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Editorial

Sadly, it seems to be the end of an era with the closure of two Harbury institutions – Mugglestons Country Fayre and the Old New Inn, both of which have been an important part of village life for many years. You can read more about this in the magazine. This is a reminder that we must support local businesses to ensure they continue and help the village thrive.

On a brighter note, the new noticeboards in Harbury are bursting with information about activities to participate in, including the Murder Mystery at the Library and Merlin the Pantomime. The Ladbroke Players are also treading the boards in November; see details of these in the magazine.

We were sad to hear of the death of Ralph Swadling last month. Ralph was an editor of the magazine from early 2000 to 2013 when illness prevented him continuing. He remained a committee member until recently.

Also, the death of Caroline Iacarus in October. Caroline was married to Pino who was a renowned chef and had cooked for several members of the Royal Family, also working in the kitchens at the Italian and Finnish Embassies and some of the best hotels in the country during his career. In Harbury he was well known for his superb cakes.

We extend our condolences to both their families and also to the family of Sandra Archer from Ladbroke.

Next month the News will be publishing Christmas greetings from those villagers who prefer to give donations to charity rather than send individual Christmas cards; please submit these to the magazine in good time and no later than Thursday 23rd November.

Harbury Diary

NOVEMBER

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| Wed | 1 | Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park - Baddesley - Wroxall (4 miles flat)
Mothers' Union Communion followed by AGM, 2.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Inspire Dance, 4.30 - 7.00pm, Village Hall |
| Thurs | 2 | Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
Folk Club, 8.00pm, Village Club |
| Fri | 3 | Pre-School Music Movement, 9.15am, Farley Room in Village Hall
Shoebox packing and Coffee, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room |
| Sat | 4 | Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Save the Children |

- Sat 4 Harbury Bonfire and Fireworks, bonfire lit 6.00pm, fireworks
6.30pm, Harbury Playing Fields
- Sun 5 ALL SAINTS' DAY**
Holy Communion, 9.00am
Little Saints' Service followed by breakfast, 10.30am
Confirmation Service led by The Bishop of Warwick at Ladbroke,
10.30am
All Souls' Service, 6.00pm
Zumba, 9.00 - 10.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 6 Upholstery Class, 9.15 - 11.15am, Village Hall
Martial Arts, 6.30pm, Village Hall
- Tue 7 Pilates, 9.30am, Village Hall
Meeting Point, 2.00 - 4.00pm, The Crown Inn
Heritage Room open, 6.30 - 8.30pm, Harbury School
Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm, Village Hall
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 8 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park -
Lapworth (3 miles flat)
Away Day, 10.00am, Tom Hauley Room
Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
Ballroom Dancing, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 9 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
WI Annual Meeting, 7.45pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Fri 10 Pre-School Music Movement, 9.15am, Farley Room in Village Hall
Twinning Association AGM followed by cheese and wine, 7.30pm,
Tom Hauley Room
- Sat 11 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid
of Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge WI
Craft Fayre, 10.00am - 4.00pm, Village Hall
DKMS: Together Against Blood Cancer Event, 2.30 - 4.30pm,
Tom Hauley Room
Harbury Village Cinema presents: 'My Cousin Rachel', doors
open 6.30pm, film starts 7.00pm, Village Hall
- Sun 12 THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT: REMEMBRANCE
SUNDAY**
Holy Communion, 8.00am
Remembrance Day Service, 10.15am
Messy Church, 3.00 - 5.00pm
Zumba, 9.00 - 10.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 13 Upholstery Class, 9.15 - 11.15am, Village Hall
Martial Arts, 6.30pm, Village Hall
- Tue 14 Pilates, 9.30am, Village Hall
Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm, Village Hall
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 15 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park -
Newbold on Avon (4½ miles undulating)
Connections (Dementia) Café, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
Ballroom Dancing, 7.30pm, Village Hall

- Thurs 16 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
Murder Mystery, 7.30pm, Harbury Village Library
- Fri 17 Pre-School Music Movement, 9.15am, Farley Room in Village Hall
- Sat 18 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid of Harbury WI
- Sun 19 SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT**
Holy Communion, 8.00am
Saints Alive! All Age Informal Communion Service, 10.30am
Evensong, 6.00pm
Zumba, 9.00 - 10.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 20 Upholstery Class, 9.15am - 11.15am, Village Hall
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- Tue 21 Pilates, 9.30am, Village Hall
Harbury Society, 7.30pm for 8.00pm, Tom Hauley Room -
Wartime Camouflage Unit Talk
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
- Wed 22 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park -
Lighthorne (4 miles)
Pleasant Pastimes, 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
Ballroom Dancing, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 23 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
ARTICLES FOR NEXT ISSUE TO: HARBURY PHARMACY,
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5.30PM
Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm, Tom Hauley Room
Harbury Theatre Group presents, "Merlin - the Pantomime", doors
open 7.00pm, curtain up 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Fri 24 Pre-School Music Movement, 9.15am, Farley Room in Village Hall
Harbury Theatre Group presents, "Merlin - the Pantomime" doors
open 7.00pm, curtain up 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Sat 25 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid
of Southam Bowling Club
Harbury Theatre Group presents, "Merlin - the Pantomime"
Matinee - doors open 2.00pm, curtain up 2.30pm, Village Hall
Evening - doors open 7.00pm, curtain up 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Sun 26 CHRIST THE KING**
Holy Communion, 8.00am
Sung Eucharist & Children's Church, 10.30am
Zumba, 9.00 - 10.00am, Village Hall
- Mon 27 Upholstery Class, 9.15am in Village Hall
Advent Meditation (part 1), 2.00 - 4.00pm in the Tom Hauley
Room
Martial Arts, 6.30pm, Village Hall
- Tue 28 Pilates, 9.30am, Village Hall
Junior Theatre Group, 6.30pm, Village Hall
Holy Communion, 7.30pm
Julian Meeting, 8.00pm

- Wed 29 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park -
Napton (4 miles)
Inspire Dance, 4.30pm, Village Hall
Ballroom Dancing, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 30 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am

DECEMBER

- Sat 2 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid
of Guide Dogs
- Sun 3 **ADVENT SUNDAY**
Holy Communion, 9.00am
Little Saints' Service followed by breakfast, 10.30am
Taize Service, 6.00pm
Christmas Quiz in aid of Warwickshire Air Ambulance, 7.00 for
7.30pm, Harbury Village Club
- Mon 4 Advent Meditation (part 2), 2.00 - 4.00pm, Tom Hauley Room
- Tue 5 Meeting Point, 12.30pm, Christmas Carvery, The Crown Inn
Holy Communion with Advent Reflection, 7.30pm
Heritage Room open, 6.30 - 8.30pm, Harbury School
- Wed 6 Wednesday Walk, meet 9.40am, Village Hall Car Park -
Southam (4 miles)
Mothers' Union Communion Service followed by meeting, 2.00pm,
Tom Hauley Room
- Thurs 7 Holy Communion followed by coffee, 9.45am
Folk Club, 8.00pm, Village Club
- Sat 9 Coffee Morning, 10.00am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room in aid
of Harbury Heritage Group
Senior Citizens Christmas Party, from 5.00pm, Village Hall

Refuse Collection Rota			
	Deppers Bridge	Harbury, Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge outlying properties	Collection Week
November	Wed	Fri	
	8	10	Grey Bin
	15	17	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	22	24	Grey Bin
	29		Green & Blue Lid Bins
Dec		1	Green & Blue Lid Bins
	6	8	Grey Bin
	13	15	Green & Blue Lid Bins



All Saints
HARBURY

From the Rector

Reverend Craig Grocock

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Bonfire night – great fun but with a dark past!

By the time this you read this Bonfire Night will probably be all over for this year.

However, I have just watched the BBC's excellent drama 'Gunpowder', a three-part series unfolding the events around the Gunpowder Plot. The drama received positive reviews as well as a significant number of complaints because of its violent content. Yes, the drama was violent but these were terribly violent days.

5th November marks the anniversary each year when Bonfire Night is celebrated. Once again we put on our woollies, venture outside and enjoy the sounds and sight of the fireworks. I love Bonfire Night. There's nothing quite like eating a hot dog (or veggie burger in my case!) whilst enjoying the fireworks - fantastic!

But what is it, on 5th November, that we celebrate? Bonfire Night remembers the downfall of the Gunpowder Plot 1605, in which a number of Catholic conspirators, led by Robert Catesby, and including Guy Fawkes, were attempting to blow up the House of Lords taking the king along with it. King James I was anti-Catholic and under his reign, the practising of the Catholic faith was virtually outlawed in England. The plotters, being Catholics themselves, wanted to respond and enact revenge through this act of terrorism. The plotters were, of course, discovered before they could carry out what they had planned. Catesby and one or two others were hunted down and shot whilst Guy Fawkes and the remaining plotters were hanged, drawn and quartered publicly. The king ordered bonfires to be burned each year as an act of remembrance.

For us today, however, Bonfire Night is far removed from the dark, violent events of 400 hundred years ago. It is a family occasion and, as we enjoy our village bonfires again this year, let's all have great fun doing so. As we eat our hot dogs none of us are thinking about the events of the Gunpowder Plot and celebrating the execution of a group of Catholics who dared to stand against the king!

Bonfire Night is a celebration for the whole community as we come together, young and old, having fun and enjoying the night simply for what it is . . . lets have great fun and keep safe.

God bless, and enjoy the hotdogs!





From the Churchwardens

Liz & Michael

Thank you to teachers and children for being a big part of the Harvest celebrations in Church and to everyone for donations of food. The bags just about fitted in the electric car – Bob drove off to the food bank weighed down by the tins and packets.

As October is the month of Harvest so November is that of remembrance, with Little Saints “remembering, remembering” at 10.30am on Sunday 5th followed in the evening by our All Souls service at 6.00pm.

As in many years past the Remembrance Service, led by Reverend Craig, will begin at 10.15am on Sunday 12th November. This allows time for all in church to get to the War Memorial for the Last Post and the minute’s silence at 11am. May we remind people to avoid driving through Crown Street, Dovehouse Lane and Church Street from about 10.50 to 11.15am.

