

SIBFORD SCENE

NO. 156
MAY 1992

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
* SIBFORD *
FLOWER FESTIVAL WEEKEND
* 23 - 25 MAY *

DIARY of EVENTS

Saturday 23 May

Church Open 10.00am - 6.00pm

(The organ will be played during the day)

In Village Hall - Coffee 10.00am - 12noon
Lunches 12noon - 2.30pm
Teas 2.30 - 6.00pm

Sunday 24 May

Church Open 10.00am - 6.00pm

Songs of Praise 6.30pm

(Accompanied by Hook Norton Silver Band)

In Village Hall - Coffee 10.00am - 12noon
Lunches 12noon - 2.30pm
Teas 2.30 - 6.00pm

Hook Norton Silver Band will play in the
Village Hall Grounds from 3.00pm to 5.00pm

Monday 25 May

Church Open 10.00am - 6.00pm

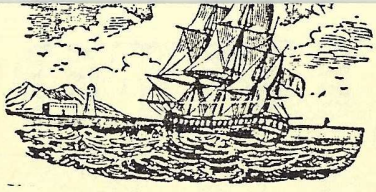
In Village Hall - Coffee 10.00am - 12noon
Lunches 12noon - 2.00pm
Teas 2.30 - 6.00pm

Car Boot Sale in VH Grounds 10.00am - 12noon

Fete in VH Grounds 2.30pm - 6.00pm

OUR SHIP

HAS
COME IN



THANK
YOU
ALL

"Look here!" said the Treasurer to the Editor, who was trying to screw his hat onto his deeply furrowed brow, - "We'll be able to resist a takeover from the Epwell Echo and the Pension Fund is safe in our hands - Stop worrying".

He went on to explain that the villagers of Sibford were generous to a man (and woman) but rather dilatory.

"The money will come in - relax". And so it has proved. During April a further £100 has thundered through our letter boxes and into the bin at the Post Office - so we're safe for an extra two months and there's still advertising to come. Eat your heart out Epwell Echo, we're safe!

Thank you all our most generous friends. Many donations were just astonishing in size and make our editorial team feel very humble indeed. You're great!

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1ST THE SIBFORD SCOUT GROUP

PROMISE APPEAL 1992

During 1992 members of the Scout Movement across the country will be trying to raise 10 million as part of a national effort to support Scouting in inner cities and remote rural areas.

One of Sibford Scouts local efforts is to take part in a giant national "Tea Party" on Saturday 9th May.

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"PROMISE APPEAL"

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SIBFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

SATURDAY 9 MAY 1PM - 4PM

TEA AND BISCUITS

PLUS SCOUTS CAR WASH





Nature Notes



Mar. 31st. We have had three Siskins feeding on the Peanuts on our bird table for the last two days, but they have been back today. I expect they are making their way northwards to nest, probably in Scotland.

April 4th. Heard a Blackcap singing on Swalcliffe Common. Not surprising as it was lovely and warm on the sheltered south-facing slope.

April 8th. Although the threat to the World from global warming and the depletion of the ozone layer is being voiced by scientists the world over, we have hardly heard these problems mentioned during the election campaign. Ultra-violet rays due to ozone layer depletion seems to be the more immediate threat and it may well be that the coming government will find itself having to issue warnings to parents to keep their children indoors on sunny days to avoid their harmful effects. The consequences of its effect on plant and animal life as well as on humans doesn't bear thinking about and yet hardly a country of the western world seems to treat these matters with any urgency. The U.S.A., the worlds largest polluter, has already stated that they are not prepared to take any control measures that will effect it's peoples way of life, which bodes ill for the outcome of the world conference on the environment, which is to be held in a few months time. Perhaps the best election result might be a balance of power leading to a coalition government so that all the parties could share the blame for the necessary unpopular measures.



April 15th. Just over an inch of rain in the guage this morning. While the sleet was still falling I counted 23 Greenfinches at and around the bird table.

April 18th. The Mistle Thrush that built a nest on a branch of our dead tree has, after sitting on its eggs for some time, given up the struggle due to harassment by Carrion Crows etc. Perhaps it will now build in a safer place.



