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We want to know what's going on, and where, by whom and how.So have a go and write it down, go on - and do it NOW!
Get out your pen and notebook,sit down and have think, you may not know what you can do, with paper pen and ink!
Just tell us all about your clubs, there's no need to be shy, you may like more new members, it's worth it when you try!
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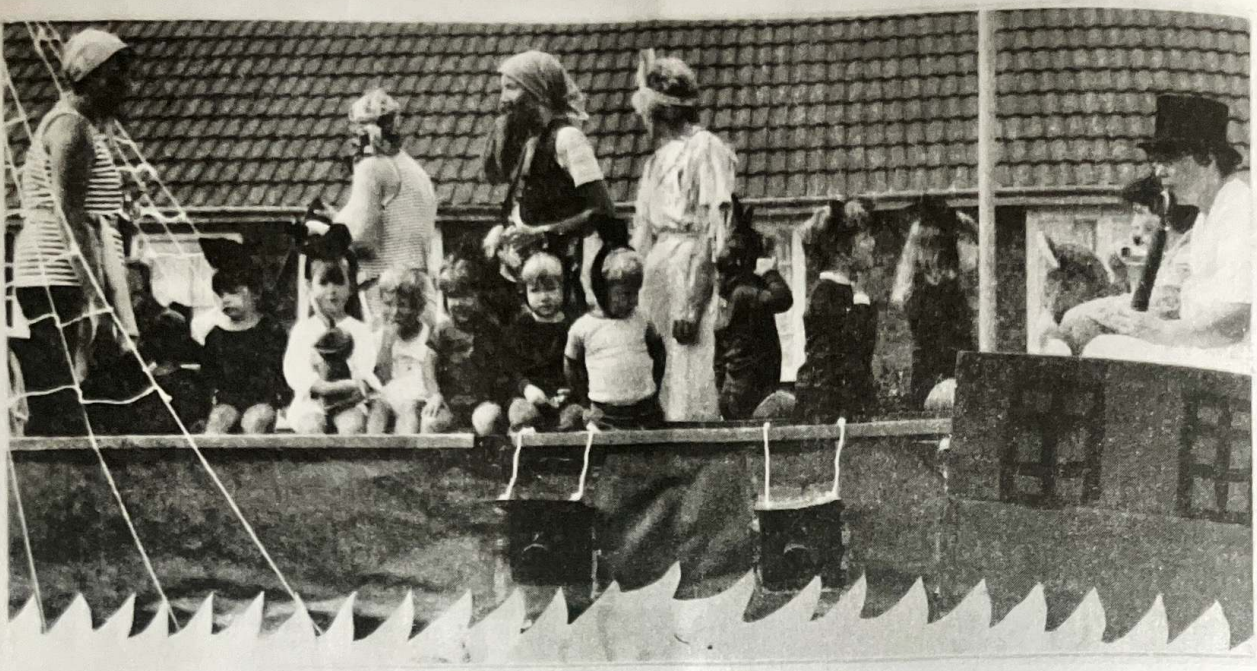
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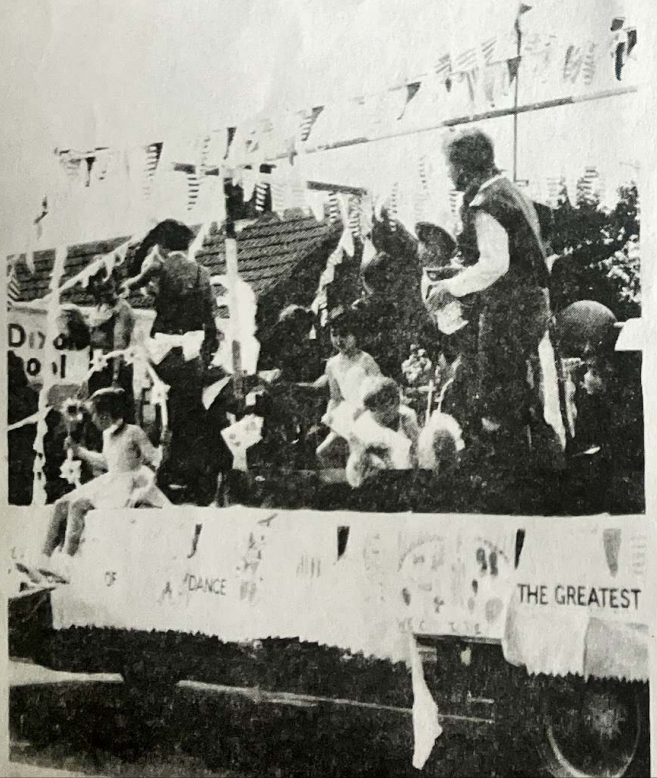
PETER PAN - CHATTERBOX CLUB

