

could go wrong? Sadly the heavens opened just as the party started. Fortunately we were able to keep reasonably dry under two gazebos and members enjoyed a nice buffet accompanied by Pimms or soft drinks. In spite of the rain and thunder, ladies said they had enjoyed the evening. Needless to say 2nd August was lovely and we understand that nearby Hampton Magna didn't have a spot of rain on 1st August! Our thanks to Gill and Geoff for their incredible hospitality.

Meetings resume in the Tom Hauley Room on Thursday 12th September when we shall welcome Jane Isaac where she will talk about writing crime fiction – “Murder and Mayhem”.



The annual Harvest Supper will be held in the Village Hall on Friday 20th September – 7.00 for 7.30pm. The speaker will be Dennis East – a local poet who will be presenting his ideas on “Life Goes On”. Members are welcome to bring a guest, but please make sure that you have let the committee know you are attending. The supper will be provided but you need to bring your own drink and glasses. Cost to be confirmed.

The Cinema season resumes on Saturday 28th September in the Village Hall 6.15 for 7pm. The film will be “One Love” – a biographical musical film based on the singer and songwriter Bob Marley played by Kingsley Ben-Adir.

In view of the fact that the library is shut until 25th September, Preet at HARBURY SUPERMARKET/POST OFFICE has kindly agreed to sell the tickets - CASH ONLY. Our overheads have increased so we have had to increase the ticket price - £13 to include fish and chips and raffle tickets or £7.50 for the film only and raffle tickets. Tickets will need to be purchased by Wednesday 25th September so we can order the correct number of fish and chips.

Many of you will know that we put any profit from the cinema into a Community Fund which we hope to donate to local organisations in the Spring. Therefore we do respectfully ask that you don't bring your own food and drink to the cinema. We provide a reasonably priced bar.

Finally, on a sad note, we heard that Monica Davies passed away in July, age 85. Monica was a long-standing member of Harbury WI in the 70s, 80s and 90s until she left the village when her husband Iory retired from farming and moved to Ratley. She served as a committee member for most of that time and held the post of secretary and president. She then joined Ratley WI so was a WI member for 50 years. Monica had kept in touch with friends in Harbury so a number of Harbury residents attended her funeral on 12th August, including four from WI.



HARBURY THEATRE GROUP

Ali Hodge

The performance dates for “Knickers! A brief comedy” (get it?), by Sarah Quick, are 28th, 29th and 30th November. Despite the title, the humour is clean. The characters and pathos of the play appealed to us as four ladies come up with ideas to save the local mill from



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closure and their town from economic disaster. Underlying the humour is a story of hardship and resilience. Although the action of the play is set in fictional Elliston Falls, Ontario, Canada, the scenario could apply to any North of England mill town. I am sure the cast will rise to the challenge of speaking with Canadian accents. Once more I have taken on the role of Director. It is always satisfying to see a production progress from casting, through rehearsals and everyone working together to achieve entertaining performances.

If you would like to make use of your artistic flair, we would welcome sewers, set designers and painters. It would be great to have a painting of a giant pair of knickers! Or maybe you would like to have a go at sourcing props? Even just helping with refreshments on the night contributes to a successful production and you see it for free! We are a friendly, hardworking cheerful bunch! Contact us at harburytheatregroup@gmail.com

As a group we are also keen to encourage a new generation of would-be drama enthusiasts. So, we are pleased to be able to offer the Mary and Ron Shelley bursary of £100 per year to a local young person keen to pursue their theatrical ambitions. Details to follow, to register your interest contact us at harburytheatregroup@gmail.com



FOLK CLUB

Deborah Ellis

For the 451st Folk Club I chose 'Adventure' as my theme. My philosophy is that you are never too old or infirm to have an adventure. It is just that you have to respect your own limitations and parameters but there are still adventures to be had.

I began the first half with one of my own poems, 'The Journey'. Then Pete Mason sang about going out and having your own adventures with 'What's the Use of Wings?' His second offering was 'Harris and the Mare' that he learned when he was 15 years old. He also asked, 'How do the ages of people in songs get younger?' Along came Hugh who has not been to Harbury for a while. He presented two of his own poems. 'Driving Dilemmas' was about going somewhere you don't want to go again – like the Coventry Ring Road! Then he recited a poem that he had written six months ago called 'Messiah and the Monster' that had a strong theme and presentation. Rik was next. His first was a Tom Paxton song called 'Outward Bound' about sailing and then he entertained us with a Jake Thackray offering, 'The Hair of the Widow of Bridlington', which was about a disastrous adventurous lady and came with a health warning!

Tricia came to the Folk Club with a reading. The reading came from Just William by Richmal Crompton. It was about Just William's second encounter with Violet Elizabeth. I remember watching this as a television series with Bonnie Langford as Violet. Tricia performed the extract with passion and humour. She brought the words to life. Along came Richard who gave us a John Golding double bill with 'Here's to the Sunnier Day' about adventures through summertime and 'I was Dreaming' about the adventures we have when we are dreaming. Our last performers, Debra & Martin, came from America. Actually they were visiting a relative in Birmingham and Pete Grassby told them to visit us whilst they were here. Their two songs were 'On the Venezuela to Trinidad Run' by Roger Hussey and 'Sing John Ball' by Sydney Carter. The Harbury Chorus Engine enjoyed joining in with both.

