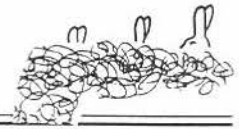


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Parish Council

At the September meeting, under matters arising, it was reported that the Post Office had agreed in principle to siting a post box on Blenheim Hill, and is to carry out a survey to determine the best location.

Also, arising from a resident's objection to a planning application, it appears that the Vale WHDC's policy of allowing objectors to speak at Planning Committee Meetings depends on either objection from the Parish Council or at least 2 others, as otherwise the application may not go before the Committee but be decided by Council officers. As it also appears that a District Councillor cannot any longer ensure an application goes before the Committee, the Council asked the Clerk to express its concern to the Vale WHDC that it had not been made aware of such procedural changes.

Our County Councillor reported that the County Highways Sub-Committee was planning to go ahead with the general 30 mph limit in villages, by District, With S.O.D.C. first then the Vale WHDC. This will mean speed limits coincident with village name signs.

Two applications were received for the vacancy on the Council, from Mr D. Hayter and Mr G. White. The Council would have liked to avoid choosing by co-opting both, but agreed to co-opt Mr D. Hayter.

The provision of lighting for the footpath between Gaveston Road and Grove Road was discussed again. It was agreed to seek a quote for putting one light near the Gaveston Road end.

On dog-fouling and the provision of bins, the Council agreed to siting a new bin at the junction of Gaveston Road and High Street. The Council heard from the District Councillor, Colin Lamont, that the Vale would be providing dog bins on its land and the Parish Council might be able to recoup the cost of bins put on Vale land.

Under matters relating to Council owned lands, it was agreed to extend the fencing started along the boundary with the A417 to meet the existing iron fence opposite the Winnoway.

An application from the Village Hall Committee for assistance with repairs to the Freeman Hall was discussed. As no funds are available during the current financial year it was agreed to review the matter when discussing the next year's budget.

Under any other business, the possibility was raised of the Council supporting a revived Garden Competition (the Competition being revived, not the gardens), and will be considered when preparing next year's budget. The problems caused by bonfires were also mentioned, and some suggestions to help parishioners take an environmentally- and neighbour-friendly approach to disposing of rubbish are given below.

Parish Council Meetings are normally held on the 2nd Monday of the month in the Recreation Ground Pavilion at 7.45pm. The next meetings are to be on 13th October and 10th November. Items for the agenda should be with the Clerk, Debbie Roberts ten days before the meeting - contact her on 820006 (office, answerphone) or 832727 (home). The deadline for the next newsletter is 23rd November.

The Royal British Legion Harwell Branch

The Village Remembrance Day Parade and Service will take place on Sunday 9th November, starting at 10-40 am at the High Street War Memorial, followed by a service at St. Matthews Church, and a further Wreath-laying Ceremony at the War Graves Cemetery. It is hoped that we will have the good turn out that is usual in the Village - please do come along and give us your support.

We also ask that you respect the **Two Minute Silence** on Tuesday the 11th November at 11am. We will dip our Standard as a tribute at the High Street War Memorial; this is receiving Nationwide support.

Harwell Senior Citizens Fund Grand Auction

will be on Saturday 4th October
in the Royal British Legion Clubhouse.

The Hammer is poised to crash down at 8.00 pm

Come and have a fun evening and raise funds for the Senior Citizens of Harwell. More details from Yvonne Hinchliffe on 835397.

Harwell Feast Committee Village Quiz

Friday 21st November

Village Hall 7.30 pm.

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Didcot Street Fair
Thursday 27th November
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Vale News

Several people have complained to me recently about dog mess on the streets and on the Recreation Ground. More can be done about that now than ever before.

Allowing dogs to foul the streets has always been an offence, of course, but in the past it has been necessary for a resident to appear in court in order to get a conviction and nobody ever wanted to do that. Now the Vale employs a Dog Warden, who is empowered to issue a fixed penalty notice for a £25 fine. If you have a persistent problem near you, call 520202 and ask for extension 375 or 384 to report it. Please do not think that this action will be vindictive. The Warden is likely only to issue a warning in the first instance and you will be helping to remove a serious source of pollution from our village that can cause blindness in young children.