GALA DAY

What a scorcher Gala day turned out to be. Eight floats turned out and added their colour to brighten the day even more. The theme of the floats was Films. Mr & Mrs Ernie White the Pearly King and Queen of Leicester judged the floats and awarded first prize to Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by the Beaver Colony. Second place went to the Methodist Sunday School with Around the World in Eighty Days and First adult to Crocodile Dundee, Womens Institute. Judging must have been very difficult as the standard of floats was very high.

Wailing pipes and the roll of drums marked the

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WIZARD OF OZ - RANGERS

start of the procession. Led by the City of Leicester Pipe Band the parade made its way through the village.

On arriving at the recreation ground the Gala was offically opened by the Pearly King and Queen. Besides the Side shows and Stalls there was a display by the Dixon Woods School of Dance, Cubs Football, Band Display, Agricultural Tent and a Pet Dog Show. Something for everyone in fact. Trophies for the Floats and Cubs Football had been kindly donated by Gartons.

Plenty of people had nice fresh veg for Sunday dinner judging by the rate the produce was sold off at the now traditional end of day auction.

Total profits raised for the Scout Groups Funds was seven hundred pounds .

GROUP NEWS

CUB NEWS

The Montague Pack of the Ist Newbold Verdon Cubs welcomed seven new members at a ceremony held at the Scout Hut on Monday, 14th September.
Stephen Horsley transferred to the Montague Pack from the 1st Beaumont Leys Cubs. Six others were invested as Cubs. Huw Davies, Steven Duffy, Wayne Harris, Stephen Smith and Steven Vann all transferred from the Beaver pack and Kenneth Parker also joined the pack.
Any boys interested in joining the Cub Scouts should contact Akela(Mrs K Nevelle) on Desford 2031 or Mrs M Corns Desford 2395.

WANTED

Can anyone lend us the following:-
A Santa Clause Outfit
A Popcorn machine
For our Christmas Fayre on the 12 December
Please contact the above.

SCOUT NEWS

Augusts theme was Map and Compass work and if you saw a lot of bemused looking Scouts making their way around the village it was because they were following a Map and Compass trail. To put their skill to the test we visited Beacon Hill on the last Wednesday of the month. The wind was blowing a gale and the sky full of rain but 6 intrepid scouts set off to make their way to the top of Beacon Hill. Our devious leader had taken them all by a roundabout route to the drop off point and the first problem encountered was;"where are we"? Half an hour and 1 kilometer later all arrived at the summit. Using compass bearings local landmarks were then identified. A task made difficult by the high winds and fading light. To end the evening a wide game based in the year 2500.

Backwoods cooking was Septembers theme and the first activity was the lighting of fires using only natural materials and 2 matches?? Each Scout made a twist which was cooked over the glowing embers. "AH! that was the wonderful smell which wafted over the village one Wednesday", you all say.

Blind folded food tasting caused a stir, mainly in the stomach! Foxcoverts was the venue for the building of bivouaks, fire lighting and cooking with no pots and pans. Luckly it did not rain and everyone had a slap up feast of Hawaiian Chicken and Angels on Horseback.

