VERDON Views

Newbold Verdon Community Association Newspaper Issue 8

Ed's Spot

The village will be very busy over the next few weeks as can be seen by the diary of events on the back page. We are hoping for a good response to the Carol Singing, so please do come along and join us. At the last Community Association meeting, a full programme for next year was compiled, and '89 promises to be even more exciting than this year. Details and dates are available from the Community Association if required. To avoid clashes, Verdon Views will keep you posted throughout the year.

As we look forward to the festive season, the Verdon Views team would like to wish our readers "A Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year".

Village Ventures Competition

Modesty forbids us mentioning that **VERDON VIEWS** was **HIGHLY COMMENDED** and won a runners up prize of £75. in the 1987/88 Village Ventures Competition. Instead, we'll just report that Slawston (population 84) won first prize of £500. for, would you believe, building a Village Hall!

The Village Ventures competition is organised by the Leicestershire Rural Community Council and sponsored by Shell UK and the Development Commission. It aims to encourage voluntary groups in rural areas to initiate projects which will benefit the local community. Next time, first prize for the Community Centre project?

Paul French



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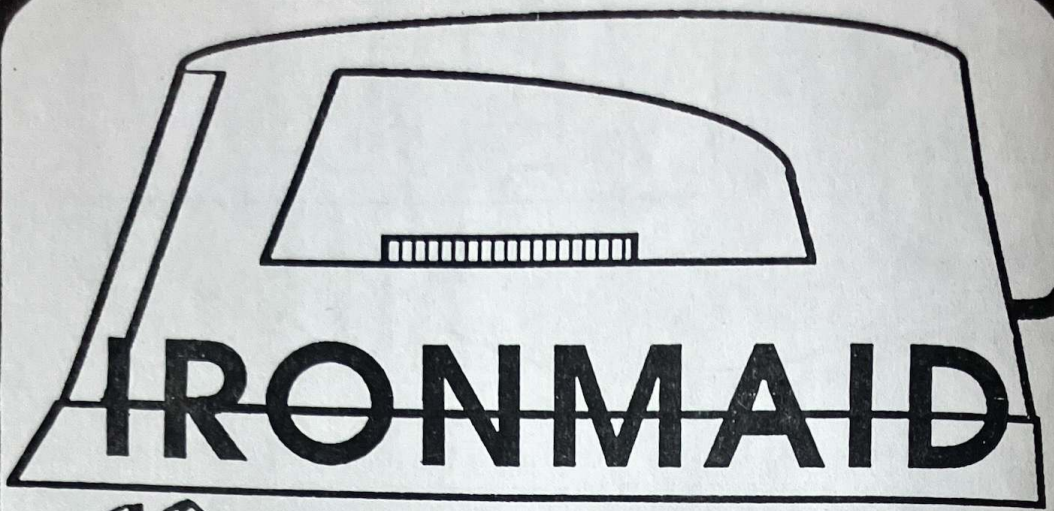
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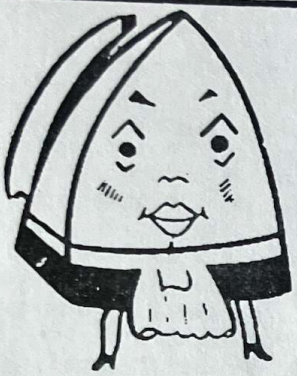
Coach departs early Saturday morning to take lunchtime ferry to Calais. Trip to Hypermarket in afternoon, followed by free time in the evening. Short trip Sunday afternoon before taking ferry to arrive home late Sunday night.

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ON THE VERDON BEAT

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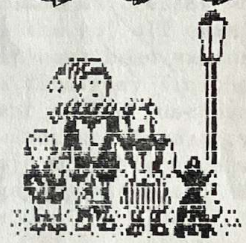
Talking of lights, when did you last check the lights on your children's bikes? I bet if you went into the garage now, you would find at least one cycle defective.

Let's show some responsibility towards the other road users (including pedestrians), and make sure your children don't cause an accident at night, especially if they do a paper round. There's nothing more frightening than a paper boy (or girl) darting across the front of your car without lights, is there? The poor old motorist would get the blame if an accident was caused.

In case you didn't know, the Leicestershire Police are running a vehicle lighting campaign for the next few weeks. - Don't say you have'nt been warned!