Messy Church will, as usual, be going on in the Tom Hauley room from 3pm on 12th November. The scarecrow made at our October Messy Church was named “Steve” by the children but actually (and inappropriately) looked more like a guy, so we haven’t used him in the Memorial Garden. However, the Memorial Garden **has** been planted out and we thank Wendy Crowder, who was assisted by a small team, for her skill and hard work in getting this done.

There is a range of services in Harbury Church and we hope you can find one (or all) to suit you. We welcome all so please feel free to walk up that path and join us in worship.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

Liz McBride (tel: 612421) or Michael Vincent (tel: 614806)

From the Registers

Baptism

22nd October Olivia Lottie Morris

Burial of Ashes:

26th October Corina Bennett





Mothers' Union

Gillian Hare

Our October meeting did not quite go according to plan as, at the very last minute, the speaker on Crime Prevention was unable to come. However we were delighted that Craig had time to spare to talk to us about – his words - “the weird and wonderful” aspects of the Church of England!

Especially, these were related to the celebration of Holy Communion and the names of the vessels and accessories and the celebrants' vestments. He emphasized that the wide range throughout the broad church is one of its strengths and that they all lead to God. He left us in no doubt of the significance and importance that all was done with dignity and true worship. We were most grateful to him for stepping into the breach and I'm sure we all learned something.

Betty Winkfield thanked members for the donation of £40 in memory of her husband, to Arthritis Research.

4th December: 11am Advent Service at Wellesbourne – lifts available

6th December: 2.30pm – a Christmas flavour to the meeting but no craft this year, following 2pm Communion. Guests are welcome.

Please look out for toiletries for our stall at the Christmas Fair.



Flowers in Church

Probably some time or other you have been in church and enjoyed the flowers there. These are regularly arranged by several teams of ladies. Following harvest, the next big event will be Christmas. We shall be doing those on the morning of Friday 22nd December and would very much welcome extra help. If this appeals to you – the idea of working with beautiful flowers in a friendly group and such a peaceful place, do come along. No previous experience is needed – we all learned “on the job” – and we would love to see you.

Any queries? Ring 614809.

Gillian Hare



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

- Sun 5 All Saints Patronal Festival**
Confirmation Service (including Family Communion), 10.30am followed by refreshments
- Mon 6 Homegroup, 8.00pm, 2 Hedges Close
- Tues 7 Photography Club, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Wed 8 Parish Council Meeting, 7.45pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 9 Yoga, 6.30pm, Village Hall
- Fri 10 Coffee, Cake and Shoeboxes, 10.00am - noon, Village Hall
- Sat 11 Coffee Morning in aid of Ladbroke WI, 10.00 - 11.30am, Tom Hauley Room, Harbury
Play: 'Family Spirit', 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Sun 12 Remembrance Sunday**
3.00pm Village Remembrance Service
(NB no morning service at Ladbroke, 8.00am Communion at Harbury)
- Wed 15 Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 16 Yoga, 6.30pm, Village Hall
Ladbroke Matters AGM, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Sun 19 II Before Advent**
Holy Communion (BCP), 9.00am
- Mon 20 Homegroup, 8.00pm, 2 Hedges Close
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- Thurs 23 Yoga, 6.30pm, Village Hall
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- Sun 26 Christ the King**
Holy Communion (sung), 9.00am
- Wed 29 Table Tennis, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 30 Yoga, 6.30pm, Village Hall
- DECEMBER**
- Sun 3 Advent I**
Family Communion, 10.30am, followed by refreshments
- Mon 4 Homegroup, 8.00pm, 2 Hedges Close
- Tues 5 Photography Club, 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Thurs 7 Yoga, 6.30pm, Village Hall
- Fri 8 Christmas Film Night, 7.00pm, Village Hall



Ladbroke Church News

Jackie West

Ladbroke may be a small parish but our church is full to overflowing on special occasions and there were several of these in October.

On 12th October, a quarter peal was rung to call us to church to remember the life of Sandra Archer. She was a lovely lady who, despite coming from a family full of entertainers and magicians, had served the local community in a very practical way - running the Whitnash hardware store and subsequently a flower shop, together with Keith and their hardworking staff. Sandra and Keith moved to Ladbroke in 2005 and have been very supportive of village activities, working hard behind the scenes, fun to be with and generous with their time and talents. We even heard how Sandra would buy new underwear before she went on holiday, not to wear herself but to give away! Sandra really loved her family, and had a special bond with grandson, baby Albi, who brought so much pleasure to her over the last few months. Sandra, thank you for all you have brought to our lives and this community, we will miss you, absolutely.

On Saturday 28th Roger Teverson and Charlie Plumb were married surrounded by their family and friends and we wish them a long and happy life together.

October was also Harvest Festival - thank you to the flower arrangers for their beautiful displays in church and everyone who gave produce; the non-perishables went to the local foodbank and money from the fresh fruit and veg etc has been divided between The Trussell Trust (the charity behind the foodbank) and our church repair fund. Huge thanks too to all those involved in the Harvest Supper, wasn't it great - there was a real buzz in the village hall as 45 of us tucked into those delicious casseroles and puds and were entertained by amusing monologues by Sue Lord and Margie.

In November we will be welcoming Bishop John on Sunday 5th for a confirmation service at 10.30am and on the 12th there will be the Village Service of Remembrance at 3pm; there will be no morning service at Ladbroke on 12th but there will be 8am communion at Harbury). Then it won't be long until Advent. Once again we invite local families and individuals (church goers or otherwise) to take part in Posada. This is when our crib figures of Mary and Jesus stay in different homes for a night or two, symbolic of their journey to Bethlehem before Jesus was born. It is a good way to be reminded of the first Christmas and an opportunity to share a few moments, and perhaps a cuppa, with those who will host the figures before and after you. If you are interested in taking part please contact Sue Wright on 811874. For those who like to know well in advance to plan their lives and visitors accordingly: Beer and Carols at the Bell Inn will be on Thursday 14th December at 7pm, our traditional Village Carol Service on Sunday 17th December at 6.30pm, the Crib Service is as usual on Christmas Eve at 3pm while the Christmas Day Service this year will be at 9am.

Last but not least, I'd like to organise another churchyard working party - and propose the morning of Saturday 17th November. Please contact me on 810331 if you would like to get some exercise helping get the churchyard tidy for the winter.



Ladbroke Parish Council

Jackie West

Correction to Last Month's Report

Last month, when reporting on the discussion about the barrier at the end of Windmill Lane, I should have made it clear that the current barrier, a boundary fence, was **repaired** by a local resident and not put up by them. I am told that the fence was erected over 25 years ago and it was repaired to the original condition after it had been broken down by a hunt allowing horses and hounds to storm down Windmill Lane last year.

I have also been asked to clarify that I'm not the Parish Clerk (that's Jackie Chapman) and the Parish Council reports in this magazine are not the minutes of the meetings, just notes of the proceedings by a village resident. It's a task I'd love to share if there are any volunteers out there.



Ladbroke & Deppers Bridge Women's Institute

Carol Lane

The Annual General Meeting was held in Ladbroke Village Hall on Thursday, 5th October with 14 of the 25 members in attendance.

Dianne Surgey gave the annual report followed by Hazel Harrison's financial statement. The fees for next year will be £41.00 which includes the national monthly magazine 'WI Life' and the Warwickshire Federation's 'Corunna News'.

As all the committee members were happy to stand for another term of office and there were no more nominations, the new committee were elected *en bloc*. The committee members are Dianne Surgey, Joan Perry (secretary) Hazel Harrison (treasurer) Jenny Barrett, Heather Brooks, Lesley Jeffries, Sue Lord and Sue Moore - as shown in the picture. Dianne was then elected as president for her fourth term of office but she made clear that this will be her last year in this role.



Dates for the Diary

Coffee morning on Saturday 11th November in the Tom Hauley room in Harbury. We need lots of home-made cakes, some really good raffle prizes and interesting bric-a-brac and books. I think that we have most of our usual helpers on the day but some additional help is always appreciated, especially to help clear away afterwards.

Group Carol Service, Monday 11th December, 7.30pm - we are the hosts this year so we need to provide some mince pies, other biscuits or similar and mulled wine and soft drinks. We will need to set up in the church in advance, getting heating on etc. and will need folk to help serve the refreshments on the evening. Please do come along on the evening for what is always a very uplifting service.

Christmas social will now be on **Thursday 14th December** (changed because of the Bath outing). We have a variety of games lined up so it should be a fun evening. As your committee have provided a good number of refreshments recently, could I ask if everyone would please bring along a plate of food to share? We will provide the drinks.

Forensic Science (learn how environmental profiling helps solve double murder!), Leamington Spa Baptist church 27th February 2018, 7.30-9.30pm, £8.

Denman, WFWI weekend Friday 15th - Sunday 17th June 2018. Those who are keen to go would be well advised to book early to avoid disappointment. Included this year is a gala dinner to celebrate the centenary. Bookings are made individually with WFWI and please note that the deposit is non-refundable once a place has been offered (insurance is recommended).

Would whoever has the **WI Centenary book** please bring it to the next meeting so that we can all get to read it.

Subsequent to the meeting Dianne emailed the list of possible resolutions for next year which will be discussed at a future meeting.

These are:

- Positive body image in a digital age.
- Stop female genital mutilation.
- Raising awareness of modern slavery in the UK.
- Mental health matters.
- Healthier Mouth, Healthier Body.

Following the meeting the committee had provided wine and a selection of cheese related goodies.

The committee were busy again the following week creating wonderful puddings to celebrate Ladbrooke and Deppers Bridge WI's 45th anniversary with a pudding party. A long table had been set up in the Village Hall with flower arrangements and tea lights alternating along its length.

All the ordinary members had to do all evening was to eat and chat - and I am good at both those things - while the committee, having made all the desserts, served them and washed up. The rest of us must remember this when it comes to the December Social.

Our November meeting on the 2nd will have taken place by the time this magazine is distributed.



Ladbroke Matters

David Wright

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



Prepare to be entertained by our drama production on **Saturday 11th November** - Pat Wollaston's comedy '*Family Spirit*' in **Ladbroke Village Hall**.

