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SIBFORD SCENE

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OPEN VILLAGE SPECIAL

When you read the programme for the Open Village Weekend you will gasp in amazement.

All this happening in the space of our three small communities!

A detailed programme will be published later in June, but the Village Hall Committee hope to put you in the picture this month, hoping to gain everyone's support for this mammoth undertaking to mark the Silver Anniversary of the opening of the Village Hall.

There will be a job for everyone who can lend a hand, and attractions to suit every taste.

Miss Sibford has already been chosen. Katherine Stewart was selected for her charm out of 14 contestants, with Fiona Reynolds and Karen French as runners-up.

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VILLAGE VENTURES

The Primary School P.T.A. Building Committee's extension to the Infant block reached the final of the Oxfordshire Village Ventures Competition. The judges commented on the ingenuity, hard work and social and community benefits displayed in all seven projects in the final round, and awarded the P.T.A. £50 towards future developments.

The Village Hall Repair Fund has also received a boost in the form of £700 from the Cherwell District Council Lottery. It was reported at the A.G.M. that the Hall was used for about 1400 hours last year and money is still needed for major and minor repairs. Villagers may be invited to 'adopt a window' for painting. The Horticultural Society has decided to present a Copper Beech for the top of the field, and an up-to-date portrait of the Queen is also to be given.

GOOD WISHES

Everyone who has admired the courage of Pauline Inns since her accident eighteen months ago will want to join in sending her best wishes for a speedy recovery. She is at present in hospital undergoing what it is hoped will be the final piece of repair surgery.

SONGS OF PRAISE

The Parish Church celebrates its Patronal Festival on June 6th. At 6 p.m. there will be a special Songs of Praise Service, followed by a Supper at the Rectory.

SIBFORD OPEN VILLAGE WEEKEND

FRIDAY 25th JUNE

Concert Programme of light music ranging from Ivor Novello to Britten to be held in the Parish Church.
Ladies of the Barley Close will be serving supper in the Village Hall afterwards.
Concert admission by programme 75p, Supper £1.50

SATURDAY 26th JUNE

Gymkhana Mawles Farm 10 a.m.
Details from Mrs S. Tomkins, Tyne Hill Farm.

Morning Coffee Sibford House, Sibford Ferris
Mrs M. Barnett and Friends

Paintings Exhibition of Paintings by Miss M. Baker
Friends Meeting House - Coffee will be served

Churches Holy Trinity and the Methodist Chapel will be decorated with flowers for the weekend

Sibford Pie First cutting of the Sibford Pie by Miss Sibford
12 noon Wykham Arms

Pied Piper All children welcome - Fancy Dress prizes for best
Procession dressed Mice. Meet at Village Hall 1.30 and escort Miss Sibford to her Crowning.

Temple Close Our kind hosts for the afternoon Mr and Mrs Jones.
Garden Party 2 p.m. Crowning of Miss Sibford

Attractions Model Railway working layout and displays
Hoopla
Skittles Home made goods
Wheel of Fortune Fancy Goods
Coconut Shy Plants and Produce
Candy Floss

Helicopter See Sibford and other local villages from the air.
Rides Tickets from all Village Hall Committee members.
Static Helicopter demonstration - Mr D. Jack
Refreshments - Sibford Youth Club

Primary School Children from the School will be mounting an exhibition and demonstrations of various aspects of their school past and present.

Pets' Corner Wide variety of animals can be visited at Wheatles Farm

Old Curiosity Shoppe Memorabilia from Sibford - Shepherds Knoll, Burdrop
Miss M. Le Mare

Sibford's Past Collection of Implements, Photographs etc.
Mrs Barton, Burdrop

Craft Demonstrations & Exhibitions Including Furniture Making, Pottery, Macrame, Spinning and Weaving, Bee Keeping and Honey Collection.
All can be seen at Wyatt's Close, Sibford Gower
Mr and Mrs D. Soden

Prints and Engravings The Bentons, Burdrop
Mr & Mrs Benton, Mr & Mrs Smart

SATURDAY 26th JUNE (cont'd)