ROMANIA - WHAT OF THE FUTURE?

Dr Nicu Bujor, Minister Counsellor at the Romanian Embassy, will address the Peace Forum on Friday May 15th on the subject of Romania today and in the future. He will head a Question Time style panel comprising Sister Catherine of St Joseph's Convent, Banbury and Mrs Anne Marcovitch from Oxfordshire Relief for Romanian Children.

Sister Catherine has established a Childrens' Home in Romania and Anne has worked with children in orphanages and hospitals in Romania. Some of the children she saw were suffering from AIDS. Both St Joseph's Convent and ORRC ^{CVS/VN} have provided a great deal of help to Romania and Anne is interested in establishing a Banbury based charity focusing on helping people who want to work there, particularly the young. There will be photographs on display to give an idea of the country and its people.

The meeting will take place in St Mary's Centre, Banbury, at 8.00 pm on Friday 15th May.

There will be a social time with refreshments afterwards. Everyone is welcome.

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Sibford Gower Parish Council

At our recent Parish Council meeting the following items were discussed.

The Highways Dept. has been contacted about some very large and dangerous potholes in Hawkes Lane.

The pond has been filled by Thames Water Authority but the level is still going down. Burys have agreed to deposit 2000 gallons of water in the pond once a month which should help to raise the water level.

The Council is still awaiting more estimates with regards to the pruning of the Cherry tree in Burdrop.

We now have a skip in the village once a month. It will be placed on the grass verge adjacent to the lay-by in Pound Lane. The next skip will be here on May 23rd.

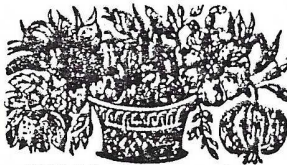
It was nice to see so many people come and help with our Litter Blitz. Many thanks to all of you.

DATES for SIBFORD GOWER VILLAGE SKIP SERVICE

23 May	15 August	14 November	13 February
20 June	12 September	12 December	13 March
11 July	10 October	9 January	

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News and Information

The W. I. meeting in April was most successful. Mrs Mollie Strafford gave a fascinating talk with slides on "A day in the life of an 18th Century Lady", and answered many questions raised.

A competition for a set of buttons produced many varied entries and was won by Mrs Crabtree with Mrs Grasby 2nd and Mrs Law 3rd.

Miss Keyser and Mrs Cooper served teas.

To boost funds, a Bring & Buy sale was held, doing brisk business, and one of the two cushions which won silver star awards in the County Patchwork Gold Star competition was on view. It is hoped the other will be shown at the next meeting.

In May the A.G.M. will be held on Tuesday 12th at 2 P.M. in the Village Hall. Resolutions for the National Conference will be discussed.


There will also be a competition for "The Best Blooming Stem."!

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Our annual 'steady state' advertising has run from February to February. Last year there was a mistake and several omissions so an extra edition was added to the usual ten which means that annual subscription advertising will now run from March to February.

Muriel, our advertising secretary for the past three years has recently moved house and is now unavailable on the phone. She therefore feels it time to hand over her duties and we thank her for all she has done. We are pleased to announce that Frank Stevenson has agreed to take over advertising. He is to be contacted at Greenfields, Back Lane, Sibford Ferris, Telephone Swalcliffe 612. Welcome "Steve" to our team of thirty who strive to bring to our noble citizens a readable magazine at the beginning of each month.

Most advertisers have received their 1992-93 invoices and we hope you will continue advertising with us. Please advise Steve if you wish to update the information or improve your layout. Thank you all so much for your support-without you we would be several hundred pounds short in meeting our budget. "Villagers all" please show your appreciation by using the services of our advertisers whenever possible.

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Ladies
Evening
Out

An enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mary Bristow on April 28th when Leo Members sampled the splendid wines provided by Mr. Brendan Du Bock. Our thanks to Mr. Du Bock and to Mary for her kind hospitality.

The May meeting will be held on Tuesday 19th May meeting at Swalcliffe Barn at 7.30 p.m. followed by a visit to the garden at Sparrow Hall at 8 p.m. and ending at The Stag for a drink afterwards. We hope everyone will be able to come.

