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Editorial

Whilst for many we are in the midst of the holiday season, the number of planning applications being submitted continues to grow. Both Harbury and Ladbroke currently have proposals that are giving rise to debate.

In Ladbroke it is ironic but very sad that a week after a property marking session by the rural crime officer took place, lead from the Church roof was stolen. As well as the immediate damage to the Church, this will bring extra expense and add to the fund raising campaign target.

For Harbury and a few properties in Deppers Bridge there is a change in bin day to Fridays commencing at the beginning of the month. Households affected should have received a notification of the changes.

Do not forget to enter Harbury Village Show on the 12th September; entry forms are available in the Library.

Harbury Diary

AUGUST

- Sat 1 Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Harbury Society
- Sun 2 **TRINITY IX**
 Sung Communion, 9.00am
 N.B. No Little Saints' Service today
 Celtic Service, 6.00pm
 Harbury Cricket Club, 2.00pm, Interclub at Harbury
 Tea and cake, 2.00-4.00pm at St Giles' Church, Chesterton
- Tues 4 Heritage Room open, 6.30pm to 8.30pm at the school
 Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council (Bull Ring Farm Rd & Old New Inn applications), 7.30pm, Village Hall
 Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 5 Wednesday Walkers, meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park, Hidecote - bring picnic and National Trust Card (4½ miles)
 N.B. No 2.00pm Communion Service today
 N.B. No Mothers' Union Meeting today
- Thurs 6 Friends of Harbury Cemetery meet 9.00-11.00am (weather permitting). Volunteers needed.
 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
 Mothers' Union Deanery Tea, 2.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
 Tennis Club BBQ Tournament, 6.00pm
 Folk Club, 8.00pm in Village Club

- Sat 8 Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of PCC
- Sun 9 TRINITY X**
 Holy Communion, 8.00am
 Sung Communion, 10.30am
 Harbury Cricket Club, 2.00pm, Kineton at Harbury
 Tea and cake, 2.00-4.00pm at St Giles' Church, Chesterton
- Mon 10 W.I. Garden Party, 6.00-10.00pm at Village Hall
- Tues 11 Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 12 Wednesday Walkers, meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park, Charlecote (5 miles flat)
- Thurs 13 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
- Sat 15 Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of the Village Hall
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- Sun 16 TRINITY XI**
 Holy Communion, 8.00am
 "Saints Alive Service", 10.30am
 Evensong, 6.00pm
 Harbury Cricket Club, 2.00pm, Cemax away match
 Tea and cake, 2.00-4.00pm at St Giles' Church, Chesterton
- Tues 18 Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 19 Wednesday Walkers, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park, Southam (4 miles)
- Thurs 20 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
- Sat 22 Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Southam Bowls
- Sun 23 TRINITY XII**
 Holy Communion, 8.00am
 Sung Communion, 10.30am
 Tea and cake, 2.00-4.00pm at St Giles' Church, Chesterton
- Tues 25 Holy Communion, 7.30pm
 Julian Meeting, 8.00pm
- Wed 26 Wednesday Walkers, meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park, Napton Reservoir (4 miles - one hill)
 Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00-4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Thurs 27 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
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- Sat 29 Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of church flowers
- Sun 30 TRINITY XIII**
 Holy Communion, 8.00am
 Sung Communion, 10.30am

Sun 30 Tea and cake, 2.00-4.00pm at St Giles' Church, Chesterton

SEPTEMBER

Tues 1 Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall

Heritage Room open, 6.30pm to 8.30pm at the school

Extraordinary General Meeting of the Library at 7.00pm in the Library

Holy Communion, 7.30pm

Wed 2 Wednesday Walkers, meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park, Eathorpe to Marton (3½ miles flat)

Service in Church, 2.00pm, to celebrate 110 years of

Harbury Mothers' Union – followed by tea in Tom Hauley Room

Thurs 3 Friends of Harbury Cemetery meet 9.00-11.00am (weather permitting). Volunteers needed.

Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee

Folk Club, 8.00pm at Village Club

Sat 5 Coffee Morning 10.00am-12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Badminton

Sun 6 **TRINITY XIV**

Sung Communion, 9.00am

Little Saints' Service, 10.30am, followed by food & refreshments

Taizé Service, 6.00pm

Twinning Association, Pétanque & BBQ, 2.00-6.00pm at the Village Club

**DATES FOR INCLUSION IN THE HARBURY DIARY PLEASE TO:
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Refuse Collection Rota			
	Deppers Bridge	Harbury, Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge outlying properties	Collection Week
August	Wed	Fri	
	5	7	Grey Bin
	12	14	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	26	21	Grey Bin
	27	28	Green & Blue Lid Bins
Sept	2	4	Grey Bin
	9	11	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	16	18	Grey Bin



**All Saints
HARBURY**

From the Rector

Reverend Craig Grocock

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Have a good holiday or should I say 'Holy Day?'

I love holidays; great aren't they? Goodbye to the normal routine of our everyday lives as we get away from it all and grab the sun lotion and hit the beach or whatever it is you choose to do on holiday. I write this on my last day before setting off once again for France.

The word holiday comes from the words 'holy day'. In ancient times there were certain days of the year that were given to workers as days off so they could go to church and worship. Two notable days of course were Mothering Sunday and Boxing Day. Other days were given at Easter and on special saints' days. Later the 'Holy day' became better known as 'holiday' and did not necessarily mean attendance at worship.

The characteristics of a 'holy day' was to rest, to enjoy time with family and friends and to recharge the batteries, pretty much what holidays are meant to be for today. Whatever way we holiday this year, it is so important that we take time for rest. We live in a 24-7 world, it's busy enough, the demands on us are massive and the stress and emotional pressures are considerable. Rest is a holy, Godly principle. Remember the Genesis story of creation? On the seventh day having completed his work, God rested from all his labours. He took time out, downed tools and chilled out (well, perhaps!).

So, whatever you're doing this summer – whether it's basking in the sun somewhere with a good book, drinking French wine or getting wet in the Lake District, enjoy the rest because wherever you are, you'll be having a Holy Day!

God bless.



From the Churchwardens

Elaine & John

There is not too much to report this month. We have experienced some lovely sunny weather which enabled us to have the main church doors flung open wide at a couple of services and, on the other hand, some chilly, rainy Sundays, which left us wondering if summer had actually arrived at all!

Following the fairly extensive update on the Memorial Garden in last month's edition there is not too much more to say at the moment, apart from the fact that a brilliant mock-up is available in the church (in the notice board area). There will be a more extensive update next month.

We opened the Tom Hauley Room for refreshments over the weekend of Open Gardens to raise funds for the memorial gardens. We raised £240 - and a big thank you to all who helped and supplied the scrummy cakes.

On the other hand, things have been progressing on the 'Growing Church' programme entitled the Eight Essential Qualities. Our discussion group feedback has been presented to the Parochial Church Council and a number of recommendations made which are now in the throes of implementation. There is plenty of information on all this available in church (on the table by the door) and on the All Saints' website.

Our Family Service 'Saints Alive' theme for July was 'Let Go and Let God' and we continued the theme of spending time in Worship and Word, relaxing into God's presence and allowing him to refresh us with his loving kindness, peace and grace (very apt at this time of year when thoughts are turning to going on holiday, winding down and recharging our batteries). Many of you have said how much you enjoyed the recent change in style of this service, which we will continue into next month.

Our service for 16th August will be entitled 'Who Can See the Wind?' and will again provide time for plenty of singing, prayer, quiet time – and of course, something for the children. You may have already seen the most recent pew sheet and if you have you will know that in September we will be reintroducing a shorter version of family communion.

When	Service	Time
1 st Sunday of the month	Sung Eucharist Little Saints Various/Ad hoc (see pew sheet)	9.00am 10.30am 6.00pm
2 nd Sunday	Said Communion Sung Eucharist Baptisms	8.00am 10.30am 12.30pm
3 rd Sunday	Said Communion Saints Alive! Evensong	8.00am 10.30am 6.00pm
4 th Sunday	Said Communion Sung Eucharist Baptisms	8.00am 10.30am 12.30pm
5 th Sunday	Said Communion Sung Eucharist	8.00am 10.30am
Tuesdays	Said Communion	7.30pm
Thursdays	Said Communion	9.45am

The ministry team for this service meet regularly to discuss ideas – so if you have any input that you would like to give, please contact Elaine (813654).

Our 'Little Saints' service for families with young children, held on 5th July, was a pets' service – and was extremely well attended.

And finally, we offer a variety of service to meet all worship requirements and styles as shown on the previous page.

We would love to see you at any of our services – and more information can be found on our website: <http://www.allsaintsharbury.org/>. For those of you who are unable to get to church but would like to listen to the sermons, these are now recorded and can be accessed via <http://www.allsaintsharbury.org/podcasts.php>



Mothers' Union

Gillian Hare



Our month started, on arguably the hottest day of the summer, with a visit to St Mark's, Bilton. The coolness of the building was matched by the warmth of the welcome by members of their M.U. We were given an interesting tour of the church with many historical details, then tea and a wander round the churchyard. It was particularly relevant to see their memorial garden, as we now have the plans for ours at All Saints.

This was followed by our coffee morning which raised £127 for M.U. projects and will be given as a thank you to the retiring diocesan President, Di Sliwinski. Thank you to everyone for their support.