I began the second half with another of my poems 'Love as a Traveller' that I wrote for a wedding many years ago. That was about starting the adventure of married life. Then Pete &

Liz Bones came to the stage and they sang 'King's Navy' all about being press ganged into life on the sea with the promise of a life filled with adventure. Then Pete recited the poem, 'Ramsbottom Family', about the adventure of going to a folk festival. Then I asked Kim to entertain us. Kim had a beautiful voice and played her guitar beautifully too. Her two offerings were 'The Blue Cockade' and 'Sail Away to the Sea'.

Dave Carvell, whilst having a music stand problem, sang about a scary adventure where a 'Runaway Train' was heading towards Chicago. Then 'Sloop John B' which we all sang along to. Then Ian & Sue Hartland sang a Robbie Robertson song, 'The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down', and a Utah Phillips song, 'Singing Through the Hard Times'.

Keith Donnelly completed the evening by telling us of his adventures since leaving Warwick University, especially when he hitch-hiked to Greece. He then sang about 'Machu Picchu'. Then he told us about his father seeing sand from here in England going to the Sahara Desert for road building! Apparently this was the sand they needed! Then Keith finished with 'The Salmon'.

I chose Mountain Rescue as my charity as many adventures end up with their valuable assistance. The raffle raised £56. The host for the next Folk Club on 5th September is Sue Hartland and her theme is 'Celebrations'.

And by the way, adventures only stop when the road runs out!



HARBURY HERITAGE CENTRE

Bill Timson

The windmill is an iconic building in our village and thanks to its benevolent owner, Jeremy Atkins, who commissioned and oversaw its renovation recently, it will be there for a long time to come. The change for the windmill to a residential dwelling took place in 1988. At that time, it had been used as a light engineering factory together with the adjacent building (once the granary).

The granary unit was replaced with a brick built, three bedroomed cottage adjoining the windmill. At present 'Granary Cottage' is being modernized. Until recently it was the home of much loved Harbury resident Mary Shelley, a retired school teacher who moved there from 'Mill House' on the other side of the windmill. Mary, husband Ron and their two sons Matthew and Toby moved into Mill House in the 1960s. It was believed to be haunted and the ghost could well have been George Verney, the miller who was tragically killed in an accident at the mill in 1893.



Some of the WLHS members finding out about the windmill.

Matthew, who now lives in Scotland, was in touch recently and he mentioned that he had a 'wonderful little booklet' which he believes belongs in the Heritage Collection. The booklet, consisting of 16 pages, was written by William Verney, the father of the ill-fated George. In

the 1891 census, William is aged 67 and his occupation is listed as 'Farmer/Miller'. The booklet is titled simply, 'The Jubilee Book' the cover of which is shown opposite. Matthew believes that he bought the booklet in an antique shop in the 1980s.

William Verney, aged 73 in 1897, when the booklet was published, offers an 'Extension of Knowledge' in machinery, and almost every art and science that has taken place during the reign of Victoria. He challenges the work of Sir Isaac Newton, talks about the solar system and the signs of the zodiac, linking them to the Bible, of which he quotes several passages. He even remarks on the 'great earthquake shock' which occurred on the morning of the 17th December 1896.

He concludes as follows, *'Trusting I have said enough to make my view clearly understood by most of my readers, and I hope they will be more interested than alarmed at the wonderful works of nature'*.

The cost of the booklet was one shilling, a considerable sum in the late Victorian era. Interestingly, there is mention of a 'Jubilee Book' in a newspaper article reporting on the Golden Jubilee in 1887, but no mention of this one presumably written around the time of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee some ten years later.

Matthew describes William Verney as 'a man of immense intellectual curiosity and wide reading'. We are extremely grateful to Matthew for sending us the book to add to the Harbury Heritage Collection.

Other News

Village Tours

In July we extended a welcome to Warwickshire Local History Society members who enjoyed a 'tour of the village' followed by tea and cakes in the Heritage Centre. It was great to have such an enthusiastic group of individuals visit us and find out more about Harbury's history.

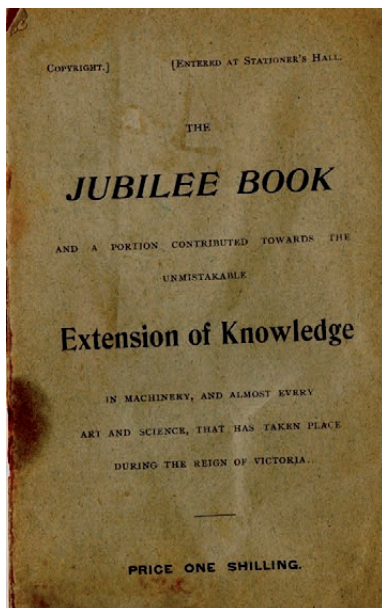
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*This picture is believed to be William Verney
from a family photograph circa 1890*





HARBURY RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Steven Kittendorf

We've had an exceptional preseason, setting the foundation for what we believe will be an exciting and successful season. A key factor in our strong start has been the impressive turnout at training sessions, allowing us to refine every aspect of our game as we aim to build on last year's achievements.



