



# SIBFORD SCIENCE

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## MEMORIES OF SIBFORD PAST?

A few people have expressed an interest in establishing an informal group. For more details please contact Anne Skowronska (490), Verity Stanley (729) or Colin Frith (512).

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## WOMENS DISCUSSION GROUP

A small group of women from the Sibfords and nearby villages have started to meet monthly for informal discussions on a wide range of topics, both serious and lighthearted (strictly non-domestic!).

We also run a book group which this month will be discussing the author Joanna Trollope. Come and join us. For more information contact Fiona Pidgeon (360), Carole Moir (8241) or Sue Mattinson (471).

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## SIBFORD GOWER TOWN ESTATE CHARITY

The charity is proposing to offer the services of a home visit from a chiropodist free of charge to certain residents of Sibford Gower and Burdrop.

Those who qualify for the service must be suffering from infirmity or a disability and, for one reason or another, are not able to get a needed chiropody service under the existing social security arrangements.

If you qualify and would like to take advantage of this service please contact Mrs Vera Jones, Treasurer (tel : 222) or Mr Peter Baadsgaard, Secretary (tel : 378).

## WARRINER YOUTH CHOIR CONCERT TOUR OF AUSTRIA 1992

On the 10th July sixty four 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th years left the Warriner School for a youth choir concert tour of the Salzburg region in Austria. The journey took 27 hours and we drove through the night to get there.

In all we did 5 concerts which were all highly attended by Austrian bystanders. We also did a spontaneous concert on top of the Dachstein Glacier.

Not all our time was taken up by concerts. We had various visits to Salzburg, the saltmines at Hallstadt, and the Helbrunn Palace and trick water gardens where we all got very wet.

The Austrians were very friendly and the scenery was outstanding. It was a wonderful experience and we hope to go on another concert tour next year.

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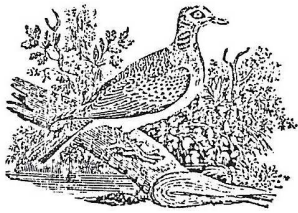
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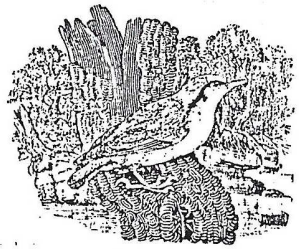
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## Nature Notes



June 24th. When we visited a local wild flower site we were greeted by the cooing of the only turtle dove that we have heard this year. We saw common Spotted Orchids, including one pure white one, Pyramidal Orchids and Clustered Bell flowers in bloom and Ringlet, Marbled White and a male Common Blue butterfly on the wing.

June 29th. We have not seen a Nuthatch in the parish for several years but early this morning I saw two of them and a Tree Creeper on the sunny side of our Cedar tree. A good variety of Damsel and Dragonflies have visited, or perhaps hatched from, our garden pond this year. We saw two Broad-bodied Libellula yesterday and a Four Spotted Libellula was laying eggs in the pond today.

July 2nd. I have always thought of Sand Dunes as a habitat for a very limited range of plants but here on the Gower in South Wales, where we are staying for a few days, they are veritable wild flower gardens. We have a long list of plants that we managed to name which includes Evening Primrose, Sheepsbit Scabious, Pyramidal Orchid, Restharrow, Bloody Cranesbill, Sea Bindweed, Sea Holly, Hoary Stock, Thyme, Eyebright, Common Centuary, Carline Thistle, Yellow-wort, Kidney Vetch, Common Storksbill, Everlasting Pea and on the rocks & cliffs, Sea Lavender, Rock Samphire, Yellow Samphire, Rockrose and Fleabane. We also saw an old Elm tree that is still apparently healthy. It leans out over the sea-washed rocks at Oxwitch so it may be that the salt air kept the disease-carrying beetles away.

July 14th. I have measured two and a half inches of rain here in the last two weeks, while at Sezincote near Moreton-in-Marsh my brother has measured four and a half inches.

July 15th. Saw a Humming Bird Hawk Moth in our garden today and I have heard of another probable sighting.

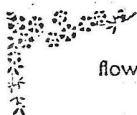
Aug. 11th. I looked at two wooden field gates, no more than half a mile apart, that were struck by lightning in last Sunday nights storm. One had a piece split off the falling post and a split top rail at the head end but no charring. The other was a more spectacular strike which had set the hanging post on fire and completely burned away the gate heel leaving only the ironwork.



