VERDON Views

NEWBOLD VERDON COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER ISSUE NO 50

MERRY CHRISTMAS

EDS SPOT

This is our 50th edition of Verdon Views. We hope you enjoy reading it.

Our main aim over the years has been to provide information on what's happening in our village: local events, birthdays, celebrations etc.

To carry on in this theme we must have your support, so keep on sending in your articles, dates, information.

Remember we provide you with access to every home in Newbold Verdon. In most cases free of charge.

How about a New Year's resolution to write an article for Verdon Views.

May I on behalf of the Verdon Views team wish all our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and thanks all our regular 'reporters' and advertisers for their valued support.



CONGRATULATIONS TO NORA AND JACK HILL ON THEIR DIAMOND WEDDING ON 7 NOV. MUCH LOVE FROM ALL THE FAMILY

ANTONY

CONGRATULATIONS ON GAINING YOUR GREEN BERET INTO THE ROYAL MARINES ON 27 SEPTEMBER. GOOD LUCK IN SCOTLAND

LOVE

MUM, DAD AND MICHELL



THANK YOU

May Arthur's friends and neighbours living in Jubilee Court, say a big "THANK YOU" to his family for inviting us to share with them in celebrating their father's 80th birthday and making it a special day, we will all remember.

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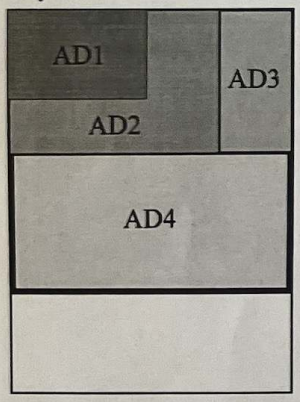
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BAPTIST CHURCH

Come and share with us as we celebrate the Saviours Birth. Sunday 22 December 4 p.m.
Carols by Candle Light. Special musical items and readings conducted by the Minister, followed by refreshments.
Christmas Day 10 a.m. United service with the Methodist at the Baptist Chapel. Conducted by Malcolm Cooke.

May we keep and ponder in our mind
Noel's wondrous love in saving lost mankind
Grace we the babe who hath retrieved our loss
From his poor manger to his bitter cross
Tread in his steps, assisted by his grace
Till man's first heavenly state again takes place.

ST JAMES' CHURCH - SUMMER EVENTS

Youth Camp in the Lake District - This took place during the school half term. Many thanks to David Fox who organised and led it and to his assistants: Graham Fisher, Keith Halford, Helen Fox and Andrew Johnson.
St. James' Day 25 July - This year we were the hosts and the people from the other St. James' Churches in the Deanery were invited. We had a splendid Eucharist with Choir, Servers and Gospel procession and 64 communicants. An inspiring sermon was preached by the Very Reverend Derek Hole, Provost of Leicester, and one-time vicar of the largest St James' in the Leicester Diocese
Garden Fete - Again we were fortunate with the weather, not as hot as last year, but fine and sunny. We had the usual range of stalls and games with a few extra attractions: - Balloon Race, Fancy Dress, face painting and children's games. Everyone worked very hard to make the event a success and we would like to thank all those people who helped.
Bike Event - This year the event at Mallory Park was a great success with 22 taking part. The riders ranged in age from 7 to over 60. Andrew Johnson completed 36 laps and mention should also be made of David Warner who rode 20 laps and 7 year old Daniel Bell who managed 17 laps on a small bike.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

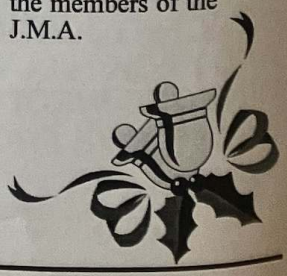
In the Church Hall Sat 14 December 7 p.m. for 7:30 p.m. Carol Singing led by the Church Choir.. Soloist Helen Fox.
Tickets Adults £8 School children £3. Available from Eileen's 21 Cadle Street, Newbold Verdon. Newsagents, Main Street or from any P.C.C. member.

NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

In the Church Hall from 7:30 p.m. onwards. (Bar Licence being applied for.) Cold meat carvery buffet.
Dancing for all tastes. Children's Party Games with prizes.
Tickets adults £4 School children £2. Available from Eileen's 21 Cadle Street, Mr R de Casembroot The Old Rectory Tel 8822832, Mrs P Lane, 1 Barbara Ave, Tel 823590, Mr A Mensley 67 Mill Lane, Tel 824590, Mrs A Pope, 117 Arnolds Crescent, Tel 822850, Mr D Warner, 149 Main Street, Tel 823546
To conclude, why don't you come and join us at 10:30 am each Sunday? Perhaps you don't realise that this is a well attended service for families and single people, young and old, where the confirmed can receive communion and the unconfirmed can come up for a blessing, if they wish.

