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## Editorial



The Carnival was a great success despite the poor weather and the floats were, as always, decorated to a very high standard. As our editorial photograph shows, the King and Queen certainly seemed to enjoy themselves.

Ladbroke also held a very successful Garden Party at the Old Rectory which raised £1300 in aid of Ladbroke Church.

Congratulations to John and Sharon Hancock who are joint recipients of this year's Spirit of Harbury award. This award is well deserved by both of them for the contribution they have made to our village. Abi Hunt's photograph shows them with the award which they received at a recent Saturday coffee morning.



Both Harbury and Ladbroke will be welcoming Nikki Moon as the new curate this month, we hope that she and her family will soon feel at home here.

We wish to thank Anthony Allcock and Ken Stephenson for submitting photographs of the games week and Carnival. A selection of these appear throughout the magazine.

Many people will recall Cyril Robbins who lived in Leycester Close and sadly passed away during June.

## Harbury Diary

### JULY

Sat 4 Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12 noon in Tom Hauley Room in aid of Harbury Village Show

### Sun 5 TRINITY V

We welcome our new Curate, Nikki Moon today

Sung Communion, 9.00am

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

- Sun 5 Taizé Service, 6.00pm  
Harbury Cricket Club, 2.00pm - away match TNC  
Pre-School Barn Dance with Rumble-O, 8.00-11.30pm in Village Hall
- Mon 6 Upholstery Class, 9.15am in Village Hall
- Tues 7 Heritage Room open, 6.30-8.30pm in School  
Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm in Village Hall  
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 8 Wednesday Walkers, meet 9.40am in Village Hall Car Park  
Combrook-Compton Verney (4 miles varied)  
Community Consultation Event, 12.30-8.00pm in Village Hall  
Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00-4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Thurs 9 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee  
Harbury WI, 7.45pm in Tom Hauley Room, Hypnotherapy - Annabel Jones
- Fri 10 Dandy Development, 9.15am in Village Hall
- Sat 11 Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12 noon in Tom Hauley Room in aid of Mothers Union  
Windmill Singers Jumble Sale, 2.00-4.00pm, Craven Lane Hall, Southam  
Junior Football Presentation & Disco, 6.30pm in Village Hall
- Sun 12 TRINITY VI**  
Holy Communion, 8.00am  
Sung Communion, 10.30am  
Harbury Cricket Club, 2.00pm, Harbury RFC at Harbury
- Tues 14 Bastille Day – Twinning Group French Meal  
Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall  
Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm in Village Hall  
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 15 Wednesday Walkers, meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park  
Braunston with optional pub lunch (6 miles one hill)  
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- Thurs 16 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
- Fri 17 Dandy Development, 9.15am in Village Hall
- Sat 18 Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12 noon in Tom Hauley Room in aid of Shoeboxes
- Sun 19 TRINITY VII**  
Holy Communion, 8.00am  
“Saints Alive” Service, 10.30am  
Evensong, 6.00pm  
Harbury Cricket Club, 2.00pm, Wormeslow at Harbury
- Tues 21 Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall  
Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm in Village Hall  
Holy Communion 7.30pm
- Wed 22 Wednesday Walkers, meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park

- Wed 22 Hampton on the Hill to Hatton Canal & Café (5 miles)  
Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00-4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room  
Hereburgh Morris Practice, 8.00pm in Village Hall
- Thurs 23 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee  
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Parish Council, 7.30pm in Village Hall
- Sat 25 Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12 noon in Tom Hauley Room in aid  
of Siloam Christian Ministries Nepal Appeal
- Sun 26 TRINITY VIII**  
Holy Communion, 8.00am  
Sung Communion, 10.30am  
Harbury Cricket Club, 2.00pm, Snitterfield at Harbury
- Tues 28 Pilates, 9.30am in Village Hall  
Holy Communion, 7.30pm  
Julian Meeting AGM, 8.00pm
- Wed 29 Wednesday Walkers, meet 9.40am Village Hall Car Park  
Priors Marston (3 miles)  
Hereburgh Morris Practice, 8.00pm in Village Hall
- Thurs 30 Holy Communion, 9.45am, followed by coffee
- AUGUST**
- Sat 1 Coffee Morning, 10.00am-12 noon in 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  
Harbury Cricket Club, 2.00pm, Kineton at Harbury

Refuse Collection Rota				
	Deppers Bridge	Harbury	Ladbroke	Collection Week
July	Wed	Thurs	Fri	
	8	9	10	Grey Bin
	15	16	17	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	22	23	24	Grey Bin
	29	30	31	Green & Blue Lid Bins

**New refuse collection arrangements from August**

There will be changes to the collection days in Harbury and some of Deppers Bridge. Ladbroke's collection will remain the same unless the property is collected with a smaller vehicle. Properties that will be affected by the changes will be notified by letter before 17<sup>th</sup> July.



## From the Rector

Reverend Craig Grocock

The Rectory, Vicarage Lane, Harbury ☎612377 ✉ kankudai43@aol.co.uk

### New Curate at Harbury & Ladbroke!



It is with great joy that we will be welcoming the Rev. Nikki Moon this month as our new curate. Nikki writes. .

*'I am very excited to be joining you, in July, as the new curate and thought it appropriate to introduce myself. I live in Ettington with my husband Steve and two sons, Sam and JJ (short for Joseph James), they are 14 and 11 respectively. We have lived in Ettington for almost ten years and before that lived in a variety of locations including the East Coast of the United States for three years.*

*I grew up on a council estate in Derby and was the first member of my family to go to university, where I studied Chemistry. It was at the University of Bradford that Steve and I met, in 1991. I also studied for a PhD in Biochemistry at the University of Sheffield. Prior to training for ordination, I taught children with a wide array of educational and behavioural needs, alongside being a wife and mother.*

*I came to faith in 2006 through the Alpha course and have been on quite a journey since then. The journey towards ordination has been surprising, transformational, exciting and at times just plain tough. I have recently completed two years of ordination training at Ripon College, Cuddesdon, in Oxford. I look forward to meeting you and getting to know you all in due course.'*

Nikki will continue living in Ettington for the time being as she juggles the demands of curates' training and home life.

We are delighted that she is joining us for the next three years and look forward to her ministry among us.

Welcome Nikki!

God bless.

### From the Registers

*Holy Baptism, All Saints' Harbury*

14<sup>th</sup> June Sacha Lewis



## From the Churchwardens

Elaine & John

Well summer does not seem to have made its mind up whether it is finally here - but following on from last month's update, as promised, this is where we are on the plans for a new memorial garden.

We are in the process of drawing up plans for the garden which will be located in the area behind the church and adjacent to the Tom Hauley Room. Larger scale plans of the proposed layout of the new garden are displayed on the church notice boards, adjacent to the font, and will also be available on the website - just follow the link from [www.allsaintsharbury.org](http://www.allsaintsharbury.org)

The garden will provide desperately needed space for the burial of ashes and a memorial wall for people to remember their loved ones. An essential feature of any new memorial garden is that it must provide requirements for interment of ashes for at least the next 25 years. The memorials must also be in keeping with existing materials used in the churchyard.

We have been strongly encouraged to face the garden outward so that people visiting it have a sense of the security of a wall behind them and a reflective view outwards. To enable this we have needed to apply for the removal of the non-native Norwegian spruce tree for aesthetic and environmental reasons. However the area will be sensitively landscaped with a seasonal woodland theme to create an area of peace, tranquillity and seclusion.

The new wall will be constructed in front of the lower boundary wall and will be the same height as the existing wall that runs from behind the current location of the spruce to the corner by the Tom Hauley Room. The inscriptions on the new memorial wall will be supported by a Book of Remembrance in church.

And now on to other things.

The ordination of Nicky Moon, our new Curate was held on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June at Coventry Cathedral. We look forward to her joining our church family and working with us as we move forward with our work on our 'Growing Church' programme entitled the Eight Essential Qualities. Our discussion groups have taken place and we are almost ready to present our feedback and recommendations to Rev. Craig and the Parochial Church Council. We will keep you updated.

Our Family Service 'Saints Alive' theme for June was Father God's Day and we spent time in Worship and Word, thanking and praising God for his goodness and all he does for us. The ministry team for this service will be

meeting shortly to discuss some new 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, of any age, on 5<sup>th</sup> July is a pet's service - so all you dogs and cats out there, please bring your owners, but only if they are well behaved!

And finally, we offer a variety of service to meet all worship requirements and styles as follows:

When	Service	Time
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month	Sung Eucharist <b>Little Saints</b> Various/Ad hoc (see pew sheet)	9.00am 10.30am 6pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Said Communion Sung Eucharist Baptisms	8.00am 10.30am 12.30pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	Said Communion Saints Alive! Evensong	8.00am 10.30am 12.30pm
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Said Communion Sung Eucharist Baptisms	8:00am 10:30am 12:30pm
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Said Communion Sung Eucharist	8:00am 10:30am
Tuesdays	Said Communion	7.30pm
Thursdays	Said Communion	9.45am

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>

And finally, All Saints entered a team for the 'pub' games as a run up to the recent Carnival. Despite the changeable weather, everyone had great fun and thanks to all those who volunteered and those who organised it. Unfortunately the church team did not win - but congratulations to the Wednesday Club who did!



## Mothers' Union

Gillian Hare

Our June meeting was pleased to welcome Rev Ann Mulley who presided at the communion.

The speaker represented "Dementia Friends" – a charity which seeks to increase awareness and understanding of the condition. There are several forms of this disease of the brain, of which Alzheimers is perhaps the best recognised, but accurate diagnosis can help to point to the most helpful management. Whilst a level of forgetfulness is a normal part of ageing, the condition often involves a change of perception of surroundings, so a black mat can be seen as a threatening black hole and shiny surfaces and lights are confusing. It has been found that, whilst the specifics of what was said or done are forgotten, the memory retains the feelings of the event. So it is helpful to evoke the good feelings associated with a piece of music for instance, and to take care always to create a pleasant atmosphere around a patient. Although the state spends £26 billion each year on people with the condition, most help relies on volunteers and carers, and we were encouraged to be aware and offer help where we could.

Later in the month several members enjoyed a deanery meeting at Whitnash, with fish and chips and a Beetle Drive – won by our branch leader Chris Rutherford.

In July we are visiting the branch at Bilton. Although this is our last meeting until September, please remember our coffee morning on 11<sup>th</sup> July. Help, cakes and raffle prizes please.

We are hosting a deanery tea to commemorate our founder, Mary Sumner on 6<sup>th</sup> August. Please come – there will be plenty to eat and a good opportunity to meet members from other churches.

And on 2<sup>nd</sup> September we celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary! More next month, meanwhile, enjoy the summer.

## Ladbroke News & Diary

<http://www.ladbroke-pc.org.uk>

### JULY

- |            |          |   |
|------------|----------|---|
| Sat        | 4        | Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall   |
| <b>Sun</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>Trinity V</b><br>Family Communion, 10.30am followed by refreshments          |
| Mon        | 6        | Property Marking to prevent rural crime, The Bell Inn car park<br>5.00pm-7.00pm |

- Tues 7 Photography Club BBQ, 7.30pm  
 Wed 8 Table Tennis 6.30-8.00pm, Village Hall  
 Fri 10 Iolanthe from scratch, Village Hall, 7.30pm  
**Sun 12 Trinity VI**  
 Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am  
 Wed 15 Parish Council, Village Hall, 7.45pm  
 Home Group, 8.00pm, venue TBC  
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 Sat 18 Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall  
**Sun 19 Trinity VII**  
 Holy Communion (BCP), 9.00am  
 Stall selling gifts in aid of Ladbroke Church & Myton Hospice,  
 2.00-5.00pm at The Vintage & Craft Fayre, Graham Adams  
 Centre, Southam  
 Wed 22 Table Tennis 6.30 - 8.00pm, Village Hall, TBC  
 Thurs 23 ARTICLES FOR NEXT ISSUE TO: HARBURY PHARMACY,  
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 5.30PM  
 WI, 7.30pm, Village Hall  
 Sat 25 Whist Drive, 7.30pm, Village Hall  
**Sun 26 Trinity VIII**  
 Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am  
 Wed 29 Table Tennis 6.30 - 8.00pm, Village Hall, TBC  
**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



## Ladbroke Church News

Jackie West

There are lots of positive things to report this month.

