

HARWELL NEWS

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HARWELL VILLAGE HALL

The Talent Auction and Christmas Raffle held in the Village Hall in December last was an immense success. The Raffle raised £416 and the Talent Auction £1116, greatly augmenting the Hall Funds. Apart, however from the monetary benefits, the evening was a very enjoyable occasion in the life of the village. The banter and good feeling stimulated by our auctioneer Mr. Tom Taylor was a light hearted start to the Christmas season and it was obvious that people were enjoying themselves. Now that we have tried out this method of fund-raising, we must try to arrange an even better evening next time and we hope that those who missed our first such evening will join us in our next. The Management Committee would like to thank the many people whose efforts made the event such a success, and hopes it can rely on their goodwill in the future.

On a more serious note, the Committee has been disturbed by a recurrence of vandalism at the Hall. The safety lights required by law at the exits have been pulled down, which is both wrong and dangerous. The Village Hall belongs to us all and it is very foolish to damage our own property.

The next meeting of the Management Committee will take place at 7.30pm. on March 12th., in the hall. Anyone in the Village is welcome to attend.

Saturday, 16th. March, 1991. Village Hall 10.30am - 4pm. FLEA MARKET. Admission 20p. Further details from Sheila Davidson (Abingdon 835655/Gwyneth Lee (Abingdon 835449).

HARWELL FEAST COMMITTEE

Valentines Dance. 16th. Feb. 8 - 12pm. Harwell Village Hall. Ticket available from Dearloves and Committee Members at £4.50p.

Old Tyme Music Hall - To be performed in the Autumn. Would you like to take part in this Splendiferous, Spiflicating, Fantasmagorical, Extro-ordinaire??? production and if you can pronounce these words without stuttering, have character, wit and charm, you could be the Master of Ceremonies we are looking for.

Also needed:- One brilliant pianist able to play music hall style, singers, dancers, actors, magician and general star turns, plus Make-up Artist, backstage hands and scenery, etc. If you are interested please let Tina Hobin/Janet Spence know. All very Welcome.

Harwell Feast, 1991. May 27th.:- This year's attractions will include a parade of Floats, Stalls, Car Boot Sale, Fun Run, Pig Roast, etc., and new for 1991 - A Donkey Derby. More details in the next issue of the Harwell News.

WINTERBROOK YOUTH CLUB

Monday Evenings Freeman Hall. Jnrs. 6 - 7.45pm. Snrs. 8 - 9pm.

Programme for Feb/Mar. 1991 will be displayed at the School and Dearloves.

A Jumble Sale will be held on February, 9th. 2pm. Freeman Hall. All Jumble to be brought on Morning of Sale.

1st HARWELL SCOUT GROUP

NEWSPAPER COLLECTIONS - Harwell's Scout Group, like yourselves, is interested in preserving the Countryside. For three years now we have been collecting and recycling newspapers. You have helped us collect about a 100 tons of paper so far. Collections are made on the second Saturday in March, May, July, September & November.

The collecting is done by both Cub Scouts, Scouts and in special cases Beavers. These young boys are supervised by parents. The parents also drive the collection cars.

The boys will try and find papers at each house and when located will carry them to the car. These boys need your encouragement, please help them by leaving your papers in an obvious place, at the top of your drive or on the roadside would be ideal. At the same time the Group will also collect clean 'Milk Bottle Tops' and foil for recycling. The next date will be 9th. March Thank you for your support.

HARWELL DAY CENTRE

We hold our meetings on every Tuesday Afternoon. 2 - 4pm. in the Royal British Legion Club in Westfields. Various Games are held beside Quizz, Bingo, Snooker, Refreshment and also run Outing at various times of the year. So if you are lonely please come and join us, all welcome.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

President: A.M. Cowie: Chairman, R.J. White: Secretary, R.East: Treasurer, J.Lake: The A.G.M. was held in November last. There was no change in the Officers although the Secretary announced it would be his last year in office, so if you are a Member (or would like to be a Member) and think you would like to be the Secretary, why not come along to the Branch Meetings held on the last Tuesday of the month at 8pm. in the B.L. Hall. Many thanks to the various organisations who took part in the Remembrance Day Parade. We are still looking for Ex-Service Men and Women to become members. All Welcome.

HARWELL GARDENERS' CLUB

Monday, February 4th. 7.30pm. Harwell Village Hall. A Talk will be given by Denise McReedy from Colegrave Seeds.

Monday April, 6th. 7.30pm. Harwell Village Hall. A Talk on Pansies - Violas, Violets by Elizabeth Farr.

Monday, March 4th. A Talk by Timothy Walker, on Plant Hunting in Eastern Anatolia. 7.30pm. in Harwell Village Hall.

BIZZY BODIES - HEALTH & FITNESS CLASSES.

Commencing Thursday 31st. January. 7.30pm. to 8.30pm. Harwell Village Hall.

This is a New Dance Workout Class. Details from Miss E. Bywaters, MPEA. on Didcot 811952.

SOUTH - WEST OXON SOCIETY FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED

Mrs. Sue Green, Secretary of the above Group, has asked me to convey her sincere thanks to all those who so kindly donated and brought gifts to help in the recent Romanian Appeal. It is heartwarming to know that so many people are willing to help the Mentally Handicapped people suffering in Romania at this time. Let us hope that our collective efforts bring some relief.

HARWELL VILLAGE PLAYGROUP

We meet every morning from 9.15am. - 11.45am. in the Freeman Hall, Harwell. We have a few places available to 3 - 5yrs. old, and we offer a fun-filled morning. Come and visit us any morning and bring your child along to meet the Staff and the other children. Our fees are only £1.25p. per morning and when you see what we have to offer you will agree it is very good value for money. Further information can be obtained by ringing the Supervisor, Mrs. G. Froud on Abingdon. 835491.

HARWELL PARISH COUNCIL

A "Thank you" to all those brave folk who came on the Boxing Day Walk. In spite of the rain and the wind those who turned up enjoyed the afternoon and requested for a "walk" perhaps during the Spring - when we hope that the sun will shine and keep fine!

CEMETERY FEES :- It is many years since the Council reviewed these fees and a recent survey revealed that fees currently charged were in many cases considerably lower than those of neighbouring parishes. The Council therefore decided to increase its fees as set out below. The new charges came into effect on December 1st, 1990.

	COUNCIL	SUPERVISION	GRAVEDIGGER	TOTAL
EXCLUSIVE RIGHT OF BURIAL	£30	-	-	£30
BURIAL - Residents	£15	£5	£60	£80
Non-Resident	£25	£5	£60	£90
Infants	£15	£5	£10	£30
Ashes	£5	£5	£5	£15

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	COUNCIL	SUPERVISION	GRAVEDIGGER	TOTAL
<u>Headstones</u>				
Not more than 2' wide x 1' deep.	£20	£5	-	£25
Second Inscription	£2.50p.	£5	-	£7.50p.
Plaque on Wall of Remembrance	£10 plus charge of £10 for fixing.			£20.

Editorial Note: This Newsletter will be issued bi-monthly. All items for printing should be sent to Betty Pyke, 6, Tyrrells Close, Harwell, by the 15th. March, 1991. We wish to express our thanks for the support given from participating organisations and individuals and do hope you will find this News Letter of some interest.

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