When Arthur dies, he's a little surprised to find that he's still in his old house. His guide angel, Simon, explains that he's being assessed to determine which way he goes next, but there are a few complications between Arthur's funeral and his final destination. **Curtain up at 7.30pm.**

Tickets £12 to include a drink on arrival - there will be a bar. Contact Kip on 815004 for tickets and information.



The next supper and film extravaganza will be our Christmas special on **Friday 8th December** and we are **fully booked!** The film will be 'Hidden Figures' – the true story of three highly intelligent African-American women working for NASA in the early 1960's. This visionary trio crossed all gender and race lines to inspire generations to dream big.

If you would like advance notice of future film dates, email Nicky (nicolalewis24@tiscali.co.uk) to be added to the film night email circular.



We are hoping to have another of our popular village safari suppers on **Saturday 27th January 2018**. Watch this space for more details!



If you would like to join the Ladbroke Matters team, have any suggestions for future events, or would like to hear more about what we do, why not come along to our **Annual General Meeting** in the village hall on **Thursday 16th November** starting at 7.30pm. All are very welcome!

Ladbroke Village Hall Millennium Club

September 2017

£50	Barbara Bicknell	£50	Colin and Kay Constable
£25	Paul Taylor	£25	Carol Lane
£25	Mike and Kate Todman	£10	Carol Thompson
£10	Peter and Carol Loftus	£10	Miranda Lowman
£10	Cyril Spence	£10	Jo Horne

Margaret Bosworth



As the evenings draw in we concentrate on indoor activities. In our October meeting this meant a competition and exhibition. The competition was on the theme 'Summer Activities' - think of warm sunny days by the seaside or school sports days or, in one case, watching caterpillars consume your broccoli plants.

Once again, our exhibition photographs were chosen by ballot. These had been mounted and our task this month was to give them titles.



Sports Day by Maggie Watts



A Walk on the Beach by Graham Gee

This is a source of great enjoyment as we stand round each picture in turn and think up words that describe the picture without being too obvious - too impolite. They will be on show at the John Turner Festival at Southam School on Saturday, 5th November. Entrance is free this year so do come and look.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 7th November, when we will share 10 photos each, then on

Tuesday, 5th December we shall have a competition on the theme of Autumn. Visitors and guests are always welcome at our meetings. Our usual meeting time is 7.30pm in Ladbroke Village Hall. For more information see our website (tinyurl.com/ladbrokephoto) or contact jackieszone-photogclub@yahoo.co.uk



Ladbroke General Section



2018 WW1 Commemorations

2018 is the centenary of the end of the First World War and Ladbroke, along with the rest of the country, is organising its own commemorations of our local lads and lassies.

In September 2018, during the Heritage Week, we will once again be opening All Saint's Church to the public and this time presenting our exhibition "War and Peace".

We have already started working on it, but we would love to have your participation as well.

Linda Doyle is researching as many of the WW1 soldiers who came from Ladbroke as we can find, whether they gave their life during the war or safely returned. So, if you have a relative from Ladbroke and you would either like to know more about them or have a photo and can tell us about them, please get in touch with Linda so we can record their story.

Perhaps you do not have a relative from Ladbroke, but still want to be involved, then we would like people to interview those who had relatives, or maybe you have some WW1 family memorabilia that we could display that weekend.

Any interest, any thoughts, any help, we want to hear from you! Please get in touch with either Linda Doyle or Jackie West.

Linda Doyle - 01926 814214
linda@allhistoric.co.uk

The Stained Glass of Ladbroke Church

Ladbroke Church is a Grade 1 listed building with fine stained glass windows. This is the first of a series of occasional articles but you don't have to wait several years to find out about all the windows, you can come and see the originals any day of the year and pick up a leaflet about them. Guided tours are also available by prior arrangement (tel 01926 810331).

The Marriage Window

Made in 1911, this is early work by Geoffrey Webb before he set up his own studio in East Grinstead, Sussex. Characteristic of his style it includes a lot of

white glass, which makes it a bright window. It is also very detailed, the longer you look at it the more you find!

The window was given by Lady Agnes Townsend and James Andrew Cunningham Durham to commemorate their wedding. On the left is St Nicholas, while the central and right hand figures are the namesakes of the happy couple: St Agnes and St James the Great.

Imagery

St Nicholas is shown wearing his bishop's mitre and carrying bags of gold. It is said that he saved three girls from being sold into slavery by providing a bag of gold for each as their dowry.



St Agnes was a beautiful Roman girl who refused to marry saying Jesus was her only "spouse". She was condemned as a Christian by her suitors and was martyred aged 13. That night her parents dreamt they saw her with The Lamb of God and thus she is depicted with a lamb.



St James the Great was one of the first disciples, his hat and cloak are adorned with his symbol, the scallop shell and he carries a pot on a stick indicating pilgrimage.

Below the figures are the Durham, Townsend and combined coats of arms.

Don't Miss

The girls looking out of the balconies at the top of each panel and the rebus (maker's mark), a spider's web and the date near the bottom of the left hand panel.

Opposite page The marriage window by Geoffrey Webb

Above: The maker's mark and year it was made, 1911

	<h2>Harbury Parish Council</h2>	<p>Linda Ridgley</p>
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September 2017

Public Participation

Several parishioners were present including residents of Highfield Terrace where a development was proposed. Chairman Tim Lockley explained to Mr and Mrs Skyes that he believed the District would not countenance more housing there. Harbury had exceeded the housing total set for it and there were no facilities in this part of the parish so residents had to drive to services elsewhere. However, the Parish might look more favourably on development that provided low-cost starter homes but only if a properly conducted Housing Survey showed they were needed.

A resident from Park Lane complained about the noise of the bonfire fireworks and the limes in the school grounds raising paving and blocking light from her garden. The Chairman gave her the name of the County tree expert and revealed the trees had been scheduled for crown lifting in 2016.

Public Assets

The Committee had discussed plans to transfer the Tennis Club “assets” to the Parish Council. Cllr Ekins was told the auditors had suggested the PC should receive rent from the Club, rather than contributing to the “Sinking Fund.” The Chairman wanted to know how often the floodlights needed maintenance and the cost of new bulbs, which Colin Mercer revealed were £100 each. Replacing them might need the hire of a cherry-picker. The Clerk pointed out that the PC could not take on the Clubhouse as it was not a “public asset” and Mr Mercer agreed to put these issues to his Committee and provide a breakdown of the potential costs.

Reports

Village Hall - New heating, lighting and insulation had been installed. The Beer Festival was a success again and the WI’s first running of the Rural Cinema had been a sell-out.

District & County – County Cllr Stevens explained the County’s struggles to find the savings already imposed by government before the authority knew what more were to come in the Autumn Budget. All of the “Children’s Services” were being reduced. There were Highways disruptions caused by ongoing developments. Secondary school places would “be at a premium” but he thought that primary school places would not be a problem. Community policing was being reorganised - again.

Deppers Bridge – Parish Cllr Ekins reported the Southam Industrial Estate Island was now complete and he pressed County Cllr Stevens to support his demand for a sign warning HGVs of the weight restriction at the Deppers’ railway bridge. Once lorry drivers got to the existing sign there was nowhere for them to turn off to avoid it.

Planning

Neighbourhood Plan – Parish Cllr Summers was praised for her Chairmanship. The Plan will now include non-designated Heritage Sites.

Cement Works Development - Cllr Gibbs reported this has started and the Nature Reserve will be transferred to Warwickshire Wildlife Trust.

Warwick District Council’s Local Plan which includes the Gypsy Site on the Brakes Ground had been approved.

Properties

Outdoor Exercise Equipment - The four pieces of equipment and outdoor table tennis facility, to be funded from the S106 payment from David Wilson Homes, will be spread round the playing fields walking route. The climbing wall and three benches have already been installed. More of the S106 money will be used to pave the exercise route with an eco-paving surface.

Bonfire - The system for transferring material for the bonfire from the car park by tractor worked well and will be repeated this year.

New Cemetery - A plan of the site with access from Bush Heath Road has been drawn up and the proposed land for the Cemetery will now be subject to tests for soil type and drainage.

Burial Grounds - Cllr Summers was seeking more volunteers to help weed the area.

Allotments - There are now three more tenanted plots but some others are overgrown. Cllr Ekins will draft out extra guidelines to ensure that tenants care for their plots properly.

Environment

Lights - Cllr Gibb said there were 24 Mercury lamps to be replaced next year. He wanted the lampposts repainted and he reported that the "Litter Officer" was pursuing the Co-op about their litter which, he said, blows down Mill Street.

Traffic & Transport - Southam Town Council had asked Harbury to contribute £500 per annum to its transport scheme for medical appointments. Bishops Itchington was reported to be doing this for one year's trial; Harbury also agreed to a one-year trial and to monitor how much it was used by villagers

Low Carbon Conference - The Parish Council agreed to find the travel costs for two members of the Energy Group to attend this event.

Poppy Planting - Harbury Guides suggesting planting poppy seeds on the roadside verges and this would be raised with county highways.

Trees - The Parish's arborist recommended an ornamental pear or plum for the small green in Manor Orchard Close. Cllr Summers expressed concern about Horse Chestnut tree disease but was reassured that this was not serious.

Pound Green - The Parish is to pursue Severn Trent for the costs of reinstating Pound Green after their traffic diversions caused cars and lorries to use the footpath part of Dovehouse Lane to circumvent the road closure, resulting in significant damage to the Green.

Finance

WWI Project - Cllr Gibb reported he is not allowed to keep back an underspend on the Heritage Lottery Grant which he intended to use to update information on the fallen men. He will use it up instead on printing copies of the website information and on a notice board on the Bush Heath Lane development explaining why the roads there were named after Harbury's war dead.

Assets of Community Value - Cllrs agonised over which of these they could include in the local plan, believing that they could not include all the licenced premises! They did decide that the allotments could be added.

Next Meeting: Thursday 26th October, 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Harbury Parish Council Quarterly Report

In the past three months the Parish Council has:

- Finalised the Neighbourhood Development Plan which will be submitted to SDC
- Installed a new climbing wall at the playing fields
- Obtained a grant from WCC to part-fund extending and improving the path around the playing fields
- Started the process of investigating the suitability of the proposed new cemetery

Tim Lockley



Alison Hodge gave a detailed illustrated talk on the landscape surrounding Farnborough Hall, part of the greater landscape created in the heyday of the house. Some of the early work was attributed to owner William Holbech himself but much was designed by the local “amateur” landscape architect, Sanderson Miller, and is considered his best work.

