

CALENDAR FOR JULY

- 2nd PTA Picnic - Broughton Castle 4.30  
5th CRICKET Home -v- Friends School  
5th FRIENDSHIP CLUB Illustrated talk on  
Warwick Castle - Village Hall.  
8th PLAYGROUP outing to Burford Wildlife  
Park.  
9th CRICKET Home -v- Kineton.  
METHODIST Women's Work Missionary Fete  
3.00 p.m.  
Meeting 6.00 p.m. Methodist Church.  
PLAYGROUP Ham, Pie and Pea Supper 8.00  
12th W.I. National Dairy Council Cheese  
Tasting. 2.00 p.m. Village Hall.  
YOUNG WIVES Editor of the Banbury  
Guardian. Friends Hall 7.30 p.m.  
PTA Pub Evening - Stags Head, Swalcliffe.  
15th CRICKET Away -v- Warmington.  
18th YOUNG WIVES Sibford Walkabout. 7.30  
at the pond.  
19th FRIENDSHIP CLUB Summer Party.  
20th VILLAGE HALL COMPETITION Closing date.  
23rd TADMARTON Church Fete. 2.30 The Manor.  
CRICKET Home -v- Alcan Sports.  
30th CRICKET Home -v- Wroxton.  
31st UNITED EUCHARIST 10.00 a.m. Epwell. No  
service at Sibford.

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

- 2nd FRIENDSHIP CLUB morning outing to  
Leamington.  
5th CRICKET Away -v- Cropredy  
15th CRICKET Away -v- British Rail  
16th FRIENDSHIP CLUB Slides of Slimbridge  
and Other Places of Interest.  
Village Hall.  
17th HORTICULTURAL SHOW Entries 7.00-10.00 p.m.  
CRICKET Away -v- Brailes.  
27th LESLIE BAILY LECTURE Friends School  
8.00 p.m.

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The summer holidays are almost upon us and, after the communal excitement of the jubilee celebrations, we now enter a quieter period as people go off to do their own thing.

However, there's still a chance to contribute to Sibford's future by entering the Village Hall Decorations Competition. For details, read on .....

VILLAGE HALL COMPETITION

The Sibford Town Estates Charity has given a substantial cheque to the Village Hall Committee for the purpose of redecorating the main room. The work is expected to be done in early August.

The Committee are running a colour scheme competition. The prize will be £5 awarded to the person submitting, in the opinion of a panel of judges, the best presentation and colour scheme for the interior of the main hall. The curtains will remain unchanged. Colour samples and their identification should be enclosed with the entries.

The closing date will be Wednesday, 20th July, 1977 and the hall will be open to entrants who want to look round on Saturday and Sunday, 2nd and 3rd July.

Entries should be posted or delivered to E. F. HITCHINS, POUND LANE, SIBFORD GOWER.

The Village Hall Committee feel they must reserve the right to use any colour scheme they choose, and it should be appreciated that this may be different from the one chosen by the judges.

### THE QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE

The Jubilee Committee wish to thank all those who helped make the celebrations a success.

In particular, thanks to all the organisations who so generously donated to the fund, to the groups and individuals who worked so hard to cater, decorate, organise and entertain, to those who allowed us to make use of their facilities and equipment and, last but not least, to everybody who gave support by attending the various functions.

We are not yet in a position to give a report on the financial outcome or of any future activities, but these will be ready for the next issue of Sibford Scene.

David Soden.

### THE LESLIE BAILY LECTURE.

Many Sibford residents knew Leslie Baily and assisted him in his researches for the Sibford History, which unfortunately was never finally written up before his death. However, his son, John, is about to start on that task.

Mr. Frank Rollett draws our attention to the inauguration of an annual series of lectures for the Sibford Old Scholars Association, to be known as the Leslie Baily Lectures.

The first of these is to be an illustrated lecture by John Baily on a subject taken from his father's research papers. It will take place in the School Main Hall on Saturday 27th August at 8.00 p.m.

Everyone interested is cordially invited to attend, even if not a member of the Association, and should contact Mr. Rollett in advance.

### FROM SIBFORD TO B.C.

This Spring Peter Abbott was one of five members of a Group Study Exchange Team, sponsored by Rotary, visiting parts of British Columbia and Washington State. The object was to enable young men to broaden their own vocational experience and to learn more about the way of life in another country. A team from the area they visited will pay a similar trip to this part of England next Summer.

Peter Abbott writes ....

Six weeks in B.C. and Washington State is not long enough to become an expert on the area, but it did enable us to make some interesting comparisons with this country.

The first thing that struck me was the sheer size of the country; in B.C. alone it would be possible to fit France, Germany and Britain and still have some left over. Couple this with its population of only just over two million people, of whom about one million live in the Vancouver area, and it becomes obvious that vast areas are uninhabited, and in some cases, almost unexplored.