METHODIST NEWS

In September, the J.M.A. Service at the Methodist Church was held to award medals to the young collectors. Many youngsters have been collecting money for the Missionary Association for several years. Barbara Howarth awarded the medals and congratulated the members of the J.M.A.



NEWBOLD VERDON PRIMARY SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

SPRING TERM 1997 - week commencing Monday 13th January 1997 for eight weeks. If course is less than eight weeks, please enquire about dates.

All enquiries 01455 822362

ENROLMENT NIGHT JANUARY 9TH 1997

7.30 pm - 9.00 pm

MONDAY

Brownies Bev Ewen	5.45 pm -7.15 pm 80p per session
Guides Diane Preston	7.30 pm - 9.00 pm 80p per session
Creative Textiles Lyn McDermott	7.30 pm - 9.00 pm £24 per eight weeks
Calligraphy Lesley Atherley	7.30 pm - 9.00 pm £24 per eight weeks
Winemaking Eddie Kitney	7.30 pm - 9.30 pm £12 per seven weeks
Mens Keep Fit Simon Morgan	9.00 pm - 10.00pm £6 per term

TUESDAY

Parent Craft	10 .00 am - 12.00 noon
Pre School Activities Sally Tuckwell	1.30 pm - 3.00 pm £1.80 per session
Flower Arranging Yvonne Barker	7.30 pm - 9.00 pm £12 per four weeks
Decoupage Sally Tuckwell	7.30 pm - 9.00 pm £24 per eight weeks
Natural Healing Val Barnes	7.30 pm - 9.30 pm £21.60 per 6 weeks
Verdon Players Ruth Jordan	8.00 pm - 10.00 pm 50p per session

WEDNESDAY

Senior Youth Club Kathy Gear	7.45 pm - 9.45 pm 70p per session
St Johns's Ambulance Mick Mason	7.00 pm - 8.00 pm children 30p per session adults £1 per session

THURSDAY

Pre School Activities Sally Tuckwell	1.30 pm - 3.00 pm £1.80 per session
Weight Watchers Charlotte Hughes	7.00 pm - 8.00 pm £9 registration £3.95 per meeting
Sugarcraft Flowers Marianne Perks	7.30 pm - 9.30 pm £28.80 per 8 weeks
Social Dance Club John Croasdale	8.00 pm - 10.00 pm £1 per session

Reductions in fees available to those on benefit, older adults and children under 16 yrs.
PLEASE CHECK BEFORE PAYING.

FRIDAY

Parchment Pauline Loweth	7.30 pm - 9.30 pm £28.80 per eight weeks
Sequence Dance Club[monthly] Edie Jackson	7.00 pm - 11.00 pm 50p per session
Aerobics Julie Beard	6.00 pm - 7.00 pm £10 per five sessions
Painting and Drawing Mel Holyoake	7.30 pm - 9.30 pm £28.80 per eight weeks







Over 80 people enjoyed the evening, either listening or dancing to the music of "Pete & Dave".
Glenis & Phil Kiteley, Western Line Dance Leaders at Stoke Golding on Sunday evenings, led the line dancing, whilst Rock & Roll enthusiasts joined in to enjoy the beat of the 60's.
The chip supper at the interval, gave everyone second wind to carry on dancing to the guitar music, with a very lively beat, and joining in with the lyrics of The Beatles, The Stones, etc.
Watch the public notice boards around the village for news of N.V.C.A.'s 10th Anniversary 60's and Country Night at the beginning of March, when **"KINDA COUNTRY"** will be entertaining us.



FAMILY CHRISTMAS

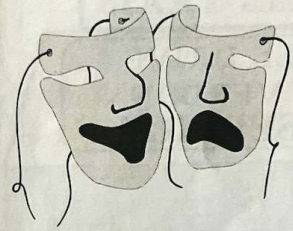
This event will take place on Saturday 14th December at 8 pm, at the Community Centre.
As in previous years the evening will consist of varied entertainment and a light supper. The cost will be £5 and as before the proceeds will be given to a charity - that has to be decided.
The evening has been organised by two village youngsters and we hope it will be well supported.