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SIBFORD GOWER
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Friday 8th. May 1992

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A TRILOGY OF DELIGHT

Grandmothers always said - and probably still do - "All good things come in parcels of three!" This was certainly true of the magnificently successful theatrical presentation by our very own Sibford Gower Primary School on 8th April.

Not in the Village Hall - oh no! Nothing less than the famous stage of the Chipping Norton Theatre. And not just for one performance - certainly not! Bookings were so heavy that a matinee had to be staged to fit everyone in. The smell of greasepaint and the laughter of long ago lingered as the curtain rose and the music swelled.

The Pied Piper was first on the boards. Set in the Market Place with stallholders crying their wares, rats in abundance with lovely long tails that swished and swashed. The story unfolded over half-an-hour with everyone playing their parts to perfection and rounds of applause as the curtain fell.

Cinderella was next on the programme with all those lovable characters which we have come to know so well. An off-beat production which caused many surprises but the Prince got his girl in the end!

Lastly Rumpelstiltskin proved to be just the right choice to round off a superb programme of entertainment when the audience was invited to join in the fun and singing, as they certainly did - with loud gusto!

How many 'Mum hours' went into the making of those lovely costumes? And where did our school find such skilled imagination to make and paint such fantastic scenery? And lastly just where, oh where did one find such talented acting and singing? Having tasted the first-fruits of performance many of the children will surely continue with music and dance study and who knows where that might lead? For above all it is the function of education at all times to light the blue touchpaper of children's imagination, to give them belief in themselves and to show all that opportunity offers.

Well done everybody! Congratulations to an exhausted but triumphant school staff. Wonderful!

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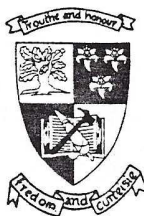
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SIBFORD SCHOOL



Much has happened since the School's last report to the Sibford Scene, culminating perhaps in the Meeting for Worship held at the Gower Meeting House on Saturday 29th March. This was an occasion to remember. Current scholars, old scholars, current and former pupils, Staff and Governors, joined the act of Worship and thanksgiving after which a tree was planted in the grounds of the Meeting House to mark the occasion: the School's 150th Anniversary.

During the term three major musical events made this a Spring of particular distinction.

On Saturday 7th March, Bernard D'Ascoli gave a brilliant recital on the school's new Yamaha concert grand piano to a large and enthusiastic audience. A week later the piano was in use again this time for the finals of the Banbury Young Musician of the Year competition, revived for the first time for many years and held most successfully at the school under the auspices of the Banbury Rotary Club.

On the 4th April choirs from all the other seven Quaker Schools in England joined Sibford's Choral Society for a magnificent performance of Handel's Israel in Egypt in Coventry Cathedral which also formed a special event in our 150th Anniversary programme.

There was also an outstanding exhibition of work by Sixth Form A Level Art Students, held in March. Further work will be on a display as part of Oxfordshire Art week, in the Music School at the Manor, 16th-23rd May.

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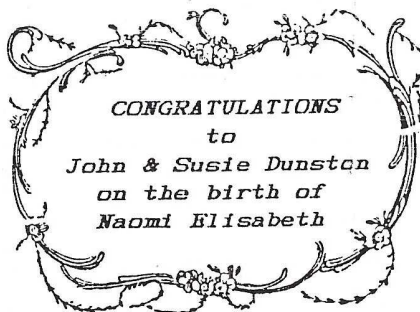
8.30am - 1.00pm

Sunday

11.00am - 12.30pm

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In many other areas too, pupils and staff have put in great energy and initiative. The Fielding Day Care Scheme, run for elderly people in the village by members of the Sixth Form has started and there have been a number of visits away from school by pupils including a memorable trip to the Black Country Museum. Orchard Close added to its vigorous programme a series of puppet shows for string, glove and shadow puppets with performances held not only in school but also in the Jack in the Box Nursery School.

The Junior and Senior Drama groups produced most impressive productions: Ernie's Incredible Illucinations by the younger pupils, and extracts from five more weighty plays by the Fifth Form Drama set.