Most dog owners are very public-spirited and clean up behind their pets. If you have not yet started to do that just pop into White Horse Printing and Roy Bullock will give you, entirely free, a "starter kit" containing a scoop and a supply of plastic bags which will enable you to deposit your dog's waste into one of the dog bins that the Parish Council have set up without getting your hands dirty. Your neighbours will appreciate that and, be warned, persistent offenders can be fined £1000

Colin Lamont (832866)

Property Wanted

I am trying to find a property in Harwell Village suitable for my elderly mother who is hoping to move down from the North. If you are thinking of moving from a smallish property in the next 12 months or so I would be grateful if you would let me know, on (01235) 832649. Ideally she is looking for something modern, preferably a bungalow, but she would also consider a house.

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Harwell Women's Institute

At the September meeting Claire Brown's informative talk on 'Fun with Massage' introduced us to the Healing Art of Reflexology. A successful coffee morning was held by Mrs Edwina Thompson.

Some members exhibited items in the Harwell Produce Show, and the Mary Turner Salver, given to the WI member gaining most points, was awarded to Mrs Brenda Poulter.

Our grateful thanks to Louise (Hairdresser) and Mr Bullock (Newsagents) for allowing us to put our Promotion Display in their windows.

Our next meeting will be on 8th October when Beryl Maile will be telling us that 'Art isn't just for Connoisseurs', and then on 12th November Sue Josey-Leat will talk in 'Cakeability'.

We meet on the second Wednesday in the month at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. Visitors are most welcome; will you join us? We look forward to seeing you.

Irene Napper

The Royal British Legion Harwell Branch and Club

Subscriptions became due on 1st October. They are: Branch £6 Club £3 Total £9. They may be paid at the Club or posted to my home, enclosing an sae for return. I will be in the Club collecting on some Friday evenings from 8 pm to 10 pm during October and some Sunday lunchtimes. Please pay before the end of November.

We are always seeking new members especially ex-Service men and women of all ages. Non ex-Service are also welcome to apply as Associate Members. Please contact me for further details if you are interested.

Peter Cissell

Branch Hon-Sec. and Club Secretary Tel: 221083.

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Harwell Village Hall

A meeting of the Management Committee was held on 23rd September 1997. The Treasurer, Colin Lamont reported on the progress of the new toilet block, which is nearing completion. He explained that the grants totalled £11,658 would mostly be paid on completion, and the Hall funds had provided the other one third approximately.

A report on the condition of the Freeman Hall was discussed at some length. It was agreed to draw up a list of work required, based on the report, and obtain some quotations for the repairs, in time for these to be discussed at the next meeting, on Tuesday 28th October.

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Saturday 8th November

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Please do not bring any fireworks
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where there are crowds.

Bonfires

Think Twice and Think Green!

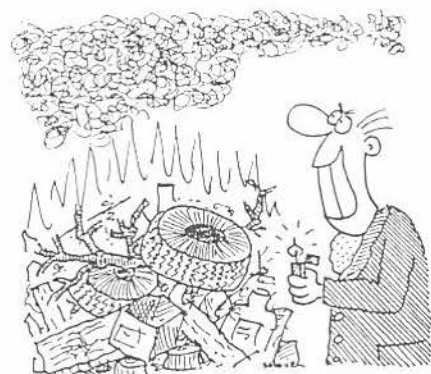
The faint smell of a bonfire can be pleasantly reminiscent of autumn days spent in the garden but, in general, bonfires cause harm and aggravation to both people and the environment.

Some materials are better disposed of by other methods. Rubber tyres, anything containing plastic, foam or paint should not be burnt. If you have too much to dispose of with household rubbish, contact the Vale WHDC (520202) or consider taking it to the Tip at Drayton, where, as well as disposing of rubbish, they have containers for garden waste that will be composted.

As well as being a nuisance to neighbours, smoke from bonfires can be a health risk to sufferers of asthma, bronchitis and the very young and old. And even if the immediate health risk is small, your bonfire will add to the general background level of air pollution. So consider composting that waste yourself.

But, if you can't resist it, please follow these guidelines and the chances are you will not cause a serious nuisance - only burn dry material, never use old engine oil, meths or petrol to light the fire, and avoid times such as when weather conditions are unsuitable - smoke hangs in the air on damp, still days and in the evening. Also when the wind will carry smoke over roads or into other people's property, when neighbours are likely to be enjoying their gardens - weekends, bank holidays and when the air quality is already poor.

And, if all this hasn't put you off, before you light it, check for hibernating hedgehogs etc!



Harwell Feast Committee

The AGM took place on Wednesday 24th September in the Freeman Hall. Proceeds of £2,484.61 were declared for the year to July, and the donations made during the financial year were as follows:

Adventure Playground	2,344.97
(Little Pippins Pre-school)	
Village Hall, for Freeman Hall	1,000
Harwell School Association	500
Winterbrook Youth Club	250
Harwell Playscheme	150
Little Pippins	100
Harwell Horizons Majorettes	100
	4,444.97

The closing balance for the financial year was £1,693.23.

