

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS:

Methodist Church - Morning Service 11.00 a.m.
Society of Friends - Sunday Meeting 11.00 a.m.
Parish Church -
1st Sunday - Holy Communion 8.30 a.m.
2nd & 3rd Sundays - Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.
4th Sunday - Evensong 6.00 p.m.
Sunday School - 11.30 a.m.
Youth Club - Monday, 7.30 p.m. Village Hall.

5th Young Wives. Film and Talk on V.S.O. by
Roger Lambert. Friends' Hall 7.30 p.m.
6th Friendship Club. Day Outing.
7th Playgroup Coffee Morning. Pen House 10.30 am
10th Village Fete.

12th Enrolment Evening. Hook Norton Evening
Centre. 7.00 - 8.30 p.m.
13th W.I. Work of a Probation Officer. 2 p.m.
14th Horticultural Society. Film 'A Garden
Grows' and slides on Clematis. Village
Hall 8.00 p.m.
16th Friendship Club. Talk by Mr. Nettleton
of Age Concern. Friends' School 2 p.m.

20th Holy Communion and Parochial Church
Council 7.30 p.m.
21st Young Wives. Outing to Banbury Guardian
Press. Leaving 6.30 p.m.

25th Harvest Thanksgiving. Evensong 6.00 p.m.
Supper 7.30 p.m.
29th Holy Communion for Michaelmass. 7.30 p.m.

SIBFORD SCENE

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Life gets under way again after the summer
in September, so this issue has news of the Fete,
Harvest Thanksgiving, Evening Classes, Meals-on-
wheels, and all the usual activities.
But first

THE FETE

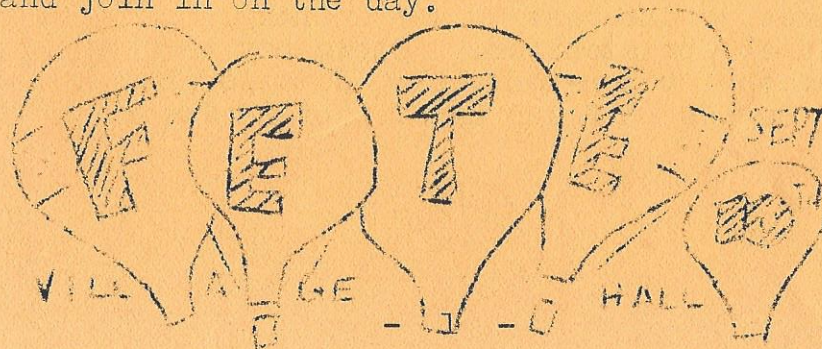
The Fete, in aid of Village Hall funds,
will be held this year on September 10th, in
the grounds of the Hall and will again have
plenty to attract the children.

In addition to the roundabout and swings
introduced last year there will be a "Moonwalk"
for children to romp over. This is an enormous
inflatable and should provide great fun.

The Fete will be opened by a procession of
decorated prams, bikes and trikes from the
village pond, led by the Caledonian Pipe Band
who will also give a musical programme during
the afternoon.

"Musical Rides" - a display by children and
ponies decorated for Jubilee Year will be another
interesting entertainment along with the usual
bargain stalls selling a variety of items and,
of course, the "Good as New" too.

The Fete and Village Hall deserve your help
and support. Please help as much as you can -
and join in on the day.



PLAYGROUP

Everyone is invited to a Playgroup Coffee Morning to be held at Mrs. Wollerton's (Penn House, Sibford Ferris) on 7th September at 10.30 a.m. There will also be a Bring and Buy and Raffle.

HAVE YOU YOUNG CHILDREN

Finding reliable babysitters can be a difficult and expensive business. Sibford has a Baby-sitting Circle in which mothers sit for each other, 'paying' with tokens, one per hour. New members are always welcome. Bridget Barlow (Tel.462) can give further information.

HELP WANTED!

The W.R.V.S. hope shortly to be able to provide Meals-on-wheels for a few elderly or sick people twice weekly, during school terms. We would be glad to know of anyone willing to be put on a rota to drive (or to help the driver deliver) once or twice a month. For details of days, times, mileage rate etc. phone Mrs. M.B. Flinn, Orchard Cottage, Sibford Gower, telephone Swalcliffe 209.

TUCKTONIA

The Friendship Club's day outing on 6th September is to Tucktonia, a new three-acre model of many of the best known buildings and places of interest in the country, situated at Christchurch. There may be some spare seats for non-members. Details from Mrs. R. Haynes, 3 Pound Lane, Sibford Gower.

WINNING COLOURS

The Village Hall Committee would like to thank all those who entered the Colour Scheme competition and the judges who spent time in deciding the winner.

The prize was awarded to Mr. S. J. Sabin for his entry which the judges chose as the most suitable.

The competition gave an opportunity to the village to express interest and individual colour preferences and the Committee is very grateful indeed for the ideas submitted.

The decorating was started on Monday, 1st August by Mr. D. W. Tustain, Bonds End Lane, and Partners, and was completed on Friday, 5th August.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SUPPER

To round off the Harvest Thanksgiving we are holding a Harvest Supper in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. on 25th September, straight after Evensong. We plan a rural evening with supper, songs and dancing for the energetic. Supper tickets will be 60 pence and there will be a bar for buying your own drinks. To make catering easier please obtain your tickets before Monday, 19th September from either of the Post Offices, or from Mrs. Woolgrove, Mrs. D. Soden, Mrs. R. Brown or Mrs. Frith.

Entertainment will be provided by Francis George with an assortment of instruments. Please support us and enjoy yourselves.