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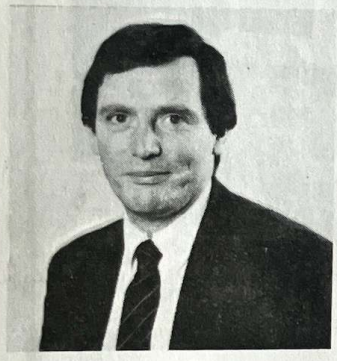
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SPOTLIGHT

The Vice-Chairman of our Association, 37 years old Chris James, has lived in Newbold Verdon with his wife Janet for twelve years. They have two children aged 9 and 7.



Chris is European Sales and Marketing Director for a Motor Component manufacturer and travels extensively. For the past five years, he has been involved with Market Bosworth and District Round Table and next year, he will be the local Chairman. His interest in Round Table also extends to area level, where he has become Community Service Liaison Officer. As the maximum age limit for Round Table members is 40, Chris will soon be looking for alternative ways of filling in his "spare" time. Chris is excited about recent developments within the village and the growing community spirit. He is proud of the great enthusiasm which the Association has generated and looks forward to the time when the Community Centre becomes a reality.

Chris has been to Men's Keep-Fit, but had his back put out by a medicine ball thrown by Mel Suart (bully).

He has been a wind surfer, but kept falling off the box trying to reach the boom.

He has been a keen jogger, but the kerbs in Newbold were too high for him to climb.

He also had problems running past 'The Swan'.

In fact, Janet sums him up as a 'has been'. Chris quickly replies "Better a has been than a never was."

I have a sneaking suspicion, we haven't yet seen the best of Chris James, as he says - he doesn't want to peak too soon!

Music Hall

This must rank as one of the most enjoyable and successful events the Association has staged to date. Over the two nights about a hundred performers entertained a total audience of just under 300 with music, song, dance, and comedy sketches etc. etc. Friday was good but Saturday night was really great with far more boisterous audience participation. It would be unfair to single out any one act for comment, suffice to say everyone, audience and performers alike, seemed to really enjoy themselves. Perhaps one word of praise for the waitresses who were 'on the go' all evening and must have been exhausted by the time they finished. The event raised just over £1000. towards the Community Centre project. Let's hope we can have another Music Hall in the not too distant future.

Paul French

PETER PAN PLAYSCHOOL

On Sept. 30th we held a sponsored walk, around the recreation ground, which raised £266.30 for the childrens' Christmas party and trip and also towards some more equipment.

I would like to thank the parents for their help and support.

Our Christmas party will be held on Friday Dec. 16th at 3p.m till 5 p.m.

