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VERDON News

Newbold Verdon Community Association Newspaper Issue 16

Ed's Spot

The A.G.M. signalled the 3rd Birthday of the Community Association. Who would have thought that this venture would have been such a success. Not only in that WE have raised a large sum of money, making a quality Community Centre a real possibility, but also in that it has created a focal point to our village, allowing many new friendships to be forged. It is nice to know that OUR village has a heart.

The next few years should be very exciting for Newbold Verdon, as plans are drawn up, the workers move in and the dream becomes a reality.



GRAHAM OPPENHEIMER

Whilst canvassing for new customers for the N.V.C.A Tote, I happened to meet Graham Oppenheimer, during our conversation I learnt that Graham and his family have only lived in Newbold Verdon for the past few months. Graham is a professional musician who plays Principal Viola with the East of England Orchestra. In his spare time he enjoys playing cricket and cycling. His wife Christina is a Hospital Doctor who has spent time working in Africa. They have been married for three years and have two children, the youngest of whom was born earlier this month.

Graham's work and leisure is centred around music. He is a highly respected Chamber Music Musician and as such has worked in this country and all around the world playing and broadcasting with many eminent Chamber groups and orchestras. In 1989 He was the only British Violist to reach the final stages at the prestigious Munich International Viola Competition. His biggest fear when touring is that his valuable instruments or his luggage will end up at another destination. His strangest experience when travelling was to be on the top floor of a hotel in Japan during an earthquake.

As founder of the Leicester International Music Festival, Graham has a firm commitment to music in this region. He particularly enjoys workshops with children. In conjunction with the Festival he organises concerts by the East of England Orchestra throughout the East Midlands. He raises money from sponsors to enable as wide an audience as possible to hear his music.

The East of England Orchestra are playing at the following local venues -

Monday, 30 April, John Cleveland College, Hinckley 7.30 p.m.

Tuesday, 1 May, Wigston Library, 8.0 p.m

Wednesday, 2 May, Market Harborough Parish Church, 7.30 p.m

Tuesday, 8 May, Ivanhoe Community College, Ashby-De-La-Zouch, 7.30 p.m

Wednesday, 9 May, Loughborough Library, 8.00 pm

Graham has also persuaded his fellow musicians to "Volunteer" their time to play for the N.V.C.A / St James Church on Thursday 3 May in St James Church Newbold Verdon - see separate article for details. Even if you have never bothered to listen to Chamber music before, I recommend that you go to one of the concerts, I went to one recently and was enthralled and amazed to find such a virtuoso in our midst.

David Rhodes

PANCAKE EGGSTRAVAGANZA

The 'eggsiting' evening was opened by our compere Mel Suart, who 'milked' every pancake pun dry, before EVENTUALLY handing over to the Heatwave Disco. After our now customary modern waltz, the bass was turned up as our D.J. hit us with more traditional disco fare. The evening was punctuated by two breaks for a "Pancake It's a Knock-Out" competition. The six teams joined in the fun with great enthusiasm.

The first three games were centered around eggs, flour and oranges, whilst in the final game, a pair of rubber gloves were used to good effect. One was used by 'Buttercup' to allow her to be milked and the 'udder one' was used on Daisy.

Terry Satchwell argued with the umpire and was shown the red card. As this was his third similar offence, he will now miss the next three dances.

The atmosphere was electric as the scores were announced showing "The Scouters" in first place. It was a proud moment for their captain, Colin Chappell as he held the much coveted trophy aloft and in his usual modest manner said, "We are the finest Pancake It's a Knock-Out Team in England". He then saluted the other teams, (aren't there three fingers in the Scout salute?)

Pancakes were on sale with a variety of fillings, adding to the atmosphere.

Many thanks to all those who helped, joined in or just came along, for making the evening such a success.



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Birthdays And Anniversaries

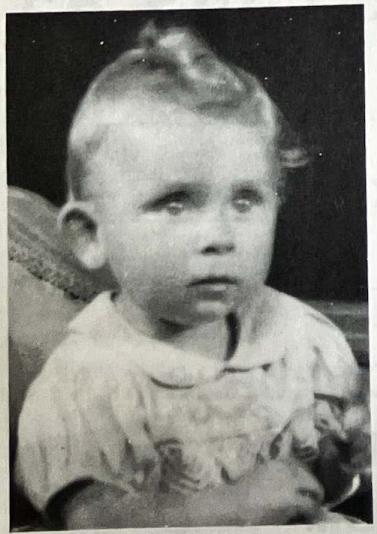


SILVER WEDDING

If you wanted to know how to dress and look in 1965 this photograph might help. Congratulations to Roger and Maureen Hayes whose Silver Wedding was on the 27th February 1990.