At our Sunday Evening Meetings, we have heard about the lives of Friends in Bolivia, and the accessibility of Art, on two recent Sundays and next term's programme of speakers will continue to cover a particular range of important themes.

Next term promises to be, as usual, a very full one again with a number of summer sports events and our Open Day on July 4th.

We hope that on that occasion and on others too, friends from the village will come to the events whenever possible, and we will look forward to seeing you.

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SIBFORD VILLAGE HALL WEEKEND

* * * Saturday 27 June * * *

A COMPETITION FOR CHILDREN

DESIGN A PAPER PLATE

to depict a 'Season' of the year.

Minimum size 7½ inches (18½ cm).

This can be decorated in any way you like - crayons, paint, felt tip, material, seeds, sticky paper, etc, etc.

Please make it so that it can be hung up.

Put your name, address, telephone number & age on the back.

Age Groups: 3 - 5 years, 6 - 8 years, 9 - 12 years.

On the morning of Saturday 27 June, bring your Plate to the Village Hall, where it will be displayed and judged.

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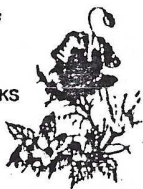
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Once every two years the Editor allows himself the indulgence of inserting a personal plea. It is, and always has been:-

Please submit copy to the Editor by the 20th of the month for the following edition.

Immediately everyone responds and things go swimmingly for a month or two and then the "slippage" re-commences. Late scholars(!): 'I forgot; can you just slip this in?'

Copy handed in, not to the Editor but elsewhere for the copywriter's convenience means extra work for the Scene's editorial staff - phone calls, re-working of layouts, squashing of pages, trimming original articles, revising the size of the next edition, late printing; all this can be avoided if villagers will comply with the simple request printed on the back page of each edition.

Please - no "slippage" during the next two years! Thankyou.



SIBFORDS WEEKEND



27th, 28th June

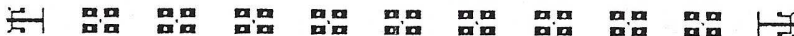
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Afternoon: Market stalls, Refreshments,
Tea Dance

Evening: SHINDIG (Pig Roast & Barn Dance)

Sunday:

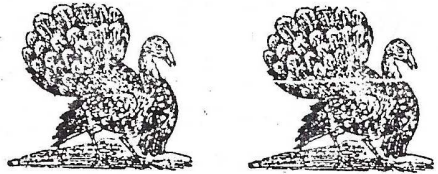
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Teas, possibly Sports



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Horticultural Society



Two Turkeys on the Trot(?).

In April, Mr Walker's slide show on Anatolia in Turkey (so that's where 'it is) left us all breathless, through his high-speed presentation and infectious enthusiasm.

At our next meeting, on 13 May, Ray Henbrey will take us on a more leisurely trot through 'The Seasons in North America'. Be ready to answer questions and win valuable prizes.

First reminder - the Horti Society Garden Sale on the morning of Saturday 6 June at Temple Lodge - any additional offers of items for the sale or help in running the sale would be appreciated at the May meeting.

Second reminder - bookings for the Annual Day Out on 4 July will be taken at the May meeting.

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NORTH OXFORDSHIRE CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION SIBFORDS & EPWELL BRANCH

MidSummer Music Evening - 20 June - The Manor, Sibford Gower
(by kind permission of Mr & Mrs M Edwards)

Music by 'Sweet Harmony' - in 18th century costume,
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Mozart - Haydn - Beethoven - Bach

An open-air concert (weather permitting) & buffet supper
A bar will be available

Further details from Robert Tompkins - Swalcliffe 541
A donation from the proceeds
will be made to local village charities.

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STOP PRESS!! VILLAGE QUIZ RESULT STOP PRESS!!

Ten teams took part in an exciting contest at the Village Hall on 23 April. After 8 closely fought rounds the clear winners were Burdrop (145 points) followed by The Lamb Feeders(136), The Surgery(133) & Fielding Day Centre(130). Full report in the June edition of *Sibford Scene*.