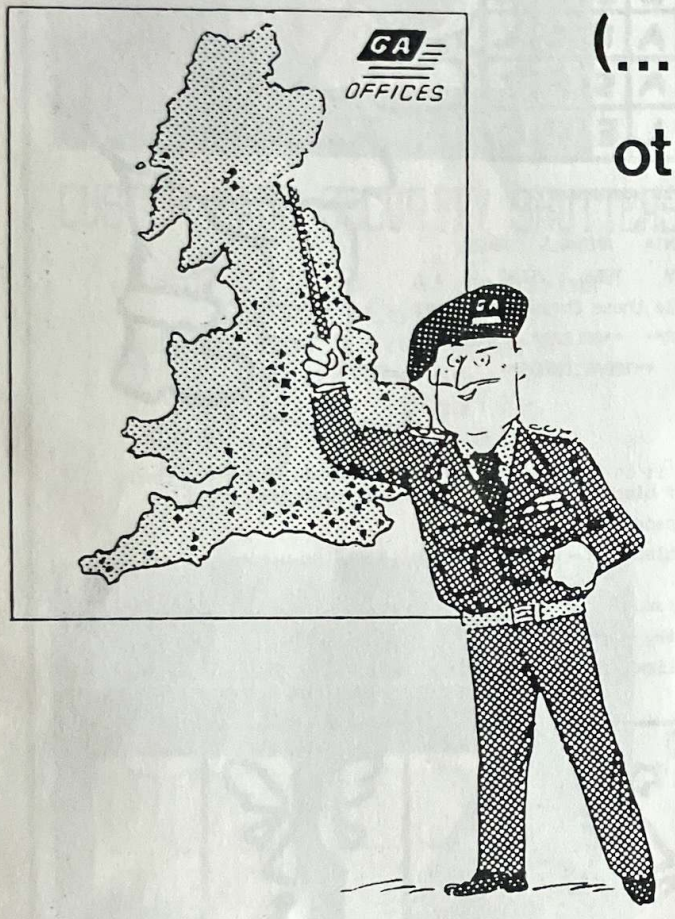
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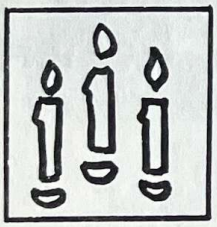
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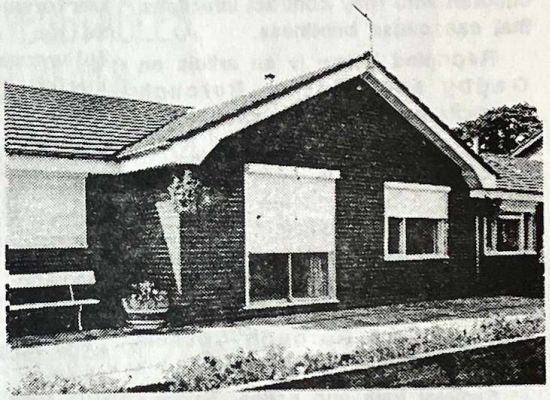
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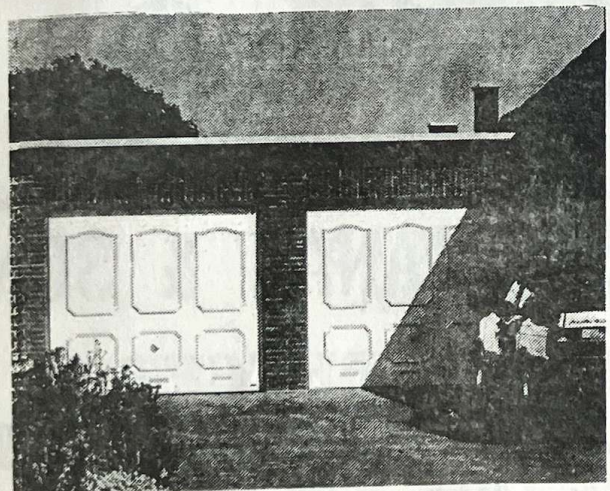
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PARISH NEWS

NEWBOLD VERDON PARISH COUNCIL

The new pavilion has now been handed over to the Council and a caretaker/keyholder has been appointed. The senior and junior football teams will be using the pavilion by early December.

Land to extend the cemetery has now finally been purchased, fencing and levelling will be carried out in the future.

The majority of dog owners have responded magnificently to our appeal to train your dogs to foul only in places where it is not a nuisance to other villagers.

Unfortunately a minority of dog owners have not heard of our request to restrain their pets as the village pavements and footpaths are once again littered with excrement. As you are probably aware this is not only a nuisance to pedestrian and cyclists but is especially **hazardous** to young children who may contract infections that can cause blindness.

Reprinted below is an article on Oadby and Wigston Borough Councils attempt to encourage dog owners:

'POOP SCOOPS' CLEAN UP

A 'Poop scoop' scheme in Leicestershire has been hailed a success.

The scheme, in which dog owners are requested to clean up after their pets, was introduced by Oadby and Wigston Borough Council in Uplands Park last month.

Special bins and notices where erected and free poop scoops are available from the Council Offices in Wigston.

And so far the scheme, with the slogan "Don't leave it, scoop it" has been "an unqualified success".

If Oadby can do it so can we, come on dog owners. tell us how we can help you keep Newbold Verdon clean? What facilities do you require?

We have just won Leicestershire (Large Village) Best Kept Village competition. So to everyone in the village, please help to keep all of Newbold tidy, don't rest on your laurels!

Several people have asked where and when the Parish Council meet. We hold open meetings at the school on the FIRST MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH. All members of the Parish Council would like to wish everyone

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VERDON PLAYERS REVIEW
"OFF THE HOOK"

The Verdon Players have performed again and it has fallen on this unfortunate 'playgoer' to pen another review (it's nearly as bad as being cornered by the Community Association) so here it is:-

Reviewing the cast list before the performance of the farce by Derek Benfield brought some trepidation - where were all the old faithful - the cast appeared to contain quite a few new names.

Some of this fear was alleviated by the appearance of Godfrey Tabiner, who put in a brilliant performance as a Cockney villian, and towards the end of the play by the appearance of Mark Betts who gave an equally creditable performance as an old 'tramp like man'.