White Elephants & Children's Snacks	3 Acre Ditch Mrs B. Tanner and the Friendship Club
Audio-Visual Programme	A history of the Hall can be seen in the Hall at regular intervals - Mr K. Hicks
Refreshments	Front lawn of the Village Hall Sibford Youth Club
Open Gardens	Carriers Cottage, Burdrop. Mr & Mrs N. Coxon Apple Grove, Sibford Ferris. Mr & Mrs A. Dring
Teas	Barn Close, Burdrop. Mrs C. Frith & Friends Old Rectory, S. Gower. Mrs B. Woodall & Friends
Pond Side	Vintage Cars
Gig Rides	See Sibford from a Dog-cart
Minibus	Frequent return trips from Village Hall to S. Ferris
Junior Disco	Village Hall 6.30 - 8 Barbeque available Tickets 40p at the door
Country & Western Dance and Barbeque	Live Cabaret featuring Don Hewitt Barbeque - W.I. Bar - Wykham Arms Tickets 80p

SUNDAY 27th JUNE

FAMILY DAY OUT

Open Air Interdenominational Service	11.30 a.m. Friends' School Field Silver Band
Picnic Lunch (D.I.Y.)	12.30 Tea, squash, ice-cream & candy floss available. Badminton Club
Inter-village Cricket Match	
Sports events	Tennis, rounders, children's sports Mr & Mrs M. Wollaton

TICKET SALES

A Sales Caravan with tickets for the concert, supper, dance, helicopter rides and raffle will be in both villages on Saturday evening, June 5th.

Mannings Hill, Sibford Ferris	5 - 6 p.m.
Village Hall, Sibford Gower	6 - 7 p.m.

OPEN VILLAGE

HOW YOU CAN HELP

We shall need a great deal of help throughout the weekend. If you could spare some time to help in any way, please contact Col. C. Frith, Barn Close, Burdrop. Swa. 512, or complete the tear-off slip and return it to him.

Stall Holders also need support.

Home made goods, anything edible	Mrs M. Law
Fancy Goods, Trinkets, Cosmetics	Mrs M. Poulton
Plants and Produce	Mr J. Sabin

Cut Flowers for decorating the Churches

Mrs M. Law
Mrs G. Hutchinson

Please tick

Thursday June 24th	Evening	Erection of signs, side-shows & tents	_____
Friday June 25th	Evening	Preparation for Gymkhana	_____
Saturday June 26th	Morning	Car Park Duty Gymkhana	_____
		Help at Temple Close	_____
	Afternoon	Car Park Duties Side-show manning	_____
	Evening	Clearing - up at: Temple Close Gymkhana Village Hall	_____
Sunday June 27th	Afternoon	Clearing - up at Friends' School Field	_____

Name.....

Address or Tel. No.....

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ANYONE FOR TENNIS?

It is hoped to start a Club to play tennis. If you are interested please ring Ann Spicer (690) or Joan Broady (410) evenings.

PETS CORNER

Anyone willing to offer any animals or birds for the Pets Corner at the Village Open Weekend please contact Lyn Simms, Swalcliffe 527 as soon as possible.

MOTHER AND TODDLER CLUB

The Mother and Toddler Club has had a very successful first year and many thanks go to all mothers who attend for their eager co-operation at tea making and clearing up procedures.....BUT now with the coming of fine weather, holidays and other outdoor activities, the club will take a break until September.

Notification of the starting date will be given in the Sibford Scene.

Pauline Crawford

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Tuesday June 1st

Members meeting with games.

Tuesday June 15th

Mrs Bloomfield from Shenington will give a talk with slides on a journey to Australia.

Tuesday June 29th

Day or 2 day outing suggested.

Mrs M.B. Flinn

FOR SALE

Girl's 32" brown tweed riding jacket. Good condition. £8.
Swalcliffe 569

WANTED

Children's garden swing, slide, climbing frame etc. Tel. 343
or call at The Homestead.

OPEN DAY

Sibford School will be open to the public from 2.0 p.m. on Saturday 19th June, 1982. There will be a wide variety of displays, demonstrations and activities during the afternoon.

SPRING OF YOUTH

A programme of joyful songs and musical items will be held in the Church at 7.30 p.m. on June 5th. Taking part will be representatives of the Youth Club, Guides, Brownies, Scouts and Cubs and local Schools, accompanied by guitars, organ and recorders.

Come and join with them and enjoy a cup of coffee with home made goodies. A collection will be taken for the Church repair Fund.