Miller was ahead of his time. His designs used the natural topography, enhanced by excavation to create interesting views, pools and other water features. Viewpoints were enhanced by tree planting, especially of Scots Pines, which are still a very obvious feature of the landscape.

Alison showed photographs of the restoration of several water features: the amazing reflective pool leading to a moving sheet of water, then a “Tumbling Torrent” and finally a “Falling Curtain”. Nearby is the amphitheatre, a performance area and possibly a fist-fighting arena.



South of the house in the parkland is the recently restored icehouse and the Cascade fed by a water syphon. The pool is held up by colossal stones and steps at the bottom with a path across the bottom.

The Terrace, backed by the Shrubbery and the remains of a carriageway, is a feature of Farnborough and runs for 1km. Along the Terrace, which has viewpoints to Edgehill, are “Bastions” looking from below like fortifications;

the Ionic Temple from around 1844; the Oval Pavilion with its plasterwork ceiling; and at the far end the 60ft Obelisk of 1751.

Elsewhere are more intriguing features:- St Botolph's well and spring in the field below the church, the Holloway from house to church and "Snobs" tunnel hiding the servants' way to the kitchen garden.

Alison said Farnborough was a timeless, tranquil landscape and although the house was open only on Wednesdays and Saturdays from April to September, the wider grounds were always accessible and she urged the audience to explore its wonderful landscape.

Next Meeting: Wartime Camouflage Unit, Tuesday 21st November, 7.30pm, Tom Hauley Room.



Harbury Women's Institute

Julia Fowler



Meet Harbury WI's answer to Calendar Girls - well, if we follow a suggestion made on our Facebook page when we posted this splendid picture... Modelling our new pinnies are the members who catered our recent Harvest Supper: L – R: Jean Appleton; Lin Hayes (who also made the aprons); Rosemary Harley; Mary Thompson; Ann Mayer; Hilary Scott; and Maureen Handle.

51 diners, with a good selection of husbands/partners/friends, enjoyed an excellent meal. Well done and many thanks to the cooks and all the helpers.

Who remembers Noddy? If you were at the Harvest Supper you'd have met one of the first actors to embody him - our entertainer, John Stirling, who started out as a child actor. Morecambe and Wise subsequently gave him his



**John Stirling remembering
Patricia Hayes**

big producing break, and he produced shows for countless others, meeting most of the industry's big names. He drew on these contacts for sponsorship and publicity when, for reasons that he will no doubt tell you if you engage him as a speaker, he and his wife set up a donkey sanctuary. Supported by the likes of Dame Judi Dench, June Brown, Jimmy Edwards, and Patricia Hayes, the project developed into a charity combining animal rescue with therapy for children with special needs.

The work earned the Stirlings an invitation to meet the Queen at Buckingham Palace. John sees this as the highlight of their lives - even if, 'after 37 years as a TV producer,

and six royal variety shows it still took two donkeys to get him to the Palace.'

The Stirlings retired in 2014, but they've continued raising funds with merchandise and speaking engagements, and in Annie's case several charity walks, including from Balmoral to London, and a pilgrimage, appropriately enough, to Assisi.



June Brown at the donkey sanctuary

What an interesting and entertaining talk. And based on the tantalising snippets we gleaned about Annie, who accompanied John, we thought we'd enjoy hearing from her too. Starting as a dancer, she later became one of the country's top costume designers and dressmakers. Sadly, she couldn't be persuaded to come back to tell us about her adventures - like all of us in the WI, she leaves the talking to her husband...

Our October meeting was also a great success. David Moylan, resident magician at Warwick Castle, gave a terrific show with magic tricks, songs, nostalgia and lots and lots of humour.

We're looking forward to our third Village Cinema evening - *My Cousin Rachel* (rated 12), 7pm, Saturday 11th November. Based on the 1951 novel by Daphne du Maurier, it's 'a highly enjoyable mystery thriller featuring a lush score from Rael Jones and a tremendous lead performance from Rachel Weisz - who is mean, minxy and manipulative.' (*The Guardian*)

Buy your tickets from Harbury Pharmacy, **before 3pm on Wednesday 8th November**. £10.00 with fish'n'chips, or £5.00 without. Both include 10 raffle tickets. There'll be refreshments, and Cana Wines will provide a bar.

Any £5.00 tickets remaining after this point will be available on the door. However, shows often sell out, so be sure to **buy your tickets well in advance.**



A few people have wondered how we pick the movies - it's complicated, so do contact us if you'd like details - but briefly, Stratford District Council have engaged the company *Live and Local* to run the rural cinema project. They make the movies available to us, and deal with admin such as levying the copyright fee we pay.

Forthcoming Village Cinema dates are 11th November 2017, 13th January 2018, 24th February 2018.

Fund-raising for our Centenary trip to Denman College is continuing, with Heather and Ron's Mexican Train evening, and Julia and Rich's Indian buffet. We're planting 100 daffodils at the Village Hall on 2nd November.

Our next Meeting (also our AGM) is Thursday 9th November 7.30 for 7.45pm. Members, please be prompt as we're being photographed at 7.45pm for the *Corunna News* in honour of our centenary. So **BEST FROCKS FORWARD!** (And thanks to Tony Mancell for kindly agreeing to take the pics.)

Other WI dates:

Monday 11th December, 7.30pm, Carol Service, Ladbroke Church

Thursday 14th December, 7.30 for 7.45pm, Gift presentation ideas with Alan Keech - *Thoughtfully Wrapped* - www.thoughtfullywrapped.com

A correction to last month's article: 'Molly's Wishes' should be 'Molly Olly's Wishes' (<https://www.mollyolly.co.uk>).

Harbury WI meets at the Tom Hauley Room, 7.30 for 7.45, on the second Thursday of the month. All women are welcome, whether it's to hear a particular speaker, or to see if WI is for you. Contact us on harburywi@gmail.com, or 07834 667 523. You can also keep up to date on our Facebook page - www.facebook.com/harbury

December Edition - Harbury & Ladbroke News

Adverts to: 36 Manor Orchard, Harbury or e-mail to advertising@hlnews.co.uk by 20th November

Articles to: Harbury Pharmacy, High Street or e-mail to articles@hlnews.co.uk by 5.30pm, Thursday 23rd November



Harbury Theatre Group

Andrew Lawrence

It's show time! – 23rd to 25th November

Tickets are now on sale at the library and the Pharmacy for Harbury Theatre Group's next show - "Merlin – the Pantomime", to be performed on Thursday 23rd, Friday 24th and Saturday 25th November (with a matinee as well as an evening show on the Saturday). It's a cracking show with a brilliant cast of 24 adults and 22 children, some wonderful corny lines, slapstick, great music and songs, magic and lots of opportunities for audience participation. And, of course, a bar will be open at the start and at the interval for the evening performances.

Tickets are already going fast so make sure you buy yours before they run out.

We'll see you there. Oh yes we will!



Folk Club

Steve & Maureen Darby

Harbury Folk Club Number 395

Maureen and Steve were panicking as several regular performers were absent and it looked as if plan B needed to be implemented whereby there would be no third half and performers would be asked to appear in the second half as well as the first. As it was, everyone who did perform raised their game and we had a wonderful evening's entertainment.

The theme for the evening was "Pack of Cards" and Steve introduced the theme by explaining why he had chosen to wear his Glastonbury 2011 T-Shirt. The list of artists printed on the back of the shirt included bands such as, "**Queen's** of the Stone Age", "**B.B King**", "**Bombay Bicycle Club**" and "**Two Door Cinema Club**", all band names that fitted with the theme. Soon to come were some "**Ace**" acts who were going to "**Pack**" a lot in and "**Jack**" up the **pace**!

First up were Maureen and Janny who started with Kate Rusby's, "Let the Cold Wind Blow", a song containing many **Hearts**. They harmonised very well as they sang "Game of **Cards**", which was accompanied by Ian who played his Mandola stringed instrument for the first time at Folk Club. Debbie followed, initially telling us the tale of Zsa Zsa Gabor who famously said she never hated a man badly enough to return his **diamonds**. She recited her poem, "My Icy **Heart**" and her partner Simon was a little **flushed** such was the revealing content. She sang, "Carnival **Queen**" with an enthusiastic audience joining in with the chorus. Keith thought about doing something by Geoff Dunham called, "Abdul the Dead Terrorist". Geoff was an entertainer who was a bit of a magician with playing **cards** but instead Keith sang Peter Sarstedt's, "Frozen Orange Juice" which did mention the word **heart**

and he then sang the Irishman Pat Campbells' song, "The **Deal**", a story of a man who came to an arrangement with God when there were birth complications so he asked God to take his life instead of his wife and daughter's. SSR came up next or was it SRS or even RSS, no one was quite sure. Whoever they were sang Roger Miller's, "**King** of the Road" followed by the **King of Hearts** (Elvis), "Love me tender". Sue and Ian sang, "The Cuckoo" which made mention of the **Jack of Diamonds** and then sang a Kate Long number, "Who will Watch the Home Place", another song that referred to matters of the **heart**. Norman closed the first half with a very versatile performance of song and entertainment, firstly with Harry Belafonte's, "Jamaica Farewell" where **Kingston** Town was featured throughout, then came Norman's transformation into "The Great Normando", assisted by the very glamorous and able "Miss Viv Atious". We were captivated as Norman entered the isolation chamber where he was telepathically linked to Miss Viv Atious to magically guess which playing cards were being selected from the pack. It was odd that the **Jack** and **9 of Hearts** were so prominent. Norman finished his show by singing, "Let me be your Teddy Bear".

