VERDON News

Newbold Verdon Community Association Newspaper Issue 18

Ed's Spot

Hi-ho, hi-ho and back to school we go. We hope you had a good holiday. How quickly the Summer has gone and how well the village has looked throughout. Besides the attractive flower baskets dotted around the village, several noticeable improvements have been made, e.g.: the new development at Jubilee Court and the attractive pavement outside the Swan and also the excellent garden displays. It's nice to see pride coming into the village. The Scout Gala Day, followed by the N.V.C.A. 60's Night rounded things off perfectly on Saturday, 18th August. Now the N.V.C.A. are looking forward towards Autumn and Winter events (see Diary of Events).



Winners - EGYPT by the Guides and Brownies.
Runners-up - CHINA by the Brownies.



1st NEWBOLD VERDON SCOUT GROUP GALA DAY

We achieved our aim in raising over £1000 thank you everyone for your support. The day was a great success and was enjoyed by everyone. In true Scouting spirit many other worthy causes were able to benefit from the event.

Newbold Toddler Park Project

The Newbold Toddler Park Project was formed in August 1986 to provide a safe adventure playground for the younger children of the village. The project was initiated and carried out by a committee of young mothers who were concerned about the safety and suitability of existing equipment.

Once the committee was formed the first step was to decide on the type of safety surface and play equipment to install, then planning permission had to be obtained. Fund raising has taken place continuously since 1986 including many Jumble Sales, Bazaars, Charity Parties and House to House collections.

Several organisations were approached for contributions and applications were made for various grants.

We would like to thank the many local individuals and groups who have supported us in this venture with donations to help during various fund raising activities. Our special thanks go to Russell Luke and Margaret Heap from G.A.Property Services for their generous help and support.

The building of the adventure playground was started in May of this year but due to problems that the suppliers: 'Playscape' were having it was not completed until the end of June. It has already proven to be popular with the children of the village.

One final piece of equipment is yet to be installed which we anticipate arriving in early September. When finally completed it will be handed over to the Parish Council who will be responsible for the upkeep and maintenance.

The staggering final cost for the playground was just under £10.000. The slide attachment to the climbing apparatus cost over £1.000 on its own.

After four years of hard work by everybody we hope that all the children will enjoy playing on and not deliberately damaging the equipment. We hope that all the residents of the village will help to keep a watchful eye on the area to prevent the misuse of the equipment by anyone.

Mandy Bembridge, Pru Crowley, Heather Davidson, Maggie Gallacher, Debbie Hill, Glynis Horton, Linda Johnson, Astrid Morgan, Chris Papworth, Maddie Tabiner, Julie Taylor, Pam Tobin, Kathy Trotman, Margaret Upton.



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CO-OPERATIVE WOMENS GUILD

The Newbold Verdon branch of the Co-operative Womens' Guild, will be celebrating its 33rd birthday on September 13th, when members of the Leicestershire Co-op Society Board of Directors and the Member Relations Committee. with members and guests from Guilds in our area will join us for our birthday party.
The Co-operative Womens' Guild is a National Organisation whose aim is to promote a caring attitude to the problems of women.

Our local branch was started by Mrs.Kathleen Cockle and we still have two founder members in our group, Mrs.Perry, and Mrs. Corbett. We meet weekly at the Miners'Welfare Hall at 7.30 on a Thursday.
We have a variety of speakers, quizzes, games and outings, and we thank our secretary Mrs. Doreen Statham and the committee, for arranging the programme.
We entertain the over-sixties of the village every year with a supper and entertainment, and we contribute to various charities.
New members are always welcome, so come along and join with us.
Further details from our President- Mrs.Violet Spencer, or Mrs.Valerie Hitchman, if you are interested.

C.Statham.



"SHE'S A KNOCKOUT?"

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Church News

ST.JAMES'CHURCH

Garden Fete.

Again we were fortunate with the weather and the Rectory garden was soon filled with people.

We did not have an opener this year, but the Man Friday Morris Men were much appreciated. The stalls, tombola and various games all did well and the ice cream lady twice had to send out for extra supplies. The ladies serving tea from the kitchen were at full stretch for the whole afternoon.

The fete raised £1,023 gross, £942 net, and our thanks are due to all who supported it in any way.

Grand Summer Draw.

This year we had 27 prizes. We raised £395 which was £3.00 up on last year. A list of winners is displayed in the Post Office window and also appears in the Church Parish Magazine.

Pew Runners.

The congregation are now sitting more comfortably than before since the Mothers' Union has kindly provided red runners for the pews in the Church. They are more comfortable in the summer and will be warmer in the winter.

Church Hall.

Rumours that it might be sold are untrue. It will continue to serve Church and village for years to come.

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THE TEAM

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St Greg's Catholic Church

"When four people allow themselves to be led by the Holy Spirit and deny Self for a while, most exciting things can and do happen." My apologies to Maurice Harris of Market Bosworth Free Church for this flagrant breach of copyright. I have unashamedly stolen my opening lines, from his article in the current edition of 'Outreach', the St Greg's parish magazine, because I consider them well worth repeating. Maurice was referring to the vision he had of a small group of Christians 'living rough' for a weekend in Bosworth Square to draw attention to the plight of the world's 'have nots'. So it was that four men, (Bob, Graham, Maurice & Pat) representing the three Churches in Bosworth, spent the weekend following Christian Aid week, living in cardboard boxes. Two days of constant hymn singing, praying and then sleeping on the cobbles in the Square. Quite mad? Probably, but I believe they achieved at least three objectives.

1) They did draw attention to the world's homeless and underfed peoples, and hopefully stirred a few consciences.
2) They demonstrated yet again, in the true spirit of Pentecost 90 (see VV17 page 19) the fellowship which exists between the three churches in Bosworth.
3) They gave me and many others the opportunity to publicly declare our christianity, by joining them during the weekend in prayer and praise to God. It was one of those rare occasions when we could show to all who passed through the Square that we were proud to be 'Jesus freaks'. Thank you Maurice and gang for that opportunity.

Another successful joint venture was the three churches float "Fishers of Men" entered in Bosworth Carnival. I didn't get a chance to go on the float because I was busy helping set up the St Greg's Carnival stall. It was a sweltering hot afternoon and we had decided, would you believe, to have a BBQ - Hot Dogs, Beef/Vegi Burgers and piping hot jacket potatoes. The amazing thing was that we sold the lot and could have sold half as much again. As it was, we raised £75. Who ses modern day miracles don't happen? It, of course, goes without saying that our team won the 'It's a Knock-Out' competition yet again. But then, when you have the Holy Spirit on your side.....!

Paul French.

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N.V.C.A. CONCERT

Barlestone Victoria Band (Brass) with Principal Conductor:Betty Anderson, will be playing at the Primary School on SATURDAY, 13th OCTOBER, 1990.

We look forward to a superb evening's entertainment, when the theme will be 'light and popular music'.

The concert will start at 8.00 p.m.(doors open 7.30 p.m.) and supper will be served during the interval.

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ANNUAL BARN DANCE

St. James' Church Annual Barn Dance will be held on Saturday, 17th November at 7.30 p.m. until 11.30 p.m. in the Church Hall.

There will be a bar and the usual buffet supper will be provided.

Tickets at £3.00 each (£2.00 for children) are available from Dave and Eileen Warner,149 Main St.

Tel No: 823546

Terry, Beryl and Fern wish to thank everyone for their kindness regarding the recent accident.

CONGRATULATIONS

Well done Julie Bailey on gaining a grade 'B' 'A'level in sociology. There's no stopping you now you have an 'Ology'!

To Lesley Hodgkin. Congratulations on passing your Institute of Purchasing Examinations with distinction. Well done. The drinks are on you!!
Love and best wishes from your friends in the Drama Group.

CAKES, CAKES, CAKES

I am teaching a course covering the design and decoration of special occasion cakes, using royal icing. This will teach you how to flat ice a cake, and how to make and utilise runouts, flowers, etc; come and see the techniques used with different piping tubes, i.e. basket-work, trellis-work, border-work. Try modelling with tragacanth paste and fondant. Students may bring their own cake or use a 'dummy'.
The 10-week course starts in September at The John Cleveland College. Enrolment will take place on Wednesday, 5th September between 7 & 8.30 p.m.
The lesson will be on Wednesdays from 7 p.m. - 9pm. Come along, meet new people and have some fun.