MINDLESS IDIOTS

I would like to express my disgust for those Mindless Idiots, who have damaged the floodlighting attached to the pavilion roof on the Alan's Way Playing Field. Not only have they inconvenienced the Sporting Organisations, who use them, but the community in general.
The lights, as well as being available for the Football and Cricket clubs to train by, are used to illuminate the car park for meetings held by the various groups in the village.
For my part, they have ruined the pleasure of 7 to 9 year olds, who turn up for football practice once per week, weather permitting, during the winter evenings. These youngsters, some of whom could be relatives of the perpetrators, look forward to their hour of football. but have now been denied by the idiotic actions of these people.
The damage caused by whatever means, golf ball, air rifle or stones, smashing the lights and the cable also being ripped, is not only stupid but highly dangerous, (but I am sure they know that).
The people responsible for this act are usually the one's who complain about the lack of facilities in the villager, No-one can really blame the authorities for thinking twice about providing such facilities if this is how they are treated.
It would be encouraging to think that perhaps the energies of this minority group could be channelled into something more constructive for their own benefit and that of the community.

BEWARE

A man's Townsend mountain bike was stolen from outside the Video shop. The owner was inside the shop for minutes - while the thief picked up the bike and rode off.
Let this be a warning to Newbold Verdon residents - Is nothing safe?



VERDON PLAYERS

Apologies to all our supporters for the cancellation of our last play.
This was due to unforeseen circumstances and was unavoidable.
Never fear!- Our next production will go ahead at Easter (all being well!!).

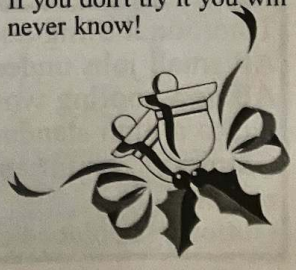
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This is an exciting and unique class which started very successfully last term and was enjoyed by all who attended, in fact we extended the 6 week course to 10 weeks upon the request of the students.
This course will run again in January 97 and we would like to welcome more new people to join us, young and old, male and female.
Come and learn how to see life in full colour not in Black an White.
Valerie will take away the mystery that surrounds healing and explain just how natural, gentle and effective it can be in promoting a sense of well being and happiness.
If you don't try it you will never know!



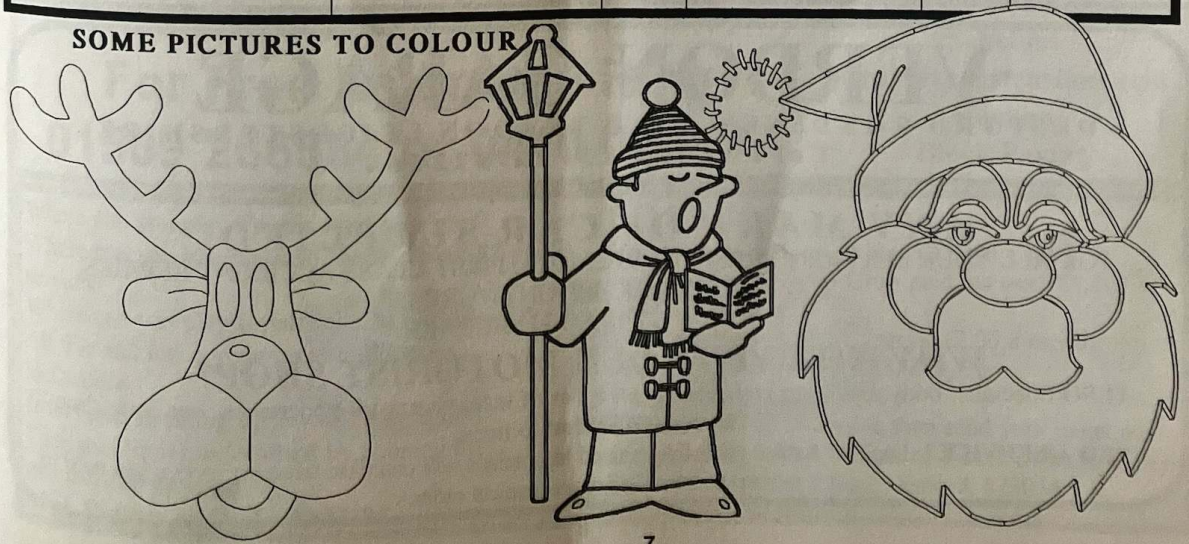
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear VV 10/11/96

