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MONEY AGAIN!

Yes, I'm afraid it is time to remind our readers once again that paper and stencils and ink have to be paid for, and to ask for contributions towards the cost of 'Sibford Scene'. Our costs this year have been approximately 33p per household, so, if you have found the magazine useful and would like to help pay for it please put your donation in the box which Mrs Dyer is kindly displaying in the Post Office for the month of October.

J.A.

AUSTERITY LUNCHES

There will be a series of Austerity Lunches in aid of various causes at the Friends Meeting House on the first Wednesday of each month between 12.00 and 2.00.

On October 5th, the proceeds will go to Corrymeela, a Community in Ireland of men and women from both sides of the sectarian divide, working together to bring peace to their land.

Other causes will be announced later. They all need as much support as possible, so please come to the lunches and pay 70p (or more) for your bread and cheese.

HARVEST TIME

The Primary School's Harvest Service will be on Monday 3rd October at 10 am. All members of the community are warmly invited.

Other dates to remember are the Bonfire on November 5th and the Christmas Dance in early December.

ALICE GREEN

On September 12th, Alice Green was buried at Sibford at the age of 98. For many years she ran the village shop and Post Office here. Of late she lived at Adderbury House but retained her interest in the village and was a fund of lively information about its affairs.

YOUTH CLUB

The Youth Club has now started on its winter programme and is making plans for a sponsored walk and also the annual Assault Course at Heythrop Park, both in October.

We would like to say a big 'thank you' to two kind friends who, after reading the last 'Sibford Scene', presented the Youth Club with a brand new darts board. This will greatly add to the enjoyment of members during the coming months.

New members are always welcome from eleven upwards - why not come along and enjoy yourself on Monday evenings ?

David Baker, Joan Shields

THE VILLAGE HALL FETE

I would like to thank everyone who helped in so many different ways to raise the sum of £474 - a very rewarding figure in view of the weather and local counter-attractions.

On these occasions there is a large number of people who deserve our thanks. As I said two years ago, the Scene is an excellent medium for telling them so. So, if you ran a stall or side-show, baked, brewed, waited, put up, took down, judged, lettered, counted, talked, scrounged, badgered, gave, piloted, lent, led, cleared up, got wet, or (very important) spent, the Hall committee is grateful to you. Thank you very much.

Lastly, if the possessor of programme number 00311 can produce the evidence to me, I will hand over the small cash prize.

Tony Rye (Chairman)

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TEDDYBEARS' PICNIC

How grateful we all were when September 17th turned out to be the only day of fair weather during that week of rain. That, coupled with everybody's hard work, resulted in the very pleasing profit of £174.54. Of this, £90 has been sent to Helen House and the rest goes towards Playgroup funds.

Thanks to everyone who worked to make it such a success, and, above all, thank you all for coming and making it such a happy afternoon. It turned out to be a very successful mixture of fun and fund-raising.

Sue Colquhoun

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"BE PREPARED" (i)

The Cub Scouts Family Supper Party will be an event not to be missed - good food, convivial company and entertainment too. Make an advance note of the date now; Saturday 4th February, 7.00-9.00 in the Village Hall.

"BE PREPARED" (ii)

Cub Scouting is thriving in Sibford and we now have boys ready to form the nucleus of a Scout Troop. Could you help with boys of this age group (11-16)? If you couldn't, may we tell you that this is "twist a friend's arm" month? If a little extra persuasion is needed, phone Richard Austing on Swalcliffe 358. If 11-16 year-olds are not your scene, we also need a bit of extra help with the Cub Scouts (8-11). This could be the moment you've been waiting for. Come on!

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POPPY DAY 1983

The Royal British Legion is proud and honoured to be the custodian and administrator of the monies donated by the general public, through the annual poppy appeal, for the relief of distress in the ex-Services community as a whole, who are in straightened circumstances.

Many thousands of ex-Service men and women are in need of succour today. To this figure must be added the numerous dependents of those who paid the supreme sacrifice. Please remember our people affected by Northern Ireland and the Falkland Islands are included in the role. All these unfortunate people can, in the main, only be helped by the Legion's benevolent work financed by the Poppy Appeal.

I hope that my band of collectors will all be willing to continue the valuable service they have cheerfully given in the past. If any are unable to serve this year between 31st October and 12th November, would they please let me know as soon as possible.

