

SIBFORD SCENE

JULY/AUGUST 1990 No. 138

O YEZ! O YEZ!

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Harken and Give Ear!

Or if you don't want to harken then behold!

YOUR NEW SIBFORD SCENE

A triumph of rustic technology! and for Sue who has pushed, pulled, cajoled and in the end, bullied the reluctant Editor out of his lethargy and finally has done all the work herself. Thanks also to Colin Frith - that rampart of martial precision and efficiency - who has kindly loaned his photocopier for this our 'trial run'.

The question is - do you like it? Or do you dislike it? Did, in fact, you notice, or don't you care a Castlemain Four X? **DO LET US KNOW.** Even if we do change over to this or similar form it may not be for a month or two. The reason being that our printer, the Rector has two spare bedrooms - Erica's wardrobe - James' chest of drawers and the cupboard under the Rectory stairs stuffed full of yellow duplicating paper which must be used up, unless anyone wants a job lot! Also there is the small matter of finance and cost [about double the old style Scene!]

SO - OVER TO YOU - WHAT DO YOU THINK?

SENIOR CITIZENS TEA PARTY

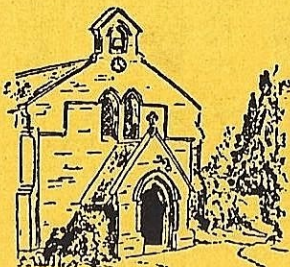
Sunday 15th July.

Ernest and I have pleasure in inviting senior citizens to Temple Close from 3 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, 15th July, for tea, hopefully in the garden but indoors if the weather is unkind. The Hook Norton Silver Band will play for us again and you are all most welcome.

Vera Jones.



The members of the church of Holy Trinity, Sibford, enjoyed the company not only of their neighbour and fellow villager, the Bishop of Dorchester and his wife but also fellow Christians from neighbouring parishes and other denominations together with a link to the past through the presence of parishioners who once worshipped here at Sibford but who have since moved far afield.



HOLY TRINITY SIBFORD

150th ANNIVERSARY

FESTIVAL EVENSONG

SUNDAY 10TH JUNE 1990

It was a lovely summer evening which encouraged a large congregation to assemble for both the worship of God and also to give thanks for the foresight and generosity of three villagers and farmers in 1840 who laboured to build this church, once again in Sibford; the previous church having fallen into desrepair and ruins some three hundred years previously.

The church looked beautiful, decorated in a profusion of white and silvan blooms by the members of the church flower roster, so ably organised by Toony Law, who the Rector lovingly referred to as 'Our Queen of Flowers'.

It was a happy choice to focus on Evensong as the service of thanksgiving. It has much to commend it in its words of soft meditation and thankfulness. Greatly loved and well attended some thirty years ago it has sadly declined in popularity since it finds itself in competition with a badly scheduled Forsyth Saga - the BBC should have known better - shame on it.

Evensong is obviously a favourite service with the Rev. Timothy Forbes Adam for his love showed abundantly in those parts of the service chanted by himself as minister with response from the congregation.

What a happy and thoughtful link with the past for the lessons to be read by Rosalyn Blackmore, daughter-in-law to the Vicar of Sibford 1956-63 and by Susan Stewart whose husband John was Rector here 1970-75.

Our Rector, whose third earthly love after Erica and umpiring at cricket matches (not surprisingly) church music, had prepared for us and rehearsed a most joyful rendering of sound. The choir responded magnificently, and, united on high in the minstrel gallery, sang out their hearts to God while the congregation were bidden to remain seated and silent below!

Mabel, dear Mabel, not to be outshone had assembled her choir of yeateryear, now no longer clad in gym slips and short trousers but with voices as sweet as can, sang a wonderful and joyful Hymn 365 with Mabel, now reinstated in her rightful place, thundering away at her organ!

In his sermon the Bishop of Dorchester took as his text Isaiah 40 verse 8 (go on look it up!). He combined an obviously well researched knowledge of our church and its history with a sincere pastoral message and he was listened to with great attention and respect.