First of all we welcome Nikki Moon, joining us at Ladbroke and Harbury Church as our curate. Those of us at church a few Sundays ago heard how she is looking forward to leaving the mountain top (ivory tower?) of theological college and joining us back in the real world. Nikki is very approachable; this coupled with her broad experience of life that includes growing up on a council estate, a PhD in Biochemistry, living overseas for three years, teaching children with educational and behavioural needs, being a wife and the mother of sons aged



10 and 13, makes me certain that it will not just be regular churchgoers who get to know her well over the next three years.

Something else new in the last couple of weeks is the church's website. For many years we have been served well by pages within the Ladbroke village website but, with the start of our major fund raising campaign for the church building, the time has come to have our own. Unsurprisingly, is at **[www.ladbrokechurch.org.uk](http://www.ladbrokechurch.org.uk)** - do take a look. My thanks to Kip Warr for his technical expertise and time setting it up.

On the topic of our fund raising campaign, not only do we have our slogan "*All Saints for all generations*" but we now have the first funds in the bank too, almost £1300, thanks to Jane Rutherford and her team of helpers and the generosity of everyone who came to the The Old Rectory Garden on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June. The event wasn't just a financial success either: - the garden was beautiful, the tea ladies rushed off their feet, welly wanging and the children's activities a great fun and the blue lobster anagram challenge got a few grey cells working. Just sitting in the sun, chatting with friends and listening to Ladbroke Sounds proved so popular that the more distant parts of the garden were hardly visited though, by strategically positioning them en route to the main lawn, the raffle and stalls contributed a tidy sum to the total too. A big thank you to all involved. The pictures here give a flavour of the afternoon, if you would like to see more photos there is a link on the website, **[www.ladbrokechurch.org.uk](http://www.ladbrokechurch.org.uk)**

At both the Tom Hauley coffee morning and at The Old Rectory garden party last month we were selling new items at bargain prices, all kindly donated by Tracy Lochhead. When she took over the Nifty Needle Curtain business in Kineton earlier this year she decided to close down the Nifty Nik Nak part, to focus on more upmarket soft furnishing in that side of the shop. So the gift stock was put into bags and boxes and we are slowly working through these and selling the stuff in aid of Myton Hospice and Ladbroke Church. The next opportunities to pick up a bargain (items are typically 70% less than the original price) and help both these causes is at Southam's Vintage & Craft Market on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2-5pm at the Graham Adams Centre, admission is 50p.

## From the Registers

### *Holy Baptism*

7<sup>th</sup> June

William John Moore

### Ladbroke Flower Rota

12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> July

Carol Lane

26<sup>th</sup> July & 2<sup>nd</sup> August

TBC



## Garden Party at The Old Rectory



There was a good turnout at the June meeting on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> to hear a talk by Mo Sutherland entitled 'Are you feeling peckish?' Mo led us from 6,000 BC when the analysis of bones revealed that the diet included hippo meat through 3,000 BC when there was evidence of force fed geese, up to the present day and even the future which could include genetically modified foods or even sustenance in tablet form. Well that would save a lot of time, wouldn't it!

Mo told us about other uses food was put to – like the well known story of Cleopatra bathing in asses' milk. Less well known was that whores would bathe in champagne which was then bottled and sold.

The origins of some of our popular brands was interesting. Bird's Custard powder was developed because Mrs Bird was allergic to eggs. Worcester sauce was created from an Indian recipe but tasted dreadful when first made and it was only after it had been discarded for some months that its potential was realised. It was in 1847 that Joseph Fry discovered how to solidify cocoa leading to all the chocolate varieties.

This talk is only one of very many which are given by Maureen and her husband Graham. More information can be seen on [www.talksandwalks.co.uk](http://www.talksandwalks.co.uk)

This was a good prelude to our fish and chip supper which had been ordered and collected from Sea Star in Southam.

During the business meeting the lovely tapestry which had been started by Kath Telford and is being completed by members of the Craft Circle was passed round.

The WI Centenary meeting that had been held in the Albert Hall had also been live-screened to Napton Village Hall. Three Ladbroke members had spent the day watching the proceedings. It had been decided that the resolution on the assessment of people needing medical/social care needed further elucidation and had not been put to the vote. Tanni Grey Thompson gave a particularly inspiring talk.

Joan Perry entertained us all with the description of the WI Centenary Garden Party at Buckingham Palace. Watch out for her account in next month's edition.

### **Dates for your diary:**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

Craft group at Mandy's house. 62, Manders Croft, Southam

Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> August	Micron Theatre at Two Boats, Long Itchington.
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> September.	Coffee morning in Tom Hauley Room. Save your bric-a-brac for that event.
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> October.	Autumn Walk starting at Hatton Locks from 10.30am
20 <sup>th</sup> - 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Jesus Christ Superstar by Spa Opera at the Spa Centre.

July's talk is entitled 'Getting Organised' by Joan and Geoff Todd. Well that gets you thinking doesn't it?

	<h2>Ladbroke Matters</h2>	<p><b>David Wright</b></p>
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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.



The next event we have planned has a musical flavour - Gilbert and Sullivan's "*Iolanthe*" from scratch in Ladbroke Village Hall on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July starting at 7.30pm.**

Tickets at £12 include a light supper and a glass of wine or soft drink.

Local soloists, but mainly yourselves! Come and join the singing for a fun evening. Tickets available from Margaret Bosworth on 817312 or [margandboz@btinternet.com](mailto:margandboz@btinternet.com). Musical scores will be provided.



Our next Village Hall film and supper night will be on **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September.** We will let you know which film we will be screening nearer the time, but please put the date in your diary now. If there are any films we have not yet shown which you would like to see, please let us know.

Coming up later this year we have a quiz night planned for **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October** and a Christmas extravaganza for December.

Copies of our 2015 information leaflet and event programme is 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	Debra and Martin Neal	£50	Val and Steve Copley
£25	K Tancock	£25	Wild Indians
£25	Geoff Timms	£10	Carole and Pete Loftus
£10	Sheena Healey	£10	Joan Perry
£10	Helen Ballard	£10	S and S Roberson

**Margaret Bosworth**



**Trying to catch the magic moment -  
Kip Warr**

Action! The atmosphere at our June meeting sometimes resembled a village fete with people dropping fruit into glass bowls, playing bagatelle, twirling ribbons and driving a radio-controlled model car. Our theme was Action Photography and we were trying to achieve those shots where the water splashes appear frozen as they part around the dropped fruit or the model car is clear and the background is a blur. We took hundreds of empty shots - just too soon or too late - and yet more

with unrecognisable blurs. There was a great deal of discussion about shutter speeds, apertures, ISO settings and timing and it became clear that a lot of planning goes into capturing the magic moment. We shall be looking at photographs from Wimbledon with new respect.

We then looked at examples of members' action pictures. Particularly striking were Jennie Daniels' photographs from horse trials and show jumping and her explanation of finding the right angle and distance from a jump and timing the shot so that the horse is looking at its best. Oh, and that the background isn't too confusing and the rider is looking confident! This was good preparation for us as we consider going to horse trials at Aston le Walls to see if we can get close to her standards.

## Horse Trials - Jennie Daniels



Our next meeting will be our summer barbecue on 7<sup>th</sup> July. Then, on 4<sup>th</sup> August, we shall be out and about in Leamington looking at the fine decorative ironwork. Visitors and guests are welcome to our meetings. For more information about the club and our programme see our website ([tinyurl.com/ladbrokephoto](http://tinyurl.com/ladbrokephoto)) or contact [jackieszone-photogclub@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jackieszone-photogclub@yahoo.co.uk)



## Ladbroke General Section

### Heritage Open Day Weekend

Ladbroke will be part of this national event on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September. There will be guided tours of the church each afternoon and sessions in the churchyard to discover who is buried there. There will also be local history displays including objects found in or linked with Ladbroke. If you would like to get involved with running the event or have found an historic object, perhaps a fossil, old coin or pottery fragment while gardening, or if you have a postcard or interesting document linked with Ladbroke that could be included in the display, please contact Jackie West (810331) or Linda Doyle ([linda@allhistoric.co.uk](mailto:linda@allhistoric.co.uk)).

**Jackie West**



### Ladbroke Christmas Shoebox Project – Advance Notice

This year a group of us will once again be filling shoeboxes for distribution at Christmas to children in Romania through the Christian charity Teams4u. If you are buying any ladies' shoes over the next few months we would be really grateful if you could save the empty boxes for us.

More details will be available nearer the time, but in the meantime if you have any questions or need more information please contact Sue Wright ([suewright21@gmail.com](mailto:suewright21@gmail.com)).

**Sue Wright**



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

## Annual Parish Meeting – May 2015

This year the Annual Parish Meeting was really interesting, but first yet another Extra-ordinary one to deal with planning issues, an extension at 41 Manor Road which was not considered contentious and more detailed plans for 2 four-bed, 2 five-bed, and a terrace of 3 at Hillside.

From the floor, Ken Stephenson complained the Hillside plans would be highly visible on the scarp; the design was not “in keeping” with village styles and the terrace was too high at 3 storeys – the lounges were in the roof! Linda Ridgley was concerned about ground stability.

Chairman Tim Lockley said it already had outline permission but the Parish Council could object to the detailed plans on all those grounds. Councillor Summers said it was the first time in ages that she had agreed with Ken! Councillor Ekins also agreed with Ken - houses too large; not what was needed and of poor design.

The Council would flag up concerns about the ground conditions (on the scarp slope). All other social housing was two storey so the three storey “townhouse” design was inappropriate and the height made them more visible. Harbury stone should be specified not “local stone” and the Council would consider bollards for lighting to make the development less intrusive.

Network Rail and Murphys then gave a presentation explaining why the landslips happened, what they had done to rectify the problem and their difficulties. The geology had defeated even Brunel who ended up with a tunnel an eighth of that planned. The cutting, built in 1852, had slippages from the start, 1884, 1922, 2007 and February 2014 which is when the saga started.

Network Rail began re-profiling the slope in late September 2014 but the ground bulged near the top and water seeped out in November. They found a vertical fault in December and tension cracks appeared at the top and towards the tunnel. Then bulging began on the lower slope. In January they moved material from the upper slopes. They decided that seeping ground water was driving the movements, so they dug wells and installed pumps to dry out the ground and slow the movement while they considered options.

On 31<sup>st</sup> January there was movement towards the track and by 5 o'clock the material had dropped 5 metres and moved forward the same amount, so they thought again. This was a profile moving 100mm a day horizontally,

damaging the tunnel's retaining wall and threatening the signalling! They banned workers going onto the slope while they modelled the failure.

Within 24 hours Murphys were on site with 60 men ready to work 12 hour on – 12 hour off shifts using 26 machines and 40 huge dumper trucks. They repaired the tunnel, and so far have excavated 480,000 tons of spoil from the site and worked 14,000 hours.

Network Rail said “once we knew what we were doing, we moved quickly”. Independent Consultants advised them to remove material to re-profile the slope. So far 180,000 tons have been spread over the Biffa Tip and it will take 4-5 months to remove the rest of the spoil heap and even then there will be six weeks of work to do on the tunnel.

Network Rail and Murphys said they have tried to engage with the village. The schoolchildren were invited to the site and had an explanation of what would be done to re-create the habitat for butterflies on this designated Site of Special Scientific Interest.

They answered residents' questions on the geology, the fault line and whether the southern side of the cutting was likely to be affected. This was of concern to Brian Harrison who was aggrieved that as a result of the problems on the northern side he lost the sale of a building plot on his garden and to make matters worse he was not eligible for compensation for the noise and disruption. He was adamant that he did not want any more trees removed and like many believed the land became unstable because of this. Network Rail disagreed.

Geoff Thorpe asked whether NR would reinstate the footpath along the southern side of the cutting which they had fenced off several years ago, but NR were not happy about security liabilities. Geoff also thought it a shame that the 3 Arch Bridge parapet was to be raised taking away a wonderful vantage point from which to watch the occasional steam train pass.

NR told County Councillor Bob Stevens that one of the HS2 designers was part of a panel learning lessons from the failures in the cutting. Others continued to quiz NR on potential for future problems.

