VERDON Views

NEWBOLD VERDON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NEWSPAPER ISSUE 38

ED's SPOT

The Verdon Views has been produced and delivered for the past seven years at a bi-monthly interval.
The publication costs have been borne mainly by income from advertisements but recently some of our advertisers have withdrawn. Our fees are reasonable. We deliver to every house in Newbold Verdon. Villagers read our newspaper. If you would like to advertise and support your local Community, please contact a member of the team.

CHELTENHAM TRIP

In February, the Verdon Views Team spent a weekend together at the spa town of Cheltenham, which has varied and interesting architecture.
Pedimented columns rise from the pavement level right up to the roof tops. Regency terraces and crescents, with wrought iron balconies were numerous.

We visited the Regent Arcade with its arched glass roof to see the 45ft high Wishing Fish Clock - a work of fantasy designed by Kit Willians (the creator of Masquerade). Every half an hour, mice peep from the clock face and whilst a snake tries to catch them, the tune "I'm forever blowing bubbles" starts up, with onlookers being showered by bubbles, which emerge from the mouth of the huge fish, which is suspended beneath the clock. If you catch a bubble, you make a wish!

The Montpelier shopping centre was crowded and well worth a visit. Some fantastic bargains were purchased in the sales

Cheltenham is certainly worth a visit and the Cheltenham Park Hotel is highly recommended.

ANNIVERSARY DANCE

The Community Centre's 1st Anniversary Dance was held last month.
Over 120 people danced the night away to the music of the Fanfare Band Quartet and their singer Carol.

Old Time, Modern and Sequence dances kept everyone on their toes, with the dance floor crowded for nearly every dance. After a delightful supper at the interval, followed by a raffle, the dancing continued until midnight. To anyone interested, the Fanfare Band Quarter will be playing at our dance in September. Ring 822805 to reserve your tickets.

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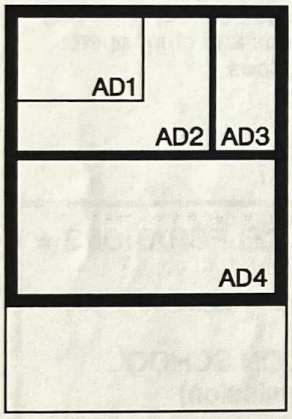
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This edition cost 20p per copy to produce. Cost are rising, so voluntary donations in our collection boxes are received with thanks.

LETTER OF THANKS

Gordon, Lorraine, Melissa & Jodie Close would like to thank all our friends of Newbold Verdon for giving their support in prayer, thought and kindness. We would like to thank everyone for their letters cards and gifts which were greatly appreciated and helped to get Jodie and ourselves through a difficult time. Jodie has made a remarkable recovery after having major surgery at Great Ormond Street Hospital. Thank you all for showing us that you care and uplifting us in our time of need.

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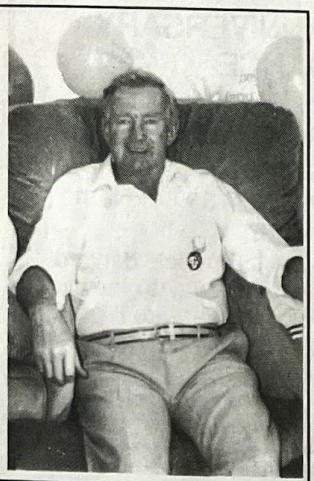
Well done Lesley Murphy (Spuddy) on making the big 40 on the 18th March, and getting the car. Love from all your friends and anyone who can get a word in.



DOUG DISBURY R.A.F.

Congratulations on receiving the Malta George Cross 1942-1992 Commemorative Medal for Heroism and Devotion.

With all our love, Iris, Lynne, Lionel, Dale, Glenn, Diz, Jacky, Ben, Andrew, Tim, Annette, Sam, Shaun, Choe John, Jacqui, and Ashley.



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SCOUT NEWS

The Scout Troop had a good year in 1993 and the start of 1994.