THE BIG 40

Kathy Ivers celebrated her 40th with her family and friends on the 14th March 1990. Good Luck and Best Wishes from Dee,Lesley,Liz, Henry,Terry and Sue.



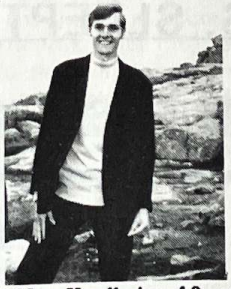
What did this little boy grow up to be? Happy 50th M.M. for May 8th.



Do Caterpillar really know what they've let themselves in for?
Happy 40th Paul for June 20th.



A Happy Birthday to this "Saloon Floosy" who celebrated her 40th on Friday 6th April.



The "Telly Man" is 40 on May 8th. Happy Birthday, Dave Wilmot.



In April there's a night of Calypso,
The 28th is the date,
For this little girl it's the big Three-O...
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"Fireman Sam" Happy 40th Brian for May 29th.

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NEVER A DULL MOMENT

Boiler house knee deep in raw sewage. Rounding up a herd of cows on the School playing fields. Sobering up a lad who lurched into school, a little the worse for wear, after mixing himself a cocktail of neat whisky and sherry.
Explaining to a tanker driver in the process of pouring 500 gallons of oil into a solid fuel hopper, that this wouldn't do much for the central heating system; all just normal daily occurrences if you are head teacher at the Newbold Verdon Primary School.
Malcolm Mould was appointed head teacher in August 1972. Since then something like 1000 children have passed through his hands. Malcolm's philosophy is a simple one, to make school an enjoyable experience. "Teaching is a vocation requiring dedication and enthusiasm" he told me. "It's a demanding job but also a very rewarding one."
Malcolm knows every child at school, currently about 320, by name and such is the close relationship he has with the children, they are quite happy to have a friendly chat with him at playtime and sometimes call on him at home just to say 'hello'. Sometime ago, Malcolm was having a chat with one little girl, "well, I've got to go now and make myself a cup of tea." "Why?" she enquired. "Because, when I talk a lot, I get a dry throat." "Well," she replied innocently "you shouldn't talk so much." Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings.....
I asked Malcolm about the week long trips he takes some of the children on. This year the destinations are Isle of Wight, Yorkshire and North Wales. While the younger ones are content with sight seeing, the older children engage in far more energetic pursuits such as absailing, canoeing, mountain walking, etc. "Taking youngsters on educational venture trips is a tremendous responsibility", agreed Malcolm, "and the adults in charge cannot really relax at all. Even so, we have an enjoyable time. The secret is very thorough planning for months beforehand." It's an indication of Malcolm's care for the children that he will not go to bed himself until he knows they are all asleep and he is up and dressed at least one hour before any of the children are awake. Malcolm paid tribute to the loyalty and enthusiasm of his staff both teaching and non-teaching. "Without their unstinted support, we couldn't achieve half the things we set out to do. They work many hours of unpaid overtime to provide 'out of school' activities."
"And then there's my unsung heroine, Norma, she is so supportive. I just couldn't do my job properly without her constant help and encouragement.
Malcolm was born 50 years ago in Newton Burgoland. He has a twin brother and an older brother, both of whom are teachers, and a sister. He first met Norma at the age of 8 when he rode his bike into Ibstock School playground and collided with the lovely, then 7 year old, Norma. He got the cane for that at the time, but some uncharitable people have suggested that Norma exacted a more terrible revenge by marrying him! How unkind and totally untrue, I'm sure.
"I'm really very proud of Malcolm", Norma confessed, "and of all he has achieved at the School."
Norma and Malcolm have been married for 27 years and have a married daughter, Alison.
In what little spare time he has, Malcolm crams in work on eleven committees, he's a football referee, teaches swimming and is a qualified life saver. He's very committed to developing the School as a Community Centre and is keen to see the redundant kitchen area converted into a community wing as soon as possible.
One sadness for Malcolm. "Recent government legislation is forcing head teachers, more and more, to become administrators. I love teaching but now I probably spend 80% of my time on administration. However, I still intend to operate an 'open door' policy towards the children, parents and staff. I will always find time to talk over problems."
I came away from Malcolm and Norma's home thinking how lucky he is to have a job he so enjoys, but also how fortunate Newbold Verdon is to have such a caring and dedicated educator for its young ones.

