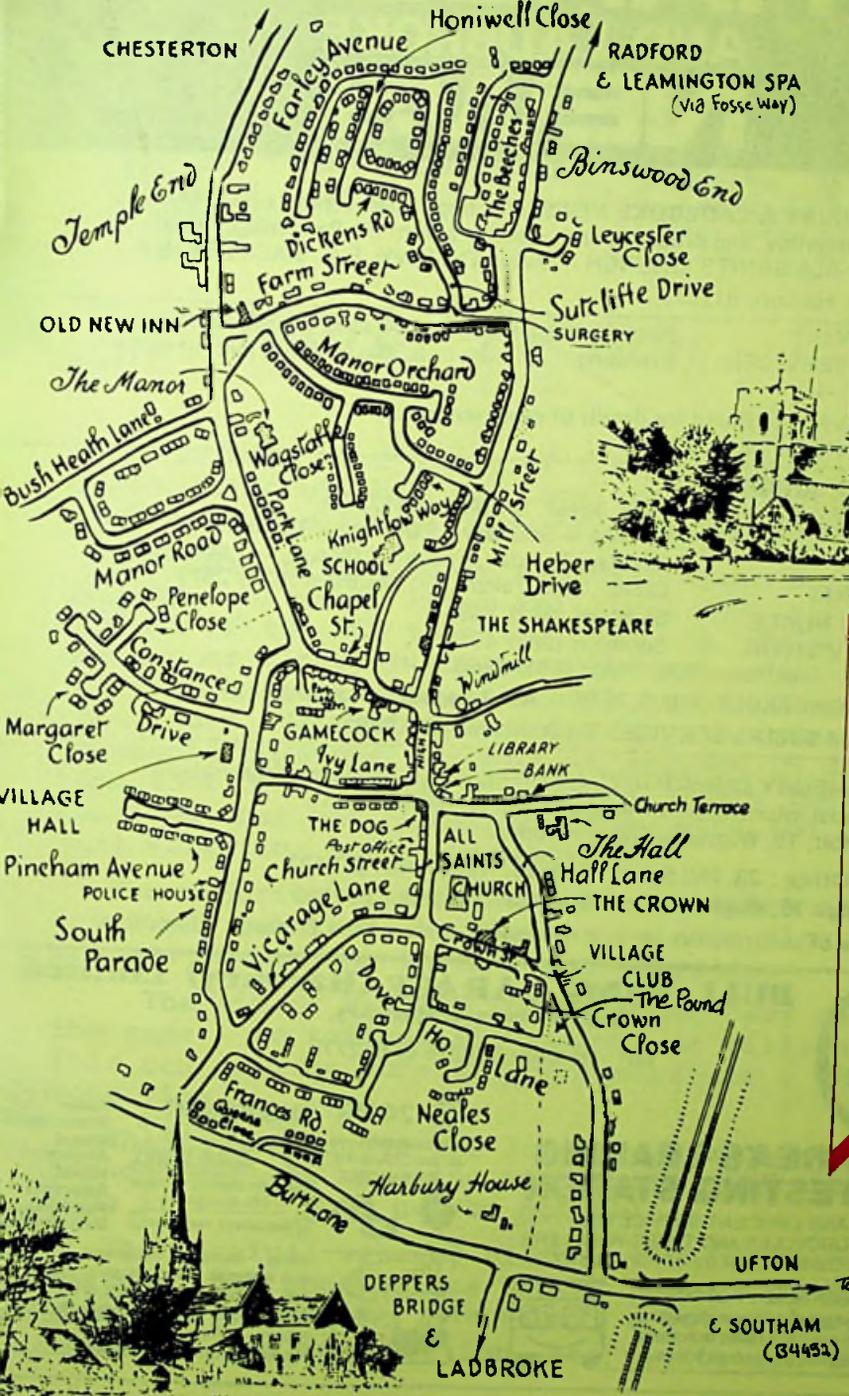


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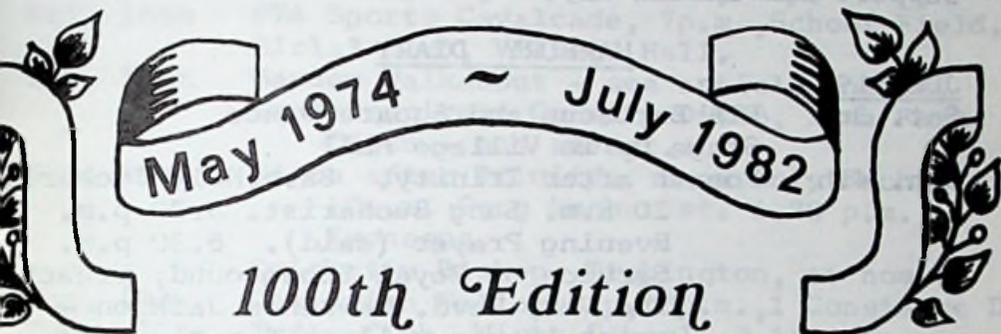
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# Harbury & Ladbroke News



It is with some sense of achievement (or at least of persistence) that the Committee and Editors mark this month the 100th issue of your magazine.

The idea of a village magazine stemmed from the 'Diary', edited by Peter Phillips, and from the concern of the PCC that the Church's parish magazine had a poor circulation and could not contain much specific Harbury news. As with many village endeavours, Valentine Du Buisson gathered a group of people together who were interested in making some sort of contribution, and - before they realised what had happened - they were the committee (and Valentine had disappeared!!)

The majority of the original committee are still involved, but there has been a welcome flow of new members during the intervening  $8\frac{1}{2}$  years.

The aim of Harbury and Ladbroke News remains the same - to reflect all aspects of village life. This can only be done if you contribute - whatever your view.

Thanks are due to the large team who produce and deliver the magazine each month, and without whom it would just not be possible.

The Carnival was not blessed with the best of weather, but nonetheless proved to be a most enjoyable afternoon. As usual, a lot of hard work went into the organisation, the floats and the

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stalls. We do thank all those whose efforts made the day possible, and all who braved the weather to support our annual day.

### HARBURY DIARY

JULY 1982

- Sat. 3rd PTA Barbecue and Square Dance  
Stage up in Village Hall
- Sun. 4th Fourth after Trinity. 8a.m. Holy Eucharist  
10 a.m. Sung Eucharist. 3.30 p.m.  
Evening Prayer (said). 6.30 p.m.  
Service on Royal Showground; preacher:  
The Very Revd. Lawrence Jackson -  
coach leaves village 5 p.m.  
Cricket v Leopard, at home.  
Stage rehearsal in Village Hall.
- Mon. 5th Christian Fellowship, 8p.m. 77 Mill Street  
Harbury & Ladbroke News Committee, 8.30,  
23 Mill Street.
- Tues. 6th Dress rehearsal, Village Hall.
- Wed. 7th 1st School Sports, School Field, 1.45p.m.  
M.U. AGM, 2.30 p.m., 25 South Parade.
- Thurs. 8th Golden Age, 2.30, V.Hall, with chiropodist  
"So Far.....No Further" by Harbury Theatre  
Group, 8 p.m., Village Hall.
- Fri. 9th "So Far.....No Further", as Thursday.
- Sat. 10th Liberals' Jumble Sale, Village Hall.  
Christian Fellowship, Corner Cottage, 8p.m.  
"So Far.....No Further", as Thursday.
- Sun. 11th Fifth after Trinity. 8a.m. Holy Eucharist.  
10a.m. Sung Eucharist. 3p.m. Congress  
Celebration in Coventry Cathedral.  
6.30 p.m., Evensong.  
No Cricket (World Cup Final!)
- Mon. 12th Horticultural Society trip to Luddington.
- Tues. 13th Harbury Friends, 8p.m., School.  
Recreation Ground Committee AGM, 8.15p.m.  
in Village Hall (see article)  
Senior Citizens' Benefit Committee, 8.30,  
Village Hall.
- Wed. 14th Middle School Sports, Recreation Ground,  
1.45 p.m.  
1st School Open Evening, 7 - 9 p.m.  
Southam School Open Evening.