\* \* \* A GRATEFUL 'THANK YOU' \* \* \*

I would like to thank all those who came to the Coffee Evening on 7 July; also those who donated prizes and the people who kindly lent us chairs & tables. The sum of £45 was raised in aid of Sibford Friendship Club. Alice Fowler

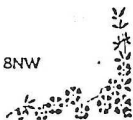
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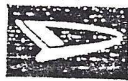
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## ' SANDRA '

Our chief SOGAT [Sibford's Own Great Authority on Technical printing] Union Secretary has upsticked and shot off to Surrey (horse an' all).

Dear Sandra has laboured long on our quaint printing presses and the whole village sends her hearty thanks and best wishes for much happiness in her new home.

This of course leaves a big hole in our staff and a replacement (or two, to share the fun) is now urgently required. Just a few hours each month end, sitting in the Rectory reading a Mills and Boon and sipping vodka while the machines grind away - full training given - please someone, please volunteer.

[Maybe a family recently arrived who would like to contribute to village life.]  
The Editor

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### HOLY TRINITY CHURCHYARD

The path from Burdrop to the south wall of the Churchyard is a short cut to church. It is, however, sometimes used by villagers as a path between the Gower and the Ferris, especially by youngsters going to and from school.

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Term may have ended early in July, but the School has been busy since then.

At the start of the holidays, staff and senior pupils welcomed a group of children from an inner city school in London for a week of activities - and a very enjoyable time was had by all. This scheme, run by Sibford now for about twenty years, provides a marvellous break for less fortunate children in the School's delightful surroundings.

Sibford pupils have themselves travelled, too. During the summer holidays there were two foreign expeditions. A group of pupils spent a study week at a centre in France, where they were able to practise much of the French learnt in the classroom and put it to practical use in a real life setting. Also in July, a party set out on safari to Tanzania. This was certainly a first for the School, and the trip was understandably an unforgettable experience for all concerned.

By the time this article appears, the new school year will almost be underway. We welcome a number of new members of staff to the School and indeed to the village, where Pam Gibson, the new Head of Business Studies, will be living on campus with her family. We will look forward to many exciting developments in the field of Business Studies in the future and wish Pam, Colin and Andrew a happy time in Sibford Ferris. They have moved here from the North of England, so there has been quite a change of surroundings.

We will also be pleased to welcome as residents a number of students taking a GAP year off. They will be involved in a variety of areas of school life including sport, music, drama and special needs, and I am sure they will continue the tradition of adding greatly to the quality of life for the school community.

Finally, our congratulations and best wishes to Michael and Penny Spring and to Amy on the birth of Isaac just after the end of term. We were all delighted to hear of his safe arrival.



## APPOINTMENTS

A vacancy is shortly to occur for the prestigious position of Editor-in-Chief of that famous Village newspaper, The 'Scintillating' Sibford Scene.

No previous experience essential; excellent long-serving staff already in position eager to assist. Unattractive salary is, however, free from tax - no company Car - no free BUPA contributions - no staff dining room - no Executive Toilet key - no staff car parking - in fact no fringe benefits whatsoever.

Prospects: with experience successful candidate could rise to the senior ranks of the Epwell Echo or the Tadmorton Link. But this is highly unlikely as these excellent publications are already in the award winning category (congratulations to them!).

Applicants (no C.V. necessary) should contact the existing, and rapidly deteriorating editor as soon as possible. Tomorrow may be too late.

Handover planned for November. Existing personnel advised.

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\* \* LEO CLUB \* \*

The LEO Club will start the Autumn season by meeting at the home of Vivienne Scouse at 8pm on Tuesday 15 September to discuss plans for the next few months - so please come along with some ideas. Also please bring either a sweet or savoury.

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\* SIBFORD SPORTS CLUB \*

September will see the re-start of many sports.

Volleyball is being played on Tuesday evenings between 7.30 and 9.00. The club is looking to play some matches this season for the first time and are ready to meet any new players or enthusiastic beginners. (Phone Joanna Gilkes 8190).

Badminton will re-start on Wednesday evenings on 9 Sept. There will be a full Banbury Town League fixture list for Mens and Mixed doubles and some friendly fixtures for our ladies. Any players wishing to join ring Adrian or Helen Lamb on 380 or come along to the Sports Hall at the Friends School on Wednesdays between 7.30 and 9.30pm.