We found the Canadians more outward-looking than the Americans; perhaps partly due to the fact that the U.S.A. is a more self-sufficient country: there, international news tended to be less than we are used to, and in both countries there are no really national newspapers or television channels. One has to learn to think in terms of a state or province more than a country.

It was interesting to find many basic economic problems common to us all - unemployment, inflation, demands for high wage-rates. One of our most successful exports (from our point of view) appeared to be militant trade union leaders!

Climatically the area we were in was very similar to England; in Washington there is concern that there may be a water shortage this summer due to the lack of winter snow. We suggested that appointing a Minister for Drought would guarantee an immediate and continuous downpour!

We were given different impressions of the state of the area's natural resources depending on whom we talked to, but in B.C. 50 cents out of every dollar is earned from timber. Although some thought replanting adequate, others predicted possible shortages within about ten years.

Altogether this was a most memorable trip, and if any of you have the chance to visit this area, I can thoroughly recommend that you take the opportunity.

#### ROLLRIGHT RHYMES

Seven strides thou shalt take,  
And if Long Compton thou can see,  
King of England thou shall be.

Following last month's article on Midsummer customs, we are reminded by Jean Evars of the rhyme associated with the Rollright legend.

After six strides the hopeful king thought the land was his, but at the seventh, the view was obscured so he and his men were turned by the witch into stone while she turned herself into the eldern tree.

#### A MORNING IN LEAMINGTON

The Friendship Club are having a morning outing to Leamington on Tuesday, 2nd August. Anyone interested in taking up a spare seat should contact Mrs. R. Haynes, 3 Pound Lane.

#### METHODIST FETE

The Women's Work Missionary Fete will be held at the Village Hall on Saturday, 9th July. It will be opened at 3.00 p.m. by Mrs. Marjorie Zimmerman and there will also be teas stalls and competitions.

At 6.00 p.m. there will be a meeting in the Methodist Church.

Speaker - Miss Jean Burnside of India

Chairman - Mrs. Pat Nock

Soloist - Mrs. Grace Durham

Total proceeds for women's work overseas. Everyone is heartily invited to both occasions.

#### PLAYGROUP

##### Coming Events:

29th June JUMBLE SALE Village Hall 2.00 p.m.

8th July PLAYGROUP OUTING Burford Wildlife Park.

9th July HAM, PIE AND PEA SUPPER 8.30 p.m.

Tickets £1.25. Contact Swalcliffe 495.

#### HORTICULTURAL AND PRODUCE SHOW

For all those nursing prize exhibits ready for the show, a reminder that entries should be made on the evening of Wednesday, 17th August at The Leys, Backside Lane, Sibford Gower.

For the less well-organised, there's still time to make or grow something - and it's even possible to put in late entries. All the details are in the Show Schedule which everyone should have received.

The show itself - Saturday, 20th August at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

TOPICAL TIP FOR JULY: TOMATOES

Ever outdoor plants should be showing first fruits on the trusses by now. It is essential that they have a regular high-ratio potash feed to get the best taste and colour. Feed plants under glass with a proprietary tomato feed at every watering - approximately 5 ml to every gallon of water. Feed outdoor plants at double this amount once a week.

Keith Hicks.

TOPICAL FOOD

Try making your own yoghurt to accompany soft fruits.

Buy a 4 oz. carton of natural yoghurt and leave it at room temperature. Bring one or two pints of milk to the boil and allow to cool to 110°F (43°C). Rather warmer than luke warm, hot to the finger but not burning. If you use Long-Life or U.F.T. milk, there is no need to boil it, simply warm it to 110°F. Wisk the yoghurt into the warm milk, pour it into a bowl and cover with a lid or plate. Wrap the whole in a towel and place it in the airing cupboard for about eight hours or overnight. Then reifridgerate before use. If you have no airing cupboard or similar warm place, try using a wide necked vacuum flask to retain the warmth.

If you prefer a thicker yoghurt, try mixing a tablespoonful of dried skimmed milk powder or a small tin of evaporated milk to each pint of warm milk ( no need to boil these).

Remember to save some of the yoghurt for your next batch.

R.R.

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THE VILLAGE HALL require a gardener. Mainly grass cutting but some weeding of flower borders is involved. Anyone interested please contact E. F. Hitchins, Pound Lane, or phone Swalcliffe 403.

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Material for the September issue should be with the Editor by Saturday, 20th August.

We should like to thank all those who now help with delivery.

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SUMMER CALENDAR

Regular Weekly Events:

CHURCH SERVICES

Methodist Church - Morning Service 11.00 a.m.  
Society of Friends - Meeting 11.00 a.m.  
Parish Church - 1st Sunday 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion.  
2nd and 3rd Sundays 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.  
4th Sunday 6.00 p.m. Evensong with Holy Communion.  
5th Sunday 10.00 a.m. United Eucharist at Epwell.  
Sunday School - 11.30 a.m.  
Youth Club - Village Hall 7.30 p.m.