ANCIENT WOODLANDS & WILDLIFE - THEIR FUTURE IN YOUR HANDS

Ancient woodlands are one of our most beautiful habitats. They have played an important part in human history and now we see them under great threat. As well as providing the wood that was essential for transport, fuel and furniture, many of our old churches were built from woodland that surrounded them, yet now it is often the churches that stand alone as the woods have been lost. In the last 40 years we have lost more woodland than in the previous 400 years as a result of clearance for agriculture, conifer plantations and building.

These woodlands have often been managed over the centuries by techniques such as coppicing, in which trees are cut down to just above ground level then re-grow to be harvested again every few years. When woods are coppiced there is a dramatic increase in the light that reaches the woodland floor. This results in spring flowers such as bluebell, primrose and dog violet covering the ground. These in turn encourage a variety of butterflies. Now is the time to support our local woods.

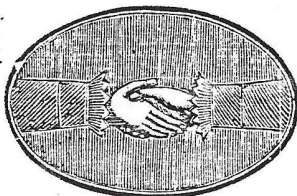
BBONT, the Local Wildlife Trust for Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire, has acquired remnants of our historic forests as nature reserves, but we need resources to care for them. Active conservation is needed to secure the future of the wildlife that depends on the woodland to survive.

You as an individual or group can protect an acre of wood and its wildlife for £8 a month or £96 a year (that's less than 27p a day). If you join "Adopt a Wood" your money will go to a local reserve - you can choose one of our ten most prized ancient woodlands. When you join, a detailed information pack will be sent to you about your chosen woodland and there will be a yearly update of the work in progress. You will receive free membership of BBONT, including a nature reserves handbook and regular magazine, and you will be invited to a special open day on your reserve.

A hundred individuals, groups and schools have joined the scheme so far. Each of the "Adopt a Wood" reserves has benefited, but we still need your support. The Trust's target is to find sponsors for 800 acres of ancient woodland. Details can be obtained from Philippa Lyons, Marketing and Fundraising Manager, BBONT Headquarters, 3 Church Cowley Road, Rose Hill, Oxford, OX4 3JR. Tel. (0865) 775476, Fax (0865) 711301.

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WELCOME
TO
SIBFORD



ALL
NEWCOMERS

If you have recently joined us and have not yet received a copy of the 'Welcome to Sibford' leaflet, please telephone Petra Berry on Swa. 462 (Gower or Burdrop) or Jane Holliday on Swa. 500 (Ferris) and a copy will be delivered to you. The information will help to make you feel at home - by acquainting you with the services, schools, churches, clubs and societies that are currently active in the villages.

This month we welcome Mary & Frank Horn, who have moved into Robin Hill, Burdrop with their son Marcus. They have come from Hook Norton, where Frank was the village butcher.

SIBFORD YOUTH CLUB - JUMBLE SALE

Don't miss the next Youth Club Jumble Sale on 16 May at Sibford Village Hall at 2 p.m. There will be the usual large jumble stalls, a cake stall, raffle, teas, etc. Donations of bottles, cakes, jumble etc. will be gratefully accepted. Collection can be arranged by ringing 780 or 676. Proceeds in aid of Sibford Youth Club.

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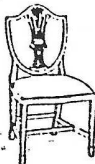
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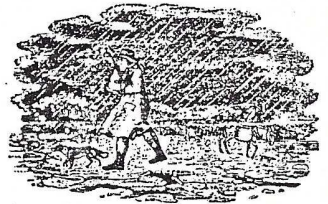
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Although the majority of over 70 free events are guided circular walks, as in previous years, both the number and variety of events have been increased from last year to ensure that there is something enjoyable and interesting for everyone.

The events range from a couple of hours to all day in duration and are very relaxed in nature. To take part, just arrive at the appropriate time and meeting place (just a few require a telephone call in advance) and bring appropriate footwear for the weather and season.

Whether you are a dedicated naturalist or just want a pleasant outing in the countryside, the Countryside Events in Cherwell Programme 1992 has something to offer you. For further details of the Programme, which runs from April to October, pick up a free booklet at your local library, area Council Office, the Tourist Information Centre in Banbury or contact the Recreation Dept. at Cherwell District Council, telephone Banbury 252535, extension 4193.

