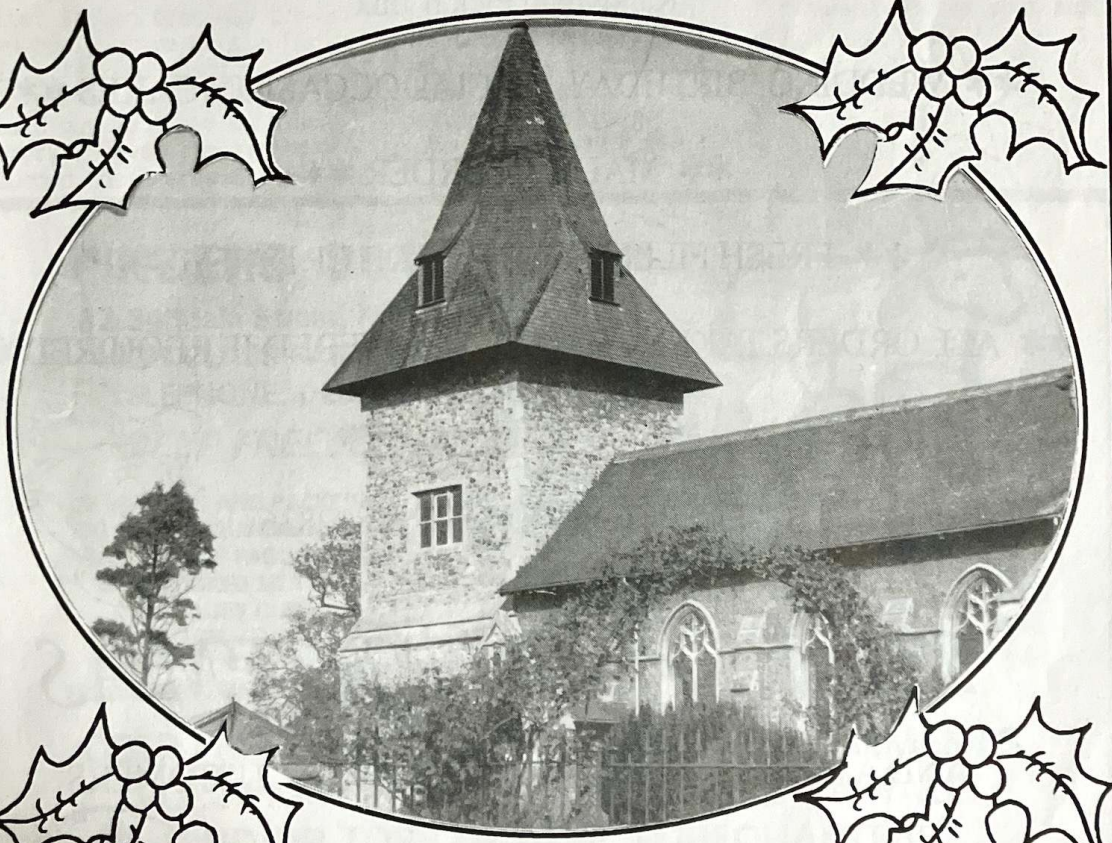
VERDON News

Newbold Verdon Community Association Newspaper Issue 26

Merry Christmas



From The Team

THE STEVEN VALLIS APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the collection for Steven Vallis.

Collection boxes were placed in the Newsagents, Post Office and Country Fair, and this money, together with a generous donation from the N.V.C.A. and Jane and David's close friends, amounted to a staggering £475.

During Steven's long stay in the Birmingham Childrens Hospital, he was asked what he thought was most needed for the older adolescent children to use, and without hesitation, he suggested a computer, bearing in mind that children often have to carry on with school work during their stay.



After Steven lost his tremendously brave battle for his life, the hospital was approached as to what we could buy for them in his memory. Steven really had touched the hearts of his doctors and nurses with his determination to get well again and they felt there could be nothing better than to have that computer, Steven himself had asked for.

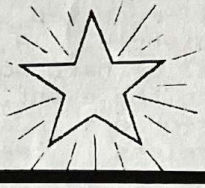
So, on Sunday,24th Nov., we are proud to say that, thanks to you all, we delivered to a very grateful Sister of Ward 2, an Amiga 500 Plus Computer, complete with games, etc., bearing this plaque:

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His courage will be remembered forever.

We are sure that everyone who knew Steven will agree that his courage will be remembered, especially when you think of all he achieved in his 12 short years, not forgetting the courage of his Mum, Dad and Christine. Our thoughts and prayers are still very much with them.