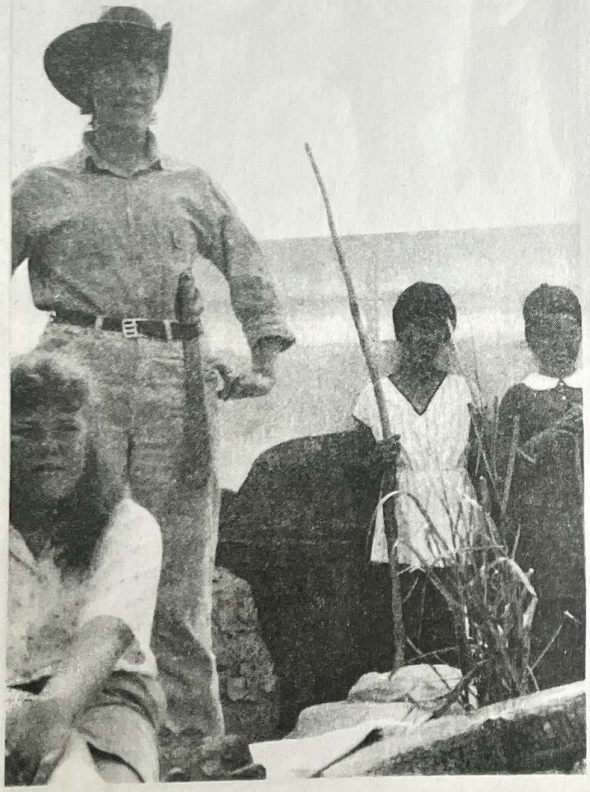


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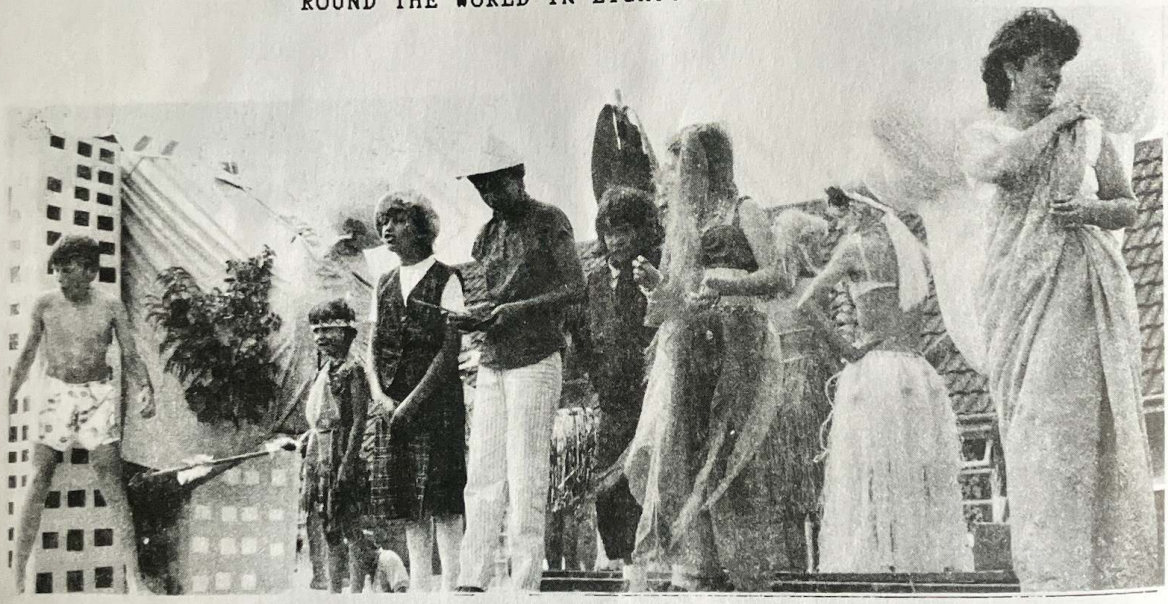
THE DRAX PACK

