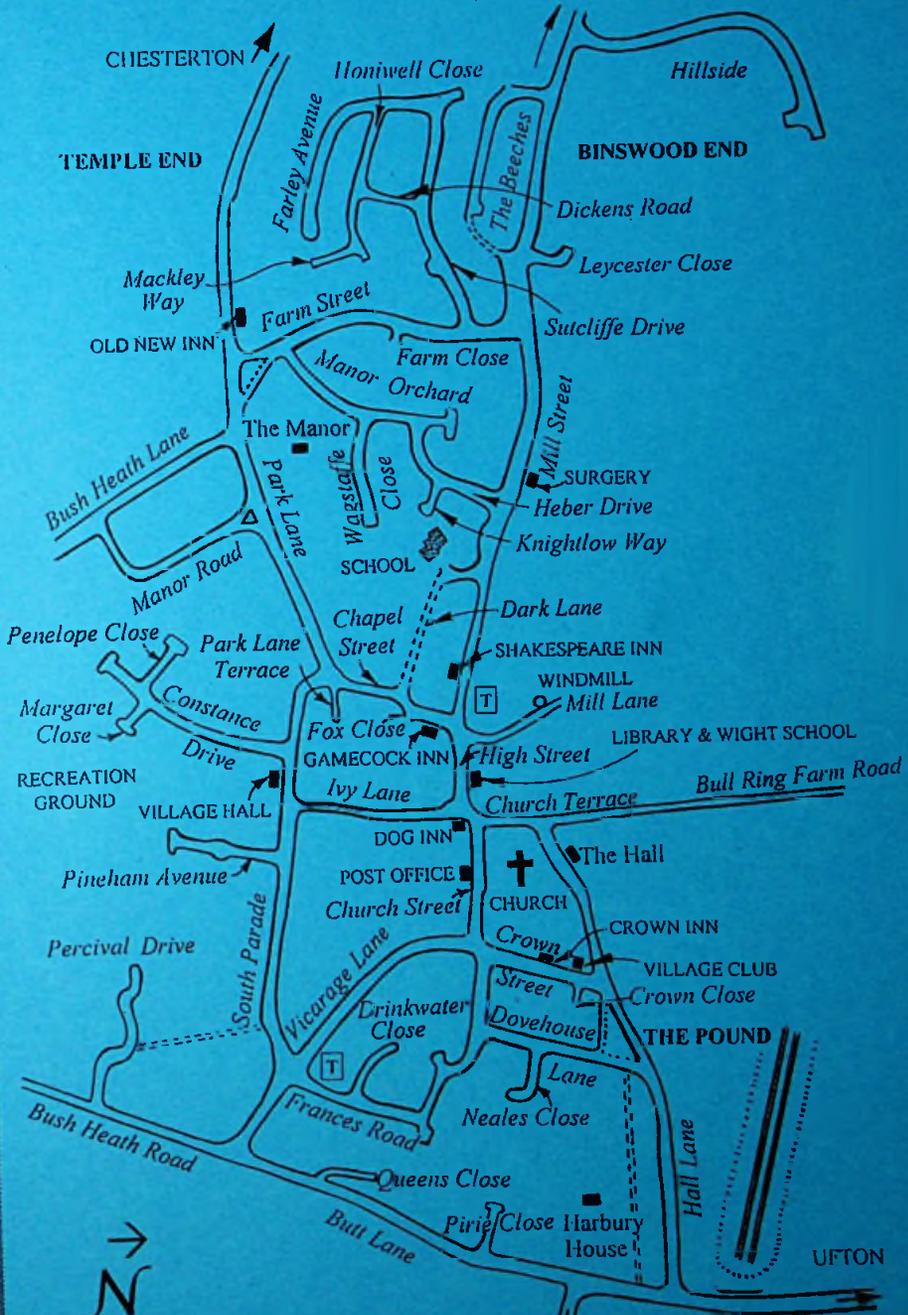


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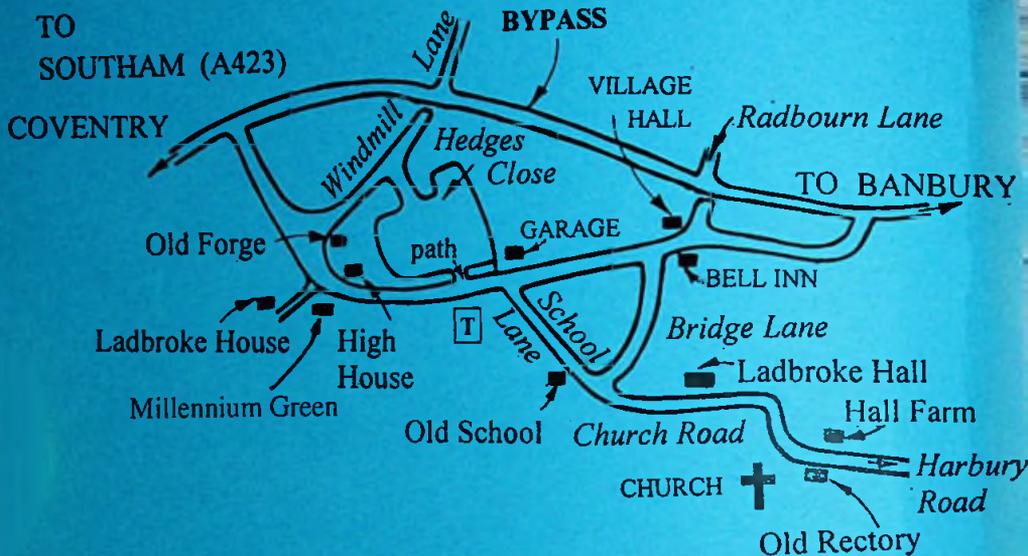


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June was a month for celebrations in both villages. The Queen's Golden Jubilee was celebrated in style, despite some initial worries that there would be few events to mark the occasion. As Mike Bloxham's photographs record, Ladbroke held a very successful Jubilee Garden Party, whereas Harbury had several smaller gatherings.



The sight of all the bunting and St. George's flags, whether for the Jubilee or the World Cup, was patriotic and helped to give everyone lasting memories.

The Carnival week celebrations, from the Wheelbarrow Race to

**Dorothy Turner cutting a Jubilee cake at the Constance Drive party,
2 days after her 95th birthday**

the procession and the fête, provided fun for all. Although the number of motorised floats was less than in previous years the standard was high and well supplemented by walking participants.



Albany and Alex Vincent walking with a topical theme.

This edition carries requests for new people for important roles in Harbury: a Parish Clerk, and Cub group leaders are needed. Our thanks go to Debbie Steele, Rob Davis and Sheila Malin who have all worked hard for the village.

Finally, we extend our sympathies to the families of Nancy Davie and Ivy Wilkins.

Harbury Diary

JULY

Sun	7	SIXTH AFTER TRINITY Sung Eucharist 9.00am; Evening Worship 6.00pm Cricket home to St Benedicts Alcester
Tues	9	Holy Communion 7.30pm Village Hall Committee in Village Hall 8.00pm
Wed	10	'Talk it Through' at 33, South Parade 8.00pm
Thurs	11	Holy Communion 9.45pm Thursday Club in Village Hall 2.30pm WI in Tom Hauley Room 7.45pm

- Fri 12 **RECYCLING COLLECTION**
- Sat 13 Tom Hauley Room Coffee Morning in aid of Cystic Fibrosis
- Sun 14 **SEVENTH AFTER TRINITY**
Holy Communion 8am; Sung Eucharist 10.30am
- Mon 15 **ADVERTS to 31, Binswood End Harbury, by 5.30pm**
- Tues 16 Bus Tokens issued in Wagstaffe Room of Village Hall 2.00 – 3.30pm
Holy Communion 7.30pm; Mothers' Union Walk & Supper
Senior Citizens' Committee in Village Hall 8.00pm
Harbury Society guided walk round Leamington.
- Wed 17 Bus Tokens issued in Wagstaffe Room of Village Hall 2.00 – 3.30pm
Tea in the Tom Hauley Room 3.00-4.00pm
Prayer Meeting in Church 8.00pm
- Thurs 18 Holy Communion 9.45am
- Sat 20 Men's Prayer Breakfast in Tom Hauley Room 7.30am
Tom Hauley Room Coffee Morning in aid of Thursday Club
- Sun 21 **EIGHTH AFTER TRINITY**
Holy Communion 8.00am; Family Communion 10.30am
Evensong 6.00pm
Cricket home to Arden Forest
- Tues 23 Holy Communion 7.30pm
- Wed 24 Drop in Tea for the Bereaved 2.30-4.30pm 19 Farm St.
PCC 7.30pm in Tom Hauley Room
Cricket home to Cricketers B
'Talk it Through' at 33, South Parade 8.00pm
- Thurs 25 Holy Communion 9.45am
Thursday Club in Village Hall 2.30pm
Parish Council in Village Hall 7.30pm.
- Fri 26 **RECYCLING COLLECTION**
ARTICLES to Harbury Chemist, High Street, Harbury by 5.30pm
- Sat 27 Tom Hauley Room Coffee Morning in aid of Mothers' Union
Cricket home to Totters
- Sun 28 **NINTH AFTER TRINITY**
Holy Communion 8.00am; Sung Eucharist 10.30am
- Tues 30 Holy Communion 7.30pm
- Wed 31 Cricket home to Medics
Prayer Meeting in Church 8.00pm