The club has also successfully attracted several talented new players, adding depth and quality to the squad. These recruits, a mix of promising young talent and seasoned veterans, have seamlessly integrated into the team. Meanwhile, our existing squad members continue to raise the bar, driving the standards of training to new heights.

One of the most thrilling developments this preseason has been the involvement of two former professional players who have joined us for specialist coaching sessions. Former Italian international and Northampton Saints scrum-half Callum Braley shared his expertise on attacking strategies, while ex-Leicester Tiger and Worcester Warrior, Graham Kitchener focused on enhancing the forwards' lineout techniques. Their experience and insights have been invaluable in sharpening our team's performance. Additionally, we've benefited from strength and conditioning sessions with Jamie from Peak Fitness in Warwick, which will help us elevate our game to the next level.

As we prepare to embark on our new league journey following the promotion of our 1st XV, and with our 2nd XV chasing their first piece of silverware since their revival, I am incredibly proud of the players' efforts during this preseason. The hard work is clearly paying off and on the pitch.

We're also thrilled by the significant uptake in player sponsorships and are grateful to the local businesses supporting our club this season. Your backing means the world to us, and we look forward to making you proud.

Many of you were there to support us at Waterloo Fields during last season's semi-final against Wigan, where we narrowly missed out on a chance to play at the home of rugby. We hope to see many familiar faces at the club again this year, and we deeply appreciate your continued support.

Josh Biggs - Harbury RFC Head Coach

Mini & Juniors

We are building up to the start of our Mini and Junior season, starting on the 1st September. We're getting some preseason training in, making sure the kitchen is ship-shape for our parents and travelling support, making sure we have all the kit ready and of course our awesome coaches set for a season of fun, competitive rugby.

On the 1st September we have a sign-up day; this will include some rugby games, bouncy castles and a BBQ. All are welcome, non-members and members alike, come and see what we are all about. Keep an eye on our socials (Harbury RFC) for details.

If you have kids that are interested in getting involved, we run age groups from the age of 4 up to 17, 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.

Chris Woodhams – M&J Chairman

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Registering for Harbury Scouting

Harbury is lucky to have an active Guiding and Scouting community and our own scout hut which is maintained by GASS. 1st Harbury Scout Group runs 3 sections during term time which includes Beavers (6-8 yrs), Cubs (8-10½ yrs) and Scouts (10½ -14 yrs). We also have an Explorer Scout Unit (14-18 yrs). You can register your son or daughter for any of the scouting sections by emailing harburyscoutgroup@hotmail.co.uk.

We are at full capacity in September for Beavers and Cubs but have some spaces in Scouts and Explorers. If a section is full, you would be added to our waiting lists, and you can also register children as early as you want before their 6th birthday.

Adult Volunteers Needed

We are looking to grow our team of adult volunteers, so can you spare a few hours each week during term time? You don't need to have a child in Scouting to volunteer and we are starting to see adults who are now retired joining our team. You can be actively involved with one of the sections if you want and participate in weekly sessions, or you can help with admin or finances at home. We also need people to be part of GASS who help fundraise and maintain the scout hut.

All adults would need to be DBS checked by us. If you are interested in finding out more about volunteering with Scouting, then please email Paul Quinney (Group Lead Volunteer) on harburygsl@hotmail.co.uk or Katharine Giblin (Group Leadership Team Member) on harburyscoutgroup@hotmail.co.uk.

Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) Volunteering

There are a few spaces at Beavers (Thursdays 5.30-6.40pm) and Cubs (Wednesdays 6.15-7.45pm) from September, if your child needs to find some volunteering for DofE (Bronze, Silver or Gold). Please email harburyscoutgroup@hotmail.co.uk if your child is interested in helping. Anyone accepted would need to do an online course (Module A) run by the Scouting Association within the first three months.

News and Celebrations

At the end of the summer term, we said goodbye to Lucy Genon (Team Leader) who has been running Beavers with Liz Williams, since Beavers reopened in November 2022 and farewell to Jo Simpson (Beaver Helper) who has done admin/finances. Thank you to them both for all their input with Beavers.

From September, Liz Williams and Sarah-Jane Colley are the Team Leaders for Beavers with Will Ford as a Team Member. For Cubs, Simon Holliday and David Bristow are the Team Leaders with Wendy Lewin as a Team Member and Wendy Boughton-Thomas helping with Admin/Finances. Both sections need at least one more Team Member to help run weekly sessions so please contact us if you are interested. Team Leader and Team Member roles require mandatory training to be done by the Scouting Association including safety, safeguarding and first aid.

There are no changes in Scouts with John Rea as Team Leader and Team Members Andy



Lucy Genon & Liz Williams



Jo Simpson

Dean, Joe Quinney and Simon Nicholson, with Katy Spencer Hammon and Jo Banbury helping with Admin/Finances, or Explorers with Katharine Giblin as Team Leader and Team Members Rob Goode, David Ellis and Ali Kemp. All our sections are supported by Paul Quinney (Group Lead Volunteer).