Or drink to thee only
with thine eyes
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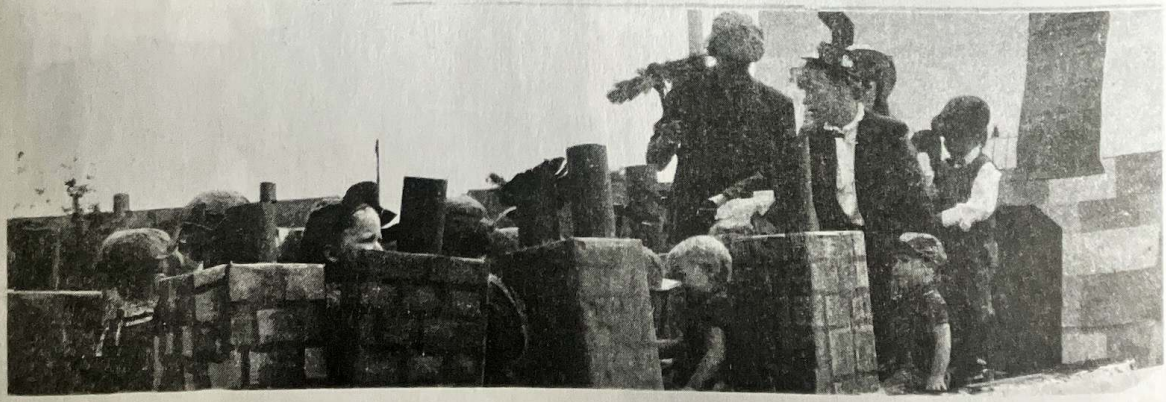


CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY - BEAVERS

ROUND THE WORLD IN EIGHTY DAYS - METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL



MARY POPPINS - RAINBOW CLUB



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir,
I have been visiting Newbold Verdon for many years and have, until recently thoroughly enjoyed my trips.
Having arrived on Monday I looked forward to my usual stroll around the village, but alas, I found the whole place had deteriorated alarmingly, particularly the Main Street shopping area, with rubbish strewn all over the pavement and the gutters unswept.
Not to mention the fact that it is now almost three weeks since "My Host" had a visit from the Refuse Collectors.
I sincerely hope that many copies of your paper will b be read by the Departments concerned in your local council.
Could it be that this letter will have the desired effect and Newbold will be restored to its former glory.

J.H.
(Address supplied)

J.H.
May I, on behalf of the residents of Newbold Verdon apologise for the state of our village. The Parish Council have only just recently installed new waste bins, howevef it would seem that some residents of our village view them as mere ornaments, and others ripe for vandalising. Surely we dont need a stranger to our village to see the state it has become, whats happened to our village pride? Let us hope that this will be the last letter of this kind that we receive, and that our streets will once again become a pleasure to walk in.

Ed.

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Childrens corner

ETRETAT 1987

On the first of June 1987 we went to Etretat, the journey was very long. We arrived at the school at 3.30am and the coach departed at 3.45am.
The journey was hot and sticky, we stopped at a service station at 5.00am we were all very tired.
When we arrived in Newhaven we had to wait an hour before the came in. The boat journey took 4 hours, but it was better than being on the coach as you could go outside whenever you pleased.
We arrived in Dieppe at 2.05 and it didnt take long before we were in Etretat.
The chateau we stayed in was very nice.
One of the trips I enjoyed alot was to Rouen which is on the river Seine. Rouen has the reputation of being one of the most polluted cities in France, but when you are there you would not think it. Rouen is a very beautiful place.
The cathedral tower is the tallest in France at 500 feet The most popular monument in Rouen is the great clock (Le Horloge). This clock was moved to its present site in 1525, it is still working today, though you cant tell the time by it as one of the hands is missing.
Near the station stands the Joan of Arc tower where she was imprisoned and tortured she was finally burnt at the stake by the English.

Emma Cook



FUN ON THE BOUNCER AT PLAY SCHEME WEEK.

PHILLIP SCHOFFIELD

When Phillips friend and side kick, Gordon, visited our school he left behind an autographed photo of Phillip and himself to be given away to a child in the village. If you would like to enter your name into the prize draw for this photograph fill in the form below and post in the Community Association post box in the library by the 19th October. The winners name will be on show in the Post Office. Age limit 16 years.

GORDON THE GOPHER

During the Play Scheme week we were honoured by a visit to our school from the worlds greatest gopher, star of the small screen GORDON T. GOPHER.
Gordon, along with a group of friends, held an informal get together with an audience of fans. He answered questions on his tastes in music , sport and television and treated his young fans to a rendering of "Down Town". His visit was a great success and is still talked about in the playground today.