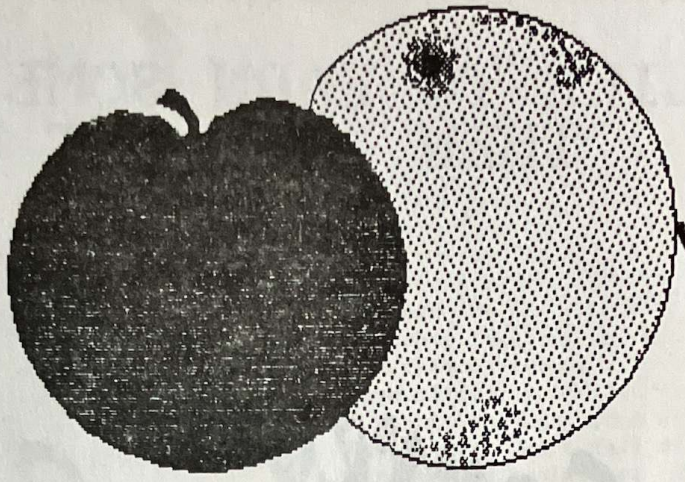
The play itself was very entertaining and seemed to be enjoyed by old and young alike. The timing needed to engineer the comedy situations was carried out with true Verdon player skill.

It must be said that even with the growth of ' in-village' entertainment provided by the now established Community Association, The Verdon Players with their strong pool of actors are always worth watching and the next production is awaited with anticipation.



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LINDA WILLIAMS SCHOOL OF DANCE

On 15th October, I.D.T.A. Examiner, Miss Norma Leigh came to examine pupils in our School Progress Awards. 289 exams were taken in Ballet, Tap, Modern, Stage and Gymnastics. All students passed with excellent results, 210 gaining Honours or Distinction. In September, Louise Whitehead was successful in her first Royal Academy Major exam, gaining Highly Commended for her Pre-Elementary Ballet Exam. In the Rugby heat of the All England Dance Festival in October, all children entered, gained 1st, 2nd or 3rd place medals and now look forward to representing the School in the semi-finals next year.
Students have enjoyed dancing to help raise money for charity. In June we danced at Groby Carnival - an event which raised over £6000 for Great Ormond Street Hospital. In September pupils appeared in 'City Limits' - a show to raise money for the Church Urban Fund - at St Peter's Church Hall, Market Bosworth and also in the Newbold Verdon Music Hall in aid of the Community Association. The School donated £48.75 to the N.V.C.A., the proceeds from the Wednesday's 4.15 p.m. Baby ballet and tap class at the School.
Because of the high number of children now attending classes at Bosworth College on Saturday, we are having to transfer the Primary and Grade 1 modern classes to the Wednesday night 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Newbold Verdon School. This class will now contain Modern, Disco and Gymnastic dance.
The Grade 2, 3 and Pre-Elementary modern classes will be held on Saturday.
The School is holding a display of work achieved this term, on 18th December at Bosworth College, for parents. This will be followed by a Disco and Christmas Party for all pupils, parents and family. New Pupils are always welcome - if you need any details of our classes, please ring Desford 2022.

"Woody's Retirement"

Mrs Marion Woodward retired on 24th November after 16 years' service to the doctors and patients at Newbold Verdon Surgery.
To celebrate the event and to express their appreciation, the doctors and staff held a party at Dr Brittain's home on her birthday.
We are sure that everyone wishes her a long and happy retirement.



"IN THE NAVY"

Andrew Maudsley passed out from H.M.S. Raleigh on 30th September in Torpoint, Plymouth. He is now at HMS Sultan, Gosport. Andrew, who is training to be a mechanic and electrician hopes to be passing out on 22nd December.