The officers elected for the coming year were:

Chair:	Lynn Wilkinson
Vicechair:	Janice Markey
Treasurer:	Peter Cissell
Secretary:	Colin Lamont

Janice Markey having stood down as Treasurer after 10 years in the post, because of other commitments, she was thanked for all her work in the post.

The next meeting of the Feast Committee will be held on Wednesday 29th October at 8pm in the British Legion. Anyone wanting to join this committee is warmly welcomed.

Winterbrook Youth Club

Juniors	8 - 14 years	6 - 8 pm
Seniors	15 - 21 years	8 - 10 pm

Many thanks to all those who supported our Late Summer Fête recently - over £170 was raised on the day with some sponsorship money still to come.



Little Pippins Pre-School

Welcome back to the start of a new term at Little Pippin's Pre-School. This will be a busy term particularly as we are full to capacity every day. If you have a child who will be ready for pre-school during this academic year, it would be nice to hear from you. Contact Yvonne Hinchliffe on 01235 835397 and make an appointment to come and look around.

Our first fund-raising event of the year will be a bonfire lunch on 5th November. There will be a variety of stalls and a hot lunch so look out for the posters nearer the time for more information.

It goes without saying that all our fund raising events throughout the year take time and effort to organise. Anyone who saw the Little Pippin's float at this years Feast will realise that it took many hours to construct (and was great fun to do!). At this years AGM in January several committee members are having to step down after serving for the maximum number of years allowed. So please give some thought as to whether you could spare some time and would like to become involved.

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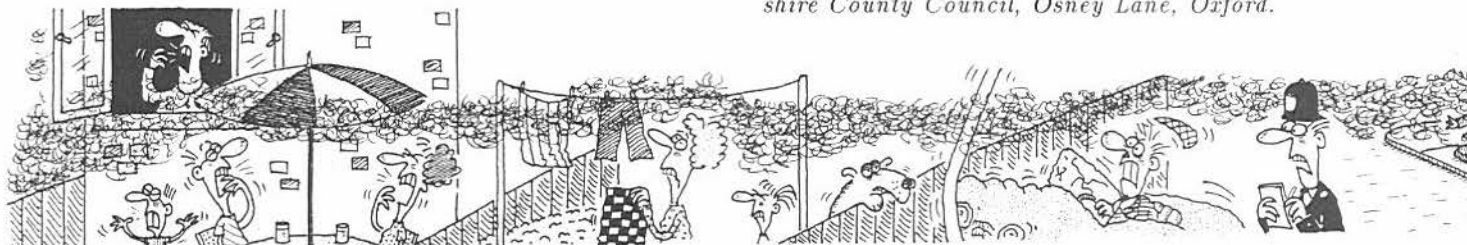
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Harwell Fun Club

Are you a mother or carer at home with a pre-school child? Would you like to come and make some new friends while your child plays with our toys? Then come along and meet us one Tuesday!

If you have a young baby, why not visit us on the third Tuesday of the month when the Health Visitor will be available to weigh your baby and answer any questions?

Fun Club meets every Tuesday morning during term time (including half-term) from 9.45 - 11.45 in the Village Hall. We have lots of toys for the children to play with and also provide an activity table each week and a drink and biscuit. You can enjoy all of this for just 80p per family.

Forthcoming events include:

- a half-term activity morning
- a photographer on 4th November (provisional)
- a book sale
- a children's clothes sale
- our Christmas party on the 16th December.

We look forward to welcoming you one Tuesday morning - Caroline Thetford (221139) and Karen Muir (835251).

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Playscheme

Harwell School Playscheme entertained 100 children over the fortnight of Playscheme during August. In now time-honoured tradition we offered a wide variety of arts crafts, cooking, sports, games, dancing, acting plus many other opportunities for play. Playscheme continues to flourish thanks to supportive parents and teenagers, and eager beaver kids. We look forward to our 10th anniversary next year and are already beginning to plan some special items. My thanks to all involved this year - you gave the kids a memorable time.

Janice Markey, Chair.



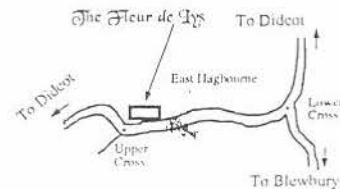
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Wednesday 15th - Wantage Market Square
Wednesday 22nd - Didcot Market Square

Three squaws at the Playscheme, left to right
Holly Thomas, aged 7, Jodie Hogan, also 7, and
Coral Thomas, aged 5.