Three Scouts, Craig Boshier, Brynn Chappell and Tim Stretton gaining their Chief Scout Challenge and 2, Craig and Tim going on to gain their Chief Scout Award. In October the Troop came 2nd in the Rutland Golden Horseshoe Challenge, which consists of a weekend camping and activities like orienteering, incident night hike, obstacle course and canoeing, one team winning the obstacle course trophy. Other achievements over the year have been 2nd in The District Sports, 6th in District Camping Competition, 2nd in District First Aid, 7th in District Swimming Gala all out of the 20 Scout Troops in the district so a real achievement for all the scouts who took part. Scout activities over the year have included Cooking Competitions, Computer Nights, Air Rifle Shooting, Hobbies Night, Visit to Cropston Water Treatment Plant, Laser Quest, Roller Skating, Ten Pin Bowling, Pantomime and a fun day at Foxcoverts. New camping kit obtained during the year included a new mess tent, proved very useful on the Rutland Horseshoe, thank you committee. And with the help of some dads we a built camp benches and tables. Ten teams entered the annual Scout Night Hike from, Guide, Brownies, Youth Club, Cubs and Scouts. Everyone enjoyed getting muddy and we would like to thank all the helpers who made the night a great success. How about some adult teams entering next year. By the way some pioneering poles were lost in one of the farmers fields, so if you know the whereabouts of some 2 x 10ft and 4 x 6 ft poles could you let us know(they are expensive to replace). we are also in the process of repairing 5 canoes but still need paddles and life preservers, so if you know of any going, inform us first. We have lots planned for this year including the introduction of the Duke of Edinburgh Award to run parallel with the Scout Award scheme and our 3 leaders and instructor will be working flat out to help implement them, but help is always needed and anyone wishing to volunteer, as helper or leader, will be more than welcome. Thanks to all for their help over the year and to the village for its support at our fund raising events. Terry Oram Scout Leader.

SCHOOL NEWS

A very busy term ended with all the Year 5 and Year 6 children visiting Cropston Education Centre.

There were three separate day visits. Everyone walked over tow miles around Cropston Reservoir in the morning. After lunch, we split into four groups and did compass work at the top of the tower (up 160 steps), examined a square metre of ground in detail, explored the outside of the building; prepared wall tile rubbings. The school mixed hockey team played well against Stoney Stanton. Graeme Morgan and Alan Morgan showed a lot of skill and control.

Four children Annika Wilmot, Kirstie Looms, Hannah Crawley and James Trotman represented the Hinckley Area in the Country Cross County Running Championships at Burbage Common. This was a result of them all running consistently well at the monthly meetings.

Keith Potter.

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The proposed plans for the Windmill have now been passed. The extension for the Restaurant will be started as soon as possible. At the moment, live entertainment is happening every Wednesday night with some brilliant duo's and trio's performing all kinds of music, i.e. rock 'n' roll, 70's, 80's, and up to date 90's music. In May alone, we have 'First Kiss' lined up for you along with the fantastic duo 'The Johnson Brothers' on May 18th, a night not to be missed! The fabulous ' Otty ' will be at the Mill Friday 27th May performing some fantastic 60's music, a brilliant night to look forward to. All forthcoming events will be advertised in C.J.'s window and the garage. The regular Sunday night disco is still extremely lively! Coy the DJ plays all types of music to suit everyones taste. The ' 69 ' club has taken off well with locals winning up to ú250 each month. The draw takes place the first Sunday of each month and costs ú5 to enter. Anyone wishing to participate should let us know. Summer this year will hopefully see ' live ' outside entertainment and Bar-B-Q's, weather permitting keep your eyes peeled for more information. Don't forget the Mill opens at 5p.m. Monday to Thursday, 12 noon to 11p.m. Friday and Saturday with Sunday hours as usual. So why not come along after a hard days work? Pedigree is now on sale and selling very well along with Theakston's xb and Best. We also have now have Carlsberg Export as well as McEwans. We have something to suit everyones taste. The beer garden is now open for you all to enjoy the warm weather that hopefully we shall be having very soon!

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Dear Editor,

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John Degrange, 26, Laburnum Avenue, Newbold Verdon.

P.S. Mind you don't step in the chewing gum around the video rental shop!