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Election of COMMITTEE Officers
and planning of Programme

TUESDAY 19 MAY - Outing to Evesham - Start 11.45am
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SIBFORD SHINDIG - 27 JUNE

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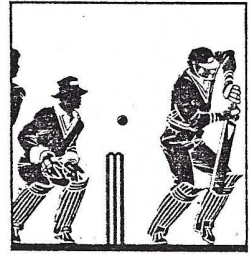
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SIBFORD CRICKET CLUB

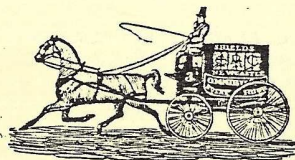


Sibford Cricket Club has started indoor nets at the Friends School sports hall on Thursday evenings between 6.00 and 7.15pm. Any potential new members are welcome to attend. With more friendly matches to be played this season an increase in the number of playing members would be very welcome.

The A.G.M., held on the 2nd of March, saw the clubs officers re-elected with little change. An increased fixture list with more Sunday cricket was seen as a step forward to complement the Saturday games in the Banbury League. This year we will be playing at the School during the whole season and hope that village support will be there to. We are again happy to be sponsored by the Bishop Blaize for the 1992 season, as this support helps us to provide our younger members with better equipment to learn the game. (this year, two new bats, thanks).

Sibford Cricket Club Fixtures 1992

April 25th	Whitnash	L	H	July 4th	Deddington	L	A
May 2nd	Wroxton	L	H	July 5th	Darlingscot		H
May 9th	Brailes	L	H	July 11th	Fenny Compton	L	H
May 10th	Tiddington		H	July 12th	Long Compton		H
May 15th	Claydon	L	A	July 15th	G. C. Cup Final(?)		
May 23rd	Claydon	L	H	July 18th	Azad		L H
May 27th	G. C. Cup		Bye	July 22nd	G. C. Cup Final(?)		
May 30th	Alcan	L	H	July 25th	Westbury	L	H
May 31st	Badsey		H	August 1st	Azad		L A
June 6th	Radway		A	August 8th	Wroxton		L A
June 13th	Alcan	L	A	August 9th	Long Compton		A
June 14th	Darlingscot		A	August 15th	Brailes		L A
June 17th	G. C. Cup Tysoe		H	August 22nd	Fenny Compton	L	A
June 20th	Deddington	L	H	August 29th	Westbury		L A
June 21st	Badsey		A	September 6th	North Aston		A
June 26th	Mickleton		A				
June 27th	Tysoe	L	A				
July 1st	G. C. Cup		Semi Final				



SIBFORD BUS SERVICES

1. SIBFORD GOWER TOWN ESTATES CHARITY

Free Bus Service for Sibford Gower and Burdrop Residents

Friday	8. & 22 May	to Banbury	Depart	Return
Wednesday	13 & 27 May	to Chippy	10.00am	12.00noon
Friday	5 June	to Banbury	11.00am	1.00pm
			10.00am	12.00noon

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to Banbury
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to Chippy
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High Meadow
Cross Roads
The Colony

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Pick up at Sibford Gower..... 9.50am

Return from Banbury Bus Station... 12.15pm

3. REGULAR BUS SERVICE - MIDLAND RED. 480 Sibford Gower - Banbury

Leave from Sibford Gower

Mon-Sat

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7.30am

Saturdays

9.05am

3.00pm

12.00noon

5.30pm

(11.55 Tuesday)

Return from Banbury Bus
Station

11.30am

2.30pm

5.05pm

6.05pm

Forthcoming Events



6 June	Saturday	Horti Garden Sale, Temple Lodge, Gower - 10.00am
7 June	Sunday	National Gardens Scheme - Ferris Gardens open
20 June	Saturday	Conservative 'Summer Event' - see page 13
24 June	Wednesday	Horti Evening Visit to Manor Garden - Ferris
27-28 June	Sat/Sun	'Open Weekend' in the Sibfords
27 June	Saturday	Children's 'Design a Plate' Comp - see page 11
27 June	"	'Shindig' at Temple Mill - Pig roast/Dancing
4 July	Saturday	Horti Coach Trip - Two Worcestershire Gardens
4 July	"	Swalcliffe Village Fete-Evening Dance in Hall
19 July	Sunday	National Gardens Scheme - Gower Gardens open
22 July	Wednesday	Horti - Bloxham Club visit to Sibford gardens
22 August	Saturday	Horti Society Annual Show - Friends School
30 August	Sunday	Epwell Village Fete