We now anticipate our deanery tea party in the Tom Hauley Room on Thursday 6th August. If you haven't got a ticket, please contact Chris Rutherford (no charge, but to have an idea of numbers). If you need a lift ring Gillian on 614809.

And we start September with a service and tea to celebrate our 110 years anniversary (apologies for an error last month!). This will be at 2pm on 2nd September and a bit different, with thoughts on those early years and, we hope, the presence of some old friends.

All are welcome.

Gillian Hare

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AUGUST

Sat 1 Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Sun 2 Trinity IX

Family Communion, 10.30am followed by refreshments

Tues 4 Photography Club walkabout in Leamington Spa, meeting up at The Shakespeare, Harbury afterwards

Wed 5 Table Tennis, 7.00-8.00pm, Village Hall

Sun 9 Trinity X

Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am

Wed 12 Table Tennis, 7.00-8.00pm, Village Hall

Sat 15 Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall

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Sun 16 Trinity XI

Holy Communion (BCP), 9.00am

Wed 19 Table Tennis, 7.00-8.00pm, Village Hall

Sat 22 House Clearance Sale, 10.00am-5.00pm at Sarah's Cottage
Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Sun 23 Trinity XII

Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am

House Clearance Sale, 11.00am-4.00pm at Sarah's Cottage

Wed 26 Table Tennis, 7.00-8.00pm, Village Hall

Thurs 27 ARTICLES FOR NEXT ISSUE TO: HARBURY PHARMACY,
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Sat 29 Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Sun 30 Trinity XIII

Holy Communion (spoken), 9.00am

SEPTEMBER

Wed 2 Table Tennis, 7.00-8.00pm, Village Hall

Fri 4 Film Night, Doors Open 7.00pm, Village Hall

Sat 5 Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Sun 6 Trinity XIV

Family Communion, 10.30am followed by refreshments

Tues 8 Photography Club, 7.30pm, Village Hall

Wed 9 Table Tennis, 7.00-8.00pm, Village Hall

Sat 12 Heritage Open Day, 10.00am-4.00pm at Ladbroke Church



Ladbroke Church News

Jackie West

It has been lovely to get to know our new Curate, Nickki Moon over the past few weeks and many thanks to Carol and Geoff for hosting a lunch recently so that a number of church regulars could spend more time with her. A few of us also had the opportunity to catch up with Rev Annie, our previous curate, when she returned to conduct a wedding at the end of July.

We are still reeling from the shock of discovering that lead on the north aisle roof was stolen during the night of Monday 13th July. Things would have been even worse was it not for Mark Teverson getting tarpaulin up over the missing roof within a few hours and more importantly before it rained into the organ, so we wish to say a huge thank you to Mark for his prompt help. We are not alone in being targeted by thieves nor in the fact that, even though marked with Smartwater and signs to this effect displayed, the insurers will only pay a small amount towards replacement. We are investigating if an alternative material might be used (subject to cost, technical aspects and the necessary approvals for a Grade 1 listed church).

We are already fund raising for other essential work on the building and now the target we need to reach is even higher. As a well known supermarket says "Every Little Helps" and this month I'd like to tell you about a way you can help us raise funds at no direct cost to yourself. As part of their social responsibility, many companies will make a small donation to charity when goods or services are bought on-line, at no additional cost to the purchaser. A number of local people are already signed up with Easy Fundraising in support of Ladbroke Millennium Green or other charities but if you haven't heard about the scheme it works like this. You need to register, saying which charity you wish your donations to go to and then each time you buy something online go to the seller's website via Easy Fundraising's site. When your purchase has gone through a small % or fixed donation goes to your nominated Charity.

To register:

- go to easyfundraising.org.uk and click support a good cause,
- search for and select Ladbroke Church (if it is us you want to support)
- then enter your details etc.

Unless you want to be bombarded with emails several times a week I suggest you tick that you do **NOT** want the helpful tips, offers and info. However something worth considering when asked, is the Reminder Toolbar which does just that - it reminds you in time when you forget to go through the Easy Fundraising website. It's very simple and I haven't found a downside yet apart

from it taking up a little space at the top of your screen, that's certainly less frustrating than discovering just after you have bought something or booked a holiday that you have missed a donation.

Obviously Easy Fundraising make some money out of this too and they will themselves give donations if you refer a friend, so once you've registered please tell others using the link on the website. Even if you do not buy things online yourself you can help Ladbroke Church raise funds by passing this information on to friends or relatives who do. Or, if you like the sound of this for another a good cause or charity that's not already listed and want to register that, please email ladbrokechurch89@btinternet.com or contact me first or because if a new cause registers from a link sent from our admin area Ladbroke Church could receive a significant donation.

Plans for the Heritage Open day events at Church on Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th September are progressing. If you would like to get involved over the weekend or occupy your summer visitors by testing out our graveyard discovery session before the main event, please contact; Jackie West or email discovery@ladbrokechurch.org.uk

From the Registers

Holy Baptism

5th July

Chloe Mae Dent

Marriage

25th July

Charlotte Todman and Tim Shipman

Flower Rota

9th & 16th August

Helen Morten

23rd & 30th August

Jenny Barrett

6th & 13th September

Kate Pickin



Ladbroke Parish Council

Jackie West

Once again I could not be present at the meeting, so what follows are highlights from the draft of the official minutes and feedback from one of the councillors. The full minutes by the parish clerk will go on the noticeboard by the pub and the village website ladbroke-pc.org.uk in due course. Nine members of the public attended.

Neighbourhood Watch - Approx 200 items were marked at the property marking session in Ladbroke on 6th July and signs to say that property in the village is marked have been placed alongside Neighbourhood Watch signs.

Defibrillator - British Heart Foundation offer a grant of £400 but only if the box is unlocked.

Neighbourhood Plan - Councillor Williams explained that a Neighbourhood Plan sets out the community's prospects for the future and has to be adopted by 50% of the residents. It denotes where development can take place in the village with the areas identified by holding a referendum. Although in some ways similar to a Parish Plan (our PP is dated 2010) a Neighbourhood Plan has to be driven by a diverse group of residents rather than the Parish Council, so if we want one it's down to us to get involved.

Planning - David Rose talked about his planning application for a house in the part of the spinney on the land south of School Lane, which has raised a lot of interest and a number of concerns from other residents. He stated that he wasn't going to fall out with people if it doesn't go ahead. There was considerable discussion between the councillors and David, with most members of the public in listening mode. The Parish Council will object on grounds that the application did not recognise two previous appeals and rejection of proposed development in the 1980s and that the flooding assessment had not evaluated the 2007 floods nor improvements to Ladbroke Hall drainage. Also mindful of comments already sent in by villagers, they will comment on it being "out of character" with other buildings within Ladbroke and the need for evergreen boundaries that maintain the openness and visual aspect of the spinney.

Regarding other planning matters, approval had been granted by SDC for the planned extension at Meadow View, the change of use of an agricultural building to residential dwelling at Rectory Farm, the changes to the planned extension at Bell View Cottage and the fence screening at 9 Hedges Close.

Highways & Footpaths - The hedge on Harbury Road from the Bishops Itchington turn to Deppers Bridge needs to cut back. Visibility is restricted on leaving the road to Bishops Itchington and cars heading to Deppers drive in the middle of the road to avoid damage to their vehicles. There is also a big rut on the other side of the road in this area.

To help keep footpaths clear the Ramblers Association has set a website "The Big Pathwatch" where blocked footpaths may be reported.

A flyer will be distributed to try to reduce speeding in the Hedges Close/Windmill Lane/The Barns area.

Flooding - Five homes have had property level protection assessments, feedback is expected in September and then there will a further visit from a retail agent for a quote on how to improve things.

Village Hall and Millennium Green - Iolanthe had been very successful and the next event will be a film night on 4th September. Plans are underway to replace the main roof of the Village Hall and include a lot of insulation.

HS2 - The Select Committee is now hearing Buckinghamshire's petitions and then it will be the London Boroughs; they expect to finish around Christmas. Additional provisions and supplementary environmental statements, incorporating decisions to date, are being issued (*Editors' note: documents for our area were issued 17th July and are open for consultation/petition until 28th August*).

WCC - Local primary schools can meet the predicted demand based on planning applications granted to date but Southam College has been forced to admit 323 pupils this September when realistically it can only accept up to 270. Subject to a WCC cabinet decision on 16th July to grant another £1 million for improvement, extended facilities will be built during the summer holidays. It is an excellent school in danger of being spoilt by its own success. A consultation is taking place about paying for school transport for pupils who elect not to go to their closest school which may affect pupils gaining places at Grammar Schools in Rugby or Stratford.

The Government's devolution agenda will affect local government. The three options for Warwickshire are being discussed:

1. Join in with a greater Birmingham Authority and Coventry and Solihull; not a popular idea and possibly a last resort,
2. Form a separate authority with Coventry and possibly Solihull; this requires all districts to agree; Coventry want it,
3. Create a joined up agreement with surrounding shire authorities i.e. Worcestershire, Staffordshire, Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire and Leicestershire. This would be a complex but workable solution, if all round agreement could be reached.