Congratulations to Katharine Giblin who has completed her Wood Badge, which is all the required training modules finished for a Team Leader. She was also presented with the Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service to Scouting. The Chief Scout, Bear Grylls will be standing down from his role in September after 15 years.



Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers at Harbury have all had a good year and the young people who attend gain skills for life. Explorers Rory, Ben, Sam and Daniel all went on an international scouting event out in Belize over the summer holidays, so we look forward to hearing about their adventures when we restart in September. It is also very rewarding being a volunteer so we hope our team of adult volunteers will continue to grow.



HARBURY PRE-SCHOOL
Staff and Committee



The End of Another Year

We have had another fabulous year at Harbury Pre-School. The last term is always busy but we fitted in lots of outdoor play, settling in sessions for our lovely new September starters as well as preparing our leavers for school.

We had our own circus!

For our end of term treat, we booked Fiery Feet to run a circus skills session for our Pre-School children. It was immense fun and every child took part. The lovely Fiery Feet staff set up an aerial hoop and a huge swinging rope and came armed with an array of circle equipment. It was lovely to see the children test their limits and overcome some of their fears.

End of Year Picnic

Children, plus their teddies, their parents/carers and staff walked down to the village hall for our traditional Teddy Bear's Picnic. This year, we held a graduation ceremony for our leavers in the village hall and presented our children with a graduation certificate on the stage. It was a lovely addition and one we hope to continue.

We also enjoyed our picnics and parachute games. It was a lovely afternoon. Parachute games are always a big hit for all, especially when we all throw on teddies for a bounce!

Thank you so much to all the parents and Committee for their support over the last 12 months. We couldn't do it without you!

New Term

By the time this article is published, the children will be getting ready to start their new schools. We wish them all the best and lots of happiness. We are sure that they will thrive.

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



HARBURY LIBRARY & BIBLIO'S CAFE

Michael Luntley

'Old and New'

By the time you read this, contractors will have taken over the library building and will be preparing to install our new heating system, having completed the work required in the pre-school. The library work will conclude on Friday 20th September. We will re-open on Wednesday 25th.

If you borrowed books just before we shut down, don't worry, your loan period has been extended to 2nd October. Also, if you want to borrow more books during the closure, the County Mobile Library service will be at the Village Hall on the 16th and 23rd September, 10.00am-1.00pm.

The final switch-on of our new heating system will occur a few weeks after we re-open - we need to wait for National Grid to install an upgraded power supply. The old boiler gets a few more weeks before retirement! As do the radiators, for until then we cannot remove the radiators and their associated pipework.

We're looking forward to getting back into the building as I am sure our regular user groups are. Lots of other activities planned: results of the children's story writing challenge with prizes and readings at a Sunday afternoon 'family concert' (watch out for notice of date); we have a 'murder mystery' evening in November; more Sheep Dip Sessions with national and international acoustic musicians; we will be welcoming regular sessions from the NHS Health & Wellbeing coaching service and the National Childbirth Trust which, with our newly established 'carers' group', add to the provision of events in health-related areas. And in the New Year we have two productions by touring professional theatre groups through the 'Live & Local' scheme. Lots to look forward to. But this is your library and we'd love to hear how it works for you and how we might enhance the range of events that we host and how we organise the space.

The removal of the old radiators will free up space and provide the opportunity to think imaginatively about the layout of books, tables and seating within the library and Biblios. We aim to create an inclusive and integrated space. This will take time. We'd like to hear what you think. So keep an eye out for a simple survey that we'll be issuing after re-opening. We'd welcome your ideas about how you think the space would be best used to make the building a hub of resources for the whole community.



GARDEN JOTTINGS

Christine Dakin from Bridge Nursery

Until recently I used Humax* peat-based multi-purpose compost with added perlite to grow my cuttings and seeds in. This was mostly successful except for a few shrubs which tended to be more difficult.

Viburnum bodnantense 'Dawn' was one of them, I'd be lucky to get 10% rooted cuttings. When this product was withdrawn I started to use John Innes No1 with some perlite (with some trepidation) and am really delighted to tell you that I've had an 80% success rate. This is a winter flowering shrub which attracts bees and is such a good, easy plant for the garden.



*Humax peat-free seems to be mainly wood fibre, it is lightweight and looks floofy as one customer described it. I suggest people use John Innes No3 mixed with it for any container growing.

Reminders for the month.....plant more bulbs (there is always room for a few more), pick peas, beans, lettuce, carrots and courgettes (select the best and enter into the village produce show and win prizes) and bring houseplants back into the house.

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



NATURE NOTES

Martin & Amanda Randall

This summer we were fortunate to holiday in the Canadian Maritimes on the Atlantic coast. While we were there we were able to visit several national parks and saw the way they were dealing with some conservation issues facing their wildlife.

Between the Canadian provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick lies the Bay of Fundy. The two land areas act as a funnel that has a significant effect on tides in this bay, with the



*Humpback whale
(Martin Randall)*



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result that it has the highest tidal range of anywhere in the world; a difference of about 16 metres (53 feet) between low and high tide. As the tide recedes it exposes vast areas of mudflats, rich in many aquatic animals, such as Mudshrimps. There can be as many as 40,000 of these tiny shrimps per square metre of mudflat.