The Folk Club Choir opened the second half with, "**Queen** of Waters" and "Let the river run" (which featured **King** frequently as well as the word **Heart**), two songs which they were to perform 48 hours later at the Festival of Voices at Warwick School. Keith made his second appearance of the evening with two more songs, "Play the **Joker** every time" and "**Shuffle**, cut the **cards**, I'm **playing blind**". Sue and Ted sang, "**Queen's** Duty" followed by, "Wayward Boy", which Ted told us was all about a **Knave** who was a right **card**. Peter sang two songs "Lover's **Heart**", which was written by Andy M Stewart and Phil Cunningham followed by Paul Metsers, "Some Day", another song where the audience were able to join in with the chorus. Sue and Ian sang, "In good **King** Arthur's Days" and Norman closed the evening firstly with a William the Conqueror monologue, "**King**", and then finishing with a very apt song, "Turning out the Lights"

"This is when the evening ends, we made some music, we made some friends, but now we close the door, turn out the light, 'cos it's time to say good night"

The raffle raised £80 for TOFS, a charity that supports children and adults who are unable to swallow.

Next month's Folk Club will be hosted by Peter and Liz Bones when the theme for the evening will be "Emotions".



Harbury Twinning Association

Tony Thomas

The inclement weather this month foiled our plans for the annual barbecue and boules tournament this year. Not to be denied our barbecue, which has always been fun, we will be incorporating it into our plans for our Christmas party on Friday 15th December.

The French film show which we held on Friday 13th October was a great success when twenty members viewed and enjoyed the humorous film “*The Intouchables*”. Our thanks must go to Julie and Richard Marshall-Hardy, supported by Sally and John Stringer, who arranged the event and provided a selection of light refreshments and wine for the interval.

Our Annual General Meeting, followed by a Cheese and Wine party, has been arranged for Friday 10th November at 7.30pm in the Tom Hauley Room. As required by our Constitution, we invite any resident of Harbury who may be interested in the Twinning Association and its activities to come to the Annual General Meeting. Please let our Secretary, Ceri, know by the 5th November if you wish to attend the Cheese and Wine party for which there will be a small charge.



Saturday 30th September Harbury 42 Pershore 0

A casual glance at this result suggests a straightforward win for Harbury. However, nothing could be further from reality. This was a hard fought victory based on excellent defence, superb support play and patience.

Saturday 7th October St Neot's 16 Harbury 18
Midlands Junior Vase 2nd Round

Both sides had enjoyed successful starts to their season. St Neot's fielded a large physical pack, strong running centres and an outside half who could kick well both out of hand and from the spot. A gritty performance by Harbury who, nonetheless, gained a well-deserved victory to take them through to the third round of the Midlands Junior Vase.

Saturday 14th October Redditch 5 Harbury 53

An excellent win on the road for Harbury. Playing an expansive game with sound support play, they scored nine tries and secured the bonus point before the break. Nevertheless, the team picked up a couple of injuries to key players during the course of the match which may well keep them out for several weeks.

Harbury 2s won their second match of the season 21-5 away to Old Laurentians 3s. From the whistle, the red and whites looked the better team, moving the ball quickly in open play. Despite OLs big pack, Harbury forwards provided good ball for the backs to use and score three converted trys.

Saturday 21st October Harbury 3 Stoke Old Boys 12

Both sides entered this game with unbeaten records in all fixtures this season. The afternoon was dominated by a strong North - Westerly wind and this affected both teams as the conditions affected passing and the tactics of

the match. The initial exchanges in set play were dominated by the visiting pack with their bigger players causing problems at scrum time. However, as the match developed this became less of an issue and by the end of the game Harbury were causing the Stoke forwards some grief.



Harbury 2s were 10-nil down to Southam 2s in a friendly when the match had to be cut short following a serious injury to a player.

Sunday 1st October - Harbury's annual Mini festival took place. Some fantastic rugby was played by all concerned. The U10's age group were joint winners with Barker's Butts. In the true fashion of rugby sportsmanship the visiting team was awarded the winners' trophy to take home.

The mini section travelled away to Newbold and hosted Old Leamingtonians during October. The junior section entertained Stow and visited Alcester, Stratford and Earlsdon. The U16's have been hit hard with injuries and a closely fought loss against Earlsdon.

Saturday 7th October - The U11s played hosts at the regular coffee morning held in the Village Hall.

Coming up on Friday 10th November, Wasps coaching team will hold a floodlit coaching session for the U9s through to U16s giving them an opportunity to learn some new skills and hopefully mix with a player or two.



Harbury Tennis Club

Colin and Sue Mercer

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/HarburyTC>

The nights might be drawing in but October has been a really busy month for the club. The big social event was our annual quiz held in the Village Club, with Peter Walshe giving his usual sparkling performance as MC and



Quizmaster! Peter was very ably supported by Trevor Montague who produced yet another excellent set of questions and scorer Martin Randall.

The quiz was very close with Radford Raiders (captained by Club member Nigel Eaton) winning by just two points. The inappropriately named 'Runners Up' (captained by Club Chairman Colin Mercer) tempted fate and managed to get the Wooden Spoon! It was a very enjoyable evening for all and our club funds got a welcome boost.

The Banbury Winter leagues started in October and all four teams have been in action. Harbury A (Debs Brookes, Helen Cooper, Nigel Eaton and Colin Mercer) started with our first match in Division 3 after gaining promotion last winter. Tysoe A were the visitors and it was a very close match with the visitors just edging it with a 5-3 win. Performance of the day was Debs and Helen who found themselves 0-5 down in the first set but stormed back to win the next 13 games and the match 7-5, 6-0!

In the next match Tysoe were again the visitors with their B team playing our B team (Florence Thomas, Tamsin Frost, Joe Robson and Steve Stark). Harbury got off to a winning start with a 5-3 win. In the post match refreshments Tamsin was star baker!

In the Floodlit League both A and B teams achieved promotion last winter and are expecting some tough matches in Divisions 2 and 3 respectively. The B team entertained Brackley B who were promoted with them from Division 4, on the night the Met Office issued a severe gale warning! The weather had quite an impact on the evening as the wind got progressively stronger and didn't come consistently from the same direction. Whilst the Harbury team (Helen Cooper, Nigel Eaton, Eira Owen and Olly Wiltshire) were used to the conditions, the Brackley team struggled more with the ball suddenly not being where they expected it to be! All the matches were competitive but, through a combination of skill and better adjustment to the conditions, Harbury came out top in every match winning the tie 8-0.

As in the weekend format the same club featured in the second match with Brackley's A team coming to Harbury for a Division 2 match. The conditions were slightly calmer and the match was much closer. Brackley were in the lead at the halfway point after winning the Ladies rubber and halving the



men's. However, Harbury (Debs Brookes, Clare Callaghan, Steve Stark and Ben Fish) staged a fine recovery with Clare (making her club debut) and Steve comfortably winning both sets. They then sat back to watch the quick and furious rallies of Ben and Debs' final points as they won the 2nd set tie break, clinching the match for Harbury 5-3.

The weather has been very mixed for the coaching sessions but the

Michelin Star Salad Grown in Harbury

We are growing our own micro greens how posh are we? We had new cups at Toddlers recently as the old ones were very jaded, bit scratched and past their best. We finally came up with an idea to recycle them - hurrah they made great planters for our salad and the lids helped with the carry home. The children enjoyed the activity especially the watering, we do hope the seeds make an appearance.



Magic Door

We love going through the Magic Door to see just who is waiting for us all on the other side? Why it's John our friendly Librarian ready to read us a story. It is so good to encourage our youngsters to take an interest in books and to use our Local Library.



Making Friends and learning to share

It is delightful to watch babies and children meeting new friends particularly in a group situation, and encouraging them to share their toys. Toddlers is a great safe place to aid the development of children's growing independence and understanding of themselves as a separate individual.



Shout Out for Toys & Children's Clothes

We are in need of good quality children's toys and clothes which we sell to raise funds to provide disabled children's services. If you have any that you would like to donate please give me a call, telephone number below and we can arrange collection or leave on the doorstep at 26, Vicarage Lane.



We hope that you are able to help. A big thank you to whoever left the bag of goodies recently, it was much appreciated.

Come and join us

If you want to join us at the Toddler Group then Lynne, Selina, Chelly and Reg look forward to welcoming you - come on round the kettle's on.

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



Harbury Pre-School

Staff & Committee

Supported by staff the children have had such a positive start to their Pre-School experience; they've all settled down into their new routines and are now fully enjoying their sessions with their new friends.



After the half term break we extend a very warm welcome to Annabelle who begins her exciting preschool journey with us in early November.

Early Autumn: Outside, the trees produced some wonderful colours as their leaves turned and Autumn began quite early. The children have plenty to look forward to during late Autumn including a walk to the Spinney which takes place after we get back from half term – we do hope the leaves haven't completely blown away by then as the wind has been rather wild what with 'Brian' and 'Ophelia' making themselves known! We'll read a story by Lois Ehlert called Leaf Man, a character who goes where the wind takes him. The children get the opportunity to gather some leaves and other natural items on our walk and with their own imagination they'll make pictures and collages from them.

AGM: By the time you read this edition we will have had our Annual General Meeting (1st November) and we'll update you next month on our new committee. In the meantime, the Pre-School could not be what it is today without the dedicated parent committee and we thank those who have worked hard over the last year to ensure Pre-School's continued success.

Thank you: Parents help the Pre-School in many ways and last month William Jones volunteered to help us out with some technical issues beyond the capabilities of the staff – so a big thank you William!



We're going on a bear hunt: Inspired by the fabulous Michael Rosen and his modern day classic story about a family taking an exciting trip to find a bear, the children experienced all the same things as the fictitious family but at Pre-School.



The staff along with the children pulled together some great resources to create our very own, swishy swashy grass, splashy sploshy water, squelchy

squerchy mud to make footprints, a swirling snow storm and of course a narrow gloomy cave where we found a bear! Imaginations ran riot and a whole lot of super language, along with learning through fun and play followed.

If you would like further information, or to register a child for Harbury Pre-School, please contact Angie Clifton, Business Manager: e-mail enquiries@harburypre-school.org.uk phone 07907 598461 or look at the website www.harburypre-school.org.uk or find us on FaceBook where you can message us. Please note that although the starting age for Pre-School is normally two years nine months, your child is never too young to be registered.



Village Hall Update

Geoff Thorpe

Courgetti Bolognaise!!! We do find interesting items of lost property in the hall but this is the first time we have been left a ready meal, even if it was out of date and vegetarian. We also have two fleeces, various umbrellas, a child's knapsack and a baseball cap at present. An iPhone 10 was returned very quickly to a very relieved owner.