Shadow of Truth

Kelly Roberts is eagerly awaiting the publication of her first novel," Shadow of Truth". The authors name however will not be too familiar to Newbold residents as it is the pen name used by Sue Maddison and co-author Liz Cross.
Sue, of Jubilee Road and Liz who lives at Thurcaston met through the Leicester Writers Workshop (Wellington Street Adult Education Centre) and have already submitted two more titles "Echo from the Past", and "Don`t call me Darling" to publishers through their London agents. They are now collaborating on their fourth joint project with Sue working on a fifth, this time, solo effort.
The novels to date have been romances with, says Sue, a bit of mystery. "We decide on the basic plot and then write a chapter each. Our thoughts are so in tune there`s little difficulty in linking the chapters and maintaining continuity". Sometime in the future, both would like to branch into crime writing and Sue has already dreamt up a western plot. Dreamt up? "Its true" revealed Sue, "many of my ideas come to me in dreams so I always keep a notepad and pencil on the bedside table". I forgot to ask whether she drank Heineken before going to sleep!
Sue and husband Roy first came to live in Newbold after their marriage in 1973, but two years later Roy`s work

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took them to the Forest of Dean where Sue set up and ran a nursery school. She still maintains an interest with children by working as a full time child minder. They returned to Newbold in 1984 with daughter Marie, now a pupil at Bosworth High school and son Michael who attends Bosworth College.

Roy and the children have two shared interests, music and running. Roy is a past member of the Barlestone Victoria band and both children enjoy playing the piano. All three are members of Coalville Harriers. Sue doesn`t share their more masochistic tendancies so having the family running "half marathons" around the village gives her a chance to write in peace.

It is hoped that "Shadow of Truth" will be in the bookshops and in Newbold and Desford libraries early next year. Paul French

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THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

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Of course, not everybody is that active. Well, so what? There's plenty of other things to do. Each month we try to do something new and interesting. If we don't have the usual monthly meeting, then we're out on an excursion somewhere. Last year we rambled over to Market Bosworth for a ploughmans at "The Old Black Horse", and then hopped across the road to the bus stop for the easy way home. We also went to Stamford for a guided tour of the town (and ended up with a ploughman's) and we hired a Leicester City Guide a couple of times to find out about the legends and history of our own city and ended up with supper. This pre-occupations with our stomachs is not unusual. W.I. trips always seem to need some form of sustenance.

When we stay at 'home' in the Church Hall, we have very interesting speakers. In 1989 we have booked :

Mrs Joan Stephens, the Women's Editor of the Leicester Mercury;

Mr Paul Ginns with anecdotes that are a "Matter of Grave Concern" (I bet you can guess what his job is) and

Mr Mahendra Joshi to explain the important work of the Leicester Royal Infirmary Flying Squad.

Making preserves and james? We don't have time! Why don't you come as a visitor and see for yourselves - you don't have to join immediately. We meet at St. James' Church Hall on the second Monday of the month at 7.30 p.m. Bring a friend!



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They start their journey on Friday 24th March and return on Tuesday 28th March hopefully with smiles on their faces after winning.
All the boys in the team live locally and their mums have been busy fundraising, for about the last 3 months, to help finance the trip.The fundraising has consisted of Pippa Dee parties, toy parties and pottery parties held at various mums' homes also a very enjoyable skittles evening held at the 'Swan' and lastly a Dads and lads sponsored swim which was held on November 5th at Hinckley Leisure Centre.
We would like to thank everyone who helped and supported us in any way with special thanks going to those who gave a donation . We have now reached our target figure.
The football team are now in the middle of their league season with both losses and wins under their belts.We hope that with the help and guidance of Tony Crowfoot and Steve Battle they will be well prepared for their matches in Holland.



Group News

MOLLY RETIRES

Molly Pitchfork, the 1st Newbold Verdon Group Scout Leader retired at the end of November. Molly has been a Scouter with the group for over twenty five years, most of this time as Cub Leader. Today, some of the sons of her original Cubs are now in the pack.
Molly's husband, Alwyn, is also retiring as the Scout H.Q. caretaker; something that he has done for over thirty years, ever since the H.Q. was built.
At an evening at The Old White Swan to mark their retirement, they were presented with a carriage clock from the leaders and Group Council. Scouting in the future will seem strange for a while without Molly and Alwin at the forefront of things, however we wish them both a long and happy retirement from Scouting and thank them for their long service and dedication.
A super example of serving the local community over many years.

SWIMMING GALA Martin Machell
On November 12th I went with eight other cubs from Newbold Verdon to swim in the Ashby and Coalville District Gala at Ibstock.
There were lots of cubs from other packs there.
I swam in the 4 x 1 width relay with Luke, Steven and Jeremy, we finished second.
We had been to Desford swimming pool in October to have trials for Akela to pick the team.
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Church News

METHODIST CHURCH.

Our Christmas Toy service this year will be on Sunday 4th December at 10.30a.m. The Sunday School children will bring gifts of toys and a representative from the Childrens' Society will be coming to receive the gifts for the children attending the Highfields Project in Leicester.