The shrimps form the vital food resource for shorebirds, like the small, exquisitely marked Semipalmated Sandpiper. Over two million of these Sandpipers – roughly three quarters of the world's population – stop in the Fundy region for just a few weeks in July and August to refuel during their annual migration from nesting grounds in the Canadian sub-arctic to wintering areas in South America. There is considerable research into the Fundy ecosystem because the Mudshrimps are vulnerable to exposure to various toxic materials, such as organic wastes, pesticides and heavy metals that all wash into the marine environment.

The deeper waters of the Bay of Fundy itself have abundant krill, another tiny shrimp-like animal, which form the main food of several whale species. While we were there we saw two species of krill-feeding whales, Minkie and Humpback Whales.

They have specialised structures in their jaws that sieve out the krill from great mouthfuls of water. In the past, the whales of Fundy were endangered species because of over-exploitation. However, their populations are now increasing because of action that various nature conservation agencies have taken. Minkies are no longer on the endangered list, although Humpbacks are still of some concern.

Research and monitoring has shown that more intervention is needed to secure their populations for future generations. Certain areas in the Bay of Fundy are now designated as Marine Protected Areas where human activities are limited to minimise disturbances. Efforts are also being made to reduce pollution, such as controlling plastic waste and chemical runoff. In addition, we saw photographs of whales that had died or were injured after becoming entangled in discarded fishing nets from the commercial fisheries. There are now regulations about the type of fishing gear that can be used and ship speeds are restricted in certain areas to prevent collisions, which are a major cause of whale mortality.

Further north in Nova Scotia we stayed in the Cape Breton Highlands National Park. Here we saw how the complex interplay between various species was causing significant conservation challenges to this area's native pine and spruce forest. In the 1970s, a severe outbreak of the Spruce moth devastated much of the park's boreal forest. The moth's larvae feed on the needles of spruce and fir trees killing a large number of them. This loss of mature trees left an environment conducive to the growth of



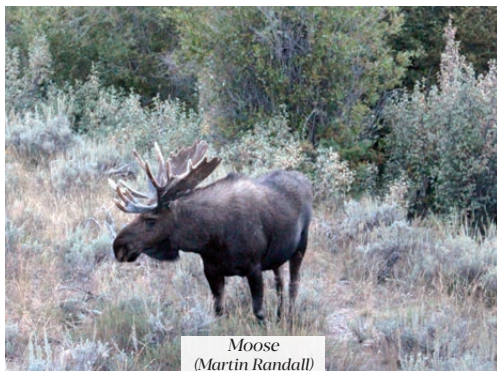
*Humpback whale diving
(Martin Randall)*



*Pine trees killed by Spruce Budworm
(Martin Randall)*

young trees and shrubs, which are prime food sources for Moose.

With an abundance of food and no natural predators, the Moose population in the park surged. This overpopulation has led to overgrazing, where Moose feed heavily on young trees and seedlings, hindering forest regeneration. As a result, approximately 12% of the park has changed to grassland and the native forest lost. To address these issues, the Canadian National Park authority has introduced a management plan to restore the balance in the park's ecosystem, including fenced enclosures to protect young trees from Moose, and prescribed burns to encourage forest regeneration.



Moose
(Martin Randall)

In a public garden we saw how local people were contributing to the conservation of the Monarch Butterfly. This spectacular insect breeds in North America and Canada, where its larvae feed on the Milkweed plants. The Monarch is famous for its annual mass autumnal migrations to Florida and Mexico to overwinter in huge numbers. However, since 2000, Monarch butterfly numbers have decreased very dramatically. It is listed as an endangered species in Canada and is legally protected. Urban development and agricultural expansion, as well as the widespread use of herbicides have reduced the availability of Milkweed and other native nectar-rich flowers on which the adults feed.



Monarch butterfly on Milkweed
(Martin Randall)

Climate change has also had an impact: temperature and weather irregularities can disrupt migration routes and affect the growth of the Milkweed. It was heartening to see the way local community action was involved in these conservation efforts to raise awareness such as campaigns to encourage people to avoid using herbicides and to grow Milkweed in their backyards. There are citizen science projects to help fill knowledge gaps about Milkweed distribution and Monarch breeding. Efforts are also focused on planting Milkweed and other native species that provide nectar for migrating butterflies. In the gardens we saw 'Monarch Waystations' where Milkweed and other nectar sources had been planted – they were full of Monarch Butterflies, which was a spectacular sight.

The plight of butterflies is a concern closer to home as well. July and early August this year saw the Big Butterfly Count in the UK. This citizen science project is organised by the Butterfly Conservation charity. It began in 2010 and involves people throughout the UK and Ireland recording the butterflies they see over a short period of time in a particular area. The results are easily captured on a mobile phone app. With contributions of over 150,000 records, this will form an invaluable set of data about the number and distribution of our butterflies. Several people in Harbury and Ladbroke have contributed to the survey. It will be very interesting to see the final results once the data has been analysed.