County Councillor Stevens highlighted the £90m reduction in the County's budget fearing that all non-mandatory services would go. Already 1,000 of the County's 7,000 workforce had gone and rather than doing things in-house they were using contractors. Like other local authorities, Warwickshire was combining with neighbours to make efficiency savings and talking to Hereford & Worcestershire and other counties about possible mergers. The Police were working with West Mercia and the Fire Service was re-organising too.

He was quizzed about the need for those employing carers to offer pension provision, fielded a complaint about the County's reluctance to improve the Bendigo Mitchell Crossroad and promised Bob Sherman he would look into regulations preventing third parties providing solar panels on the school roof.

Councillors agreed to Linda Ridgley's request for them to lobby against Government's present intention to force Housing Associations to sell off their stock to tenants at a discount. She said it would not be possible for HAs to build replacements now housing land was so expensive.

At last we got to the Parish Councillors' reports on the past year. Residents were concerned that the rise in the Precept had not been highlighted in the Harbury & Ladbroke News. The Chairman said it would be on the PC website and in the report of the meeting. The rise in precept helped to make improvements - playing fields safety surfaces; support for the Library; WW1 Commemoration Project; work on trees and to extend the life of the burial grounds.

Questions on the Planning Report ranged from concern at the number of planning applications that Stratford District Council approved – down to streamlining of Planning Regulation which now prioritised sustainable economic development over other concerns.

Parish Councillor Amanda Lewis explained that street lights with Mercury Lamps have to be replaced with LEDs and would be much brighter. Some were in Deppers Bridge and John Crossling hoped that would improve the safety at the chicanes. Parish Councillor Steve Ekins is gathering evidence about the failure of drivers to give-way at the chicanes and HGVs still crossing the railway bridge despite the weight limit and he will talk to Highways about better signage. Deppers does not have high speed broadband.

Parish Councillor Pat Summers was pleased 203 residents came to see the plans and displays at the Neighbourhood Plan event. The school children survey had 259 responses. Children liked the swings and the zipwire the Council had provided. It is "well used and children love it."

Geoff Thorpe said the Village Hall Committee would start on the heating when the current improvements are finished and he thanked the Parish Council and everyone who had helped.

Tim Lockley thanked Network Rail for surfacing the Wight School Car Park and closed the meeting for an informal session with wine and nibbles.

**Next Meeting:** 25<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

## **Parish Council News**

### **Play Area**

The parish council is planning to remove the bark pits and replace them with new safety surfacing. This will be "wet pour" which forms a rubberised tarmac style surface. We already have this in some areas within the play area. We hope to carry out this work within the next few months. In the meantime, while we will ensure that the bark pits are safe, we do not intend to carry out any

further repairs to them. This means that when timbers become loose, or if we find nails protruding, we will simply remove them. We realise that this will not look attractive but hope you will understand why. The new safety surfacing will transform the play area and will be much easier to maintain than the bark pits. It will also be cleaner and safer for the children. The play area will be closed during this essential work, but we hope to keep any disruption to a minimum

We would like to ask you for your patience and understanding until the work has been completed.

### **Christmas Lights**

It's very unseasonal to be thinking about Christmas at mid –summer, but it has a habit of creeping up on us so it's best to start early! This is just a reminder that we need a couple of volunteers to take on the task of putting up the Christmas lights this year. If you would like to help, please phone 01926 614646 or call in to the parish council office in Church Terrace.

### **Email Alerts for Planning Applications**

You can now subscribe for automatic email alerts for new planning applications via the planning page on the parish council's website. [www.harbury-pc.gov.uk](http://www.harbury-pc.gov.uk)

It's really easy to use. You simply provide your email address and you will receive an email from [clerk@harbury-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@harbury-pc.gov.uk) asking you to activate your subscription. Once your subscription is activated you will receive an email digest between 7am – 9am when new applications become available.

Advantages of this are:

- If there are no new applications, there are no emails;
- If there are several new applications the subscriber only receives one email (containing all application details) rather than several emails.

**Harbury Parish Council**



Harbury is amazing! Despite the rain the Carnival floats and fancy dress were excellent and the crowds braved the weather and stayed at the Playing Fields until the end of the day.

Thanks to everyone who donated jewellery and crockery to our Carnival Stall and those who bought it. We made £110 – an excellent total for such a damp day.



**Jewellery stall at the  
Carnival**

Our next event is our Coffee Morning in the Tom Hauley Room on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August when you may well see our jewellery display again.

Following the summer holiday break we have a talk by Network Rail on the cutting on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September in the Tom Hauley Room 7.30 for 8pm. All are welcome to attend.

	<p><b>Harbury Women's Institute</b></p>	<p><b>Jeanne Beaumont</b></p>
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The Carnival was a great success, even though the weather could have been better. It was very well supported by the entries.

W.I. won the Adult Walking Tableau with "50 Shades of Pink" and we had a few comments.

The cake stall sold out and the Guess the Cake entry was popular. Thanks to everybody for their help and to those who supplied the cakes and preserves.

Lin Hayes gave us her account of the Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace as did Dorothy Groves who attended the NFWI in the Royal Albert Hall. A great experience for them both.

The speaker at our meeting was Shani Ellis who gave us the history of John Lewis Partners from start to present day when the new store will be opened in September in Birmingham, as readers may have seen recently on TV.

It was fascinating to hear it is a business which worked its way up with different interests en route and that all the workers are called partners. They are expected to give first class service to John Lewis and customers. It was so enjoyable.

The next meeting is in the Tom Hauley Room on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> July, 7.45pm. Speaker – Annabel Jones – Hypnotherapy.



SO THAT'S IT THEN – the end of an era!

We have produced our last play on the old stage.

Farewell to spending two days getting the stage set up for a play, only to discover that we can't get out through the door we have practised, because some prop is in the way! Rehearsals over many months in the Scout Hut, don't always transfer to the space on stage. That always meant that the first rehearsal on stage Sunday evening was always fraught with problems that had to be rectified before the first night.

No more hours putting up the stage.

No more spending time travelling to and fro from the barn where we keep our props and costumes.

No more gingerly opening the costume boxes to find out whether the mice have had a feast on the costumes we actually need for the play!

No more constructing and painting the set in one day.

No more having heart failure as the men climb precariously up that high ladder to put up the lights.

Having been involved with the Theatre Group for over 40 years there have always been pitfalls, but mostly great, great fun.

However, now it's a whole new ball game. There will be a stage with curtains and lights already there! It's going to be an amazing experience for us all.

## **Why don't you come and join us on our new adventure?**

Most of you will, over the years have seen some great (and a few not so great!) productions. You, your children, grandchildren, may have been involved with several groups in the village - dancing and singing. All of these will benefit greatly from the new stage, along with groups, bands etc that we'll now be able to see.

Badminton groups who play during the day will be able to continue during the play week.

## **Taking part in the Carnival**



The village should be pleased with this new asset.

Do use it – we have waited a long time for its arrival!! Come and join us - stage hands, prompt, costume sewers, coffee makers. You don't have to be an 'actor' to get pleasure in a performance!

As the holiday season is upon us the Theatre Group's next meeting will be in the Shakespeare on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 8.00pm - **Do join us.**



## Folk Club

**Doug & Janny Freeman**

This month's theme was "The Calendar", and sixteen acts were ready to entertain with their own interpretations.

The evening was opened by Janny and Maureen, and they were joined by Peter and Margaret McDonald for *7 Days are in the Week*. Fine performances followed from Ted and Sue, Rik, Debbie, Pete and Liz, and Sue Harris. The first half was concluded with three numbers from Gerda Pickin who was on her annual pilgrimage from Stranraer. She treated us to wonderful singing and guitar playing and was accompanied by a deadpan Celia for *I'm Lazy, That's All*.

The Harbury Folk Club choir filled the stage for the start of the second half, and they included the much recorded *You Raise Me Up*. Excellent performances followed from Peter McDonald, Pete Mason, Martin, Keith, Ian and Sue, and Des. Martin gave us the Les Barker classic *Battle of Hastings*, whilst Des finished with a traditional folk ballad *On the Plains of Waterloo*.

The final half was opened by Ray who apparently had been up since 5am that morning. Alan then wowed us with his debut solo vocal performance. There was though only one way to finish the evening, and that was to invite Gerda back for two final songs.

A very enjoyable evening and our thanks go to all the performers, audience, and the Village Club's staff. The raffle raised £75 which has been donated to the Disasters Emergency Committee Nepal Earthquake Appeal. Ted and Sue Crum will host the next Folk Club on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July when the theme will be "Names".

### **August Edition - Harbury & Ladbroke News**

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## Harbury Twinning Association

Andrew Patrick

In case you didn't see us at the Carnival, here's a flavour (pun only half-intended) of what you missed!



On 14<sup>th</sup> July to celebrate the storming of the Bastille night we hope to be storming the Gamecock for a French meal together. Would you like to join us? If so, please contact me (614359) or Sally Stringer 613214).



## Hereburgh Morris

Celia Neill



This is the time of year when Hereburgh Morris is at its busiest, dancing at various places locally and around the country. We were at Upton upon Severn and Chippenham Festivals in May. At the beginning of June we had our annual 'Cyclobooze'. This is a popular event for members and their families; we cycle around back lanes (and fields) to local hostelrys where we dance and have a coffee or something stronger. This year we

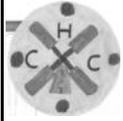
added extra dance spots, one in a residential road in Radford Semele, which attracted many local residents who came to watch and joined in.

Later in the month we were at BBC Gardeners' World Live at the NEC for a second year. This is a great event as we always have a good audience, get paid and free entry! A number of our members are keen gardeners and we are able to have a look around between our dance spots and sample interesting food from the Good Food Show which takes place at the same time. We were also invited to Sheffield City Morris 40th birthday Day

of Dance. This event unfortunately clashed with the Carnival but we decided to go as it was a special event for them, and one of their team was a Hereburgh member for many years before moving north. We had the luxury of being able to dance inside the Winter Gardens and avoid the rain and by the afternoon it had stopped, and we performed in the town.



Our next big event is Warwick Folk Festival. This takes place from Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July. This has become a major event in the folk calendar and the festival organisers make sure that there are plenty of things going on in the town particularly on Saturday and Sunday, as well as the main site at Warwick School. Hereburgh will be dancing in the town on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July. There is lots of music, singing and dancing in the pubs and around the town that is all free! If you are interested check their web site for more details of all events - [www.warwickfolkfestival.co.uk](http://www.warwickfolkfestival.co.uk)



## Harbury Cricket Club

**George Bloxham**

The season has got off to a good start, having played four games, won two and lost two.

We have played two T20 games against Barford (a home and away fixture). Unfortunately we have lost both of these, with their batsman showing top form and posting sizable scores, despite our best efforts with the bat we fell short on both occasions.

We won our first T20 game against TNC (Tuesday night club), with a high class innings from Ed Russell scoring 45 not out to steer us home for victory.

The most notable game this season was against Snitterfield 40/40. I always enjoy playing at this ground as the team plays a decent standard of cricket and we always take the games right down to the wire. I won the toss and elected to bowl, knowing we had a strong bowling line up. Good bowling from the team all round meant that we kept their total to 150. Ed Russell and Alex Hawkins went out to open and got us off to a great start scoring 39 and 21 respectively, but the real drama came later in the innings. The game went right down to the last ball, with the scores tied on 150. Jez Hunt was at the crease already set on 48 and James Tayler at the non striking end. They had a brief team talk between them, which later Jez said he told James to 'Just run whatever happens' of which he did... Jez missed the ball and James was in the crease before you could blink! What an end to the game, and a Harbury victory!

The 2015 season has welcomed some new players to the club; however the loss of regular players has outnumbered our gain. We are always on the lookout for new players of all abilities and ages who want to come and play on Sundays. We only play friendly cricket so the score line is immaterial and it is more about having a laugh, but of course we like to win!

The club is currently struggling for a core set of players to get a team out every week, and without new players we are having to cancel games. Please get in touch with Jez Hunt (07801 105994) or myself George Bloxham on 07540 430390 if you are interested in playing.



## Harbury Juniors Football Club

Ian Jones

### Chairman's Report: Ian Jones

The **Annual Presentation Night** will take place on 11<sup>th</sup> July at Harbury Village Hall, doors open at 6pm for a 6.30pm start. Besides the awards there will be a buffet, disco and raffle. A celebration of the children's achievements for the season and always a fun night!!

Our **Internal Tournament** will be held on the 3g pitch to the rear of Southam College on 5<sup>th</sup> July, registration is at 2.00pm.