On Sunday 18th December there will be a Childrens' Carol Service at 10.30 a.m. and our usual candlelit Carol Service in the evening will be at 6.00 p.m.Also, on Christmas Eve we shall be singing carols outside the shops in Main Street, and then holding our usual communion service at 11.30 p.m.

We would like to draw attention to the fact that our Junior Youth Club, which has been held on Friday evenings between 6.00 and 7.45 p.m., has had to close down for the time being. Our leaders have done a marvellous job over the last few years but they now feel it is time for them to step down and let someone else take over.If there is anyone reading this who is a committed Christian and who would welcome the chance to lead the Youth Club (age range 7 -11's),please ring Desford 3593 for more information. If we find a leader, then we shall also require some Christian helpers.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH

ORGAN RECITAL - This was given by Mr. David Whittle, Director of music at the Leicester Grammar School. Over seventy people enjoyed an hour of organ music divided into three sections including pieces by Bach, Greene & Wely, the final item of which was suitable to send the people dancing home.

BIKE EVENT - This raised over £183 towards the four new Church heaters in the Nave.

THE JEWELLERY PARTY run by the Sunday School teachers was a great success raising £28.50 towards the Christmas visit to the pantomime.

BAPTIST CHURCH

A warm welcome awaits anyone wishing to join in our Christmas celebration services.

Our Candlelight service will be held on Sunday 18th December at 4.00 p.m. and will include an item by the Sunday school children entitled a Christmas Cracker. Christmas Eve this year will be a little different, as it is the first year we are to hold a communion service on this day. This will be led by Mr. C. Hill at 9.00 p.m.

Our Christmas morning service also led by Clive will be held at 10.00 a.m. Why not put all the tinsel and presents aside for half an hour and join with us in the real meaning of Christmas.

We wish everyone the Peace of Christ this Christmas and throughout the following year.

SERVICES & MEETINGS.

1st Sunday of the month Family service with no evening service.

SUNDAY	10.30 a.m. Sunday School.
	6.00 p.m. Evening Service.
MONDAY	2.00 p.m. Rainbow Club
TUESDAY	10.00 a.m. Bible Study (2nd & 4th Tues.in month)
WEDNESDAY	10.00 a.m. Rainbow Club
	2.30 - 4.30 p.m. Bright Hour (alternate Weds.)
THURSDAY	10.00 - 11.30 a.m. Drop in Centre.

St. Gregs Catholic Church

Well, there we were, singing our little hearts out, "♫♫ the Lords my shepherd I'll not want ♫♫", the organist gets to the end of his verse and, shock horror disbelief, we've still got two lines left to sing!" How can you go wrong with a golden olde like that?", I hear you cry. God knows, and He isn't telling. Maybe the organist found the altar wine I hid (V.V.Issue 7). Anyway, a decision had to be made and only split seconds in which to make it. Some of the congregation decide to start the second verse with the penultimate line of the first verse. Others totally ignore the offending lines so have a head start. The rest throw their hymn sheets in the air and sit down bewildered.

By the beginning of the third verse, with half the congregation now four lines ahead of the others and the choir in hysterics, the organist bowed to the inevitable and gave up. Just one more reason why anyone who believes that modern day religion is boring should come to St. Gregs once in a while, its a laugh a minute! November 27 is, as I'm sure you all know, the 1st Sunday of Advent so once again St. Gregs will be hosting the now traditional united service for this the 'New Years Day' of the Church's calendar. Its always a super service so why not come along. It will start at 6.30 pm but if you want a seat, get there for 6.10 at the latest. Mince pies and tea/coffee to follow.

Paul French



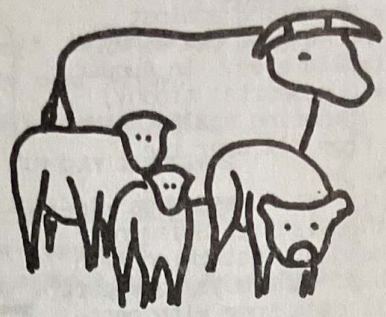
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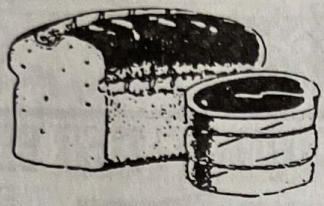
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CUBS' SWIMMING SUCCESS

The Newbold Verdon Cub Pack have had a very successful year in the sporting arena. In March, they won the District 5-a-side football trophy competing against other packs from the Ashby & Coalville area. In August they won a Sports' trophy, again competing against other packs from all over the County.