Evensong is a service of quietitude and it is always sad when it draws to a close but on this particular Sunday the congregation was invited to cross the road to our village hall where Gill Soden and her many helpers had prepared a most welcome and substantial cold supper of meats, salads and lovely, lovely "gooey" puds.

The celebrations were bought to a close by the cutting of a fantastic cake baked and iced in the shape of the actual church building.

The Rector was selected to do the honours, not with a scalpal as would have been fitting, but with the sword once owned by Colonel Colin Frith's grandfather. The porch was severed with one mighty blow. Had he not chosen the ministry as his mission in life, The Rector would obviously have made a superb cavalry officer!!

So ended a most memorable evening which linked the past with the present and we trust, provided a platform for the future, that the parish of Holy Trinity might continue to accomplish all that our forefathers had hoped and prayed for a hundred and fifty years ago.

I was interested to recently read a report in a weekly magazine, which was highlighting the "Best of British", that Broadway is the best picturesque town with its sweeping greens and Elizabethan houses. The only problem is seeing the green beneath the hordes of American and Japanese visitors!!

We are lucky in having many such picturesque towns in our area.

Has anyone noticed Winchcombe - where Sudeley Castle is? A Castle I hope to visit soon. A very picturesque place and enough teashops to keep the thirstiest visitors happy.

Another "best" in the same report was "The Best Castle", a title which went to Warwick Castle, and where Madame Tussauds have created a country-house party inside the Castle, complete with Edward VII. Adults £5; Children 4 - 16 £3.25 and Senior Citizens £3.75. Family tickets are also available.



Nature Notes



May 22nd Two adult squirrels had a fight on our lawn. Teeth seemed to be their main weapon as they rolled down the bank together, like a ball, while trying to bite each other on their under-sides.

June 3rd Checking places where, according to a list we have, certain wild flowers used to grow about 50 years ago, has brought several disappointments; but today, at one site, we not only found the field pennycress that we were looking for, but also sun spurge, field madder, wild mignonette, bladder campion and some yellow rattle which had yet to come into flower.

June 10th The great spotted woodpecker, that we often see on the dead tree in our garden, today brought 3 young ones which she was feeding.

June 12th There seems to be a great variety of young birds about at the moment. Today I saw three young wrens all perched on the same twig.

June 16th My granddaughter showed me a ladybird that had one complete wingcase coloured brown with black spots, while the other one was the normal orange with black spots.

June 17th While we were having breakfast, two young squirrels were playing on the lawn. They pranced round each other then rushed away up the twin trunks of a flowering tree, one stopping momentarily half way up to see where the other one was, for all the world like two domestic kittens.

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REMEMBER that this event takes place on 8th July, in the grounds of Sibford School. The following activities will take place :

Cricket
 Children's Swimming Competition
 Rounds
 5-a-side football - Men, Women, Children
 Children's races
 Tug O' War

Any members of either parish wishing to take part in any of these events should contact me as soon as possible. The initial response has been excellent. The greater the number of people who attend, the greater will be the enjoyment of the day. The day's timetable will be as follows :

11.00 a.m.	- Cricket
	Children's swimming competition
1.00 p.m.	- "Bring your Own" Picnic
2.00 - 4.30 p.m.	- Rounders
	5-a-side football
	Children's races
	Tug O' War

Refreshments will be available, and we hope, a chance for you to view the new school sports hall complex.

Chris Carr (Tel. 505)



W.I. SIBFORD BRANCH

At the June meeting, Mrs. Crabtree returned as President, after an absence of nine years, with Mrs. Jarvis back as Secretary, following a break of one year. There was an excellent attendance of twenty-one, plus one guest. Gillian Smith, a W.I. member from Kings Sutton, demonstrated her ideas for quick and easy "no worry" fish recipes. She passed on many useful time saving tips. Later the dishes were raffled, with Miss Bennett, Mrs. Crabtree and Mrs. Law being the lucky winners.

The competition results for an attractive plate were :

1st - Mrs. Crabtree, 2nd - Mrs. Eildred, 3rd - Mrs. Powers.

Mrs. Conway gave a well delivered and most entertaining account of her day out at The Albert Hall, as delegate to the 69th A.G.M. and 75th Birthday of Women's Institutes in this county.

