

SIBFORD SCENE

APRIL 1991. NO. 145

EASTER 1991

Easter Joy to all villagers!

A wonderful season in every sense.

Rejoice and be Thankful!

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SIBFORD YOUTH CLUB

The club would like to report a very special evening held on 25th February when the Chairman, Mrs Joan Shields, retired after many years of service. Many people who had been members in the past, as well as current members, came along to wish Joan well and to thank her for all her hard work over the years. Joan was presented with a Dartington glass bowl, suitably inscribed, to show the appreciation we all feel for her. The new Chairman is Mr Les Summerell.

New members are always welcome. Children between 8-16 may come to the village hall 7-9p.m. Monday evenings where they can join in with many activities, make new friends and have fun, under the careful supervision of David Baker and his helpers.

Occasional outside activities include sponsored walks, trips to ten pin bowling, roller disco, etc.

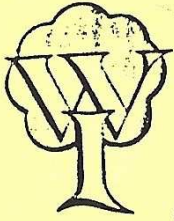
There is a charge of 50p each week.

Do come along and join in the fun.

N.B. No meetings 25 March, 1 and 8 April.

Christine Summerell

Secretary, Sibford Youth Club



SIBFORD W.I.

This month good weather encouraged a good attendance to hear Mrs Plowman give a most interesting talk on "Cottage Collectables". She brought a varied and large collection of her own treasures with her to show and describe and provoked a good deal of interest in those members who possessed similar items themselves. It was a lively afternoon and very enjoyable. A number of unusual and often valuable cup and saucers had been brought along and Mrs Plowman obviously thought them very "collectable". Mrs V. Harris won the competition with a rare Worcester item and second was Mrs Elldred, third Miss Bennett. Next month's meeting will be on Tuesday April 9th and the speaker on "Around the World in 100 days" who should have come in February when the weather was bad is Mrs Joan Stone. Please note this meeting will be in the Village Hall at 2 p.m. and not at Mrs Baadsgaard's house. A Bring and Buy Sale was held at the March meeting to boost funds. The amount collected will be announced at the next meeting. The competition at the April meeting will be "A holiday album or scrap-book."

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MOTHERING SUNDAY

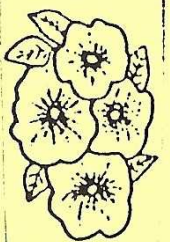
"Those who go a'mothering find violets in the lane". Such lilting sentiment conjures the picture of children from the middle ages scampering through fields and rummaging beneath hedgerows for primroses and violets to pick and carry home to thankful mothers.

Alas! On Mothering Sunday 1991 our Rector shattered this romance with the cold fact that the festival was but a hundred years old!

Sometimes it is a good thing to illuminate the sentimentality of the past and replace it with the reality of the present.

Certainly the feeling of family and thankfulness for the influence of the mother figure was in no way diminished at the Family Service of Holy Trinity last month.

A large number of families were in attendance and the children played a significant part in the proceedings, with the service culminating in the distribution of posies of spring flowers.



NATURE NOTES

MAR 3rd I saw a Muntjak on Swalcliffe Common this morning. They now seem to have spread over most of the South Midlands. One more case of an introduced specie multiplying at an amazing rate.

MAR 4th Since the banning of the agricultural chemicals, that 20 years ago brought the sparrow hawk close to extinction in this area, they have made a remarkable recovery. We frequently see them now, and one settled for a few moments in a tree just outside our window, while we were having breakfast today.

MAR 10th Birds are taking more food from our bird table than at any time this winter. It may be that some people have stopped feeding them, now that the weather has improved.

MAR 13th A lovely warm day. The first frogspawn appeared in our garden pond today. A water boatman landed on a black plastic sheet that we were spreading. I tried to carry it to the nearest water but it took to the air again. I had always thought that they only flew at night. We have only seen one peacock and one brinstone butterfly. On such a warm day I would have expected more to come out of hibernation. I hope this does not mean that very few have survived the winter. It is amazing how the call of the herring gull carries. When I heard their calls this afternoon I looked up, expecting to see them just above my head, but I just managed to spot them, wheeling at a great height.