Finally the **AGM**, held at the Village Club, is on 16<sup>th</sup> July at 8pm – all welcome.



## Harbury Tennis Club

Colin and Sue Mercer

[www.tennis-today.net/harbury](http://www.tennis-today.net/harbury)

Not surprisingly, June has been a really busy time for the club. While Andy Murray was getting ready for Wimbledon by winning at Queens we were also getting ready with our own pre-Wimbledon Strawberry Tournament! Organiser Peter Walshe made sure we all kept on the move in the Round Robin stage to shed a few calories before we were let loose on the strawberries and cream! We then moved on to the knockout stages with Eira Owen and Keith Thompson playing Paul Crowton and Josh Marshall in the final in which Paul's shrewd tactical strategies and Josh's young legs triumphed!



The next event was the Primary Schools Tennis Festival with children from Harbury, Bishops Itchington, Southam St. Mary's, Moreton Morrell and Southam St. James taking part. The club had organised taster sessions in the schools who then nominated up to eight children to come to Harbury for the Festival which was led by David Mountford, LTA licensed Senior Club Coach. The emphasis was on fun with some friendly competition between the 34 children who took part. It was won by Moreton Morrell and it was great that Councillor Bob Stevens joined us for the afternoon and presented the medals to the winning children.



In the Banbury Summer league the club secured another two wins. The first was at home against Tysoe with Caroline Morland, Eira Owen, Karen Bristow, Steve Stark, Geoff Prince and David Bristow winning a very close match by 5-4. The next match was a trip to Banbury West End with Debs Brookes, Josh Marshall, and Colin Mercer joining Caroline, Eira and Geoff. This was also a very close one with the match score being 3-3 going into the last 3 rubbers, so all to play for! All went well for Harbury with Debs and Geoff having an emphatic 9-2 win in the mixed, Josh and Colin winning 7-4, and with Caroline and Eira winning 6-5 on a tie-break we came home with a 6-3 win. We've now completed half our fixtures and occupy third place with a game in hand over the top two so plenty to look forward to in the second half of the season!

	<h2>Harbury Toddler Group</h2>	<p><b>Lynne Barton</b></p>
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Who's this riding into town .....

Toddlers turned into the wild wild west this month and what a great time we all had!

There was music and dancing for special cowboys and cowgirls and no camp fire would be complete without sausage and beans.

We decorated cactus plants, made horse badges, coloured cowboy and cowgirl pictures then refuelled at the Milk Bar.



Many, many thanks to Ian, Sue and Daniel for their fantastic entertainment including Appalachian folk dancing from the mountains of North America, it all helped our themed morning go with a real yee-haw.

Our Summer Outing will be to **Henry's Castle at Stratford Armouries on the 13<sup>th</sup> July 2015**

Stratford Armouries Ltd, Gospel Oak Lane, Pathlow, Stratford on Avon, Warwickshire, CV37 0JA

All welcome, we will meet there, stay as long as you want and your entry will be funded by Toddlers.

Entrust Care Partnership is responsible for the running of the group and we sell donated pre-loved children's toys and clothes to raise money to provide services for disabled children and young people. If you have any items for us, please bring them along to Toddlers or drop them off at 26, Vicarage Lane.

Thank you all for your continued support we look forward to welcoming parents, carers, grandparents, childminders and children under five.

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 11.15am.

Thinking of coming along or need more information? Please do ring Lynne on 01926 612748 or email [lynnebarton@btinternet.com](mailto:lynnebarton@btinternet.com)



**Carnival Float:** As promised last month, the Pre-School float, based on “The Jolly Postman” story, spoke for itself. A group of parents, led by Mireille Hartley, used the children’s artwork to produce a wonderfully dressed float. The children (and most of the adults) dressed up accordingly and between them they won **first prize** in their category!

**Mini-Beasts:** Just after the half term break, the children set forth across the road to the Bosworth-Brownes’ garden, armed with buckets, magnifying glasses, observation pots and clipboards. There, they explored the garden, investigating all the corners and hiding places and collected woodlice, slugs, snails, ants and assorted other creatures (all of which were later released into suitable habitats). Many thanks to Janine for not only letting us roam around her beautiful garden, but also for helping to shepherd the children across the road and providing delicious home-made shortbread biscuits at snack time.



On their return to Pre-School, the children made some wonderful

pictures of what they had found and observational drawings and paintings of various mini-beasts. Using clay and playdough, they created some fantastic insects, spiders and other creepy crawlies.

Lots of stories and rhymes based on mini-beasts were practised and the children enjoyed reciting all the amazing foodstuffs eaten by the “Very Hungry Caterpillar”. Bugs were found in the role play area for the children to identify from the pictures in several reference books.

In keeping with the theme, Father’s Day cards were created using a computer programme which enabled the children to make a bug and, using



their mathematical skills, they chose the number of legs, antennae, spots, tails and eyes.

**Summer Outing** - This year's summer outing took place at Ryton Country Park where we were able to practise our den building skills. The weather was perfect, so the wellies and raincoats were not needed! With the help of the staff, parents and our lovely Ranger, the children had a wonderful time collecting branches and other materials to build great dens, which became more and more elaborate as they grew.



There was an added bonus of a ride on the train and we finished with a picnic lunch and a play in the park before heading home again on the coach. Many thanks to Heather Clifton who helped out on the day.

**School Teacher's Visit:** To meet the pre-schoolers in their own familiar environment, and give them a taste of what to expect in Primary School, Reception teacher Mrs Rea accompanied by Mrs Clarke, and Oliver and Ava, both ex pre-schoolers, came to visit them at Pre-School. Later in the month, the children will be going to the school to watch the reception class assembly.

**Thanks:** We are very grateful to the Wagstaffe Foundation for their generous donation towards the purchase of much needed maths resources and to Brigitte for providing some herbs for Pre-School and for helping to plant them with the children.

*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](mailto:enquiries@harburypre-school.org.uk) text 07907 598461 or look at the web site [www.harburypre-school.org](http://www.harburypre-school.org)*



As we head into the last few weeks of school, I would like to thank parents for your continued support. We know that many of you give a great deal of your own time to help us with trips, ferrying children to sporting events and hearing children read, to name but a few. Without that help, we would really struggle to give the opportunities that are available.

**Year 3 and 4 visit Coombe Abbey:** Year 3 and Year 4 could not have wished for better weather for their school trip to Coombe Abbey. The sun shone as they explored woodland and meadow habitats and learnt how to pond dip. All children got the opportunity to identify and name different invertebrates, native trees and wildflowers as well as playing on the adventure play park. A great day was had by all. Many thanks to all the helpers we had.



**Transition:** Pupils in Year 6 have spent a lot of time over the last fortnight participating in transition activities put on by Southam College to help them prepare for secondary school. The art lesson that involved blind drawing was a particular hit.

**Southam Athletics:** On Tuesday 9th June, on what felt like the coldest June afternoon in history, Harbury was able to take an excellent team of athletes from Key Stage 2 to compete against the other Southam schools. We put on an excellent display of skills in both track and field events. Children worked really well as a team and gave great support during all of the events. We had several children who were placed first, second or third and so our participation went right down to the final events well after 6pm. We wish those children who managed to get through to the Edmonscote event the very best of luck there too.

**Parking:** It has been brought to my attention that some of the parking, particularly on Park Lane first thing in the morning, is causing increased hazards for those children trying to cross and also preventing the flow of traffic through the village at this very busy time. Please help all concerned by taking a couple of extra seconds to ensure that it is safe to park/leave your vehicle. Thank you.

**Retirements:** If any parent wishes to make a contribution to leaving gifts for Mrs Booth, Mrs Kluth, Mrs Shepherd or Mrs Smallwood who are retiring in the summer, please drop it into Mrs Wilson in the office by the beginning of July. Thank you.

**Help** needed for Autumn Project...We are planning an exciting project in the Autumn term and will involve all children in KS2. We will need a large supply of old clothing made from t-shirt material: old t-shirts or clothes made from t-shirt material. The fabric can be any colour: plain, patterned or multicoloured. If you are able to donate anything for this project please send it to school before we break up for the summer in a bag marked "Mrs Linforth-Autumn Project".

**Tag Rugby Tournament:** On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June, Mr Batchelor led two mixed teams of tag rugby players to compete in the tournament at Leamington Rugby Club. Our team names were Argentina and France. Several parents supported us with the event including Mrs Bennett who was there throughout the day. The children competed in group matches in the morning before being regrouped for additional matches in the afternoon. During the break for lunch we were absolutely thrilled to win the Fair Play award. Paul Sackey, former England rugby player was there to cheer children on throughout the day as you can see in the photo! Well done and thank you to all those that took part and represented our school so well.



**Harbury Primary School P.T.A.**

**PTA Committee**

June has been a busy month with Harbury Carnival, the Father's Day Shop at school and the annual PTA Beer Walk and evening BBQ.

Congratulations to the walking tableau from Harbury Primary School who came first in their category in Harbury Carnival. There was a wonderful array of 'favourite book characters' and some great costumes. It was nice to see so many people out supporting the Carnival despite the weather.



The PTA Beer Walk was a little quieter than normal due to many of our regular walkers going away to make the most of the teacher training day. Huge thanks to Nigel Chapman for organising the route and to Julie Young and her family for organising the PTA Refreshment stop at Chesterton Church and to the Harbury pubs (The Old New Inn, The Shakespeare, The Crown and The Gamecock) for participating in the sticker scheme for the children.



The evening BBQ was held at The Gamecock and it was well supported by school families and the wider community. Big thanks to Katharine and Wendy for organising the BBQ and to the team at The Gamecock for their support and thanks to Andy, Adrian and Sarah for additional help on the night. A special mention must go to McDonalds (The Parade) Leamington Spa who generously donated all the quarter pounders (100% beef), cheese and ketchup for the evening which reduced our costs considerably.

Just a reminder the Harbury School PTA Summer Fayre is on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July from 12pm-3pm which is our biggest fundraiser of the year. There will be plenty of stalls including toys, books, tombola's, lots of different games, football shootout, raffle, face painting, tattoos and new this year children can have their nails painted. There will be refreshments available to purchase in our outside BBQ and indoor café selling cakes and beverages. CANA will also be running a bar with Pimms and other assorted drinks. Please do come along and support the school and fingers crossed for sunshine!

Thank you to recent donations from school parents which have been given to the PTA for the benefit of all the children. Non-uniform day just before half term raised £186 and Mark Harris who has been voluntarily running a new weekly Coding Club before school presented the PTA with a cheque for £130 in a special assembly.

### **Dates for the Diary**

PTA Summer Fayre – 4<sup>th</sup> July 12pm-3pm in the school grounds

Y6 Leavers BBQ – 15<sup>th</sup> July

Y6 Leavers Assembly – 17<sup>th</sup> July

Coffee Morning – 12<sup>th</sup> September 10am-12pm Tom Hauley Room



## Village Hall Update

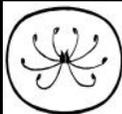
**Chris Finch**

Some things stay the same at the Village Hall whilst other changes happen and lead to new situations.

The hall continues to be very well supported with many bookings as far ahead as next September already in the diary, so as always it is recommended that if a celebration, wedding reception or children's party is planned for next year, it is advisable to ring the secretary on 612819 to check availability ASAP.

The most significant change at the moment (apart from the building work!) is the imminent retirement of Jean Champ, who has trained countless village youngsters in the arts of tap and ballet. She has been a regular hirer of the premises for many years, for which the Village Hall committee is very grateful and doubtless many families will have fond memories of the shows choreographed by Jean. Fortunately dance lessons will continue in the hall, as the Inspire Dance Company, led by a village teacher will take over the sessions at the same time on a Wednesday afternoon.

Doubtless many visitors to the playing fields on Carnival Day will have had a quick check on progress of the construction activities to see that the contractor and his 'brickies'/ joiners are almost up to the point where the first floor section above the stage will shortly be started. As anyone who enjoyed tea and cakes in the hall during the afternoon's festivities will have observed – there would be no way of knowing about all the construction work taking place outside from the 'normal' appearance of the inside. It's a credit to the local builders that they have managed to allow the continual use of the main hall without causing any obstruction at all – at any time since they started work!