More sports will be getting off the ground in the next few weeks so more news in next month's Scene. Sports Club membership forms are always available from Sue Ethrington-Smith at the Dower House, Sibford Ferris (8492).

\* \* CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION COFFEE MORNING \* \*

The Sibfords & Epwell branch are holding a bring-&-buy coffee morning at Park Farm House, Sibford Gower at 10.30am on Saturday, 19 September. Contributions of garden produce, home-made cakes & jams, etc will be most welcome. S.B.

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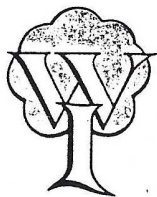
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# News and Information

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Sibford W.I. have had a busy summer. They began with serving teas at the Village Hall at the end of June, for the Sibford Week End event. Cakes were made and generously given and it was an enjoyable contribution to the celebrations.

In July a garden party was held at the kind invitation of Miss Ann Keyser, at Shenington. This was well attended and both the tea and the games she arranged went down well.

At the end of July the Oxfordshire Federation Produce Shield Competitions were held at Kidlington. Sibford did remarkably well this year. The theme chosen was "Show Time" and a team of members chose to interpret this in terms of the circus. The chief competitors were Mrs Hutchinson, Mrs Puddle, Mrs Soden, Mrs Baadsgaard, Mrs Baggaley, Mrs Walpole and Mrs Eldred. The staging of the exhibit gained 39½ marks out of 40, and the individual items making up the display also did well. A cake in the form of the Big Top, a clown, and a floral arrangement were quite exotic and obviously caught the eye of the judges and the whole entry came towards the top of the competition.

In addition Mrs Hutchinson carried off the Tusmore Cup for 1st Prize in the separate Flower Arranging competition and Mrs Baadsgaard got 1st Prize in the jelly making section. This is the best year since the Institute started competing.

Finally, in August a smallish group of people drove together to Sudeley Castle for the day, taking a picnic. Due to holidays and visitors the event was not so well supported as it should have been, but all who went were most grateful to Mrs Cox for arranging it.

Next month - on Sept 8th Mrs Sagoo will talk on *Indian Cookery*. Bring an Indian Artefact for the Competition.

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ADVANCE NOTICE  
COFFEE MORNING in aid of GUIDE DOGS for the BLIND  
will be held at 'Westerways' Sibford Ferris on  
Wednesday 28 October at 10.00am

# The Friendship Club

TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER - Meeting at 2.00pm  
in the Village Hall



TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER - Outing

SATURDAY 3 OCTOBER - 2.30pm Village Hall, Autumn Bazaar. Stalls selling Cakes, Plants, Produce, Woollens, Books, Toiletries, Good-as-New Clothes, Bric-a-Brac; Tombola, Raffle, Children's Corner with nothing over 5p, Teas, etc.

TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER - Meeting at 2.00pm in Village Hall. Talk & Slides by Ray Henbrey on 'Life in America'. Tea & Raffle. Everyone is welcome to come along and join us.

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! £1000 RAISED AT SIBFORD GOWER OPEN GARDENS !

It was very pleasant weather on Sunday 19 July, when four Gower residents opened their gardens to the public under the National Garden Scheme. There were 499 paying visitors and teas contributed £266.20. The total amount raised for the charities under the Scheme was a most satisfying £1000.80.

The County Organiser has written: "What a wonderful result, reflecting the visits of a record number of people who were able to enjoy the lovely gardens of Sibford Gower and providing a handsome addition to NGS charitable funds. You must all have worked extremely hard in preparation for the opening and on the day itself. Thank you all four garden-owners for your generosity & industry; I should also like to thank your helpers". Vera Jones

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## RSPCA COLLECTION

Many Thanks to all those who helped with the collection for the RSPCA and all those who gave so generously. We raised £116.59 - well done.  
Judy Abbott

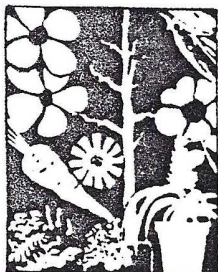
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# HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

## AUTUMN PROGRAMME



Our monthly indoor meetings (second Wednesday, 8pm, Village Hall) start again in September.

The programme planned for the first two months is as follows:

- 9 September A talk by Mr Bingham on  
'Colour in the Garden'
- 14 October ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and  
'The Roger Powell Slide Show  
& Quiz - Edition III'

New members are welcome to join us at any meeting. New membership (£2.50) will be valid until October 1993. Visitors are always welcome to attend individual meetings (50p).