The Southam Rotary Burn's Night, I wrote about last month, will take place on Friday 19th January next year. This is always a popular event so do let me know if you want tickets - £32.50. The Great Chieftain of the Pudding Race will be piped in as usual, a variety of single malts to taste, a quality raffle in aid of the Village Hall and a lively evening of which Robbie would have approved. If you are able to donate a raffle prize we would be pleased to hear from you, especially a "star" prize.

As I am sure many of you will know, Flo and Tom Marsh have been doing a wonderful job keeping the hall spick and span for several years but have decided to hang up their mops and buckets in the Spring. Our thanks to them for doing such a wonderful job, they will be very hard to follow. If you are interested in taking over from them, or know someone who might, please get in touch. The only qualifications needed are a sense of humour!

The WI Cinema on 21st October was another sell out and it is only three weeks to the next one on Saturday 11th November when **My Cousin Rachel** will be shown. A much acclaimed film based on a Daphne Du Maurier book.

The usual reminder! Do get your tickets early to avoid disappointment.





At last we have moved into our converted barn at Bridge Nursery, just wish we could have done it years ago. On the plus side we can walk to work and also have been able to see some magnificent sunsets, (we lived in a bit of a dip in Stockton and missed out on such displays). I now have a bird feeder and binoculars so I can become familiar with the different birds here. The range of wildlife is greater than I'd realised and this is where the negative part comes in. There are far more rabbits than I thought there were and a muntjac deer regularly saunters round nibbling things. If you see a demented looking woman screeching and waving her arms about that will be me!

I have no particular plans to make a garden close to the barn, there's almost more than I can manage elsewhere but I have ordered quite a lot of bulbs to plant along the drive. There might also be some shrub roses and other shrubs added in at the same time.

The weather has remained mild which has meant that the purple French beans are maturing and you might even be able to buy some at Napton village shop.

There's still plenty of time to do some planting and tidying in the garden before winter sets in.

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



Today, (20th October), the weather did not look too promising. It was beginning to rain as I cycled along the eponymously named 'Pete's Path' which takes the cyclist on a traffic free route from the Fosse Way at the end of Middle Road to Golf Lane in Whitnash. My first port of call was the Pastelaria Portuguesa café in Emscote Road. There in an upper room I met up with a group of friends and we planned our ride whilst sipping coffee and putting the world to rights.

It had stopped raining when we set off for Newbold Pacey and there was some brightness on the horizon. The church of St George the Martyr lies on a raised site at the end of a quiet road. It was rebuilt by the Victorians retaining some of its Norman features. The name Newbold meaning 'newly built' refers to the 11th century. Pacey is a corruption of 'paci' as William de Paci held the manor.

At Moreton Paddox we joined a ridgeway. It is the line of the Salt Way which starting at Droitwich (Salinae in Roman times), crosses the Midlands via Stratford and on towards the eastern counties. In Warwickshire the old route was broken when Gaydon Aerodrome was built in 1942. Now, JLR owns that site. Where the tarmac peters out south of Lighthorne we progressed on a green road to Heath Farm before using its access road and bowling down to the Antelope Inn for refreshment.

I'm enjoying a book which some readers may have already discovered in Harbury Library. It's called 'The Running Hare' written by John Lewis-Stempel. Its more descriptive title is 'The Secret Life of Farmland'. To quote the cover, 'It is the closely observed study of the plants and animals that live in and under plough land from microbe to patrolling kestrel above the corn, field mice in nests woven to crop stems and the hare running for his life'. It's the story of a field but is also so much more. I learnt that the collective noun for lapwings is 'desert'. The author wonders if this was a fantastic prophecy because the lapwings deserted his village in the last half of the 20th century as they did much of Britain.

However it is not all doom and gloom. With careful husbandry in sympathy with wildlife, extraordinary transformations can occur with populations of once common birds and insects rebounding. Time however is running out. An article in our newspaper sounded a warning as scientists told of the huge fall in numbers of flying insects. Most of us have noticed the drop in the number of insects on our car windscreens after a long drive. The likely causative factors are the destruction of wild areas and the widespread use of pesticides.

I have had a note from my neighbour Maurice Bristow relating his observations of the birds coming into his Mill Street garden. They include a female Great Spotted Woodpecker (larger than the male and without its red crest), starlings, blue and great tits, blackbirds, wood pigeons, collared doves and dunnocks

I was walking up Mill Street when Pam Shepherd called me to see a large chrysalis she had found in her garden. It was over an inch in length and camouflaged when lying on the ground by its earthy colour. It transpired this was the chrysalis of the Elephant Hawk Moth. It gets its name from the caterpillar's fanciful resemblance to an elephant's trunk. The moth is large and brightly coloured being olive green and pink. It is well camouflaged on one of its host plants, Rose Bay Willowherb.

A few butterflies are still on the wing in sheltered sunny spots. The Red Admiral has been particularly abundant coming down to feed on the juices from rotting fruit. Once a migrant, it now seems this insect has begun to survive our milder winters and become a resident. Its caterpillar feeds on stinging nettles.

Now, most arable fields have been ploughed, harrowed and seeded. In some cases corn seed has sprouted and dun coloured ground is greening up. Does the rapid turnover, which misses out on a long period when stubble predominates along with weeds, cause a drop in farmland birds such as Lapwing, Starling, Linnet and Greenfinch?

Sharon and I were entranced by the latest exhibition at Compton Verney. It is entitled 'The Lost Words'. Writer Robert Macfarlane believes that children who are increasingly confined indoors are losing the common words of nature. He has collaborated with artist Jackie Morris and his words and her beautiful paintings make for a delightful exhibition. Each 'Lost Word' such as dandelion or conker has an acrostic poem - that is each line begins with a letter to spell out the word. It's difficult to explain so go along and see for yourself.



General Section

Moving on....

Muglestone's Country Fayre

The end of October saw a number of changes in Harbury which will have an impact on both the street scene and services available in the village. Muglestone's Country Fayre has closed after many years as a fruit and vegetable store. Paul and Mary took over the shop in June 1980; it was already a greengrocers and Mary had been working there for a number of months. Paul has had many years of early morning starts to visit wholesalers, originally in Coventry but more recently in Evesham, Stratford and Birmingham. The shop also helped many clubs and organisations with selling tickets, such as Theatre Group performances and the annual fireworks display, taking tennis court bookings and acting as the collection point for the GASS Christmas cards delivery service, as well as selling copies of the Harbury & Ladbroke News.



We wish Paul and Mary a well-earned retirement to spend time with their grandchildren and enjoy holidaying - something they could not do when running the shop.

The Old New Inn

After being a public house and a village landmark for over a 150 years, the Old New Inn has closed. After 25 years at the pub and 38 years in the trade, Sandra Moffitt has decided to retire.

Sandra originally ran the pub with her husband Brian and since his death her family have all helped out. The pub was traditionally the place to visit after local sporting fixtures and for many years had a reputation for providing good live musical acts on a Friday evening.



Sandra is also looking forward to taking a well-earned rest and will be staying in the village.

Sandra pictured with her grandson Archie

The Shakespeare Inn

Although only being the licensee of the Shakespeare for a few months, Dipti Thanki and her son Aum did a wonderful job in bringing life back to the pub after its long closure. It is such a pity that the owners, Enterprise Inns, did not see fit to allow them to stay on in the pub. Dipti had not managed a pub before

coming to the Shakespeare but she really enjoyed the life and she intends to look to manage another pub elsewhere. We understand that the Shakespeare will re-open with new management in mid-November.



John Holden

Harbury Craft Fair - Saturday 11th November 2017

The Myton Hospice Harbury Support Group would like to remind you that this year's Craft Fair will be held on Saturday 11th November from 10.00am - 4.00pm and, as always, entry is free. The Village Hall will be full of lots of interesting handmade craft stalls. We have lots of new stalls again this year so why not come along and either treat yourself or make a start on your Christmas shopping! As usual tea, coffee, cakes and hot lunches will be available throughout the day.

First prize in the Raffle is again seven nights' accommodation in a static caravan in Cornwall. Tickets are £1 each and will be available to buy on the day with the draw being made at 3.30pm before the Craft Fair closes.

If you would be interested in helping on the day or would like to donate a bottle for the bottle tombola or a prize for the raffle please do not hesitate to contact us. All help/donations are greatly appreciated.

Please contact Shirley on 01926 612798 or Fiona on ficadwallader@btinternet.com if you can help in any way.

On behalf of the Harbury Myton Support Group I would like to thank you in advance for your continued support of our fundraising events and look forward to seeing you on the day.

Fiona Cadwallader

Harbury Senior Citizens Committee Update

We hope that you are looking forward to the Christmas Party and that you have the date set in your diaries. As a reminder, it will be on Saturday 9th December in the Village Hall from 5pm. Invitations will be delivered to you in early November.

For many, many years the replies to the invitations for our events have been returned to Muglestons Country Fayre. By the time you get this year's invitation the shop will be closed. Therefore, you will be asked to return the invitations to the Village Library for collection.

We would like to take this opportunity to give our thanks and appreciation publicly to Mary and Paul for all the support they have given us over the years, which among other things, included raffle prizes for our Christmas parties. We wish them all the best in their retirement and hope they now enjoy all of their free time!

As usual we will be having a raffle at the Christmas Party. If you would like to donate prizes they will be most welcome and can be delivered to either 1 Park Lane or 32 South Parade.

If you want further information or are interested in joining or helping us, please contact Mike McBride on 612421 or Julie Clarke on 612066 or talk to a committee member.

Meanwhile, we look forward to seeing you at the party and hope that you will enjoy yourselves.

Mike McBride

On behalf of the Harbury Senior Citizens Benefit Association



Christmas Quiz in aid of Warwickshire Air Ambulance

Our ingenious and fun questions have been devised, the food has been ordered and the raffle prizes are accumulating! All we need now is for your team to be there to make the evening complete!