Monarch butterfly waystation
(Martin Randall)



HARBURY DISTRICT COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Susan Ostrander (Cllr Harbury Ward)

I hope this newsletter finds everyone well and enjoying some early Autumn good weather. Just a few updates from me this month:

UBUS Service

UBUS is for anyone who is stuck for transport to travel locally on Mondays to Fridays. The service is useful if you cannot access public transport because of mobility problems or other health issues; or live in an isolated location with limited public transport or no bus service at all. UBUS can be used for any prebooked journey between the hours of 10.00am and 7.00pm, except between 2.30pm and 5.00pm on school days. This is a very important service complementing the great service provided by Harbury e-wheels. Of course not all villages in the local area have a service like e-wheels.

Stratford District Council's Cabinet have agreed that from 1st September, Stratford-on-Avon District Council (SDC) and Warwickshire County Council's (WCC) joint UBUS service will be replaced by a new Demand Responsive Transport Service (DRT) run by WCC.

After a great deal of negotiation, SDC secured extra services over the original proposal from WCC which would have delivered a reduction in services. The Cabinet agreed a further sum of £70k funding for WCC to procure an additional vehicle and retain the late afternoon and evening service between 4.30pm and 7pm across the whole District. The outcome is a service that remains accessible to as many residents across the District as possible.

If you would like to know more about this useful service, especially for rural areas such as ours then please visit this website or click on the QR code: www.stratford.gov.uk/news/press.cfm/current/1/item/138298



Home Upgrade Grant (HUG2)

Although it may still be warm and sunny it is worth considering if you are eligible for this grant that could help you save money and keep warm over winter. The Home Upgrade Grant (HUG2) is for people who don't use mains gas to heat their homes. However, households are still eligible for the scheme if they are connected to mains gas for something other than heating (such as cooking).

The Grant will pay for a range of energy efficiency measures including insulation and heating upgrades.

Are you eligible for funding?

You and your home will need to meet all of the following criteria:

- Your home does not have gas central heating
- Your home has an Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) of D, E, F or G (If your home does not have an EPC, then it will be arranged free of charge)
- The whole household has a combined annual income under £36,000 (gross)

Act on Energy is supporting Stratford on Avon District Council for the HUG2 programme, providing the main point of contact for enquiries and processing applications. For further information please see below or click on the QR code: www.actonenergy.org.uk/grants/hug-sdc



Stratford District Council Newsletter

Your District Council is always considering ways in which they can improve communication with residents. To that end the District Council have a new online newsletter 'The Online View' that residents can sign up to for information about the Council. To sign up please visit the webpage below or click the QR code: www.stratford.gov.uk/communications/email-newsletter.cfm



HARBURY AND BISHOPS ITCHINGTON SURGERY PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

Judy Timson



A while ago I wrote an article introducing the re-emergence of the Harbury & Bishops Itchington Patient Participation Group (PPG). I explained at the time that since April 2016 it has been a contractual requirement for all GP practices in the UK to have a PPG.

Our PPG is made up of a group of volunteers, the practice manager and a GP. The aim being to discuss the services provided within our local community, and to look at where and how services can be improved, or introduced for the benefit of patients and the practice.

Our current group consists of only a small number of volunteers, and so we are looking for new patients who can bring fresh ideas and impetus to the PPG.

In order for our PPG to make some real progress we would like the committee to be more representative of our whole patient community, and would love to have some younger patients join us too.

We meet approximately four times a year for one hour at the Harbury surgery.

If the above sparks your interest, then we would love to hear from you.

You can contact me on the email address below.

ppg.harburysurgery@gmail.com



BLISTER PACK RECYCLING UPDATE

Caroline Hill - Harbury Environmental Group

During the period of time that the Library is closed in September, the blister pack recycling facility in the library foyer will not be accessible, so the small group of dedicated volunteers who empty and recycle your blister packs six days a week, will be taking a short break.

If you would like to continue recycling your own blister packs during this time, you can do this in the foyer of Aldi in Leamington, opposite the front doors – where, incidentally, you can

also recycle coffee pods, soft plastics, batteries and cosmetic packaging.

We hope to continue with the village recycling of blister packs once the library re-opens.

Thank you.



BUMPS & BUNDLES

Carol Jackson and the Bumps Team

We start again on Tuesday 3rd September, 10.30am - 12.00 noon in the Tom Hauley Room.

We look forward to seeing some of our little ones from last term and to welcoming any new people. Just come to the Hauley Room and enjoy a morning with lots of toys for the children and tea or coffee and biscuits for the adults.



HARBURY VILLAGE SHOW

Show Committee

The Village Show will be held on the 7th September in the Village Hall!

Exhibits can be brought in from 8.00 to 10.45am. The Hall is then closed for judging, but opens again for public viewing at 2.00, and at 4.00 it's presentation of the prizes and trophies!

Schedules are available from the Post Office, The Milk Shed, The Library (if it hasn't shut for renovation) and downloadable from:

hlnews.co.uk/harbury-village-show.html

There will be prize vegetables, fruit, flowers, flower arrangements, crafts, photographs, paintings, home baking, preserves liqueurs, Children's entries.....and many more! Also, a raffle and delicious tea and cakes!

Looking back over previous years' articles, the only consistent thing is that the weather is never perfect for growers. What is good for one crop one year is bad for others. However, this affects everyone. You may think your carrots are dreadful this year, but the chances are that everyone's probably aren't up to much, and yours might be that little bit better!!