Once again, a heartfelt "Thank You" for your support.



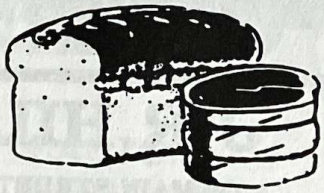
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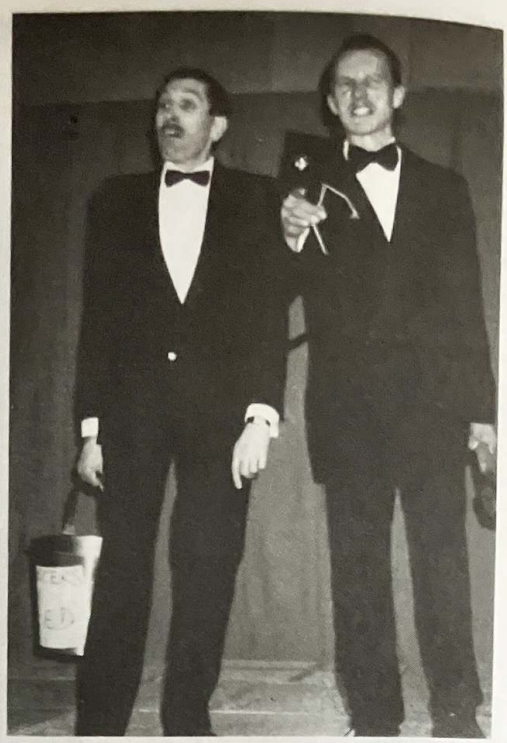
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MUSIC-HALL.

Our recent two evenings of entertainment were well-received by both audiences. A great deal of hard work went into the event, by the performers, and the tireless team of behind the scenes workers. It is always difficult to single out our helpers, so we hope that if you helped in any way, you will accept our grateful thanks.

Remember we still have a great deal of money to collect before our Community Centre can be completed, and we all look forward to the day when we can put on events like this for other worthy causes.

It is certainly worthy of note that over £100 was collected in the Management's Bucket for Children in Need. This just shows what a generous crowd you all are.

Thanks again, and keep supporting us PLEASE!



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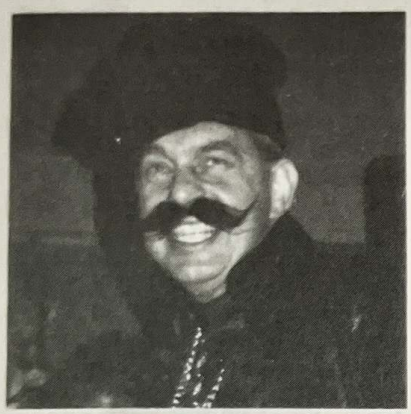
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"Link-up"

In spite of very stormy weather on Tuesday 12th November, there was a large audience for a concert by the piano students of Mrs.Rosemary Wilkinson and the Methodist Ladies' Choir, held in the Methodist Schoolroom.

A varied programme was presented by the pianists aged between 6years and 17 years, ranging from Bach to a modern piece called Mechanics Rag, and including five duets. We were charmed by the delightful singing of the two soprano soloists, Mrs.Janet Naylor and Miss Helen Fox, and also the Ladies' Choir, ably conducted by Mrs.C.M.Statham. Everyone had a most enjoyable evening and a collection for "Link Up" a patient support group at the Groby Road Hospital raised £140.00.





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JACK AND JILL PLAYGROUP

On the 9th November a party of children and helpers went to see a performance of 'Button Moon' at Loughborough Town Hall. A good time was had by all.

After our successful Christmas Concert last year, the children will once again be performing a selection of their favourite songs for Mums and Dads on Thursday 12th December at 11.00a.m. Everybody welcome.

To end the term on a high note, the Christmas party will be held on Friday 20th December in the afternoon with a visit from Santa and a present for all.

After Christmas, Linda, Mandy, Margaret and Pam will be leaving us, so we will be needing some new helpers. Anybody wishing to help can contact Caroline on 823046 or drop in to Playgroup any morning.



PETER PAN PLAYSCHOOL

On September 28th 1991, on a lovely sunny morning, we held a sponsored walk around the recreation ground. The walk raised £157.00 for the children's Christmas party and a trip.

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

Our Christmas party will be held on Wednesday afternoon 18th December at 2.30 - 4.30p.m. at the Church Hall.

For any more information regarding playschool please contact:- Sandra Stretton Desford 824705.

!!! CONGRATULATIONS !!!

Congratulations Adam, Chris, Dave, Matthew, Paul and Steve on receiving your Chief Scout Award.

Sue and Rog.

Many thanks to Terry and Rob for all their help during the Chief Scout Challenge.
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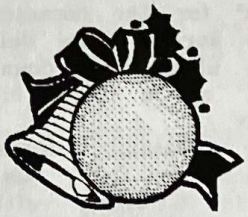
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Newbold Verdons AGM was extremely well attended. The secretary reported on a very busy and entertaining year with a good variety of speakers and demonstrators and a number of outings. Most of the outings seemed to end up in some hostelry or other! The treasurer also reported a good year, with the October fashion show leaving the balance in very good order. Membership was also slightly up on last year.

Following the business, members enjoyed a tramp supper, the tables being appropriately decked with newspaper tablecloths and handsome weeds in jam jars. Members suitably 'dressed down' for the occasion and were warmed by a delicious stew which went down very well on a cold blustery night.

The overall competition winner for 1991 was Mrs Sylvia Mitchelson with Mrs Jenny Webster a close second. The raffle was won by Mrs Stella Kind.

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For further details contact John Robins 14, Merrylees Road, Newbold Verdon.

Musicians travel to Barlestone.

On Monday 25th November, the pupils of Mrs.Wilkinson and the Ladies Choir, presented their concert to the people at Barlestone Methodist Church. This was to raise money for THE BLIND.

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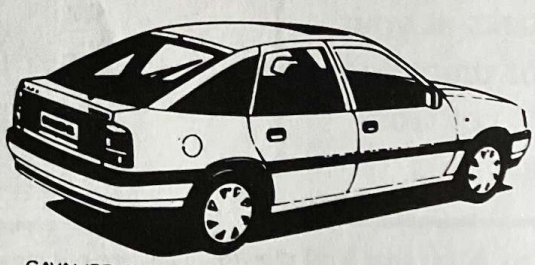
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NEWBOLD VERDON JAZZ CLUB

It is just twelve short months ago that the possibility of a traditional jazz club featuring the best bands in Britain was discussed by local fans who travelled all over the country to festivals and gigs to hear their favourite bands.

This coincided with the luxury refurbishment of the Newbold Verdon Working Men's Club. Taking the plunge, local fan John Ryde booked the club's new concert room and one of Britains favourite jazz band The Zenith Hot Stompers, and then sat back and wondered how to fill the room and pay the bills.

All turned out well on the opening night with the club packed to capacity, and a storming jazz session that immediately set Newbold Verdon Jazz club as a major national venue.

Local fans as well as regular visitors from Nottingham, Rugby and visitors from London, Southend, Truro and even Australia have enjoyed the rich variety of entertainment provided, and the club are finishing the year as it started with a special Christmas Anniversary session on December 6th with The Zenith Hot Stompers who have been voted the best traditonal jazz band in Europe.

Praising the standard of accommodation, and the support of the Working Men's Club Committee John said that he was looking forward to 1992 with top bands already booked including The Ken Colyer Trust All Stars, and the possibility of going international with the world star Sammy Rimmington and his International All-Star band provisionally booked for June.

As well as appealing for locals to turn up to enjoy themselves on the first Friday in the month, John is also appealing for a piano. If you have one or know where there is one that is not being used, or can be borrowed occasionally contact John on Desford 822676, also for more information about the club and the 1992 programme.

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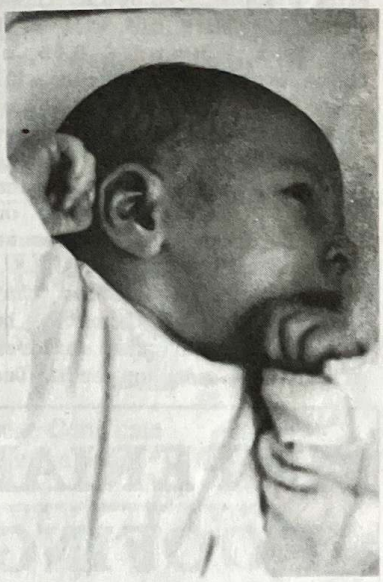
My name is Kimberley and I was born on Monday,18th Nov. at 3 minutes to 10 at night - just in time to see "News at Ten". My Mummy and Daddy (Alison and Shaun) tell me that I was 5 pounds 3oz at birth and very small for my age.