Paul French.

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LINDA WILLIAMS ACADEMY OF DANCE

Pupils and parents of the Linda Williams Academy of Dance are thrilled with their dancing exam results. 100 exams were taken over two days in two associations.

Tap exams and Ballet, Tap and Stage Medal Tests were taken in the International Dance Teachers Association. Two thirds of the examinees gained 85 marks or over and were awarded Honours, the highest mark. All the others were Highly Commended with 80 marks or over, an incredible achievement which Miss Williams declared was due to the hard work put in by both pupils and parents. Louise Whitehead from Castle Donnington and Michelle Shuttleworth from Measham gained a tremendous 90 marks for Ballet and Tap respectively.

25 Modern exams were taken with the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing. 19 pupils gained Honours, 4 were Highly Commended and 2 were Commended. The Examiner of the modern section was so impressed with the standard of the School that she wrote to the head of the Imperial Society, something of which Miss Williams can be justly proud.

Exams are also taken in Royal Academy Classical Ballet and Michelle Shuttleworth was successful in her Pre Elementary ballet exam at the recent session held in Nottingham.

Parents of the children, who come from all over Leicestershire and the surrounding counties, believe that the standards of the Academy are extremely high in all aspects of dance. The Academy holds classes at Desford and Newbold Verdon. New pupils are always made very welcome and full details are available on Desford 822022.



Pupils pictured after receiving their exam awards

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CONCERT ON 3 MAY 1990

In a joint venture with St James Church the N.V.C.A is organising a concert on Thursday 3 May at 7.30 p.m. in St James Church, Main Street, Newbold Verdon. The concert is being played by the East of England Orchestra, who are the regions' own distinguished professional orchestra.

Graham Oppenheimer who plays in the Orchestra lives in Newbold Verdon. He has persuaded his fellow professional musicians to give of their time free of charge to play for us.

The musicians involved are:-

Leo Phillips - Violin. Leo is Leader of the East of England Orchestra, and also acts as Director and Soloist. A pupil of The Menhuin School, he also studied in the U.S.A. He now divides his time between the East of England Orchestra and the Chamber Orchestra of Europe.

Nic Fallowfield - Violin
Jo Rappaport - Violin
Tim Warburton - Violin
Graham Oppenheimer - Viola

Graham is Principal Viola with the Orchestra. He is a highly respected chamber music musician and as such has worked with many eminent Chamber groups and orchestras here and abroad.

James Boyd - Viola
Peter Esswood - Cello
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Tickets for the concert are £3.00 each and they are available from:-

David Rhodes, 4 Main Street, Tel; Desford 823042
Rev. C.E. Fox, The Rectory, Tel; Desford 822528
Newbold Mortgage Centre,(G.A.) 70 Main Street.
John Croasdale, 35 Desford Road, Tel; Desford 822805
Julia Wilmot, 37 Arnolds Crescent, Tel; Desford 822870

All the proceeds from this event will be split between N.V.C.A and St James Church.

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THE TEAM

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

I feel that I must write to you because I am becoming increasingly worried about the amount of dog faeces on the green and pavements around Mallory Close.

When we moved to the village, last summer, there were certain people attending meetings with the local councillor to try and stop children using the green as a play area, it baffles me that these same people have said nothing about it being used as a dog toilet, under cover of darkness numerous people walk their dogs on the green, how many of these animals have been wormed correctly?, my children constantly tread in the mess bringing it into the house, has a child got to be blinded before something is done! If I was to let my children toilet on the green something would soon be done about them.

Let this letter be a warning to all these irresponsible dog owners as I will be reporting all dogs seen fouling this area, this disgusting practise must be stamped out, open places are supposed to be a place of beauty, lets keep it that way, let us protect our children.

Yours sincerely
S.M.Wykes

We heard the Editor's cry of despair,
"Is there really anyone out there?"
We are here and like to read "Verdon Views"
In it we will find all the village news.
We would like to write things wise or funny,
But we're just too busy making money.

A Busy Bee.

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63 Dragon Lane
Newbold Verdon.

Dear Ed.

Do you think some kind person would start a Youth Club at Newbold Verdon?