Mabel Payne

GUIDED WALKS

A series of guided walks throughout Cherwell District have been planned from May to September by the Ramblers Association. Details of these 3-4 mile walks can be seen at the Post Office, Sibford Gower.

SAVE OUR SAPLINGS

The Tree Council is encouraging farmers to save hedgerow saplings by tagging them to prevent their cutting during hedging. Mrs Harris, Countryside Assistant at Bodicote House, would be pleased to meet and discuss this scheme with any interested Sibford farmers or landowners.

FOOTPATH CLEARING

A self-help work party is needed for clearing and trimming village footpaths in the Gower. The more helpers the lighter the work-load. If you can help, please meet at 7.15 p.m. on Wednesday 9th June at Wyatt's Close (by the telephone box).

THANKS TO THE LEO CLUB

Geoffrey and I would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all the members of the Leo Club for our farewell gift of a beautiful painting of the village duck pond. We shall treasure it always.

It is with bitter regret that we have to leave Sibford Gower and our friends as we have become very fond of this little corner of England, and our painting will be a constant reminder of the happy years we have spent here. We hope that one day we shall be able to return and enjoy our old age amongst you all.

Again, thank you and our best wishes to you all.

Jayne Foster

W.I.

The A.G.M. was held in the Village Hall on May 11th. The Officers were able to report on a successful year's effort by the Institute. Tribute was paid to the hard work of the retiring Committee members, Mrs Hutchinson, Mrs Soden and Mrs Baggaley, and Mrs Kinnish, a past President, thanked Mrs Crabtree for her three years' excellent Presidency. Next year, Mrs Ann Spicer will take over and her committee will consist of Mrs Jarvis, Mrs Inns, Mrs Conway, Mrs Foxon, Mrs Cox, Mrs Griffiths and Mrs Bristow. Thank you Ann.

The first part of a SCRAPBOOK FOR THE 2030's of 'Life in the 1980s' presently being compiled by the W.I. will be exhibited at a County event at Kiddington Hall, Enstone on Saturday July 10th. Entries on Food, Hobbies and Crafts, Pets, Education and Village Life are at present being assembled - more to follow. All contributions from the village gratefully received. Please contact W.I. members.

The meeting was pleased to have present Mrs Milward (Voluntary County Organiser) who chaired the discussion of motions to be debated at the W.I. A.G.M. at the Albert Hall in June. Guidance was given to Mrs Garvey of Deddington, the delegate, as to how she should vote. Sibford W.I. found itself in agreement with the retention of rural telephone boxes and the clear labelling of chemical colourants in food and medicines. Discretion was given to the delegate on the Government promotion of Education on Solvent Abuse. There was some feeling that overmuch publicity might be counterproductive by increasing curiosity among the young.

The annual prizes for participation in competitions were awarded by Mrs Milward to Mrs Hutchinson 1st, Mrs Soden 2nd, and Mrs Baggaley, Mrs Crabtree and Mrs Bristow, tied 3rd. Teas were served by Mrs Bristow and Mrs Strange.

The next meeting will be on June 8th at 2 p.m. in the Village Hall when the speaker will be John Simpson from Radio Oxford. The competition will be An Old Photograph.

INTER-VILLAGE GAMES SUNDAY 27th JUNE

TENNIS Four mixed pairs from each village are required. Please contact the following if you would like to play: Gower, Mrs S. Lambert (Swa. 544), Ferris, Mr D. Stewart (Swa. 219).

ROUNDERS A team of 12 (4 men, 4 ladies, 2 boys, 2 girls) from each village. Please contact Mrs M. Rivers (Swa. 332) Gower, or Mrs S. Faulkner (Swa. 8137) Ferris.

CRICKET Team places still available - contact Gower, Mr J. Smith (618) Ferris Mr G. Crawford (606) or Mr G. Wolfenden (432).