MAR 14th I picked up six more water boatmen from the plastic sheet this morning and put them into a cattle trough. I suppose that the shiny black plastic must look like a stretch of water to their eyes.

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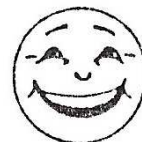
FRIENDSHIP CLUB NOTES FOR APRIL

Tuesday April 2nd

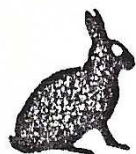
Owing to non-availability of the Village Hall the club is going to Mrs Law's house in Sibford Ferris for the afternoon and tea.

Wednesday April 24th

Outing to be arranged.



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CENTRE FOR RESEARCH

Have you ever researched the history of your village, tried to date a building or searched for an old photograph of a local scene? If so, you may be interested to learn of the establishment of a new "Centre for Oxfordshire Studies" by the County Council on the second floor of Oxford Central Library in Westgate.

This exciting new venture, due to open in the summer of 1991, will draw together resources relating to Oxfordshire from all sections of the Department of Leisure and Arts to create a centrally located resource centre.

The Centre will comprise the present Local Studies collection of books, pamphlets, maps and photographs with the addition of material from the County Museum, Oxfordshire Archives, the Site and Monuments Record and the Countryside Section. The aim is to make all these resources more readily accessible, and to this end new technology such as on-line catalogues and video-discs will be

brought in where appropriate and when funds permit! A Keeper of Photographs and Oral History took up post at the beginning of January to develop and exploit the county's holdings in these fields, and specialists from various services will be available for consultation. The Centre will be headed by Dr Malcolm Graham, who is well known to many as the Local Studies Librarian and author of several books on Oxfordshire's history.

As well as being a hub for research and study, it is hoped that the Centre will also offer an introduction and stimulus to visitors who have an interest in their environment. A display area will be created where attractive and informative material can be exhibited, including items presently only available on request, and local societies and groups will be encouraged to make full use of the facilities.

John Pilling
Local Studies Library

LOCAL HISTORY - Has your Cottage a story to tell? There must be a wealth of interest hidden within the stone walls of our homes - who built it - when - & who lived there. What did they do - was it used for other purposes? Interesting architectural features - improvements - Gardens, etc. etc.

If sufficient contributions are received on these lines, it is hoped to run a series of features on "The Buildings of Sibford", with perhaps eventually the printing of a fund raising booklet on "The History of Sibfords".

This is not confined to houses & cottages but can embrace farms, pubs, Churches & the whole cross section of our locality, including Lamb's Pool?

With luck, it may be possible to include a sketch of the building featured - Do please put quill to parchment and respond.

Budding Layout Experts Wanted!

Sue - who is the active, imaginative half of the Sibford Scene's Editorial partnership - is anxious to contact other villagers who have typewriters or who have paid off their mortgage and have expanded into word processors. Maybe - just maybe- they could contribute an hour a month to produce two or three pages of copy for Sandra to print and Margaret or Jim to staple into the next month's Sibford Scene? If you feel you can help please phone Sue on Swa 8194. We are waiting for your call. Sleep well. Don't have nightmares!! Its the Editor that gets the Flak!!



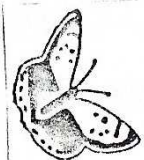
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HARRY WILLIAMS/LAMBS POOL NATURE RESERVE

This Five Acre reserve was given to the Berks. Bucks & Oxon Naturalist Trust by Mr & Mrs J.A. Lamb of Sibford Ferris. It is also named in memory of Harry Williams who was its manager until his death in 1987. Since great emphasis is now being put on wetland conservation by all conservation societies, not only in this country, but in Europe also, such a reserve as this one is of great importance.