My brother and I go to Nailstone on Friday nights because there is no Youth Club at Newbold The ages are 4-12 years and it costs us 25p.

Every other week we go swimming and it costs us 65p.The parents of the younger children can come swimming with us to look after the little ones.

Steven and Kevin Smithurst. 10 yrs and 7yrs.

REPLY TO YOUTH CLUB LETTER

Good idea Steven and Kevin. Is there anybody willing to take this on? If so, contact any N.V.C.A member.

Meanwhile, there is a Disco for 7-14 year olds on 23 June at the school.

Ed.

LONDON MARATHON

Behind Beaumont Leys Shopping Centre has been built a new N.S.P.C.C. Training Centre.

The Centre's running costs will be high and in an effort to help, the British Shoe Corporation have offered to sponsor two of their employees who have volunteered to run in the London Marathon.

One of these is Roy Maddison of Jubilee Road, who is looking out for as many sponsors as possible for this worthy cause.

Roy has run a marathon before and has his sights firmly set on the finishing line.

We shall let you know how he goes on in the next issue.

YOGA

Do we have any yoga enthusiasts in the village? If so, you may be interested in a Yoga Class starting after Easter at Bosworth College, Desford.

The programme will include shiatsu (a Japanese finger massage) and reflexology (massage of feet and hands). The classes will be held on Wednesdays 7 - 9, and Thursday 1.30 - 3.00 (Creche facilities are available)

Anyone interested - please ring 822799 - Sue Maddison.

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Letters to the Editor

A LETTER

Dear Verdon Views,

Have you ever got out of bed in the morning, and wondered why you bothered? I have. After nine years of being a wife and four of being a mum, I felt like a multi-functional cleaning machine. Gone was the trim figure, and endless pretty clothes of my youth. In was my saggy bottom and equally saggy spouse (bless him). Then I read about a woman who was trying to 'find herself' - whatever she had lost was probably in the Co-op, I thought. Anyway , the woman in this magazine had gone back to school and found confidence, fulfilment, self esteem, a new purpose in life and a new career.

Was it really all at school, I wondered, this housewife's utopia?. I decided there was only one way to find out, and enrolled at Bosworth College for my first ever, 'O' level.

My children went into the college's well equipped and reasonably priced creche. It is very cheap if you are a student. You can enrol for any course on the school syllabus, which costs a mere £25 per course, per year. Sandra Blackbourn is the Mature Students Tutor, she can be contacted by 'phoning the college any time, just ask the receptionist. Sandra is terrific for moral and falls over herself to help students such as myself.

Moral was certainly the key word the first day I walked into class. I went in with 15 year olds, they all seemed so much more brighter than I and they were certainly better looking and they didn't blush at all. I, on the other hand felt like a tomato. I wasn't sure what to expect, the last time I had sat in a class we all wore uniform, called the teacher Sir or Miss and dared not sneeze without permission. I had never been in a school where all the children wear blue jeans and call their teachers by their christian names. Were the rumours true? I wondered, were all the children juvenile delinquents merely passing time before their next bout of granny bashing?

I sat, clutching my brown leather shopping bag, facing puma tracksuits and jeans, suddenly a curly headed youth with shifty eyes and a firm jutting chin smiled brilliantly and introduced himself and his 'mates'. Within weeks we had grown used to each other, and I was part of a lively, educational and happy group. Underneath the blue jeans and spiky hair were very ordinary, very nice young people, who didn't care whether I had a saggy bottom or a face like an onion.

From my class and with the encouragement of my teachers, I have found a quality of life which is just as exciting as the lady's in the magazine.

I completed my 'O' level successfully and went on to do 2 'A' levels. One I passed with a good mark and the other I am re-sitting in June. I have formed a partnership with Sue Maddison our local Yoga teacher and we are currently working on our first romantic novel. Sue has previously had work published and is great fun to work with. I have been accepted into Leicester University, which I declined because our book comes first. I am also re-writing 'A' level notes from last Wednesdays lecture given by John Williams. He is Leicester Universitys expert on football hooliganism, who dressed as a supporter and uncovered the 'baby squad'. Fancy, sitting in John Williams lecture on any old Wednesday afternoon!

After I have completed my 'A' level exam. I hope to re-enrol to brush up on my typewriting and office skills. After that I thought I might do something more about my general fitness. As you can see, I'm a busy gal!

I would like therefore, to recommend to any multi-functional cleaning machine, who may or may not have a face like a tomato to try Bosworth College. It might be just the tonic you need and well worth a try.