For many years the custom of auctioning the Harvest produce has existed; it will happen during this meal and the proceeds donated to a charity.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CENTRE

On Wednesday, 28th September at 5 p.m. a significant event in the Christian life of this area takes place. At the Baptist Centre in Banbury, the new Religious Education Resources Centre will be opened; this is designed to provide access for teachers of all sorts of materials and ideas in this important field.

THAT OTHER PAPER

The Young Wives recently had a fascinating evening with John Roche, editor of the Banbury Guardian. Now a return visit is planned to see how the paper is actually printed. Mr. Roche will be taking a party round the press at Leamington on Wednesday, 21st September. It has to be an early start in order to see the whole process, so cars will be leaving Sibford at 6.30 p.m. It would help to know numbers in advance, so if you are interested, please contact Erica Winbush (Tel. 555).

THE SILVER JUBILEE FUND - RECIPES AND RAFFLE

Nicola Cox became known to a wide public last year when she came second in the Sunday Times 'Cook of the Year' Competition. Lady May has arranged for her to give a cookery demonstration at Gautherns Barn on October 4th from 10.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Tickets, costing £5, will cover two separate demonstrations, morning and afternoon, and a light lunch. The food cooked (one course is the winning Sunday Times Veal St. Simon) will be raffled, as will a piece of jewellery.

There are still some tickets available. Anyone interested can reserve a seat by post card from Lady May, Gautherns Barn, Sibford Gower.

I REMEMBER

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A 7-YEAR OLD SIBFORD LAD

One summer's evening as the local Sibford families sat down to tea, a large Foden lorry loaded with bricks came up to the Cross and found it was destined for the Ferris and not the Gower. Turning round to retrace its journey, it left its mark of destruction. A spark from its engine sent the Thatched House at the Cross up in flames.

Not knowing anything about this, my mother sent me from the Colony to Mr. Lamb's house by the pool to get the weekly butter. Reaching the pool, I saw my friend, Fred Bishop, racing up the road with two milking buckets. When I asked him where he was going, he said, "To the fire at the Cross."

I raced to the door of Mr. Lamb's house and collected the butter and off to the fire I went. Reaching my destination, I dumped the butter over the iron railings at Mr. Lydiate's, (now Mrs. Barton's house).

Up the Colony hill comes the Hook Norton fire engine, drawn by horses, followed shortly after by the Banbury and Shipston Fire Brigades. The only water available was from the village pool and a reservoir below the Friends' School. Unfortunately, the fire spread to the other side where Mr. R. Sabin lives, and great damage was done to all the property.

Childlike, I was still there at 9 o'clock when up comes Mother, asking where her butter was. My gracious me! I raced to the spot where I had dumped it and to my joy, in the little wicker basket was the home-made dairy butter, none the worse for fire and water!

Eric Payne.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW

Despite the Calamitous weather the number of entries was similar to last year's. In fact the vegetable classes showed greater variety and quality, but the torrential rain of the last few days had a disastrous effect on the flower exhibits, thus stretching the imagination of those who were able to salvage material from their sodden gardens. The Committee's thanks are extended to those who helped in any way and the Society congratulates the following prize winners:-

Village Cup	Mrs. G. Soden
Dr. H. Taylor Cup	Mr. K. J. Hicks
Sibford Rose Bowl	Mr. C. Freeman
Oil Painting for Flower Arrangement	Mrs. M. Hicks
Oil Painting for Cookery	Mrs. F. Tustain
The Society Cup	Mr. K. J. Hicks
The President's Prize	Miss J. Carter
The Children's Cup	Miss C. Freeman
Blue Ribbon Award	Mr. C. Freeman
Red Ribbon Award	Mr. K. J. Hicks
Flora Award for Flower Arrangement	Mrs. M. Hicks

May we remind you that donations of fruit, vegetables and flowers for the Produce Stall at the Village Fete would be most appreciated and can be given to any Society Committee member.

TOPICAL TIP FOR SEPTEMBER

Mildew can be one of the worst Autumn troubles, particularly this year after such low night temperatures. Roses and Michaelmas Daisies are especially affected. Spray at least once with a fungicide such as Benlate before the first week of September and again three weeks after if the attack is bad.

Sow parsley during the first week of September for a Spring crop. Keith Hicks.

EVEN SIBFORDIANS ARE WELCOME TO HOOK NORTON EVENING CENTRE.

A very full programme has been arranged for the Autumn. We can do no more than list the classes here, but copies of the complete programme and further information can be obtained from the Organising Secretary: Mr. Alan Sibson, Prews Close, Park Hill, Hook Norton (Tel. Hook Norton 737737).

Classes are held at the Primary School, The Bourne, and term begins on Monday, 19th September. Enrolment evening is Monday, 12th September from 7.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

<u>MONDAY:</u>	'Know Your Countryside.' Picture Framing. Flower Arranging.
<u>TUESDAY:</u>	Dance Movement. Men's P.E. (Including training for Footballers). Craft Work in Metal. Cookery - Entertaining on a Budget.
<u>WEDNESDAY:</u>	Yoga. Painting and Drawing (afternoon and evening sessions). Spanish. French.
<u>THURSDAY:</u>	Bible Studies (afternoon session). Upholstery. Group Guitar Class. Theatre in Action.

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SMALL ADS. - CIRCULATE SIBFORD FOR A PENNY A WORD

WALLFLOWER PLANTS for sale. Mixed colours,
25p. per dozen. Ring Swalcliffe 269.

COTTAGE available for self-catering holidays.
Ring Swalcliffe 371.