Next meeting – 16th September

	<p>Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge Women's Institute</p>	<p>Carol Lane</p>
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Another good turnout for W.I. on Thursday 23rd July with visitors from Wales, Glastonbury – and Southam!

Geoff and Joan Todd, in their Pearly King and Queen outfits, took us through the beginnings of their love for street organs whilst holidaying in France, the process of buying one for themselves and the fun they have had playing at festivals mainly in France but also in other European countries as well as Britain. Street organs and music are still made and they purchased the 21 note hand turned Trueman organ in 1990.



Interspersed with the narration was Geoff 'grinding' the organ to produce toe tapping tunes like Sailor's hornpipe. Then Joan led us all in well known sing-along songs finishing with the Okey Cokey! Geoff and Joan had developed many of these performances to show typical English tunes and dances to festival goers on the continent. They can be seen in their costumes with some

of the hundreds of buttons which Joan sewed on over many weekends.

They live in Deddington and can be contacted on 01869 338532.

Sue Moore took the business meeting in Dianne's absence.

The minibus will collect members for the trip to Adam's Farm on Tuesday 11th August in Wood Street Car Park at 11 o'clock and outside Ladbroke Village Hall at 11.10am. There are cafés and restaurants or a packed lunch can be taken.

The Micron Theatre will present their comedy written especially for the WI centenary at The Two Boats in Long Itchington on Wednesday 19th August at 7.30pm. Tickets are not necessary.

The next WI Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 19th September. There will not be a meeting before then so please be ready to come and help, with donations of cakes (wrapped and labelled with any allergens), bric-a-brac, books and raffle prizes.

Please note that the meetings will be on the first Thursday in the month from January 2016.

The next meeting will be on Thursday 24th September when Val Brodie will talk about her experiences in the VAD (Voluntary Aid Detachment) entitled 'Bandages and Fresh Air'.

Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge W.I. - Centenary Celebrations

I was lucky enough to be picked from our draw to attend the WI Centenary celebrations at Buckingham Palace. I went off on a rather miserable day weatherwise, but when we were all on the coach and on our way all the ladies were very upbeat and looking forward to a great day. We weren't disappointed, when we arrived it seemed that the whole area surrounding the Palace was awash with ladies, all dressed in their finery and holding onto their hats! It was amazing; I'm not sure what other tourists made of it,

they were certainly bemused. We entered the Palace through the front entrance, going up through the arch into the courtyard, now knowing just what visiting dignitaries felt like. We walked through the Palace onto the terrace and down into the gardens. The refreshment marquees were positioned all along one side with tables and chairs nearby, it was all beautifully laid out with plenty of staff on hand to help, if needed. The display of food for our afternoon tea was to be seen to be believed. It was so perfect and all in miniature, what a pity we couldn't photograph it because no description would be good enough. It was a shame the display was spoilt by us eating it - but it tasted as good as it looked. The Royal party came with a very regal guard of honour and proceeded down the centre of the lawn, all adding to the atmosphere of the day and highlighting just why we were there and what we were celebrating. There really isn't any way you could adequately describe this event, there were more ladies in one place than you were ever likely to see, it was just amazing and they all looked fabulous, they had obviously gone to so much trouble to look their best - and the hats, well these were to "die" for, I have never seen such a wonderful array, it put Ascot in the shade. The most memorable part of the day for me however was the wonderful ladies I met. Mary my companion for the day from Budbrook WI and I met ladies from all over the country, everyone was so friendly, by the time we parted it was as though we had known each other for years. On looking back, the atmosphere and sense of occasion couldn't be described, it was an honour to go and be part of something that may never happen again, it was certainly a one-off and everyone involved in organising that day should be congratulated - it was one I won't forget. Thank you.

Joan Perry



Ladbroke Matters

David Wright

The Ladbroke Matters team is responsible for the upkeep of the Village Hall and Millennium Green. To help with this we organise regular fundraising events so that we can continue to offer both of these resources for the benefit of our community.



Our *Iolanthe from Scratch* was well attended and lots of fun. See the separate review on page 16 for more details.

Our next Village Hall film and supper night will be on **Friday 4th September**. We will let you know which film we will be screening nearer the time, but please put the date in your diary now.



Also coming up later this year we have a quiz night planned for **Saturday 17th October** (not the 10th as erroneously reported last month), and a Christmas extravaganza for December.

Copies of our 2015 information leaflet and event programme are available at *The Bell* pub. If you would like to join our team, have any suggestions for future events, or any other comments please contact us (details are in our leaflet and on the Ladbroke website).

Ladbroke Village Hall Millennium Club

£50 Malcolm Wray

£50 Pete Edgar

£25 Lara Kelly

£25 Susan Moore

£25 Clive Coleman

£10 Paul Taylor

£10 Brian Whitehouse

£10 Derek and Colette Batty

£10 Pat Kennedy

£10 Mary Coley

Margaret Bosworth



Ladbroke Photography Club

Kip Warr

'Take a different perspective'; this may often be good advice in life but on this occasion it was the subject of our competition. It certainly stimulated the imagination. We were treated to a giddy view down a Shanghai hotel at one extreme to a letterbox-eye view of the postman delivering letters at the other. In between there were the Vatican stairs, the London Eye, Liverpool Library and cars in the Gaydon museum - all at unusual angles.



London Eye by Sally Simmons



I think that we all face these competition topics with trepidation (in October it will be 'Hidden faces' - what?) and then the ideas begin to form. When the competition day comes we have tables covered with prints showing what an imaginative lot we can be when we try!

Summer Fruit by Kip Warr

July was also the also the time for our annual summer get together, kindly hosted by the Wests, with Simon manning the barbecue. Once again we were able to enjoy their garden as the weather stayed just warm enough for us to sit outside. Jackie rightly pointed out that it would be someone else's turn to be host next year.

During August we shall be outside for two events. On the 4th our cameras will be pointed at the fine wrought ironwork in Leamington. Then, on the 16th, we shall go to Hatton Locks in the morning and on to Baddesley Clinton for lunch and the afternoon. On 8th September we shall be back in the village hall in Ladbroke for a talk by London Camera Exchange and to select photographs for our next calendar. Visitors will be welcome - for more information about the club and our programme see our website (tinyurl.com/ladbrokephoto) or contact jackieszzone-photogclub@yahoo.co.uk



'Iolanthe From Scratch' – An Eyewitness Account



About 60 of us congregated in Ladbroke Village Hall one Friday evening last month to experience 'Iolanthe from Scratch'. Upon arrival, after each person was given a score book, we were immediately transported back 150 years to a Golden Victorian Age (*hence the rather quaint narrative from this point on....*).

The proceedings commenced with the gentlemen being invited to sit on the left-hand side of the hall, and the ladies on the right-hand side. It was soon discovered that the gentlemen were rather outnumbered!

Mr. Bill Bosworth, our choirmaster and MC for the evening, elucidated that 'Iolanthe' was one of Messrs. Gilbert & Sullivan's earlier works and was a satirical interpretation of the workings of parliament in mid-Victorian Britain. He then designated the gentlemen in the audience to be Peers of the Realm;

the ladies were assigned the role of fairies; and we were instructed to sing in our appropriate places of the score. After a rehearsal, mainly of the peers and fairies, we all partook in a flavoursome supper before performing the grand opus in its entirety.

Overall, the main performance was hugely enjoyable, hilarious in places, and even those Peers and fairies who considered themselves non-singers gave a creditable account of themselves. The soloists on the stage playing the main character roles were in excellent voice, and their exceptional and amusing acting capabilities were appreciated by one and all.

So huge thanks to Mr and Mrs Bill Bosworth who worked exceedingly hard in making the evening so successful, and providing such first-class entertainment. Thanks too to the gifted village ladies who prepared the tasty repast; the ingenious gentlemen who installed the wondrous electric public address system just in time for the event...

...but chiefly THE AUDIENCE!

Tan-tan-tara, tzing boom!

David Wright

House Clearance Sale

There will be a house clearance sale at Sarah's Cottage, Bridge Lane, Ladbroke on Saturday 22nd August, 10am - 5pm and Sunday 23rd August 11am - 4pm (unless everything has gone sooner).

All proceeds in aid of Ladbroke Church. For more information phone 810037 or 812234.

Keith Archer & Betty Winkfield



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

June 2015

A canny man is our Chairman Tim Lockley. He sees trouble coming and has the nous to deal with it. In this case deflecting criticism of the Parish Council's failure to comment on several recent contentious planning applications, by getting approval for all Councillors, rather than just the Planning Working Party, to be responsible for assessing plans. As Councillor Thornley pointed out, the public complained about the practice and it was more robust if the whole Council studied plans. Any Parish Council concerns trigger

consideration by the District Planning Committee and this allows objectors to put their case in person.

Planning applications come in relentlessly – thirteen this month for the Parish Council to consider; plus four which Stratford District Council granted; one Appeal upheld and another in progress. Under their old system the Parish Council made “No Representation” on a Replacement Dwelling at Stapenhall Farm, Deppers Bridge; extensions at 11 Neales Close and Honiwell Close; removal of a Cypress at the Shakespeare and a Lawful Development Certificate (regularising tipping of commercial waste at Walworth Farm for which there was no previously permission). They added a comment to this on the need to prevent contamination of Bishop’s Bowl Lakes.