Four members visited Oxford County HQ to view a composite tapestry made of small squares submitted by most Institutes, each depicting aspects of their particular village. The Sibford contribution was designed by Mrs. Bristow and worked by Mrs. Eildred.

Mrs. Cox confirmed that the car rally will take place on Friday, 29th June, starting from the village hall at 6.30 p.m. - finishing somewhere suitable for refreshments. Members are welcome to bring a friend and non-drivers can fill vacant seats - so come along and have fun.

An outing to go to Hatton Craft Centre, near Warwick, is planned for Tues. 14th August. Further details next month.

On behalf of everyone, Mrs. Conway thanked Mrs. Bristow for her excellent work as Publicity Secretary.

Mrs. Baadsgaard and Mrs. Conway provided welcome cups of tea and home-made biscuits, after a longer than usual meeting.

Mrs. Soden's garden is the venue for the next meeting - on 10th July, at 2 p.m.

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We are very sad to report that Mrs. Pauline Sagar is leaving the area as her husband's job is taking her to pastures new. We are very sorry to lose her and would like to say a big "Thank you" for all she has done.

We also have to say goodbye to Mrs. Trish Ray, who has been helping and then running Sibford Guides for a very long time now. She stepped in when Mrs. Olive Springall was ill and has never managed to "step out" again. She has done a very good job at Guides and kept the Unit going with virtually no help at all. She now feels that she is unable to give the time to Guides and is retiring with Pauline in July. A VERY BIG THANK YOU to Trish for all you have done for Sibford Guides.

Of course, having read the above, you will realise that we have a flourishing Guide Unit with 15 really smashing girls - but alas, no leaders. PLEASE, PLEASE - can anyone come forward to help with Sibford Guides? How awful it would be if we had to close the Unit because there is no one who cares enough to come along and help. There MUST be somebody out there who would be prepared to help. Don't worry if you have never done anything like it before - we all have to start somewhere. I would be very happy to have a chat to anyone who might be interested. PLEASE - DON'T LET THE UNIT CLOSE.

Vivienne Scouse (Tel. Swal. 8320)

MUMS AND TODDLERS



On 30th May, we held a Teddy Bear' Picnic in the beautiful surroundings of Home Close, for which thanks are due to Sarah Randall for her hospitality and for an afternoon which was enjoyed by Mums, toddlers, grannies and teddies alike.

On 20th June, Christine Peacock, who runs the Crotchets and Quavers pre-school music classes visited us. This involved the participation of mums (crotchets) as well as little ones (quavers) and it proved to be lots of fun for everyone. Teddies again played a prominent part.

Forthcoming event - on Weds. 11th July, there will be a summer lunch at Sunnyban, Sibford Ferris, from 12 onwards. This will replace the usual morning session. Please could everyone bring a contribution of good. If wet, the lunch will be held indoors.

Hilary Maguire.

LEO CLUB



Vivienne's house was 'over-flowing' with Leo members on Tuesday, 19th June. It was lovely to see so many, and we were very pleased to welcome quite a few new people. We had a super evening, during which we sampled the many and varied dishes that everyone had brought along. Sadly, our Speaker for the evening was ill, but Mary Bristow valiantly stepped into her shoes, and gave us a most entertaining account of her recent holiday in France. THANK YOU very much Mary.

The next meeting of LEO will be held on Tues. 18th September, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Conway - Grimes Close, Stocking Lane, Shennington.

BABY SITTER "ON TAP" :

Do you need a baby-sitter ? Can I help ?

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HIGH AND LOW, UP AND DOWN

And so has Sibford's season begun - two good wins in the league, followed by two unlikely losses, another good win and two disappointing defeats. A first class performance in the National Village Championships and a semi-final place in the League Cup - unpredictable but nevertheless exciting.

Batting has been better than bowling, with a number of half-centuries and a welcome return of Adrian Lamb, together with some solid displays by Ron Morbey, the side has still to be dismissed for under 100. Bowling, on occasions, has been excellent, but with a lack of consistency in that department, together with some indifferent fielding, has cost the side dearly and league aspirations have all but gone.

Nevertheless, there is much to look forward to - the Sibford Cricket Club will become the "epitomy of sartorial elegance" with the arrival of their new sweaters, generously sponsored by Martin Fuller of The Bishops Blaize - we are indebted to him. Not least is the revival of the Ferris v Gower cricket match, and with loyalties more or less equally divided, a close outcome is predicted. There are a number of new players coming into the community, and together with the younger elements, there is much potential for the future with competition for places becoming keener - indeed anyone seeking a game in the Ferris v Gower head-to-head should contact David Inns (702) or David Bennett (Ferris) (373).
THE SELECTORS WILL BE PRESENT !!

From The Boundary Man

Results - League

v Hook Norton - Away (5th May)

Sibford (225 for 7)
(David Inns 57; Adrian Lamb 50*)

- WON BY 104 RUNS

Hook Norton (121 All Out)
(Roger Gilbert 3-33)

v Brailes - Away (12th May)

Brailes (121 for 8)

- WON BY 1 WICKET

Sibford (124 for 9)

v Warmington - Away (19th May)

Sibford (112 all out)

- LOST BY 7 WICKETS

Warmington (113 for 3)

v Adderbury - Away (26th May)

Sibford 185 for 9
(Adrian Lamb 83)

- LOST BY 5 WICKETS

Adderbury 187 for 5
(Adrian Lamb 3-58)

v Whitnaby - Away (2nd June)

Whitnaby (151 - All out)
(Nigel Fletcher 3-28)

- WON BY 4 WICKETS

Sibford (155 for 6)
(David Inns 56)

Results - First Round National Village Championship

v Tiddington - Home (13th May)

Tiddington (187 for 7)

- LOST BY 38 RUNS

Sibford (149 for 8)

* - and they brought 100 spectators and we had the best raffle in years!!

Results - 1st Round GEORGE CLARK CUP

v AZAD - Home (23rd May)

Sibford (124 for 4)

- WON BY 19 RUNS

Azad (105 for 9)



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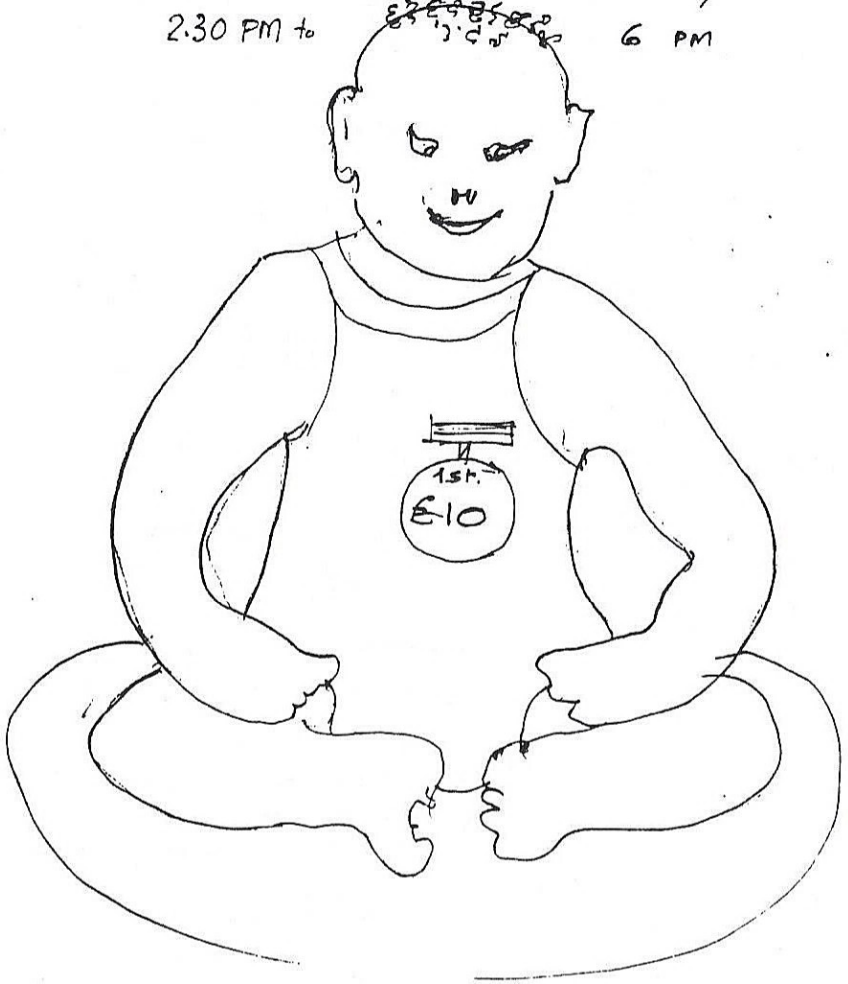
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The arena was filled with eight señors and sennoras, noble villagers all (four were proud owners of poked sized TV's to continue snooker watching - four had come to enjoy the magnificent Oxfordshire view from the lovely picture window) when our much loved Village Elder "P.C." chairman and star 'matador' for the night arrived. He was spot on time with eyes blazing ready for conflict and obviously fortified by several glasses of Mabel's Raspberry Wine. One or two more señoras and senorittas trickled in!