After living in the village for 20 years and attending the service at the Cenotaph for many of those, I was prompted to write to you after a friend enquired why our service takes place at 11:30 as opposed to 11:00 everywhere else in the country! I confess I have always found this some what irritating, but have taken it for granted. She, however, assumed as she went to the Cenotaph at 11:00 am, only to find it deserted. I also heard several rumblings about the traffic which was allowed to pass freely as the service took place. Surely in past years, the police have contained the small area by diverting it, or asking cars to wait. There seemed little point in the existence of the police this morning! Sorry to moan on such a lovely morning. JBJ



SOME PICTURES TO COLOUR





NEWBOLD VERDON CRICKET CLUB

A few observations put to paper on the Cricket Season in Newbold Verdon to date.

The village club has 2 teams that play in the South Leicestershire Cricket League. The League has been restructured this season with the admittance of several new clubs. The Newbold 1st team play in Division A with 19 other teams. The 2nd team play in Division B with 18 other teams.

The 1st team had great hopes at the start of the season of winning the division and getting automatic promotion to the Premier Division for 1997. They started off well and were soon in the top 4 until the middle of June, however, they have not been able to sustain the pace and are now just in the top half of the table. This has been mainly due to injuries and holidays. The injury to John Negus was quite serious and it is good to see him now playing again. All the 1st team would agree with me that no one in the team has been more consistent all season

I can quite confidently say the 2nd team has been more consistent, losing nearly all their matches with the exception of when our opponents have cried off. The 2nd team has won one match in the local derby against Kirkby Mallory. It is great credit to Roger Norton (The Skip) and Chris French (The Organiser) that the 2nd team have kept going all season. It is encouraging to see local youngsters playing in the 2nd team. These youngster include. Adam Wykes, Steve and Matthew Smith and Paul Bateman, who have not only got stuck in on the cricket field but also into the excellent teas provided by Violet and Gill.

The 1st and 2nd team both entered their respective Cup Competitions in the South Leicester League, only for both to be knocked out at the Semi Final stage. The 1st team lost to the then Premier Division League leaders Blaby, in an excellent semi-final.

The South Leicestershire League in their Centenary Season honoured Newbold Verdon Cricket Club by asking them to stage the annual South Leicestershire League v North Leicestershire League fixture in July. This was won by the South Leicestershire League. The league were impressed with the clubs facilities and also the excellent lunch and tea provided by Violet and Gillian Bell. The clubs very own "Postman Pat" Lyndon Hextal was selected to play for the South Leicestershire League side. This is a great honour for the club and well done to Lyndon for being selected.

The Club also run 3 Junior sides U17's, U15's and U13's. The U15's and U13's consist mainly of youngsters living in the village.

The U17's had a disappointing season, losing all their league games, but again a word of thanks to Barry Weston who took the Managers job on at the last minute. The main contributions have come from Huw Davis with the bat and Luke Weston with the ball.

The U15's had a reasonable season winning as many matches as they lost. Probably the most improved player of the season was Paul Jones who opened the bowling. A notable performance came from Mitchel Smith who took 2 wickets with the first two balls being bowled and just missed out on a hat trick in an early seasons game. Again a special word of thanks should go to Alan Smith who ran the side.

The U13's had the best record of all the junior sides coming third in the league and losing in the quarter finals of the cup. There were notable performances in the season with Adam Wykes batting and Alan Hodgkinson and Graham Morgan performing well with the ball. Also two of the younger players Robert Cairns and Paul Bateman played well amongst the older players. The running of the U13's was organised by Neal Bateman and Huw Davis who both took the job on at a late stage and it is great credit to them for the interest and enthusiasm they created amongst the youngsters. It would seem that with commitments for 1997, Neal (Football) and Huw (University) neither will be available to run the U13's next season, the club will be looking for volunteers to run the team next season.

As the few regulars know we perform on a Saturday afternoon at Senior Level, on the Alan's Way playing fields. The games are usually entertaining and usually a cup of tea is provided for the regulars. We would welcome your support next season, not only to watch, but also if you would like to play cricket.



SCOUT GALA DAY

A beautiful sunny day once again graced the 1st Newbold Verdon Scout Group Gala Day held in the lovely surroundings of the moat area at Hall Farm by kind permission of Mr & Mrs Tony Milner.

The parade of floats proceeding the afternoon events was won by Chatterbox with the Brownies winning the walking section. The theme for this year was festivals of the years. As usual a great deal of time, effort and thought was put into each entry making the judges decision even more difficult this year. Thanks to Derek and Margaret Williams for undertaking the challenge for us.