There were also “No Representations” on internal works at Western House, Station Road; exterior insulation at 14, 16 and 17 Pineham Avenue and extensions at No 25. Plans as part of the transformation to two storeys of a Bungalow at 11 Constance Drive also got “No Representation” despite Councillor Summers aversion to them. The amendments to the Hillside Plans, which show the large open market sale houses reduced in height by 1 metre, seemed to meet with general approval but the three storey terrace town-houses at a reduction of only 45cms were still unacceptable so an objection was made.

The previously approved plans for 200 homes at the Cement Works has a S106 Agreement promising funding and a site for a new surgery for Bishops Itchington but the NHS failure to support this could mean the money going towards extension of facilities in Harbury! Parish Councillors were appalled at the lack of “joined up thinking” in the NHS.

The Parish Council is to have a Facebook page on which they can highlight current planning applications.

Councillor Summers gave colleagues an ambitious timetable for the Neighbourhood Plan; a meeting with the consultant in early July; community consultation in early autumn and the referendum in the New Year.

Bascote asked for support in their opposition to a solar farm planned between the railway and canal on the road to Long Itchington. Councillor Ekins, who looks after Deppers Bridge which successfully fought off similar plans, offered his help.

The new Chair of Bishops Parish Council was present to maintain links with Harbury now they no longer shared a District Councillor, although they do have the same Clerk!

Playing Fields

As no grant aid was forthcoming, money from the reserves would be committed to replacing the bark pit with a better safety surface, but the playing fields may have to be closed for safety reasons whilst the work is done.

The ground is eroded under the zipwire, and in other places uneven due to moles! The dog fouling notices are in place. The car park lights are leaning. This year the Carnival and Fair caused less damage to the fields. The Chairman suggested giving the Carnival the fee the Fair paid for use of the fields. Councillor Summers was not in favour but colleagues explained that the Carnival gave grants to village organisations out of its profits, and this year had been very wet!

Cemetery and Maintenance

The new rules for the Cemetery were approved. There was long discussion on the merits of paying extra for a fire proof safe for the burial records books. Eventually this was agreed on condition that the books would fit inside it!

Pat Summers is setting up a friends of Harbury Cemetery to meet on the first Thursday in the month to clear brambles and overgrown graves. The Parish's contractor just mows the grass. Councillors Thompson and Mancell were investigating the practicalities of removing spoil from the perimeter to make more space for burials. Colin Sheasby has been asked to inspect the copper beech and to cut and lay the final length of the allotment hedge.

The Council's contractor will be asked to mow the verge on Bush Heath Lane alongside the new development.

Highways

In response to concerns about the congestion, safety problems and parking outside the School, the Chairman agreed to liaise with the Head and investigate potential funding from the County's Safer Routes to School initiative. The County and our MP seem to have shattered any hopes of safety improvements at the Bendigo/Mitchell Crossroads. Bishops Itchington asked Harbury Parish Council to lobby Jeremy Wright and Tim Lockley agreed to do this.

Centenary

New Parish Councillor Chris Gibb volunteered to look for funding for the cleaning of the War Memorial. There was no news of the grant application for erecting Blue Plaques to commemorate those villagers who fought in WW1.

Administration

The Council now has a Maladministration Policy. It spent a long time agonising over finances and insurance cover for Parish assets. Councillor Lewis's advice was that it was not worth insuring the street lights. As the Chairman remarked damage was a one in ten year event and the premium would be more than their value. In any case the last one was knocked down by the Biffa lorry and they paid for the damage caused. It was agreed instead to set aside the savings just in case an unidentified vehicle was involved next time.

Next Meeting: 23rd July 7.30pm in Village Hall.



Harbury Women's Institute

Jeanne Beaumont

July wasn't a bad month and we were able to enjoy some outside events.

We look forward to our Garden Party in the Farley Room, Village Hall on Monday 10th August, 7-10pm.

The Group outing to Sudeley Castle is on Wednesday, 2nd September leaving the Bowling Green at 9.15am.

Then of course there is the Harbury Village Show on Saturday 12th September. We hope for support this year as there is a super committee who are keeping the show going. We are hoping that lots of children enter this year. More next month.

The speaker this month was Annabel Jones, a hypnotherapist from Leamington Spa. She started out as a councillor, became disillusioned and so went into business for a while, then decided to train as a hypnotherapist. She went to a training school in Stratford and has been a practising hypnotherapist for four years.

She treats mostly anxiety problems and phobias and ended her talk by giving us relaxing exercises.

There is no W.I meeting in August.



Folk Club

Ted Crum

2nd July 2015

Folk clubs can tend to be activities favoured more during the winter months. During the summer, we often find that the numbers of audience and performers diminish as people take holidays, spend evenings in the garden burning sausages, or just don't particularly fancy sitting in a hot room on a hot evening. This analysis might explain why quite a few of the usual suspects were missing from last evening's event, but does nothing to explain why we were treated to such a very special night of music, humour and quality performance. I've been a regular for nearly eight years now, but I don't recall a night that sparkled like this one did.

I'm not going to follow my usual habit of listing all the songs, but I am going to pay tribute to each of the performers and mention a few of the high spots in an evening of unremittingly high quality. Sue and I were the ringmasters. Janny Freeman and Maureen Darby were, as always, beautifully together, their harmonies and the blend of their voices being exemplary as usual. Rik Middleton paid tribute to the late Jean Richie accompanying his singing

by playing his Appalachian dulcimer. Sue Harris sang with heart and passion, and late in the evening produced a beautifully delivered rendition of a Bernard Miles monologue. Peter McDonald, Harbury's resident multi-instrumentalist and music supremo surprised even himself late in the evening by treating we elderly folkies to a time-trip back to the sixties in the shape of a super performance of Davy Graham's iconic guitar show-piece Angie. Martin Day possesses what is often known as "personality". He wielded his uke to great effect, as well as delivering one of Les Barker's excellent monologues. Des Patalong was his usual polished professional self, and Keith Donnelly was his usual polished professional self too. Ian and Sue Hartland showed why they are in such demand at festivals and clubs. Even the beer was excellent!

It might sound a bit smug to say this, but if there's a better folk club within 20 miles, I've not yet been to it. Fabulous evening which left your scribe feeling that things happen sometimes which really do cheer you up.



Harbury Twinning Association

Andrew Patrick

Here's what the fireworks looked like on 14th July.

(No, they're not from our Bastille Night dinner at the Gamecock, but ours were nearly as good!)



No official Twinning activities in August (but plenty of unofficial ones).

Our next event will be a pétanque-and-barbecue afternoon at the Village Club on **Sunday 6th September** from 2 - 6 pm.

If you're not a member but you'd like to join us, please contact me or Sally (s47stringer@gmail.com). We'd love to see you there.

Have a nice summer!

Andrew Patrick - (614359 / andrewpharbury@gmail.com)





1st Harbury Guides

Nicky, Lisa, Claire, Rachel & Teresa

It's been a really busy year in Guides.

We are proud to tell you that in December Rebecca gained her Baden Powell Award (our third) and she is our youngest Guide so far to have completed the challenge.



In January we completed our first ever Winter Camp challenge and as well as this, we've had our Summer Camp at Youlbury Activity Centre near Oxford, had a Film Lovers Badge Sleepover at Eathorpe Village Hall, completed our Animal Active Badge at Twycross Zoo, spent a Girlguiding Day at Drayton Manor Theme Park and in February taken part in a very wet and cold District Thinking Day Walk across the fields to Chesterton and back. Then, if that wasn't enough our swimming team won the Guide relay cup at the Leamington Division Swimming Gala defending our title for the third consecutive year.

Our final session was a brilliant scavenger hunt at Burton Dassett Hills Country Park (organised by Lisa and Claire). The weather was perfect and we were joined by our new Guides due to start in September, but the evening was tinged with sadness as we said a fond farewell to our oldest Guides (Chloe, Eleanor, Eve, Rosie, Rebekah and Sophie). They have spent four years with us and we'll miss them but we wish them all well as they move onto new challenges.

1st Harbury Guides is open to all girls aged 10 – 14 years. We meet every Monday evening from 7.15pm – 8.45pm, so if you want some fun and fancy trying a session, please feel free to ring Nicky Kirk (Leader – 01926 614316); we'd love to see you.



Harbury Tennis Club

Colin and Sue Mercer

www.tennis-today.net/harbury

I am delighted to announce that from September our coaching provider will be COOLSPORTZ, based in Warwick and run by brother and sister Neil Supperstone and Lianne Candappa. They offer a number of sports activities but primarily tennis for children and adults, and currently run tennis and sports programmes at five tennis clubs - Henley in Arden, Warwick,

Studley, Claverdon and Rowington. For more information about them, go to their website at www.coolsportz.co.uk

Lianne will initially be the lead coach for the Junior programme and the Club is really looking forward to working with her. She is a very experienced Level 4 coach and represented Great Britain as a junior and reached the top four in GB under 16 and number one in England, growing up and training with Andy and Jamie Murray. She runs the Warwickshire Under 10 Girls' County Cup Team and has recently been on a workshop run by Judy Murray on "Miss-Hits", a new LTA initiative to attract young girls into tennis. Lianne is currently working up details of the programme Coolsportz will be offering at Harbury. In the meantime if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Only two matches were played in the Banbury league, which was quite handy as it freed up time for watching Wimbledon and the Davis Cup! Both matches were against Deddington C, the first one at their courts where regulars Caroline Morland, Steve Stark, and Colin Mercer were joined by Helen Cooper, Jen Allen, and Nigel Eaton, who were making their club debuts for the club. It was a close fought match with Deddington just edging it for an overall 6-3 win. In the return match "squad rotation" was applied and Caroline, Helen and Colin were joined by Debs Brookes, Geoff Prince and Josh Marshall. There were some very close rubbers, including two tiebreaks, but Harbury gained revenge with a 7-2 win. The win means Harbury occupy second place in the league, but as only 7 points separate the top 4 clubs, there may well be plenty of changes during the last month of the season.