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### WHY NOT TRY AN ART OR CRAFT CLASS THIS AUTUMN?

Starting in September, I am offering the following classes for beginners & for the more advanced:

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'Samplers' and 'Quilting & Patchwork' at the Art School

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Mollie Mulley

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### FOR PATIENTS OF SIBFORD SURGERY

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How many of these worthy musicians have run their fingers over tiers of keyboards, pulled out stops galore and tap-danced on the wooden slats beneath their hard uncomfortable benches for over fifty years?

Maybe a few - no doubt very few. Yet here in Sibford we have just such a special church organist, Mabel Payne.

It was to celebrate this outstanding service to the church that over a hundred and fifty people, both local and from far afield, gathered in Holy Trinity Church on Sunday August 23rd for a real get-together of friends to say to Mabel a huge thank you for the past and many happy returns for the future.

The entertainment was arranged to form a relaxed atmosphere of music, song and readings, very many of which had a 'thank the organist' flavour. Robin Spicer linked together the various items with introduction and information and some twenty different contributions were assembled to form a fascinating 'olla-podrida' of a dish.

How difficult it can be to select any item from such a wealth of talent, but maybe, just maybe, an odd tear was brought to Mabel's cheek by the lovely flute solo played by her Granddaughter and a most apt piece about 'Church Organists' read by Ruby.

The afternoon was rounded off by a small presentation to Mabel who had with great agility descended the rickety steps from the organ loft above. And then it was tea time and a very, very happy throng wound their way to the Village Hall for tea and excitingly colourful cakes.

It was truly Mabel's Day.

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\* SIBFORDS OPEN WEEKEND A RIP-ROARING SUCCESS \*

For the benefit of any exiles who receive the Scene in far outposts by runner with cleft stick, it should be explained that we mean the 27th and 28th June whose events will be long remembered.



First off was the Fayre on Saturday afternoon. The well-filled stalls, *al fresco* in the hot sunshine, were thronged by customers who also enjoyed wellie-whanging and bale-tossing, real trials of strength. Welcome refreshments were served in the whispering shade of the Hall. Many children had entered enthusiastically into the decoration of paper plates to represent seasons.

Saturday evening brought the Shindig at Temple Mill including the Pig Roast and 60s dance, where excellent facilities had kindly been provided by Edwina and Bill Sabin. A merry throng made its way to Temple Mill, where the Scouts efficiently organised car parking.

First we saw the large porker cooking over a glowing fire attended by the beaming cook in charge. Then we joined the happy crowd enjoying drinks from the mobile bar to the sounds of the 60s belting out from the barn, at first on records and then by a great live band - really jumping. Soon the barn was crowded with dancers doing their manic thing and having a marvellous time.

Meanwhile a line had formed to collect plates of succulent pork and

sausages with salads of many kinds. All tickets had been sold and the line just kept coming. There was a lovely happy atmosphere and many people had taken much trouble to dress as hippies, flower children and other sixties characters.

On the Sunday afternoon ten magnificent gardens were open, all different and a joy to behold. The mini-bus and its obliging driver were a great help in getting round.

Later that afternoon we enjoyed a tea dance in the Village Hall to the evocative music of a live band. Despite the warmth, several couples quickstepped, waltzed, foxtrotted, & tangoed with enthusiasm and skill, much refreshed by tea and cakes. When the last waltz was announced at six o'clock there was a concerted sigh of regret.

So ended the festivities of a lovely weekend, all bringing huge enjoyment to the villages and raising over £1800 for the Village Hall. Three hearty cheers for all those who worked so hard to make it such a rip-roaring success. Let's have another one! B.C.

## WESTWARD HO! WITH SIBFORD PLANT HUNTERS

Inspired by Mr Walker's slides and to commemorate the 1492 voyage of Admiral Columbus, 30 intrepid Sibford Horti Society members chose July 4th to venture westward in search of wondrous gardens & rare plants. Our expedition took us into distant lands, far beyond the Warwickshire border, even beyond the legendary Avon, nigh unto the city famed for its apples, its beautiful china and its strange & piquant sauce.