Thank you all in advance.

John Mulley (Hon. Organiser,
Sibfords)

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GOWER PARISH COUNCIL

Three members of the Gower Parish Council recently went to an Open Meeting with Cherwell District Council at Bodicote House. This valuable evening provided an opportunity for all Parish Authorities to discuss matters of mutual interest with each other and District Councillors. There were four chief areas of concern:

Planning Applications - and the extent to which Parish Councils' comments influence planning decisions.

Concessionary Bus Tokens - Parishes operating their own schemes would welcome the re-introduction of a District Scheme.

Rubbish Dumping and Refuse Collection - there was concern at the increasing problem of rubbish dumping in villages and their hedgerows and verges. The costs of re-introduction of a back-door refuse collection were outlined.

Stubble Burning - the damage and nuisance thus caused is well known, particularly this season. Bye-laws and their enforcement were discussed.

NEXT MEETING OF GOWER COUNCIL 19TH OCTOBER, 8.15, VILLAGE HALL.

BABY SITTING

Do you sometimes need a baby sitter? Can you sometimes sit for others? Why not join Sibford's baby-sitting circle? Details from Pauline Crawford, Swa.606.

SIBFORD CHARITY CIRCLE

Sweepstakes

360 tickets were sold for the St. Lager Sweepstake, and the winners were:-

1st S.Gibbs, 5, Sefton Place
Bodicote £18
2nd Napier, Tanners £5.40
3rd Mrs V.Jones, Temple
Close £3.60

Sibford Seven (Bingo)

It is fairly obvious that this game is not likely to take off in Sibford, therefore it is not proposed to proceed as was suggested in the Sept. Scene. Apologies to the few who were looking forward to playing.

John Long

SAVE THE CHILDREN

Start preparing for Christmas early! Come to the Coffee Morning in aid of the Save the Children Fund at the home of Mrs V. Johnson, Burdrop House, Sibford Gower, on Friday 7th October from 10.30 am.

Cake stall, Bring & Buy, Raffle, Christmas cards and goods. Please come and support this worthwhile cause.

LEO CLUB

The Leo Ladies will meet on Tuesday 18th October at Lynda Conway's house, Orchard House, Sibford Ferris, at 8 pm.

W.I.

Tuesday October 11th at 2 pm in the Friends Hall.

Members' Meeting
All guests welcome.

SAMARITANS

The recent collection raised £52.73.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

A very busy September has given our members plenty of activity, with regular meetings, our Children's snacks stall at the Fete, and, we hope, a Jumble Sale on 24th and an outing on 27th.

We have two meetings in October:-

Tuesday 4th - Mr J.R. Baseley is coming with slides of one of his many holidays. Pictures are always welcome as some of our members have difficulty in hearing.

Tuesday 18th - Mrs Eileen Brookes, a much sought-after speaker in the area, is hoping to bring slides of her recent visit to Leningrad. I doubt if any of our members have been there, so it should be an interesting and unusual visit.

Tuesday November 1st - As the Hall is now not needed for the Tanners Enquiry, we can have a meeting. It will be a Games Afternoon, and it would help if members could bring along the cards, dominoes or whatever is needed for their favourite game.

M.B. Flinn

FOR SALE

Good selection of girls' new and nearly new clothing, mostly outgrown or wrong size bought, from ages 8-12. Wool coats, dresses, skirts, cords and jeans, blouses and short-sleeved T shirts, lovely navy 'Absorba' tracksuit, swimsuit and leotards. Also selection of boots, shoes and plysoles. Please telephone Inca Todd on Swalcliffe 278.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

ANNUAL SHOW

As departing Chairman of the Horticultural Society, I should like to take the opportunity of a few lines in the Scene to thank everyone in the villages, and those from further afield, who worked so hard as exhibitors, organisers or helpers to make the Show such a pleasant and successful occasion. My personal thanks go especially to the members of the Committee for all their help and support throughout the year.

Best wishes for next year and for many more successful Annual Shows!

Roger Lambert

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This will be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 12th October at 8 pm and it is hoped that as many members as possible will be able to attend.

Mr and Mrs Jarvis will, as usual, have a sales table and if anyone has any cuttings, preserves or unwanted plants they will be pleased to accept them. Oasis can be obtained at 12p a small round and 35p for the brick size.