AUGUST

- Thurs 1 Holy Communion 9.45am
Storytelling in Library 10.00am
Folk Club in Dog 8.00pm
- Sat 3 Tom Hauley Room Coffee Morning in aid of Harbury Society
- Sun 4 **TENTH AFTER TRINITY**
Sung Eucharist 9.00am; Evening Worship 6.00pm
Cricket home to Aynho

All Saints' Church Harbury Sunday Services

1st Sunday in the month:	9.00am Sung Eucharist 6.00pm Evening Worship
2nd, 4th (and 5th) Sunday in the month:	8.00am Holy Communion 10.30am Sung Eucharist
3rd Sunday in the month:	8.00am Holy Communion 10.30am Family Communion 6.00pm Evensong
Every Sunday:	10.30am Sunday School (in Term Time)
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From the Rector

'Do whatever He tells you'!

Eight hundred bottles of wine. Imagine that! You could fill a shop with eight hundred bottles. Well that is the amount they had at Cana when Jesus changed the water into wine. There were six water jars and each of these held some twenty to thirty gallons.

For the people at Cana in Galilee a wedding was an event of major importance. And the celebrations went on for anything from three days to a week. Everybody enjoys a wedding and the party was going well, but then the wine ran out.

If that happens at your party you can slip down to the Co-op or Londis. If they are shut then it's just too bad. At Cana the wine running out was not "just too bad," it was disastrous. The host should have had wine in store. He couldn't just pop down the road for a fresh supply. In that dry and dusty land the wine was a must. Any way there were guests from distant towns and they had days of the feast to go yet. It was a disaster. Mary the Mother of Jesus was there and she saw their plight. She said to her Son, "They have no wine." Jesus said "woman why turn to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever He tells you." And that was that.

That little exchange between Jesus and Mary, and Mary's words to the servants take up just two lines in the Gospel. But how revealing those two lines are! And how much we can learn from them.

At Cana in Galilee Mary looks to her children and speaks their need.

There are two directions in which she looks. She turns to her Son, Jesus, with the simple, patient prayer of need: "They have no wine." She turns to you and me, to everyone, her children, and points the way to all life. "Do whatever he tells you."

"They have no wine." Mary does not speak of her own need but the need of those she loves. Full of sympathy and kindness she knows our needs. Here she stands before God to express our poverty and helplessness. We are always in need, though we do not always realise it.

What need have we? Perhaps we could content ourselves just for the moment with one great need. It is to share Mary's ability to see the needs of others. Of course we often say to ourselves, "I know what that one needs." And we mean they could do with a good talking to, or a good shake, or something like that. We have managed to judge someone to our satisfaction and found them guilty. We have managed, in fact to do just what Jesus told us not to do.

To recognise the needs of others is to get inside them some-how. To see things as they see them. To feel as they feel. We are quite good at judging how others should see things or how they should feel. But that isn't the point. All we are satisfying there is our own need to "Lord it over them." If we could really be at one with the depressed, the lonely, the joyful, as they are and not as we think they should be, then we may be able to lift their depression, remove their loneliness, and increase their joy.

Even more than this we will be able to represent our real needs to the Lord, patiently asking Jesus to help. We will be learning something of Mary's confidence in Jesus. She knew it was enough simply to speak the need. And that is why we must recognise our need. If we do not realise we are hungry we cannot be fed, if we do not know our thirst we cannot drink.

There at Cana Mary showed us how to pray to Jesus. There too she showed us how to listen to him. "Do whatever He tells you." It is so like her own words at the Annunciation: "Be it done unto me according to your word. "The whole of the Christian life is here". To do what Jesus tells us.

Fr. Roy

From the Registers

Holy Baptism at All Saints', Harbury

16th June - Ben Robert Lee Blake
Dale Trevor Owen Blake



Holy Baptism at All Saints', Ladbroke

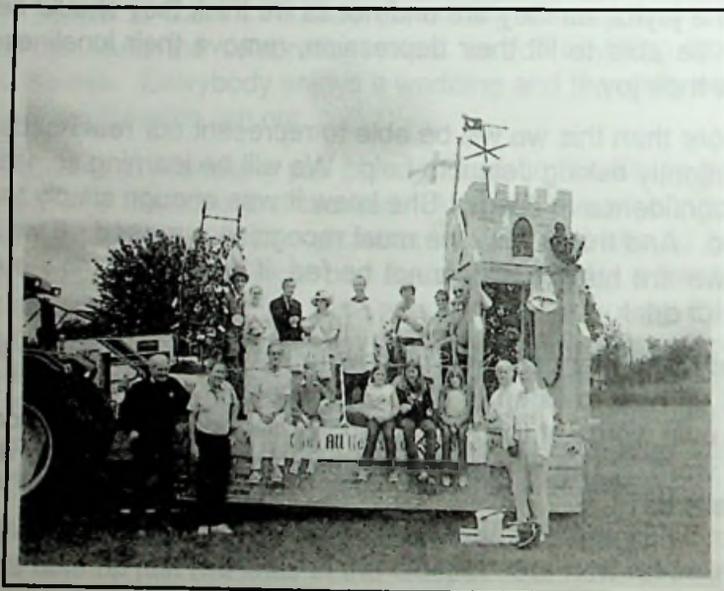
30th June - Sophie Patricia Smales

Funerals at All Saints' Harbury

31st May - Ivy Wilkins, 88
18th June - Nancy Davie, 84

From the Churchwardens

OPEN ALL HOURS FOR 751 YEARS. That was the main slogan chosen by Lesley and her team for the Carnival float. Congratulations to her and to everyone who helped ALL SAINTS to win a well-deserved first prize. Thank you especially to Neville Ellis for driving the tractor. Everyone worked so hard to put forward our messages: "New life for all", "Christ died for all."



Since we wrote our notes for May, we have celebrated not only the

Carnival but also the Jubilee. Especially memorable was the wonderfully supported Ecumenical evening service, which was followed by a very well attended, tasty supper. Thank you to everyone who came and contributed to the happiness of such a special occasion.

Nineteen parishioners and friends from All Saints, Harbury and Ladbroke attended the parish holiday at Lee Abbey in North Devon. This was clearly a moving time spent in a beautiful and inspiring setting.

It was a great joy to welcome to the Family Service on 16th June the Nursery School with their parents, grandparents, teachers and friends. The children gave a splendid presentation that told the story of how Jesus healed the lame man. We were reminded (with actions!) of how blessed we are to be able to skip, stamp, jump and run on the spot. The church was packed with a congregation of over 150.

On such occasions, especially, it may be difficult to come into a full church (or, if you are early, an empty one) and know where to sit. To return to our opening slogan, we are open all hours and all are welcome at All Saints'. There is no right or wrong place to sit, so please settle where you feel comfortable and at home.

Lesley and Felicity



Mothers' Union

On May 29th, three members from Harbury attended the Diocesan Festival Service at All Saints' Leamington Spa, along with members from other branches in the diocese. The service started with an impressive procession of banners - a clear indication that M.U. is still thriving. The Address was by Marigold Seager-Berry, Provincial President for the Canterbury Province, who shared her memories of the various women who have had an effect on the way she lives her life - something we could all relate to. The M.U. 'Treasure Chest' was presented at the altar, and thanks are due to everyone who gave most generously towards this appeal.

Afternoon Meeting: "Braids & Tassels" was the subject of the talk by Sue Cooke, who brought along a selection of her beautiful work, and showed us just what can be made out of the scraps of material and threads we all collect, intending to make use of them 'one of these days'! We all went home inspired to try braiding, patchwork,

beadwork etc. Sue made it sound so easy, but obviously she spends many hours designing and creating to achieve such attractive results.

Visit to St. Mary's, Warwick: 15 members and friends enjoyed a most interesting visit to St. Mary's, where we were given a detailed guided tour - such a well known local landmark with a wealth of history attached, but it takes a tour like that to make us really aware of what is just on our doorstep. A few folk were even brave enough to climb the tower and see the marvellous views over Warwick and beyond.