Harbury Toddler Group

Lynne Barton

Class of 2015

Tom Tom
 Photographic, our local amateur photographer, took this picture of the children who make up our wonderful class of 2015. We have had copies printed and presented them to each family as a little keepsake of their child's time at Toddlers. Precious memories.



We feel very privileged to be a small part of your family life – thank you for sharing your children with us each Monday morning. We say a fond farewell to Mya who is transferring to the ‘big’ group at Pre-School in September she will be much missed but we know she will love it.

We had our final session at Henry’s Castle, Stratford Armouries, the weather wasn’t kind but we were all able to enjoy the soft play experience and the children had a grand time tackling the large slide with a flourish Some of us nannies however needed a bit of a rest after such excitement. It was lovely to have three fathers and three granddads joining us for the session as the summer holidays begin in earnest. Happy holidays whatever you are doing. 😊

Toddlers formally opens its doors to welcome people back on **Monday 7th September**.

As a taste of what’s in store, Love Ballet.Com will be leading a dance session in September and October, and Deb Dutton from Southam Children’s Centre will be bringing us some art experiences.

I know that some parents will be meeting up in the village so the children can play together during the rather long seven week break this year. Check out Entrust Care Partnership’s and Toddler Facebook pages and emails, please do share dates when you hear of them.

Emma and I will be attempting to tidy up the Toddler side of the storage shed, purchasing additional boxes to aid access to toys, good quality toy donations always welcome.

We are based at the Wight School, High Street, Harbury, CV33 9HW (brown gate to the side) and meet at 9.30am saying bye bye at 11.15m. Please come along the kettle’s on.

Thinking of coming along or need more information - please do ring Lynne on 01926 612748 or email lynnebarton@btinternet.com



Well, what a busy time we have had at Pre-School during the last three weeks of the summer term!

Role Play: A stage was erected in the role play area and the children had a wonderful time dressing up and performing to their friends. There was acting, playing of musical instruments as well as singing, with some superb dancing from Lara and Ruby.

Outdoor Classroom: Making the most of the fine weather, the children were able to spend a good deal of time outdoors



during July, There was water play, including washing tables, equipment and toys and then using the water on the garden areas. A special sand pit was made, and the children removed their shoes and socks so that they could pretend they were on the beach.

Gardening: There was weeding and watering to be done in the garden areas and the children were delighted to be able to harvest the potatoes that had been planted in the spring.



Information Technology: Using the CD player, the children independently played a sound lotto game, identifying the sounds played on the CD and matching them with the pictures on their cards.

Teddy Bears' Picnic: The sun shone, eventually, and the annual Pre-School Teddy Bears' Picnic was held in Harbury Park. Pre-School children, their families and the staff enjoyed a lovely morning of games and a picnic with their teddy bears and, towards the end, everyone got involved in the games with the parachute.



Farewell to Children – We have now said very sad farewells to our twenty older children who will be starting at Primary School in September. However, they are now confident individuals who we are sure will enjoy their new adventure and we wish them well. We now look forward to welcoming the younger children back to Pre-School on Tuesday 8th September, together with lots of new starters during next term.

Farewell to Helen – We are also sad to be saying farewell to Helen who is moving on to new horizons. We wish her well for the future.

And Finally We would like to say a huge “Thank You” to all the parents for their wonderful words of thanks, cards and gifts to all the staff.

If you would like further information, or to register a child for Harbury Pre-School, please contact Rosemary Jackson, Pre-School administrator: e-mail enquiries@harburypre-school.org.uk text 07907 598461 or look at the web site www.harburypre-school.org



Harbury Primary School P.T.A.

PTA Committee

The weather has been really kind to us for all the recent PTA events. We provided refreshments at the School Sports Day on 3rd July and much needed shade for the spectators. All the children at school were also given a free ice pop at the end of the day courtesy of the PTA.

The annual Summer Fayre on 4th July was a great success with good attendance levels and takings of over £2000. We were treated to music from the steel pans under the guidance of Diana Hancox and Harbury School Choir with Miss Bunce. Thank you to all the school children who took part in providing the entertainment.



The school fayre takes a lot of organising so a huge thanks to the planning committee Katharine, Julie, Wendy, Carolyn and Pamela. The stalls are run by parents, teachers or children at school, so massive thanks go to the 70+ individuals who were involved. A special mention for Mr Batchelor who

subjected himself to the stocks for most of the fayre which was a new game this year.

Parents were also very generous donating items for our raffle; jam jar and general tombola, wine game and sending in unwanted toys and books. Thank you as well to our team of bakers who produced a wonderful array of cakes for our café.



We must also thank several local businesses for their donations which really helped to keep our costs down. Thank you to Mugleston's for providing the fruit for our human fruit machine game; to McDonalds (The Parade) Leamington Spa for donating the quarter pounders, cheese, ketchup and napkins and to

Morrison's Leamington Spa for donating all the rolls for the barbeque. Thanks as well to Carol Meredith for giving her charcoal BBQ to the school and to the Warner family for loaning and transporting their barbeque for us to use on the day. Finally big thanks to CANA for their donation of wine for our lucky wine game and for running the bar at the fayre and their donation from the bar takings.

As we come to the end of another academic year, the last focus by the PTA is our Year 6 children who are leaving to start secondary school. For the second year some wonderful Leavers Books have been produced which the PTA pays for and they are presented to Year 6 at their last assembly. The PTA has also funded and run the Leavers BBQ which is always a nice send-off to the Year 6 children. We wish them all every success in secondary school and beyond.

To those children that are returning in September, we hope everyone has a lovely holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday 8th September.

Dates for the Diary

Coffee Morning – 12th September 10am-12pm Tom Hauley Room.

Sponsored Walk – 2nd October

Thursday Market – 15th October

Quiz Night – 13th November



Village Hall Update

Chris Finch

It is doubtful that anyone either driving or walking along South Parade recently has failed to notice that the extension roof is already part way there. The rafters have been fitted; the felt laid and by the time this magazine is delivered, it is likely that most of the tiles will have been put in place. Although it's easy to judge progress just by the external appearance of the extension, there has been an equally impressive development inside the shell, which has the layout for the stage, separate changing rooms and separate facilities for visiting referees and officials already built.



After the roof has been completed, the 'first fix' electricity and plumbing will be installed, followed by some plastering. All of these stages will need to be completed before there is the breakthrough into the existing hall, which is anticipated to take place in mid September before the 'second fix' electrical and plumbing installations take place and the walls are finally skimmed and painted.

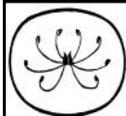


If the above account makes 'light work' of all the building processes which are needed, the reality is entirely different, as each stage presents its own challenge. It will all eventually come together and we will have a hall which will be 'fit for purpose' for the 21st Century; (something the committees identified was not the case when they started on the long road to obtaining all the necessary finance for the development).

Another significant improvement to the functioning of the hall is the addition of WiFi, which has been installed this week. All the regular hirers who might need access to this system will be provided with a changing code, so that it

will be an added benefit for those needing instant access during a meeting e.g. for the Parish Council meetings.

We do need help to satisfy the requirements of one of our major grant providers. They ask for a two minute video of the development. If anyone can help us with this we would be very grateful, either with expertise or equipment. Please ring Geoff Thorpe on 613801.



Horticultural Society

Judy Morrall

Our visit on 17th July to Trentham Gardens near Stoke on Trent was just magical. It only took 1 hour and 40 minutes to get there, thanks to our new driver Dave. (Martin who has driven us for a number of years has sadly left Cheney Coaches). Once again the weather was kind to us, warm with a pleasant breeze. After a refreshing drink and shortcake biscuit we set off for the Gardens via the shopping village... more of that later. When we were on the bridge by the entrance enjoying looking at the fish and ducks there was a splash of blue and a kingfisher flew under the bridge - what an amazing start to the day.

A lovely meandering walk through grasses and perennials, named on the guide as rivers of grass, with the occasional sculpture was superb. Then we reached the ruins of Trentham Hall which must have been remarkable in its day. A viewing platform over the Italian Gardens set the scene for the next part of our walk. These gardens are also stunning; too many plants to mention but the stately foxtail lilies were the star of the show for me. Then we walked all around the show gardens, the one with sounds was very inspiring. Children's gardens and wonderful vegetable gardens too. A pit stop for lunch at one of the many eating places in the shopping village then another walk.