PHILLIP SCHOFFIELD PRIZE DRAW

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ADDRESS .....

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Where the white gulls fly
And the boats pass by
And our spirits are high and free

Where the donkeys trot along the sand
And the children make castles high
Till the tide stops play
To sweep them away
Leaving shells and pebbles to dry

We will go for a trip on a boat again
And hear the soft lap of the waves
And feel the spray
White foam tipped with grey
And see the cliffs and the caves

And when at last we have to return
To work we have at hand
Our memories stay
And we think of the spray
Of the sea, and the gold of the sand

Ethel Hast has published a book of her poems which can be brought from the village newsagents

CHATTERBOX CLUB

An Auction will be held at St James Church Hall on the 27th October. Viewing at 7pm. Start 7.30pm prompt. No reserve under one pound. Fifteen percent commission.

All items to be auctioned to 37 Hornbeam no later than Saturday 24th October. 50p Admission including refreshments.

We will be holding an Autumn Fare at St James Church Hall on Tuesday 20th October between 1.30 and 3.00 pm. Lots of stalls including Raffle, Tombola, Plants, White Elephant, Toys etc.

BRING AND BUY
COFFEE MORNING

We held a Bring and Buy and Coffee Morning on Wednesday, 5th August, during Play Scheme week, at the school. Stalls included cakes, bric-a-brac, plants, tombola and nearly new. There was also a guess the weight of the cake, which was won by Joyce Crooks.

We raised seventysix pounds not including the eight pounds raised by the nearly new stall.

Considering the very poor attendance and support the event was very succesful. Many thanks to all those who did help and lets hope for more support on future events.

PETER PAN PLAYGROUP

Meetings held at the Church Hall, Brascote Lane Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 9am until 12 noon. Vacancies for Tue & Wed. Ring DESFORD 2030.

A sponsored walk around the recreation ground was held on the 25th September. The leaders would like to thank parents for their support in fund-raising.

NEARLY NEW.

Owing to lack of support the Nearly New shop was closed down on Thursday 17th Sept. Many thanks to those who did contribute.

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CHURCH NEWS

ROMAN CATHOLIC

The next house mass will be Thursday October the 8th, 1987 7.45pm at 3 Peters Avenue Newbold Verdon. This will be followed by a short discussion to explore the possibilty of establishing regular house meetings. Everybody is welcome but as space is limited it would be helpful in planning seating arrangements if you could let Paul French know if you intend to come, either by telephoning Leicester 522385 (mon-Fri, 9-5) or just dropping a note through the door.

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COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

BOOTS AND BALLOONS

The Car Boot Sale and Balloon Race on Sunday, 13th September was another successful Community Association fund raising venture. The weather was perfect as the "booters" started to arrive at 8.30 and by mid-morning the market was in full swing, with a wide variety of goods from antique to nearly new.

A steady stream of visitors throughout the day ensured success and proved that this is certainly an idea which could be repeated at intervals.

The 'Nearly New' shop was open and the ladies kindly volunteered to help with refreshments, raising over £50 towards Community Association funds.

A sizeable crowd gathered to watch the start of the balloon race, which commenced in spectacular fashion at 3 p.m. as 1000 multi-coloured balloons were released and soared skywards. A stiff breeze carried them quickly away in the direction of Bradgate Park. The name of the prize winner Mrs. Georgina Spencer, 19 Mill Lane, Newbold Verdon. She has not yet been told that she has won the £50.

The winning balloon was found nearly 60 miles away by Mr. G. Briggs, who lives near Boston, Lincs., and he will receive £10 for returning the ticket.

Several others were received, most of them from Lincolnshire.

The day raised over £500 towards funds.

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LOGO COMPETITION

What's happening about the Logo Competition? Well, not a lot, owing to the poor response. We have therefore extended the closing date to 31st Dec. Designs must incorporate the initials NVCA (sorry if this wasn't made clear) Entries already received incorporating NVCC will be retained until the Community Centre is established. Please deposit entries in the Community Association's box in the Library.



ACKNOWLEDGMENT

On behalf of the Community Association, we would like to thank all organisers, helpers and supporters who have made our fund raising efforts so fruitful and enjoyable.