CHURCH SERVICES

Society of Friends		Sunday at 10.30 am
Methodist		Sunday at 11.00 am
Roman Catholic Mass (Hook Norton)		Sunday at 11.00 am
	(Brailles)	Sunday at 11.30 am
Baptist (Hook Norton)		Sunday at 10.30 am
Church of England, Holy Trinity, Sibford Gower	- Services for May	
Sunday	3rd: 10.00am	United Service at Swalcliffe
Sunday	10th: 10.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday	17th: 10.00am	Family Service
Sunday	24th: 8.00am	Holy Communion
		6.30pm Songs of Praise
Thursday	28th: 8.00pm	Ascension Day Service at Tadmarton
Sunday	31st: 10.00am	Deanery Festival Eucharist in Banbury Parish Church



WEEKLY EVENTS

Guides	Hook Norton	Monday	evening
Youth Club	Village Hall	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 pm
Senior Citizens Lunch	Primary School	Tuesday	
Mobile Shop		Tuesday	10.00am - 4.00pm
Brownies	Village Hall	Tuesday	5.15 - 6.45 pm
Folk Dancing	Village Hall	Tuesday	8.00 pm
Badminton	Village Hall	Wednesday	8.00 pm
Mums & Toddlers	Orchard Close	Wednesday	10.30am - 12noon
Cricket Club Nets	Friends School	Thursday	6.00 - 7.15pm
Callanetics Fitness	Friends School	Thursday	8.00 pm
Beavers	Village Hall	Friday	4.30 - 5.45 pm
Cub Scouts	Village Hall	Friday	6.00 pm
Scouts	Village Hall	Friday	following Cubs
Playgroup	Village Hall	Mon, Wed, Fri	9.00 am - 12 noon
Sibford Sports Club	Friends School	Mon - Sat	6.00 - 7.30 pm
		Sunday	10.00am - 12.30pm

CALENDAR for MAY 1992

Saturday	2nd	Scouts Newspaper/Magazine/Metal Can Collection
Tuesday	5th	Friendship Club - Village Hall 12.30pm - Lunch & AGM
Wednesday	6th	Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20 pm)
Friday	8th	Auction for Gower School - 7pm - Swalcliffe Barn
Saturday	9th	Scouts 'Tea Party' & Car Wash - Gower School - 1-4pm
Sunday	10th	Cricket - Rothmans National Village Competition
		- * - Good Luck Sibford - * -
Tuesday	12th	WI AGM - Village Hall - 2.00pm
Wednesday	13th	Fielding Day Centre - 12.15pm - 3.00pm
Wednesday	13th	Horti - Village Hall - 'Seasons in N America' - 8pm
Friday	15th	Peace Forum on Romania - St Mary's, Banbury - 8.00pm
Saturday	16th	Youth Club Jumble Sale - Village Hall - 2.00pm
Sat-Sat	16-23	Sibford Scholars Work Display - The Manor
Tuesday	19th	Friendship Club - Outing to Evesham - start 11.45am
Tuesday	19th	Sibford Country Walk - 6.45pm - see page 16
Tuesday	19th	LEO Club - 7.30pm Swalcliffe Barn, Sparrow Hall, Stag
Wednesday	20th	Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20 pm)
Saturday	23rd	Rubbish Skip in Gower
Sat-Mon	23-25	Holy Trinity Church Flower Festival
Wednesday	27th	Fielding Day Centre - 12.15pm-3.00pm

CALENDAR for JUNE 1992 (partial)

Wednesday	3rd	Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20 pm)
Saturday	6th	Scouts Newspaper/Magazine/Metal Can Collection
Saturday	6th	Horti Garden Sale - Temple Lodge, Gower - 10.00am
Sunday	7th	National Gardens Scheme - Ferris Gardens open

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