The Matador placed his red cape and sword on the table and preliminaries commenced.

Our chief Picador and clerk to the Council, John Berry informed from a huge tome-dating back to King John. The minutes contained an interesting expenditure of a half penny for some road signs! What the signs were was not fully explained but at a half penny it was cheap even if it turned out to be an Ayatollah Death Threat!, pinned to the Finger Post at the cross roads. There were papers on pot holes - grass verges - car parking and planning control.

It was now the time for a nimble toed Picador from the Town Estate Charity to plunge in his gentle goad. Peter Baardsgaard explained that assets, revalued every four years, remained at £255,000, but the disposable assets had risen for the remarkable reason that income had been greater than expenditure (our village accountants will understand!) Most of the monies had been spent on our wonderful village school (maybe our greatest asset) and the most successful and well patronised weekly bus service which was to continue indefinitely (cheers from the terraces). Full details and any explanation could always be obtained from Peter who them galloped off.

Our Matador pointed his sword at a slumbering John Mulley Bull quietly composing another two pages of Neighbourhood Watch for next month's Scene. He woke but declined to charge on this occassion and remained ruminating.

The preliminaries were over; our Matador draped his cape over his sword and faced the raging bulls.

Obviously influenced by too much "Westminster Live" he challenged,

"Come on now, there must be questions to the Prim - sorry, Chairman?"

An old bull snorted and made a half hearted charge about "Free bus for the Ferris?"

Our Matador stepped smartly aside with the words,

"Ah well, its them isn't it. They say its not possible."

A Robin bull roared in "Why won't someone help Ann as the Communities Liasion Advisor?"

Our Matador made a backward pass with his cape,

"Ah! You'll have to ask them."

Waving the red of his cape at Mollie - a lady bull, who had been so valiant last year with repeated head on charges, he received little more than a docile "Moo".

By now the bulls were queuing up to charge,

"Why?" - "Because they won't allow it."

"When?" - "When they say we can!"

"Who?" - "Why its them isn't it!"

Our roving reporter was about to ask whether them was one, they a several 'thems; when there was the pound of galloping hoofs and a large powerful Fred Inns bull, head lowered, bore down on Matador Eric with snorts of "Conservation Area, Conservation Area."

Our king of matadors flung his cape over the bull's head and thrust his sword between its shoudlers direct to the heart with the words,

"Well there you have it then!"

It was all over - no blood - no ears cut off! Matador Eric was triumphant!

The senorittas went mad and were about to pluck flowers from their hair to throw on Eric when Mabel, his prize and favourite Picador, dragged him away.

Not for a flagon of Red Bull's Blood Spanish wine, as was his deserts, but for a cup of cocoa and a slice of her current bread, with slippers on, in front of the tele' to watch what was left of the snooker.

As no one had time to thank Eric and his noble, hard working team for their efforts during the year, the Scene takes this opportunity to be serious and say a sincere,

"Thanks Mr. Chairman, You're Great!"