Ed. We do not publish anonymous letters. We cannot publish the names and address of letter writers without the writers permission. Some letters might annoy people and while everyone has a right to express an opinion, others might not respect that right. The teams view is that the village should be treated as you would treat your own home, with respect.

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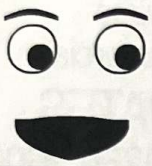
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W.I. NEWS

W. I. The March meeting of N.V.W.I. was very well attended we hope this trend will continue, visitors and new members are always very welcome.

Our speaker was Fiona Power , a reflexologist who gave us a very interesting talk on the history and origins of this ancient treatment which is a form of foot compression massage. Several ladies were invited to try the reflexology while Fiona explained which part of the body would benefit from the area of the foot she was massaging. The members have also celebrated the Institute's 59th year with a very relaxing and enjoyable meal at Sutton Cheney. Next on the agenda is a skittles evening at the Swan on the 22nd March followed on the 23rd by the annual general meeting at the Granby Halls. Our April meeting will be on the 11th and posters will give full details. Also in April we shall be going to Harrogate Flower Show , Royal Doulton pottery and Shugborough Hall, so plenty going on. Information can always be had from our press secretaries- Hazel on 822766, or Sylvia on 823354.

CO-OP GUILD

We give a warm invite to any lady wishing to join us - every Thursday, 7.30 p.m. at Miners Institute. We have a varied programme and cater for all tastes. Give us a try,Please!

BAPTIST CHURCH

Ladies Bright Hour is held alternate weeks from 2.30pm

Speaker on April 13th, Rev H Sutton. April 27th is an open meeting. May 11th is our annual Rally at 3.00pm the Speaker this year will be Rev S Webb with soloist Mr W Walmsey on guitar and singing by our ladies. A warm welcome to all.

Drop In Centre. Every Thursday morning at 10am. to 11am. we hold a coffee morning, "Drop In" and have a cup of coffee and a biscuit with the ladies. You will be made very welcome.

Evergreen The Evergreen is a group of senior citizens who meet at the Baptist Chapel on a Tuesday at 2.30pm. twice a month. We start with a prayer and then we have a cup of tea and a biscuit. We chat among ourselves and then have a game of bingo playing for a small prize. We do have a small bring and buy sale. After that we finish with a prayer and then make our way home. We are a self supporting group and everyone does their best towards running the club.

Baptist Church Services for May and June

May 1st Family Service Mr D Voice 10:30am
May 8th Evening Service Mr D Voice 6:00pm
May 15th Evening Service Mr K Woodward 6:00pm
May 22nd Christian Weekend
May 29th Evening Service Mr D Voice 6:00pm
June 5th Sunday Club Celebration 3:00pm
June 12th Evening Service Mr D Voice 6:00pm
June 19th Evening Service Mr D Voice 6:00pm
June 26th Evening Service Mr D Copeland 6:00pm

N.V. COUNCIL OF CHURCHES UNITED SUMMER SERVICES

This year's united summer holiday services will be held as follows:
3rd July The Anglican Church of St James
10th July The Baptist Church
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Originally a wooden structure it was damaged by fire in the late 1950's and was replaced by a brick built hall. Since then it has been extended and refurbished twice, the latest update is now nearing completion. In addition to the main hall which seats up to 80 , complete with modern lighting, sound system, loop system for the hard of hearing and full central heating, there is a library and the usual facilities with vanity units H&C etc. The meetings held at Kingdom Hall are all open to the public. They include meetings which train in the use of the Bible, in public speaking, proper decorum in meeting people of other faiths including Asian, Oriental and Caribbean faiths. Faith strengthening discussions on the history of the Bible, Bible writers , geography of the promised land, history of the world powers from Ancient Egypt to modern Anglo American, League of Nations and United Nations. World events in the light of Bible prophecy are regularly examined and much encouragement is gained as we see the fulfilment of what was written centuries ago. Many translations of the Bible are used including the well known King James' version . Many of the meetings are designed to help cope with our modern world - A Godly view of sex and marriage. Why live by Bible standards? Gaining comfort in all our tribulations, Family life that warms the heart, respect for authority is a safeguard for you. These are just a small sample of the subjects examined. This is just one of the 73,070 Kingdom Halls scattered earth wide in 231 countries, including the USSR. You are warmly invited to attend any meeting at the Kingdom Hall, Thursday at 7.15 and 8.15pm or Sunday at 10.00am. Average attendance varies from 30 to 40 , the peak being 73 at a recent weekend. There are no collections and everything is supported by voluntary contributions. All this and much more is done to promote the Worship of one true God, John Ch.17,v.3.