When: 7.30pm (Doors open 7.00pm), Sunday 3rd December 2017

Where: Village Club

Teams: £20 per team of four to include nibbles, sandwiches and festive bites

Please book your team by contacting Sheila Burt on 613671 or email sheila.burt1@gmail.com

Charity Quiz Group

Harbury and Bishops Itchington Surgery Patient Participation Group

This advisory group met on Friday 29th September at Harbury Surgery. Matters discussed included:

Excellent **patient survey** results for the surgeries.

An improved surgeries' **staffing situation**. Three new staff members have been appointed – one very experienced, and two in training.

NHS hearing aid batteries are now available at the surgery on production of the white card issued to patients by the audiology department at Warwick Hospital.

Bishops Itchington Parish Council has agreed to contribute to the Southam Town Council Volunteer Transport System for BI residents to pre-book **transport to medical appointments** for a trial one-year period.

Electronic prescriptions were discussed. Patients nominate a surgery - close to their place of work, for example. This service is not yet available for our surgeries.

The **review dates printed on prescriptions** are misleading. They are part of the software package and cannot be deleted. In practice, reviews are far more frequent than the prescription suggests.

There will be a change to **repeat prescription times** from 48 to 72 hours because it proves impossible to fulfil prescription requests made late on one day by the morning of the second day.

The surgery is starting **telephone consultations** at the end of surgery hours. In practice, they are for routine matters like the issuing of forms, but in many cases they result in a face-to-face consultation anyway.

Staffing **branch surgeries** is always difficult, and because of staff shortages, BI has fewer evening surgeries than Harbury.

It's important to read the letter sent to all patients about **personal data**. Unless patients request otherwise, their medical data will be made available as that letter describes.

We briefly looked ahead to what may well be a national pattern of '**supersurgeries**' in the next 5-10 years. As a result, the NHS is not likely to fund the equipping of a new BI surgery.

Patients are being asked to sign up for **online access**. You can use this facility in many valuable ways, including booking appointments, ordering repeat prescriptions and accessing parts of your records. It's important to sign up if you have access to the internet.

**John Stringer, Chairman,
Harbury and Bishops Itchington PPG
john23stringer@gmail.com**



Murder Mystery at the Library!

As promised, here are more details of the murder mystery event to be held on Thursday 16th November, 7.30pm in the Library.

Do you fancy yourself as Poirot or Miss Marple? Do you enjoy a spooky tale on a dark night, or playing Cluedo? Then you should join us for **Bannocks and Blood**, by Ann Cleeve, popular author of the *Vera* and *Shetland* TV series and 30 books (many of which are available in the Library).

There has been a death in the sleepy Shetland community where our event is set. Four suspects will give their stories, and you can question them and see if you can work out who the murderer is from the clues given. There may even be a prize for the winner!

Tickets can be obtained from the Library at £5 a ticket, which includes a glass of wine or soft drink and snacks.

Events such as these help to raise funds for the Library, which is entirely run and managed by volunteers, but also will introduce those who haven't visited us yet to what we have to offer, so come and join us for a fun evening.

Normal Library activities, including lots of books for loan, free wi-fi and an art display, are available every week day 9am-5pm and 10am-12 noon on Saturdays, with Biblio's café open on Wednesday-Saturday mornings.

Janice Montague

Biblio's Café in Harbury Village Library

If you are new to the village you may not be aware that the Library in Harbury also contains a café. This café is run by volunteers from the village and surrounding area. We serve a range of teas, coffees (caffeinated and decaffeinated) and soft drinks, all to drink in or take away. Local bakers provide a range of baked goods each week. We also offer a limited range of gluten free baked goods. Wherever possible our products are Fairtrade and organic.

The purpose of the café is primarily to generate a surplus that can be used for the upkeep of the library; however it has also become a place where friends and colleagues meet for a chat, a drink and a piece of cake.

New people to the village and those who have lived here for years come and often sit with people they have never met before and new relationships grow and develop.

Tunes and Tales runs on a Thursday morning from 9.15am for the 'tots'. Parents often come in on a Friday morning after dropping their children off at school, where



they have an opportunity to meet other parents and start their weekend with a cup of coffee and a relaxing chat.

If you would like to volunteer to work in the café or to bake please drop in during opening times to have a chat.

Opening times are:

Wednesday - Friday, 9.15am to 12 noon
Saturday, 10.00am to 12.00 noon

So please come and join us in supporting our wonderful village library and meet new people.

Jill Baker



DKMS - Together Against Blood Cancer

Every 20 minutes, someone in the UK is diagnosed with a blood cancer, and some 2,000 people are looking for a potentially lifesaving blood stem cell donor each year. DKMS is a global charity that has more than 7.5 million potential donors registered and have given more than 64,000 people second chances of life.

There are several people here in Harbury, some of whom are connected with our school, and many more of us who have friends and family living with blood cancer.

The DKMS worldwide search for new donors continues as many people are still not able to find the matching donor they need and as it is a cause close to our hearts, we will be running an event with them here in **Harbury** on the **11th November**.

The event will be held at the **Tom Hauley Room**, between **2.30 – 4.30pm**. We will be raising money to help them continue their amazing work by selling **teas, coffees, home baked cakes** and **sweets**. DKMS will also be raising awareness of stem cell donations, providing the opportunity for people to join the register if they wish to. *(Registering is really easy – just complete a form and provide a saliva swab before you eat any cake!)*

If you would like to find out more about this, or are interested in joining the register, then we would love to see you on 11th November. Each one of us has the potential to make a real difference to someone's life so we really hope to see you.

For more information please see <https://www.dkms.org.uk/en>

Julie Balch



Harbury Heritage Room

The Heritage Room is open as usual on the first Tuesday of the month from 6.30 to 8.30pm, though we are happy to open at other times by request of local societies and groups. The next two Open Evenings are 7th November and 5th December. If you are a parent at the school, you will be aware that it is Parents' Evening on both 7th and 9th November. The Heritage Room will be open on both evenings so you can come and view the Collection after your appointment with your children's class teacher(s). It would be good to see you.

In 1986, to mark the 900th anniversary of the Domesday Survey, the children of Harbury School carried out surveys within the village. Below is what they discovered about computer use and the makes of cars people owned.

Computers

In our survey of 90 people questioned in Harbury, we found that 64% had a home computer. Of these 30% owned the Sinclair Spectrum due to its competitive price, the plentiful software available and its reliability. The second choice was the BBC micro with 20% of the market. It, like the Spectrum, also has a lot of games, the main supply coming from Acornsoft. The third most popular is the Electron, the BBC's smaller "brother". Nobody owned a computer four years previously in Harbury. 52% said that they had had their computer less than one year. 90% of people preferred games rather than educational programmes. The most popular games were Chuckie Egg, Elite, Hopper, Ghostbusters and Pacman. Chuckie Egg was the favourite because it was available for lots of computers.

Cars

Our survey covered only households of children at Harbury Combined School. Out of 138 replies only 10 had no car. We found 23 different makes with 64 different models. Most popular make was British Leyland, with the Austin Mini the most popular. Ford cars were next with the Escort the most popular car of all. 123 people used their car to go to work outside the village, 49 to go shopping. Over half had 2 or more cars.

Nigel Chapman

Harbury Village Club and Institute

A big hello again to everyone, another very busy four weeks at our Club. The snooker season is now in full swing as well as crib, darts, dominoes and pool. The rooms are all being used by local clubs and organisations. When we held our last committee meeting there were three other meetings happening at the same time. It is so satisfying to know that we are now becoming a vital part of our community. Quizzes seem to be in full swing at the moment, good to get the little grey cells working and enjoy a drink as well as our prices are very competitive. The Friday bingo sessions too are becoming very popular as mentioned before and we will be holding a family bingo in December, I will give more details next month.

The pots and baskets are still doing amazingly well although when we were on holiday recently one of the baskets somehow managed to come away from the wall and smash into a pot! Bob came to the rescue again and the basket is now firmly fixed to the wall but the pot was not so lucky! I will be replacing it when I change the displays in a few weeks' time.

I have been delving into the deeds of the club again and here are just two snippets, more next time. A very imposing document dated 22nd June 1956 states that the Council is "desirous of widening and improving the junction of the County roads known as Pump Street and Hall Lane" and needed access via land belonging to the Club, the Granters. It goes on the same vein for three pages! All this for 35 square yards and there is a huge red official seal.

The next document relates to alterations and is dated 11th November 1974 and extensions were added for new toilets and a beer store. Apparently these were held up "because of difficulties over car parking but problems have been resolved and clear to proceed." These were approved and passed by the local authority. Not such a large and imposing document but worthy of a mention. The more I look at the deeds the more intriguing it gets.

The remedial work needed at the Club Cottage due to exterior damp has been started today (24th October). I have applied for grants for this work from two sources and hope to hear soon if we have been successful. So we are making a difference and with the imminent closure of The Old New Inn we look forward to welcoming more customers and members.

We look forward to welcoming a new member to our bar team shortly, Joe Hunt who will be made very welcome and we wish him well. As said last month due to the increased usage of the club we can accommodate extra members to our team. Just contact myself or have a chat to the bar staff.

At our last committee meeting of 16th October, which was again a short one, we approved seven yes seven new members and one new booking for the concert room. Once again, our finances are healthy and takings are rising. We have recently had a stock take and all went well. The damage to the exterior door in the concert room has been fixed and our thanks to the Door Store for an excellent job. We are following up all matters raised and, as before, if you would like anything to be discussed please contact any committee member as the next meeting will be on Monday 20th November at 7.30pm. We are always looking for new committee members and hope to welcome at least two more very soon.

Talking of new members if anyone joins during the rest of 2017 your membership will cover the remaining period in 2017 plus all of 2018. So come along and see for yourself what we have to offer. The coming weeks until the end of the year will be busy there will be something for everyone.

I look forward to seeing everyone and hope that you enjoy my monthly missives and once again a big thank you for your compliments and support.

Judy Morrall



Harbury E-Wheels

Strictly not Ballroom

I can't tell you how the barn dance went, as it hasn't happened yet...but it will have by the time you get this. I will put something on Facebook; otherwise you will have to suffer the stress of waiting till next month's Harbury & Ladbroke News hits the mat.

If you came and supported our event, thank you.

If you donated at the event, thank you again.

If you signed up for monthly giving, however great or small, extra thank you.