Our captain, a Tysoe flatlander confused by the mountainous Sibford terrain, set off due South. With great aplomb, 'Jolly Roger' Powell strode to the bridge and quietly provided course corrections, and within a few miles we were on our intended heading - *Westward Ho!*

After travelling across many miles of fertile farmland, past orchards laden with fruit and through hamlets with strange & even coarse-sounding names, we finally reached our first goal - Spetchley Park, the second home of the Berkeleys.

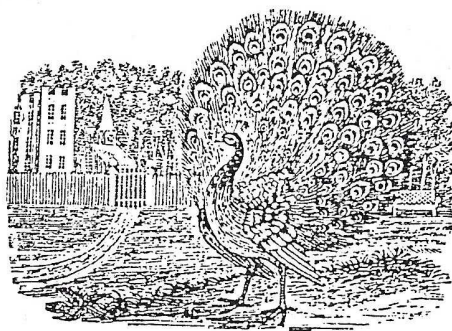
We alighted with some trepidation, this being our first meeting with a genuine Berk, whose family name has oft been taken in vain. We need not have worried - we were greeted warmly and provided with refreshment & delicious homemade cake,

We then set off to explore the 30 acres of gardens, borders, rose beds, copses of trees & shrubs, and the lake & vast lawns with their magnificent views of the imposing Georgian mansion.

One group, who ventured down the West Border, profited from the expertise of Jolly Roger, who appears to be on first (& second) name terms with nearly every plant

in the universe.

A second group was led down the (East) garden path by Barry, who confidently used his golf umbrella to point out the subtle differences between grass & gravel. When he admitted that this was the full extent of his botanical knowledge - in a nutshell, he didn't know his *artemesia* from his *eleagnus* - we wandered off, to search for the



peacock, whose shrill call could be heard throughout the Park. A magnificent bird, whose shimmering colours rivalled those of the flower & rose borders.

After lunch we dispersed again, to revisit our favourite corners of the Park. Roger returned with pockets stuffed with seeds of the pomegranate tree (watch out for next year's Sibford garden sales!),

(continued)

The Spetchley guide book claims it is 'a garden for all seasons'; one could add that it is also 'a garden for all men', since most of us found something new & exciting to tuck into our memory banks, and to draw us back another year.

There could hardly be a greater contrast to the vast Spetchley Park, which has developed since Tudor times, than our second goal, Stone House Cottage Garden, which has been developed, just since 1974, from a derelict kitchen garden of less than an acre.

It is now a haven for many rare & tender trees, shrubs & plants, skillfully cosseted in 'rooms' formed by hedges of yew, box &

prunus, and enclosed within a 9ft brick wall, with three 20ft brick towers with iron windows & balconies, all built by the owner since 1990. Again, a garden to be revisited another year, with the bonus of a nursery - the owner even provided wheelbarrow service to our vehicle for the many rare plants purchased by Mr You-Know-Who!

On our journey home we stopped for tea - unaware that we were in an area inhabited by sheep-shearers who had run out of sheep to fleece. However, it was still a very enjoyable day and many thanks are due to Sheila Baseby for all her hard work in organising every detail of our 1992 expedition.

R.H.

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Sibford School's sports facilities are open to members of the club at the following times:-

Sports Hall	Wednesday to Sunday	17.30 to 21.30
	Sundays	09.00 to 14.00
Swimming Pool	Daily	18.00 to 19.30
Tennis Courts	Daily	18.00 to 20.00
	Sundays	09.00 to 12.30

All the facilities may be available at other times on request

## How do I join the club?

By completing the attached form and returning it with a £5 family membership subscription to Sue Etherington - Smith, The Dower House, Sibford Ferris. Alternatively, the form can be handed into Sibford School reception.

## What Sports are available? and How much will it cost?

Badminton	£4 per hour	Outside Tennis	£1 per court hour
Squash	£3 per 40mins.	Basketball	£15 per hour
Indoor Tennis	£15 per hour	Volleyball	£15 per hour

Other prices are available on application to the School

## How do I book?

All facilities are booked by contacting the School reception on Swalcliffe 441 at the following times.

Monday to Friday	9am to 5pm
Saturday Mornings (Term time only)	9am to 12 Noon

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## Application Form

Please complete and return to Sue Etherington-Smith  
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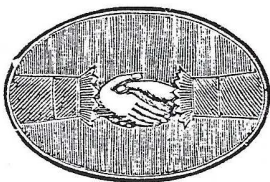
Name of Family: .....

Address: .....