A POEM

We praise Thy name O Father,
For the beauty of the Springtime,
And the Summer.
The Glory of the sky,
By day and night,
The helpful wind
And quickening rain
We thank Thee for the bloom
And fragrance of the flowers
The songs of happy birds,
The joyousness of every living thing.

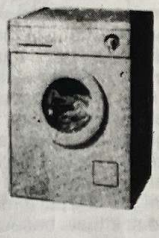
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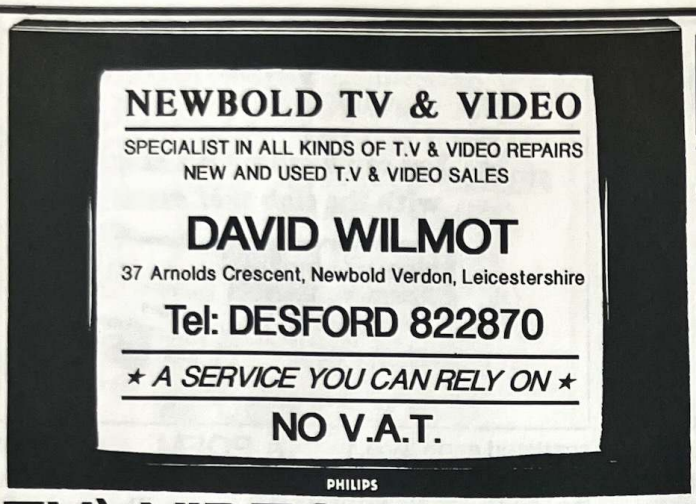


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We have been working hard living up to our reputation for featuring "The best bands in the land". January, The Eagle Jazz band was from the Birmingham area; March, The Savannah Jazz band were from the Huddersfield area, and this month (April) Roger Mark's Jazz band travelled up from Plymouth.

Beginning on Friday May 6th, we start a three months' season of bands with female jazz singers, firstly, featuring Denise Lawrence and Storeyville Tickle, who are based in the Reading area. The band has been together for ten years, and have released ten recordings in their own right, their style ranges from ragtime and boogie woogie, to the blues. A majority of their material is drawn from the Gospel music, hymns and spirituals based on the tradition of New Orleans' Jazz.

Denise Lawrence has won much acclaim as a singer in the jazz world, and her name now appears in the national jazz awards. Early this year she won best vocalist in "Jazzin' around the U.K. - Musician Award". Tony Lawrence co-leader and husband won the coveted "best pianist award".

Although Friday June 3rd will be a special night with a guest appearance from singer Marilyn Middleton-Pollock from Chicago, it also features the return to Newbold Verdon of Bob Oliver's Hot Seven. A near local band based in the Midlands, they have burst onto the national scene, (we like to believe) after an appearance here in 1992. We understand they have been invited to play at Nothing the Edinburgh Festival. Their authentic vintage American jazz sound has brought them rave reviews and rebookings at major jazz clubs and festivals throughout Great Britain. "Nothing less than stupendous ", was how top entertainer Billy Connolly described Marilyn in live performance. The Glasgow Herald said, "A voice like a Brillo pad dunked in



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honey".
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She has a unique flair for capturing, without imitation, the sound and passion of the classic singers of Jazz and Blues - Bessie Smith, Ma Rainey, Sophie Tucker and many others.
July 1st, another return visit by Phil Mason's New Orleans All Stars with Colin Bowden, and special guest, coloured singer Christine Tyrell.
The band comprises the to jazz musicians from throughout the U.K. and are without doubt the most spirited and exciting band that has played at Newbold Verdon during our four years' history. must if you want to hear the very best in Europe and probably the world, at the moment.
Finally, a visitor, who had recently returned from New Orleans, said that the bands he heard whilst in New Orleans, did not live up to the consistent quality of those appearing at Newbold Verdon Working Men's Club. We certainly like to think that they are correct. If you want to find out more about the club please give me a ring on 822676.
John Ryde.