Julie Bailey

A THANK YOU

A big thank you to Mr Chris James for his Neighbourhood Watch which prevented my car from being stolen, from my drive, in the middle of the night.

Next time Chris could you sort it out without having to wake me up!

Many thanks again.

Rhoda Crowfoot

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VERDON IN BLOOM

Many thanks for your response to last month's circular. At the time of writing, £270 has been received in cash donations but we still require more volunteers to help with watering. This year, the task will be a lot easier with our motor driven pump. The trailer on which the water tank and pump rest can be pushed by hand so you won't need to use your car. Please help if you can. Even if you can only spare one or two evenings during the whole of the summer, this will be helpful. 'Phone 823559, 824613, 822736 or Leicester 522385 (M-F, 9-5) for details.

To raise additional funds we are holding a jumble sale at the Scout Hut on Saturday 5th May 10.00 to 12.00 noon. Please support.

Paul French.

PETER PAN PLAYGROUP CHURCH HALL, BRASCOTE LANE N.V.

On Monday 5th March we had a gentleman who came to visit us and make a video of the children playing and taking part in the usual playschool activities. The childrens' parents were then given the opportunity of buying the completed video if they so wished. Playschool then made £30 from this venture which then bought a play tunnel for the children.

We have vacancies after Easter and for September, so if you would like your child to join our playgroup pop in and see us on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday 9 a.m - 11-45 or contact Sandra Stretton Desford 824705.

VERDON PLAYERS

Well, Toad of Toad Hall is now behind us and we hope you all enjoyed it. It was good to see so many of our friends 'old and new' in our audiences over the four evenings. This is what makes all our hard work worthwhile.

Our present committee is about to stand down after their two years in office.

We have several social events coming up in the near future, including a dinner dance to celebrate our 21 years together.

Then it's onward ever onward to the next (as yet unknown) production.

Group News

N.V. SWIMMING CLUB

Another successful year was reported at the A.G.M. of the Newbold Swimming Club. The beer and skittle night at the Swan and the outing to Hinckley Leisure Centre proved to be very popular.

Malcolm Mould, the chairman, congratulated Alan Herbert and Jim Gerrard on successfully renewing their Bronze medal qualifications for life saving. It was thought that Alan must be the oldest qualified life saver in the village (unless anyone knows different, answers on a postcard please)

A new year has now begun and new members would be most welcome. Our weekly sessions are held on Saturday mornings 10.30 - 12 noon at the Desford pool.

Annual subscriptions paid during April also gives a free swim for the family (including grandparents)

It is not a serious or competitive swimming club, there is usually more talking done than swimming by the adults while the children play on floats etc., although the swim jog lane proves popular with those who wish to get trim.

Anyone interested in finding out more about us can either join us one Saturday as guests or ring Jim Gerrard on Desford 823787.

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Parish News

Security for Senior's

Following a donation from the Parish Council to the Coalville Crime Prevention Panel, over 65's are now entitled to security latches free of charge. Just contact a] Arthur Hurst, 31 Main St, b] Brad Goddard, 12 Preston Drive, or any Parish Councillor for further details.

Play Equipment Dragon Lane

Two New Developments

1] At last the Toddler Park is about to begin, the anticipated start date is end of April. Well done to all those who have helped raise money for this very worthwhile project.

2] Playground equipment will undergo comprehensive maintenance in the near future following the councils acceptance of a quotation from Marshall Fry Ltd for the sum of £769 + VAT to refurbish the existing equipment.

This Months Award

Congratulations to JOHN HENRY NEVILLE who was awarded the prize for the best kept allotment by Arthur Hurst at the April Parish Council meeting.

This Months Grouse

Parishioners are requested not to throw litter down onto pavements and roads but to take their sweet paper, cans, cigarette packets,etc home or place in litter bins provided. A litter pick was organised by Sue Spence and Brad Goddard two councillors and despite a very poor turnout still managed to collect 18 bags of litter. Come on Parishioners take a pride in your village. This also includes shops and businesses who will receive a letter from the Clerk of the Council asking for their cooperation in keeping Newbold clean and tidy.

The Borough Council has awarded Newbold £4,900 for environmental improvements. Proposals received so far are purchase of land facing Main St and Arnolds Crescent, improvements to Bells Lane and the Butcher's corner. Any suggestions for other improvements should be addressed to Mr E A Walsh, 71 Arnolds Crescent, Newbold Verdon, before the end of April.