As well as the preservation of areas where wildlife is known to be threatened, the trust also liases with farmers and landowners to encourage and advise them in nature conservation on their own land. It also, through the "Watch" Groups instructs and encourages children in the protection and preservation of wildlife.

On May 12th the foxholes reserve near Kingham holds its open day. This is an excellent opportunity to see at first hand the work of the Trust on 100 acre woodland reserve. Guided walks, teas and other attractions for children provide an excellent outing for the family. On 22nd June Mr & Mrs Henbrey of Virginia Cottage are kindly holding a coffee morning. For details of these events or of BBONT itself please contact the manager of Lambs Pool Reserve Bill Crabtree, or the Warden Tony Skeath.



S.F.P.G. DISCO

Saturday, April 27th, Sibford Village Hall.
9 - 12 p.m. Admission £2.50. (£3 after 9.30 p.m.)
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Letters to the Editor :

SIBFORD FERRIS PARISH COUNCIL

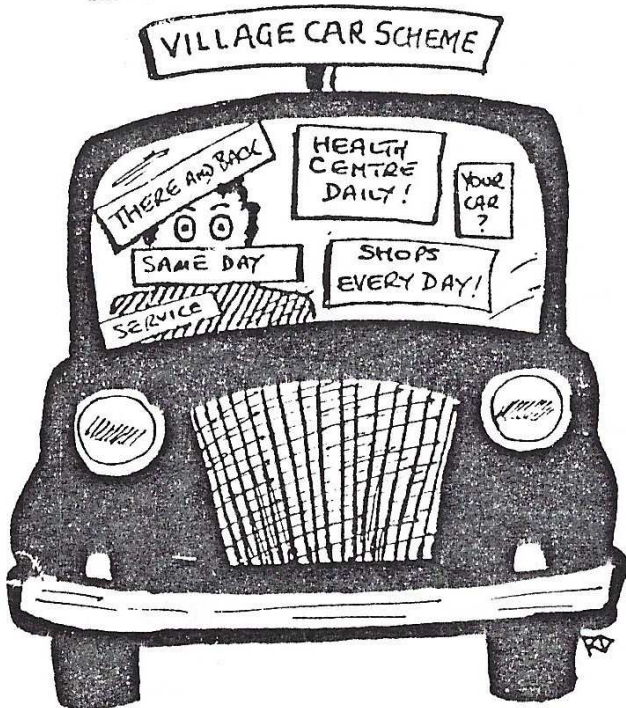
Dear Barry,

The members of the Parish Council have asked that their concern be expressed in the next copy of the Scene about the parking in the main street at the Ferris. This is particularly worrying around the area of the telephone box which quite often has cars on both sides of the road. On several occasions large vehicles have found difficulty in getting through, and there could be serious delays if any of the emergency services were impeded in this way. It would obviously be a great help if those residents with off street parking could make regular use of it and for others to be aware of the difficulties they may be causing. It has also been noticed that agricultural vehicles have been making a mess of the verges in the village, and the Council would appreciate care on the part of these drivers also. Best Wishes, Pat Romans, Clerk to S.F.P.C.

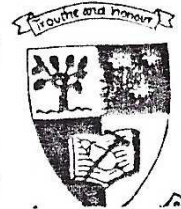
TRANSPORT

If your local bus service has recently been reduced or completely withdrawn, perhaps a car scheme could be the solution to the transport needs of your village.

ORCC has prepared a guide on "How to Start a Village Car Scheme", with information and details on insurance, legal requirements and ways of financing it. Copies of this guide are available from Irene Reveco, Transport Officer, ORCC, The Hadow Rooms, 101 Banbury Road, Oxford OX2 6NE and cost £1.00 per copy incl. p. & p.



FRIENDS' SCHOOL, SIBFORD



At the time of writing, the Spring Term is drawing rapidly to a conclusion and a very busy one it has been too.