THE GARDEN IN JUNE 1982

The last fortnight of May has seen a remarkable growth of plants in spite of dry weather and occasionally chilly winds and we need to keep the hoe going and prevent the weeds building up. It is still possible to get a touch of frost so don't be in too much of a hurry to plant out begonias and tender plants; geraniums can go out from mid-month onward, but meantime, encourage them to make good growth in their pots with a little liquid feed. Dahlias should be making good growth, ready to plant out by the middle of the month in rich, well manured ground. A ring of soot around the young plants will protect them from slugs which will soon become active when the showery weather arrives. Herbaceous plants need staking early in the season while the weather remains quiet. By this time we can really judge fairly what shrubs we have lost as a result of winter weather, but don't give up hope too soon, it often happens that a shrub looking completely dead still has some life at the roots. The top growth can be cut back and young green will break out from the bottom. You can sometimes judge the condition of a shrub by scraping the bark off with a pen knife and you may be pleasantly surprised to find that the stem below is still alive.

In the vegetable garden seeds have been slow to germinate so a thorough watering will help matters along. Maincrop lettuce sown in early June will probably see you through the summer months. Cabbages should be planted out, but there is still time to sow seed by the end of this month. Carrots, beet, turnip and kohlrabi will go well from June sowings. Celery should be planted out in trenches with good rich soil. Don't let it get dry - try to keep it growing if you want plump crisp sticks to lift in the autumn.

JARDIN

SHEPHERDS CLOSE

A reminder that, in order to return this untidy, unused patch of council land to use as allotments, we must satisfy the council that enough people would make use of them. The area would be suitably prepared for use as allotments, so if you are interested in an additional vegetable plot, please contact Mr W. Johnson, Burdrop House. Swa. 338.

RALPH C. HOGGINS

TYSOE

for regular supplies of

SOLID FUELS

Ring Tysoe 281

Sell your surplus bits and pieces at The Barn, Sibford Ferris on 80-20 basis. Open all day Friday and Saturday. Swa. 343 any time, or call at The Home-stead (next to the Village Shop)

CUBS COFFEE MORNING

The Cubs' Coffee Morning was a great success, making over £80 due largely to the careful planning and hard work of Gillian Soden, Ann Spicer, Jean Poulton and Keith Hicks, ably assisted by parents and friends.

The Cubs are very grateful to all those in the villages who are showing such splendid support for them.

Richard Austing

SCENE'S FUNDS

We have received generous donations towards the costs of the magazine from both Parish Councils, for which we are most grateful.

J.A.

PLAYGROUP OUTING

The Playgroup will be visiting the Cotswold Wild Life Park on Tuesday 15th June. There will be some spare seats in the coach - Adults £2.50, under -fives free, including entrance fees. (Children travelling with another family will be charged £1). If anyone would like to join this day out, please contact Jenny Austing Swa. 358 or any Playgroup member.

80 - 20 AUCTION

At The Barn, Sibford Ferris on Saturday 10th July at 11 a.m. Details from Swa. 343.

WANTED

VILLAGE IDIOT for the Open Village Day.
Applications, stating qualifications to David Baker, 10 Cotswold Close Tel. 676.

CALENDAR FOR JUNE

CHURCH SERVICES

Society of Friends	Sunday 11 a.m.
Methodists	Sunday 11 a.m.
Holy Trinity	6th Holy Communion 8 a.m.
	Songs of Praise 6 p.m.
	13th Family Communion 10 a.m.
	20th Family Morning Service 11 a.m.
	27th Holy Communion 8 a.m.

Interdenominational Open-Air Service 11.30

WEEKLY EVENTS

Youth Club	Monday 7.30	Village Hall
Luncheon Club	Tuesday 12.30	Friends' Hall
Folk Dancing	Tuesday 7 p.m.	Juniors, 8 p.m. Seniors, Village Hall
Brownies	Thursday 6 p.m.	Friends' Hall
Guides	Thursday 7 p.m.	Village Hall
Cubs	Friday 6.30	Village Hall

Tuesday 1st	Friendship Club	Members' Meeting
Saturday 5th	Young People's	Concert 7.30 in Church

Sunday 6th	Patronal Festival	Songs of Praise followed by Supper 6 p.m.
Tuesday 8th	W.I.	Radio Oxford
Wednesday 9th	Gower Footpath Clearing	7.15
Saturday 12th	Horticultural Society	Outing to Kew

Tuesday 15th	Friendship Club -	Talk on Australia
	Playgroup	Outing
Saturday 19th	Sibford School	Open Day 2 p.m.

Friday 25th
to Open Village Weekend

Sunday 27th
Tuesday 29th Friendship Club Outing

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