The provision for an extension to Alan's Way pavilion reported in Issue 15 was approved by the Parish Council, and plans are being drawn up for submission for planning approval.

Finally Janet Quarmby, I'm afraid Mr Paddy Casswell failed to motivate the County Council with regard to drainage work outside the Old White Swan. Is it in next years budget ? Did the fine weather in March give them problems identifying the exact location of the mega puddle ? Are they ducking the issue ? Will April showers fall on County Hall ? All these questions to be answered in future issues.

The next meetings of the Parish Council are 14th May, followed by the A.G.M. 21st May, both at Allan's Way Pavilion 7-30pm.

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N.V.C.A A.G.M

The A.G.M. held at the school on 4th April was very well attended.

The Chairman in his report thanked everyone for their efforts. We initially aimed hopefully at £15,000 over three years, but in fact we have raised £24,000.

Paul French, the Treasurer, presented his balance sheet, and was thanked for his hard work and clarity of his accounts.

A vote of confidence in the committee followed as they were re-elected en bloc for another year.

The committee members are:-

Chairman	- Ross Kendal
Vice Chairman	- Chris James
Treasurer	- Paul French
Secretary	- David Rhodes

HEATWAVE DISCO

Paul Willett, Graham Ridgeway & Ian Fields are raising money for "Heart Link" at Groby Road Hospital.

They raised £516 on 16th February, on a pub crawl, but their main event on 4th May will be held at the N.V. Working Mens' Club. Tickets can be purchased from the Club or The Dragon Pub, at £1.50 each.

This is solely for fund raising for the above.

They would like to thank "The Dragon" for allowing the collection and hope to have a local celebrity to make the presentation to "Heart Link"

ON THE VERDON BEAT.

Recently I was discussing with a friend, the spate of thefts of, and from, motor vehicles in the area.(see Verdon Views No.15) I was amazed (as Frankie Howard would say!) when he told me he had seen two youths acting suspiciously late one night near a neighbours car and did not immediately dial 999.
I won't go into detail (to save his embarrassment!) but I'm sure if he had acted correctly those responsible MAY have been brought to justice.
The rules are simple and I believe, worth a reminder:
if you see anything, and I mean anything suspicious,
1.Dial 999
2.Ask for the Police.
3.When the police answer give your name, address and telephone number, followed by a brief reason why you are ringing. Usually a second operator is, by this time despatching a vehicle to respond to your call.
4.Once these basic facts have been passed and someone is attending, you can go into greater detail about the incident.
5. Don't forget, the Police do not mind if a call turns out to be a false alarm, providing this was made with good intent. It is accepted that these do happen. Remember it could be your car next - so if you see anything suspicious

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SHERLOCK

Do you know that a Sherlock Holmes Society has been started at Glenfield? They call themselves the "Priory Scholars", which should ring a bell for S.H. fans. The Society meets every 6 - 8 weeks, when they discuss the works of Arthur Conan Doyle, the Victorian era and costumes, hold quizzes and plan interesting visits. If you think you might be interested ring Sue Maddison on Desford 822799, (She has 2 spare seats in her car for early birds).

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METHODIST NEWS

On the 25th March, we held our annual Easter Egg Gift Service. The Easter eggs and chocolate which were brought by the children, were received by a representative, Lynda Moore, from Dr.Barnardos at Glenfield. The collection which was taken during this service was also for Dr.Barnardo's and Lynda requested that we spend this on toasters as they need a lot of these for the handicapped people at the home. We have purchased four toasters, and these will be presented to Lynda at our service on Easter Sunday at 10.30.

We are looking forward to our Sunday School Anniversary once again on Sunday 13th May at 2.30pm and 6.00pm.

Our own minister, Rev. Gordon Chisnall, will be leading these services, so please do come along and support us.

Our Sunday School outing this year will be to Drayton Manor Park on Saturday 9th June.

Further details about this will be available soon.

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Church News

St Greg's Catholic Church

On behalf of the Newbold Verdon Council of Churches, Charles Fox has extended an invitation to Newbolds' Roman Catholics to nominate a representative to serve on the Council. This is a most welcome opportunity for catholics to take a more corporately active part in Christian witness within the Village; an opportunity of which I hope we will make full use.

Our next house mass, will be held at the home of Janet Quarmby 27 Peters Avenue, in late May/early June. 'Phone 822030 for precise date.