Perhaps one of the more striking features of recent weeks was the extent to which pupils from the School have been able to take part in educational visits and that visitors from outside have come to Sibford. On the 15th March the Theatre Group called Play on Words came to the School and arranged a full day of Shakespearean and other Workshops for all age groups including the children at Orchard Close. A group of older pupils heard a fascinating talk on Nuclear Power by a speaker from Harwell and in the middle of March we were very lucky to have a visit from a German school party of 6th formers from Unna near Dortmund. Such international visits are of enormous benefit to both sides and we certainly hope there will be more of them in the future.

There were also Duke of Edinburgh's Award Expeditions - two took place in March alone.

On the musical front an innovative Workshop took place on the 2nd March at which pupils of all ages chose to take part as singers, players, listeners and participants in all sorts of ways and towards the end of term a concert was organised in the Oliver Studio by the School's resident Rock Band in aid of the Red Nose Day charities. The following evening on the 16th March the Friends of Sibford School organised a concert at which Wendy Holden and Gareth Jeremy together with the Banbury Amateur Operatic Society entertained a packed audience with Songs from the Shows.

Activity will not stop at the end of term since on the 24th March a party of 6th formers will be leaving on a school trip to Moscow and Leningrad.

Finally a reminder to all that we are always very pleased to welcome visitors to the school either to have a look around or indeed to use some of our expanding facilities and we will look forward to seeing you.

John Dunston
Headmaster

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HOOK NORTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Since it reopened the Hook Norton Baptist Church has steadily widened the scope of its activities. Every week we have prayer meetings on Wednesday and Saturday mornings, fellowship groups on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, children's club on Thursday at six o'clock, while every Sunday during the morning service there are Sunday school classes for different age groups. We have refurbished the hall and this is now being used for a variety of activities including Brownies and the Bright Hour. Saturday working parties are renovating the panelling in the church which is now well heated and furnished.

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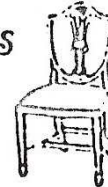
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MORNING

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EVENING

MENS KEEP FIT - Scott Orchard
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GERMAN CONVERSATION - Katharine
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7.30 - 9 5 weeks £6.75

ITALIAN CONVERSATION - Isabella
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7.30 - 9.30 6 weeks £9

TUESDAY

MORNING

KINDERGYM - Ruth Wade. For the
pre-school child to explore and
enjoy gym equipment with an
adult.

9.00 - 9.30 10 weeks £9.50

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EVENING

LADIES WORK OUT - Julia Holloway
7.30 - 8.30 9 weeks £10.35

SPANISH CONVERSATION - Ann
Richards (beg. continuation)
7.30 - 9 7 weeks £9.50

FRENCH CONVERSATION - Denise
Ream (intermediate)
7.30 - 9.30 7 weeks £10.50

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16th April

WEDNESDAY

GYMNASTICS - Ruth Wade. For
primary school children
3.15 - 4.00 10 weeks £9.50
4.00 - 4.45 10 weeks £9.50

Y EDUCATION CENTRE

PROGRAMME

THURSDAY

MORNING

YOGA FOR ALL - Sue Thomlinson
Bring a mat with you.
9.45 - 11.15 9 weeks £12.15

SWIMMING and FRENCH IS FUN are full at the moment

AFTERNOON

PAINTING AND DRAWING - Ken Spring
1 - 3 6 weeks £9

TERM STARTS WEEK COMMENCING 8th APRIL. Half term 27th - 31st May
Classes are held at the Primary School.

EVENING

YOGA - Sue Thomlinson
Beginners 7 - 8 10 weeks £11.50
Intermediate 8 - 9.30 10 weeks £13.50

RE-ENROLMENTS may be made prior to the end of the Spring term or on the first day of your class.