Telephone Number: .....

Sports interested in: .....

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 say "Welcome" to:

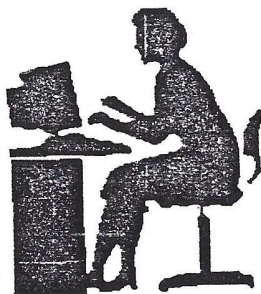
Richard Hartree, who has moved into Stable Cottage, Sibford Ferris from Vancouver, Canada. He is retired from a career with ALCAN, which included a period in Banbury, when he lived in Cropredy and Horton.

Ken & Vicky Smith, who have moved from Hook Norton into Briar Cottage in The Colony with their 17 month old son Samuel. Ken is a self-employed electrician. They are keen gardeners and have started renovating their acre of land by their cottage.

Paul & Mandy Robinson, who have moved into Temple Lodge in the Gower with 9 year old Myles and 7 year old Victoria. For the last 16 years they have lived just north of New York City, where Paul worked for Barclays Bank. Myles & Victoria are looking forward to starting school and hope to make new friends very soon.

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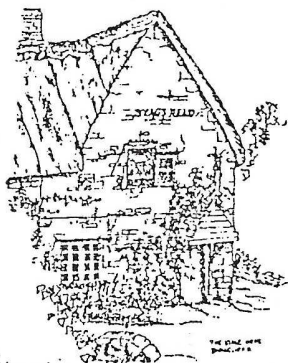
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## FIELDING DAY CENTRE CELEBRATE A GOLDEN WEDDING & A BIRTHDAY

At their fortnightly meeting on 26 August the Day Centre members did not mind that their usual after-lunch stroll was washed out by rain; they were too engrossed in congratulating Don & Freda Woolgrove on their imminent Golden Wedding (on 29 August). They were presented with a 'golden' chrysanthemum plant and a card signed by all members present.

The afternoon ended with everyone tucking into a huge iced cake which Tina Frith had prepared to celebrate the birthday (on 1 September) of one of our members, Mrs Alice Rymell. After much discussion and calculation it was established that the cake should have been decorated with 94 candles!

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## SIBFORD FERRIS PARISH COUNCIL

An ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council will be held in the Library of the Friends School on Monday 7 September at 8 pm. All residents are welcome to attend. Pat Romans

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## WELL DONE BROWNIES!

THANK YOU to the Brownies and to all those who supported them so generously in their collection for BARNARDO'S CHILDREN'S HOMES. This year they collected a wonderful £104.91.

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## TREES ON OFFER - FREE - TRANSPLANT AT YOUR RISK

(A donation to our Romania Fund would be most welcome)

1. A self-seeded ASH sapling - 4ft tall.
2. A WEEPING WILLOW sent in error by a mail order firm.

Anne Marcovitch, Pond Cottage, Sibford Gower

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## HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY ANNUAL SHOW - NEW CUP AWARDED

Owing to an unfortunate error in the attribution of two entries in the 5 - 8 year old Classes, Georgia Berry was denied the applause that would have greeted her for winning the Cup for that category.

Instead she has been awarded a brand new Cup on which her name will be engraved before the 1993 Show.

Well done Georgia.

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# SIBFORDS CRICKET SCENE

*From the Boundary Man*

## "A Reflection"

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| <p>1. When first I learned to bat,<br/>A man devoid of luck -<br/>His innings done without a run -<br/>had made, we say, a 'duck',</p> <p>2. But now the word has changed,<br/>and he who, without a sob,<br/>comes back before he helps the score<br/>has made, we say, a 'blob'.</p> | <p>3. A 'blob', I cant derive,<br/>but 'duck', of course you know,<br/>means egg, because, by natures laws,<br/>an egg is like an O,</p> <p>4. But still, whatever name<br/>we choose (I've often thought),<br/>the fact remains, with all our pains,<br/>a nought is still a nought.</p> |
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In the past weeks, a number of the Sibford bats have succumbed to the dreaded score, but this has not dampened enthusiasm, nor the sides push for honours. Nevertheless generous odds can still be obtained for Sibford lifting their first league title for 60 years - perhaps a good investment for risk takers! A number of good performances with the bat, particularly Ron Morbey and David Pratt, whilst with the ball, Roger Gilbert remains the most consistent bowler in the league - and with as many as five under 18's in the Sunday friendly side, the future indeed looks healthy. Finally a "big thank you" to our larger than life scorer Matthew Spicer, who, having served a thorough apprenticeship with pen, pencil (and rubber), has embarked upon a new career in Mid-Wales, developing his culinary expertise. Good luck Matthew and please call-in when you come home - your runs(!), your chat and your purveying of the mid-afternoon delicacies for tea will be very welcome!