And if you helped to drink the bar dry, don't blame us for the sore head...but thank you!

There will be another opportunity to enjoy one of our events next spring.

TESCO Bags of Help The Tesco Bags of Help vote in which we have featured over the last two months is also over. I know that many people went out of their way to vote for us and we are really grateful for your support. We won't know what our award will be until late in November. Whatever we receive will make a difference to those we help.

You might like to read one or two of the comments we have received from grateful passengers:

'I couldn't get to the doctor's any other way. Every driver has been very kind, polite and helpful.'

'It's a great help to me as there isn't anyone else that I can call on for help with transport. It's a great benefit and the drivers are all wonderful.'

'It is no exaggeration to say that this is a life-enhancing service.'

'I would love to say how thankful we are for your service; it truly is helping so many things be possible for our families. Thank you.'

'Fantastic service by the way; it has opened up so many possibilities for our clients.'

If you would like to consider us for a Christmas donation, please get in touch with Liz McBride at lizzie.mcbride@talk21.com or 612421.

Bob Sherman - Tel: 612277



Harbury Energy Initiative

School Lighting

The LED lights are in. Well, I hope they are. It's all happening during half term which is when I am writing copy. With much appreciated match funding from the County Council we have been able to fund the installation of new LED

lighting throughout the school internally. We expect this to make a bit of a difference to the school's bills and will monitor energy use over the next year, comparing results with that of previous years. Our next challenge could be to do all the external lights as well. Or do you have another task for HEI?

Battery Energy Storage

Battery energy storage technology has been steadily improving and gradually reducing in cost in the last few years. It is possible, but not definite, that within the next year there will be government incentives for storing energy at home, thus reducing demand on the grid. We are thinking of inviting someone from the industry to the village to talk about this and answer any questions villagers might have. We would hope to make this a free event. Would that interest you? Please let us know by posting on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/HarburyEnergyInitiative/>), emailing us on info@harburyenergy.co.uk or calling me on 612277.

Those Cars

We have been offered a BMW i3 to replace one of our Renault Zoes. Would that make you more interested in using the car club? The hourly charge would be £7.50 as opposed to £5.50, so we would need to have a strong positive response to persuade us to take up the offer. It would mean that costs for Harbury e-Wheels would also rise. Unfortunately, there is no chance of us getting a third car. This would require new charging infrastructure, as well as a car and usage doesn't justify it...yet.

If you have young drivers (19 years minimum) in your family and they can't afford to run a car, this could be a good, cost effective way to get them mobile. Think about it.

Bob Sherman



Bus Vouchers for Young People

There is still a good supply of free "2 for 1" bus vouchers for young people aged 14 to 19 in Harbury Library, available for trips to Leamington and back. They are valid until 31st March 2018, and are available on a first come first served basis, and can be collected by parents, grandparents or friends. Teenagers can now have as many vouchers as they want to use.

New Volunteer Transport Scheme for Medical Appointments

Harbury Parish Council is supporting this scheme which is being administered by Southam Town Council with the help of volunteers. If you don't have transport of your own or can't use public transport, a volunteer driver will take you to medical appointments at a cost of just 45 pence per mile plus any car parking fees. Please see the article overleaf for full details.

Harbury Parish Council



Volunteer Transport Scheme

Southam Town Council Volunteer Transport Scheme exists to provide essential journeys for Southam residents. Recently Harbury Parish Council has agreed to contribute to the cost of running this service (for a 1-year trial period), so that residents in Harbury and Deppers Bridge can benefit from such a service. Volunteers use their own cars to take people to and from hospital, GP and other medical appointments. Drivers are paid expenses for the journey and charge 45p per mile.

This is a vital service for people in the local community who are disadvantaged through disability or lack of alternative transport. The scheme office is situated in the Grange Hall, Southam, is staffed by volunteers and is open Monday to Friday 10am to 12 noon. Journeys can be booked by calling 01926 815817 or by visiting the office.

If you live in Harbury or Deppers Bridge and you struggle to get to medical appointments why not book a volunteer driver? Bookings are being taken for medical appointments on or after 1st November 2017. To book a journey to a medical appointment please ring 01926 815817, Monday to Friday, 10am to 12 noon.

**Alison Biddle
Harbury Parish Council**



LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors

Three and a half years ago our three-year-old grandson Zak was diagnosed with Leukaemia. Our lives were shattered. It is thanks to the ongoing research and medical care at Great Ormond Street Hospital that we can now say he is a healthy 6-year-old boy. Never considered cured but in long term remission. We trust and pray his cancer will never return.

We wish to thank everyone who provided raffle prizes, bric-a-brac and cakes and helped to run a very successful coffee morning in the THR in aid of Great Ormond Street Hospital – which we are delighted to report raised £336.

Thank you all for your generosity and support over the past three and a half anxious years.

Philip and Ann Mayer



Dear Editors**Coffee Morning**

The response to my requests for help with a coffee morning last month was overwhelming and with accumulated funds from donations, two raffles, produce, books and bric-a-brac stalls, I was able to donate £1,060 to Agnes Court (Leonard Cheshire Disability) Home in Banbury.

This will help to provide extras for the physio gym, the garden and outings for the residents.

I am so grateful to so many people - too many to name individually - who made this such a success.

Carol Lane

**DATES FOR INCLUSION IN THE HARBURY DIARY PLEASE TO:
LINDA RIDGLEY - TEL. 612792.**

Regular Diary Dates

ART CLASSES: Monday, 1.00 - 3.00pm, Tuesday, 10.00am - 12 noon and 1.00 - 3.00pm, Wednesday, 10.00am - 12 noon, The Studio, Church House, Crown St, Tel: 614251

BEAVERS: Thursday, 5.30 - 6.40pm, Scout Hut, first contact via AGSL, Tel: 614494, Email: harburyscoutgroup@hotmail.co.uk

BELLRINGERS: Friday, 7.30pm, Alison Abbott, Tel: 612939, Email: alison@abt1.net

BIBLE STUDY: 1st and 3rd Thursday of month, 1.45 - 3.15pm, Gillian Hare, Tel: 614809
2nd and 4th Tuesday of month, 10.30am - 12 noon, Mary Catt, Tel: 612864

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

BROWNIES: Monday, 5.45 - 7.00pm, Scout Hut, Email: paulabranscomb@aol.com, Tel: 613007

BUMPS & BUNDLES: Tuesday, 10.30am - 12 noon, Tom Hauley Room, Tel: 611914

CONNECTIONS CAFE: (for those with dementia & their carers), every 3rd Wednesday, 2.00pm, Tom Hauley Room, Tel: 612340

CUBS: Wednesday, 6.45 - 8.15pm, Scout Hut, first contact via AGSL, Tel: 614494, Email: harburyscoutgroup@hotmail.co.uk

GUIDES: Monday, 7.15 - 8.45pm, Scout Hut, Email: harburyguides@btinternet.com, Tel: 614316

HARBURY FOLK CLUB: 1st Thursday of month, 8.00pm, Harbury Club, Tel: 613730

HARBURY FRIENDS: 2nd Tuesday of month, 8.00pm, Tom Hauley Room, Tel: 612534

HARBURY JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB:

Under 6s – Year 1 (Mixed)

Coach: Steve Burnell, Tel: 07850 464286

Training: Saturday 8.30am. Harbury School

Under 7s – Year 2

Coach: John O’Keefe, Tel: 07939 127580

Training: Saturday 10.15am. Harbury School

Under 8s – Year 3 (Mixed)

Coach: Marcus Birch, Tel: 07904 670055

Training: Saturday 9.00am. Harbury School

Under 9s – Year 4 (Mixed)

Coach: Phil Hetherington, Tel: 07773 352731

Training: Saturday 9.00am. Harbury Playing Fields

Under 10s – Year 5 (Mixed)

Coach: Eugene Murphy, Tel: 07506 518687

Training: Monday 6.00pm. Southam College

Under 11s – Year 6 (Mixed)

Coach: Jo Dufty, Tel: 07718 082035

Training: Saturday 9.45am. Harbury Playing Fields

Under 15s – Year 10 & 11 (Mixed)

Coach: Ian Jones, Tel: 07525 099497

Training: Tuesday 6.00pm. Southam College 3g Pitch

Under 17s – Year 10 & 11 (Mixed)

Coach: Richard Woodhead, Tel: 07786 802803

Training: Tuesday 6.00pm. Southam College 3g Pitch

HARBURY PRE-SCHOOL: The Wight School, High Street, Harbury. Monday, 12 noon - 3.30pm, Tuesday and Thursday, 9.00am - 3.30pm, Wednesday and Friday, 9.00am - 1.30pm, Text: 07907 598461, enquiries@harburypre-school.org.uk

HARBURY THEATRE GROUP: Last Tuesday of month, The Village Club, Tel: 614937

HARBURY TODDLER GROUP: The Wight School, High Street, Harbury.

Monday, 9.30am - 11.15am, Lynne Barton, Tel: 612748

HARBURY UKULELE GROUP: 1st and 3rd Monday of the month, 8.00pm, The Village Club, Tel: 612377

HARBURY VILLAGE CLUB: Contact 612498 (evenings). Bingo every Friday 8.30pm – non members welcome.

HARBURY VILLAGE LIBRARY: Wight School, High Street, Harbury. Tel: 258776, Monday to Friday, 9.00am - 5.00pm and Saturday, 10.00am - 12 noon

HEREBURGH MORRIS DANCERS: Wednesday, 8.00 - 10.00pm, School Hall, Tel: 614217

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY: 1st Tuesday of month (Oct - May excluding January) 8.00pm, Tom Hauley Room, Judy Morrall, Tel: 613103

INSPIRE DANCE: Wednesday, 4.00 - 7.00pm, Village Hall, Tel: 07875 715876

KICK START APPALACHIAN STEP DANCERS: Saturday, 10.00am - 12 noon, Scout Hut Sue Hartland, Tel: 612734

HARBURY NETBALL CLUB (Senior & Junior): Training: Thursday, Harbury Playing Fields U14 - 5.30 - 6.30pm, U16 - 6.30 - 7.30pm, Intermediate Seniors, 7.00 - 8.00pm, Senior League, 7.30 - 8.30pm, Tel: 613163

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