60's DISCO

The "60's Night" on Friday 11th September proved very popular, with 120 people attending.

The prize for the men's grooviest gear was won by Mel Suart and the grooviest lady was Mrs Finn.

Over £300 was raised for Community Association funds.

Similar events are proposed throughout the year on various themes.

Next event:
"BEAUJOLAIS NOUVEAU NIGHT" on Friday, 26th November.
Tickets available soon.

CYCLING FOR FUNDS

On Monday, 14th September, the Guides and Brownies of Newbold Verdon descended upon the Mallory Park Circuit for a Sponsored Bike Ride. The weather was fine, but the strong breeze caused problems on the back strait.

The 10 lap target was reached by all the girls, who thoroughly enjoyed their outing, although there were some aching legs the following morning.

It is not yet known how much was raised towards the Community Association funds.

fields towards Botany Bay Spinney have been surveyed. Results from fieldwalking and documentary research have begun to show where the Medieval "Park" may have been.

Coming closer to our own time, the group has been trying to locate and copy old photographs of the village from earlier parts of this century. These have been displayed on an exhibition stand at various functions and lectures that the group has attended.

The Verdon Players next production will be

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NEWBOLD VERDON LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

This group was founded in 1979 and was one of many that was set up in the county at that time by the Leicestershire Museum's Service to enable a fuller picture of man's past to be drawn, before the traces that remain were lost forever. Extant Buildings, earthworks, pottery and building material scatters in the field were, and still are, under threat from housing developments, road improvement schemes and modern agricultural techniques. The group has used a wide variety of techniques to enable it to gather information about the history of the village: fieldwalking, surveying, excavation, researching the documentary evidence and seeking out old photographs, have all added to our knowledge.

For a long time it had been thought that West Leicestershire had been sparsely populated until as late as the Medieval period; it had been densely wooded and evidence of activity from earlier periods would not be found. The work of the Newbold Verdon Local History Group has helped to disprove this theory. Flint tools and implements have been found that date from the Meseolithic period (10,000-4 000 BC), showing that Hunter-Gatherer groups were moving through the area at during that time. The remains of Bronze Age burial mounds have been located with the aid of ariel photographs and associated scatters of pottery and flint tools have been picked up during fieldwalking.

The site of a Roman Villa has been found in Osbaston; pottery, roof tile and pieces of mosaic flooring have been found in the surrounding area. A Roman tile kiln site has been identified in Newbold Verdon (the first in the county) which may have supplied roof and building tiles to Ratae Corieltauvi, the Roman precurser of Leicester.

Work has also been undertaken on the Medieval period. The moat next to the Hall has been excavated and the earthworks in the fields towards Botany Bay Spinney have been surveyed. Results from fieldwalking and documentary research have begun to show where the Medieval "Park" may have been.

Coming closer to our own time, the group has been trying to locate and copy old photographs of the village from earlier parts of this century. These have been displayed on an exhibition stand at various house functions and lectures that the group has attended.

Although a start has been made researching the history of Newbold Verdon there still remains a vast amount of work to do and information to retrieve; it is a rewarding and fascinating study. It is hoped eventually to publish the results so that all may read the history of Newbold Verdon.

THE VERDON PLAYERS

The Verdon Players meet every Tuesday at 8pm in term time at Newbold Verdon County Primary School. We are actively seeking new members. You don't have to have acting ability (as anyone who has seen us perform knows!!) we will encourage you. There are also a number of back stage jobs available at each production. We look forward to seeing you.

The Verdon Players next production will be

NIGHT MUST FALL
a thriller by
Emlyn Williams
at
Newbold Verdon
Primary School
Wed to Sat 28-31 October
Tickets from Newbold
Mortgage Centre
(70 Main Street)
Any group member
Phone Desford 3772 or 3777
Adults £1.50
OAPS 85p

GOURMET GRAHAM

Dads do you remember the "Spotted Dick" your mother used to make?
If you are the owner of a Microwave here is a chance to show off your Cooking Skills

WHAT YOU NEED
4 1/2 ozs S.R Flour
2 ozs Demerara Sugar
2 ozs Suet
2 ozs Dried Fruit
1 spoonful of Jam
I egg
4 tablespoons of milk
1-2 pint basin

METHOD
1 Add milk and egg to dry ingredients, until moist (no dry pockets)
2 Spread jam around edges of basin
3 Place mixture into basin
4 Cover basin with plate
5 Cook on HIGH power for 3.5 mins
6 Leave to stand for 2 mins
7 Turnout onto the plate used to cover basin (this plate will be HOT)
8 Serve with School type thick custard.