## Horticultural Society

**Judy Morrall**

Our first day trip was on 11<sup>th</sup> June and in the morning we went to Croome near Pershore, a Capability Brown park and a superb Robert Adam designed house, another brilliant National Trust property. The flower meadows leading down to the house were so colourful, with wonderful walks and grottos,

bridges, a rotunda and a superb lake. Once down at the house, which is being renovated and has scaffolding around it, you have the opportunity to climb and eat at the café at the top. Some brave souls did this and said that the view is amazing all over the estate.

Also in the grounds, there is an ice house, a Temple Greenhouse, a boathouse and much more. The house which is partially open is undergoing conservation work but you can now see the wonderful Robert Adam architecture and a reproduction of the wonderful tapestries that once hung here. Since the National Trust took over in 2007 from the Croome Heritage Trust it has already raised over £5 million to start the urgent repairs needed. The 6<sup>th</sup> Earl of Coventry was responsible for the huge undertaking and it will be fabulous once all is restored to its former glory. Well worth a return visit. There is an excellent tea room or canteen and shop.

We were sorry to leave but then went in the afternoon to Meadow Farm, the home, nursery and garden of Rob and Diane Cole. We were made very welcome with a potted history of how the nursery was purchased and the logistics of moving over 1000 plants from their nursery in Birmingham. It was a bare field and both of them set about laying paths (well Diane seemed to have been instrumental in doing this) then creating poly tunnels and propagating the superb plants which they sell at various plant fairs throughout the country.

We then explored the gardens which made us all feel very much in awe of the sheer amount of plants, the superb colour combinations, loads of pots, an area for sempervivums, pond and a wildflower meadow. Lots of convenient seating to appreciate the different views, although how either of them actually find time to sit down is debatable. Most of us bought plants which were very reasonably priced and healthy and the luggage space in the coach was crammed with carrier bags. Nice to know that a little part of Feckenham, where Meadow Farm is located plus, it being where my lovely father was born, is now in Harbury gardens.

It was only less than an hour away and such a shame that more were not able to come as everyone who came on the coach enjoyed the day and, as I had refrained from doing a rain dance, the weather was just perfect.

So I will not be doing a rain dance before our next day trip which is on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July. We are going for the whole day to Trentham Gardens near Stoke on Trent. This historic Italian Garden has been fully restored and had a wonderful make over with contemporary planting by Tom Stuart-Smith (he always wins a gold medal at Chelsea Flower Show for his stunning designs). Piet Oudolf's Floral Labyrinth and Rivers of Grass are two more added twists. A trellis walk with a rose border and a viewing platform add to the enjoyment. There is a two mile walk around the lake plus lots of classical and contemporary sculptures. Just meander through the gardens at leisure, sit back and enjoy. There are two places to eat and you can picnic if you would rather do that. Plus plants to buy from a massive garden centre in

Trentham Shopping Village. So I hope that I have whetted your appetite as I still have lots of spaces on the coach and the cost is only £22.50, leave Village Hall at 9.00am and Trentham at 5.00pm. It would be such a shame to have a coach with spare seats plus, as the cost is so very reasonable, the Society does in fact lose when the minimum number is not reached. So please give me a ring and join us. My friend Fay, a fellow volunteer at Upton House, came on our first trip and she did so enjoy it and said that what a lovely welcoming group we were. So with that accolade I fully expect my phone to start ringing once everyone has received the July edition of Harbury and Ladbroke News.

We have an evening trip to Sulgrave Manor on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August so please also feel welcome to join us on that, I will give final details in my August article. By the time you read this we will have had our Garden Walkabout and once more we all owe a huge debt of thanks to Kathleen Ellis and Margaret Commons for all their hard work to ensure that everyone has a good time.

Lastly just a few suggestions for garden visits for July. All of these are open under the NGS which annually raises thousands of pounds for various deserving charities. On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July, Hanbury Hall a delightful National Trust property in school road Droitwich post code WR9 7EA will be open for the NGS from 10.30am to 5pm, lovely parterre gardens and recreation of an 18<sup>th</sup> century formal garden with fruit garden, orangery and mushroom house. Admission is £7.50 - plus of course delicious teas. On Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July do go along to Harrells Hardy plant and Nursery Rudge road Evesham post code WR11 4JR. Open from 2.00 to 5.00pm with teas and homemade cakes. Enjoy the one acre site with beds and borders, planted with perennials, grasses and a wide range of day lilies. This is a hidden gem and well worth a visit and the cost is £3.



## Nature Notes

**John Hancock**

Today, Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June, the sun is out and it's warm sitting in the garden writing these notes. Sharon and I had a pleasant bike ride with our U3A Cycle Group this morning. Starting in Leamington and keeping where possible to minor roads and cycle paths, our route took us through Victoria Park and along the Myton Road to cross the Avon in St Nicholas's Park. A juvenile coot was being shepherded by its parent bird. Most broods of water birds, perhaps numbering six or more are heavily predated with just one or two surviving the year. Swans, despite their fierce nature, are not much better at protecting their young. Of the six cygnets near the bridge over the river at Long Itchington, we will see how many make the transition to full plumage.

Climbing out of the valley through Priory Park the eye is caught by a stone commemorating the World Scout Jamborees held there in the 50s and 60s. Trees were planted and are now maturing. Some are quite exotic including Ginkgo and Tulip tree. It's worth exploring on foot with a tree guide available from the District Council.

Leaving Warwick on the A4189 which flies over the busy A46 we were soon on quieter lanes around Hampton-on-the-Hill. These lead to the Grand Union towpath and the Hatton flight of locks. Now we were in a different world away from the eternal traffic of our road system. Our group had cycled down the flight plenty of times but never up. The frequent 'hills' were sharp but mercifully short and we were soon relaxing outside the excellent cafe at the top. Our route home involved negotiating the maze of roads south of Beausale before using a lovely bridleway which swoops down in three miles to cross the A46 again near the Cape.

Our local nature reserves are a delight at any time but especially in June and July when some nationally scarce flowering plants take centre stage. Ufton Fields on 15<sup>th</sup> June was a case in point. In the fenced area approached by a stile next to the remains of a cement works era hopper, we found about a dozen Man Orchids (*Aceras anthropophorum*). They were easy to find as each was inside a wire cage to save them from being nibbled by rabbits. This is the most north westerly location for this species in Britain. The individual florets fancifully resemble a person with the partly joined petals and sepals representing a head and the bifurcated lip the body, arms and legs. One impressive Bee Orchid graced the bank by a path leading to a bird hide. I was grateful to Jill Barber for giving me the location as, despite its startling colours, at any distance it merges into the surrounding vegetation. In all we were fortunate to see six species of British wild orchids. Including the above, we found several creamy coloured Greater Butterfly Orchids, Common Twayblades, Southern Marsh Orchids and many Common Spotted Orchids. These are variously coloured from white through to purple. They have an intriguing method of pollination. A bumble bee seeking nectar pushes into the floret. Two pollinia (pollen sacs) attach to the insect's head via their sticky pads. The bee leaves and goes to another flower. In the interim, by an evolutionary sleight of hand, the pollinia bend forward from an upright position on the bee's head and are well placed to come into contact with the stigma of the next flower and thus successfully pollinate. If you want to try to reproduce the 'trick', introduce a sharpened pencil into a flower to see it for yourself.

Yellow Rattle (*Rhinanthus minor*), a member of the Figwort family, is found in some of the short sward at Ufton. This is a parasite of grass and ensures the grass is not too lush aiding the survival of many of our iconic wild flowers such as orchids and gentians. Later in the year the seed pods of Yellow Rattle when dry and shaken close to the ear live up to their name. A few years ago the Pyramidal Orchid was found growing on the verge where Middle Road is at its steepest. Here the limestone is near the surface and the

grass thin. I found some Yellow Rattle flowering there this week so it's worth taking a look. Be sure to watch out for traffic.

Do visit Bishops Hill and see our smallest butterfly which is the Small Blue. The community cafe in the village is named after it. Unlike our Biblios it has no Library attached and is struggling to remain solvent. Chatting to Pat Ruddock, the cafe manager, I promised I would give them a plug.

For a magnificent display of Greater Butterfly Orchids I strongly advise a visit to Tasker's Meadow. This memorial to Andy Tasker, a Harbury resident for many years and a past Director of Warwickshire Wildlife Trust lies opposite the Boat Inn where the A426 crosses the Grand Union Canal. Combine it with a walk along Stockton Cutting (OS sheet 151:SP 437651). Sharon and I saw our first Marbled White butterfly of the year in the cutting when we visited to view the display of orchids. This is one of the loveliest insects to be seen in high summer. It actually belongs to the Browns (Family Satyridae). The 'white' is rather a creamy colour and the insect can be likened to a flying chequer board; it is unmistakable.

A skylark was singing yesterday while we sat with the Wednesday Walkers looking across the North Oxfordshire countryside above Clattercote Reservoir close to Mollington. Gillian Hare told us the reservoir and nearby farm were the site of a Gilbertine Priory run as a hospital by an order of canons in the mid 12<sup>th</sup> Century.

Please send me your special wildlife sightings to put in future Nature Notes - [j.hancock43@btinternet.com](mailto:j.hancock43@btinternet.com)



## General Section



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### Spirit of Harbury Award 2015

The Spirit of Harbury shield was presented for the 13<sup>th</sup> time last month to John and Sharon Hancock, one of several occasions when the award has recognised a couple for their continuous contribution to village life for many years.

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# Harbury Ca



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John and Sharon recalled exactly when they first came to the village as they spent a weekend here in July 1969 and watched the moon landing on television. At the time, John was working in Northampton and Sharon was expecting their first child Stephen. John decided to accept Dr Brian Wilne's offer of a position at the Surgery and in October 1969 along with 7 week old Stephen they moved into Temple House Cottage. John was a full time GP for 35 years and then worked part time until 2012. In the intervening time John and Sharon had moved house twice within the village and their daughter Jane was born in 1971. After the children started school Sharon returned to work as a community paediatrician, a job which took her all over South Warwickshire.

John and Sharon met at medical school in Leeds and following an attack of chicken pox which hospitalised Sharon for 2 weeks, John went to offer encouraging words resulting in an invitation to 'have a coffee'. Unfortunately he chose to go to the Ceylon Tea Centre which did not serve coffee! His choice of a meeting place was fortunately overlooked by Sharon and after graduating in June 1967 they married the following December. They did house jobs at St James's Hospital Leeds (Jimmy's) and at Harrogate General before moving to posts at Northampton General.

From the time they became villagers, both John and Sharon have immersed themselves in Harbury and contributed to so many facets of village life that a list of their contributions reads like a microcosm of all that makes the village such a desirable place to live and bring up children. Both Stephen and Jane went to the local schools – Harbury Primary and then Southam and they have been extremely successful in their chosen careers. Stephen is a Consultant Paediatrician in Sheffield and leads Embrace, a service which transports seriously ill children to appropriate intensive care units (he featured in the TV programme 'Children's Emergency Rescue') whilst Jane is a primary school teacher in Bath. John and Sharon have 6 grandchildren (the eldest of whom has just graduated) and they love nothing better (apart from all the walking and cycling they do) than visiting the family.

As many people will know, John loves his cycling expeditions and his opportunities to observe the flora and fauna on which he reports to the Harbury and Ladbroke News. He is leader of the Natural History and Cycling groups for Warwick District U3A which he joined following retirement from the practice, whilst Sharon is U3A Chairman and leads the Current Affairs group.

As many will realise from recent articles in the H&L News, Sharon has just retired from the Parish Council after 38 years (with 3 years as Chairman) and she accounts for her original reason for becoming a councillor as Thursday evening was one of two weekday nights when John was not 'on call' and she was able to go out. In those days GPs had 24 hours a day responsibility for their patients.

Sharon was also involved with the PTAs of Harbury and Southam and was a governor of the secondary school for many years. Nowadays she is to be seen as a member of the staff who 'man' Biblio's in the Wight School and she spends time researching the villagers listed on the war memorial who lost their lives in the two World Wars.

John is also a visible presence in the village, especially when litter picking or accompanying Sharon to the weekly coffee mornings in the Tom Hauley Room where he is known for engaging in conversation with many of his former patients (although now he spends time chatting about anything which makes life 'go round'- not health problems). Some years ago, he helped raise money for the Southam swimming pool in the days when it was thought it might not be a viable venture for a small town. For the last few years he has been Chairman of the Village Hall fund-raising committee which has been so successful in raising the amount needed for improvements, including the current building work. He was active in the organisation of the Harbury Games, is Chairman of the Harbury Society and is an occasional helper in the Library. He and Sharon have been involved with the Twinning Association since its inception and have enjoyed many visits to Samois-sur-Seine.

