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SIBFORD HISTORY

It has been suggested that Sibford is in danger of losing track of material which illustrates its history - whether documents, pictures, artefacts or personal reminiscences. Could we not collect together such items either for storage so that displays could be more easily mounted for special occasions or for permanent display in a small "Sibford Museum" if a suitable place could be found.

Comments and suggestions would be most welcome. Please contact the Editor (358) or Colin Frith, Barn Close, Burdrop (512). If there is sufficient interest a small committee will be formed to consider how best to proceed.

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PLEASE JOIN US AT
SIBFORD GOWER PRIMARY SCHOOL
FOR

OUR SUMMER EVENING PETE ON JUNE 29th AT 6 PM.

LOTS OF FUN AND GAMES

INTERESTING STALLS SUPPER
RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW FROM SCHOOL OR
P.T.A. MEMBERS

ALL CHANGE

After delivering Sibford Scene at her end of The Ferris for many years, Heather Stewart has now retired and been succeeded by Carol Moir and her family. Meanwhile in Burdrop, Margaret Cox, who took over the round temporarily, has now passed it on to Sheila Baseby (clearly the job goes with the house). Many thanks to all these for their past and future services.

METHODIST CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY

This will be celebrated on Tuesday 12th June at 7.30 p.m. The Speaker will be Mr. Stephen Beer from Oxford, and the Chair will be taken by Mr. Law from Oxfield.

Everyone is invited and there will be light refreshments afterwards.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL

Trinity Sunday falls this year on June 17th, and the services for that day are set out in the calendar. However, I should like to draw your attention to the morning service at 10 a.m. when the Brownies, Guides and Cub Scouts will be taking part in the Parade Service.

In the evening there will be the almost traditional (this is the third year) Songs of Praise Service at 6 p.m. This occasion depends on the congregation's being ready and willing to sing a number of hymns, rather on the lines of the T.V. programme. I would like to invite any of you to let me know any particular favourite hymn you may have - and perhaps a reason for liking it especially - and we shall do our best to include it in the service.

There will be supper at The Rectory afterwards and we invite you all to join us for that. If you could let us know by about the 14th whether you can come, that will assist with the catering - but don't worry, there will be food even if you don't let us know!

Timothy Wimbush

CHURCH GARDEN PARTY

Saturday 23rd June at 2.30 in The Rectory garden. Mrs Mary Poulton is in charge of arrangements for this occasion, which we intend to be an enjoyable opportunity to meet one another - and to make a few pounds for Church funds too. If Mary hasn't already been in touch with you, why wait for her to do so? Phone 470 and offer to help.

C.M.S.

Many thanks to all who came to meet Niall Watson and support the C.M.S. Coffee Morning which raised the goodly sum of £87.17.

Anne Stephens

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Once again, a very big 'thank you' to all who have supported the work of the Children's Society, by having boxes, helping with the house-to-house collection or by generously giving. The sum of £112 has been forwarded to the Society. Truly a splendid effort.

Mary Poulton

.....and if you would like to help further.....
A Coffee Morning is to be held by Helen Butler on Wednesday June 13th at Lilac Cottage, Tadmarton, from 10 to 12 noon, in aid of The Children's Society. There will be a cake stall, bring and buy etc. Please come and help this charity.

Helen Butler

KNITTERS NEEDED

1. Do you enjoy knitting ?
2. Are you interested in the work of The Samaritans ?
3. Have you friends who would sponsor you ?

If answers so far are all in the affirmative, then comes the vital question :-

4. Would you participate in a sponsored knit-in for the Banbury Samaritans during the 2nd week in June ?

If so, please contact M. Cox, Burdrop, as soon as possible. Phone 510.

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An Artist in Our Midst

Dorothy Kenney, of Elmridge Farmhouse, has had the honour of having a painting hung in the Royal Academy's Summer Exhibition. The painting, entitled "Cat's Corner", depicts two ginger cats sitting on a patio.

Mrs. Kenney's paintings have a simple charm and clarity, which is perhaps the secret of her success. As she has only been painting for about four years, and is entirely self-taught, this is really a splendid achievement.

We offer our congratulations and hope to see her work locally before too long.

E.G.

AN OPEN LETTER FROM A DOG OWNER

Dear Editor,

May I ask for reciprocal treatment for dog owners by being allowed to respond to your anonymous "A Gower Resident".

I would point out that apart from - indeed in common with - roly-poly children, in the countryside there are many animals. In each case they "defecate and urinate" not particularly selecting a special plot, but each in their turn contributing to what is known as country life.

In this there is a natural awareness of accepting the rough with the smooth, and occasionally the use of the rack, and in all cases knowing the truth of Gerard Manley Hopkins' famous lines, "Thank God for dappled things".