FRENCH CONVERSATION - Denise Ream (beginners continuation)
7.30 - 9.30 7 weeks £10.50

HANGING BASKET WORKSHOP with May Glead. Certain items may be purchased at the class. (Hand-out available)
7.30 - 9 £2.50
9th May

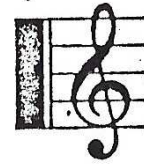
NEW ENROLMENTS and enquiries please contact the Community Education Organiser: Linda Buchanan, The Primary School, The Bourne, Hook Norton Tel: 730052. The office is normally manned Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings during term time with an ansaphone in operation at other times. CHEQUES payable to HNCEC.

IDEAS FOR BARBECUES - Gill Judd
7.30 - 9 £5.00 2 weeks
starts 16th May

EVENING WALKS - Percy Hackling will be leading the walkers, giving the history of the local countryside.
7pm - 6th and 13th June £5

LOST - Swiss army type penknife in the vicinity of Cotswold Close - Liam Jones' name engraved on it - small reward.
7 Cotswold Close, Sibford Ferris.

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CHIPPING NORTON MALE VOICE CHOIR

The choir would like to thank the organisers of their concert in the village hall on Sat. 9th March, for a thoroughly enjoyable evening, and a supper that was well worth singing for !

Any men who feel they would like to join us will be warmly welcomed. No previous experience necessary. For details phone Harold Smith on Chipping Norton 41804.

Tony Partridge

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CHILDREN IN ROMANIA

The Austerity Lunches are a very pleasant way of catching up with old friends, meeting new people, while making a little more money to help orphans in Romania. The lunch is not as austere as it may sound - soup & home made bread, kindly provided by members of local Quakers, is good, especially on a cold day. Everyone is welcome & the cost for lunch is £1. Donations also are gratefully received, and to date, from 3 lunches, over £200 has been raised. The money goes directly to helping children in Constanta - not a penny goes into admin, and as our links out there are being maintained, I foresee a long period ahead of providing vital medical equipment as well as individual help.

Thank you all who have supported so far, & to all who will support in the future. I hope to keep everyone up-dated with news of the children we have befriended.

Anne Marcovitch

Note There will be no Austerity Lunch in April. The next one will be on Wednesday, May 1st, 12.30 - 1.30 in The Friends Meeting House.

Margaret Le Mare

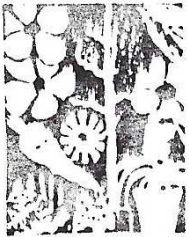
PLAYGROUP NOTICE - THIS COULD HELP YOU!

After the Easter holidays, Sibford Playgroup is moving its start time to 9.00 a.m.

This is to help playgroup parents who also have children at the school and may interest those with children aged 3 - 5 years who are not at present involved.

Sibford Playgroup meets on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Village Hall (100 yards from school) between 9.00 a.m. and midday. If you have a child in or approaching the age range and are interested please go along and have a look, or ring Jill Newbold (Swal.762) for details.

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Last month's meeting was a great success with eight new members joining and enjoying a talk and slide show by Stephen Haw on China's influence on our gardens. Not just chrysanthemums.

The next meeting on Wednesday 10th April is provided by courtesy of Colegrave Seeds Ltd., and should give us much in which to be interested.

An illustrated talk on Old Roses is to be held in Shutford Village Hall at 7.30pm on Friday 12th April. The cost is £1.50. Fund raising for the Hall, but could be very interesting.

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DO YOU NEED OCCASIONAL HELP WITH THE CHILDREN DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ?

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The Warriner News

PTA Chairman - Following the resignation of Sue Prentice, Maurice Sorrell of Bloxham, was elected as the new Chairman.

300 Club - Winners for January 1st - Mr Stanier - Shutford
2nd - Mr Farmer - School
3rd - Mrs Minett - Middle Aston
Winners for February 1st - Mr & Mrs Mallarky
2nd - Mrs Stanier - Shutford
3rd - Mr & Mrs Conheaney School

We also have 30 tickets still left to sell. If anyone would like to buy one (£6 each) ring Jen Whitworth on 721634. All funds to school.