Timings given for 650 watt microwave

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APPLE WINE

9lb Mixed Apples (cooking, eating,crab)
2lb Sugar
8oz Chopped Sultanas
Yeast
Water
Pectolase

1. Freeze apples whole, until really hard.
2. Put frozen apples into large bin and wash. Remove any bad pieces.
3. Cut into quarters and crush. As the apples are washed they start to defrost and crushing helps remove juice.
4. Add sultanas, sugar, top up with boiling water to make 1 gallon.
5. When water has cooled add yeast, pectolase and stir well. Crush any apples that are still whole.
6. Ferment on the pulp for 4-5 days.
7. Strain off the pulp,using a fine muslin bag, into a demijon. Keep in a warm place until it has ceased to bubble.
8. Once the wine has stopped fermenting rack off from the sediment at least twice then the wine will start to clear. For a really professional result you can filter the wine.
9. Bottle into 6-7 bottles using new corks.

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This makes a delightful medium sweet white wine which should be ready for Easter 1988 but will improve with age. It is best to make this type of wine in bulk if you have sufficient room in the deep freeze.

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ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL PLAYSCHEME

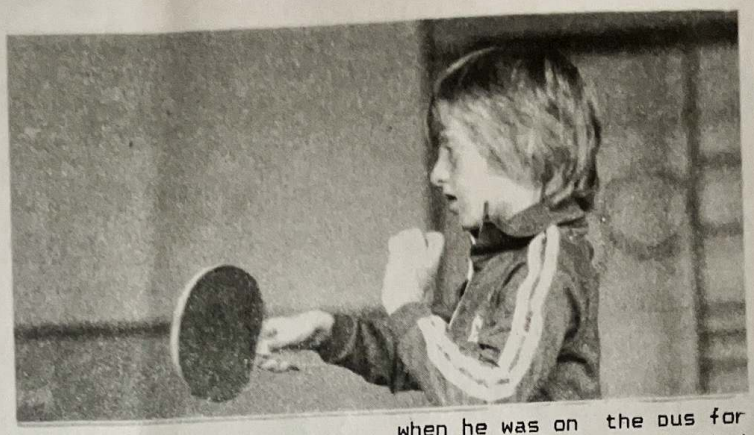
The 'changeable' weather during the first week of August did not spoil the fun at the Playscheme at the Primary School. Over 200 enthusiastic children enjoyed a fun-packed week of outdoor and indoor activities and excursions.

Among the most popular attractions with all ages were the three fun-castles which were in operation throughout the week (apart from a few rain showers). Other outdoor activities on site included roller-skating, rounders and football.

The arts and crafts section offered lots of scope for creative play. The children made a wide variety of soft toys, rabbits, caterpillers, spiders, Mr. Men etc., and Dale Moreton must get a mention for spending practically the whole week in the arts and crafts room and making 10 octupuses - is it a record? Plate painting was a new activity this year and proved very popular.

Other indoor facilities included a clay room, cookery sessions, films and cartoons in the studio and a puppet show one afternoon. There was also table tennis in the hall with Andrew Clarke beating Craig Mitchelson in the league final.

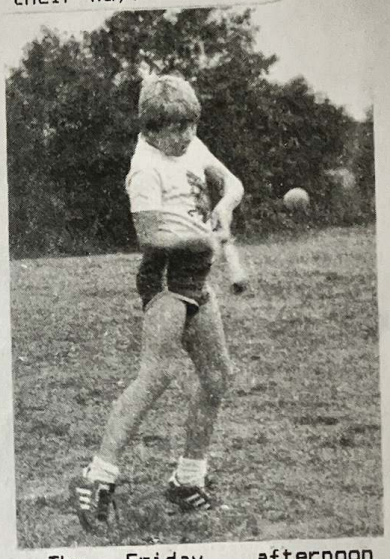




The rambles have always been well supported and this year Keith Potter reports that he learnt all about the underwater supply system in the desert kingdoms of Muscat and why people eat curry in hot climates (because it warms up the blood and cools down the skin!!) from Peter Howarth!!