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Judy Abbott



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FRIENDSHIP CLUB NOTES FOR JULY/AUGUST

SUNDAY JULY 1st

Stall at Open Garden at Mr. & Mrs Jones at 2.00p.m.

TUESDAY JULY 3rd

2.00p.m. at the Village Hall the Rector will explain arrangements for Loggins Charity, followed by Mr. Pearce of Epwell, slide show.
Tea, cakes, raffle. Open meeting.

SUNDAY JULY 15th

Garden Party at Temple Close by kind permission of Mr. & Mrs. E. Jones at 3.00p.m.

WEDNESDAY JULY 25th

Outing to Rutland Water, Oakham, Leicestershire.

MONDAY JULY 30th

Coffee evening at Mrs Fowler's nouse, Pound Lane.

With sadness the Club learned of the death of Mrs. B. Warmington on June 11th. A spray of flowers was sent to her funeral and several members attended.

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 8th

Evening outing at 6.00p.m.

Lastly but not least a warm thank you to Mrs Law for a lovely afternoon on June 19th.

A.L.B.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Last month I seemed to fill my few lines with 'do nots' with the exception of the very important and always worthwhile 'Keep Watching.'

This month a number of 'do thises' - Holidays - Empty HousesAre invitations to the other sort of people.



Do make it difficult for thieves to know that you are away, perhaps by fitting lights with time switches, maybe your friends could come in and slightly alter the one and off timing as an additional security.

Tell your neighbours that you are going, leave a forwarding address. Tell your co-ordinator you are away as well AND when you are returning.

Cancel milk and papers and do not (one crept in!) put the empty bottles out on the day you leave! Let someone else have them for returning.

Get somebody to remove the mail if it can be seen from outside.

Fit good locks — AND USE THEM.

If you have any energy left after that lot, have a lovely time.

John Mulley, Co-ordinator, Gower and Burdrop N.W.

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ENTRANCE TO SHOW ADULTS 50p
SCHOOL CHILDREN 10p

DONATIONS TO STALLS WILL BE GRATEFULLY
RECEIVED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

OR ON THE DAY. OR RING SWA 533, 8400 OR 8260
FOR COLLECTION.



GARDENING NOTES FOR JULY

Hopefully by the time you read this we shall have had enough rain, and everything in the garden will be growing strongly.

When dead-heading your roses or picking them for the house, remember to cut back to an outside bud. Summer pruning in fact. Watch out for green-fly etc. After two mild winters, ladybirds will need some help. Feed roses after their first flowering.

Dead-head lupins and delphineums unless you want the seed. If you do, leave only the bottom few pods and leave leaves to build the plant for next year. You can have a second flush of flowers in a good year by cutting to the ground but this will lessen vigour next year.

Disbud chrysanthus and carnations if you want larger blooms for showing, hopefully on August 18th. Sweet peas will need regular liquid feeding and the pinching out of tendrils and side-shoots if you want quality rather than quantity. Sow next years wallflowers and Sweet Williams in drills outside if you haven't already done so. Tulip and daffodil bulbs can now be lifted and stored or replanted in a shady spot until setting out again in October.

Continue to trim spent flowers and excess growth from alpines. Save seeds where needed and sow immediately in some cases, such as primulas to obtain earlier and better results. If unsure try half the seeds now and the rest next spring. Keep tomatoes well fed and watered.

Pick fruits regularly and also those of cucumber and courgette, to encourage continued production. Take half-ripe cuttings of shrubs that you want more of, either for replacement, giving to friends or to exchange for something you haven't got. A good idea is to cover the pot with a polythene bag supported by small sticks in order to maintain humidity. Reduce leaf area to reduce transpiration. Place pot in a warm shady place; under the greenhouse bench? As soon as there is sign of new growth remove the bag, pot on if rooted and harden off.



Did you spot last month's deliberate mistake (not mine!)
You should have been reminded to stop cutting asparagus after June 24th.

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The Riverside Players
present

TOAD OF TOAD HALL

BLOXHAM SCHOOL OPEN AIR THEATRE

7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th August at 7.45 p.m.
Matinee 11th August at 2.30 p.m.