For the first time in many years two Gala Princesses were in attendance to assist the judges with presenting prizes etc. Grateful thanks to Floral Creations, Main Street, for kindly donating the lovely posies carried by the Princesses.

Among the arena events the tug-of-war competition was again won by Desford Tubes and the it's a Knockout competition by a team of Scout Group leaders, very well done, the boys were all proud of you.

The profit from this year's Gala, over £1500, will be used to purchase new camping equipment ready for next year's camps and maintenance of the Scout Hut.

Gala Day 1997 is 16 August, make a note in next year's diary, once again at Hall Farm.

A very big thank you to everyone who supported the 1st Newbold Scout Group during 1996, especially with raising the funds to purchase the mini-bus.

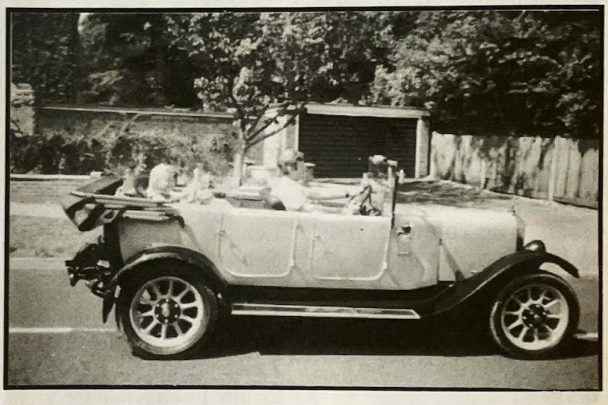
The Leaders, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Venture Scouts and Committee wish the villagers a Very Happy Christmas and New Year

DIARY OF EVENTS

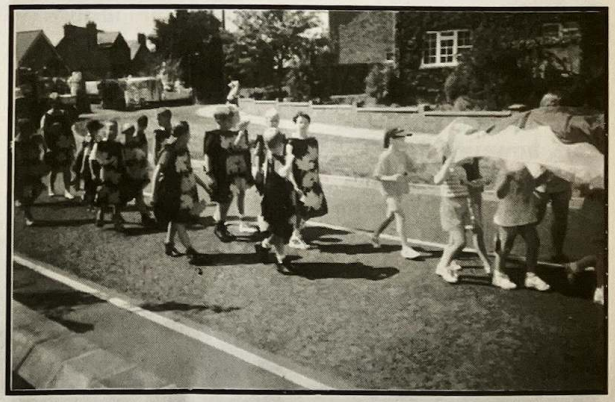
Tue	3	Dec	Carols and Reading, items by the Ladies Choir	7:30 pm	Methodist Church
Fri	6	Dec	Flower Arranging, Tania Sharp	8:30 pm	N.V. Primary School & Community Centre
Sat	7	Dec	Scout Christmas Fayre	10 am - 12 noon	Scout Hut
Sat	14	Dec	Family Christmas	8 pm	N.V. Primary School & Community Centre
Tue	17	Dec	Scout Christmas Carol Service Collection fo Rainbow Hospice. Tea/Coffee, mince pies will be served. All welcome	7:30 pm	Scout Hut
Wed	18 - 19	Dec	Scout and Mk Bosworth Rotary Club Santa Sleigh Ride around village	7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Around Village
Wed	18	Dec	Carols for Christmas with NVCA	Look out for posters	Around the Village
Sun	22	Dec	Carol Service	6:00 pm	St James' Church
Sun	22	Dec	Carols by Candle Light	4:00 pm	Baptist Chapel
Tue	24	Dec	Midnight Mass	11:30 pm	St James' Church
Wed	25	Dec	United Services with Methodists	10:00 am	Baptist Chapel
Wed	25	Dec	Parish Eucharist	10:30 am	St James' Church
Tue	31	Dec	Scout Family Barn Dance. Tickets from A Colledge 822714		N.V. Primary School & Community Centre
Sun	19	Jan	Service for Christian Unity	7:30 pm	St James' Church
Thu	23	Jan	Prayer for Christian Unity	7:30 pm	St James' Church
Sat	15	Feb	Valentines Dance		N.V. Primary School & Community Centre
Sat	8	Mar	60's and Country to live group "Kinda Country" NVCA 10th anniversary		N.V. Primary School & Community Centre

To remind you of warmer times some photos of Gala Day









Wishing all the readers of Verdon Views a Very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year

from **The Hinckley Times**