Their latest success was winning the District Swimming Gala held at Ibstock on 12th November. Nine boys took part and all came home with certificates for being placed in Finals. There were sixteen packs taking part and competition was fierce. The winning team is listed below:

Martin Machell)
Jeremy Harding) 2nd in Width Relay
Luke Draper)
Steven Duffy)

Steven Vann)
Michael Staniforth) 3rd in
Richard Hayes) Length
Timothy Stretton) Relay

Richard Hayes-2nd in Under 9½ yrs width freestyle
Timothy Stretton- 1st Width freestyle
Stephen Smith-2nd Balloon Race
Timothy Stretton - 2nd Retrieving the Brick
Steven Vann-2nd Width Breast-Stroke.

They have enjoyed taking part in all these events and are looking forward to next year's competions.

THE VERDON PLAYERS GO TO DESFORD

How far-reaching is the fame of the Verdon Players!

On Wednesday, 2nd November, a small but keen group of the Players went, at the invitation of the Desford Women's Institute to give a short entertainment to the ladies and their guests at their Music Hall.

This included the now rather weary, and perhaps over-exposed Maria Marten, (yes, and her Old Red Barn!), some monologues, a most unusual mind-reading act, and a couple of odd old ladies, who might have done better to have had an early night with a good book and a cup of cocoa! Great fun was had by all. Thanks for asking us, Desford W.I.

Holiday in Portugal

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Richard and June Ogden of "The Old White Swan" have won a holiday in Portugal as first prize in a competition organised by Everards' Brewery for beer sales during a six month period. They wish to thank all their customers for making this possible.

In January they are planning an official presentation for their latest fund-raising venture, when they hope to present a cheque in excess of £1000 to the Special Care Baby Unit.

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We've also heard that the Ladies darts team were runners up in the league.Also the men's Thursday darts team won the Hinckley league.

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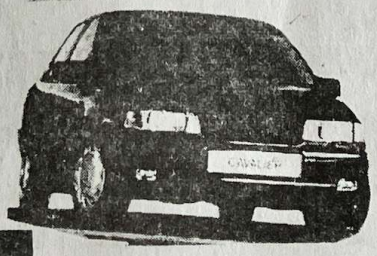
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DIARY OF EVENTS

Sat.	3rd Dec.	2.30	Newbold St. James' Christmas Fair in Church Hall
Wed.	7th Dec.	8.00	N.V.C.A. Committee Meeting at School
Fri.	9th Dec.	7.30	Newbold Verdon Junior Football Disco
Sat.	10th Dec.	10.00 - 2.00	Scout Christmas Bazaar at School
Sun.	11th Dec.	3.00	Sunday School Nativity Play in Church
Mon.	12th Dec.	7.30	W.I. - Marzipan Work - Simon Morgan
Fri.	16th Dec.	7.00 -9.00	Junior School Christmas Disco in Hall
Sun.	18th Dec.	4.00	Baptist Church Candlelight Service
"	" "	6.00	Carols by Candlelight in St. James'.
Wed.	21st "	7.00	Family Carol Singing in Main Street
		approx8.30	Christmas Sing-Along & Supper at "The Old White Swan". (N.V.C.A.)
Sat.	24th Dec.	9.00pm	Baptist Church Communion Service
"	" "	11.30pm	Midnight Mass at St. James' Church
Sun.	25th Dec.	10.00	Baptist Christmas Morning Service
"	" "	10.30	Parish Eucharist
Sat.	31st Dec.	8.00	New Year's Eve Dance at the School (N.V.C.A. & Scouts' Joint Event)
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Wed.	4th Jan.	8.00	N.V.C.A. Committee Meeting at School (Provisional)

THANKS

The 'Team' would like to say goodbye and thank you to Richard & Judith who have run Fresh 'n' Fruity for the last 2 years.

Many of you are probably unaware that Richard was always ready to help Jane Vallis and her team of ladies when catering at the Community Association's functions. We would like to thank him for his efforts and wish him well in his new venture - R & J Electrics.

Also welcome to Peter Newman who has taken over at the shop. I'm sure all readers will give their support.

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