Tickets £4.00 (Children OAPS £2.00)
from

Virginia House Bloxham 10608)41033	Tucker's Country Store Deddington (0869)38215
Tourist Info.Centre Banbury Museum (0295) 259855	The Book Shop Chipping Norton (0608)41033

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MRS LAW OR I WOULD WELCOME GIFTS OF SPARE MATERIAL
SUITABLE FOR MAKING CUSHION COVERS, APRONS, WORK BAGS,
ETC. FOR SALE IN AID OF THE RED CROSS.

Anne Stephens

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY



June 2nd saw a small party enjoying themselves in reasonable weather at Oxford Botanical Gardens & Waterferry Garden & Nursery. We were well looked after by Mr. Walker, the Superintendent at Oxford, who gave us much information about the history of what is the oldest botanical garden and what it exists for and tries to achieve. Lunch was enjoyed in those pleasant surroundings and tea at Waterferry. Spare seats on the coach were filled, with plant purchases.

This month we visit Upton Park for a conducted tour of the garden, starting there at 7.30 p.m. on July 4th.

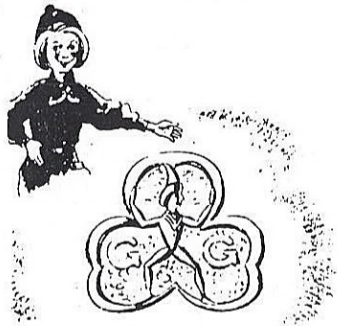
A reminder. Would those who hold trophies from last year's Show please return them to David Ellred or any other member of the Committee in good time for this years Show on August 18th.

SIBFORD BROWNIES

We have welcomed to the Pack this term Emma Wilkinson and Rebecca Hawtin from Shennington.

All the Brownies have been working very hard this term for badges and all the Brownies have gained at least one badge - some as many as 3 or 4. Many thanks to Mrs. Sagar who had been helping the girls to gain Agility and Athlete Badges.

Brownies from Sibford and Hook Norton will be joining together this year for a Pack Holiday at Jubilee House which they are all greatly looking forward to.



John and Susie Dunston and little Matthew would like to say thank you to everyone who has made us so welcome since our arrival in Sibford in April. We have greatly enjoyed our first weeks here and look forward to getting to know the village in the years ahead.



We feel it is a great privilege to be associated with Sibford School, particularly at a time when there are so many exciting future developments in the offing. By the time this appears in print I hope that many of you will have had the chance to come to our Open Day on the 30th June and that you will have enjoyed the occasion. By the way, to those of you who have so kindly asked after Matthew who weighed only 3lbs 14 oz at birth, he is now doing very well and clocked up over 10 lbs when he was last weighed!

CALENDAR FOR JULY and AUGUST

JULY	4	Horticultural Society's Outing to Upton Park - 7.30 p.m.
	7	Scout Paper Collection
	8	Sibford Sports Day
	10	WI Meeting - Mrs. Soden's Garden
	11	Mums & Toddlers Summer Lunch
	13	Friendship Club Meeting
	15	Cherwell in Bloom, last entries
	15	Senior Citizens Tea Party - Temple Close
	15	Garden Party, Epwell, with the Conservatives
	25	Friendship Club outing to Rutland water.
	30	Friendship Club Coffee Evening.
AUGUST	8	Friendship Club Evening Outing
	14	WI Outing to Hatton Craft
	18	Horticultural Society's Produce Show

CHERWELL IN BLOOM 1990

Have you noticed what an amazing difference Cherwell in Bloom has made to our area ?

The Cherwell in Bloom competition is open to all residents and businesses in the Cherwell District. Entries, by 15th July, 1990, are invited from members of the public, streets, villages, community groups, large and small industrial and commercial businesses, shops, pubs, hotels and volunteer or conservation groups.

The full list of competition categories is as follows :

1. Best floral display by a village
2. Best floral display by a community group/street.
3. Best floral display by a small commercial premise or shop
4. Best floral display by a public house
5. Best clean up project by a local volunteer group
6. Best nature conservation project.