N.V. JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Newbold Verdon Junior Football Club is in URGENT need of a social secretary to help organise the social and fundraising events for the club.

For further information contact either Jan Barwood 290729 or Chris King 291802

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GARDEN SPOT

About now, most of you will be looking at the half hardy bedding plant displays that seem to arrive earlier and earlier.

Most are on show well before it's safe to plant out. Unless you have somewhere frost free until late May-early June don't be tempted. If you have large areas to fill with half hardys, you may like to think about using a few well chosen perennials to cut down on time, cost and copious watering.

The occasional group of non-flowering plants such as ornamental grasses break up the busy colours of half hardys and creates pleasing pockets of colour instead. Grasses such as Carex Norrowii'evergold a variegated yellow-green (similar to the Spider plant), this will make a low clump and stay on show all Winter.

Bellis Perennis hybrids (the daisy family) have a range of blooms from delicate pom-poms to large 2" flowers, in colours from white through pink to deep red. These colour plus mauve can be had from Armeria hybrids (thrift), the flowers last well, even after the first frosts, and the clumps of leaves stay green all Winter. Plants like these(- clump forming, non-invasive and low growing) in-filled with half hardys and the occasional tall 'dot' plant will give a very pleasing display and has a bonus of a Winter-Spring framework for in-filling with Winter flowering pansies, primulas and wallflowers. A similar practise can be done with tubs and hanging baskets.

Have a tub or two planted up with a variegated ivy (trim over each Spring) add Lobelia and a central Fuschia, I also add early flowering bulbs, such as Iris reticulata (Feb). A handful of slow release fertiliser and the occasional folia feed keep all in good shape. Again winter flowering pansies can replace the lobelia for year round colour. As a last thought have you seen the hanging baskets filled with sempervivum (house leek)? Not only is it very unusual but it copes with Summer neglect. Happy gardening Marion Negus.

VERA DEACON A LOVELY LADY.

It was with great sadness that we heard of the death of Vera Deacon on 2nd.April.

Many people will remember her from the baby clinic at the Methodist Church rooms, where she weighed babies for about 25 years.

She was a life-long member of the Methodist Church, and was always present at their various functions.

Vera took a keen interest in the Barlestone Band, as her late husband, Edgar, was the conductor.

She was a school dinner lady for a considerable time.

Vera always had time to listen to other people's problems - her friends were always made welcome and she will be sadly missed by many people in the village.



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Baby Jack arrived just in time for the final performance of the play on Saturday!
Sorry you weren't there to see the show Jo!!

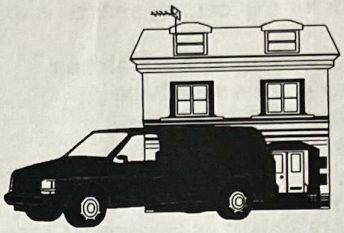
Congratulations too, go to the proud Westaby and Hitchman Grandparents.
Love from your friends in the Verdon Players.

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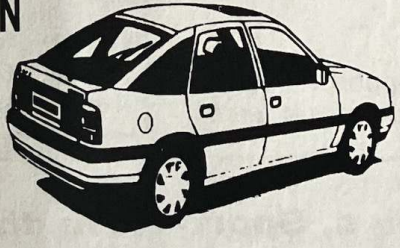
With love from all the family.



NEWS FROM THE HEATH

Following our Autumn planting activities colour has arrived with Spring.
For which we would like to thank Pauline and John Finney who donated many of the bulbs in memory of the grandchildren.
As previously mentioned, we organised a trip to a pantomime the venue being the Phoenix Theatre in Leicester to see The Fire Dragon. The water of the bar were sampled followed by an impromptu party at a neighbours house with more beverage, cheese, biscuits and pickled onions. Following the success of this event a visit to the capital is envisaged, a treasure hunt and a children's day out during the coming months and no doubt eating and drinking. Enjoy your Summer.
John R.