- Thurs. 15th St. Swithin's Day.  
Whist Drive in aid of Jenny Scanlon appeal,  
7.45p.m., Village Hall, 50p.
- Fri. 16th PTA Sports Cavalcade, 7p.m., School Field.  
Girls' Club, Village Hall.
- Sat. 17th Garden Walkabout - see article inside.  
Conservatives' Country Disco, Town Farm,  
Ufton - see advert.
- Sun. 18th Sixth after Trinity. 8a.m. Holy Eucharist.  
10a.m. Sung Eucharist. 6.30 p.m.  
Evensong.  
Cricket v Bishops Itchington, at home.
- Mon. 19th Christian Fellowship, 8p.m., 1 Constance Dr.
- Tues. 20th Tufty Club, Wight School, 2.15 p.m.  
Parochial Church Council, 8p.m. Wight School
- Thurs. 22nd S. Mary Magdalen. 9.45a.m. Holy Eucharist.  
Golden Age, 2.30p.m., Village Hall.  
Girls' Club, Village Hall.
- Fri. 23rd School, Playgroup and Dancing Classes  
break up for summer.
- Sat. 24th Christian Fellowship, 8p.m. Corner Cottage.
- Sun. 25th S. James the Great (Apostle). 8a.m. Holy  
Eucharist. 10a.m. Procession & Sung  
Eucharist. 6.30p.m. Evensong and  
Procession.  
Cricket v Lighthorne, away.
- Tues. 27th Young Wives, 2p.m., Village Hall.  
Village Hall Cttee, 8p.m., Village Hall.
- Thurs. 29th Whist Drive in aid of Senior Citizens'  
Assoc., 7.45 p.m., Village Hall.

### AUGUST 1982

- Sun. 1st Eighth after Trinity. 8a.m. Holy  
Eucharist. 10 a.m. Sung Eucharist:  
6.30p.m. Evensong.  
Cricket v W.C.C.C.C., at home.
- Mon. 2nd Christian Fellowship, 8p.m. 1 Constance Dr.

### REGULAR DIARY DATES

- ROMAN CATHOLIC SERVICE, Harbury Parish Church, 9a.m.  
every Sunday.
- HARBURY ADVENTURERS, V. Hall, 11.30a.m. every Sunday.
- UPHOLSTERY CLASSES, Wight School, 2 - 4p.m. Every Mon.
- GUIDES, Scout Hut, 7.30p.m. every Monday.
- GYMNASTICS, Harbury School, 5.30 (5-8yrs), 6.45 (over 9),  
every Monday.

JOGGING, from Foodmart, 8p.m. every Monday.  
 BINGO, Village Hall, 8p.m. every Monday.  
 PLAYGROUP, Wight School, Tues. to Fri. mornings.  
 TODDLER GROUP, Wight School, 9.30-11.30a.m. Mondays,  
 1.30 - 3p.m. Wednesdays.  
 NURSERY SCHOOL, Village Hall, Tues to Fri. mornings.  
 BROWNIES, Village Hall, every Tuesday evening.  
 BADMINTON, Village Hall, every Tuesday evening.  
 DANCING CLASSES, Wight School, 4-5.30p.m. Tuesdays,  
 4-9p.m. Wednesdays, 4-5p.m. Thursdays (beginners)  
 SCOUTS, Scout Hut, 7.45pm Tues (1st troop) Wed (2nd troop)  
 YOUTH CLUB COFFEE BAR, V. Hall, 7.30-10p.m. Tuesdays.  
 YOUTH CLUB, V. Hall, 8-10 p.m. Wednesdays.  
 BABY CLINIC, V. Hall, 2pm, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays.  
 GOLDEN AGE, V. Hall, 2.30p.m., 2nd & 4th Thursdays.  
 VENTURE SCOUTS, Scout Hut, 8p.m. every Thursday.  
 POP-IN, Village Hall, 1.20-3.30p.m. every Friday.  
 CHOIR PRACTICE, Church, 6.30p.m. every Friday.

ALL DATES CORRECT AT TIME OF GOING TO PRESS.

Dates for inclusion PLEASE to Linda Ridgley, 612792.

For Village Hall bookings, ring Mr. Picken, 612778.

For Wight School bookings, ring Mrs. Windsor, 612504.

### THE VICAR'S LETTER

My dear friends,

1982 - what an eventful year! The Falkland Islands, the Pope, the royal baby, the Episcopal Visitation AND the One Hundredth Issue of the Harbury and Ladbroke News! And we are only half way through the year!

As we look back at each of these events, we must also look forward! As we give thanks for the heroism of our servicemen, and for the cessation of hostilities, we must also resolve to work and pray for a just and lasting peace in the South Atlantic, and in all other parts of the world. As we rejoice in the inspiration and encouragement brought to us by the Pope's visit to this country, we must go forward in that renewed faith and hope and love. As we celebrate the birth of a son to the Prince and Princess of Wales, we must pray for the royal babe and for all who share in the responsibility of his upbringing, and we must strive to be people worthy of our Royal family. With regard to the Episcopal

Visitation, we look forward to the Congress service (for all Congress delegates) in Coventry Cathedral on 11th July, to special prayers etc. in our parish worship on that day, to the display in the Cathedral of all the parish 'Visual Aids' (including our own) from 4th to 24th July, and to the continuing work and effects of the Congresses in the coming months and years. And what of the Harbury and Ladbroke News? Well, let us not 'rest on our laurels', but try to make it even better.

We have been saddened by the news of the serious illness of our Rural Dean, the Revd. Thomas Knight, O.B.E., Rector of Southam, which has necessitated his seeking early retirement. Before ordination he had a very distinguished career in the RAF, rising to the rank of Group Captain. He then trained for the Ministry of the Church, and became a faithful parish priest, and for the last five years or so has been our Rural Dean. We thank him for his help, kindness and efficiency as Rural Dean, and we pray that he may have a happy and useful retirement.

May I draw your attention to two Saturday events - on 17th July the Open Gardens Day, and on 24th July the Church's 'Spring Clean'.

We mourn the loss of Mr. Leslie Montgomery and Mr. William James Jones. May God comfort and guide those who are bereaved, and grant rest to the departed.

With every blessing,  
Your sincere friend and Vicar,  
F. R. Mackley.

#### Holy Baptism

June 13th. Laura Heather Lawther, 5 Manor Orchard.

#### Holy Matrimony

June 5th. Jeremy Peter Halfpenny to Janette Michelle Such.

#### Funeral Services

June 7th, Leslie Montgomery, aged 68 years, of 36 Frances Road.

June 25th, William James Jones, aged 70 years, of 87 Welsh Road West, Southam.

### From the Churchwardens

The display which has been in the Church and in the Library since Easter will be part of a diocesan exhibition in Coventry Cathedral from 4th to 24th July. We do hope that everyone from the village who happens to be in Coventry between those dates will make a point of dropping in and seeing the exhibition - it may even be that some will make a special journey. While the display was in the Library, we had attached to it a suggestions book, and we do thank the one person who did take the trouble to make a suggestion, and we will seriously consider this at the next PCC.

One of us, on holiday recently, visited the Italian town of Ravenna, famous for its mosaics. Carefully following the instructions of the guide book, one particular church was found - described in the book as being one of the finest collections of mosaics. On entering the church the first impression was that it was the wrong place; it was large, empty and apparently bare and unadorned. What a let-down - momentarily. Then we looked up. The whole roof and upper part of the wall were covered in the most beautiful mosaic pictures; the colours bright and every detail complete. What a reminder that we need to look UP.

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## LADBROKE NEWS

### SERVICES ETC. FOR JULY AND EARLY AUGUST:

Sunday 4th, Trinity IV. 8.30a.m. Holy Communion.  
11 a.m. Matins.

Tuesday 6th, SDP Jumble Sale.

Thurs. 8th, W.I. Paint-In at Village Hall.

Sun. 11th, Trinity V. 11a.m. Holy Communion with  
Hymns & Sermon. NO EVENSONG.

- Sun. 11th, 3p.m. Service in Coventry Cathedral for  
for delegates to Deanery Congresses:  
Mon. 12th, 7.30 p.m., PCC in the Church  
Wednesday 14th, 3 p.m. Women's Fellowship - Prayers  
in Church followed by tea at Church Cottage by  
kind invitation of Miss Hensman.  
Parish Council Meeting.  
Sunday 18th, Trinity VI: 8.30a.m. Holy Communion:  
11a.m. Matins.  
Thurs. 22nd, St. Mary Magdalene.  
W.I. meeting.  
Sun. 25th, S. James A.M. (Trinity VII), 11 a.m. Holy  
Communion with Hymns & Sermon. 6.30, Evensong.

### August

- Sunday 1st, Trinity VIII, 8.30a.m. Holy Communion:  
11a.m. Matins.  
Fri. 6th, Transfiguration of our Lord.  
Sun. 8th, Trinity IX, 11a.m. Holy Communion with  
Hymns & Sermon. NO EVENSONG.  
Fri. 13th, 'Elvis Night' at Village Hall.

ALTAR FLOWERS July 4, Mrs. Parker. July 11, Mrs.  
Winkfield. July 18, Mrs. White. July 25, Mrs.  
Hayward. August 1, Mrs. Hedge. August 8, Mrs.  
Webster.

### EXTRACTS FROM REGISTERS:

Holy Baptism - 6th June, 1982 - David Clive Hart.  
Christian Burial - 5th June, 1982 - Arthur William  
Dodsworth (after cremation): R.I.P.

### GARY LAWSON

As it proved that the only possible date before his  
ordination for Gary to join us was the last Sunday in  
May, he then came and played for us and we gave him  
the white stole he will wear for the first time at  
his ordination on 4th July. I hope we shall all keep  
him in our prayers and especially on that day. GRF.

### WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Our last meeting was a very satisfactory one, but we  
were sorry the 'Rector' was unable to be with us. It  
was lovely weather, and the meeting being at my home

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the members were able to look around our garden and see the progress made by the rose trees given to my husband and me by them on the occasion of our Golden Wedding in April last year. For our next meeting on 14th July we propose to gather in Church at 3 p.m. for prayers, and afterwards have tea at Church Cottage by the kind invitation of Miss Hensman and Mary. C.H.

#### ARTHUR WILLIAM DODSWORTH

Many will remember Mr. Dodsworth, the father of Mrs. Hyam who used to live at the Croft. He died at his daughter's home in Altrincham at the ripe old age of 94. His remains (after cremation) were, by his wish, interred in his grand-daughter's grave here after a service conducted by Fr. P. Lawrence. Mr. Dodsworth was a keen member of the Southam branch of the Royal British Legion, and Mr. J. Gaskin and Mr. G. Hall came to pay their tribute of respect.

#### LADBROKE PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

The Parish Council have been given the rights of ownership of the land known as Penfold Green, and the Southam Lions have already installed a seat on the land.

At the Parish Meeting some concern seemed to be felt at the questions which would be asked in the village Appraisal Scheme, therefore the Chairman of the Parish Council is going to consult various people in the village and draw up a provisional list of questions.

The Parish Councillors had received comments from people in the village that they disagreed with money for the upkeep of the Churchyard coming out of the rates precept. The majority of the Council felt that, while they should discuss this item for next year's expenditure, in the meantime the Church could organise a fund-raising event.

Next meeting, 14th July.

MYTON HOSPICE - the excellent sum of £64.50 was raised by a door to door collection in Ladbroke and Hodnell.

### LADBROKE VILLAGE HALL

The Birthday Dance in the Hall was a financial success, but the committee has now decided that 'live music' is not really a viable proposition in such a small village. The next event is an 'Elvis Night' on 13th August - dancing to the music of the fifties and sixties. Refreshments are included in the price of the tickets - £1.50 - which are available from Mary Fell only, or telephone 3341.

### JUMBLE SALE

On Tuesday 6th July from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in aid of the SDP, at the Welfare Hut, Craven Lane, Southam. Cake Stall, Garden Produce etc. Donations, jumble etc. to Mary Fell.

### LADBROKE W.I.

Despite the recent wet weather, the June meeting was an extremely successful Garden Party and a large number braved the threatening clouds to enjoy a sunny evening. There were several exceptionally well stocked stalls, and we would like to thank all those who very kindly donated goods and gave assistance.

Strawberries and ice cream were served, and the whole evening was a financial success, although the final figure is not yet available. We would like to give particular thanks to Irene and Richard Bennett for allowing us to use their delightful garden for the occasion.

The visit to Cash's of Coventry was very interesting. Members saw the process from painstaking artistic preparation, through weaving, to the assembly of the final product.

It was a beautiful sunny day for our trip to Worcestershire to visit Stuart Crystal, where we saw the entire time-consuming and intricate process of producing beautiful crystal tableware.

Our efforts to give the Village Hall a spring clean are well under way, and the next two sessions will be 'paint-ins' on 1st and 8th July at 7.30 - please bring a paint brush this time!

Lastly, a reminder that the July meeting is on the 22nd, which is the 4th Thursday in the month. Marie

Teal will be giving a skin care and makeup demonstration which is open to all, so bring along friends and relatives. The competition will be for the most interesting antique tool or household utensil.

P.LAIDLER, Old Well House, Bridge Lane.

AND FINALLY.....

I would like to welcome Malcolm and Christine Taylor to Post Office Cottage, Ladbroke.

K.L.

HARBURY CARNIVAL, 12th June

On behalf of the Committee, I would like to thank everybody who supported this year's event, whether participating or attending. Despite the showers, attendance was up to the usual number, and enabled a total profit of £730 to be made. The Village Hall and Playing Fields Committee will put this money towards much needed improvements for the benefit of the village. BRUCE HANNAY.

RESULTS: In the Clay Pigeon Shoot, Mr. Michael White won the Harbury Carnival Cup, and the Open Shoot Trophy went to Mr. Norton of Bishops Itchington, with Mr. Buckle second. The Crown and the Old New Inn were 1st and 2nd in the Tug O War:

Decorated float winners were the PTA, followed by the Frances Road entry, the W.I. and the Rugby Club. In the Trade Section the Shakespeare, the Fosse Garage and the Bull Ring Garage took the prizes:

The Brownies were the best Children's Float, with the Girls' Club and the Playgroup 2nd and 3rd, and the Ridgley's 'Popemobile' came first in the Decorated Pram class, with Teddy Bears' Picnic 2nd. Lucinda McLoughlin's pony Lucky won that section.

The Dog Show was divided into Pedigree and Non-Pedigree classes, and in the former Anthony Remero's Raffty was judged first, with Bruce, shown by Lorraine Andrews in second place. Sally, shown by Mr. Green, and Teddy, shown by Liam Morgan, were 1 and 2 in the non-pedigree section.

Fancy Dress u:5 - 1st Nikki Evans(Witch); 2nd Sally & Gareth Faulkner(World Cup); 3rd Hilary Turner (Pink Elephant); 5-7 - 1st Vicky Hayes(Pea Pod); 2nd Sally & Samantha Ellis (Bunny Girls); 3rd Julie Whatcott(Flower Girl); 8-10 - 1st Mark & Jeremy Hayes(Egyptian & Mummy); 2nd Ross Bastin(Caveman); 3rd Lucinda McLaughlin(Circus Girl); 11-17 - 1st David Megeney (Robot Money Eater); 2nd Hayley Green and Louisa Newbold (Flappers); 3rd Tony Bastin(Devil); 18+ - 1st Mary Revitt & Carol Hanson (Bill & Ben); 2nd Doug Megeney (Toyah); 3rd Pope & Nun (John and Linda Ridgley);

HARBURY CARNIVAL SPORTS

Under 5s Flat Race  
1st Joseph Harvey; 2nd Jeanette Andrews; 3rd, James Stringer.

5 - 6 years Flat Race  
1st Thomas Wilkins; 2nd, Shane Exton; 3rd, Russell Cocker.

9 - 10 years Flat Race  
1st Charles Mayer; 2nd Vincent Crossan; 3rd, Duncan Williams.

12 years 100 metres  
1st Lindsay Aldhouse; 2nd Rebecca Burnham; 3rd James Mayer.

Men's 100 metres  
1st Ian Stuart; 2nd David Broom; 3rd Trevor Montague.

7-8 years Three Legged Race  
1st Mark Hayes/Lloyd Byles; 2nd Analle Hoare/Claire Hillless; 3rd Ross Bastin/Christopher Smith.

11-12 years Three Legged Race  
1st Sarah Burnham/Jane Hancock; 2nd Tracey Culliver/Lyn Jackson; 3rd Tracey Powell/Lara Marsh.

10 years & under Slow Bicycle  
1st, Charles Mayer; 2nd David Smith; 3rd Wendy Ottewill.

13 plus Slow Bicycle  
1st Stephen Luke; 2nd David Wright; 3rd Ray Hoare.

7-8 years Obstacle  
1st Mark Hayes; 2nd Lloyd Byles; 3rd Gary Overton.

11-12 years Obstacle (boys)  
1st Shaun Butler; 2nd James Mayer; 3rd Martin Dufresne.

13 - 15 years 200 metres  
1st Darren Ellis; 2nd Alan Overton; 3rd Penelope Ottewill.

7 - 8 years Sack Race  
1st Gary Overton; 2nd Analle Hoare; 3rd Mark Hayes

11 - 12 years Sack Race  
1st Rebecca Burnham; 2nd Tony Bastin; 3rd Sarah Burnham

400 metres under 16 years  
1st Darren Ellis; 2nd Adrian Thomas; 3rd Stephen Luke.

7 years Flat Race  
1st Kathryn McDonald; 2nd Julia Brown; 3rd Hannah Burnham.

8 years Flat Race  
1st Gary Overton; 2nd Claire Hillless; 3rd Analle Hoare.

11 years 100 metres  
1st Sean Butler; 2nd Sarah Burnham; 3rd Mark Burford.

13 - 15 years 100 metres  
1st Darren Ellis; 2nd Alan Overton; 3rd Laura Rolfe

Ladies' 100 metres  
1st Laura Rolfe; 2nd Narylyn Atkins; 3rd Penelope Ottewill.

13+ Three Legged Race  
1st Sharon Andrews/Samantha Wilkinson; 2nd Laura Rolfe/Penelope Ottewill; 3rd Stephen Luke/David Wright.

9 - 10 years Three Legged Race  
1st Wendy Ottewill/Ceri Edwards; 2nd David Smith/Duncan Williams; 3rd, Adrian Taylor/Steven Thompson.

11-12 years Slow Bicycle  
1st James Mayer; 2nd Paula Kelly; 3rd Tracey Taylor.

5 - 6 years Obstacle  
1st Russell Crocker; 2nd Kim Harvey; 3rd Vicki Hayes.

9-10 years Obstacle  
1st Vincent Crossan; 2nd Duncan Williams; 3rd Wendy Ottewill.

11-12 years Obstacle (girls)  
1st Rebecca Burnham; 2nd Sarah Burnham; 3rd Jane Hancock.

5 - 6 years Sack Race  
1st Lucy Thompson; 2nd William Stringer; 3rd Katy Brown.

9 - 10 years Sack Race  
1st Steven Thompson; 2nd David Smith; 3rd Ceri Edwards.

1982 CARNIVAL CROSS COUNTRY

1	John Hancock	16m55	2	Trevor Montague	18m13
3	Dave Andrews	20m44	4	David Wright	21m12
5	Bob Wilkins	22m21	6	James Mayer	22m50
7	Jane Hancock	23m15	8	Wendy-Kate Ottewill	23m30
9	Sarah Burnham	24m06	10	Alan Overton	24m32
11	Darren Boiles	25m08	12	Ian Stuart	25m14
13	Darren Ellis	25m51	14	Ian MacDonald	27m28
15	Adrian Thomas	26m30	16	Tracey Taylor	28m31
17	Tony Bastin	28m00	18	Vincent Crossan	30m00
19	Charles Mayer	29m35	21	Anthony Savage	30m05
	David Smith		22	Daniel Dralsey	31m31
23	Steven Thompson	30m20	25	Steven Reid	31m34
	Adrian Taylor		26	Penny Ottewill	32m50
27	Christopher Smith	32m16	28	Sean Butler	33m50
29	Lloyd Byles	33m14	30	Michael Winter	34m51
31	Roy Coupe	34m10	32	Ross Bastin	35m22
33	Lorraine Andrews	35m11	34	Thomas Wilkins	36m44
35	Trevor Lines	35m58	36	Edward Wilkins	
37	Katie MacDonald	39m36	38	Samantha Wilkinson	47m20
	Peter MacDonald			Sharon Andrews	





CARNIVAL CAPERS, 1932.....

Top left: Carnival Queen Sarah Wright, with her attendants, Cheryl Jervis and Helen Stubbs!

Centre: Mrs. Barbara Farley, Mr. Sam Glassey and Mrs. Pat Bidwell, judging the Fancy Dress, with the weatherman's umbrella close at hand!

Bottom left: an outburst of cubism from the Girls' Club.

Above: Hula Girls on the Brownie float.

Below: On the right lines; young passengers on the popular steam train.



THE HARBURY AND LADBROKE NEWS

The following are messages we have been delighted to receive on the occasion of our 100th edition:

ONE HUNDRED ISSUES

Congratulations to the Harbury & Ladbrooke News on this particular centenary. It is a significant milestone.

The appearance of this 100th issue inevitably makes us pause and look back on the previous 99 issues, and we are made conscious of a well established tradition. I feel certain there are many people who deserve our thanks for all their hard work, their imaginative planning and their dedicated service, especially those who have been engaged in the venture from its inception. As usual it is, I am sure, the enthusiasm and dedication of a few people which accounts for the success of your magazine. There is no doubt about its success and indeed it has already taken its place in the honours accorded by the Magazine Competition in the Diocese. So, with this 100th run, I congratulate you on a distinguished century.

But there is another sense in my title which points to something important about parish magazines. The Harbury & Ladbrooke News is among the liveliest of the many magazines I regularly receive, and I know it deals with all kinds of issues, parochial and beyond. It is a mine of information, a forum for discussion, a means of sharing ideas, and is in the best sense of the word a community affair. Its most important function is to build up your local community and to cement people in fellowship. It is about the quality of your life together. In that I believe the Church has a crucial part to play, though not apart from the local community but as part of it, and this is conspicuously true of your publication.

May your magazine continue to flourish and grow from strength to strength as it seeks to fulfill that important service. I send my very best wishes, and pray for God's blessing on you all.

+ JOHN COVENTRY  
The Bishop's House, Coventry.

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### WHICHAM OLD RECTORY

continues to offer an especially warm welcome to Harbury folk.



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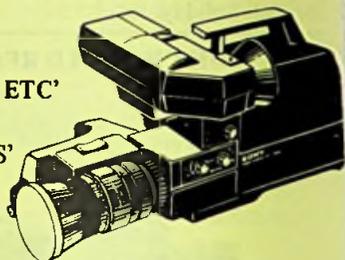
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Dear Editors,

Well done. You and all who have been working on Harbury & Ladbroke News during its first century can certainly be proud of such a consistently lively and interesting magazine. No sign of apathy here! I will resist the temptation to write a long and rambling account of that first meeting - even if I could remember what happened! But I do remember that we were building on something which others had already started, and the hard work lies, of course, in keeping it going.

We look back with great pleasure on our time in Harbury - and the News keeps us well in touch; it's good to see it flourishing! And may I send a special message to the Playing Fields Committee - keep going too - there were many times when we questioned our sanity!

With best wishes for the next 100,

VALENTINE DU BUISSON,  
Woodbury, Exeter, Devon.

Dear Editors,

Congratulations to all concerned in reaching the 100th edition of the Harbury and Ladbroke News. We are sure the magazine is doing a splendid and worthwhile job in fostering a feeling of 'community' within your two villages.

The area our publication covers is much larger - the whole Diocese of Coventry, comprising some 220 parishes. And yet one of our aims would compare with yours - to bring together the people we serve, and enable them to share thoughts and experiences with each other. So perhaps we may be allowed to take this opportunity of suggesting to your readers that they pick up a copy of the Diocesan Diary next time they're in Church. Our scope is wide, and we're sure you'll find something to interest you.

May God bless your endeavours, as you begin your second 100!

THE EDITOR,  
Coventry Diocesan Diary.

HARBURY & LADBROKE NEWS - CENTENARY ISSUE

You know, I've racked my brains trying to remember exactly how the Harbury Diary (forerunner of your magazine) started. It may have been from a discussion at a P.C.C.....

No matter; I do remember that Michael Barnes and I were in at the very beginning. He got the fancy two-colour front page printed, while I collected the information and arranged the typing and final printing. Perhaps I should have said 'duplicating' because that is all it was.

Mind you, in those days, we never dreamt it would reach the excellence it has achieved in recent years and as for winning a prize! Well done, the editorial team:

It was ever a hard taskmaster, though, with deadlines to meet every month, and those deadlines arriving just as everything else had to be done. Not much change in that direction, I suspect. Do you still have to phone all the organisers and/or secretaries of the various associations to get their dates in on time? Perhaps not; after all, nowadays it really is 'professionally' produced, so people probably send in their material, being only too anxious to get the publicity they need.

The greatest change, of course, is that it is now a magazine, charged for in its own right, and not just a give-away with a more general parish mag. It makes me feel very proud to have been associated with such a worthwhile venture. What was that about great oaks and little acorns?

PETER PHILLIPS.

LOOKING BACK AT OUR EARLY ISSUES.....

some items give food for thought:

"What a wonderful asset the Recreation Grounds at Harbury.....will continue to be. We must not let their maintenance and development fall behind."

"By 1980 - not so far ahead as it may seem - there could well be 100 more youngsters in the village aged 13 - 17 than there are now (1974). We as a community must do our part in trying to prepare to meet the needs of those youngsters."

Some pieces seem so long ago:

"After much careful thought the parents agreed at the last (PTA) AGM to provide a learner swimming pool....."

"At the Village library.....there will be a 3p charge for reservations, to cover postage."

But other things don't change:

"We (the Parish Council) have received numerous complaints about dogs fouling the pavement....."

"We are fortunate to belong to a village which has a strong community spirit and in which a host of activities provide interest and enjoyment to many. It is our hope that Harbury News will help more people to learn about and take part in village life."

"The world that matters most is the world of eternity, where God lives, and Jesus in the Holy Sacrament, and Mary and the Angels and the Saints. That is the world that really matters, the world which stands calm and secure."

### PROFILE

Two of the News' editors, Diana Holt and John Moore, have been involved with the magazine since the beginning, so this seemed an appropriate time to include the following items:

### DIANA HOLT

Diana has been associated with Harbury & Ladbroke News since the idea of the magazine was first



discussed more than 8 years ago. She has been an editor and the committee secretary since the first issue, and she shares with Anne Moore the mammoth job of typing the copy for the printers.

Diana was brought up in Leicester, and educated at the Wyggeston Girls' School. After two years at Secretarial College she worked first for an advertising agency and then in Local Government. After marrying her husband, Peter, she moved to the West Midlands, where her children Andrew (now 15) and Caroline (13) were born. In 1969 the family came to live in the then newly built Wagstaffe Close.

Diana soon became involved in village life, joining Harbury Friends and the Young Wives. She founded the Tufty Club (which does an excellent job in teaching road safety to young children) and was the village Lollipop Lady for a year. The Holt family are all very active in Harbury Church, and in 1974 Diana became secretary to the Parochial Church Council (a job she still does), and this led to her involvement in Harbury News.

In 1977 she was suddenly struck down by a serious illness. She was in hospital for many weeks, and underwent emergency surgery on three successive Sundays! Many of us remember her wonderful courage and cheerfulness throughout a long and painful illness. Happily, she made a complete recovery, aided she says by the support of family and friends, and by her Christian faith, which she says was greatly strengthened by the experience.

Shortly before Diana became ill, her husband Peter had been recruited by the Theatre Group, who needed a very tall actor to play one of the Wise Men in a Nativity Play. After her recovery, they both became involved in the group, and have contributed to many productions. Diana has given several memorable performances, ranging from the hilarious,

as a lady prone to lying on her ironing board in Tom Stoppard's "After Magritte", to the poignant, as Mrs. de Winter in "Rebecca".

Not content with treading the boards, in 1979 she sat down and wrote a pantomime - "Sleeping Beauty" - which Theatre Group played to packed houses in January 1980. She followed this success by writing and producing this year's pantomime, "Cinderella".

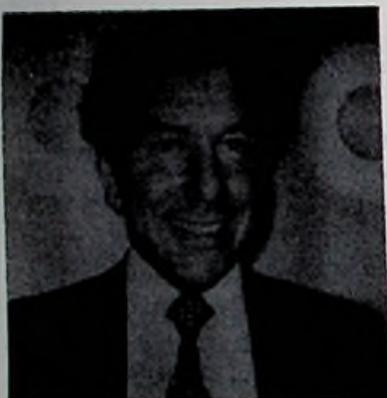
'Job sharing' is much talked about these days, but Diana has been doing it since 1975 when she and Anne Moore began working alternate weeks as secretary at Action Research for the Crippled Child in Warwick. They have successfully combined working and looking after their children, but the scheme obviously depends on tremendous co-operation between them.

The success of the Harbury News, twice winner of the Diocesan Parish Magazine competition, has led to Diana being asked to join the editorial committee of the Diocesan Diary, a publication we may well hear more about in the future as a result.

Diana is a highly efficient secretary, but efficiency is a cold word - and Diana is the opposite; a warm, light-hearted and very witty person to work with. Her colleagues on the magazine have teased her for years about the enormous battered file she always brings to meetings. They were all delighted to see it replaced with a new one recently, and hope it lasts Diana through at least another 100 issues of the Harbury and Ladbroke News. M.S.H.

#### JOHN MOORE

Harbury and Ladbroke News has a circulation of over 900, and it is probably seen by the vast majority of Harbury and Ladbroke people. This circulation, after 100 issues, argues that the magazine fulfils a very necessary rôle in the community. John Moore has made a major contribution to this success story. He has been an editor of the 'News' since its inception, and his thoughtful and caring attitudes have been a crucial part of editorial policies. At Editorial Committee, John is the one with the wry comment and the calculator - constantly trying to



squeeze 40 pages of copy into 32 pages of magazine. His judgements have been vital in keeping the News broadly based, independent and not too controversial - all of these are important qualities in a community magazine.

John is a committed member of All Saints Church, and he sees the magazine as a major service to the village that developed from the initiative of the Parochial Church Council. Certainly, John himself gives up a considerable amount of his own time - and the time of Anne, his wife - to his activities with Harbury News.

Professionally John is a successful engineer, working in one of the few areas of the car industry not propped up by government aid, and which demands a high level of expertise and competence: John is General Manager of A.P.Racing. He is concerned with racing car components from the development stage to the Grand Prix performance. He brings the same enthusiasm to the Harbury News as he does to his professional work. I.T.J.

#### SCOUT CAMP, '82

As usual, this year's scout camp was a success. The weather was good, and I think everyone came back with a suntan to show for it!

We established camp on Saturday when we arrived, and began the week's activities with a Scouts' Own Service and flag break on Sunday.

Mick Chick divided us into three groups; each group spent a day hiking, a day canoeing and a day in Stratford. The remainder of the week was spent on other scout projects, and trying to keep out of the sun.

Night time was taken up with some strange events for some people, such as the flag pole moving to the top of the hill - on its own?

We would like to thank Mick, Alan Webb, Mike Pallot, Joe Van Hoorebeck, Mr. Ingram and Mr. Bastin.

STEPHEN LUKE & CHRIS MILLINGTON.

HARBURY & DISTRICT N.S.P.C.C. YOUNG LEAGUE

DO THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS SOMETIMES SEEM TO DRAG?: Well if so, we have the solution! We have devised a MARATHON QUIZ, with 100 questions, and prizes to be won. Some are easy, some will take you a long time to look up or work out, but certainly they will fill some hours and make you think!

There are 4 age groups, each with its own set of 100 questions; 7 and under, 8 - 10, 11 - 13, and 14+. In each group there will be a prize for the winner and runner up, and the results will be printed in October's Harbury News. It costs you just 10p to enter, and is open to everyone, whether members of the Young League or not, and that money will go to the NSPCC, so your entry will both benefit other children and give you some fun, plus the possibility of a prize!

You can collect your Quiz Form from MRS. VICKY MACGOWAN, 17 Manor Orchard, or from MRS. ANN ALLAN, 5 Sutcliffe Drive, any time after Friday, 23rd July; you may enter as many times as you wish, and you may attempt the questions set for a higher age group than yours if you wish, as long as you pay 10p for each form. The Quiz closes on MONDAY 6th SEPTEMBER and all entries MUST BE IN BY THAT DATE, or will have to be sadly disqualified. PLEASE RETURN YOUR QUIZZES to MRS. MACGOWAN - pop them through the letterbox of 17 Manor Orchard as soon as you have completed them!

All the details are on the Quiz Forms when you collect them, and we do hope you will enter, and tell all your friends about it, as the more entries we receive, the more funds we raise; you will have weeks and weeks to think about the answers, and need not be put off by going away on holiday since the dates run from 23 July to 6 September! Hope to see you, and we're sure you will enjoy the Quiz.

VICTORIA MACGOWAN.

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The members of the Young League in Harbury saved £339:27½ in their boxes this year. This total was greatly boosted by Lorraine Andrews who raised £54:95 (and during the years that Lorraine has been a member she has raised the grand total of



£129.17½). Philip and Christopher Riman, pictured here with Lorraine, held a jumble sale, and raised £21.01 and £20.71 respectively.

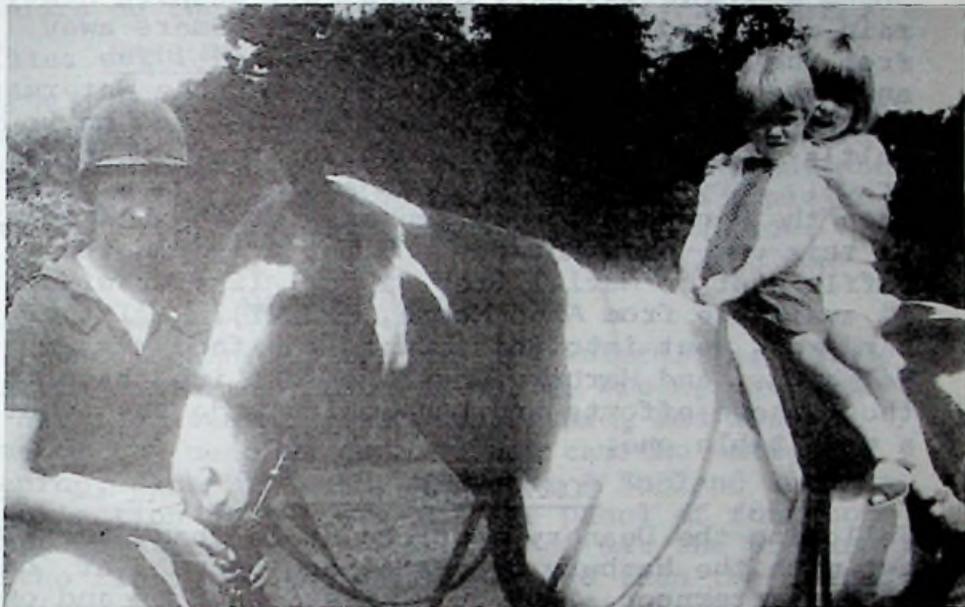
To thank all the members of the Young Leage, we held a party in the Wight School for the little ones and a Disco in the Village Hall for the older members. Harbury Young Leaguers are to be congratulated for their efforts, and judging from the smiles on these three faces they make themselves happy as well as bringing happiness to others. A.ALLAN.