Members of the M.U. Prayer Chain from various points in the Coventry diocese, gathered recently at Offa House for a Quiet Afternoon led by Andrew de Smet. The purpose of the prayer chain is to be aware of the needs of others and to join in prayer to help them through their suffering, with God's help. We are so lucky to have Offa House so close at hand - a real haven of peace and quiet, set in such beautiful surroundings.

Next Meetings:

Tues 16th July - 6.15pm Walk & Supper in Kenilworth.

No meetings during August.

Anne Moore

Harbury Church Bellringers

Are looking forward to welcoming visitors to the bell tower during the Open Gardens weekend 13th and 14th of July.

Congratulations to Harry, Dominic, Clare, Ralph, Jenny and Chris who won the Warwick District Ringing competition at St. Nicholas Church, Radford Semele recently and we wish them good luck for the finals in September.

Nora Ellis

Senior Citizens' Outing to Weston-super-Mare

It turned out to be a super day. Two coaches left Harbury with the promise of perfect seaside weather. After a mid-journey stop for eleven's we arrived at Weston just before noon. The tide, obviously on cue from the committee, was coming in so the saying *visit Weston and miss the sea* was not apt on this occasion.

After refreshing ourselves in one of the many delightful hostelries, and

being too old for donkey rides, we joined others promenading between the two piers. It was soon apparent that we were not the only visitors from Warwickshire in town that day. Six coaches of OAPs from AP Leamington had also come to enjoy the sea and sands.

One of the latest additions to the town's visitor attractions was *Jill's Garden*, a celebration garden created by the BBC's Ground Force team in memory of the late BBC presenter Jill Dando. This delightful little garden, set in the corner of Grove Park is a fitting tribute to the town's 'favourite daughter' and proving very popular with visitors.

With our full allocation of sun, sea and sand we were happy to get aboard our coach for a relaxing journey home. With the customary stop for fish 'n chips and a pint we arrived back in Harbury at 9.30pm.

Once again, many thanks to the Harbury Senior Citizen's Committee for their hard work on our behalf.

Ralph Swadling

Laugh Line

The dean of a Cambridge College caught a student climbing over the College wall after lock-up. "O God!" said the student. "No," replied the dean, "just his accredited representative."

Ladbroke News

JULY

- Sun 7 **SIXTH AFTER TRINITY** – Family Communion 10.30am
 Mon 8 Ladbroke Village Hall Sixth Prize Draw at Bell Inn 8.00pm
 Wed 10 Ladbroke Women's Fellowship Meeting at Betty Winkfield's home
 Sun 14 **SEVENTH AFTER TRINITY** – Sung Communion 9.00am
 Mon 15 **ADVERTS TO: 31 Binswood End, Harbury by 5.30pm**
 Wed 17 Ladbroke Parish Council Meeting in Village Hall 7.45pm
 Thurs 18 Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge W.I. Strawberry Fair in Village Hall 7.30pm
 Sun 21 **EIGHTH AFTER TRINITY** – Sung Communion 9.00am
 Fri 26 **ARTICLES to The Chemist, High Street, Harbury by 5.30pm**
 Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge W.I. Meeting
 Sun 28 **NINETH AFTER TRINITY** – Sung Communion 9am

AUGUST

- Sun 4 **TENTH AFTER TRINITY** – Family Communion 10.30am

Jane Rutherford

All Saint's Church, Ladbroke



Development Plan

The next event in our calendar is a BBQ **Saturday 10th August** at the home of Peggy and George Askew, 59 Banbury Road, Southam from 6.00pm onwards. Further details and tickets available from Jo Sowerby on 811749, Peggy Askew 812009 and Gwynne Badman 812187.

We are planning a **Auction of Promises** to be held on **Friday 20th September** at The Grange Hall in Southam, so if anyone out there has anything they wish to donate for this worthy cause then please contact Ann Edwards on 01926 817997.

Jo Sowerby

David & Jane Rutherford by the flag that David's father flew at King George VI's coronation in 1937

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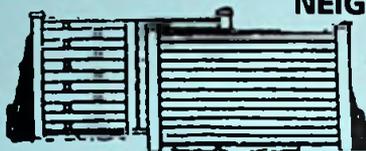
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Ladbroke Flower Rota

- 7th July - Catherine Todman
 14th July - Jo Elliot
 21st July - Jane Steenstra
 28th July - Pam Brown
 4th August - Beryl Ross

Women's Fellowship

We have had another 70th Birthday this month, congratulations to Gill Moore. Unfortunately Gill has been in hospital recently but is out now and we wish her a speedy recovery back to full health.



Gill Moore who celebrated her
70th Birthday on May 23rd

On Wednesday 26th we were taken on a mystery day out. After leaving Ladbroke Hall at 10.30am we were taken through the Northamptonshire countryside to the Bramble Patch at Weedon. This is a Patchwork and Quilting shop and School. We enjoyed a nice cup of coffee and then spent an hour looking round at the lovely quilts that were on display. We thanked the staff for their time in explaining many of the courses that they run - who knows we may have some new recruits for them.

Our next stop was at the Shire Centre on the A5 at Weedon. We had a super lunch and then spent some time looking at the many shops there. The weather was great - most likely the hottest day so far this year.

Our next meeting will be on July the 10th at the home of Betty Winkfield's, Hall Farm, Ladbroke and our speaker will be Annie Johnson who will be giving us a talk and a slide show on Religious Paintings. Guests are welcome as well as members.

Jo Sowerby (811749)

Ladbroke Jubilee Garden Party



George & Peggy Askew



The Dicken



The Badman's on Gate Duty



W.I. Ladies - Anyone for tea

Ladbroke and Deppers Bridge W.I.

The June meeting was held in the Village Hall on the 27th.

The President welcomed members to the 'Taster Evening.' Susan read the Minutes of the last meeting owing to Marie being absent. W.I. Calendars and Diaries were ordered by members – can 2003 be so near? Sue Halsall, the W.I. member on the Village Hall Committee gave her report. Most members had noticed the new sign.

Jo Sowerby, representing four W.I.'s in our group gave a report of her visit to the IGM at Brighton. The Resolutions were passed Nationally by 96% and 99%. We all hope that this will have an impact on the Government.

Seven members joined the weekend visit arranged by County House to Floriade in Holland. Jo gave an account of their enjoyable visit. They even found time to find the ed Light district but she didn't enlarge on that or other misdemeanours! Fortunately there were some older members to control the younger ones!



Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge W.I. Members on a trip to Floriade Holland 2002

Warwickshire are to have a Denman weekend in September 2003. Names were taken for this. It is a popular weekend and gets booked up early.

Instead of a Speaker we had a Taster Evening. True to the W.I.'s reputation there were many dishes, savoury and sweet, cakes and biscuits with a choice of wine, tea and coffee. Recipes were available.

Raffle prizes were won by Betty, Heather M, Hazel and Marie. Nancy

and Irene won the competition compiled by Collette. Tea Hostesses were Julia and Heather with help from their friends.

July 26th will be the next meeting when Reidun and Pat will be Hostesses. The Speaker's topic is 'Life behind the Camera.'

The invitation to Harbuy W.I.'s meeting is for the 11th at 7.30pm. See you at the Strawberry Fair on **July 18th** in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. There will also be a Raffle, Tombola and a White Elephant stall.

Hazel Sharples

Ladbroke Village Hall

The fifth draw of the Millennium Club was held on June 17th at the Bell Inn. The winners were Avril Court £80; Pam Collins £25; Susan Moore £25; Alan Court, Linda Spence, Marie Kennedy, Margaret Whitehouse and Beryl Ross each won £10.

The next prize draw will be held on **July 8th** at 8.00pm at the Bell Inn. Members who pay twice yearly, please remember that the payment (£30) for the next six months become due from **July 1st**.

Catherine Spence

Ladbroke Parish Council Report

The Meeting of Ladbroke Parish Council took place on Wednesday 19th June 2002 in the Village Hall at 7.45pm.

Present were: County Councillor Bob Stevens and District Councillor Chris Williams, Chairman of WALC Alan Moore, Ladbroke Parish Clerk – Linda Doyle; Councillors Peter Baker, Derek Batty, Richard Bennett, Janice Berry and Tim Seden; and two villagers.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 15th May 2002 were confirmed and signed as correct by Chairman Richard Bennett.

The Pole under Macklin Bridge is an old water pipe but before anything can be done about its removal the Water Board need to be consulted. This will be reported back at the next meeting.

The Police have been contacted about the noise and speed of motorbikes on the A423 and have replied that they will discuss ways in

which the problem can be monitored at their Traffic Management Department Meeting on 7th June.