## Banbury and District League Results

20 June	v Deddington	Home	Lost by 4 Wickets.
	Sibford 162-4		Deddington 163-6
	Ron Morbey 46		Roger Gilbert 4-7
	David Bennett 39		
27 June	v Tysoe	Away	Won by 18 runs.
	Sibford 149-6		Tysoe 131 all out.
	David Bennett 51		David Lamb 6-27
	Ron Morbey 36		
	Simon O'Neill 33*		
4 July	v Deddington	Away	Won by 9 wickets.
	Deddington 156-7		Sibford 159-1
	Roger Gilbert 2-31		David Pratt 82*
	Simon O'Neill 2-39		David Inns 49
11 July	v Fenny Compton	Home	Another complete Wash Out.
18 July	v Azad	Home	Lost by 28 runs.
	Azad 115 all out		Sibford 87 all out
	Simon O'Neill 3-24		Top Score Extras 19
	Ian Gilbert 2-12		

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25 July v Westbury  
Sibford 161-7  
David Pratt 44  
David Bennett 27

Home

Won by 32 runs.  
Westbury 129-7  
Simon O'Neill 3-28  
Nigel Fletcher 2-30

1 August v Azad  
Sibford 118 all out  
David Lamb 36\*  
Ian Gilbert 20

Away

Won by 47 runs  
Azad 82 all out  
Nigel Fletcher 3-14  
Adrian Lamb 3-14  
Roger Gilbert 2-7

8 August v Wroxton  
Sibford 154-6  
Ron Morbey 46  
David Inns 34

Away

Won by 72 runs.  
Wroxton 82 all out  
Adrian Lamb 4-28  
Nigel Fletcher 2-18

### George Clark Cup

8 July v Fenny Compton Home  
Sibford 73 all out  
Roger Gilbert 37

Semi Final  
Lost by 7 wickets  
Fenny Compton 74-3  
Roger Gilbert 2-23

### Friendlies

21 June v Round of Gras Away  
Sibford 194-6

Ron Morbey 77  
Nigel Fletcher 28  
Roger Gilbert 26

Match Drawn  
Round of Gras 99-9  
John Simms 3-18  
David Pratt 3-36  
Brian Holliday 2-12

26 June v Mickleton Away  
Mickleton 135-3

Lost by 19 runs  
Sibford 116-7  
Matthew Spicer 23\*

12 July v Long Compton Home  
Sibford 95 all out  
Roger Gilbert 35

Lost by 3 wickets  
Long Compton 96-7  
Roger Gilbert 3-11

2 August v Aynho Away  
Sibford 132-5

Ron Morbey 34  
Ian Gilbert 29

Lost by 3 wickets  
Aynho 133-7  
David Simms 2-26  
Nigel Fletcher 2-27

9 August v Long Compton Away  
Sibford 151-6

David Pratt 65  
Roger Gilbert 47

Won by 20 runs  
Long Compton 131 a.o.  
Roger Gilbert 4-26  
Tim Andrews 2-19  
David Simms 2-28

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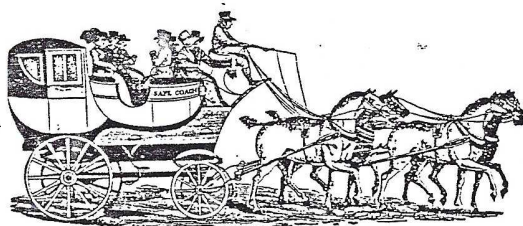
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Friday	11 & 25 Sept	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon
Friday	9 Oct	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon

The pick-up points are:

to Banbury  
Village Hall  
Cross Roads  
High Meadow

to Chippy  
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The Colony

### 2. REGULAR BUS SERVICE - BRAILES COACHES.

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Shipston - Banbury - Monday & Saturday

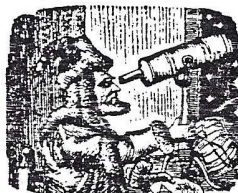
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Return from Banbury Bus Station... 12.15pm