There were boat trips around the lake but we ran out of time for this. A two mile walk around the lake was tackled by some of our group, we only managed about a third of this as we were too busy looking for fairies. No I am not going mad; these fairies were incredible pieces of art work made from wire and very life like, on benches, in trees and on all sorts of settings. A huge statue of Perseus and Medusa dominated the lakeside and some amazing almost lifelike sculptures of swans in flight were on the edge of the water. A very good display of David Austin roses still at their peak, was not to be missed. There is a Monkey Forest which, from the accounts of the members who visited it, was worth the walk via the lake. No time to walk through the wilderness wood but all that we saw and explored was a credit to the team of gardeners and to think it has only been restored over the last ten years.

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Harbury Garden Walkabout



and Scarecrows – June 2015



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Back to the shopping village prior to getting on the coach. The Portmeirion shop was just too good to pass by and my friend Fay and I both bought items. I collect the "Botanic Garden" design and was able to add to my collection. The handbag shop also had our custom as did a shop called Bedeck with some incredible offers on bed linen etc. Again a few more purchases. We had to borrow a shopping trolley to transport our shopping to the coach and once on the coach they were put in seats and had their own seatbelts on!!!!!! All in all it was a most enjoyable day out and everyone said that they had had a brilliant day plus once again an excellent journey back arriving at the Village Hall at 6.45pm.

Our next visit is on the evening of Tuesday 11th August to Sulgrave Manor. I have booked a guided tour of the gardens to be followed by tea and cakes. The tour costs £4.50 and refreshments £4.00 making a total of £8.50 to be paid on arrival. The tour is booked for 6.00pm and we will meet at 5.45pm. If you would like to join us you will be very welcome. I have a total of 16 at the moment and I have paid a deposit and estimated the number of visitors between 25 and 30 and I need to confirm numbers a few days before. If you need a lift or any other information please contact me on 613103 by 8th August. For those making their own way there I have given out details for the route etc to those who signed up on the coach. Here are the details..... Join M40 at Gaydon, exit at Junction 11 (Banbury), join A422 for a short while then turn on to the B4525 and follow the brown tourist signs. Park in the car park to arrive by 5.45pm. We did have an evening visit there many years ago but a conducted tour of the house only and since then the gardens have undergone a complete makeover so I am really looking forward to the visit. What could be nicer than a Summer evening and a great garden. I look forward to seeing you all then.

There are some very good gardens open in August under NGS, here are just a few. On Sunday 9th, Bridges Stone Mill at Alfrick Pound, WR6 5HR near to Worcester will be open from 2.00 to 5.30pm. It is the home of Sir Michael and Lady Perry and is 2½ acres with trees, shrubs, mixed beds and borders, small lake and brook. It is bounded by a mill stream with its own weir, teas are available and cost is £5. On Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th August there will be three gardens open at Offenham near Evesham, WR11 8QD including that of Adrian James who has given us so many wonderful talks and is visiting us again in the new season. Admission to all three is £4 and open between 11.00 and 5.00pm. Park in Village Hall car park and teas are available. Adrian is such a talented speaker and it would be nice to see his own garden. Then on Sunday 30th August there will be two gardens open in Marlbrook near Bromsgrove, B60 1DY between 1.30 and 5.30 admission is £5. These are two unique and stunning gardens with art displays in both and much more plus of course teas.

Closer to home don't forget what a treasure we have in Warwick at Hill Close Gardens which are open daily from 11.00 to 5.00pm. Entrance costs £3.50 per adult and there is always something to see and the wonderful views over the racecourse and beyond to enjoy. Ragley Hall near Alcester has some splendid gardens with again views over Warwickshire. Lots here to see and enjoy. For more information look at their website: www.ragley.co.uk. Also at Upton House and Gardens our gardens are looking just perfect at present with a 1940's theme of grow your in parts and of course the amazing borders. The bog garden as always is an adventure. We even have an Anderson shelter which echoes the theme for this year and next of The Country House Bank. Our volunteer gardeners are to be praised for their hard work as it is not easy gardening on such a steep slope. In August the house and gardens are open for seven days a week. I do hope that you can fit in a visit to any of these gardens; what better way to spend a Summer's day?

I will give more details of the Heritage Room being opened for us with lots of interesting information about the Horticultural Society and much more. I have arranged with Nigel for our visit to be in the evening of Tuesday 8th September.

Enjoy our lovely summer and I look forward to seeing some of you at Sulgrave Manor.



Nature Notes

John Hancock

On Friday 3rd July I was privileged to see a British butterfly which was a new sighting for me. I met a friend who lives near Chester and we cycled through the quiet rolling countryside of North Shropshire. There were lots of trees and occasional sandstone bluffs above the woods. We made our way to Prees Heath, a flat tract of acidic common land which had been a Second World War aerodrome. Luckily this had preserved it from the plough and now a large part is a nature reserve. This is the only place in the Midlands to see the Silver Studded Blue butterfly (*Plebejus argus*). Unfortunately this butterfly declined steeply in the 20th century as its habitat (lowland heath) was destroyed. It is relatively common still in the Hampshire basin which includes the heath lands of the New Forest. Surprisingly two areas of limestone support colonies of this butterfly, the Isle of Portland in Dorset and Great Orme Head on the North Wales coast.

Egg laying occurs on young heather or gorse towards the end of the insect's flight period stretching from the late June until midway through August. The tiny caterpillar stays within the egg until the following March. Upon hatching the grub feeds on a range of plants (Birds Foot Trefoil and Rock Rose on limestone sites and young gorse and heather shoots on heath land). Black ants of the species, *Lasius niger* tend the caterpillars and feed on their sticky

secretions. This continues through pupation when the ants have carried their 'prize' into their nest. After undergoing metamorphosis, the adult butterfly leaves the nest and continues its life cycle. Observers have noted ants guarding the insect at this stage, before it has inflated its wings and is able to fly, as that is the time it is most vulnerable to predation. For those wishing to visit Prees Heath the grid reference is OS sheet Explorer 241. SJ557 363

Closer to home, as mentioned in last month's Harbury and Ladbroke News, I was on the lookout for Pyramidal Orchids on the verge of Treens Hill. I found two flowers at the end of June but they were scythed down by a mower set the task of improving vision splays on the corner. Perhaps a quiet word with the Council is required. While cycling down to Bath over three glorious summer days in June, Sharon and I found a fair number of these distinctive flowers growing on the quieter roadside verges of South Gloucestershire as we approached Bristol. *Anacamptis pyramidalis* as its name suggests is shaped like a pyramid especially in its early stages. Like many orchids it lives in symbiosis being fed by a fungus via its roots and does not have any green leaves until it is about five years old. This is the real difficulty when trying to get such species to recolonise a seemingly suitable tract of land. Without the fungus no seeds will progress from germination. It is a largely invisible underground partnership which takes years to develop, facts which are only now really understood.

Celia Neill showed me a film taken on her camera of a Humming Bird Hawk moth feeding on Valerian in her garden. This moth is a frequent visitor from Southern Europe and North Africa. It flies during daytime and is unmistakable as it hovers, feeding from suitable pink flowers with its long proboscis. It has been regularly observed in Warwickshire from the 1940s and seems to be getting more common.

Lesley Jones tells me she has seen a Red Kite flying over the village and others have supported this sighting. I have yet to see any nearer than Oxfordshire but they seem to be spreading from their release site in the Chilterns. Alan and Betty Barr sent me a couple of wildlife photographs. One was a colourful green and yellow caterpillar with black markings. This proved to be a larva of the Rose Sawfly and therefore not a caterpillar at all. It is quite colourful being green and yellow with black markings. Take a look via Google and see for yourself. The insect is in the order Hymenoptera and related to bees, wasps and ants rather than butterflies and moths.

Now the country roads in many parts are bordered by Meadowsweet. I've tasted some local blackberries and there are a lot more ripening. It's high summer as we head towards harvest time.





General Section



Open Gardens

A big thank you to everyone who opened their gardens. They all looked lovely and the extra ones open were an added bonus.

Thanks also to Debbie Ellis for doing the publicity and to those who helped to sell programmes.

We had hoped for more visitors to the village but the miserable weather on Sunday morning probably influenced the turnout. Nevertheless we raised £950 and will publish details of its recipients when the final decision has been made.

In addition Senior Citizens, church funds and Myton Hospice will benefit from the proceedings from the refreshments - thanks to all those that kindly provided them.

Margaret Commons & Kathleen Ellis

Harbury Duke of Edinburgh Award Group

Places for the **Bronze** Duke of Edinburgh Award starting in Harbury in September are filling up fast! If you are 14 and going into Year 10 in September and want to be part of this group, please email me (ksampson@solidsolutions.co.uk) or register via our website (www.harburydofe.co.uk) which also gives you more information about the Duke of Edinburgh award.



Anybody interested in a place in our **Gold** Award group should email Nick Tawney [nicktawney@greenscheme.co.uk] and come along to the Tom Hauley room at 8.15pm on Monday 21st September. Our Silver group, pictured below just before they tackled Hay Bluff in the Black Mountains this July, will have just presented their aims for their qualifying expedition.

And some great news. We have recently learned that seven participants from the Harbury DofE Group will be receiving their Gold Award at St James' Palace in October – it's a brilliant achievement and we send our congratulations to all of them!

Kathy Sampson



Art Classes

September art classes begin on 28th September and will be held over 10 weeks. Classes are held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays in the studio at Church House. If you are a complete beginner, this is the best time to join.

Please contact Jan on 07746 871134 for further information.

Jan Freeman



Harbury Pre-School Fundraising Group

Friends of Pre-School Scheme

We are delighted to be receiving forms from people across the village. Thank you all so much for signing up to our scheme. Whether you have children in Pre-School now or have been connected with us previously it's great to have your support.

Forms can be found in the Library, Pre-School Reception, The Gamecock, The Old New Inn and The Crown Inn (thank you all). We hope to make them more widely available over the summer. Where there is a form, there is a big white box to pop it in! Please be assured that these are emptied regularly and the contents kept confidential.

If you haven't picked up your form yet we'd love you to donate £1 a month for a year. If we can get even 100 people signed up to the scheme it will mean Pre-School will get £1200 over the year. It would provide our biggest contribution to fund raising this year and is still much needed.

Barn Dance Update

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Barn Dance. We all agreed it was a brilliant night and raised more much needed funds for Pre-School.

Special thanks go to Cana for providing a fab bar, Rumble-O for their super music and dance calling, Mugleston's and Cana for selling tickets for us and Chesterton Hill Farm for the loan of the hay bales.

Belated Carnival Thanks!

Thank you to Chesterton Hill Farm for providing us with a float this year. They were kind enough to let us use their barn to decorate and store it in before the big day and then to pull it along with their tractor. You are very good to us each year and we appreciate it.

Save the Date

This brings us to the end of an academic year! We are signing off over the summer but will continue our efforts in September. Here are some dates for your diaries of the activities planned then:

Coffee Morning – 14th November 2015

Christmas Market – 13th December 2015

Ladies Pamper Night – 11th February 2016

Coffee Morning – 5th March 2016

Carnival BBQ – 11th June 2016

Family Party – July 2016

Friends of Pre-School Scheme – All year ☺

We wish you a very happy, healthy and sunny summer, and thank you for your generosity and support this year.

Julie Balch



Harbury Library & Biblios Café

Extraordinary General Meeting

There will be an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Library on Tuesday 1st September at 7pm in the Library to discuss the future of the organisation.

Tim Lockley

Café Session for Those with a Dementia Diagnosis and their Carers

We are intending to run a regular afternoon café session in Harbury Village Library with hot drinks, cakes and suitable activities for local people who have been diagnosed with dementia and their carers.

We hope that this will provide a supportive and friendly environment in which those living with this condition can meet others and share concerns – as well as relaxing and having a good time! We plan to have our first session on Wednesday 21st October, and thereafter on the third Wednesday of the month from 2-4 p.m. Before this, though, we need to find a number of willing volunteers to help out with meeting and greeting, chatting and helping with activities. No experience of working with people with dementia will be required: just a cheerful and enthusiastic demeanour.

So this is an early alert to ask you to think about whether you would be able to help, or to make a note of the date if you wish to attend the café. More details will be in next month's Harbury and Ladbroke News, but in the meantime you can contact either of us at the addresses below with questions or offers of help. We look forward to hearing from you.

Jill Baker – jillbaker2015@outlook.com
Janice Montague – janellmont@gmail.com



Village Show

As 12th September draws nearer, we hope everyone has looked at a schedule and decided which classes to enter. We have some new judges this year and are sure you will impress them.

We would be very grateful for tombola prizes and offers of manual labour help on Friday evening and early Saturday morning and – even more appreciated – to put everything back afterwards. Please ring me on 614809 if you could fill any of these slots.

And we are delighted to announce that the awards will be presented by this year's Spirit of Harbury nominees – Sharon and John Hancock.

Gillian Hare



Harbury Energy Initiative

A sunny story

Is anyone else in the village applying to the M&S Energy fund competition? Judging by the number of people sending me the link, many clearly thought I should...so I have. It has to be a renewables project that benefits the community, so HEI has lifted its eyes to the roof of the Wight School, sheltered under which the Library, Biblio's cafe and Pre-School nestle side by side drawing their energy from the grid. We would like to change this and see if we can't win the money to give them solar power for part at least of their needs and for the electric cars to be even greener in use.

This is a competition, which means tricky rounds to negotiate and, because Energyshare is involved, means online voting (they seem to like that). If we get through the initial selection, please don't desert us! We will need votes to prove that the community is supporting the proposal. Do let us know what you think about this idea either by email to me or on Facebook Harbury News group pages. HEI and the library team will let you know how and when to vote if we get through round one.

E-Cars

With this issue you will find a simple flyer reminding you about the Electric Car Club. Please do get in touch if you have any questions. People have been joining but there is plenty of capacity for yet more users. Some people have been hesitant about joining or have yet to use their free hours. To address this we held a demo/workshop on 23rd July, which was well attended. We discussed with E-Car staff one or two issues we felt were causing hesitancy or might be unclear to potential members. Just in case you have been thinking about joining but have some concerns or are part way through joining but haven't yet completed, here are some of the reassurances E-Car has given us:

The video instructions for first time users do not quite match the cars we have here.

E-Car: We will bring a video recorder to the workshop and will film a bespoke video.

What if I turn up and the car is damaged? Will the previous driver get the blame?

E-Car: Unless it's blatantly obvious that the accident was caused when the car was in motion, we would never come after a member for damage. We accept that car-park damage is entirely expectable. More to the point, our vehicles have shock sensors which timestamp collisions, so we know.

The insurance excess seems quite high and we weren't expecting to have to make it part of the Direct Debit mandate from reading the joining process.

E-Car: Once we switch over to Europcar's insurance (Europcar is now a major stakeholder in E-Car Club) we should be able to offer excess reduction. In the meantime, do you have any suggestions about how we can make this clearer?

If this latter point has been one that has concerned you, let us know any ideas you may have as to how to mitigate it as an issue. It is entirely normal to have an excess for insurance cover and E-Car don't charge users for anything they haven't incurred. They will always tell you what charges they are applying every month before drawing anything down. Nevertheless it may still be a concern for some. We would rather it wasn't!

Aspects of solar energy

South-facing roofs have for many years been thought to be the only really viable option for generating electricity from photovoltaic solar panels. A house with a pitched roof facing east and west, however, also has good potential. Such a roof may miss out on midday sun but the critical factors are light levels and temperature. A cold sunny day is best and east/west facing panels will generate almost as much electricity as a south-facing roof. Just thought you would like to know.

**Bob Sherman - Tel: 612277
email:shermanbob55@gmail.com**



Harbury Heritage Room

It was suggested that it might be a good idea to do an article about pubs this month, as there are so many changes happening at the moment. Looking through the censuses (censi?) and the trade directories, it is surprising how stable the pubs have been over the past 150 years or so.

In the 1851 Census, there were five pubs, namely The Crown, The Dog, The New Inn (Gamecock), The Old New Inn and The Fox (long closed, but it was where Fox Close is now, off Chapel Street).

The Shakespeare doesn't appear until the mid-1880s. The building was originally a farmhouse, I seem to remember from somewhere.

In 1851 the landlord of The Crown was Joseph Batchelor along with his wife Martha and baby Mary Ann. They also had a lodger.

The Dog was owned by Edward and Mary Wilkins. He was an innkeeper and maltster (brewer). They had six children under 10, plus a servant.

Edward Wells of The New Inn was also described as innkeeper and maltster. His wife was Mary, and they had three children.

The Fox was owned by Thomas and Ann Smith. Their children were William, 24, Emma, 15, Ann, 9 and Jane, 7.

Thomas Palmer of the Old New Inn was a butcher and innkeeper. There is no record of his wife, though he had a 14 year old daughter and three servants.

In the 1871 Directory there is a listing for George and Henry Clifford as "bakers and beerhouse". Ten years later, Henry was living in Mill Street, but where the beerhouse was, I've no idea.

By 1874 James Murray was landlord of The Fox, according to the local Directory, which labels him as a victualler, which means that the inn provided food as well as ale. The same was true of The Old New Inn and The Dog. We have, somewhere, the story of James Murray adulterating the whisky and being fined! In the same Directory, Joseph Ivens of The Crown was a carrier and market gardener.

The Shakespeare must have become a public house sometime in the 1880s, as P. Rhodes is the landlord in 1888. By 1900 it runs under the name of Sollis – now there's a good local name!

If you can add to the above, the Heritage Group would be very grateful.

The Heritage Room will be open next on Tuesday 4th August and Tuesday 1st September from 6.30-8.30pm.

Nigel Chapman

Creeping Urbanisation

Plans have been submitted to build an estate on the green and pleasant pasture land where horses graze at the top of Bull Ring Farm Road. The application covers the erection of a three storey high, very large, block of 32 flats, which are euphemistically referred to as extra care apartments, and 21 residential houses. The application is not for the single storey retirement home or bungalows that some people were expecting but a two and a half

storey high monstrosity which will be larger than any other building in the village. I advise everyone who is interested in our village to look at the plans and decide if this is what we need. The planning application reference number is 15/02254/ful.

Tony Thomas

St. Giles' Church, Chesterton – Teas at the Church

We will be serving tea and cake at St Giles' Church, Chesterton, CV33 9LG, every Sunday afternoon in August, from 2-4pm.