Neighbourhood Watch: An Aluminium Benderup trailer was stolen from Harbury Lane, Ladbroke between the hours of 09:00 on 29/5/02 and 18:00 on 30/5/02. The trailer is distinctive due to 2 sets of ½" holes in the floor. A sundial was also stolen.

Janice Berry had also heard that European Environmental Controls (sometimes announce themselves as EEC) were trying to get appointments to see people in local villages. This company has outrageous selling techniques, sub standard uncertified fire and burglar alarm products and hugely expensive maintenance contracts. They target single or elderly couples and trade on the "fear" factor. Their office usually cold-call first to force an appointment, but if they are identified as being part of this company, please advise them that you have seen Watchdog reports and will report the matter to the Police. A note warning villages will be placed on the parish notice board in School Lane.

It was unanimously agreed that the Council would accept the provisions of the Race Relations (Amendment) Act 2000.

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 17th July 2002** at 7.45pm in the Village Hall. Everyone is entitled to attend.

Janice Berry

Dear Editors

A hearty "thank you" to all the very many people who worked so hard to make a success of the Ladbroke Jubilee Garden Party. A special mention too for the Trustees of the Alibone Charity and the Teverson Firework Fund without whose assistance we could not have had the marquee, bouncy castle and assault course. It was lovely to see 200 people of all ages enjoying themselves.

David and Jane Rutherford

Harbury Parish Council Meeting

A reduced Parish Council learned that not only was their excellent Clerk to resign (post advertised in News) but Jack Heath, Chair of the Finance Committee was also retiring.

They are having a frustrating time with the Skateboard contractors refusing to undertake repairs to the equipment and the County Council demanding yet higher contributions towards Deppers Traffic Calming. Dutch van Spall advocates naming and shaming both agencies. In neither case will the Councillors countenance more expenditure. Meanwhile the Youth Group is fund raising like mad to finance the other half of the "funbox".

Village Hall problems are slowly being resolved, but it's one step forward and two back. Chairman van Spall carefully explained to his colleagues that the Hall is an independent Charity, but the PC and Hall Committee were moving towards agreement on Trusteeship being vested in the Council.

The Village Hall Car Park gates have yet to be replaced and the recently installed bollards suffered during the Carnival. Even the proposed Dragon's Teeth are proving problematical!

The Council decided to postpone the work on trees round the Playing Fields Car Park because of lack of funds. New Street Lights are to be installed in Mill Street opposite Farm Street and at Crown Close, where the existing light will be used to light the Dovehouse Lane corner with Frances Road.

The allotments rents, fees for burials and the rent of the Football Pitch will all rise by 10%. The Parish Council resolved to object strongly to the County's attempts to include the Allotments in amendments to the Local Plan that could see them sold off for housing land. They also rejected the inclusion of land to the rear of 28 Binswood End.

The Parish Council objected to the development plans for the Quarry Works site saying that they did not accord with Structure and Local Plan policies, the access was not safe and there were traffic and environmental implications to be considered.

They commented upon the Planning Appeal at Bellringer House, Mill Street where the owners have created a garden and hardstanding from open paddock land, saying it encroached upon the countryside. The Planning Appeal at Lullington Lodge has been refused.

Stratford District Council granted permission for the Rugby Club to construct a new entrance and for further development at Sharmer Fields Farm. They gave permission for the Orange Aerial by the Railway Embankment.

Other planning matters included: extensions at 9 Margaret Close and 65 Deppers Bridge; an extension to 16 Constance Drive where the Parish Council expressed anxiety about access; a new dwelling at Hazebrook which raised similar concerns; an extension to the Water Tower Holding where Councillors asked that trees be retained and an application to fell an Ash at 1 Farm Close where they suggested the District Arboriculturalist should make a site visit.

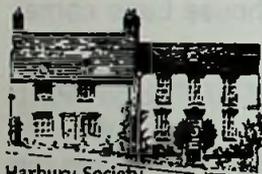
Tree Preservation Orders have been placed on trees at 9 Pirie Close and in the Churchyard.

The Southam Area Committee of the Parish Councils' Association is writing to Stratford District to complain about a general lack of enforcement action.

It transpires that the Bollards uprooted at the Carnival were rescued by Paddy Clark and Kevin Biddle - who now have one each.

Linda Ridgley

Harbury Society



Harbury Society

We had magnificent weather for our Tour of St. Mary's Church in Warwick and spent far longer than perhaps we should have done at the top of the Tower marvelling at the magnificent view.

We saw the glorious Beauchamp Chapel with its magnificent memorials to Richard Beauchamp and the Dudleys and the 14th Century alabaster memorials in the Chancel to Thomas Beauchamp and his wife.

With such intimations of mortality in our minds we repaired to the Zetland Arms for a view of the Church – and to drink and be merry.

The Review really will be coming soon and we still need volunteers to help distribute it." Please let us know if you can help. Once the survey is done the Parish Council will compile an Action Plan for Harbury's future.

The next events are a Guided Walk round Leamington on Tuesday

16th July, and a Coffee Morning on Saturday 3rd August in the Tom Hauley Room. Do join us.

Linda Ridgley

Harbury Theatre Group

A reminder that the play reading for the Christmas Panto – The Christmas Cavalier will take place on **Wednesday**

10th July at 8.00pm in the Farley Room of the Village Hall. We are looking for:

- Boys / Girls 8 to 16 years (some reading parts);
- Males and Females 17 to 30 years of age;
- Anyone who would like to join the Theatre Group and become actively involved either through acting or behind the scenes.

Please feel free to turn up on the night, or if you require further information please contact Pat Taylor on 614348.

Ali Hodge

Harbury's Women's Institute

As usual the Cake Stall on Carnival Day was popular and soon sold out. Thanks to all who baked cakes and helped.

The Garden Party (members only) on **August 8th**, 7.00pm will be held at the home of Jean Abrahams. There will be a Bring and Buy and Raffle. The Village Show will soon be upon us but that will be mentioned again in August.

It was decided to have a New Years Party on **17th January** instead of a Christmas Party. Just letting you know in good time!

The speaker from the National Canine Defence League was unable to attend but Penny, who works at Honiley came in her place. A little nervous, she said she usually spoke to school children. However, it was an informal affair with plenty of questions from the audience to help her out.

Penny brought Jamie, her 10 year old dog, who happily stayed by her side wagging his tail and taking tit bits. So hard to believe that when he was taken to Honiley he was so nervous and petrified even a leaf

blowing spooked him. He had been beaten, was covered in bruises and wounds and had a fractured back leg. He was not very friendly and inclined to bite and he had to be re-trained, at great expense, to overcome his mental state. He remained at Honiley for 3 years, when at the age of 5, Penny took him on and it was obvious that her love and patience helped him to be the happy dog he is.

The N.C.D.L. was started by 5 gentlemen in 1844. Expenses are covered by voluntary contributions. Each dog has its own kennel with a radiator. They are fed twice, cleaned out and walked every day. There is also a daily visit from a vet. The homes busiest time is after Christmas and Summer holidays.

When a dog is chosen the prospective owner is visited to prove them suitable. Quite a few dogs are returned for silly reasons proving that they are unsuitable to keep animals. Quite the wrong reason for getting a pet is for the children. It should be a unanimous decision for all the family to want a pet. Animals are not toys and need care and attention.

A new centre, with an operating theatre and modern facilities is being built to carry on the League's good work.

In July Mrs. Joyce Hawkins will speak on "30 years as a Costume Designer for the B.B.C."

Jeanne Beaumont

Harbury Cub Scouts – Leaders required

For the past couple of years the Cubs have been led by Rob Davis and Sheila Malin, helped by a group of assistant leaders.

These leaders have done a great job and the group has undertaken a wide range of exciting sports and other activities including camp cooking, tracking, first aid, climbing, as well as the usual hut-based games and badge work. They have also won several cups for football and athletics in the Leamington District competitions. The pack is right up to the maximum number allowed (24 children), so the demand is still there!

The children of the current leaders will all have left the Cubs for the Scouts by this autumn and these leaders will be stepping down.

We therefore have a need for a new Cub Group leader and assistants. There will be a meeting on **Tuesday 9th July at 6.30pm** in the Scout

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Hut to see whether there is anyone out there able to help our boys out. The existing leaders would be pleased to explain how they have run things so far. The primary qualification is enthusiasm and energy!

The new leader(s) need not be the parent of an existing scouting child, and might be an adult with older children who remembers his or her scouting/guiding days with affection and simply wants to 'give something back'.

This spring the Guide and Scout Support Group (GASS) and some of the parents refurbished the hall and sound absorbent materials are being installed in the next few weeks. An application for a Lottery grant to provide proper cooking facilities for the scouting groups will be submitted this summer. Scouting facilities have never been so good!