Jane Vallis

UNION JACK

Late on Saturday afternoon, after the Scout Gala, the Union Jack was taken from the School flagpole.
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THE VERDON PLAYERS

The Summer is always a time of 'peace and tranquility' for the Players: (try telling that to John Gates, Producer of our next play, who keeps on 'badgering' his cast to turn up for rehearsals!) Our Summer Barbecue went well, thanks to Chris and Jan James for the use of garden and 'facilities', and thanks to Tim for the loan of the net so that we could play a Badminton Tournament. Badminton by moon-light (and Bar-B-Q lights)- the only way to play! The winners were the ones who obviously ate all their carrots as children; Terry Spence and Jan James, what a team!!

The Players are pleased to announce the arrival of a new member - Daniel Finn, congratulations to Karen, Neil and Matthew. Our next production is a comedy called 'Brush with a Body' in the school hall, Oct.24,25, 26 and 27th. Book early to avoid disappointment.

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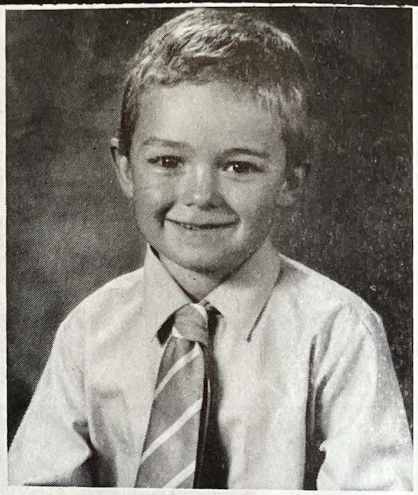
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PARISH NEWS

Play Equipment Dragon Lane

We are very pleased to see the Toddler Park Project completed and the facility being enjoyed by those under eights. It was not however designed for 13/17 year olds and we are requesting that older children do not spoil the play area for others.

Congratulations

To the Verdon in Bloom Association and all the volunteers who are watering and caring for the hanging baskets the village is looking splendid. Our regards to Beryl and Terry Combes and best wishes for a swift recovery after their unfortunate accident.

A big thankyou to all our Shop owners for keeping their fronts tidy and all other parishioners who pick up litter, cans and containers as they walk around the village. Now we are through to the semi final of the Best Kept Village competition , please keep the village tidy for another few weeks and we shall win again.

Jubilee Court

The Council has received a letter from Leicester Housing Association stating that due to the general housing market being very quiet. The association has decided to purchase the two blocks of flats to enable the flats to be let to persons of retirement age of 55 years and over on assured tenancies. Should anyone be interested they can contact either Mrs Sheila Cooke or Mrs Pat Goodhew by telephone on Leicester 544515.

This Months Award

Is this the end of the Old White Swan pond? Leics County Council gets this months award for completing the pavement outside "the Swan".Where do we park now? Pity they could not match the colour of the blocks already there. Never mind the contrast looks quite nice. Well done lads.

Parish Council meetings are the first Monday of the month at Allans Way Pavilion.

At the beginning of the nineteenth century, there was a British actor called Robert Coates, whose acting was so dreadful that people travelled miles just to see if he was as bad as they had heard. He became a very rich man as a result of his appalling acting!

Martyn Fisher

A.R.P.S; L.M.P.A.

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Dear Editor

I am most impressed! Being a relative newcomer to the Village I had not realised what a powerful medium Verdon Views is. Just one letter in VV issue 15 was all it took to spur County Hall into action resulting in the vast improvement in the pavement area outside The Swan. I'm sure however, that the Parish Council did their share of prodding the County Council so many thanks to all concerned for a job well done.

Janet Quarmby
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SUMMER PLAYSCHEME 1990

'Get out of bed mummy,' said Hannah, my six year old, 'It's time for playscheme.'

An hour later, I found myself standing in a hall with over 200 children, and wondered what kind of mental blockage would have made me put my name down to help.

Parents could choose the activity they wished to supervise, in each session, and we all treated one another like old friends whether we knew one another or not. That was rather nice in itself.

The first day, I helped the rising fives and five to six year olds on the bouncing castle. I took off their shoes, allowed what I considered to be a safe amount of children to get on, and got the rest to line up for their turn. It didn't feel like work, and I began to realise why, I had volunteered.

To tell the truth, I liked the activities as well. There was a smashing film called 'Ewoks' in the show room on the morning I joined the children. We were literally glued to the set, and I especially liked the orange flavoured ice poles, which we all bought from the tuck shop.