Other local excursions included a cycle ride, a Treasure Hunt and regular visits to Bosworth College for swimming and using the gymnasium. Further afield, bus trips had been arranged to Bosworth Park, the Canal Horse Boat at Shenton, Beaumanor Hall Adventure Playground, fishing all day at Mallory Park, the BMX track at Western Park, Abbey Park, Cadeby Brass Rubbing, Desford Birdland and twice to Huncote for roller skating. In fact there must have been something to suit all tastes and age ranges! One or two over-enthusiastic youngsters returned rather wetter than when they left home and it wasn't anything to do with rain! Kevin (or was it Mark?) Butler at the Beaumanor Adventure Playground and Richard Mensley on the Abbey Park trip. Boys will be boys!

Only one person got on the wrong bus! Mike Staunton thought he was going to Desford swimming when he was on the bus for Abbey Park! They were kind enough to drop him off on their way!



The Friday afternoon finished off traditionally with a fish and chip lunch followed by a Disco, a Wombles litter game and a visit from Gordon the Gopher!!

The organising committee (Maureen Dixon, Mary Moore, Malcolm Mould, Keith Potter ,Diane Preston, and Mike Staunton) certainly seem to have a winning formula for entertaining the children. They are keen to acknowledge the help of all the parents who came along to help supervise and were glad to welcome some new helpers this year who, together with the invaluable, experienced 'regulars' fostered such a good community spirit throughout the week.

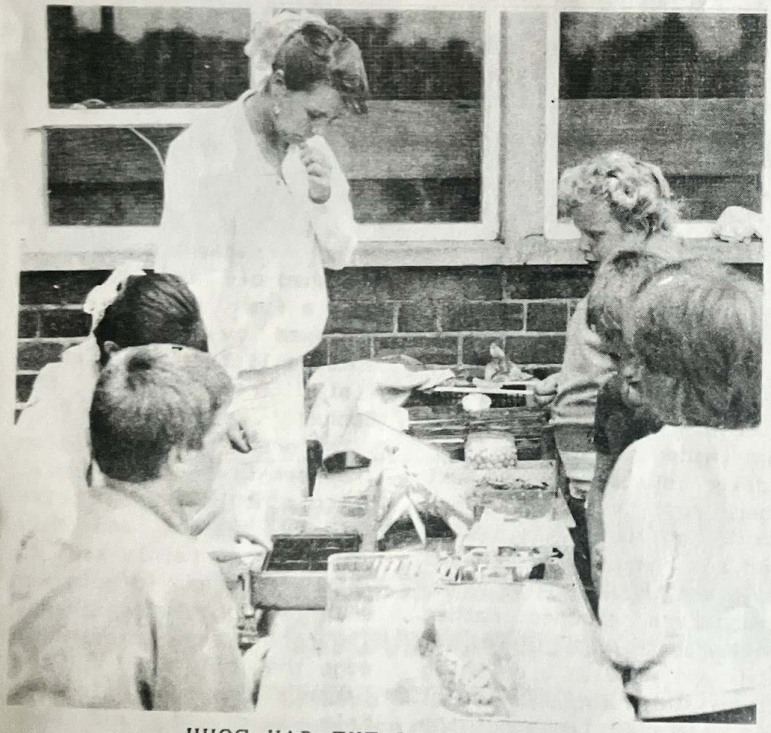
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VERDON VIEWS SPOT THE BALL ????



WAITING FOR THE FUN



WHOS HAD THE LAST LOLLY ????



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SOME PLAYSCHEME PICTURES

THE TEAM: COLIN & MARILYN CHAPPELL 2221 SUE COOK 3666 JOHN CROASDALE 2805 JANET JAMES 3123 JULIA WILMOT 2870