A highly informative and beautifully designed leaflet giving details of how to enter the competition or how to sponsor the event is now available from The Recreation Dept. Cherwell District Council, Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, or telephone (0295) 252535, ext. 199.

Revised postal services, as from Sunday June 17th.
There will be a Sunday Collection in Sibford Gewer at 11 am.

SIBFORD GOWER TOWN ESTATES CHARITY
FREE BUS SERVICE FOR RESIDENTS OF SIBFORD GOWER AND BURDROP

SCHEDULE

			<u>Departure Time</u>	<u>Return Time</u>
Friday	June 6	Banbury	10.00	12.00
Wednesday	July 11	Chipping Norton	11.00	13.00
Friday	July 20	Banbury	10.00	12.00
Wednesday	July 25	Chipping Norton	11.00	13.00
Friday	August 3	Banbury	10.00	12.00
Wednesday	August 8	Chipping Norton	11.00	13.00
Friday	August 17	Banbury	10.00	12.00
Wednesday	August 22	Chipping Norton	11.00	13.00
Friday	August 31	Banbury	10.00	12.00

The pick-up points are:-

Banbury Bus

Village Hall

Cross Roads

High Meadon

Chipping Norton Bus

Village Hall

High Meadow

Cross Roads

The Colony



ROMANIA BRING AND BUY

Youth Club Members Mark Adams, James and Thomas Millward, Jo Hall and James Marcovitch (behind the scenes), and those who baked cakes, Jason and Amanda, are to be warmly thanked for their help at our Event to raise money for orphanages in Romania. We made the grand sum of £520, and a further £47 has since come in. The warm support from everyone around was overwhelming, and the good feeling on that day more than made up for the sheer hard work that so many put in. The money is now in a special account (gaining interest) while I find out the most effective way it needs to be used. Thank you all who supported in any way - helpers, cake bakers and spenders!

Anne M.

A magnificent effort and money still pouring in - So! there is yet time to give.

WELCOME TO SIBFORD - ALL NEWCOMERS

If you have just moved into the village and have not received a copy of the leaflet "Welcome to Sibford" - please ring Petra Berry on Swal. 462 (if you live in Sibford Gower or Burdrop) or Jane Holliday on Swal. 500 (if you live in the Ferris) and they will deliver a copy to you. The information will help to make you feel at home as soon as you move into your new house, by acquainting you with the services, schools, churches, clubs and societies, currently active in the villages.



CHURCH SERVICES

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS SUNDAY AT 10.30am
 METHODIST SUNDAY AT 11.00am
 ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS Hook Norton SUNDAY AT 11.00am
 Brailes SUNDAY AT 11.30am
 BAPTIST CHURCH Hook Norton SUNDAY AT 10.30am

CHURCH OF ENGLAND HOLY TRINITY, SIBFORD GOWER

July 1 8.00 am Holy Communion
 8 10.00 am Holy Communion
 15 10.00 am Family Service
 22 10.00 am Holy Communion
 29 10.00 am United Services at Epwell
 Aug 5 8.00 am Holy Communion
 12 10.00 am Holy Communion
 19 10.00 am Family Service
 26 10.00 am United Service at Tadmarton



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WEEKLY EVENTS

Youth Club	Village Hall	Monday 7-9.30pm
Swimming Club	Friends School	Monday & Wednesday 6-7pm Friday 5-6pm (Toddlers) 6-7.30 (Adults)
Senior Citizens Lunches	Sibford Primary School	Tuesday-phone 690
Brownies	Village Hall	Tuesday 5.15-6.45pm
Folk Dancing	Village Hall	Tuesday 8pm
Badminton	Village Hall	Wednesday 8pm
Guides	Village Hall	Thursday 7pm
Beavers	Village Hall	Friday 4.30-5.45pm
Cub Scouts	Village Hall	Friday 6pm
Scouts	Village Hall	Friday following cubs
Playgroup	Village Hall	Mon, Wed, Fri (term time) 9.30-12noon
Mums & Toddlers	Friends School (Orchard Close)	Wednesday 10.30-12
Tennis Courts open to Sibford Sports Club	Friends School	Mon-Sat 6-7.30pm Sunday 10.00-12.30

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