On the Wednesday, I stayed to watch the puppet theatre, which the children thoroughly enjoyed. William, the puppeteer, design foetal heart monitors at Queens Hospital, Nottingham, for a living, and his father is a lecturer of Physics, at Charles Keene College. They told me that out of all the schools they visit, Newbold Verdon is their favourite. They said our children are always well behaved and are a delight to perform in front of, and the atmosphere is always friendly and relaxed, which is essential for education.

For the remainder of the session, they stayed with our children, playing indoor games with them, then helped me put the equipment away. Such was the good spirits of playscheme.

During the rest of the week, I helped take thirty-seven children to Bosworth Park, twenty-one to the soft play room at Hinckley Leisure Centre, and thirty six to Abbey Park. The funny thing was, I only accompanied my own children on one occasion, but it didn't bother either of us, because each child was treated as if they were related to their supervisor. In return, they were as good as gold, even the one who sat on his banana, and it dripped out of all four corners of his rucksack like ecto-plasma!

I was glad when the final day came though, we were all worn out! 'You know why we all come here don't you?' said seven year old Craig Colman, when he was trying to decide which activity he liked the best. 'It's because we all enjoy it.' 'Yes.' I said, 'we do.'

Julie Bailey
(aged 34)

True or False?

1 Bats are blind. ☐

2 Henry VIII had eight wives. ☐

3 A sponge is an animal. ☐

4 You can make any colour if you have red, yellow and blue. ☐

5 Pearls are found in mines. ☐

6 Coal comes from wood. ☐

7 Spiders are insects. ☐

8 Blue whales have no teeth. ☐

Did you know that if you had no liquid in your nose at all, you wouldn't be able to smell anything?

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Mon.	10th Sept.		W.I. The Work of the RSPCA
Thu.	13th "		Co-op Women's Guild 33rd Birthday Party
Sat.	15th "	8 - 12	**NVCA BLITZ BALL** Bosworth College, Desford
Thu.	20th "		Co-op Women's Guild* - Soft Toys
Thu.	27th "		C.W.G. No meeting Hoe Down at Corby on 24th.
Thu.	4th Oct.		Co-op Women's Guild Rummage Sale
Mon.	8th "		W.I. Fabric Painting with Mrs Kay Snell
Thu.	11th "		C.W. Guild: Guide Dogs
Sat.	13th "	8 p.m.	**NVCA Concert** Barlestone Victoria Band at the Primary School
Sun.	14th "		Rotary Quiz - Dixie Grammar
Thu.	18th "		C.W. Guild: Harvest Sale
Sun.	14th "	8 a.m. 10.30 am 6 p.m.	St. James' Harvest Festival Harvest Eucharist Evensong (Rev.L. Carpenter)
Mon.	15th "	7 p.m.	St. James' Harvest Sale & Supper in Church Hall
Wed.	24th ")		Verdon Players
Thu.	25th ")	7.30 p.m.	"BRUSH WITH A BODY"
Fri.	26th ")		In the Primary School Hall
Sat.	27th ")		
Mon.	12th Nov.		W.I. Annual General Meeting
Sat.	17th "	7.30 p.m.	St. James' Church Annual Barn Dance: Church Hall
Sat.	24th "	8 - 12	"RETURN TO RENE'S CAFE" ***N.V.C.A.*** At the Primary School Look out your berets and onions and keep an eye out for posters.

RETURN TO RENE'S CAFE

Cast your minds back three years, to two evenings in November when many of you donned berets and tight black skirts (the ladies looked good too).

Rene's cafe was filled to capacity both evenings, for food, entertainment and Beaujolais Nouveau!

Well, if you missed the events, never fear; now is your chance to relive the pleasures of Gay Paree.

Book 24th November NOW and look out for further details.

Dear Ed,

We were visitors to the village on 18th August, and attended the 60's Night at the school.

What a fabulous time we had. The group "Smiler" and Jackie Jones, the girl singer were extremely good, and kept the evening on a high.

The atmosphere was so friendly and happy that you could be forgiven for thinking you were at a party.

We hope our friends will invite us to the next 'do'.

If this is village life, then obviously there are disadvantages to living in a city.

Frank and Joan,
Greater Manchester.

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