My Grandma and Grandad (Norma and Malc Mould) come to see me most days and can't wait to show me around Newbold Verdon - they say it's quite a place. I wish Grandad would stop 'phoning me up to ask "when am I coming out to play?" - after all - I'm only a few days old.

Ah well - must go now - time for another feed.Bye!

Kimberley Victoria Spencer

P.S. Who's this Santa Claus that everyone keeps talking about?



MRS PAT HUNT

Graham and the family would like to thank everyone for their messages of sympathy and for the floral tributes.

Pat had lived in Newbold all her life and was always interested in the village and it's people, and sympathetic to anyone ill or in trouble. She would have been gratified to see so many friends in church to say goodbye.

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BAPTIST NEWS

Due to the great success of the Sunday Club, which meets on a Wednesday night, the leaders have decided to split the evening into two sessions so that all ages are better catered for.

From 6.30p.m. - 8.00p.m. those under 11 years old will meet and from 7.30p.m. - 9.00p.m. those over 11 years old will meet. From 7.30p.m. - 8.00p.m. all ages will meet together for a time of learning together.The last session before Christmas will be on 11th December and we resume on January 8th.

May we remind parents that the leaders cannot be responsible for the children after their session ends. Due to these dark evenings could parents please arrange to collect their children.

If anyone would like to attend the Baptist Church services but cannot because of the dark nights or being elderly or infirm would they contact Mrs Rhoda Crowfoot on Desford 823338 and she will try to arrange for someone to give them a lift to and from Church.

We will be holding our Candlelight Service on December 22nd at 3.00p.m. where the children of the Sunday Club will be taking an active part everyone is welcome. Please come and put Christ back into your Christmas.

ST. JAMES CHURCH

Remembrance Sunday. The fallen of the village were remembered by the War Memorial on this day.

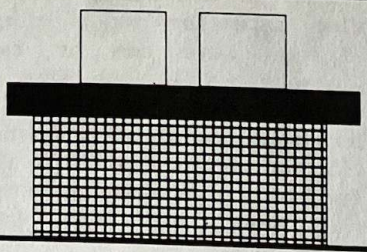
People from all three Churches, and the uniformed organisations, gathered round the memorial at 11.30. The choir from the Parish Church led us in a hymn. The names of the fallen were read out by the Rector. The poem was read and the wreath was laid by Brian Geoghan (R.A.F.ret'd) We had the two minutes silence, a prayer and a Blessing.

The Christingle Service. will be on 15th Dec. at 3pm in St.James' Church. Brian Geoghan will give the address. The money in the envelopes goes to support the work of the Children's Society.

Carol Service. The candlelit service will be held at 6pm. on the Sunday before Christmas.

Midnight Mass will begin at 11.30 on Christmas Eve.

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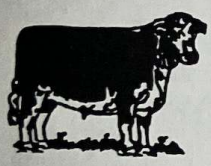
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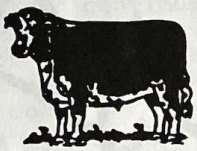
1991, has seen many successful events in the village. It seems a shame when events clash, especially when a lot of work has taken place to make it successful. Russell & Graham at G.A. Property Services have kindly agreed to keep a DIARY of all events in the village, however large or small. If you are organising a Jumble or a banquet, please call in and mark it in the DIARY, and you can be sure your 'do' doesn't clash with any others that day.

PARISH NEWS.

Two new bus shelters are now installed - one on Dragon Lane and one at Newbold Heath. Due to lack of space we won't mention dogs, playing fields, litter bins, puddles outside the Swan, or anything that will stop you having a very merry Xmas and happy new year to you all.



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The above demonstration on festive floral arrangements throughout the home was a great success, on Tuesday, 12th November.