Race Night Re-schedule - This will now take place on Friday April 19th. Tickets are transferable or if you can't manage the new date, phone your PTA member for a refund.

Performing Arts Group - Following initial approaches, there has been an encouraging response from the Education Authority. The need for Expressive Arts Accommodation has been accepted in principle so the next step can be taken.

Future Events - Monday April 15th - Year 7 Consultation
Tuesday 16th April - Year 9 Consultation
Tuesday 30th April - P.S.E. Workshop.
Saturday 18th May - Quiz Night.
Friday 21st June - Barn Dance.

French Exchange - When we arrive to Bloxham, we were greeted warmly by our pen-friends parents. I was marved by the sight of some houses, especially them of they are shelter by a thatch roof. This is very rare in Lot, France. I saw too of the doors are paint with a lot of different colours, red, green, blue, yellow. I was surprised by the Warriner School. There is a farm with some pigs, some cheeps, some goats, some ducks --- and a very old horse! There is a swimming pool, a nice Gymnasium, the class rooms are very decorates, there are sew and cook lessons. The Warriner School is bigger than Gambetta School. All that do many differences of these two schools. I am very sad to leave my pen-friend, Sibford Ferris, The Warriner School, her pupils and her teachers. GOOD-BYE!

By Myrtille Remond (Age 12) Pupil, College Gambetta, Cahors.

Ski Trip - February 15th-23rd. Zell-Am-See, Austria.

On Friday, February 15th, 91 pupils from the Warriner (including 6th Formers) set off for a week in Austria. After a very long and tiring coach and ferry journey we arrived at our hotel. The next morning we collected our boots and skis ready for 6 whole days of skiing.

A good time was had by all, with excellent skiing conditions. The snow was plentiful but with the hot sun we did not feel the cold. Only on the last day did the weather change, a mist at

the top of the mountains and ice, meant we had to keep to the bottom slopes.

The evening activities included swimming, a quiz and on our last night an Austrian evening. Each skiing group had the priveledge of Mr. Curtis and his video camera, re-capturing many good and not so good moments! We were sad to leave after such fun and enjoyable holiday.

Susie Bennett (2nd Year)

"MONTY SINGS THE BLUES."

On the evening of March 1st at Burdrop House the local Conservatives gathered for their annual jamboree!

Sniffer dogs in the shape of a large marmalade cat had been deployed but the only offensive articles found were two old fish heads and a very dead dormouse in one of the lovely tea pots.

Most had come for the lavish supper of succulent cheeses and pleasant wine. The delegates having been greeted at the door by Rosalind, their charming hostess, found that further progress to the dining room barred by Sheila until they had progressed via the lovely spacious lounge to the necessary constitutional and democratic process of the AGM.

The proceedings commenced with Monty vacating the chair. Some bloke (who must have been very important because he was attired in full mess kit of dinner jacket and black tie) called for nominations for chairman. There was a horrible pause of thirty seconds made all the worse as Monty had recently been referred to as "unassailable". The pause was only because those present thought themselves quite unworthy to propose. Eventually a faint voice exclaimed "There can be no one but Monty."

Immediately there were parliamentary animal noises of Here! Here! Good Show! and the horrible moment has passed.

That hurdle having been skipped over the rest was easy and all other matters were quickly nodded through at the thought of all those lovely waiting cheeses.

Peter presented the accounts. They seemed to balance and included a magnificent sum of £300 given to local charities.

One of the many David's, who seem to command local Tory politics, gave a resumé of the Mothers of Battles, that go on at County Hall - one of the points he made was that if those citizens who had unlawfully withheld their poll (whoops !! sorry!!) Community Charge last year had paid up then this years charge would have been £50 lower - so now you know!

A smashing evening with the accent on friendship, charity and service rather than naked politics - and so it should be villages!

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Brown Envelopes falling like Autumn leaves!