(Editors' note: that total of over £339 is truly magnificent, from this group of local children, and they certainly deserve YOUR support for their Quiz, so do collect an entry form soon.)

#### HARBURY HORSE AND PONY SHOW

The 6th Annual Show took place on the 20th June, in the most glorious weather. I would like to thank everyone who very kindly sponsored classes and donated to show funds. Without this sponsorship we would not be able to continue to stage the show. Special thanks must also go to everyone who worked so hard to make the show successful. Last year we suffered a loss of £10, but this year there is a profit of £146. Of this £100 is to be donated to the

Harbury Senior Citizens' Benefit Association,  
£20 to the Playing Fields, and £20 to the National  
Equine Research Station.



Mike Bloxham's picture shows Suzanne and Marie Hanson on one of the competing ponies.

HARBURY HORSE AND PONY SHOW RESULTS

Class 1 - Novice Horses - Jumping

1st, Caroline Green on Flocknoe. 2nd, Judith Tildsley on Harvey. 3rd, Denise White on Shane.

Class 2 - Open Jumping

1st, Peter Smith on Taffy's Landmark. 2nd, John Williams on Middleton Ash. 3rd, David Bartlett on Mischief Maker.

Class 3 - Horses Topscore

1st, John Williams on Middleton Ash. 2nd Peter Smith on Taffy's Landmark. 3rd D. Hales on Trevena.

Class 4 - 12.2.h.h. Jumping

1st, Kirstie Baker on Little Liam. 2nd, Lindsey Dodgson on Tiger in the Tank. 3rd, Kim Smith on Sweet Candy.

Class 5 - 13.2.h.h. Jumping

1st, Sarah Dick on Captain Brown. 2nd C. Bennett on Rusty. 3rd, Lindsey Dodgson on Tiger in the Tank.

Class 6 - 14.2.h.h. Jumping

1st, Helen Scorer on O.K. 2nd Sarah Dick on Captain Brown. 3rd Sarah Dick on Black William.

Class 7 - Ponies Topscore

1st, Rachel Fish on Flicka. 2nd, C. Barnett on Clint. 3rd Karen Cadwallader on My San Francisco.

Class 8 - Best Turn Out - Under 8 years

1st, E. Clayton on Wishing Star. 2nd, Mary Hadley on Chester. 3rd, Philippa Brook on Danny.

Class 9 - Best Turn Out - Open

1st, Rachel Smith on Society Belle. 2nd, S. Townsend on Phylly. 3rd, Allison Wakeham on Helios Heidi.

Class 10 - Best Turn Out Championship

1st, Rachel Smith. 2nd, E. Clayton. 3rd, Mary Hadley. (4th, S. Townsend.)

Class 11 - Equitation and Turn Out

1st, Mary Hadley on Chester. 2nd, C. Townsend on Phylly. 3rd, Philippa Brook on Danny.

Gymkhana Points Awards

Under 8 years - R. Forsyth on Feather.

Under 12 years - M. Edgington on Popsi.

Under 16 years - R. Fish on Flicka.

Class 27 - Handy Pony

1st, Rachel Fish on Flicka. 2nd, Allison Wakeham on Champagne. 3rd, S. Bennett on Rusty.

Class 28 - Fancy Dress

1st, R. Hutsby on Mooney. 2nd, Mary Hadley on Chester. 3rd, E. Baker on Sauff.

Class 29 - Chase Me Charlie

1st, Rachel Fish on Flicka. 2nd, Michelle Coney on The Monarch.

## FUND & FEED - A FANTASTIC FUNCTION!

The Church fund-raising day, organised by Joyce Windsor, was very successful, despite heavy rain which undoubtedly kept some customers away from the morning and lunchtime sessions. The raffle and cake stall opened for business at the Waterman's coffee morning in Manor Orchard, and moved on to the Holt's home in Wagstaffe Close for the lunchtime trade. They were set up once again in Park Lane, when the Windsors served suppers, at the culmination of this very pleasant day. First prize in the raffle went to Muriel Grey (a full list of winners is available from Anne Moore, 612427). A lot of hard work went into this event, the food was delicious, and Harbury Church offers its thanks to those whose efforts and generosity made the event a profitable one.

## COMMITMENT

Following the Deanery Congress at Southam, the PCC met with the Harbury delegates and heard that, on Sunday afternoon, 11th July, the delegates and one or two additional representatives from each parish will attend a service in Coventry Cathedral. A feature of the service will be an offering of commitments, intentions, or congress follow-up planning.

We have already embarked upon some of our plans, and we have divided our commitment into two areas - firstly looking at ourselves and our worship, and secondly at our outreach to the village.

As a PCC, and we hope as a congregation, we are committing ourselves:

1. to pray together more often, and to seek God's guidance in our decision making:
2. to consider the strengthening of the spiritual life by having a retreat or quiet day:
3. to arrange an open forum to help us to understand our faith better:
4. to try to present the message of the church in the Harbury & Ladbrooke News (hence the meeting on June 29th - Christian Message):
5. to establish the Contact group: (see last month's magazine):

6. to develop the street representatives' scheme:

We should be glad to have the help and comments of readers on these aims and objectives. V.C.AGGETT.

### HARBURY PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE

The AGM will be held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 13th July, at 8.15 p.m. The Committee is desperately short of members, and we would welcome anybody who is interested in helping us look after the playing fields, which are for everyone in the village:

E.J.COUBE:

### HARBURY W.I.

Once again a very busy and interesting month, starting with the visit of Ms. V. Brown, who spoke of her involvement with Acupuncture, and showed some of the needles used. Then came the Antiques Evening, with Mr. Barby of Locke & England showing a collection of objects for the panel of four to guess their uses. The next thing was the preparation of the float for the Carnival, and then the actual judging on the day. We took third prize.

We then entertained a small party of W.I. members from Newton Regis to lunch in Mrs. Ellis' lovely garden on a nice sunny day. Several members then went with them to the museum and St. John's House, Warwick. A small party attended the Garden Party at Ladbroke at the home of Mrs. Bennett:

The monthly raffle was won by Mrs. L. Watkins and Mrs. S. Bant.

B.E.T.

### BLOOD DONORS

Mrs. B. Farley, Harbury organiser for the Blood Transfusion Service, heard from Mrs. Shirley, the Birmingham Regional Organiser, that 143 volunteers attended the session in the Village Hall in May, including 17 new donors - a marvellous total. Mrs. Shirley asked that thanks be conveyed to the voluntary assistants for their wonderful support and liaison, which enabled this large number of donors to be dealt with so efficiently:

New donors are always welcome - why not come next time?

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SENIOR CITIZENS' BENEFIT  
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Local veterinary surgeon John Brook and his wife Charlotte were invited to open the Association's collecting bottle in the Gamecock.

Mike Bloxham photographed Mr. and Mrs. Brook as they emptied out the splendid sum of £73.

A whist drive is to be held in the Village Hall on Thursday, 29th July, at 7.45 p.m., also in aid of the Association, whose funds are used to provide outings and a Christmas Dinner for the retired residents of the village.



MYTON HOSPICE HOUSE COLLECTION

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the recent collection. At the time of writing, £243 has been paid in, with some money still to come. A special thank you to the many people who gave up their time to act as collectors for a very worthwhile cause.

It is expected that the Hospice will open at the end of July.  
M.S.H. & J.G.A.

EXAM RESULTS

At the Easter session of music exams, the results were: Practical, Grade 1 - Analie Hoare, Pass. Grade 2 - Tracey Powell, Pass. Grade 3 - Richard Buckler and Ashley Lucas, Pass. Grade 5 - Helen Keir, Pass with Merit. Theory (99 marks max), Grade 1, Sarah Burnham (90), Nicholas Ball (76), Jill Edwards (89); Grade 2, Ashley Lucas (84). All pupils of Mrs. Coope, 38 Sutcliffe Drive.