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

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	12.00noon	5.30pm
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Return from Banbury Bus Station	11.30am
	2.30pm
	5.05pm
	6.05pm



## Forthcoming Events

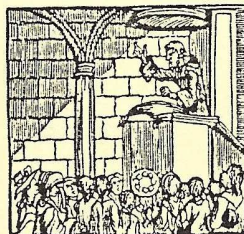
DIARIST - Norman Nash (Tel 275)

3 October	Saturday	Friendship Club - Bazaar - Village Hall
4 October	Sunday	WWF Walk - Broughton Castle - see p 12
6 October	Tuesday	Autumn Fair - Shipston - see p 18
14 October	Wednesday	Horti Society AGM - Village Hall - 8.00pm
28 October	Wednesday	Guide Dogs - Coffee Morning - see p 9
28 November	Saturday	Tory Evening - Music Hall - Village Hall

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LOCAL CORRESPONDENT to BANBURY GUARDIAN - Sheila Baseby (Tel 544)  
Copy for Guardian by MONDAY please

## 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
(Brailes)	Sunday at 11.30 am
Baptist (Hook Norton)	Sunday at 10.30 am

Church of England, Holy Trinity, Sibford Gower

6 September	10.00 am	Service at Swalcliffe
13 "	10.00 am	Holy Communion
20 "	10.00 am	Family Service & Baptism
27 "	8.00 am	Holy Communion

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## HELPLINES HELPLINES

The Samaritans	Banbury 270000
Young People's Helpline	(0865) 310810
'Life' Pregnancy Counselling Service	Banbury 261257
Banbury Family Centre	Banbury 266358
Katherine House Counselling Service	Banbury 272216
Victim Support Schemes	(0869) 40751
Relate (Marriage Guidance)	Banbury 258141
Cancer Link	(0865) 257946
Banbury Community Transport Assoc.	Banbury 255863
Oxfordshire Rural Community Council	(0865) 512488

(Knowledge is power, and those who feel powerless, in need or fear can be helped by knowing who to contact for support and advice. If you know of a helpline not listed above, please submit the details to Banbury & District CVS.)



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## WEEKLY EVENTS

Guides	Hook Norton	Monday	evening
Youth Club	Village Hall	Monday	7.00 - 9.00 pm
Mobile Shop		Tuesday	10.00am - 4.00pm
Brownies	Village Hall	Tuesday	5.15 - 6.45 pm
Folk Dancing	Village Hall	Tuesday	8.00 pm
Volleyball	Friends School	Tuesday	7.30 - 9.00pm
Yoga	Friends School	Tuesday	7.00 - 9.00pm
Badminton	Village Hall	Wednesday	8.00 pm
Badminton	Friends School	Wednesday	7.30 - 9.30pm
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	(Phone 380 or 8492 for details)	

## CALENDAR for SEPTEMBER 1992

Tuesday	1st	Friendship Club - Village Hall - 2.00pm - see p 10
Saturday	5th	Scouts Newspaper/Magazine/Metal Can Collection
Monday	7th	Sibford Ferris Parish Council Meeting - see page 19
Tuesday	8th	WI Meeting - Village Hall - see page 9
Wednesday	9th	Fielding Day Centre - 12.15pm-3.00pm
Wednesday	9th	Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20 pm)
Wednesday	9th	Horti Club - Village Hall - 8pm - see page 11
Saturday	12th	Rubbish Skip in Gower
Tuesday	15th	Friendship Club - Outing - see page 10
Tuesday	15th	LEO Club - Planning Meeting - see page 7
Tuesday	15th	Weekly Yoga Class starts - see page 5
Saturday	19th	Conservative Coffee Morning - see page 8
Wednesday	23rd	Fielding Day Centre - 12.15pm-3.00pm
Wednesday	23rd	Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20 pm)

## CALENDAR for OCT 1992 (partial)

Saturday	3rd	Scouts Newspaper/Magazine/Metal Can Collection
Saturday	3rd	Friendship Club BAZAAR - Village Hall - see p 10
Sunday	4th	World Wide Furd - Walk - Broughton Castle - see p 12
Tuesday	6th	Friendship Club - Village Hall - 2.00pm - see p 10
Tuesday	6th	Autumn Fair - Cherington, Shipston - see p 18
Wednesday	7th	Fielding Day Centre - 12.15pm-3.00pm
Wednesday	7th	Healthy Lifestyles Group - Surgery - see p 11

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