Our Treasurer is Happy! Very Happy!!

Even happier than if he had given Viv Richards out "Leg Before Wicket" or Denis Compton "Run out" after an Edrich Misscall.

Why you may ask?

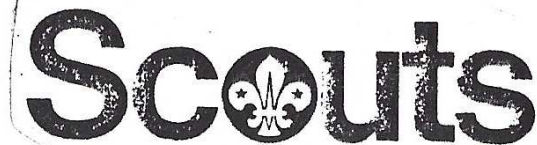
Because you, our generous fellow villagers, have responded magnificently to our plea for funds.

Between 120 and 150 envelopes were received representing about half of our cottages - "Crinklies" as well as "Tinkerlies" were wrapped within and a total of some £325 raised - smashing! Well done everybody! This will cover half of next years expenditure.

With contributions from Societies, Clubs and Councils yet to come, plus, of course, the revenue from our Advertisers urged on by hardworking Muriel who hopes to make her pages of advertisements much more attractive now we have photocopying facilities.

THANK YOU ALL! YOU ARE WONDERFUL!!

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The logo for Scouts, featuring the word "Scouts" in a bold, sans-serif font. The letter 'o' is replaced by a circular emblem containing a fleur-de-lis with two stars on either side.

JOB WEEK CAR WASH

Cubs, Scouts and Ventures will be working together for a special Job Week Car Wash at Sibford Primary School on Saturday 6 April at 11 a.m. Coffee will be served while you wait for your car to be finished. Book a date in your diary now.

POPULAR SHENLOW SINGERS TO ENTERTAIN IN VILLAGE HALL

The Shenlow Singers have agreed to provide an evening of entertainment in Sibford Village Hall on Friday 19th April at 8 p.m. This is part of Sibford Scouts fund raising efforts to send a member of the Troop to the World Jamboree in Korea later in the year. Tickets, including refreshments - Wine and Cheese are available at £3 each from committee members or

Gilian Soden Swal. 543

SIBFORD SPRINGS BACK INTO ACTION

Monday, 4th March witnessed the Annual General Meeting of Sibford Cricket Club in the new Sports Hall at Sibford School, with 17 members in attendance - a healthy sign for team selectors. Consistency, never a forte on the playing field, was to the fore with all retiring officers unanimously re-elected.

Chairman Brian Holliday
Secretary Adrian Lamb
Captain David Inns
Vice-Captain Nigel Fletcher
Treasurer David Inns



The meeting was eloquently chaired by the "Ted Dexter" not-alike Brian Holliday, who steered the business through without fear of no-balling and ungentlemanly conduct - indeed speculation centred on Fred Inns "nth" season and keep fit campaign, a feature which was to produce clear evidence a week later at Net Practice in the Sports Hall, where a new bowling technique was unleashed on an unsuspecting audience - thank goodness for protective equipment.

Fixtures in an enlarged Banbury & District League open with a local derby at Brailes on Saturday, 27th April, with a second season in the National Village Championship as the ultimate challenge, the opening round being an away game at Shrivenham. Friendly fixtures too are a priority for there is a considerable array of young talent in the village to harness.

On Wednesday, 13th March, the Club held its Annual Dinner at 'The Gate Hangs High' with 24 members, better halves and guests enjoying the very best in culinary delights; of particular pleasure was the presence of our principal sponsor, Martin Fuller of the 'Bishops Blaize', who is continuing his support in the coming season. In his eve of season speech, the Chairman paid tribute to the many and varied abilities of the squad and looked forward to a most successful season, with a key objective of going "one better" in the George Clark Cup.

So the message is clear - cast away the clouds - let the whites come out - and let's make 1991 a season to remember.

NETS EVERY TUESDAY EVENING - NEW SPORTS HALL 8 p.m.

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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 (Gower or Burdrop) or Jane Holliday on Swal. 500 (Ferris) and they will deliver a copy.