Don't forget that the deadline for entries for the Village show is 6.00pm on Wednesday 4th September.

Looking forward to seeing you there!!





LITTER PICK IN HARBURY

Ian Reynolds

Join us this month for the litter pick on Sunday 8th September 10.00-11.00am. Meet at the village hall car park, litter pickers, hoops and bags provided.



QUIET SPACE

Jill Winter & Gill Guilford

Some of you, reading this article, may wonder what on earth Quiet Space is.

For many people life is hectic, constantly trying to keep up with work, family and friends. For others life may be slower, and there is sometimes loneliness or a lack of direction or meaning. Many others live a fulfilled, vibrant life and yet for all of these people, the offer of a comfortable space, with the opportunity to stop and just 'be' for twenty minutes once a month, can be so helpful - this is Quiet Space. For everyone, whatever your lifestyle, Quiet Space offers you something special.

There is a gift, hard to explain, but very tangible in the gathered silence of people coming together. We are not just separate, silent people; there is a special group experience which many have mentioned.

Quiet Space started almost two years ago and meets every second Wednesday of the month, in the Tom Hauley Room, optional 10am social start for coffee and biscuits, 10.30am for the twenty minute silence.

If your life is busy and you feel you could do with a break for some meditation or reflection, then please join us. If you think you would like to try, if only once, a time to see what it's like to meet with others sitting quietly, then please join us.

The time of silence is your own, there is no right or wrong way to use it.

Why not try it? We assure you there will be a very warm welcome.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, 11th September.

If you would like to know more please contact – Jill Winter 612585 07941 872383 or Gill Guilford 07856 764814.



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 September 2024 at 7.30pm. Our next subject for discussion is – 'Climate Change'.



HARBURY LOCAL MARKET

Steve Ekins

This month's Harbury Local Market is Saturday 28th September 10.00 – 12.30 in the Village Hall. The Community group being supported by the Market, will be the Hereburgh Morris Dancers. Councillors Corner will be there from 10.00 – 11.00am to answer any questions you may have. Join us for a Tea or Coffee and a Bacon Roll.

If you would like to contact us, you can email us harburylocalmarket@gmail.com and also on Facebook @Harbury Local Market, please join our group for regular updates.

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WEDNESDAY WALKERS

Gillian Hare

Our summer programme, led by various members of the group, has been well supported, mostly dry and not too hot. An unexpected treat, for the walk from Braunston, was the opportunity to see inside the ancient church of Wolfhamcote. And, twice, once between Leamington and Warwick, and again on the very fringe of Banbury, we have been surprised to find large areas of undeveloped land close to the towns we thought we knew. Lots of wild flowers, bees and butterflies round small and large pools, almost under the shadow of motorways, railways, rivers and canals. It is encouraging to see how nature can thrive in what might be discounted as "waste land". Hope for the future?

We have now planned our autumn season, as ever detailed in the diary. We would love to welcome anyone to give us a try - we share car spaces so do not think you need to drive. Just turn up in the village hall car park at 9.35am, any Wednesday.



HARBURY SWIFT VILLAGE - UPDATE

Amanda Randall

Contact Harbury Swifts: swifts.harbury@gmail.com

By the time you read this, Harbury's swifts will have probably reached sub-Saharan Africa, specifically in the tropical forests of Central Africa and the Congo. Here they will be enjoying the plentiful insects that come with the rainy season.

I have been asked why the nest boxes that were installed last year by the Parish Council have yet to be used. Swifts can be slow to take up residence in new boxes and the Harbury Swift Village Project has always been one for the long term. Breeding swifts are site faithful, and adults will return to the nest site that they used the previous year, coming back year after year. So it is the juvenile birds that will be looking for new nest sites and this takes time, partly because the young birds aren't mature enough to breed until they are four years old.

Swift call boxes are an effective tool to attract newly mature swifts to breed in the nest boxes. Swift call boxes play recorded swift calls, which mimic the sounds of a colony. The calls are played for a few hours each day, in the early morning and late evening when swifts are most active. By using a timer the calls can be scheduled to play at times thought best to attract swifts and, of equal importance, avoid disturbing the neighbours. The calls do not have to be played at a high volume for swifts to hear them.

The recorded calls can attract swifts flying nearby, as they are social birds and are drawn to places where they hear other swifts. When prospecting swifts hear these calls, they are more likely to investigate the area. This increases the chances of them discovering and using the nest boxes provided. Once swifts are attracted to the area and find the nest boxes, they may start using them for roosting and eventually breeding. Since swifts tend to return to the same nesting sites year after year, once they start using a nest box, they are likely to come back in subsequent years.

So setting up a swift call box could be a rewarding way to attract swifts to our Harbury nest boxes. In order to increase the chances of these endangered birds nesting in the wonderful Parish Council Swift nest boxes installed around the village, I am aiming to raise funds to purchase up to six Swift Call Sound systems. I hope to have raised sufficient funds to have these installed in key locations around the village before the birds return to breed next year.