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In this, the 100th issue of the Harbury and Ladbroke News, these pictures show a Harbury lane on the left as it was when the magazine began, and on the right as it is now. A century could pass before Bush Heath Lane has mature trees again, if it ever does.

After the popular and successful Mystery Tour and Barbecue (run by Mrs. C. Finch, whose report follows), there was a small but select turnout for the excellent talk on Local Archaeology where an eager audience bombarded the speaker with questions about her work.

Helen Maclagan is the County Field Archaeologist, and is in charge of the two major excavations in Warwickshire; at Wasperton where a Late Bronze Age village with a Saxon cemetery is being uncovered in advance of gravel workings, and at the Romano-British settlement at Tiddington, north of Stratford. The Tiddington site will be open to the public in early July. It is a small town which flourished and decayed in the first four centuries AD, and was

possibly the precursor to modern Stratford at the highest fordable point of the Avon. Like Wasperton the site is being excavated as building work for the NFU Insurance Company takes place. Funds are only sufficient to rescue important threatened sites, and Miss Maclagan works with student and Job Creation teams to excavate and record what she can before the sites are destroyed.

We will post notices giving details of the Open Day at Tiddington when we have the information. Miss Maclagan will be pleased to see members of the Society on the day, and show them what has been achieved.

The result of the Inquiry into the Appeal on the Spinney is now known. The Inspector turned down the appeal on planning and amenity grounds, stating that the Spinney is an important area of woodland which should be protected. He has, however, left the door open for a further application to build along the road frontage.

Our next event will be in the early autumn, when we hope to have a guided tour round a local estate. The Inquiry into objections to the M40 plans begins in Banbury after the holidays. L. RIDGLEY.

#### HARBURY MYSTERY WALKABOUT

The Mystery Walkabout attracted 50 adult entrants and 60 children, in the separate competitions designed to combine keen observation with an ability to unravel cryptic clues. It was encouraging to find a good turnout of regular contenders, as well as a healthy proportion of newcomers.

The two separate sets of clues along an identical route ensured that no one got lost this year, and there was an exceptionally high standard amongst the winning entrants.

ADULTS: 1st, R. Ottewill, and 2nd, S. Wright (each received copies of 'Healthy Living' cook books); 3rd, M. Brett, and 4th, S. Andrews (each received copies of Mr. Bamford's drawings).

CHILDREN: 1st, A. Catt (won a children's encyclopaedia), 2nd Helen Stubbs and Sarah Walters (won blank cassette tapes), and 4th, Gary Andrews (won a record).

The clue in the adult section which proved most baffling was "Remove 2 E's and find a lowly dwelling whose name suggests an eaves gutter on the main body of the Church." The answer was NAVRON, a bungalow in Hall Lane (nave = main body of Church; r(h)one = eaves gutter). The winning entrant in the children's section scored almost full marks, and only failed to identify the whereabouts of the White Horse - not far from the Leamington Herd in Mill Street. Answer - BYWAYS' window, opposite Mr. Trice's Farm.

The aim of the Walkabout is the promotion of an awareness of our surroundings, as well as a fun evening for Carnival Week - and certainly everyone enjoyed the event, which ended with a mini barbecue at the Old New Inn, where Stan Finch cooked beef-burgers to perfection, efficiently aided by Anthony Gulliver and Linda Ridgley. C.F.

"SO FAR .....NO FURTHER"

When the Vicar calls to collect items for a Jumble Sale, he finds Helen and Geoffrey Cartwright in conversation with Monica, their neighbour. Endless rows with her husband have finally decided her to leave him - at least for the weekend. Helen cannot persuade her to change her mind.....and then Geoffrey is called away too.

Is it mere coincidence? The Vicar doesn't think so, and he soon realises that many things are not what they seem. What is the secret being guarded within this suburban semi? What effect does it have on those who guard it?

This tense, thought-provoking, adult thriller is presented by Harbury Theatre Group in the Village Hall on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 8th, 9th and 10th July, at 8 p.m. Tickets are on sale now at Philip Lindop's Drug Store, or ring Carol Percival on 612175. DH.

HARBURY CONSERVATIVES

The Harbury Conservative Branch ably assisted in the running of a very successful "Swim Barbecue" at Kineton on 19th June. Branch members ran an assortment of sideshows that raised nearly £80 towards the profits from this Area Conservative event, staged in the grounds of the home of M.P. Adam Butler. Despite frequent 'passing' showers, many Harbury people were there to enjoy the excellent food and fun.

Harbury are to run their own event - a Country Disco - at the Old Barn, Town Farm, Ufton, on Saturday 17th July. This popular annual event features music provided by 'Sight and Sound'. Tickets, including supper, are available (price £3) from Heather Turner, 11 Church Terrace, telephone Harbury 612915.

CHESTERTON RURAL WEEKEND 17/18 JULY

The next fund-raising activity for St. Giles' Church, Chesterton, is a Rural Weekend. The main attraction will be BRASS RUBBING, which takes place in the Church. Ploughman's Lunches and Country Teas will be sold from Peyto's Close, which is adjacent to the Church.

To complement the Brass Rubbing, various other activities are planned, including an exhibition of bygones inside St. Giles', and stalls outside the Church, including games for all the family.

Everyone is welcome - there will be many attractions to illustrate country and farm life.

If anyone would be willing to donate any produce or cakes, please contact either Mrs. Marjorie Smith, Redhill House Farm, Chesterton, tel. Moreton Morrell 356, or Mrs. Marjorie Smythe, 36 South Parade, tel. Harbury 612557. M.S.

DON'T FORGET.....

Four young people from Harbury - and many others from Warwickshire - can be seen in Central Television's Documentary about the "GANG SHOW TEXAS TRIP", which is to be televised nationwide on Tuesday, 13th July, from 9 to 10 p.m.

P.T.

The troupe of dancers formed last year has retained its original strength with an influx of new talent - Ceri Edwards, Debbie Ellis, Lucy Knight, Nicola Jervis, Clare Freeman and Lisa Thompson, who have all worked hard to learn the routines. The girls train for one hour after school on Friday, as soon as the 'established' members of the troupe - Heather Whitelaw, Helen Kelly, Paula Dufresne, Amanda Sherriff and Jill Edwards - return from Southam School. There are moments during practice sessions when it is feared that we will not perfect the routines in time, because space indoors is limited, but (to their credit) the girls always perform magnificently 'on the day'. The first outing was at our own Village Carnival, and the troupe also featured as an Arena Attraction at Warwick Carnival on Saturday, 19th June. They are due to dance at 2.30 p.m. at Southam on 3rd July, and will appear at Leamington Carnival on 10th July.

With a bit of luck (thanks to the addition of aluminium-backed paper generously donated by David Edwards) the shakers might last to the end of the season, since orange and white crepe paper on its own does not survive well in minor downpours!

Thanks are extended on behalf of the troupe to Pat Summers and Norma Taylor, who laboured all day to revitalise the shakers, to Brian Wade whose technical experience provides us with a synchronised tape, and to F. W. Woolworth, Leamington, who were most helpful in their efforts to obtain 23 matching T-shirts. The show would not get 'on the road' without the splendid assistance of Nicky Knight, who makes extra outfits and keeps a trained eye on the line formations, nor could we manage without the efforts of all the parents who transport the children to the various functions.

Thanks to everyone - the effort is all worthwhile, as the children enjoy their performances and give obvious pleasure by their delightful appearance.

C.F.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT FOR JUNE 1982

The Clerk has received a letter from the Post Lady - Mrs. Ethel Sollis was petitioning the Council

to protest to Stratford District Council about the number of house-to-house collections for Charity that it licensed. District Councillor John Drinkwater suggested that the problem arose because some Charities were nationally organised, and some were local, but it was agreed to notify Stratford of the problem.

Cllr. Mike Ellis moaned about the 55% increase in the audit fees that the Parish Council has to pay to the District. He also had something to say about the County Land Agent's proposal to put up the Allotments' rent from £120 to £210, an increase of £30 per acre. Mike agrees that this is in line with inflation, but points out that the allotments cost the County nothing, and provide income.

Posters pinned on the Parish's notice boards are not lasting a day before being torn down by passing children, Bruce Hannay complained. The Playing Fields have recently suffered a spate of vandalism, with children smashing bottles there. Retribution is at hand - names have been noted and action will be taken. At the other extreme, there is the problem of notices which are too well posted - 'fly posting' for the advertising of events not even associated with Harbury is on the increase.