I hope very much that a leader can be found and that the boys will continue to have the opportunity to experience group working and learning practical outdoor skills. Please will you consider this and come along on the 9th or phone me if you can't make it. Thank you.

Alan Guy

Chairman of GASS (Tel. 614242)

Harbury Nursery School

From September our new hours of opening will be:

Monday to Thursday from 9.00am – 12.00noon and 12.45 – 3.15pm

Friday from 9.00am – 12.00noon (12.00 – 1.00pm Packed Lunch Hour).

We are introducing the longer morning session on Fridays after several requests from parents. There will be a small additional charge for this extra hour of £1.50. There is already an eager group of children waiting to start in September.

We are holding an Open Morning in the Nursery room on **Saturday 6th July** from 10.30 – 12.00. Please come along, see the children's pictures and artwork and join in with some of our regular activities. If you cannot come on this day please ring (612656) and visit us.

Congratulations to all the parents and children who produced such a fantastic winning float at the Carnival. Most importantly the children had a great time.

Alison Baldwin

Harbury Pre-School - Learning Through Play

Now that the sunshine has arrived, the children have been playing outside at every opportunity, in fact during the summer our outside play area becomes an extension of the classroom. The sandpit and water-play, the cooker and pans, hopscotch, chalking and painting and even our packed-lunch hour all move into the fresh air. The guidelines of the Early Years Curriculum encourages outdoor activities, and what's more the children love it!

Along with many people from the village, Harbury Pre-school and Friends joined in the Harbury Carnival procession with our contribution of Noah's Ark, for which we won first prize for the Children's Walking Tableau. The children really enjoyed participating, dressed up in their animal costumes, marching along and collecting money.



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Pre-school's Noah's Ark, which won 1st prize in the Children's Walking Tableau

At the Carnival fete, Pre-school ran the hot-dog stall, which was a fantastic success. At one point we were selling a staggering 20 hot-dogs every 5 minutes!! We would like to thank staff, parents and friends who helped us run the stall, and of course everyone who bought a hot-dog! All the proceeds from our efforts (a fantastic £350) will fund Pre-school's summer outing next month to The Cotswold Farm Park. This promises to be a most enjoyable day out for the children, who are very much looking forward to feeding all the animals.

The Pre-school would like to extend its sincere thanks to Paul Winchester, his friends and family, for their recent fund raising efforts which have benefited many people within the village. The Pre-school have gratefully received a most generous £500. We are putting the donation towards an exciting new project that is currently at the planning stage, and once our plans are concrete (there's a clue!) then we will announce our project. Watch this space!

The healthy link between Harbury School and Pre-school is helping our older children prepare for their start at 'big school' this September. There was great excitement and a real sense of 'being grown-up' when our 10 'school starters' visited Harbury School's Reception classroom for a play, and talked to Mrs. Harris, their new teacher. It is truly amazing how confident these little children have become; they certainly seem keen and ready to move onto the next exciting stage of their lives. Mrs. Harris will also be visiting Pre-School on 3rd July.

We will be holding a Pre-school 'get-together' on Monday 15th July at 8pm in the Shakespeare Pub. Parents (of past, present and future Pre-school children) and friends are warmly invited to join us, when we will be chatting openly about what improvements we could make to benefit the children. Pre-school's policy is to encourage and listen to suggestions and ideas put forward by parents, so please do come along and tell us what's on your mind.

Harbury Pre-School Staff and Committee

HARBURY PARISH REVIEW

The review questionnaire is now at the printers and we hope to be able to commence distributing the survey forms before the main summer holiday season begins. Many thanks to all who have volunteered to deliver and collect the questionnaires; we shall be contacting you shortly to arrange a briefing session where you will be given your forms for your allocated road.

We are hoping to achieve a high return of questionnaires as this will give weight to the Review and assist the Parish, District and County Councils in determining what services the Village requires to be preserved and what needs to be developed.

When your questionnaire is delivered, your distributor will check that you are happy with completing the form and if necessary they can

assist you. They will also collect your completed form from your house or if you prefer you will be able to deliver it back to a central point in the village.

John Holden

Manor Road Street Party



The day got off to a dull, very wet start, but the street looked great with the bunting flying and the different coloured canopies blowing in the wind.

About 90 people attended during the 6 hours that the party ran. Everyone enjoyed the BBQ and all had plenty of liquid refreshment.

The kids had a great time with face painting, egg and spoon races, football, pillow fights, three legged races and skipping. Prizes Galore!

The adults played Bingo, had various races and everyone had a go at group skipping.

Thanks must go to Karen for fetching the children's mugs from 'Bakewell', Helen and family for providing the BBQ etc. Karen's Dad for putting on the Bingo and providing the prizes, Pat for getting the ball rolling, Sue for providing First Aid cover, and Pat and Trish for the face painting. Sorry Graham, we didn't get round to Karaoke, but thanks anyway.

Special thanks to Sid Fields, Mrs Lambert and the mystery donor, who gave monies for the event; it was well spent on the day.

Last, but not least, thanks to the McKenzie's in Bush Heath Lane for the bunting, and Mike Bloxham for taking the photos.

Great job everyone!

Pat Taylor – events organiser

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Golden Jubilee Celebrations in Harbury



Chapel Street



Bull Ring Lane



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Manor Road - Harry Taylor & Friends

Harbury Primary School

Helpers. The volunteers who have been coming into school have been doing a fantastic job and this is just a public thank-you. We have had vast amounts of administrative duties done for us, saving untold time for staff; also, the mums who are helping with reading are providing a superb service. Discussions at recent staff meetings have all reached the same conclusion, that the children (and staff) are getting a real boost to their work. Anyone wanting to add their name to the list please contact school.

Stationery. Recently the school received donations of unused envelopes from a company that closed down and some A4 paper from a company that had the wrong letterheads on the paper. This was really useful for photocopying onto the clean reverse side. If anyone knows of an organisation that is changing its title etc and has some useful stationery that we could use in school (children use it to play with in the home-corner and get through masses of it!) please direct them our way; e.g. "Go" Airlines will probably have lots of useless stuff with their logo on it but persuading them to send it in our direction may be a bit over-optimistic.

Queen's Golden Jubilee. A fantastic afternoon and playground party was had by everyone. Many thanks for the generous contributions of food – the quality and quantity were way beyond our expectations – so much so that we had to send a lot of children home with "seconds". The staff worked incredibly hard before, during and after – many thanks to them all.

Village Fund Raiser 2002. A very public thank you to Mr. Paul Winchester, family and friends. Their unselfish and unswerving work has proved financially rewarding again. They had yet another fantastic social evening and raised £2000.00. This has been shared out equally between Harbury Senior Citizens, Nursery, Pre-School and ourselves.

Web-site. www.harbury.warwickshire.sch.uk. The site is only a bare-bones one at present and over time the children in each class will add various pieces of work and items of news relevant to their studies and activities. If anyone has any further suggestions as to what we should have on the site please don't hesitate to let us know; it's always useful to see things from someone else's point of view.

Newsletters. Any group in the community that would like information put into a school newsletter or on to the school notice-board can send it in to Mrs. Percival or place it in the green folder in the Resources

Room. No charge! Private advertisements are not accepted, however, sorry.

Sainsbury's. Those of you who shop at Sainsbury's and allow your school points to be used for Harbury, might like to know that we amassed about 14000 points up to April this year. These points have been used to buy calculators, teaching clocks, mirrors, plastic money, a cash register and dominoes – to supplement our maths equipment.

Staff. We said thank you to Miss Samantha Bowell and Mrs. Karen Bench who worked in the school servery over last term. We await new staff to the kitchen and hope they'll enjoy working with us and your children (Please remind them of the importance of *please and thank you* – we do it constantly). There is still a vacancy for another member of staff in the servery and we are still in need of an occasional midday supervisor.

Another bonus. Our collections of used printer cartridges for recycling resulted in £25.75 going into the school funds from K2 Supplies. We collect empty, discarded printer cartridges; please feel free to send them in. If carried by a child please put it safely and cleanly into a bag, we'll do the rest.

Paul Milner

Harbury Tennis Club

The main news this month is the progress being made with the improvements to the courts. This has been achieved despite the dreadful wet weather which caused us some sleepless nights as it delayed getting the concrete base down for the "cabin". We've decided to stop calling it a shelter/storage facility, the title it was given to satisfy the politically correct terminology required by Sport England for lottery funding. As they chose not to give us any money we'll call it what we like and "cabin" seems to be the favoured option! Anyway, the much-needed cabin is now in place making it so much easier to get equipment ready for the Junior sessions.