As Alison mentioned at the presentation of the shield in memory of her late husband John Hunt, John and Sharon have been at the heart of so many activities since they arrived here, that Harbury has indeed been lucky to have such valuable members of our community. They both have the welfare of all villagers continually in their minds and the ongoing contact they have with former villagers (John was Venture Scout Leader and Sharon was on the H&L News) demonstrates the niche they have occupied as VIHPs (Very Important Harbury People)! A well deserved recognition in 2015 for the Spirit of Harbury.

**Chris Finch**

## **Harbury Carnival Games Week 2015**

### **Wheelbarrow Race**

The sun was shining, the marshals and scrutineers were in place and by the time the race started we had 23 teams entered. This year we started and finished at The Crown Inn where new licensees Neil and Michelle were hosts. Thank you and we hope you enjoyed a Harbury experience (although Michelle will have to wait another year!!!).

There were 14 entries for the Men's Beer Race which was won by Alan Farmer and Kevin Burgoyne in a time of 8 minutes 52 seconds. In second place it was



Rob Rollason and Finn Toner in a time of 9 minutes 7 seconds and in third place it was Trevor Gibbs and Mark Easton 9 minutes 15 seconds. Alan and Kevin Scandrett Shield and £25 prize money.

There were 6 entries for the Water Race. The winners, with a time of 11 minutes 32 seconds were Ted Easton and Joe Hunt and they were presented with the Wallington Trophy and £10. In second place were James Robinson and Daniel Robinson 13 minutes and 22 seconds and in third place were Alisha Long and Indi Long 15 minutes and 5 seconds.



We had two teams in the Ladies Beer Race and it was won by Jenny Thomas and Alison Baldwin in 15 minutes and 20 seconds. They were awarded the Gibbs & Simpson Shield and £25. In second place were Heather Burt and Vicky Woodhouse in 15 minutes and 37 seconds.

The Rollason Tankard is presented to the team completing the Men's Beer Race in the fastest time with a combined age of 100 or over and this year it was won by Mark Easton and Trevor Gibbs.

We must make special mention for the number of runners who were in fancy dress. These participants add another dimension to the race and prove that you don't have to be that serious to take part! We also had two husband and wife teams enter this year – could that be the start of a trend?



Once again, very many thanks to all the licensees who provided beer and water, the volunteer timekeepers, scrutineers and stewards and to the marvellous crowd who came out in the sunshine to cheer on the runners in their ordeal.

We look forward to welcoming old and new participants in 2016.

## Pub Games

This year we had EIGHT team's take part in the Carnival Games Week and more than 60 people competed in one or more of the games. The eight teams this year were: The Crown Inn, The Shakespeare, Twinning, All Saints, Girls-R-Loud, Mismatches, the Old New Inn and the Wednesday Club. The winners of the individual events were as follows:

Aunt Sally - Twinning

Skittles – The Shakespeare Inn

Horse Shoes – The Wednesday Club

Quiz – The Wednesday Club

At the end of the competitions the winners were The Wednesday Club with 60 points. Then the Shakespeare with 43 points, The Crown Inn 42 points, Twinning with 41 points, All Saints (or not) with 32 points, Old New Inn with 28 points, Girls-R-Loud with 23 points and Mismatches with 17 points.



The winners were presented with the Dan Killian Pub Games Shield and the congratulations of the Carnival Committee. If you want a bit of fun playing games, not too seriously, on early June evenings and want to put a team together, please get in touch with the committee. You only need 4 people for each event out of a maximum 12 players per team – and they could be the same 4 who enter them all. It is good fun and gives

you a chance to meet many fellow villagers and to visit our well known hostelries. Perhaps those teams who have taken part in previous years will enter again?

Finally, our thanks must go to all the teams for taking part. Along with the 32 team members each evening and the various supporters we estimate there were about 60 people at each game. This is a great number and we hope that you all enjoyed it. Lastly, we would like to thank the licensees for letting us use their premises, it would be difficult to hold the events without you.

**Mike McBride, John Broomfield and the Carnival Committee**



# Harbury Wheelbarrow Race 2015



## Public Notice

Following their recent emphatic defeat in the 2015 Harbury Carnival Games, the team Mis-Matches have voluntarily put themselves into special measures.

Acknowledging that there is much work to be done and that this may take years rather than just months, the team has set itself the epic task of one day winning the Dan Killian Trophy. This year no one from the team, which was 12 strong, entered the wheelbarrow race which they may try to enter next year. However, as this event does not count towards final totals, the team feels it is not necessary to enter in order to reach their goal.

During the coming months the team members will undergo various interventions and intensive training sessions in order to improve their performance in skittles, Aunt Sally and horseshoes. The quiz, being an integral part of the games and scoring, will be tackled in a methodical manner. Team members will be given a reading list including possible topics that may be included in future quizzes. They will be expected to complete CPD records each month to ensure a level of intelligence is obtained.

The team very much welcome any help and advice from the reigning champions The Wednesday Club. We will also be keeping the village updated on our efforts with regular blogs, both in the Harbury and Ladbroke News and on the Harbury Carnival Facebook page.

Team captain Dayle says "We thank you for your support during this difficult time and promise to try to improve our performance next year".

**Haidee Powell**

## Harbury Carnival Spirit not Dampened by Rain

This year the Carnival laughed off the rain with a marvellous procession marshalled to precision by many volunteers to whom we pass on thanks. Road closures were for a minimum of time and there were no complaints as cooperative drivers realised the importance of the new safety measures.

Announcer Tony Ceney was in good voice and the many stalls did a roaring trade. The beneficiaries of Carnival will be village groups and charities.

The winners of the greatly coveted rosettes were as follows:

### Procession

**Decorated Float Trade** Joint 1<sup>st</sup> Star Wars - Cana and Gamecock, Cutting Crew - The Crown



- Decorated Float Private** 1<sup>st</sup> I'm a Celebrity... - Markham and Watson Families, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nothing Like a Dame – Harbury Theatre Group
- Children's Float** 1<sup>st</sup> Jolly Postman – Harbury Pre-School, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fruit Bowl - Banana Moon Nursery School
- Horsedrawn/Mounted/Lead** 1<sup>st</sup> Highwaymen
- Walking Tableau Family** 1<sup>st</sup> Chi Bugs, 2<sup>nd</sup> Box Trolls, 3<sup>rd</sup> Where's Wally
- Walking Tableau Adults** 1<sup>st</sup> 50 Shades of Pink - Harbury WI, 2<sup>nd</sup> Pink Panters, 3<sup>rd</sup> Singing in the Rain – Rollicking Hunts
- Walking Tableau Children (More Than 8 persons)** 1<sup>st</sup> Our Favourite Books - Harbury Primary School
- Walking Tableau Children (2-8 persons)** 1<sup>st</sup> Simpsons, 2<sup>nd</sup> M & M's
- Walking Adult** 1<sup>st</sup> Circus Act - Alisha Long
- Walking Child** 2<sup>nd</sup> Weather Girls, 3<sup>rd</sup> Pitch Perfect
- Child Best Original Costume in Parade (Tim Percival Cup)** Nula (Grasshopper)
- Adult Best Original Costume in Parade (Sue Andrews Cup)** Alisha Long (Circus Act)
- Best Adult Walking Group (John Ridgley Trophy)** Harbury WI (50 Shades of Pink)
- Fancy Dress**
- Under 5yrs** 1<sup>st</sup> Ashley "Lemon"
- 8-10yrs** 1<sup>st</sup> Nula "Grasshopper", 2<sup>nd</sup> Ben "Paddington Bear"
- 11-17yrs** 1<sup>st</sup> Alisha "Circus Act", 2<sup>nd</sup> Hattie "M&M" Harriet "Fantastic Mr Fox"
- Adult Group** Joint 1<sup>st</sup> Cana/Gamecock "Star Wars", Rollicking Hunts "Singing in the Rain"
- Adult Individual** 1<sup>st</sup> Kary Hunt "Mars Advert", 2<sup>nd</sup> Masa "Wood Lice", 3<sup>rd</sup> Bronda Hawkins "Princess Leah",
- Dog Show** (by Paula Bailey of Emscote Vets, Warwick)
- Dog Most Like Owner** 1<sup>st</sup> Scruffy with Ian Panton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rivelin with Susie Tawney, 3<sup>rd</sup> Lucy with Charlotte
- Waggiest Tail:** 1<sup>st</sup> Isla with Graeme McKenzie, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mia with Kary Hunt, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tigger with Kerry
- Best trick:** 1<sup>st</sup> Toby with Ben, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bella with Caroline Peel, 3<sup>rd</sup> Jody with Phoebe
- Best Biscuit Catcher:** 1<sup>st</sup> Lucy with Charlotte, 2<sup>nd</sup> Theo with Anne Stanton, 3<sup>rd</sup> Squid with Katie

**Dog I'd Most Like to Take Home** 1<sup>st</sup> Rabbit with Jody, 2<sup>nd</sup> Theo with Anne Stanton, 3<sup>rd</sup> Bella with Caroline Peel

**Best Behaved:** 1<sup>st</sup> Frankie with Caroline Dorning/Dora with Alice, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fliss with Bud Jackson, 3<sup>rd</sup> Daisy with Abi

And for those who did not get a rosette, our judges for the procession, Amanda and Martin Randall, said that their job was exceedingly difficult because the standard was so high and it was hard to separate the entrants. So congratulations to all - and try again next year!

Many thanks to our twenty four great SPONSORS for their support: *Alleviate, Banana Moon Nursery, Brooks Chimney Sweep, Cana Imports, Drop Dead Gorgeous, Harbury Neighbourhood plan, Harbury Pharmacy, Harbury Supermarket & Post Office, Health & Wellness, Kleinmann Properties, Miles of Tiles, Muglestons Country Fayre, OCD Outside Cleaning Direct, Rollasons – Solicitors, Rollason Timber, Southam Carpets, The Crown Inn, The Door Store, The Gamecock, The Salon, TM & JM Grey Builders, Top to Toe Beauty, Warwickshire Young Voices.*

**Peter Walshe on behalf of the Carnival Committee  
(John Broomfield, Julie Linforth, Mike McBride, Haidee Powell and  
Ann Winchester)**

## **Harbury Senior Citizens update and Summer Lunch**

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June we travelled to Cardiff via the M50 and A40 (thus avoiding paying the toll to get across the Severn) on our way to Wales. On our way back we went over the new(ish) Severn Bridge as we didn't have to pay anything to leave Wales! Being on a coach gave us even more spectacular views over the estuary, the mud flats and the hills in the distance.

Once we got to Cardiff our travellers were free to do what they wanted. Some went to listen to debates in the Welsh Assembly, some went to look at the new concert hall facilities, some to museums, shopping or just to eat an ice-cream on Cardiff Bay or to have a boat trip on the river Taff. From the feedback we have had there seems to have been enough for everyone and a number of people plan to go back to see what they missed or to see shows and concerts. The committee hope that everyone who came on the trip enjoyed the day.

Also, thank you to everyone who supported our Tombola Stall at Harbury Carnival as part of our fundraising activities. It seems that our passion for all things chocolate is alive and kicking and our tombola finished before the carnival ended because we ran out of prizes. Thank you to everyone who donated prizes to support us.

Although we mention "Summer Lunch" in the title of this piece, we will not be holding one this year. We cancelled it last year because we didn't get the numbers to make it a viable fundraising activity and we are looking at other

ways to raise funds. By the time you have read this, the Harbury Garden walkabout will have been completed and we hope that you will have supported us by buying teas and cakes at Julie Clarke's house over the two days of the walkabout.

We have a coffee morning in November and our next event will be the Christmas Party in December. More details will follow.