The Barn Dance I mentioned last time was a great success, almost embarrassingly too successful with 150 people turning up. Next time we will have to restrict ticket sales. The £420 profit has been distributed : £300 Romanian appeal, £90 to Intercare, the Leicester based medical aid charity and £30 to help establish the Market Bosworth branch of Amnesty International (progression from St Greg's group). Many thanks to all who supported this event.

Paul French.

St.JAMES CHURCH.

The Church Council have approved an estimate for the redecoration of the Church.

Work will begin at the end of May and should be completed before the Bishop comes for the Confirmation.

The Church Hall will also be repainted this year. The exterior has become very shabby and much preparation will be required before the first paint is applied. The work will cost £650.

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GRAND BLITZ BALL - SATURDAY 15th SEPTEMBER.

N.V.C.A. have booked Bosworth College as the venue for a 1940's style ball (this year being the 50th Anniversary of the Battle of Britain).

There will be a 12 piece band with singers, who will be attired in the 40's style dress and we hope to decorate the hall to add to the atmosphere.

We are investing a considerable sum of money into this venture, but as the band are expecting to bring their own "fans", we anticipate a big demand on tickets, as numbers will be strictly limited.

*****WATCH VERDON VIEWS FOR FURTHER DETAILS*****

POLL TAX

If you are worrying about paying your Poll Tax - Please call in at your local Post Office, Newbold Verdon, and the Sub-Postmaster and myself will be only too pleased to explain details of how to pay your Poll Tax in monthly payments, as well as six monthly payments.

Margaret

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BALLROOM DANCING

It was great to see so many enthusiastic people at the last two Social Evenings which were held at the school.

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PUZZLE SPOT

Thanks to the amazing response to the spelling competition in the last issue, the prize-winner has been drawn out of a hat!
The correct answer was 13 mistakes and the winner is Sam Duncombe of 6 Barbara Avenue. If you call at 38 Main Street you can claim your prize.
It is most encouraging to have had so many entries, and so here is another competition to keep you on your toes.

1. What T is the site of a rattle snake's rattle?
2. What T is the river on which Newcastle stands?
3. What S goes before beam, spot and set?
4. What S is 50% of 140?
5. What S is a secret agent?
6. What R is the fruit of the vine when it has been dried?
7. What R were Flopsy, Mopsy, Cottontail and Peter?
8. What R is another name for mac?
9. What R are alligators, lizards, turtles and snakes?
10. What R is a tear in a garment or payment for a room?

Children only this time please and answers into 38 Main Street as before.

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Diary of Events

Sat. 28th April	8p.m - 12p.m	Calypso Evening: N.V.C.A at the School
Sat. 28th April		Baptist Church Springfair
Wed. 2nd May	3.00p.m	Bright Hour Rally - led by Mrs Carrotte
Thu. 3rd "	7.30p.m	East of England Orchestra Concert at St. James' Church See Separate Article for More Details.
Sat. 5th "	10.00-12.00	Rummage Sale/Coffee Morning Verdon in Bloom Ass. at the Scout Hut.
Fri. 11th "	8.00 -10-30p.m	Ballroom Dancing Social at the School.
Sat. 12th "	10.00a.m-12.00	Beaver Jumble Sale at the Scout Hut
Sun. 13th "	10.00a.m-3.00	N.V.C.A. Car Boot Sale at the School
Mon. 14th "		W.I. Resolutions Meeting
Fri. 18th "		N.V.C.A. Rounders Matches
Sat. 19th "		at the School
Thu. 24th "	7.30p.m	Ascension Day Eucharist at St. James' Church
Fri. 1st June	7.30 - 10.30p.m	N.V.C.A Youth Disco at the School (14-17 yrs) Admission by Ticket Only. See Posters
Sun. 3rd "	3.00p.m	Baptist Sunday School Anniv. Led by Scholars & Teachers
Sun. 3rd "	10.30 a.m	Whit Sunday Eucharist at St. James' Church
Fri. 8th "	8.00-10.30p.m	Ballroom Dancing Social at the School
Fri. 15th "		Verdon Views Deadline
Sat. 16th "	8.00-12.00p.m	N.V.C.A. Dancing to Live Group at the School
Sun. 17th "	10.00a.m.	Confirmation & First Communion at St. James' Church
Sat. 23rd "	7.00p.m	N.V.C.A Junior Disco (7-14) at the School
Fri. 29th "		End of Term

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