Harwell Primary School

The Autumn Term opened in sadness, with the death of Diana, Princess of Wales. Many of our oldest children wrote letters of tribute which in due course were sent on to Kensington Palace. We would like to share with your readers just one of these moving tributes.

To Princess Diana,

We are very grateful for what you did for charities like the Red Cross and Cancer Research and helping sick people. We hope that land mines are banned altogether. We are very upset about what happened to you and Dodi. We think most people are shocked at what happened. Nobody will be a better ambassador than you. You are a princess that will be remembered forever.

Sean Russell and Wayne Railton.

As ever, during these first few weeks of a new school year, children have been trying out their skills in new classes and with new teachers. Among other things, our eight and nine year olds have been turning their hands to poetry and in particular to poetic miniatures after the style of the Japanese haiku. The subject was 'night' and, as you will see, it seems to have caught the imagination. So here are a few fragments to brighten up those lengthening evenings.

Miles from home
But still the tick tock
Of the grandfather clock.

Adam Goodband, aged 8.

Night dark
Moon bright
Sleeping world
Stars alight.

Naomi Nickerson, aged 9.

In the darkness of the night
The pale white light of the moon.

Simon Delfosse, aged 8.

Ghost walking
Bat flapping on wing
Cat walking on wall
Owl hooting.

Jessica Roberts, aged 8.

Night rises
A dark figure flies through the sky
Spreading fear.

Tom Dixon, aged 9.

When I closed my eyes
I found a ghost in my mind.

Freddie Davis, aged 8.

The moon begins to brighten
The stars as well begin to lighten.

Francesca Warwick, aged 9.

And so we set out on another school year.

Michael Armstrong.

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HARWELL VILLAGE

NEIGHBOURHOOD

WATCH

Child Watch

Ringmaster is now being used to provide a messaging system to pre-school playgroups in the Vale under the name of Child Watch So far groups in Harwell and Chilton have joined the scheme.

Bogus Telephone Calls

A Neighbourhood Watch Member recently received a telephone call purporting to be from the Crime Reduction Officer checking details about the security of her home. Being suspicious she rang the Police asking to speak to the Crime Reduction Officer who confirmed that the call did not come from the Police. If you also receive this type of call DO NOT DIVULGE any information and call the Control Room on 01235 776000.

Distraction Burglaries continue to be reported in the area. Do Be on Your Guard when opening your door to strangers.

Please:

Report anything suspicious. Telephone the Police Wantage Control Room (01235 776000) You can also leave a message for our beat officer Mr John Parsons on this number

If you want more information on the Vale of White Horse Neighbourhood Watch Scheme or if you are prepared to be linked up to Ringmaster please contact Mrs Hilary Green or Mr Richard Hover (telephone 01235 776627)

I would like to thank everyone for their generous support of the show, either in donations, help or entries. A total of £400 was raised for the Nairobi Hospice, which was a great tribute to everyone's efforts. The money will go towards the much-needed drugs for pain-relief. The results are as below,

Caroline Woodall

Waggiest Tail

- | | | |
|---|------|---------------|
| 1 | Jess | Mrs Beard |
| 2 | Toby | Mr Beard |
| 3 | Pip | James McNiven |

Most Appealing Eyes

- | | | |
|---|--------|-----------------|
| 1 | Dolly | Melissa Strange |
| 2 | Goldie | Jane Mason |
| 3 | Tashi | Joy Howell |

Best Six Legs

- | | | |
|---|----------|-----------------|
| 1 | Pip | Abigail McNiven |
| 2 | Tidworth | Holly Spence |
| 3 | Milly | Emma Deakin |

Best Rescued Dog

- | | | |
|---|--------|-------------------|
| 1 | Pepsi | Heather Henderson |
| 2 | Goldie | Jane Mason |
| 3 | Pip | James McNiven |

Owner like Dog

- | | | |
|---|-------|-------------------|
| 1 | Meg | Michael Turner |
| 2 | Peggy | John Froud-Davis |
| 3 | Molly | Megan Froud-Davis |

Best Veteran

- | | | |
|---|-------|-------------------|
| 1 | Kizzy | Joy Howell |
| 2 | Pepsi | Heather Henderson |
| 3 | Jem | Miss W. Todd |