The information will help to make you feel at home - by acquainting you with the services, schools, Churches, Clubs & Societies, currently active in the village.

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CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION

There is to be a gourmet dinner at The Moon and Sixpence, Hanwell on May 3rd at 7.30p.m. Mr. Bryan Cassidy, the M.E.P. for Dorset East and Hants West will be the speaker. The tickets are £19.50 which includes a three course meal with coffee and wine. Contact Mr. P. Baseby Swa.544.

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

SCHEDULE

			<u>Departure</u>	<u>Return</u>
Wednesday	April 3	Chipping N.	11.00	13.00
Friday	April 12	Banbury	10.00	12.00
Wednesday	April 17	Chipping N.	11.00	13.00
Friday	April 26	Banbury	10.00	12.00
Wednesday	May 1	Chipping N.	11.00	13.00

The pick-up points are:-

Banbury Bus

Village Hall
 Cross Roads
 High Meadow

Chipping Norton Bus

Village Hall
 High Meadow
 Cross Roads
 The Colony

REGULAR WEEKLY BUS SERVICE

BRAILES COACHES

Bus Service Brailes - Banbury amendments

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY ONLY

Sibford Gower 1.15 p.m.

Banbury Busstation return 2.45 p.m.

Shipston-Banbury MONDAY, THURSDAY, SATURDAY

Sibford Gower 9.50 a.m.

Banbury Busstation return 12.15

MIDLAND RED SERVICE 480 Sibford Gower-Banbury

Sibford Gower	M-S	THUR	S	M.TH.F	TU,F
	7.30	9.30	1.10	2.30	2.27

Banbury return	TH	S	M-F	M-S	M-S
Busstation	12.00	3.40	4.30	5.15	6.10

CHURCH SERVICES

Society of Friends Sunday at 10.30 a.m.
Methodist Sunday at 11.00 a.m.
Roman Catholic Mass (Hook Norton) Sunday at 11.00 a.m.
(Brailes) Sunday at 11.30 a.m.
Baptist Church (Hook Norton) Sunday at 10.30 a.m.
Church of England, Holy Trinity, Sibford Gower

April Services:

EASTER DAY (31st March)	8.00 a.m. Holy Communion
	11.00 a.m. Holy Communion and Baptism
Easter Monday (1st April)	10.00 a.m. Holy Communion
7th April	10.00 a.m. United Benefice at Epwell
14th April	10.00 a.m. Family Service
21st April	10.00 a.m. Holy Communion
28th April	10.00 a.m. United Service at Swalcliffe

WEEKLY EVENTS

Youth Club	Village Hall	Monday (from April 15th) 7-9p.m.
Senior Citizen Lunches	Primary School	Tuesday (Tel 690)
Brownies	Village Hall	Tuesday 5.15-6.45
Folk Dancing	Village Hall	Tuesday 8 p.m.
Cricket meets	Friends School	Tuesday 8 p.m.
Badminton	Village Hall	Wednesday 8 p.m.
Mums & Toddlers	Orchard Close	Wednesday 10.30 - 12
Beavers	Village Hall	Friday 4.30 - 5.45
Cub Scouts	Village Hall	Friday 6
Scout Scouts	Village Hall	Friday following Cubs
Playgroup	Village Hall	Mon, Wed, Fri (term time) 9 - 12
Sibford Sports Club	Friends School	Mon-Sat 6 - 7.30 p.m. Sunday 10.00 - 12.30

APRIL CALENDAR

2 Friendship Club - Note change of venue
6 Scout paper collection
6 Scout CAR WASH NOT TO BE MISSED
9 W.I. Go round the world in 100 days
10 Horti meeting
15 Youth Club reopens Whoopee!
19 Shenlow Singers Scout fund raising
24 Friendship Club outing
27 Cricket starts! 4 sweaters BRRRRR!!
27 SFPG Disco With ear plugs! DO COME!

SIBFORD SCENE

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