Fosse Contracts have now completed the second stage of the work to the Netball/Tennis court, piercing the surface, and it is now ready for the third stage, which is re-surfacing. Their programme has been badly affected by the weather but the new surface should be down by mid July and ready for use by the end of July.

Turning to playing matters the "B" team managed its first win, 6-3,

against Brackley "D" and followed this up with a narrow 5-4 win against Byfield "C". These matches saw Beccy McDaid and Caroline Morland making excellent debuts. The "A" team suffered a home defeat against Byfield "A" by a similar margin of 5-4.

The Club's mixed doubles tournament has proved very popular this year with a record entry of 28 players. Matches have now started, world cup style, with the group stage to be completed by 1st August.

Minis, Junior & Intermediate Sections

All sessions continue to be well attended, particularly the first hour on Sunday mornings. This one is so popular that we have bought another two sets of short tennis nets to make sure we can keep everyone involved as much as possible.

Good progress is being made with the Yoplait awards with 18 already having achieved the Bronze award. We will continue these as long as we can although there may be some disruption due to the re-surfacing programme.

We mentioned the successful Play tennis day held in last month's article and can now follow it up with a photograph.



Finally, for anyone interested this year we are introducing a **new category of membership for local students coming home for holidays**. For a £10 fee they can come along to any Club sessions and have the same benefits as full members.

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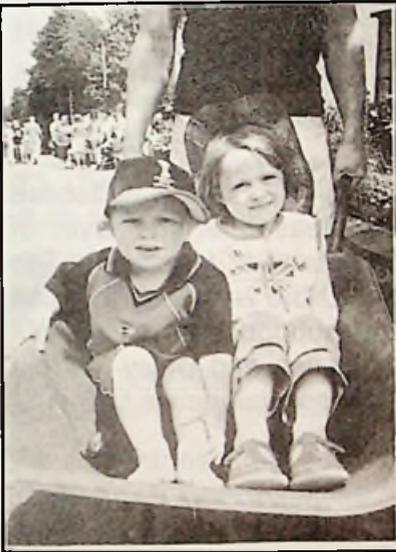
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Harbury Carnival Week – 2002

This year we had 11 entries for the 'beer' race and 2 entries for the 'water' race and we were blessed with lovely weather. The winners of the beer race were Matt Knight and Jeff Foster with a time of 10 minutes and 58 seconds; although not a record it was still a very fast time. Matt and Jeff were presented with the Scandrett Trophy and £25. As some of the competitors had been practising their intake of alcoholic beverages during the England football match earlier in the morning, this seemed to have the strange effect of them either not being able to push in a straight line or falling out of the wheelbarrows! However, everyone should be congratulated for a splendid effort and it all added to the entertainment.



Young winners, Joe & Abigail Hunt

The winners of the water race were the Hunt Family with Dad, Andy, pushing Abigail, Jacob and Joseph – he must have had three Weetabix for breakfast. Their time was 14 minutes and 38 seconds and they were presented with the Wallington Trophy and £10.

We were lucky this year to obtain the services of 'Honest Cecil' and the betting was fast and furious as not having the last two years' champions running it was an open race. Many thanks to Cecil and his lovely assistant. Also, thanks to everyone who supported the event, the competitors, the spectators and the Licensees for providing the beer and water.

Pub Games

Entries this year consisted of teams from The Shakespeare, The Gamecock, The Twinning Association, The Dog and The Old New Inn, although the latter two teams were unable to participate in all events. We had to substitute some of the games due to unforeseen circumstances but we still managed to have a lot of fun and friendly rivalry. The winners of each individual game were as follows:

Skittles – The Shakespeare

Horseshoes – The Gamecock

Table Skittles – Twinning Association

Quiz – The Gamecock.

The overall result was as follows:

- 1st – The Shakespeare
- 2nd – Twinning Association
- 3rd – The Gamecock
- 4th – The Dog
- 5th – The Old New Inn.

The winners were presented with a shield – many congratulations.

Once again, our thanks to all the Licensees for allowing us to use their premises, to all the teams and their supporters.

Dan Killian – Events Co-ordinator
Harbury Carnival Committee

HARBURY CARNIVAL JUNE 8TH, 2002

Well, once again the weather committee was spot on and we were blessed with a wonderful day.

The event was well supported all round and given that it was Jubilee week and half term we were particularly pleased at the level of support. Well done everybody, you should be proud of yourselves. The afternoon on the field was a great success. Yes the weather was good but again, more important, was the level of support from all of you. Thank you for making it a super day. Billy Bench and Daisy Harrold were fabulous as our King and Queen and our special thanks to them.

The prize winners on the day were:

Procession

Decorated Float: 1st All Saints Church "Open All Hours"; 2nd Harbury Theatre Group "Puritan Party Poopers"

Children's Float: 1st Harbury Nursery School "Garden Nursery"

Hosedrawn/Mounted/Led: 1st Harbury Toddler Group "Coronation Coach"

Walking Tableau Children: 1st Harbury Pre School "Noah's Ark" 2nd The Hunt Family "Changing Rooms" 3rd Bethany and Thomas Conway "Queen Elizabeth 1 and Sir Walter Raleigh"

Walking Tableau Adults: 1st Winchester Family "The Royal Yacht Britannia" 2nd Rollason Family "Too Many Cooks" 3rd John and Linda Ridgley "Hagrid and Harry Potter"

Walking Adult: 1st Jim Ward "Gary Rhodes"

Walking Child: 1st Hannah Fryer "Fairy" 2nd Phil Mugglestone "Indiana Jones" 3rd Annie McGowan "Hermione Granger"

Child Best Original Costume in Parade (Tim Percival Cup): Tia Litton "Scarecrow"

Adult Best Original Costume in Parade (Sue Andrews Cup): John Ridgley "Hagrid".

Fancy Dress

Under 5yrs 1st James & Daniel Robinson "Bill & Ben" 2nd Joshua Hill "Lion" 3rd Megan Wilson "Ace of Hearts"

5-7yrs: 1st Robert Rollason "Rude Brother" 2nd Thomas Conway "Sir Walter Raleigh" 3rd Lucy Guy & Victoria Carpenter "Hermione by Day, Hermione by Night"

8-10yrs: 1st Alex & Albany Vincent "Golden Jubilee" 2nd Alison Thorne "Turkish Delight" 3rd Anna, Rachel & Kate Molloy & Alice Campbell "102 Dalmations"

11-17yrs: 1st Phil Mugglestone "Indiana Jones" 2nd Alistair & Catriona Rollason "TV Cooks" 3rd Ruth Zawoda & Briony King "Ruby & Garnet"

Adult Group: 1st Harbury Nursery Scool "Garden Insects" 2nd Peter & Moira Rollason "TV Cooks" 3rd Andrew & Kary Hunt "Changing Rooms"

Adult Individual: 1st Linda Ridgley "Harry Potter" 2nd Ian Winchester "Britannia" 3rd Chris Hill "Noah"

All the entries were so good we owe our thanks to the judges for a difficult job well done, so thank you to, Nigel Chapman, Dutch Van Spall, Pam Brown, Liz McBride, Gill Gurden, Felicity Harris, Alison Hunt and Pauline Lobjoit (Procession) and Father Roy and Brian Ingram (Fancy Dress).

Some other thank yous are in order, particularly to Tony Ceney, who interrupted his holiday to return to the village to act as our MC. Above and beyond the call of duty or what? As usual he did a great job. We are very grateful Tony. Also to Bob Jenkins and his team of programme sellers and to all those who helped set up the field the night before and clean up afterwards. Thank you all very much.

Finally, we hope everybody enjoyed the day as much as we did and we are now looking forward to next year.

Submitted by John Broomfield

Our trip to Samoïs-sur-Seine



Harbury School children in Samoïs

On Wednesday afternoon we arrived at the UCPA Centre in Samoïs-sur-Seine, a small village in the centre of France, which is twinned with Harbury. There were lots of activities to do in the hot sunshine. We had dinner in a big building opposite our dormitories. After dinner, we went to our rooms and made our beds. At half nine we went to bed. That night, there was a great storm!!! The next morning we woke at eight o'clock for breakfast and later that day we went down to the lake that was man-made.

On Friday, we went to a castle called Blandy Les Tours. It was old and very interesting. Also people went mountain biking in Fontainebleau forest. There was lots of frogs hopping about. On Saturday we played basketball and got beaten 15-1 and 15-8. After that, we played a game of football and beat them 7-2. Then we went to the hall for our medals. Later on at about half ten, we went to a sound and light show which went on through the night. On Sunday (the last day) we went for a huge walk in the famous Fontainebleau forest. It would have taken 5 hours but we only did 2 hours. 4 boys got lost and it held us up. We tried our best at some French phrases we had learned. We asked for some ice creams and some of us had simple conversations. We also sang a French song for the children at the school. Then we went back to go on the long journey home. Overall, it was a great holiday!!