The brand that I have been recommended by the Swift Local Network, (a group of knowledgeable swift enthusiasts and experts) is supplied by Peak Boxes and costs £47.50 per call box. Each unit is supplied with a waterproof speaker, 10 metres of cable, a USB stick with one pre-recorded swift call and a power cable. For six units, I will need to raise around £300 in total to cover delivery costs as well as the call systems themselves.

If you feel able to make a donation, however small, to contribute towards the purchase of a call box, please contact me via the email address above or by phone (01926 613871). Any ideas for fund raising will also be gratefully received. Thank you.



SOUTHAM & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

Rebecca Bourton

On **Saturday 12th October**, the Lions will be hosting the Ken Graham Senior Citizens Party at the Grange Hall, Coventry Road, Southam. Starting at 2.00pm, there will be music and a sing-a-long, afternoon tea and a raffle. Lifts can be arranged.

To reserve your place, call: Lion Peter on 01926 814436 / Lion Dave on 01926 810513 or email Lions_sc_party@hotmail.com



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Ann Lucas

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Monday 2nd September

Monday 4th November

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COMEDY NIGHT AND TAPAS

October 7th Ryan is back with a new group of comedians to tickle your funny bone! Enjoy Tapas at 6.30pm and pre-drinks followed by a live comedy show at 8pm

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 28th September, 10.30am-11.30am

Tea, Coffee and delicious sliced cake will be being sliced up for sale, all to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support!

HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR

From Saturday 26th until Thursday 31st October we will be running our annual Freespirit Spooktacular at some of our sites. Sending the kids on a spooktacular ghost hunt in the gardens to get goulish treats. Enter our monster drawing competition for spooky prizes. There will also be themed cocktails for children and adults alike!

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HAIDEE CELEBRATES 30 YEARS' SERVICE AT ALSTERS KELLEY SOLICITORS

Rossi Fiumefreddo

Haidee Vedy, Senior Solicitor at Alsters Kelley Solicitors Limited has plenty to smile about as she celebrates 30 years' service at the firm and 35 years as a qualified solicitor.

She qualified in 1989 as a lawyer whilst working for a specialist Litigation firm in London before joining the business in 1994.

Haidee became a partner after 18 months at the firm and remained a partner for 15 years. In 2010 she became a Senior Solicitor in order to concentrate and focus on her client work.

Throughout her career, Haidee has specialised in Personal Injury but started concentrating on Medical Negligence matters in 2012. She remains focused on handling complex, high value Personal Injury and Medical Negligence cases such as brain injuries, birth injuries and catastrophic injuries.

Haidee said "I have thoroughly enjoyed my career with Alsters Kelley and the variety of the work I deal with but most importantly I love the face to face contact with our clients and providing them with a very personal and high-level service. I also have many lovely friends across all five offices and it certainly doesn't feel as if I have been here for 30 years!"

Rachael Flanagan, Head of Medical Negligence & Personal Injury at Alsters Kelley who presented Haidee with gifts on behalf of the firm said, "Haidee is the ultimate professional and as such a very valued member of the business. We really appreciate her loyalty and commitment to Alsters Kelley, to her clients and to her colleagues and we were thrilled to be able to recognise this fantastic milestone in her career."

(Alsters Kelley has advertised in the magazine for a number of years, see page 53.)



Neil Raiseborough, Haidee Vedy &
Rachael Flanagan



READERS' LETTERS

Dear Editors

Stan, Chris and family thank everyone who came to the Thanksgiving Service on 31st July in memory of our eldest daughter Clare.

It was a great comfort to us to see so many from the village at the Service as well as from Lighthorne Heath, where she lived and was a Beaver Scout Leader for about 20 Years. It was also good to see members of the local Scout Group in attendance and all donations will be given to support the work of the Group in coming years.

Thank you also for the many lovely sympathy cards and messages of condolence we received.

The Finch Family

Dear Editors

Since moving to Harbury in early 2021, my wife Shirley, although affected by a long-standing condition, joined in several activities in the village which has been so welcoming. The love and affection shown by so many prior to her passing on 6th August 2024, and in the days that followed, has been greatly appreciated.

Bryan Reid

Dear Editors

I would like to thank all the constituents of Kenilworth and Southam for considering my candidacy for representing you at Westminster. However, I congratulate Jeremy who won that position and has a new role as a member of the opposition. Hopefully he was somewhat worried by the level of my support as a newbie.

As our leader Nigel Farage has said we will be establishing Reform UK offices across the country knowing that proportional representation would have made a huge difference to our number of MPs. On the whole our democracy was a winner.

Anyway, it was great to meet so many of you and have some outstanding discussions.

Thank you again.

Jacqui Harris



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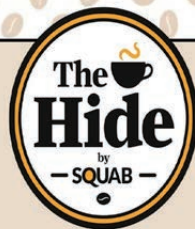
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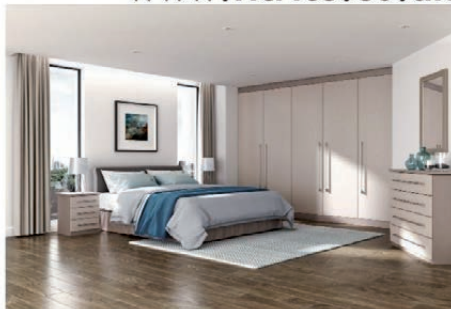
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