Cllr. Mike Ellis gave the Parish Council's views on the development of the industrial site at Harbury Lane. It had been confirmed that the site had Existing Use Rights, and the major problem arose from the density of use, over which there was little planning control. The Council's main concern was for the hazard to road users. Mike Ellis pointed out that the Dept. of the Environment was pressing local authorities to encourage the setting up of such sites to create more jobs, and it was hoped that the site and access could be improved.

The District Council has taken Harbury PC's recommendations on planning applications to heart, and granted permission for the extensions to Hill Cottage and 20 Mill Street ONLY on condition that suitable materials are used. It has persuaded the new owner of Carlisle Lodge to build a pitched

Roofed extension, and has refused the Brewery's application for a large illuminated sign to advertise the Great Western.

The District Council has won the appeal on the Spinney. Planning permission has been refused for both the proposed estates, but an application for houses along the roadside in Hall Lane might be favourably received.

The future use of Harbury Hall is taxing the Council's imagination, and there is concern about its possible conversion. Double yellow lines are coming to Hall Lane and Church Terrace, to push the parking problem down towards the Club!

Harbury Parish Council has agreed to Bishop's Itchington's request for a joint approach to the Boundary Commissioners for a slight adjustment to the Parish Boundary, so that maintenance of Bishop's cemetery can be made easier.

Overhanging trees in Harbury are to be mapped, and the owners requested to cut them back.

Tony Ceney is reported to be pleased with the new mower, but the ride-on one is again 'hors de combat', having expired with a last loud bang, due, the Chairman said, to the 'seizing of the Inter-planetary gears!'

Neville Ellis - determined that if we don't win the Best Kept Village Competition this year, we most certainly will next - once more pressed the Parish Council to take on the mowing of all verges and grass areas. Mike thought the extra cost of maintenance would be covered by the Double Rating Relief.

Deppers' grass has been cut to Mrs. Catterall's satisfaction, and she has been given assurances by the Parish Council that if Deppers submits its requirements for play equipment, money will be forthcoming.

How should the 'Anti-Fouling' and 'No Cars' notices be erected at the Playing Fields? As Mike Ellis suggested, with a direct line to the Police, and booby traps? Or to Bruce's specification - low down so he can scrape the mud off his shoes? Keith Thompson thinks they are unlikely to be vandalised, because similar notices are generally respected. 'Ours tend to walk', said the Chairman, with sad resignation.

LINDA RIDGLEY.

## IN THE GARDEN

July is a wonderful month in the vegetable garden, as there is an abundance of things to eat. In the middle of this good time, do not forget that pests may also be having a fine feast. Also, in this month's sowing programme, there is a reminder of winter ahead - such is gardening.

It is not too late to transplant cabbage, leeks and cauliflower, and your Brussel Sprouts may need some support. As the strawberry crop is early this year, it is advisable to clear away the straw and weeds, cut off the runners which you do not need. Raspberries are also early, so you can cut out the old canes and give support to the new ones.

Earth up main crop potatoes and start earthing up celery.

One of the main events of the year is the **GARDEN WALKABOUT** on 17th July from 2 to 7 p.m. This gives you the opportunity not only to see these excellent gardens but also to talk to the expert and amateur gardeners.

W.F.LINES.

### HARBURY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

We are hoping that the weather will again be kind to us on 17th July for the Garden Walkabout. There are over 20 gardens open, and tickets will be available shortly from village shops and Society committee members. The charge this year is 50p per adult, but senior citizens can obtain tickets in advance for 25p from Edna Lines at 16 Binswood End.

On the evening of Monday, 12th July, we have arranged a visit to the Experimental Horticulture Station at Luddington, near Stratford on Avon. Please let me know if -

- a) you would like to go;
- b) you require transport;
- c) you can offer transport to others.

TONY BRUNTON,  
33 South Parade.



## Correspondence

Dear Editor,

My family having been involved in the Warks. Scout Gang Show, I was surprised to see very distinctive costumes from the Show on the winning 'trade float' in the Harbury Carnival.

As the Gang Show is shortly to be featured in a Central Television documentary, I feel that I must point out that the scene depicted on the float bears no resemblance to the Show, and is contrary to the aims of Scouting, which are 'to encourage the physical, mental and spiritual development of young people'.

BRIAN TAYLOR,  
Scout Leader, 1st Danbury, Essex:  
(Ex- 1st Harbury)

Dear Harbury friends,

I take this opportunity to thank all our friends in the village who have shown so much kindness and concern for Diana in her illness, by visits, cards, flowers etc., and by the numerous kind enquiries and offers of help. She would dearly like to write and thank each of you, but is not up to it at present.

We are both greatly comforted by all the affection and prayers surrounding her.

Thank you very much.

PETER TOWELL.

Dear Harbury Equestrians,

There is no doubt that the internal combustion engine is largely responsible for reducing the horse to the status of hobby, or pastime, appearing on

the public highway on Sunday mornings like a shadow from the past. But must I, as a car driver, be constantly reminded of my guilt by the equestrian fraternity? As I carefully reduce my speed, lest the noble beast should take fright, I look to the rider for some small sign of thanks. Yet it seems the riders of Harbury regard us 'lepers of the forecourt' with disdain, for we are met, not with cheery wave nor friendly smile, nor nod of head nor carefully raised brow. No, we are coldly ignored by those for whom we would ease our haste and lose precious seconds.

So, to the horse riders of Harbury, my plea is to be courteous to us miserable car drivers. Please don't ignore - acknowledge!

PAUL CHAPMAN.

Editors' note: Our impression of the riders of Harbury is very different from Mr. Chapman's - we find them courteous, and appreciative of the courtesy we extend to them! What do YOU think?

Dear Editors,

I would like to share some thoughts on the current discussion of village life.

I have lived in Harbury all my life (28 years) and have seen our community change both physically and socially. In the 1960s the largest housing estates were built, bringing newcomers and home ownership on a far greater scale than ever before. On the other hand, a large proportion of local people in small substandard cottages were rehoused in council owned property. Most of these cottages were demolished, and the sites re-developed. Thus a large proportion of cheap, privately owned or rented accomodation disappeared.

Along with the many new residents have come numerous ideas on the needs of the community. In the past the village had consisted mainly of extended families. Newcomers have had to substitute these with clubs, societies and so on, to provide support and companionship for themselves and their children.

The concept of a divided community is by no means peculiar to this village, neither is it imaginary. Firstly, newcomers tend to be involved in more numerous activities than the local populus, and secondly, many of the activities are not shared by both types. This invariably occurs when a suburban mobile population integrates with a rural community.

But what are the consequences of this phenomena? It has led to high house prices, together with the proliferation of large executive residences, and an acute shortage of council stock which mean that few people born and brought up in this village can afford to remain here. This means that local families are being split up, and yet more nuclear families are created elsewhere, leaving the older generation in isolation.

One area where these divisions are being broken (apart from in the public houses!) is in our children's education, both in playgroup and school. But in order that our children who wish to live in Harbury with THEIR children may do so, future housing must be of appropriate size and price, so that people can afford to live where their roots are.

VICKY TANNER.

Editors' note: This is part of a much longer letter. We have printed it as a thoughtful contribution to the current debate. It undoubtedly makes a valid point about the housing stock of the village. At the same time, we feel that it may fail to recognise the complicated way in which individuals, as opposed to groups, integrate into our community.

Dear Harbury News,

Members of Harbury Church - prompted by the recent Deanery Congress - are looking very seriously at themselves as Christians, and at ways of following more nearly the teachings of Jesus. I have found a piece written by the then Bishop of Coventry,

Dr. Mervyn Haigh, which appeared in the Harbury Parish Magazine dated December 1937. I wonder how relevant it still is today?

"There is one thing I would emphasize: English people have somehow got to be helped to realise more clearly than they do at present that to be a Christian is to be a Churchman. We must learn a new kind of loyalty to one another in the Church in such matters as regular attendance at public worship, and our common membership of the Church must find fuller and richer expression in social and even economic ways. There is still too much self-will among us. We ought to stand in with one another to a much greater extent than we do now."

DIANA HOLT.

THE GOOD HOUSEWIFE

Here are a couple more 'handy hints' taken from a 1924 reference book - we offer no guarantee of their efficacy!

No. 917 - HOW TO FIND SOUTH BY YOUR WATCH. You may save many a step by knowing how to find the south by your watch (in England). Point the hour hand to the sun; halfway between the hour and 12 o'clock (in the nearest direction) is due south.

No. 1014 - TO CLEAN TENNIS BALLS. Scrub well with hot water and soap. Rinse and dry in the open air. This method is excellent and quite harmless to the rubber lining, the balls when dry being like new.

VICTORIA MACGOWAN.

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