By Billy Bench, Josh Fitzgerald and Jessica Holden

Harbury Youth Project Group

We are now planning Phase II of the skateboard/roller blade area on Harbury Playing Fields. The site, which at present has a Fun Box, is regularly used and several youngsters have expressed their appreciation of such a facility. They have also become more involved and enthusiastic about the planning of the Phase II. We have recently received a generous grant from Warwickshire County Council Community Fund towards the laying of extra tarmac for Phase II and we are presently engaged in seeking further grants for the large amount of funding required to install a half pipe, two quarter pipes and grind rails.

We have already started local fund-holding – we had a very successful Coffee Morning on 23rd February and raised £137 and received two donations totalling £210 and we thank everyone who supported us on that morning.

We ran a “Steptoe” Stall at the Carnival on 8th June and raised £156 and this included a generous donation of £20. On their own initiative, four teenage boys – Chris Derby, Joe Greenwell, Charlie Todd and Chris Jenkins organised a skateboard competition on Carnival Day and raised money to add to our funds. This was a new event for Carnival Day and only possible because of the completion of Phase I. We look forward to next year’s entries for a similar competition when, hopefully, Phase II will be completed. We are very grateful to these youngsters who undertook this superb effort themselves and for participating in this village event so positively – congratulations on your first effort. The winners of the competition were Adam Sweeney who came first and Tom Wright who was second – well done. The prizes for this competition were two £10 prizes and chocolates for the runners up – these prizes being donated by one of the organisers’ parents.

If anyone would like to offer help and join our Committee, we would welcome your involvement, particularly any teenagers who are keen to help with the planning of Phase II. Please contact Janet Thornley on 612688.

Janet Thornley

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Deborah Crossan, County Co-ordinator Warwickshire

Pensioners' Patio

Scarcely 12 months ago the garden lay stripped and bare, awaiting a transformation by Yorkstone paving. New roses climbing up the wall from the one remaining border are in full luscious bloom and the clematis Prince Charles, having won the race to the top of the wall, has celebrated by bursting out in a profusion of delicate clear-blue flowers (over 30 at this morning's count). Not bad.

So, if the border was emptied then replanted, what was the uninvited shoot, obviously no weed, growing in height almost as we watched? Of course! That was the point where the tatty old purple clematis had its base; despite all the digging it has refused to give up the ghost and has been rewarded by its own strip of trellis. A toughie, evidently.

The blackbird with the broken beak is still holding his own and not only around here. I came across him recently sunning himself in the churchyard; a wise bird: there'll be insects and seeds in the set-aside patch and, no doubt, worms along the tree-shaded wall. God luck to him.

Swarms of ants doing their best to ruin the shared driveway brought to mind a different kind of swarm. I'd intended to mention it if and when appropriate and this is the last chance. One evening at dusk when we lived elsewhere in the village I was in the garden when suddenly a

swarm of bats surrounded me. Hoping their radar was all it's cracked up to be, I stood still (not much choice anyway!). I felt the draught of their wings on my face but not one touched me. Radar 100 per cent, perfect! They disappeared as suddenly and silently as they'd come, leaving me with a feeling of having shared a moment with the natural world that was completely without confrontation. A happy memory.

So now – my grateful thanks to all those who have spoken so kindly of this series and often shared news of the creatures in their own gardens. Hopefully there should soon be another series starting, based on another garden with its own characteristics and events.

May all the slugs in your gardens decide to emigrate, may the ladybirds devour all the greenfly on your roses and may we have enough summer to remind us that you are actually allowed to sit out in the garden – passing the time, of course, contentedly complaining of the unbearable heat!

Edyth Algar

Horticultural Society



Our thanks to Tony and Shirley Brunton for hosting the Social Evening in lovely surroundings, all very enjoyable and much to our amazement it was a mostly dry evening, after the rather wet and blustery day. Admittedly it was cool but you can't have everything in this life, however we did have good food and wine provided by the committee, and Judy devised a quiz for us to stir the little grey cells.

The coach trip to the Dorothy Clive Garden, and then on to Wollerton Old Hall Garden was very enjoyable, the first sweeping lawns and flower beds, the second adjoining individual gardens which were delightful – and the sun made more than one appearance. It did rain when we were en route to the Old Hall, but we were in the coach.

The evening trip was also successful, yes Ron and I were passengers, so my navigating skills were not required!! The gardens very pleasant, many well perfumed shrubs and plants, refreshments, plants for sale, and a beautiful sunny evening. I personally was very taken with the 15th Century Tythe Barn at the start of the guided tour. Thank you Judy for arranging both trips.

Believe it or not the "Walkabout Weekend" is nearly here! On the whole it has been a good growing season but for the dry hot weeks

early on, plenty of rain and succulent growth, the slugs and snails have had a field day! The sappy growth has attracted all the aphids known I should think, our broad beans were smothered with blackfly – the weeds have grown well too – “A dribbling June keeps things in tune” indeed! We will keep our fingers crossed for reasonable weather again this year, it makes such a difference, the gardens and visitors alike are much happier. This is the last opportunity I shall have to plug the Open Gardens weekend (**Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th July**) anyone not currently involved who would like to help in any capacity, please phone Judy 613103 or me 612515. Please support the event in any case, other village groups than the Horticultural Society benefit from its success. As usual plants will be on sale in various gardens.

If you require an early schedule for the Show on **Saturday 14th September** please see or phone 614459 or Ron 612515. Please remember that in the photo and handicraft sections where “mounted but not framed” is specified, it means just that!

The time to collect the trophies for engraving approaches; if you are going on holiday please take them clean to Janice at 35 Percival Drive before you go. She needs to have them by the end of this month.

Muriel Grey

Gardening Notes - July

As we lead into mid-summer and have thoughts of days spent sitting in the garden, we are all still hoping that summer was not just those few glorious days back in April.

Early perennials have bloomed well giving us colour in the borders, so deadhead all flowering plants regularly to keep the blooms coming. Cut off flowered stems of lupines, delphiniums and carnations to the ground to give a second flush in September. Feed the plants to keep them healthy. Use any trimmings from pinks and pelargoniums as cuttings. The beginning of the month is a particularly good time to root fuchsia cuttings, and any favourite plants. The mild nights and the light days give the ideal conditions for root growth and then for the cuttings to grow away strongly. Keep the air around them moist and keep them out of direct sun. Feed michaelmas daisies and dahlias with a high potash fertiliser, and at end of month feed chrysanthemums.

Pick sweet peas regularly. Collect seed heads, grasses and flowers for drying just as they open, and on a calm day. Delphiniums, achillea

and rosebuds are usually successful if dried rapidly. I have been told it is possible to do this in a microwave oven. The conventional way is to hang them, heads down in an airy place. Clip aubrietia and rock roses to prevent them getting straggly.

Trim shrubs that have flowered to encourage new growth and better flowering next year; check for any signs of disease and deal with it. Trim evergreen shrubs, Leylandii and other hedges. Conifer and yew hedges are best cut when there is slight dew on the leaves to prevent sun scorch. After cutting top-dress the area under the hedge with a slow release fertiliser such as bone meal to promote root growth during winter. If you grow Camellias, Magnolias or Rhododendrons give them a feed and keep them really moist from mid-Summer onwards into autumn, as this is when the flower buds for next spring are beginning to be formed. Failure to do this will result in buds not forming, or dropping off in the spring. Mulch all these shrubs with lime-free materials. If they need a light prune to improve the shape, now is the time to do it.

Garlic and shallots can be lifted when the leaves begin to yellow towards the end of the month. Dry them in the sun until the leaves shrivel before stringing them up or storing them in string bags in a cool airy place out of sunlight. Pick herbs for drying or freezing just before they come into flower. Sow parsley. Cut down chives after they flower to encourage new young leaves. Curry plant, basil and marigolds are thought to deter whitefly in the garden. Cut courgettes regularly to ensure continuance of crop. Prune blackcurrant bushes as fruit is picked, by taking out one in three of the mature branches. Pick up apple windfalls and leaves to avoid scab, a fungus that causes black marks on leaves and blisters on fruit.

All houseplants except those with hairy leaves can go outside. Put succulents and cacti in full sun and leafy, rain forest-types in shade. If you have cymbidium orchids stand them outside in shade. If you are away leave houseplants on trays lined with capillary matting, and place them in a cool place. Group all containers together in a shady spot if you are going away. Plant Freesia corms for winter flowering in a cool greenhouse or in the house.