It is a beautiful church, in a wonderful picturesque setting, perfect for a walk. Come along and explore this historic 11th Century church, and enjoy locally made cakes, and tea.

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Many thanks

Elizabeth Holding



Southam & District Lions Club Present....

The Ken Graham extravaganza for over 60's only. To be held at Southam College on Saturday 19th September 2015. It is free to all ...and starts at 2.00pm.

We welcome all senior citizens from around the district to this annual party; entertainment is by Band 60Plus, all round entertainer Bill Mckechnie and dance act Secret Garden Musical Theatre School.

To reserve a seat or three, and book a lift – please contact Lion Malcolm on 01926 814294. Come along and have some fun, it's not just sherry and cakes!

Peter Guy

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Sue Hawthorn



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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors

I'm sure I can't be the only one to find some of the pavements in our village difficult to walk on. When I was younger I could walk over any terrain, but now the advancing years have made me more aware of how uneven our paths are. The ones that slope towards the road I find most hard on my ankles e.g. Park Lane by the school and sections of Mill Street. My son is currently using a wheelchair and he found it a struggle to stop the chair veering towards the road. I have seen several people walking in the road, which is more comfortable but not advisable. Add the hazards of overgrown hedges and cars parked half on the pavement, and one could perhaps be forgiven for preferring to travel by car. I don't suppose, given the current financial restrictions, that anything can be done to improve the paths, but one can dream!

Anne Megeney

Dear Editors

Bill & Peggie Middleton will be celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary on Thursday 27th August. If friends and neighbours would like to join them for a cuppa between 3.00 and 6.00pm at 3 Penelope Close they will be most welcome.



Bill & Peggie Middleton

Dear Editors

Following my recent cycle accident, I would like to thank Alan and Ruth Guy for compiling a list of volunteers, and also to those in the Twinning group that offered and provided transport during my incapacity, which was much appreciated.

Finally thank you to Yvette and Jacob for their patience during this period!

Kind Regards

Malcolm Tanner

Regular Diary Dates

ART CLASSES: The Studio, Church House, Crown St, Monday & Tuesday 1.00-3.00pm,
Tuesday 7.30-9.30pm & Wednesday 10.00am – 12 noon (614251)

ART TUTORIALS: Tom Hauley Room 1st Thursday of the month (814923 or 01295 276465)

BEAVERS: Scout Hut, Thursdays 5.30 - 6.40pm (01788 816214)

BELL RINGING PRACTICE: Church, Fridays 7:30pm (612939)

BIBLE STUDY GROUPS: various homes 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month 2.00-3.00pm
(614809); 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month 10.30 - 12.00 noon (612864)

BIBLIO'S CAFÉ (WITHIN HARBURY VILLAGE LIBRARY): Wednesday, Thursday and
Friday 9.15am – 12 noon and Saturday 10.00am – 12 noon

BROWNIES: Scout Hut, Mondays 5.45pm - 7:00pm (612538)

Brownies & Rainbows Waiting List - Bobbie Sharpe (614040)

BUMPS & BUNDLES: Tom Hauley Room, Tuesdays, 10.30am – 12 noon (611914)

CHILDREN'S DANCE CLASSES: Farley Room Wednesday 4.00 - 8.00pm (07837 152839)

COFFEE MORNING: Tom Hauley Room Saturdays 10:00am - 12:00 noon (613214)

CUBS: Scout Hut, Wednesdays 6:45 - 8:15pm (614730)

GUIDES: Scout Hut, Mondays 7.15pm – 9.00pm (614375)

GYMNASTICS: Harbury School, Mondays 6:00 - 8:00pm (07939 679533)

HARBURY FOLK CLUB: Harbury Village Club, 1st Thursday in the month 8:00pm (613730)

HARBURY FRIENDS: Tom Hauley Room, 2nd Tuesday in the month 8:00pm (612534)

HARBURY JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB:

Under 6s – Year 1 (Mixed)

Coach: Katie Wales Tel: 07785 459232

Training: Saturday 9.00am. Harbury School

Under 7s & 8s – Year 2 & 3 (Mixed)

Coach: Katie Wales Tel: 07785 459232

Training: Saturday 10.15am. Harbury School

Under 9s – Year 4 (Mixed)

Coach: Jane Workman Tel: 07803 414380

Training: Saturday 9.00am. Harbury School

Under 10s – Year 5 (Mixed)

Coach: Malcolm Tanner Tel: 01926 612617

Training: Saturday 9.15am. Harbury Park

Under 11s – Year 6 (Mixed)

Coach: Bob Church Tel: 01926 614366

Training: Tuesday 6.30pm. Southam College 3g Pitch

Under 12s – Year 7 (Mixed)

Coach: Steve Burnell Tel: 07795 428087

Training: Tuesday 6.00pm. Southam College 3g Pitch

Under 14s – Year 8 & 9 (Mixed)

Coach: Richard Woodhead Tel: 07786 802803

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HARBURY PRE-SCHOOL: Wight School (behind Library), High St. Monday 12 noon -
3.30pm, Tues & Thurs – 9.00am, - 3.30pm, Wed & Fri – 9.00am – 1.30pm
(07939 122087) enquiries@harburypre-school.org.uk

HARBURY THEATRE GROUP: Last Tuesday of the month, The Shakespeare (611930)

HARBURY TODDLER GROUP: Wight School, Monday 9.30 - 11:15am, Tel: 612748

HARBURY UKULELE GROUP: Shakespeare Inn, 1st & 3rd Monday of the month 8.00pm, contact Craig (612377)

HARBURY VILLAGE CINEMA: Contact Lana Long, 01926 613311, email: markandlana@aol.com

HARBURY VILLAGE CLUB: Contact 612498 (evenings).

Bingo every Friday 8.30pm - non members welcome.

HARBURY VILLAGE LIBRARY: Monday to Friday 9.00am – 5.00pm and Saturday 10.00am – 12 noon

HEREBURGH MORRIS DANCERS: School Hall, Wednesdays 8:00 - 10:00pm (613730)

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY: Tom Hauley Room, 1st Tuesday in the month (Oct to May) 8:00pm Contact Judy Morrall (613103)

KICK START APPALACHIAN STEP DANCERS: Scout Hut, Saturdays, 10:00am - 12:00noon (612734)

NETBALL CLUB: Village Hall Car Park, Training Thursday evenings, Juniors 6.00 till 7.30pm & Seniors 7.30 till 8.30pm, Matches on Saturday Afternoon (613163)

MOTHER'S UNION: Tom Hauley Room, 1st Wednesday in the month 2.30pm; (613831)

RAINBOWS: Scout Hut Tuesdays 5.30 - 6.30pm, Unit Leader Bobbie Sharpe (614040)

SCOUTS: Scout Hut, Thursdays 7:00 - 8.30pm (612897)

SLIMMING WORLD: Community Centre, Ladbroke Road, Bishops Itchington, Wednesdays 5.30 and 7.30pm sessions, Jodie Tel: 07771 930568

TABLE TENNIS: Village Hall, Thursdays, 9.30 - 10.30am (614809)

TAI CHI: Ufton Village Hall, Monday, 7.30 (612277)

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W.I.: Tom Hauley Room, 2nd Thursday in the month 7:45pm (612710)

WEDNESDAY WALKERS: Village Hall, Wednesday 9.40am (614188)

YOGA: Tom Hauley Room, Tuesday 1.30 - 3.00pm and Tom Hauley Room, Wednesday 7.00 - 9.00pm. Dianne Surgey (817904)

YOUTH GROUP-ICON @ All Saints': Tom Hauley Room, Sundays 7.00 – 8.30pm (612377)



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	10.30am	Sung Communion
3 rd Sunday in the month:	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	"Saints Alive" All-age Service without Communion (40 minutes maximum)
	6.00pm	Choral Evensong
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Every Thursday:	9.45am	Weekday Said Communion followed by coffee

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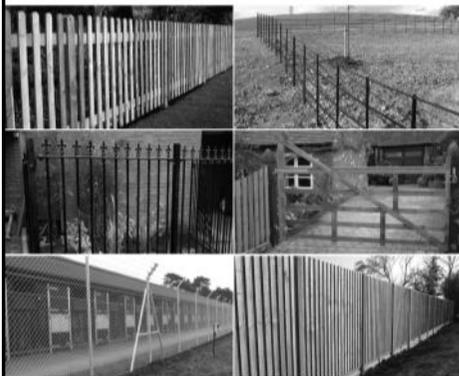
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4.30pm - 5.15pm
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5.15pm - 6.00pm
Grade 2 Tap (12-13yrs)
5.15pm - 6.00pm
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6.00pm - 6.45pm
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6.00pm - 6.45pm
Grade 5 Ballet (15yrs+)
6.45pm - 8.00pm
Adult Tap (Inter)
6.45pm - 7.45pm
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6.45pm - 8.45pm
Zumba
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Wednesday

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Ballroom & Latin (all ages)
5.00pm - 5.45pm
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5.45pm - 6.30pm
Grade 4 Ballet (15yrs+)
6.30pm - 7.30pm
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Zumba (Over 50s)
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11.00am - 12.00pm
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