Best Fancy Dress

- | | | |
|---|-------|------------------|
| 1 | Emily | Holly Thomas |
| 2 | Doc | Louise Butler |
| 3 | Peggy | John Froud-Davis |

Most Likeable Dog

- | | | |
|---|--------|-------------------|
| 1 | Milly | Emma Deakin |
| 2 | Molly | Megan Froud-Davis |
| 3 | Pippin | Pam Langley |

Agility

- | | | | |
|---|-------|--------|--------------|
| 1 | 52.85 | Sadie | Laura Ediker |
| 2 | 58.03 | Goldie | Jane Mason |
| 3 | 58.19 | Peggy | Chris Davis |

From the archives

10 Years ago ... issue number 30 of the newsletter reported in September 1987 that there would be the official opening on 4th September of 'New Headquarters, Orchard Way' by Mr Cyril Balderson. The Following issue, for October, announced that the time had finally arrived to take up the offers of help with the construction of the adventure playground.

20 Years ago ... issue number 3, contained a front-page article on the recreation ground extension:

As most of you will have seen, work has started on extending the Recreation Ground, and carrying out the improvements outlined in the first issue of HARWELL last December.

Before looking to the future, it is perhaps appropriate to recall the past, and the Parish minutes for January 23rd 1922 tell us that "the Chairman read his letter to Mr. Howes, the owner of Jubilee Meadow, and the reply thereto, offering the whole meadow for £300.... Proposed by Mr. Greenwood and seconded by Mr. Pryor that the Jubilee Meadow be purchased for the £300 stated. Carried unanimously."

It was one thing to agree to purchase, and another to raise the money, and on June 20th 1922 the forerunner to HARWELL published the following appeal:

"The great need of a recreation ground for this Parish which has no open space or village green has long been apparent, and it is now thought that a decided effort should be made to procure the Jubilee Meadow for the village. For this at least 300 is required the half of which must be secured by voluntary effort. We confidently and earnestly solicit your kind assistance in such an object."

The Committee Chairman, Mr. Fuller's confidence was not misplaced, and from the "Demobilised Men's" £25, through Sir Mortimer Singer's five guineas, to Mr. Belcher's 2/6 the money was raised.

From this beginning the Recreation Ground has served the village well for over fifty years. Recently the Parish Council were able to purchase the adjoining field so that the 'Rec' could expand with the growing population of Harwell. Money was also put aside and invested over the years to enable this extension to be properly incorporated, and other improvements made such as a car park, tree and shrub planting, seats, etc. In particular it is wished to replace the trees that unfortunately had to be removed to extend the site. Such has been the effect of inflation and the passing of the years that the Parish Council has had to limit expenditure on all these items to a maximum of £12,000 - a far cry from the £300 of 1922.



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GARDENING NOTES FOR OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 1997.

AS THE SEASON DRAWS TO ITS CLOSE NOW IS THE TIME TO TAKE STOCK OF THOSE THINGS WHICH HAVE DONE WELL AND THOSE THINGS WHICH HAVE SUFFERED AS A RESULT OF THE RATHER PECULIAR WEATHER CONDITIONS WE HAVE EXPERIENCED SO FAR THIS YEAR. IT IS ALSO TIME TO PLAN AHEAD ESPECIALLY AS THE NEW SEASON'S CATALOGUES ARE BEGINNING TO DROP THROUGH OUR LETTERBOXES. THE GARDENING PRESS ALSO REVIEWS NEW INTRODUCTIONS & REPORTS ON TRIALS, SO THESE ARE ALWAYS WORTH PERUSING. PERHAPS YOU CAN PASS ON OR EXCHANGE YOUR PUBLICATION WITH A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOUR. MANY JOURNALS & OTHER PUBLICATIONS ARE OFTEN AVAILABLE AT LOCAL LIBRARIES WHERE YOU CAN GO AND MAKE A NOTE OF THOSE THINGS WHICH INTEREST YOU.

SHRUBS WHICH HAVE FLOWERED DURING THE SUMMER SHOULD BE CUT BACK NOW IF THIS WAS NOT DONE IMMEDIATELY AFTER FLOWERING AND THE GARDEN TIDIED UP GENERALLY. BE PREPARED FOR FROST ANY TIME NOW. WE HAVE ALREADY HAD A GROUND FROST BUT BECAUSE IT WAS OF VERY SHORT DURATION LITTLE DAMAGE WAS DONE.

MOST BULBS SHOULD HAVE BEEN PLANTED BY NOW BUT TULIPS CAN ALWAYS BE PLANTED LATER THAN OTHER BULBS.