Watch out for young frogs when moving near a pond. This month they will be living almost all the time on land. First they feed on greenfly and then as they mature, go for slugs and snails.

Plant of the month: Penstemon

This group of plants can be found as annuals, perennials, sub-shrubs and shrubs. Most are evergreen and half-hardy to hardy, so make a valuable contribution to any garden that has fertile but well-drained soil. They were first introduced in 1794 to Britain from their native western states of N. America. There are at least 250 species in the wild but Victorian hybridists soon got to work on them to produce many more, so that today we have a large range of cultivars. All are elegant with their racemes of foxglove-like flowers in subtle colours many with contrasting white throats or streaks of other colours from white, through the pinks to dusky purple. Although generally short lived, there are plants for the rock garden or border front, growing only a few inches, to the tall ones at 3 to 7 feet tall. In our area most are hardy and trouble free, neither rain nor drought being a problem, although, in mid-summer, to be safe, take a few cuttings which root very easily. Cut the plants back to base in late March or early April after severe weather is past.

Pat Smith

Letters to the Editors

Dear Editors

We would like to thank all our friends and neighbours for their help, kindness and all the cards and letters of sympathy we received after the death of Ray, a devoted husband and father. We were overwhelmed when we counted up there was 171 in total.

We would also like to say a special thank you to all those who helped in the doctors when Ray was taken ill, also to Betty and Alan for all their help and guidance and lastly to Mary for the beautiful flowers and to Father Roy and Clive for a lovely service.

Thank you and God Bless.

Carol, Andrew and Samantha Meredith

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Dear Editors

We would like to say thank you to all our friends for the cards, flowers and messages of sympathy following the death of our dear mother (Ivy Wilkins).

Thank you to all who attended her funeral and for the donations for Myton Hospice.

Thank you to all the carer's who helped to look after mother at home. Thank you to the staff at Newstead Lodge for their care and kindness shown to mother during her stay.

Special thanks to Noel and Vera (Card) for their help and kindness over many years.

Thank you to Father Roy for his caring service.

Diane, Michael and Ian

Dear Editors

Through your columns the family and I would like to express our sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the collection following Wendy's Funeral. The amount raised was a wonderful £2500.00, which has been shared equally between Myton Hamlet Hospice and the Macmillan Nurses Appeal.

Added to this the Coffee Morning held in the Tom Hauley Room on 25th May raised a further £400.00 which has been shared in the same way. Our hearty thanks go to Liz, Sheila and all their helpers, and to everyone who came and supported the day.

Yours sincerely

Tony Stubbs

Race for Life 2002



On May 19th, on a sunny Sunday morning, Margaret McDonald, Celia Neill, Bridget Burnham and Gill Brindley completed the 'Race for Life' - a 5km race around Stratford Racecourse. It was a wonderful experience, taking part with 2000 women, some running, some walking, all raising money for Cancer Research UK. Between us, we have raised nearly

£1000 so far. We'd like to thank all the people who so generously sponsored us.

Margaret McDonald

Dear Editors

Breakthrough Breast Cancer would like to thank everyone for supporting our raffle stall on Carnival day. We have sent a cheque for £410.63 to Breakthrough, an excellent amount, thank you. Also to everyone who kindly donated the raffle prizes. Apologies to the people who bought tickets for the dance, unfortunately it had to be cancelled after Tony had worked so hard to arrange it, maybe next year.

Breakthrough Committee

Dear Editors

Village Fund Raiser

Thank you to everybody who was involved in the organisation of a very successful evening and thanks to everybody who came and supported it. We managed to reach our target of £2,000.00. The money will be divided as listed below:

Harbury Pre-School	£ 500.00
Harbury Nursery School	£ 500.00
Harbury Primary School	£ 500.00
Harbury Senior Citizens	£ 500.00

Once again many thanks to you all.

Best regards

Paul Winchester.

Dear Editors

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

The "House to House" collections this year raised over £1,100 for the second year running. The total to date is £1,152

Our grateful thanks to all those who donated, delivered, collected and counted in Harbury and Deppers Bridge.

Barbara and David Thistlethwaite

Dear Editors

I would like to pass on my thanks to the Committee who organised the Senior Citizen's outing recently.

On my first visit ever to Weston-super-Mare I was lucky enough to see the sea.

The weather was perfect too so what more could one want.

Sincerely

Jeanne Beaumont

Dear Editors



On behalf of the friends and neighbours that attended the Mill Street Jubilee 'Bit of a Do' Party, we would like to say thank you to Alan and Wendy Knowles, for all of their hard work organising the party and for letting us use their house and garden.



A special thanks is due to John Drinkwater for acting as our 'Jubilee Toastmaster'.

An excellent day was had by all,

Tony & Kathy Mancell

Dear Editors

The Pre-school would like to extend its sincere thanks to Paul Winchester, his friends and family, for their recent fund raising efforts which have benefited many people within the village. The Pre-school have gratefully received a most generous £500. We are putting the donation towards an exciting new project that is currently at the planning stage, and once our plans are concrete (there's a clue!) then we will announce our project

Harbury Pre-School

Dear Editors

We would like to take this opportunity to say a BIG thank you to the Harbury community that came along and supported the National Childbirth Trust at the coffee morning on 22 June at the Tom Hauley Rooms. With your support we raised £132 - we felt that to be a great sum.

We look forward to our next coffee morning with you and hope that you will support that one as well as you did this one. We might bring even more cakes than this time...if that was possible! The tables were groaning under the weight!

Thank you again

Karena Ellis - National Childbirth Trust

Regular Diary Dates

BABY CLINIC: Surgery, 2nd & 4th Wednesday 2:00-4:00pm

BADMINTON: Village Hall, Monday mornings (613174) 10:00am-12:00noon
 Mondays (612627) (Seniors) 7:00-9:00pm;
 Tuesdays (613413) (Club) 8:00-10:00pm;
 Friday (612029) (Juniors) 2:00-3:00pm;
 Sunday (613340) 7:00-10:00pm

BEAVERS: Scout Hut, Tuesdays 6:15-7:15pm

BEAT BUDDIES: Village Hall, Tuesdays 2:00pm; Fridays 9:30-11:30am & 2:00-3:00pm

BELL RINGING PRACTICE: (613605) Church, Fridays 7:30pm

BROWNIES: Scout Hut, Mondays 6:15-7:30pm

CHOIR PRACTICE: Church, Fridays 6:30pm

COFFEE MORNING: Tom Hauley Room Saturdays 10:00am-12:00noon

CUBS: Scout Hut, Wednesdays 6:30-8:00pm

DANCING CLASSES: (01789-842242) Farley Room of Village Hall, Children & Adults
 Wednesdays 4:00-9:00pm

DROP-IN TEA: (612585) 19, Farm Street, 2.30 to 4.30pm, 4th Wednesday in the month

GYMNASTICS: Harbury School, Mondays 6:00-7:00pm

HARBURY FOLK CLUB: Dog Inn 1st Thursday in the month 8:30pm

HARBURY FRIENDS: Tom Hauley Room, 2nd Tuesday in the month 8:00pm

HARBURY JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB:

Under 9s: Training: 9.00am Saturday at Harbury School Pitch

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HARBURY PRE-SCHOOL: (612781 or 613780) Wight School (behind Library), High St.
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HARBURY VILLAGE CLUB: Contact 612498

HEREBURGH MORRIS DANCERS: (613402) School Hall, Wednesdays 8:00-10:00pm

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY: T.Hauley Room, 1st Tuesday in the month (Oct. to May) 8:00pm

KICK START APPALACHIAN STEP DANCERS: (612734) Scout Hut, Saturdays, 10:00am-
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LIBRARY: (613297) Mondays 2:00 - 5:00pm and 5:30 - 7:00pm;
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 Matches on Saturday Afternoon

SCOUTS: Scout Hut, Thursdays 7:00pm

PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP: (612221) Meeting on 2nd Thursday in the month at the
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THURSDAY CLUB: (612273) Farley Room of Village Hall 2nd & 4th Thursday in the month
 2:30pm

TODDLER GROUP: Wight School, Monday 10:00-11:30am & Wednesday 1:30-3:00pm

WEIGHT WATCHERS: (07971 457143) Tom Hauley Room, Mondays 7:00pm

W.I.: Tom Hauley Room, 2nd Thursday in the month 7:45pm

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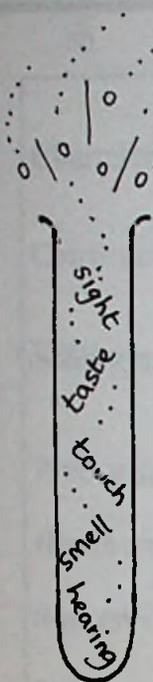
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