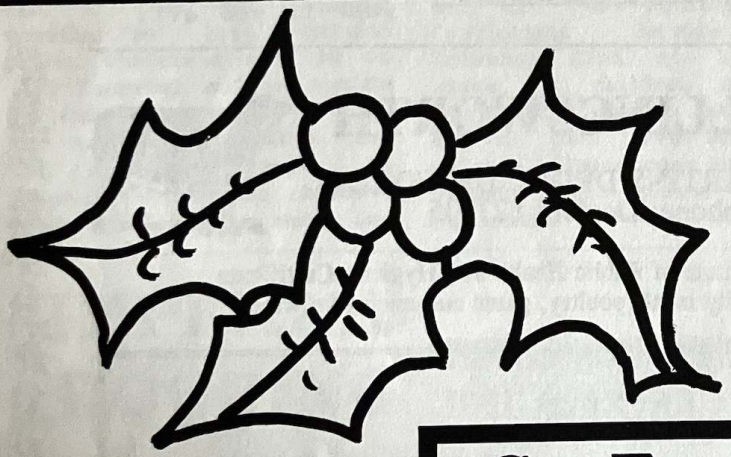
The demonstrator was Tania of "Blooms" from Carlton. The audience sat in amazement at her artistry and speed. At the end of the evening all the beautiful arrangements were raffled.

The evening raised £207, (which included a donation from Tania) towards N.V.C.A.

We hope her demonstration might have given several villagers some inspiration to try their artistic talents in their own homes this Christmas.







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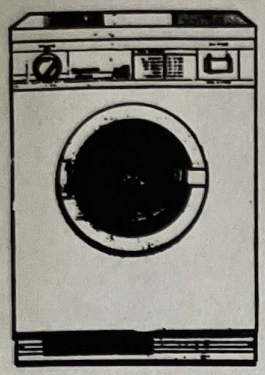
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VERDON IN BLOOM

I hope you all enjoyed the floral display in the village this year. By the time you read this, the baskets will have been taken down, repaired or replaced ready for next year. The elements certainly tested the strength of the hanging baskets , particularly those strong winds at the beginning of June.

In all, 96 baskets were on show around the village in 1991.

There were many favourable comments from the village, and also from visitors to our village.

We now look forward to the spring, as during the weekend of 26/27 October, believe it or not almost 10,000 daffodil bulbs were planted in all parts of the village where grass verges exist.

I hope you all enjoy them and help preserve them for everyone to see and admire.

I must say a big "thank you" to everyone on the Verdon in Bloom Committee, and also special thanks to everyone who gave up their time during the year with the watering, an arduous daily task requiring quite some physical effort; attending to the baskets and also those who planted the bulbs. I hope all those stiff backs are better now!

It cannot go without mentioning all those village people who so generously gave donations towards the floral displays, without which there would be no Verdon in Bloom, as we are totally independent.

I would also like to thank the Parish Council for their generous donation to Verdon in Bloom.

I feel now that we are well established, and hope Verdon in Bloom will continue to provide our village with flower baskets and planters for years to come.

Next year once again, you will be given the opportunity to show your appreciation by making a contribution toward the cost of the 1992 effort.

It is our village so let's keep it how we would like to see it.

Newbold Verdon is a village to be reckoned with as far as local interest in the environment is concerned.

Thank you all once again for any way in which you supported your village.

Roger Simmons
Chairman Verdon in Bloom Association.

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THE WINDMILL

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Landlord, Steve and his wife Sally, have obviously worked extreemly hard transforming the 'Mill', and I was told that there are more changes to come. So watch out for more news in the Verdon Views. The selection of beers is tremendous, being a 'free' house, guest beers will always be a big feature. At the time of my visit I noticed, Theakstone XB and Becks draught lager, to name but two. A wide range of Whiskys are also sold as are a good range of Low Alcohol drinks.

Steve and Sally spent 5 years running the 'Four Aces' bar in Torremolinos, Southern Spain, and a near by Disco. I did wonder why they came back to our cold climate. They both have family here, Sally being from Desford - there's no place like home!!



They have both bought back from Spain many ideas which we will hopefully see in the future - look out for Karaoke nights, which will obviously be very popular.

The 'Mill' will be open daily from 11am until 11pm, and will be serving cobs at lunchtimes. Sunday will be normal opening hours - closing at 3pm and re-opening in the evening.

Why not take a 'walk up', I'm sure you won't be dissapointed.

J.W.

THE WINDMILL

'Children in Need' were £340 better off, due to generous donations at a 'party night' held at the Windmill on Friday 22nd November. Steve & Sally would like to thank everyone who helped to make the night a brilliant success.