AT THIS TIME OF YEAR ONCE IT BECOMES DAMP & MISTY WE OFTEN GET VARIOUS TOADSTOOLS & OTHER FUNGI APPEARING IN ALL SORTS OF PLACES OFTEN ON THE LAWN. GENERALLY THEY DO NO HARM SO NO ACTION NEEDS TO BE TAKEN.

BRACKET FUNGI OFTEN APPEAR ON OLD TREES & DEAD WOOD BUT THERE AGAIN LITTLE CAN BE DONE AS THE DAMAGE IS ALREADY THERE.

THE FUNGUS WHICH CAUSES GARDENERS MOST TROUBLE IS HONEY FUNGUS AND THE ONLY TREATMENT IS TO DIG OUT THE PLANT WITH ALL THE ROOT YOU CAN AND IF POSSIBLE HAVE THE SOIL STERILIZED.

EARLY AUTUMN IS A GOOD TIME TO APPLY SOME WEED KILLER TO THE LAWN AS GROWTH OFTEN STARTS AGAIN WHEN WE GET RAIN AFTER A DRY SPELL. A SPECIAL AUTUMN FEED ALSO BE GIVEN NOW.

PONDS, TOO, NEED TO BE PREPARED FOR WINTER. THE FISH NEED TO BE FED WELL, AND IF YOU HAVE FLOATING PLANTS OR MARGINALS SOME OF THESE MAY BE TENDER AND REQUIRE PROTECTION OVER WINTER, IF NECESSARY THEY MAY BE LIFTED, PUT IN TUBS OR BUCKETS AND MOVED INTO A FROST FREE PLACE WHENEVER FROSTS THREATEN. PLANTS SUCH AS WATER HYACINTH, WATER LETTUCE, WATER CHESTNUT, AND AZOLLA, (THOUGH THE LATTER SURPRISES ME BECAUSE AS A BOY THERE WAS AZOLLA ON OUR LOCAL POND AND WE USED TO GO SKATING ON IT IN THE WINTER & THERE WAS STILL AZOLLA THERE THE NEXT YEAR) LOBELIA CARDINALIS AND THE WHITE ARUM LILY (ZANTEDESCHIA) ARE ALSO TENDER.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ATTRACTING WILD LIFE TO YOUR GARDEN YOU MAY LIKE TO KNOW ABOUT A NEW PROJECT WHICH AIMS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PLANTS YOU CAN GROW IN YOUR GARDEN & THE BIRDS & ANIMALS IT CAN ATTRACT & SUPPORT.

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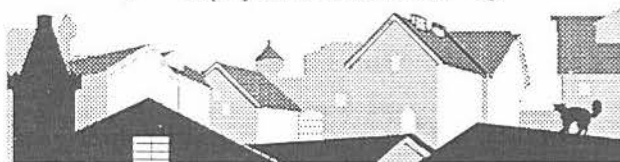
ACTUALLY I DO HAVE A PRELIMINARY COPY OF THE PRINTED LIST FOR OX11 AND ANYONE IS FREE TO HAVE A LOOK IF THEY ARE INTERESTED. - JUST GIVE ME A RING ON 835333 OR DROP IN AT "PIPPINS".

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Produce Show

Thank you everyone who took part in the Village Produce Show. There were 550 entries this year from 78 entrants. When I saw the hall at 11 am it made all the work worthwhile.

There were five entries in the inter-village section, which brings other villages together. We had two new judges this year, in the Domestic and Flower-arranging classes, sections which were both well supported.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped get the show off the ground. The trophies were awarded as listed below,

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The David Dewey Memorial Shield	Chris Rowell
(Garden club member with most points in all classes)	
Harwell Produce Shield	Fred Gee
(Harwell Parish resident with most points in all classes)	
The Harwell Rose Bowl	Fred Gee
(most points, horticultural classes)	
The Chairman's Trophy	Joy Gee
(most points in flower classes)	
Rowstock Orchard Trophy	Ruth Woollen
(most points in fruit classes)	
The Floral Art Trophy	Caroline Ball
Novice Trophy	C. Webster
Vegetable Trophy	Fred Gee
Domestic Cup	Chris Rowell
Young People's Challenge Cup	Naomi Nickerson
Handicraft Trophy	Brenda Poulter
	Wendy Sinclair
	Chris Rowell
The Wine Trophy	Brenda Poulter
The Mary Turner Salva	
(WI member with most points)	
Most entries in the show	Mike Kerswell