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N.V. CRICKET CLUB

Newbold Verdon Cricket Club begin their home competitive matches on the fourth of May when the Under 17's host Burbage, so come along and support your local team. With a 1st XI, 2nd XI, U17, U15 and U13's team, the club is hoping for a summer full of runs, wickets, catches and fine weather. Great optimism for this coming season is expected.

N.V.C.C. Seasons Home Matches
Wed May 4 U17 vs Burbage
Thurs May 5 U13 vs Barwell
Sat May 7 1st XI vs Burbage
Sat May 14 2nd XI vs Hinckley Wharf
Sun May 15 U15 vs Lutterworth
Thurs May 19 U13 vs Swallows Green
Sat May 21 1st XI vs Earl Shilton
Sat May 28 2nd XI vs Thurlaston
Thurs June 2 U13 vs Ashby Rd Sports
Sat June 4 2nd XI vs Birch Coppice
Sun June 5 U15 vs Hinckley Amateurs
Sat June 11 1st XI vs St. Peter's Co-op
Sun June 12 U15 vs Mkt Bosworth
Thurs June 15 U17 vs Earl Shilton
Sat June 18 2nd XI vs Makers Edge
Thurs June 23 U13 vs Stapleton
Sat June 25 1st XI vs Hinckley Amateurs
Sun June 26 U15 vs Barwell
Thurs June 29 U17 vs Clarendon Nomads
Sat July 2 2nd XI vs Sapcote
Thurs July 6 U17 vs Hinckley Town
Sat July 9 2nd XI vs Kirby Mallory
Sun July 10 U15 vs Clarendon Nomads
Sat July 16 1st XI vs Newbold on Avon
Sat July 23 2nd XI vs Barwell
Sat July 30 1st XI vs Badby
Sun July 31 U15 vs Hinckley Town
Thurs Aug 3 U17 vs Barwell
Sat Aug 6 1st XI vs South Wigston
Sat Aug 13 2nd XI vs Stapleton
Sat Aug 20 1st XI vs Stapleton
Sat Aug 27 2nd XI vs Bedworth
Sat Sept 3 1st XI vs Whetstone

Remember, we need your support. Please come along, this is your village cricket team.

DIARY OF EVENTS

27th April	Baptist Church Open Meeting
27th April	Newbold Verdon Scout A.G.M. at Scout Hut
1st May	10.30 Baptist Family Service
5th May	Co-op Guild "Take A Closer Look":Mr Goldsmith
6th May	Newbold Verdon Jazz Club at N.V.W.M.Club.
8th May	6p.m. Baptist Evening Service
11th May	3p.m. Baptist Annual Rally
12th May	Co-op Guild Universal Prize Bingo
15th May	6p.m. Baptist Evening Service
18th May	"The Johnson Brothers" live at the Windmill
19th May	Co-op Guild Visit to the Ratae Players in Leicester
22nd May	10a.m. - 2 p.m. ★★N.V.C.A. CAR BOOT SALE★★N.V. SCHOOL
21st & 22nd May	"Newbold on Fire" at Newbold Verdon School
22nd May	Baptist Christian Weekend
26th May	Co-op Guild to entertain "Over 60's of the village"
27th May	"Otty" live at the Windmill
28th May	8p.m. Barn Dance "Sport in Desford" at Newbold Verdon School
3rd June	Newbold Verdon Jazz Club at N.V.W.M. Club
5th June	10a.m. - 4p.m. Newbold Verdon Club Gala Day at Newbold Verdon School
5th June	Baptist Sunday Club Celebration
11th June	7p.m. Newbold Verdon Football Club Presentation Evening at Newbold Verdon School
12th June	6p.m. Baptist Evening Service
12th June	Scout Group Treasure Hunt
18th June	District Scout Sport's Day at Newbold Verdon School
19th June	6p.m. Baptist Evening Service
26th June	6p.m. Baptist Evening Service
1st July	Newbold Verdon Jazz Club at N.V.W.M. Club

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