Mind you, for those who find this difficult to understand, there is an excellent alternative some seven miles away. It is called Banbury.

Yours sincerely,
A lover of children, dogs and
other animals.

WANTED !

The Secretary of the Village Hall needs a small, second hand, filing cabinet. If you have one that you would give or sell for this purpose, please contact Jeanette Skeath on Swalcliffe 494.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

FORTHCOMING OUTINGS

Half-day trip to MALVERN. Tuesday June 5th. Leave Swalcliffe Church 1 p.m. prompt. Picking up at The Ferris, Cotswold Close, The Colony, Sibford X, High Meadow, Epwell. Back by 6 p.m. Members £1, others £1.50. Stop for tea in Malvern.

Tuesday July 17th. $\frac{3}{4}$ -day trip to Treasures Clematis Gardens, Burford House, Tenbury Wells. Tea available at gardens. Return via Whiteley Church and Ruins. Leave Swalcliffe Church 12 noon, back at 6. Same pick-ups as above. Members £2.50 others £3.30.

Apply to Ted Webb, Wayside, Sibford Gower. Tel. 8211.

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday June 19th 2 p.m. in the Village Hall. Keep Fit demonstration by Mrs Wimbush's Team.

W.I.

W.I. starts June with new officers:

President Mrs Conway

Secretary Mrs Jarvis

Treasurer Mrs Stroud

Tuesday 12th June at 2 p.m.
in the Village Hall -

A Speaker from the American
Air Force Base at Upper
Heyford.

AUSTERITY LUNCHES

The total profit for the seven months that Austerity Lunches have been held in the Meeting House is £170. Friends are grateful to all who have supported the various causes and helped to raise this sum.

The lunches will be discontinued now until the Autumn.

M. LeMare

BIRD HOSPITAL

The Coffee Morning in April raised £197 for the Bird Hospital. Mrs Asser thanks all those who came on the day and the people who sent donations.

FRIENDS OF SIBFORD SPORTS CLUB

A reminder that subscriptions were due on 1st May for the year ending April '85.

£2 single

£5 family.

Ann Spicer

KEEP FIT

I hope to keep the morning sessions going until the end of term. The charge will be £3 for the 6-week course, or 60p a week. Creche facilities (35p) will be at The Rectory as before. Time - 10 a.m. on Tuesday mornings.

Erica Wimbush

SILHOUETTE SLIMMING CLUB

MEMORIAL HALL
HIGH STREET
HOOK NORTON.

WEDNESDAY 7.30

MEMBERSHIP £2.50
CLASS FEE £1.30
DETAILS SWA. 347

RED CROSS

Thanks to the energy of the Youth Club and the generosity of Sibford, the annual collection beat the record with a total of £91.51. A splendid effort on a pouring wet evening.

Anne Stephens

GOWER PARISH COUNCIL

At the recent A.G.M. of the Gower Parish Council, Mr. E. Payne was elected Chairman and Mr. D. Soden Vice-Chairman for the coming year.

In conjunction with the Cherwell District Council, the Ramblers Association has organised 31 guided walks in the area this summer. Each informal walk is about 4 miles. Just arrive at the meeting place wearing stout shoes and practical clothing. Please leave all pets at home. Some local walks will be listed in each month's Scene. Details of the whole programme can be seen in Green's Shop, Sibford Ferris.

Wednesday 6th June - meet at Bloxham Church 2.15. Leader - Audrey Holmes.

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SIBFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Our next meeting is the evening trip to The Manor, Little Compton on June 13th, leaving the Village Hall Car Park at 7 p.m. Any member requiring transport who has not already informed Mrs. Turner, please let me know (Tel.471).

We still have a few seats for our trip on June 30th to the Oxford Botanic Gardens, calling at Waterperry and, on the return journey, at Castle Alpines, Woodstock. Coach fare £1.50 plus 50p entrance fee. Packed lunch advisable. Telephone Robin Spicer (690).

If anyone can offer to help our Committee members run sideshows at our Annual Show on August 18th, we would be very grateful. Please contact Mrs Turner (590).

There will be no monthly meeting in July.