**Mike McBride,**

**On behalf of the Harbury Senior Citizens Benefit Association**



## **Pre-School Fundraising Group**

**Barn Dance – 4<sup>th</sup> July, 8pm Village Hall**

We are very excited about our upcoming Barn Dance. The posters are up, tickets are on sale and Rumble-O is all set to play for us. Tickets are £10 in advance, £11 on the door and nibbles are included throughout the night. Cana is providing a brilliant bar and there will be dancing and a “tin can alley” for a bit of brief respite. Raffle tickets are now on sale too, through a Pre-School parent or by contacting the Fund Raising Group. It's the best ever with prizes such as tickets to Warwick Castle and Hatton Country Park and vouchers for many of our local pubs and Cana. This will be our last event this “school year” so we really hope you can support us. It would be wonderful to see people across the village together for the evening and we welcome you all to join us. Tickets are available from Cana and Muggleston's.

## **Friends of Pre-School Scheme**

Yippee – our new scheme has launched!! Hopefully a leaflet for this dropped out of your July edition today. (Forgive us for the “double whammy”). To recap, this scheme will enable you to donate £1 a month for a year, providing valuable funds each month. Thank you to all of the local businesses who have agreed to have forms for us, and thanks too to the people I keep bumping into in the village that are eager to sign up. It means a lot that you would like to support us, even though you do not have a child/relative at Pre-School.

## **Carnival BBQ Update**

Despite what we can safely say was some pretty awful weather, our parents pulled together and the village queued to see us in the rain. We made a brilliant £806 at this event which we really appreciate. We are so thrilled that, of course, we've booked to do it all again next year.

We would like to take a moment to thank Calor Gas for lending us their fantastic BBQ and IP Building Services for organising the logistics so that we could actually get it to the field on the day. Thanks too to John Warner for storing it for us. You guys were brilliant and without you we would have struggled to cook the 260 beef burgers, 20 veggie burgers and 150 sausages

that we served up. One final thank you to the Co-op for their generous donation, which helped us to purchase some of the food.

See you at the Barn Dance?

**Julie Balch**



## Harbury Library & Biblio's Café

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July we will have a special welcome for children from Harbury Primary School who will have recently received a new library card as part of the Warwickshire 'Library Card for Every Child' Scheme. In addition 11<sup>th</sup> July is the first day for children to sign up for the Record Breakers 2015 Summer Reading Challenge, and yes, your favourite smelly stickers are back! Please watch out on the Library website and on our Facebook page for more information.

Coming soon - Dressmaking Classes. We're hoping to offer dressmaking classes in the autumn. The course will suit all abilities - whether complete beginner or more experienced - as students will work on a garment of their choice, suitable for their level. *More details in the August edition of "Harbury & Ladbroke News", and on our website and Facebook page in July.*

Thank you to the new volunteers who signed up this month to work in the library and the café. Regular Biblio's customers will have noticed that the café was unable to open once or twice in June due to a shortage of volunteers.

Harbury Village Library only exists because people like you volunteer, so why not think about offering to do a regular shift, or help with some of our other activities? Pop in and talk to any of the current volunteers if you have any questions.

A reminder that both the library and Biblio's will be open normal times during the Open Studios event. During your walkabout please come and visit us to relax, look at our art displays and enjoy a drink and some lovely cake. You will be made very welcome.

**Tim Lockley**



## Blood Donors

Many thanks to the 114 people who gave blood on 11<sup>th</sup> June. I think the session went smoothly with less waiting than last time. I have been able to speak to someone about the difficulty in booking an appointment and they explained that every session has a target number; when that is reached no more bookings are made and no publicity materials such as the banner are displayed. However, they factor in a number of gaps for walk-ins, so it is worth trying that if you are not too busy.

Our next session will be on 10<sup>th</sup> September.

**Gillian Hare**



## Harbury Village Show

Time for you jam makers to get busy. Please remember that plain lids and jars are required, also check “On with the Show” – available for reference in the library. You will also find the schedules there, including separate ones for children with plenty of ideas for holiday projects.

For the less experienced flower arrangers, there is a novice class. If you are unsure about this you are invited to a workshop on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm. Ring me on 614809 for details. There is at least one beginner coming, so don't be shy!

Gillian Hare



## Harbury Energy Initiative

Why wasn't The Stig driving that car in the carnival procession? Mainly because in that costume he couldn't actually see out of his helmet. We take health and safety very seriously in HEI and considered sightless driving a potential hazard. Anyway I'm a better driver.



We were delighted to welcome so many people to our stand at the carnival. I hope we convinced more of you to join the car club, especially while the special deals on membership are so good. The cost calculations for second car ownership are quite surprising, as you will see from our quiz answers 6 and 7 below; joining the car club can very often save £1,000 a year or more by comparison, as well as reducing pollution. I and others in HEI are quite happy to do tailored calculations for anyone interested. We have a simple question sheet that provides us with the essential data to do the sums. Just drop me an email if you want us to look at it for you. Remember that you have until 31<sup>st</sup> August to join at the 50% rate of £25 with two free hours. This entitles you to use E-Car Club cars wherever they have a club in their rapidly expanding network.

I was less delighted to find how many people would call me out if they had any difficulties when using one of the electric cars! That was the **wrong** answer to our quiz question! Here are the correct answers to the 7 questions:

1 We have two E-Car Club cars in Harbury.

- 2 Our cars should go about 70 to 80 miles on a full charge. This depends on how you drive. A careful driver who does not accelerate hard will probably get more than this.
- 3 A 48-hour weekend is two days at £45 a day, so £90.
- 4 There are E-Car Club cars in Stratford, Oxford, Northampton, St Andrews and London, though not yet in Birmingham (As a member you can use the cars in all of these places).
- 5 If your car runs out of charge you ring E-Car's breakdown number and they rescue you (**you don't ring me...please!**)
- 6 Using Automobile Association figures for the costs of a small four-year-old car doing 5000 miles a year, and subtracting parking and toll costs, we calculate it is about £226 a month.
- 7 Before you drive it anywhere, the AA says that a small four year-old car costs £1913 a year, or £159 a month. For this price you can hire an E-Car for 29 hours every month, or three full 24-hour days and 4 hours.

We have experienced some difficulties with the charging points recently. This has meant that for several days one or both of the cars have been unavailable for booking. This has now been resolved but will be even better when we receive new charging cables. Whilst we have the existing cables, when disconnecting the cable from the wall, push it in slightly before pulling it out. This allows a locking pin to release. I am always happy to help people on their first use of the cars, if I am in. Just call me in advance.

### **Energy from compost**

On 20<sup>th</sup> June several of us visited an anaerobic digestion plant at Brandon. This impressive installation uses the gas generated from a mix of maize, grass, pig and poultry manure, all locally sourced, to generate 0.5mWh of electricity. Some of it is used for all the farm's needs, and the majority is sold to Good Energy and goes into the grid. The process also produces 250kWh of heat and this is used mainly to dry the finished 'digestate', which is then returned to the farm fields for fertility, greatly reducing the farmers need to buy in artificial fertiliser. The plant's performance is monitored by a maintenance company by satellite link from wherever the consultant happens to be. The last adjustments were made from the Mogave desert!

### **Solar panels**

It has been great to have several enquiries lately for advice about installing photovoltaic panels for electricity generation. Although the Feed-in-Tariff has dropped over the years, the cost of panels has also dropped considerably and it remains a good investment with returns far better than a savings account.

## **Consultation re proposed solar farm**

There is to be a consultation event for a proposed solar farm more or less equidistant from Harbury, Ufton and Radford Semele just off the Fosse Way. The consultation will be on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July, from 3:30pm to 7:30pm, in Harbury Village Hall.

The event will be an opportunity for you to view the proposals in more detail, meet the project team and ask any questions you may have. The developers are keen for local communities to provide feedback on the proposals and help to shape their plans. They would also like to discuss the proposals with any local community groups with an interest in solar energy, so some of HEI will be going along.

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

## **Harbury to Sheffield in an E-Car Club Electric Car**

When I joined Harbury E-Car club and first drove their Renault Zoe, my left foot was instinctively feeling for the clutch every time I stopped but this soon went away. The car really is easy to drive with just one pedal for go and another for stop.

Around town, on country roads and on the motorway the performance was pretty much equivalent to any similar sized car except that at low speeds you can accelerate faster than most other cars. Having used the car for a short trip I wanted to try venturing further afield so I went to Banbury then came back up the M40 and plugged in to the charger at Warwick services for a few minutes just to test it out.

With the confidence that I could charge the car on the motorway I was ready to plan a longer journey. I work for The Tool Connection (Laser Tools) in Southam and make regular trips to our factory in Sheffield. It costs £45 to hire the E-Car for a day and normally it would cost the company £90 if I used my own car and claimed back a mileage charge. The card which comes with the car allows you to operate the chargers at Harbury library and gives free charging at motorway services. These all have "Rapid" charging points which charge the car to 80% in about 30 minutes.

I picked up the car in the evening and parked outside my house for the night. The next morning I left Ladbroke at 6am heading towards Coventry then up the M69 to the M1. On the motorway the car has plenty of power and I had no trouble keeping up with the traffic and overtaking. I have to admit that at first I was keeping a close eye on the 'remaining mileage' figure, and it did seem to go down faster at 70mph. But I went past Leicester Forest services and on to Donington Park where I arrived having travelled 52.4 miles with 31% battery charge remaining.



### **Charging at Donington Park Services**

While I was plugging in to the charger another electric car pulled up and the driver asked me how long I would be. Although there are two parking spaces reserved for charging, there is only one charger so he had to wait. I went to get breakfast and coffee and when I came back 30 minutes later the battery was nearly full.

I drove on to Tibshelf services and after half an hour charging there I came out to find three or four people looking at the car and charger, and there were lots of questions about how long it takes to charge and how much it costs. Then I was off again and driving through the seemingly endless 50mph road works on the M1 with lots of speed cameras. Setting the speed limiter on the car so I wouldn't accidentally go over the limit made this much easier.

About 9:40 I arrived at my destination in Sheffield.

The drive home took a little longer, due mainly to heavy traffic. Not having to change gear or use a clutch makes this sort of stop-start driving much easier. I recharged at Tibshelf then 41 miles further on at Leicester Forest East, and that gave me plenty of charge to get back to Ladbroke and Harbury.

To sum up, I would recommend the E-Cars for local trips (up to about 70 miles without recharging). They are easy to drive and good value at £5.50 an hour or £45 a day. They can also be used for longer trips but you do need to spend time planning and be prepared to stop every 50 miles or so for 30-40 minutes while recharging. They are simple to drive with only two pedals and no gears to change. If you like gadgets you can use the cruise control, speed limiter, reversing camera and parking sensors. You can blue-tooth link your phone for voice-activated dialling and playing your favourite music through the car's speakers. They are well equipped with features like electric windows, automatic headlights and windscreen wipers, remote control mirrors and automatic remote locking.

You can join the E-Car scheme at [e-carclub.org](http://e-carclub.org), and this allows you to use E-Cars in London, Oxford, Northampton, Stratford and other locations as well as Harbury.

**Adrian Davis**

### **Friends of Harbury Cemetery**

This new group has been formed to help improve the look of the Cemetery after receiving complaints about its condition. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS. Any interested resident (or complainant) can join us on the first Thursday morning

of each month (weather permitting), ie 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 6<sup>th</sup> August, 3<sup>rd</sup> September and so on . . . . .

We'll meet at the Cemetery gate at 9am and work for two hours, so just turn up with shears or loppers or secateurs or a rake. Garden gloves would be a good idea, as would any spare green bags that you may have. This is an ideal way to give something back to the community as many of the old graves have not been tended for years, so if you've dropped the children off at school or have a spare couple of hours, do please join us.

**HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION:** Taking part is at your own risk, so try not to fall over a root, prick yourself on a thorn, cut yourself on your shears, etc!!!

**Pat Summers**

## **Fresh Trim Fundraising**

If you are living in Harbury and need someone to mow your lawn, wash your car, walk your dog or just to do general jobs around the house; Dom and Dan are two local 14 year olds fundraising for their trips - we can help you!

Currently we have a group of reliable Harbury customers who have asked us back - and you could join them. Give us a ring on: 01926 614135 or send us an email: dominicpriest@btinternet.com

**Dom and Dan - Fresh Trim**

## **The Local Foodbank Meeting**

Bob Sherman began by explaining that this was the first public meeting organised by a recently formed church group, one of its aims being to identify need and to help those in physical, social or spiritual poverty.

A very wet night did not deter a good crowd from coming to listen to the Rev Barry Jackson, vicar of Kington, talk about the local foodbanks. He explained how the Trussell Trust in 2000, started the first foodbank in Salisbury, run from a garden shed. Since then foodbanks have grown every year, until now when over 440 exist to help people in food crisis. He showed a 2012/13 graph of the reasons for needing emergency food aid, which is three days of food. (The most recent statistics show over 29% are from benefit delays, over 22% low income, over 13% benefit changes and among the others are debt, homelessness, unemployment, sickness, domestic violence and delayed wages). He stressed the difference between urban and rural poverty, where, it has been calculated, to be poor in rural areas means an average family of four would be £10,000 pounds a year worse off, because almost everything when living in a rural environment is more expensive, especially transport, fuel and food.

He explained how the four local foodbanks work. Kineton foodbank was started by Barry in May 2013, then Wellesbourne, Bishops Itchington and most recently Southam were added. Donated food is taken to Kineton church where it is sorted, the sell by date is written in large numbers and the food is then stored in date order in the warehouse facility there. Any food nearing its sell by date is sent to Leamington, Stratford, Coventry or Banbury foodbanks, so none is ever wasted. There are two collection periods a year from Tesco, including the Southam store, when volunteers man the entrance requesting people to buy food. Tesco then add another 30%.

Referral to a food bank comes from professionals, like doctors, social workers, clergy or health visitors. They offer vouchers which enable people to access food from a foodbank. In the countryside many people often find it difficult and very expensive to actually reach a foodbank, so alternative ways of helping have been developed by two of the foodbanks locally.

Southam and Kineton have specific days when they are open, but Bishops Itchington and increasingly Wellesbourne frequently deliver food by car to actual homes. The people receiving food are often embarrassed, but with kindness and a non-judgmental attitude, most will talk about their difficulties, which gives an opportunity to point them to other agencies equipped to help. I feel confident that all those who listened to Barry, who is a brilliant communicator, would agree that the local foodbanks are very well organised and serve a real need in our local communities. However one person thoughtfully commented that it was a sad reflection on our society, that in a country as wealthy as ours, we actually need them. I'm sure many agreed.

If you wish to donate food a collection box is in the church at the entrance to the choir vestry. A suggested foodbank shopping list is:-

Sugar, instant mash potato, cereals, fruit juice (long life), pasta, rice, pasta sauces, tinned tomatoes and tinned vegetables, tinned rice and tinned sponge puddings, jam, tinned fish and meat, tinned soup, tinned fruit, milk (UHT or powdered), instant coffee and tea bags, biscuits and snacks.

**Jill Winter - 612585**

## **Harbury – then and now**

Sometimes when looking at old photographs of a place with which you think you are familiar, it's not always possible to instantly recognise the scene depicted. That may be the case for most people in the village looking at this month's picture, which in some ways has changed beyond recognition, but in other ways when the entire view is scrutinised, there is a street profile which has remained unchanged for many years.

This is the case for the photo reproduced in this magazine, a view looking from Temple End towards Park Lane. The black and white cottages in the foreground were demolished sometime in the 50's and were replaced with a

single stone cottage which was built on the footprint of the original dwellings. According to various sources, the cottages were either damaged as the result of a direct hit from a German bomber returning from a raid in Coventry, which loosed the rest of its payload onto the properties, so that the return flight would be



lighter, or the dropped bomb(s) hit on the ground further back from the road creating a crater. Whichever is the correct version, which resulted in destruction of the fabric of the buildings, it should be possible to corroborate the accuracy of the event in the Warwickshire archives by discovering a newspaper article chronicling the details at the time?

In connection with the deployment of planes from this area during the war, it is more than likely that villagers who were not here until the 60's or later would be unaware (unless they read an Harbury & Ladbroke News from several years ago!) that there was an airfield across the Bendigo Mitchell crossroads on the right hand side of the road almost opposite the chicken farm and before the 'Brakes' F.C. football ground. Bonnickson's airfield employed several village families in the engineering works and canteen, which serviced the world war planes.

These fascinating examples of former times would be lost to those of us in the present day, unless older residents with long memories can recall some of the details. It is, however, always possible to consult early photos and documents, which record the local changes, in the archive stored in the Heritage Room, housed in the Primary School (open on the first Tuesday each month from 6.30pm – 8.30pm or by special arrangement with Mr Chapman 813765).

The Heritage Group stall at the Carnival was very well supported and the prize - a copy of Treasure Island, donated by Mary Shelley was won by Emily Gibb for recognising the most artefacts correctly.

**Chris Finch**



## **Operation Christmas Child**

There will be a coffee morning in the Tom Hauley Room on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July to raise money for the transport costs of the shoeboxes. Offers of cakes and raffle prizes will be welcome and please come to support "Love in a Box".

**Gillian Hare**

## Are You Looking for Activities, Advice or Services?

The Warwickshire Directory is aimed at helping people find information about local organisations, groups and agencies that provide activities, advice, services and support. Information and advice is an essential part of enabling people, carers and families to take control of, and make well-informed choices about, their care and support.

Please visit the Directory online at [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/directory](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/directory).

We are committed to continually improving the range of information, advice and services available to people online.

### Do you run a local activity or service?

Are you listed on the Warwickshire Directory? If not, we want to hear from you. The Directory could be a great way of promoting your service to a wider audience for free. To get listed, please contact the Directory Team by emailing [directory@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:directory@warwickshire.gov.uk) or by calling us on 01926 742604.

**Nikki Bailey**  
**Warwickshire County Council**

## Warwickshire Young Voices end the year with Fantastic Flashmob Performance



50 children from WYV's Rising Stars choirs came together for a fantastic final performance of the year, with music, acting and dance from 'Matilda' the musical in a flashmob performance at the play area of Draycote Water on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June. Passersby had an idea something was about to happen as Miss Trunchbull (Musical Director David Iles) took to the roundabout before the performance, but they weren't prepared for the high energy performance from 50 'Revolting Children,' led by 8 year old Emily Speller as Matilda, as they took their revenge on their wicked head teacher before chasing her off for a zipwire finale!

This performance rounds off an amazing year for WYV's young singers with the choir performing at over 20 events including BBC television appearances, The Glasgow Commonwealth Games, World Peace Day international performance, Birmingham Cathedral, Rugby School and the Inauguration of the Lord Mayor, as well as their own concerts and productions.



In addition to their performances, WYV have been pleased to see their Musical Director David Iles win a 'Pride of Warwickshire Award' for his dedication to outstanding music teaching. Their workshop events and Treble Makers classes for children in Reception and Year 1 have also been accredited by the BBC Arts: Get Creative campaign for their fun, engaging and highly creative

approach to music education.

WYV are now looking forward to the next academic year - as ever wondering how to top the last! Their Treble Makers classes for Reception and Year 1 will be expanded to meet growing demand. The Rising Stars and Chamber Choirs for 7-16 year olds are looking forward to their debut at the Royal Albert Hall in November as well as many more high profile singing opportunities throughout the year.

Registers are now open for September 2015 - Harbury sessions are held on Thursday evenings at the school, in addition to sessions in Leamington and Frankton. More information can be found here: [www.warwickshireyoungvoices.org](http://www.warwickshireyoungvoices.org), 01926 810 179 or via facebook. Early reservation is recommended.

**Warwickshire Young Voices Team**  
[www.warwickshireyoungvoices.org](http://www.warwickshireyoungvoices.org)

## **“Tithes, Taxes and Old Southam Town” Exhibition**

The Southam Heritage Collection’s summer exhibition, “Tithes, Taxes and Old Southam Town”, is now open at Vivian House on Market Hill, Southam. It is based on the archaeological find of the tithe barn foundations under the new town centre building and tells the story of how Southam and the surrounding villages were influenced by the medieval town’s association with Coventry Priory and later by Henry VIII and enclosure.

There is an amazing selection of finds from the Southam area, including a range of bronze Roman coins that represent a savings hoard hidden near Ladbroke in the second half of the 4<sup>th</sup> century. There are Roman brooches

and pottery, Georgian coins, crotal bells and a rare medieval dagger from the Chapel Ascote deserted village site on the Ladbroke boundary also on display.

So call in on a Tuesday or a Friday morning between 10am-12noon and have a look at these artefacts, browse through the 1851 census and old photographs from the Cardall Collection, and follow the story through the centuries from Roman to present day. We will also be open every Saturday morning during August and over the weekend of Southam Open Gardens on 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> July.

Groups are welcome at other times by arrangement. Contact Linda Doyle 01926 814214 cardallcollection@hotmail.co.uk

**Linda Doyle**

## **The Windmill Singers**

The Windmill Singers are holding a Summer Jumble Sale on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July – 2.00 to 4.00pm at the Craven Lane Hall, Chickabiddy Lane, Southam. Light Refreshments will be available.

**Bob Teers**  
**01926 613393**

## **Fraud**

A new type of fraud has been identified in SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE and DERBYSHIRE force areas, with similarities to the ongoing courier fraud.

The offender attends the address, stating that he has a parcel for the occupier which he hands over in a padded envelope. When the occupant has taken the parcel, the offender states that there is a £1 delivery charge, which must be paid by card. He then produces what he says is a card machine and asks the victim to insert their card and input the PIN number. This fails and they are asked to repeat this on a number of occasions before the offender states that the machine has taken the card and he needs to return to his van and collect a tool to remove the card. At this point the offender leaves with the card and the PIN he has watched the victim input several times and goes to the nearest ATM to withdraw cash.

It is possible that the card readers could be old CAP (Chip Authentication Program) terminals that banks provide to customers with online or telephone banking services. Please see the image above.



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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### **Dear Editors**

*We were overwhelmed by the great number of sympathy cards and letters received after Brian's death. The messages were so complementary of Brian, both serving the village for many years, and as a person himself. We would also like to thank John and Pat Woodward for their help and support at this time as well as the many hours John spent with Brian and myself at the hospital.*

*People have been very kind with their offers of help, and to call in any time for a chat and cup of tea.*

*Thank you everyone.*

**Josie, Ian, Clive and Keith Taylor**

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### **Dear Editors**

*We would like to thank all our friends in Harbury for the cards, flowers and good wishes you have sent us over the last few months; it has helped both of us enormously. Hopefully when all the treatment is completed and I have had a little rest, I will be out and about with you all.*

**Pat and Jo House**

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### **Dear Editors**

*Recently we were honoured to be presented with The Spirit of Harbury Award. This was particularly special for us as it is in memory of John Hunt who was a dear friend. It has been a privilege to live in this wonderful community for over 45 years. Along with the shield came £50 each to donate to a village organisation of our choice. John has donated his to the Guides and Scouts Support Committee (GASS) and Sharon has given the money to the Library.*

**John and Sharon Hancock**

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### **Dear Editors**

*Many thanks to all who attended and helped at the British Heart Foundation coffee morning. We raised £180 for another worthy cause.*

**The Butterflies**

**Dear Editors**

**Toddler Group in need of a 'handy person'**

*We have had a super offer from one of our grandads to replace the MDF shelves in the shed where we store our Toddler toys.*

*Unfortunately over the years they have become more and more bowed. This local granddad would like some support could this be you?*

*Please give me a call - Lynne Barton 01926 612748.*

*Many, many thanks.*

**Lynne Barton**

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**Dear Editors**

*We would like to thank the Carnival Committee and lovely people of Harbury for enabling us to raise the grand sum of £806 on our BBQ stand at this year's show. The valuable contribution of £100 from the Co-op really helped us to achieve this too.*

*We all had a great time and it was lovely to see everyone out enjoying the day.*

*Best wishes*

**Julie Balch**

**Harbury Pre-School Fund Raising Group**

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**Dear Editors**

*We would like to pass on our sincere thanks to Calor Gas for lending us their rather large BBQ for the Carnival stand again this year.*

*We would also like to give a huge shout out to a local company who stepped in to make sure that we had it to use. This BBQ is so large that it would not fit in any of our cars and we were unsure how we would transport and store it. Jaris at IP Building Services stepped in and sorted this for us using their pick-up trucks! It really saved our bacon. He even liaised with John Warner Builders to store it as close to the field as we could get. Thanks to you too John!*

*We really appreciated your help.*

**Julie Balch**  
**Harbury Pre-School Fund Raising Group**

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	10.30am	Sung Communion
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in the month:	8.00am	Holy Communion
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	6.00pm	Choral Evensong
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