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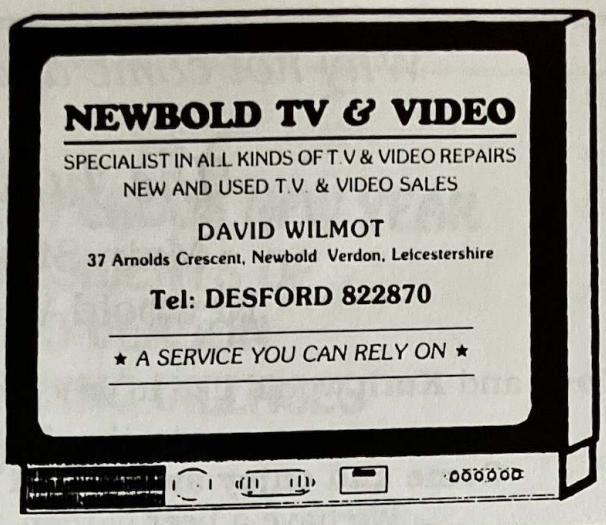
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THOUGHTS FOR CHRISTMAS

Kissing someone under the mistletoe is fun. But kissing them under the nose is better!

Does Father Christmas come down the chimney because it soots him?

Have you heard about the golfer who was given two pairs of trousers for christmas in case he got a hole in one?

A final thought.
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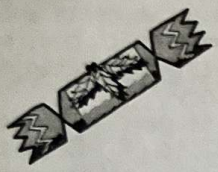
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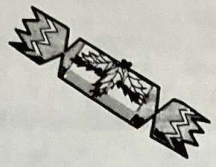
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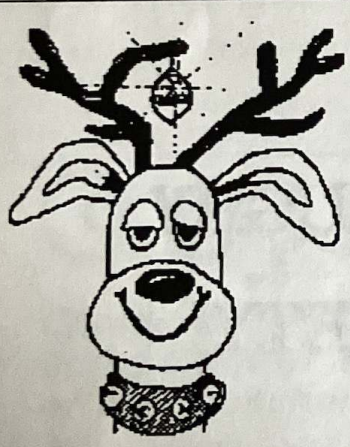
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The old postcards printed in our last issue certainly sparked off some response!
On the whole people found them most interesting, either reminding them of old Newbold, or sending them delving through old photos, or, as in many cases, showing those of us who have not lived here all our lives, a bit of the history of our village.
We are always pleased to have any of your old pictures if you would like them printing - and rest assured you will receive them safely back after their use!
Unhappily, not all the comments were quite so favourable, and we would like to remind our critics (usually heard through the grape-vine) that we are all amateurs!
We work full time, have families to look after, and are merely trying to give all the members of the village an opportunity to air their views, pass on news, congratulate each other and find out what is going on in Newbold Verdon.
We appreciate any comments- preferably positive naturally, but would like them in writing!! If you would rather not hand them to one of us, then hand them in to G.A. Services.
If you still do not know those of us responsible for Verdon Views then you do not read your copy from cover to cover! Shame on you!
Remember, everyone has a copy of this paper FREE - there are not many other villages that can boast this.
So thanks go to our advertisers for making this possible, and also to all of you for reading this. Please have a happy Christmas and get your copy ready for next year!

WOMEN PLUMBERS

A 'Women in Plumbing' Course, which started in September at Leicester South Fields College, has proved to be very popular. It is most encouraging to see women students entering what has, up to now, been generally considered male territory.
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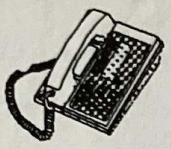
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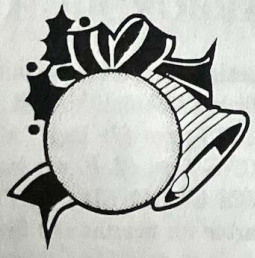
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Sat.	14th Dec.	10.30 - 3.30	Restaurant for Charity Methodist Schoolroom
Sun.	15th "	3.00	Christingle Service at St. James' Church
Fri.	20th "	8 - 12	Junior Football Club Disco.
Sun.	22nd "	10.30 6.00	Methodist:Children's Carol Serv. Candlelight Carol Service
"	" "	3.00	Baptist: Candlelight Service
"	" "	6.00	St. James' Carol Service
Tue.	24th "	7.30	Christmas Eve Communion Mr D. Voice
Wed.	25th "	10.00	Service at Methodist Church
"	" "	10.30	St. James' Parish Eucharist
Sun.	29th "	6.00	Evening Service: Mr D. Voice Baptist Church
1992 Wed.	1st Jan		"HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE" FROM THE VERDON VIEWS TEAM
Tue.	7th "	6.00 - 8.00	Table Tennis Club: 11 yrs onwards
Wed.	8th "	8.00	N.V.C.A. MONTHLY MEETING at the school- everyone welcome



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