At 8.30 Mr Keith Hicks will be showing his own film on the Chelsea Flower Show. Your committee members have kindly offered to provide light refreshments.

We shall be pleased to welcome anyone wishing to join our Society. The subscription is £1.50 per person, which includes free admission to our monthly meetings.

It is rather disappointing to confirm that we made a loss of about £14 at the Annual Show after our takings amounted to £302. May we remind members and friends that Kay Turner's cake sale will be held at her bungalow on Saturday October 8th at 10 am. Any gifts and donations will be greatly appreciated.

May we congratulate David and Helen Butler on the birth of their daughter.

John Sabin

THE GARDEN IN OCTOBER

Now we are come to the end of the growing season, we are faced with the task of clearing up the borders and preparing the garden for winter. It is a good time to decide which flowering plants have come to the end of their useful lives and discard them. Conditions are suitable now for putting in new plants to get established before winter. Similarly, clumps can be divided and cuttings taken, with some protection, for planting out next Spring. With shrubs and woody subjects, choose half-ripe shoots, cut off about 5"-6" just below a leaf joint, remove all but the top pair of leaves, dip the cut end into hormone rooting powder and plant into half pots, 3" apart round the edge, using J.I.3 compost with some added sand.

Chrysanthemums should be put in the greenhouse before risk of frost. Cyclamen that have been outdoors should be top-dressed with good loam, such as J.I.3, well watered, and brought indoors to a warm, light spot. Begonias and gloxinias should be lifted from the garden and dried off thoroughly before being stored in a cool, frost-free place for winter. Gladioli and dahlias also need to be lifted and dried off, then the stems cut about 4" or 5" above the corm or tuber. Inspect them occasionally in the winter and remove any that show signs of decay.

Jardin

SIBFORD GOWLER ENDOWED PRIMARY
SCHOOL

SCHOOL MEALS SERVICE
Temporary School Meals General
Kitchen Assistant required
from October 31st.
11.30 am - 12.15 pm
11½ hours @ £1.7287 per hour.
Free lunch included.

"FLEA MARKET"

Sunday 27th November at
THE BARN, Sibford Ferris.
Details in next month's 'Scene'.

FOR SALE

Black riding boots, size 7,
calf measurement 14½".
Good condition. Phone Swa. 460

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

CHURCH SERVICES

Society of Friends	Sunday 11 am
Methodists	Sunday 11 am
Holy Trinity	Saturday 1st Harvest Thanksgiving Service, Supper and Auction 6 pm
	Sunday 2nd 8 am Holy Communion
	9th & 30th 10 am Holy Communion
	16th 10 am Family Communion
	23rd Confirmation Service: the Bishop of Dorchester 10 am

WEEKLY EVENTS

Youth Club	Monday 7.30 Village Hall
Luncheon Club	Tuesday 12.30 Friends Hall
Folk Dancing	Tuesday 7.00 Juniors, 8.00 Seniors, Village Hall
Badminton	Wednesday (except 2nd) 8.00 Village Hall
Brownies	Thursday 5.45 Village Hall
Guides	Thursday 7.00 Village Hall
Cub Scouts	Friday 6.30 Village Hall
Playgroup	Daily except Tuesday Village Hall

Saturday 1st	Harvest Thanksgiving 6 pm
Monday 3rd	Primary School Harvest Service 10 am
Tuesday 4th	Friendship Club - Mr J.R. Baseley
Wednesday 5th	Austerity Lunch at Friends Meeting House 12 - 2
Friday 7th	Save the Children Coffee Morning 10.30
Saturday 8th	Horticultural Society Cake Stall at Mrs Turner's Epwell Harvest Service & Supper 6 pm

Tuesday 11th	W.I. Friends Hall 2 pm
Wednesday 12th	Horticultural Society A.G.M. Village Hall 8 pm

Sunday 16th	Epwell Songs of Praise with Shipston Town Band 6 pm
Tuesday 18th	Friendship Club 'Leningrad' Leo Club at Orchard House, Sibford Ferris 8 pm
Wednesday 19th	Gower Parish Council 8.15 Village Hall
Saturday 22nd	Nearly new sale and Cake Stall 2.30 Epwell Village Hall

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