John Sabin

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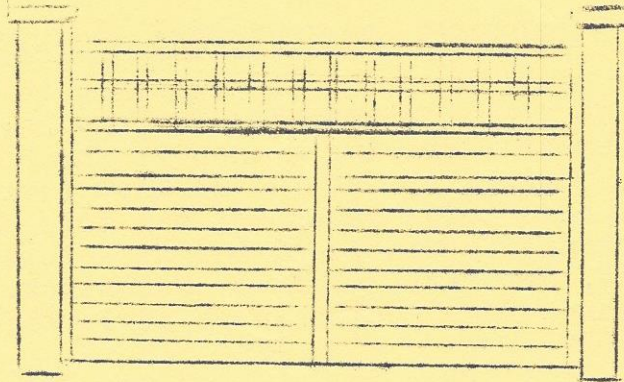
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5ft	1.25	19	1.44

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YOUTH CLUB

David Baker is looking for someone to assist him in the running of the Club, which meets at the Village Hall on Monday evenings from 7pm.

There will be a Summer Fete in the Rectory Garden on 25th July at 6.30pm.

Jean Shields (Swa. 571) will gladly furnish details to interested people.

THE GARDEN IN JUNE

It has been a difficult Spring, very dry, with sometimes hot days and cold nights, so seed germination has been slow and growth erratic, but the recent rain has helped things along. The ground is in excellent condition for seed sowing and, as the days warm up, germination should be good, so we can catch up with April's work.

In the vegetable garden, maincrop sowings should be done early in the month: carrot, beet, lettuce will go away rapidly. Runner and dwarf french beans can be sown although there is still a risk of frost for a week or two. If sown in boxes, they can be protected if necessary.

By the middle of the month it should be safe to plant out geraniums and begonias. Meanwhile, give them some weak liquid feed to build them up. Dahlias will be sprouting in their trays and providing young shoots for propagation. Keep them moist and in good light and they should be ready to plant out in late June / early July. Dig a good-sized hole and put some well-decayed manure in the bottom if you hope for large, well-flowered plants.

There is plenty of maintenance work in the garden this month; hoeing, pruning early-flowering shrubs, staking herbaceous plants before they get out of hand. Spring flowering bulbs should be left until the leaves have yellowed - they are storing up next year's food supply. There is no need to tie them up, just tolerate the untidiness for 5-6 weeks.

JARDIN

NEWS OF OUR NEIGHBOURS

TADMARTON

Mini-market in aid of Village Hall funds on Saturday 16th June at 2.30 in the Village Hall. Cakes, sweets, plants, toys, pottery, refreshments etc.

If anyone wishes to hire a stall for £1.50, please contact Mrs B. Wright, Swa. 402.

LONG COMPTON VILLAGE HALL

Grand Fete and Barbecue - Saturday June 23rd at 2 p.m. Chipping Norton Silver Band, Tug-o-war (3.30), many attractions. Pig roast & dancing 9 p.m. to midnight. Licensed bars applied for. Enquiries, Long Compton 201.

SWALCLIFFE

Grand Disco on Saturday 7th July 8.30-12.30 at Peter Colegrave's barn, Upper Lea. Dancing to 'The Classics', a really excellent group from Northampton. Tickets £2 each from Carol Nicholls (621) or Barbara Taylor (206). Pig roast and well-stocked licensed bar. Please try to come and bring your friends. The more the merrier.

...Best wishes to Anne-Marie Sabin and Graham Hayward who were married in Holy Trinity Church on 12th May.

CALENDAR FOR JUNE

CHURCH SERVICES

Society of Friends Sunday 11 a.m.
Methodists Sunday, 11 a.m.
Holy Trinity 3rd 8 a.m. Holy Communion
10th 10 a.m. Holy Communion
17th 8 a.m. Holy Communion
10 a.m. Family and Parade Service
6 p.m. Songs of Praise
24th 10 a.m. Holy Communion
Sunday School 9.45

WEEKLY EVENTS

Youth Club Monday 7.30 Village Hall
Luncheon Club Tuesday 12.30 Friends Hall
Folk Dancing Tuesday 8 p.m. Village Hall
Badminton Wednesday (except 2nd) 8 p.m. Village Hall
Brownies Thursday 4.45 Village Hall
Guides Thursday 7 p.m. Village Hall
Cub Scouts Friday 6.30 Village Hall
Playgroup Daily except Tuesday Village Hall

Tuesday 5th Friendship Club outing to Malvern
Wednesday 6th Guided Ramble 2.15 Bloxham

Tuesday 12th W.I. 2 p.m. Village Hall
Methodist Anniversary 7.30
Wednesday 13th Children's Society Coffee Morning at Tadmerton
Horticultural Society Garden Visit 7 p.m.
Saturday 16th Tadmerton mini-market 2.30

Sunday 17th Trinity Sunday - Patronal Festival
Tuesday 19th Friendship Club - Village Hall
Saturday 23rd Church Garden Party 2.30

FRiday 29th Primary School Pete 6 p.m.
Saturday 30th Horticultural outing to Oxford.

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TO THANK EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED.