

SIBFORD SCENE

NO. 161
NOVEMBER 1992

MEMORIES OF SIBFORD PAST

The inaugural meeting of this exciting venture
will take place in Sibford Village Hall
on Thursday 26 November at 8.00pm.

(See also page 19)

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - BE THERE!!

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The John Loggins Charity

The Trustees of this Charity will soon be meeting and the annual distribution of funds will be considered. As in previous years, will those people, older or younger, who feel themselves in need of being considered for help offered, please write to The Trustees, c/o The Rectory, Sibford Gower by 12 December. Their applications will thereafter be considered, in complete confidence of course, by the Trustees. Distribution will be achieved in time for Christmas this year.

Timothy Wimbush
(Rector)

David Soden & Eric Payne
(Churchwardens)

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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday 21 November 2.30pm
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LEO
CLUB



Ladies
Evening
Out

There was a disappointing turn-out for the October LEO, which was a pity as many missed out on a really good evening. We were 'transported' by Margaret Elldred to Africa and she gave us a fascinating account of her holiday in & around Cairo followed by a safari to Kenya. The trouble is we all now want to go!

We also had a 'taster' of Glennis's holiday around New England, saw photos of York and the Minster and laughed at Mary's account of her first day in France with her daughter. It really was a super evening and many thanks to those who contributed.

The next LEO will be on Tuesday 17 November at 8.00pm at the home of Mary Bristow and will be on the subject of Aromatherapy. We hope to see you there. We are always happy to give lifts to anyone who can't get to a LEO meeting. Phone Vivienne Scouse on 8320.

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Nature Notes

Sept. 29th. Although the berries on our Holly tree are only just starting to colour, the Mistle Thrushes are already defending them. After seeing off the other birds, one sat in the tree making gentle purring noises. I was picking apples from a tree nearby so it may have seen me as a potential threat.

Oct. 2nd. I have heard of a Robin that is in the habit of picking the flies from the front of a recently parked car. (Good Thinking!)

Oct. 4th. We were lucky enough to see four Little Egrets when we visited a nature reserve near Swanage today. They are sad looking birds when resting but really come to life when they start feeding much as a Heron does.

Oct. 18th. The conditions set out in the forty four page booklet that tells farmers what they may, or may not, do with the 15% of their arable land, that they are now obliged to "Set Aside" will reduce it's value to wildlife. Particularly the requirement to mow or plough the area during the summer months when birds are nesting. One of the non-food crops that can be grown on set aside land is Oil Seed Rape for the production of deisel fuel. I understand that this fuel burns cleaner and pollutes the atmosphere less than that produced from fossil fuels. It is a strange world in which we deliberately reduce our production of food while people in other countries go hungry. Their hunger is partly due to their having to use their best land to grow luxury foods to export to us, in order to raise money to pay the interest on loans we have made to them. It is a disastrous merry-go-round for those with empty bellies.



Elizabeth Webber AMAR.
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OXFAM COLLECTION

We wish to thank everyone who gave so generously to our collection for the OXFAM 50th Anniversary Week. You contributed a total of £169.60 in the Sibfords - well done.

Ina Lamb & Hugh Pidgeon

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RECIPE CORNER

Why not share one of your favourite recipes with other *Sibford Scene* readers?

To start the ball rolling, here is one from The Colony, provided by Val Powell.

German Mince Pies

Base

8oz plain flour
6oz hard margarine
2oz icing sugar

Topping

8oz plain flour
8oz soft margarine
2oz caster sugar

1. Mix together icing sugar & flour.
2. Rub in hard margarine, mix together like shortbread and roll out.
3. Put into patty tins and fill with mincemeat.
4. Cream together soft margarine & caster sugar.
5. Beat in the flour and put mix in piping bag and pipe a ring around mincemeat.
6. Cook for 15 - 20 minutes (Gas 5).
7. Leave in tins till cold.

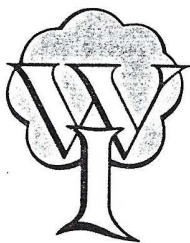
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News and Information

Mrs Conway chaired the October meeting. After the business discussion, Mrs. Maunder gave an account of her experiences as a Bone Marrow donor. Of many thousands who register few are called, but she was found, after many blood tests, to be likely to be compatible with a leukaemia sufferer in Australia. She found herself 'processed' and whisked off to Sydney in three days, rather frightened and deliberately ignorant of what to expect.

The transplant was less traumatic than she had expected and she subsequently enjoyed a holiday in Australia. Very sadly, her courageous gift did not save the recipient's life, but further knowledge of the mechanisms of rejection was gained.

The cost of such research is enormous and there was a unanimous decision to donate some money from the forthcoming coffee morning at Moreton in Marsh on Oct 27th to this cause.

A competition for the best Autumnal Basket arrangement was won by Mrs Grasby, 2nd. Mrs Hutchinson, 3rd. Mrs Pearlman. Teas were served by Miss Keyser, Mrs Crabtree and Mrs Skipper.

The next meeting will be on November 10th when Mrs G Smith will talk on 'My Teatowel Collection'. The competition will be (what else?) 'A Teatowel'.

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COFFEE MORNING

in the

SIBFORD METHODIST CHAPEL

Friday 27 November 10am - noon
Christmas Stall

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SIBFORD GOWER ENDOWED PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Harvest Festival was celebrated on Wednesday, 14th October in St. Nicholas' Church, Tadmarton, and continued our religious theme for this term of 'Food for Thought'. Prior to the service, the children brought to school unwanted wellingtons, shoes, clothes, blankets and a variety of dried and packet foods. These were taken to Bloxham where a container lorry was loaded and is at this very moment wending its way to an orphanage in Albania where children live in appalling conditions. The collection at the service has been sent to help pay for the container lorry's fuel. The children in our school have been thinking, talking and writing about children around the world who are a lot less fortunate than we are :

Something to Think About

Vain, rich, greedy people,
Everything they could need
Running water, plenty of food and more.
Electricity, books, toys,
Every living convenience
Maybe occasionally give things away,
Old blankets, clothes and toys,
Now and then a little food.

But it's not enough!
We have the right to live like you.
You have food and clean water, books and toys.
But us, yes we have not nearly enough.
We are desperate,
We beg of you to give us more
Or surely we shall die.

You with your posh cars,
Electricity.
We're sure you could spare a little more
Or we shall surely, silently desperately,
Die.

Sarah Dennis

To Catch the Eye - Hold It - and Provide Lasting Pleasure

Advertising agencies tell us that we, the public, feel comfortable with a continuous theme, but there should be a subtle variance to keep the mind alert to change.

Each month the Editor receives copies of a large number of village magazines encouraged by the Oxfordshire Rural Communities Council. The layout of the front covers give to each publication a uniqueness which makes it easily recognisable.

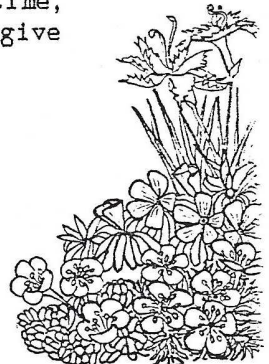
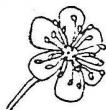
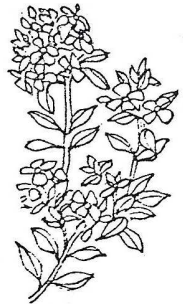
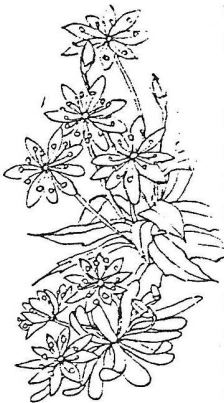
It is with pride that the Editorial Staff of the *Sibford Scene* post our copies to other Editors, for there is a certain 'something' about our front cover which sings out:

"Our Heading Reflects our Village"

Each month Mollie Mulley designs for us a simple, beautiful line drawing depicting the changing seasons. Without doubt, they are collectors' items. Many villagers have commented on their subtlety & draftsmanship and our monthly headings are religiously pasted in scores of scrap books for safe keeping.

We are so lucky to have an artist of Mollie's capability residing in our Village and doubly fortunate that she is willing to share her time, her patience and her talent to give such pleasure to so many people.

Thank You Dear Mollie



Letter



to the Editor

62 Glenwood Avenue.
Dartmouth NS
Canada

Dear Sir

May I, through you, address Members of the Communities of Sibford Gower, Burdrop and Sibford Ferris.

Having been born and bred in Sibford Gower, and returning each year to visit my family, I feel I am entitled to express my thoughts via the *Sibford Scene* with regard to the Friendship Club Bazaar on Saturday 3rd October.

These older residents of Sibford had worked extremely hard to arrange tables filled with an excellent array of knitted articles, toys, baked goods, books, vegetables, plants, used clothing, toiletries etc, plus raffles and teas, only to have their efforts rewarded by an attendance of approximately 14 people, two of those from a nearby village. Admittedly the weather was not the best, but most people do have cars.

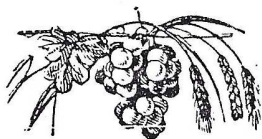
Where were all the members of the various other organizations in the village? Even the Clergy were noticeable by their absence. I realise people have busy lives, but could you not have spared 20-30 minutes out of your schedule to attend?

It was only by the generosity of the people attending, and the Friendship Club Members themselves, that approximately £140 was raised. Just think how much more it could have been if only you had attended.

To the members of the Friendship Club who valiantly supported and donated items for their Bazaar, a well-deserved 'Bouquet of Roses'.

I hope these few words will alert people to the fact that it can be very disappointing not to have support from your own community and that when the Friendship Club next holds an event, more people will make it a point to attend.

Yours sincerely
Dora M Rumley (nee Rymell)



SOME CAME TO 'LAUGH AND SING'



On Sunday 11th October two and a half percent of our village(s) population were to be seen, cramming themselves fearfully into the back six pews of Holy Trinity Church, waiting & hoping to give thanks for the successful gathering in of this year's harvest.

The front of the church was occupied by an enormous raging and fire-breathing monster - which was eventually, and thankfully, removed by David, a spanner-wielding church warden, when it was seen to be, not Beelzebub himself, but a borrowed space heater from Hook Norton Church as our own boiler had failed to rotate on take off.

Evensong had been chosen as the vehicle of the celebration. The church looked beautiful with bowl upon bowl of white flowers lovingly arranged by a few devoted parishioners. There was a goodly "scattering" of vegetables, the product of earlier "ploughing".

All were destined for the "Pot au Feu" at Katherine House Hospice - they had however refused all the seven-foot high wall of marrows and they were eliminated (the marrows not Katherine House!). The collection too was pointed in that direction.

For the first time in twelve months the congregation, without the help of a choir, attempted a Psalm which, of course, turned out to be Psalm 65. Those sitting near Tom Pratt or Colin Frith managed to follow their lead, keeping their breathing going and pausing in the unexpected, but correct, places. Others, not so fortunate, scattered on the periphery, were not as accurate, some finishing exceedingly early and others rather later than expected.

The very last to finish was Mabel on her "Mighty Thunderer". With all the stops pulled out and Eric pumping like crazy on the bellows, she lingered lovingly, loud and long, on Verse Fourteen. "The valleys also shall stand so thick with corn that they shall laugh and sing".

Surely to laugh and sing must be the most acceptable form of thanks that can find its way from a grateful Earth to a bountiful Heaven.

B.D.

FLU INJECTIONS

Winter is approaching and this year's flu injections are now available for patients of Sibford Surgery.

Flu injections are advised for:

- those over 65
- those with chest complaints or heart disease
- those with any other debilitating illness.

Flu is a serious illness that kills.

It is not the same as a bad cold which people often describe as 'flu'.

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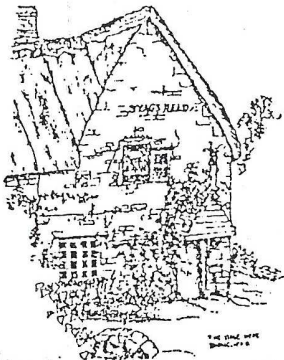
HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

The Healthy Lifestyles Group continues to meet at Sibford Surgery from 1.00 - 2.00pm on alternate Wednesdays.

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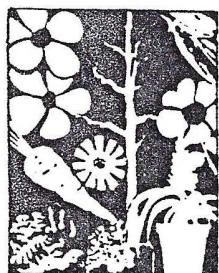
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REPORT on AGM and FUTURE MEETINGS
New Committee Member Required

At the Society's AGM on 14 October the Treasurer reported that the assets are now £706, an increase of £80, mainly due to raffles and the Garden Sale at Temple Lodge (thanks to Bernard Phillips). The Chairman reported a successful year of activities which, in addition to a variety of speakers at the indoor meetings, included visits to the Manor garden and to two gardens near Worcester, plus a visit from Bloxham Garden Club to 3 gardens in the Sibfords.

The Annual Show went very smoothly, thanks to a keen band of volunteers and to the organizational skills of David Elldred, the Show Secretary.

Unhappily (for the Society) David has decided to leave the Committee after 5 years of dedicated service. There is, therefore, a vacancy on the Committee and anyone willing to give some time & effort to help in the running of the Society would be cordially welcomed.

Our President, Keith Hicks, has also decided to retire, because of his additional duties in the Scouting world. John Sabin has kindly agreed to take the ultimate step-up from Vice-President.

The Chairman, Alan Jarvis, asked that members provide any suggestions for next year's programme of speakers & outings and for changes to the Show Schedule by the next meeting on Wednesday 11 November.

The AGM was followed by a new edition of Roger Powell's Slide Show & Quiz; the quiz prize, one year's free membership, was won by May Jarvis. The evening concluded with free refreshments.

The 11 November meeting will include an illustrated talk on the Manor garden, Sibford Ferris. There will be a table available for members to sell their handicrafts, plants, etc on an 80/20 basis.

The competition at the December meeting will be for a Christmas Table Centrepiece, for which first & second prizes will be awarded. There will also be a raffle for a large Hamper of Christmas Fare.

Sibford Gower Parish Council

At our recent Parish Council meeting the following was discussed. No further information has been received regarding the application for a diversion of footpath 23 which at present leads through Temple Close.

North Area Planning Committee has approved enforcement action against the developers of the overhanging porch along footpath 18. It is hoped that the potholes along the Colony and on the bend by the church will be repaired within the next few weeks.

The Forestry Officer will be contacted once again with regard to the pruning of the Cherry tree on Burdrop Green.

The Clerk has contacted the Highways Department requesting that the grass verges in Burdrop be cut as soon as possible and to make sure that they will be included in next years grasscutting contract.

The level of the pond seems to have stabilised following the recent rain, but it is still too early for the return of the fish.

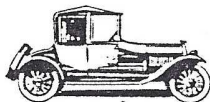
The Council has received a planning application for the erection of dwellinghouse and garage on land opposite South Cottage, Pond End lane, Sibford Gower. Anyone who wishes to see a copy of the plans can contact the Clerk (462).

The Council has been advised by the County Council that Service X60 (Tuesday service to Stratford - Coventry) will cease after operation on Tuesday, 10 November 1992. The Council strongly opposed this cut when it was asked for its views in the summer. In their letter they stated that in terms of subsidy it is a relatively costly service and that their limited revenue support funds must be directed to areas in which they are more cost effective.

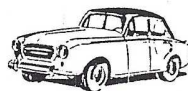
Midland Red South are considering offering affected villages a special through fare to Birmingham by changing to service X40 at Banbury. Cherwell District Council is organising a pre-Christmas Short Mat Bowls Competition on December 5th, at Spiceball Sports Centre in Banbury. If anyone is interested either to play as an individual or in a team an entry form can be obtained from the Clerk.

Petra Berry

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The worst thing anybody can do is knock another person's driving, but I am doing just that. Let's face it, the driving standard in this country is appalling in the most part.

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Remembrance Sunday - 8 November


Our house-to-house collection period starts on 26 October. Please be as generous as you can; the needs we collect for are as great as they ever were and growing.

Of the money collected, 93% is spent in helping those who gave most generously in the past, near and far back to the First World War - 3,500 pensioners are still with us from that time - so that we & some of our friends overseas could live and lead free lives.

If you feel you can give some help - even a few hours is a great boon - do not hesitate to ring me. Your help could mean a few extra pounds providing care, help & comfort for those in need.

John Mulley Hon Organiser Swa 629

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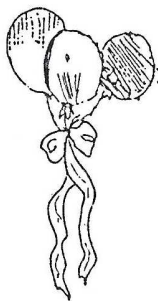
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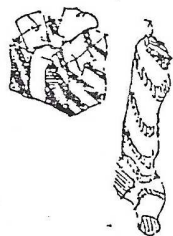
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Organised by the 'Friends of Sibford School'

ATTENTION !! ATTENTION!! ! ATTENTION ALL CONTRIBUTORS!

The Management has generously allowed the staff a few days leave over the Christmas Season.


Consequently, there will be
NO separate January 1993 issue of the *Sibford Scene*.

Therefore, any announcements concerning events in January
should be submitted for publication
in the forthcoming (December/January) edition.

In addition, ALL contributors are earnestly requested
to submit their **contributions**
for the **December/January edition**
by **Wednesday 18 November**, if possible.

Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated.
Asst Editor

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Volunteers can help with...
 for example :


- driving - to hospitals, clinics, etc.
- (there is a small mileage charge)
- shopping
- decorating
- gardening
- visiting lonely or housebound people
- sitting-in for children or the elderly

Volunteers are needed:

- to give as much or as little time as you can, preferably regularly
- to assist in the ways mentioned, or with local helping organisations
- to offer any skills, hobbies or interests which might be useful... although time and a caring attitude are equally valuable!

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Phone to arrange a time to have a chat with the
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CLUB CHAT



"Look here" said the Brigadier from the depth of his leather armchair in the Sibford Army and Navy Club, "this Editor chappie - a lot of rumours going around regarding that boulder. D'yer think they're true?"

The Admiral lowered his telescope and secreted it beneath his knee rug. "Oh! shouldn't wonder. They're all at it yer know! - Authors, Celebrities, Company Directors, even Cabinet Ministers - they're all at it these days!"

"Not that sort of rumour" snorted the Brigadier. "No. They're saying this Editor fellow is resigning his commission, buying himself out of the Regiment and that sort of caper!"

"Really", grunted the Admiral, "well that's good news - never did like the cut of his jib - got off to a poor start! He had that rather pleasant gal, president of the W.I., dancing on the barricade of jam jars and flaming lamp shades outside the Rectory over something or other. Can't have that sort of disturbance here in the heart of Sibford City - good riddance if you ask me, that Rabble Rouser couldn't go quickly enough for me".

The Brigadier thought. "What we want is a good woman editor - one with flair and experience. The soft approach - recipes and colour coordination, flower arranging - that sort of thing - a complete change of direction! Now who can we think of to propose?" He closed his eyes to think but unfortunately fell asleep.

The Admiral withdrew his telescope from beneath the rug and retrained it on the window at the seventh floor of the Burdrop Multistorey Flats. He whistled softly to himself and wondered if "she" had had any library experience. He began to compose a letter to "*The Scene*":

Dear Sir,

As WRENS are now also with the Fleet, may I suggest a female editor. I know of rather a shapely...." His pen slipped from his fingers and he began to snore. His knee rug fell to the floor.

NOTE The Editor would respectfully remind readers that there are now only two months left before two joyous occasions:

(1) Christmas and (2) his belated retirement.

His successor (like a Conservative Party leader) has not as yet emerged!

The Friendship Club



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10 - 12 noon (Sunday)



'The Sibfords, Past and Present'

This excellent video, by John and Beryl Gibbs of Hook Norton, was shown in the Village Hall on Sunday 18th October to very appreciative audiences, grateful that so much time and trouble had been taken.

It consisted of a thorough video coverage of present day Sibfords & Burdrop and the Parish boundaries, interspersed with still shots of relevant old photographs, some from commercial sources and some private.

Over 300 old views of Sibford and its locality were on show and for sale; temptation indeed! Copies of the video, at £15, were also available - all ably supervised by Margaret Cox, who did so much in organising the event. Proceeds from the event were donated to Katherine House Hospice.

There was plenty of food for thought for everyone, whether from old village families, new to the village or somewhere between.

In his introduction, John Gibbs was anxious to express his gratitude to villagers who had helped, or contributed information. How many more sources are waiting to be tapped?

If your appetite has been whetted, two options are open to you:

1. There will be a showing of the same video by the Swalcliffe Society, in Swalcliffe Village Hall on Wednesday 11th November at 8.00 p.m. Admission free.
2. Having read the item on the front page of the September issue of *Sibford Scene*, suggesting we establish an informal group to share Memories of Sibford Past, you may wish to join. The inaugural meeting of the said group (The Sibford Society?) is to take place at Sibford Village Hall on Thursday 26th Nov at 8.00pm. Please come, hear one or two suggestions as to how we might proceed and offer your views.

Verity Stanley (729)

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The death of Mrs K Fanshawe was announced from Horton General Hospital on Tuesday 20 October, after a short illness.

Kay and her husband Fred (deceased about 2 years ago) were well-known by their neighbours around the Village Pool, for about 40 years, where they led a very quiet retired life.

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"amateur" 40 year olds, in The Spastics Society
"Forty at 40" Stakes at Cheltenham Racecourse
on 15th November.

The Spastics Society, for people with Cerebral Palsy, is celebrating its 40th Anniversary this year. They have of course given "the jockeys" yet another challenge - to raise as much money as possible for their important work. In this time of economic gloom, they are asking us to bring along a mere £2,000 each!!!

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity - and if anyone would like to support me and the brave horse by contributing towards our sponsorship we, and particularly The Spastics Society, would be extremely grateful.

Hope to hear from you before "the off" on the 15th!

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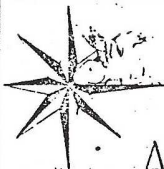
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The Bennett Family would like to thank their friends in the village and a number of groups, the LEO & Cricket Clubs, for their generous sponsorship when the family made their annual pilgrimage to the North East for the GREAT NORTH RUN.

This year, the charity being supported was the Anthony Nolan Bone Marrow Trust and a three figure sum was raised. The event, televised live on BBC Grandstand, incorporated the first running of the World Half-Marathon Championship - and with Dad, Mum & Jonathan taking part in a field of 30,000, old friendships were renewed and new ones made.

In among the mighty throng was Chris Bateman, late of Sibford School and Drama fame. He had made a very early start from Bristol to join the assembled crowd - and looks leaner & fitter, but the humour remains as rich as ever. His best wishes are conveyed to his friends in Sibford.

Suzie ran very credibly in the Junior Great North Run and was rewarded with a good time but feels she would have done better if she had been allowed to enter on her horse Christy! To everyone who saw us jogging around the village during the summer months, thanks for the encouragement & good wishes and see you all again next year.

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Sibford Playgroup

Sibford Playgroup would like to welcome its' new leader Jill Leather, who took over from Fiona Smith at the beginning of this term. Jill is a fully qualified primary school teacher, who has many years of experience in this field. Congratulations to Sarah Adams (formerly Foulds), on her recent marriage! Sarah continues as assistant and is currently taking a Diploma in Playgroup Practise.

All pre-school children are very welcome to join the group any time after they are two and a half years old, as long as they are out of nappies, and can stay after they are three without mum being present. The group is held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 9 am to 12 noon in the village hall. Mums are welcome to bring children over 18 months between 10 and 11 am on any Monday morning to have a look at what goes on!

Playgroup offers a warm, friendly, happy environment with plenty of fun and lots of stimulating activities. We need the support of all mums, and everyone has a voice on our committee, suggestions for new ideas, activities and outings are always welcome. The group offers an ideal chance for young children to get to know friends they will eventually attend school with and helps them get used to socialising with their peers.

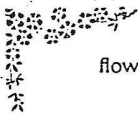
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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The Crime Prevention Centre next to Unipart (see p.20 of October *Sibford Scene*) is open for 6 months and has displays covering all aspects of interest to the public in the field of security to homes & vehicles. The 'show' is open to us all Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays from 9 to 5 and there is a section about Watch Schemes as well.

Why not give it a visit? - But remember - if it is to be a long one let your neighbour know you are away, for how long and how they can contact you!! John Mulley Hon Coordinator

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VOLLEYBALL

If you would like to have a go at playing Volleyball, come along to Sibford School Sports Hall on Tuesdays, 7.30 - 8.30pm. The price is £2.00 per evening.

The club needs more members to keep going, as several previous members are now playing League Volleyball for a club in Bicester. For more information please telephone Joanna Gilkes on 8190.

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SIBFORD CRICKET CLUB - The Averages.

League Batting - The Top Ten

	Runs.	Ave.		Runs.	Ave.
Ron Morbey	417	34.75	Adrian Lamb	140	17.50
David Lamb	62	20.67	David Bennett	156	17.34
Roger Gilbert	144	20.57	Mark Handley	17	17.00
David Pratt	213	19.36	Simon O'Neill	48	16.00
David Inns	219	18.25	Nigel Fletcher	79	13.16



League Bowling - The Top Seven (Bowling 25 overs or more)

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average.
Adrian Lamb	34	5	105	12	8.75
Roger Gilbert	118.5	40	211	21	10.00
Nigel Fletcher	72.2	10	204	17	12.00
Ian Gilbert	32	1	129	10	12.90
Simon O'Neill	83.2	13	244	16	14.60
David Lamb	73.2	12	238	16	14.90
Brian Holliday	25	0	110	4	27.50

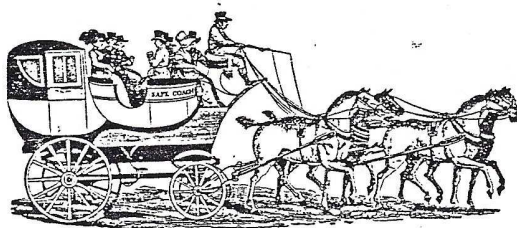
Friendlies, Batting - The Top Ten

	Runs.	Ave.		Runs.	Ave.
Adrian Lamb	41	41.00	Roger Gilbert	136	19.43
Ron Morbey	107	35.67	Simon O'Neill	48	16.00
Lewis Soden	78	26.00	Ian Gilbert	43	14.33
David Pratt	83	20.75	Philip Gilbert	70	11.67
Nigel Fletcher	41	20.50	David Bennett	45	11.25

Friendlies, Bowling (Bowling 13 overs or more)

	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average.
Brian Holliday	36	11	88	10	8.8
John Simms	15	1	60	6	10.0
Tim Andrews	13	5	34	3	11.3
Roger Gilbert	74	31	147	11	13.4
David Simms	14	0	54	4	13.5
Nigel Fletcher	21.3	8	43	3	14.3
Tom Holliday	18.2	5	63	4	15.8
David Pratt	16	3	63	4	15.8
Simon O'Neill	48.5	12	146	9	16.2
Ian Gilbert	15	0	71	4	22.5

A full copy of the seasons averages is available from Adrian Lamb. (Tel; 380).



SIBFORD BUS SERVICES

1. SIBFORD GOWER TOWN ESTATES CHARITY

Free Bus Service for Sibford Gower and Burdrop Residents

			Depart	Return
Friday	6 & 20 Nov	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon
Wednesday	11 & 25 Nov	to Chippy	11.00am	1.00pm
Friday	4 Dec	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon

The pick-up points are:

to Banbury	to Chippy
Village Hall	Village Hall
Cross Roads	High Meadow
High Meadow	Cross Roads
	The Colony

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

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	7.30am	Saturdays
	9.05am	3.00pm
	12.00noon	5.30pm
	(11.55 Tuesday)	

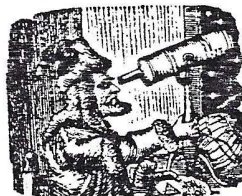
Return from Banbury Bus	11.30am
Station	2.30pm
	5.05pm
	6.05pm

4. CANCELLATION of SERVICE X60

See page 12

Forthcoming Events

DIARIST - Norman Nash (Tel 275)



21 August '93 Saturday . Horti Society 1993 Annual Show

ARE THERE NO MORE EVENTS ALREADY FIXED FOR 1993 ??

Secretaries - Please keep Sibford Scene or Norman informed.

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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

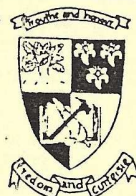
1 November	10.00am	United Benefice Eucharist at Sibford
8 "	8.00am	Holy Communion
	10.55am	Remembrance Service
15 "	10.00am	Holy Communion
22 "	8.00am	Holy Communion
29 "	10.00am	Renewal of Confirmation Vows and United Benefice Eucharist at Tadmarton The Bishop of Dorchester
6 December	10.00am	United Benefice Eucharist at Swalcliffe

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Oxfordshire Rural Community Council	(0865) 512488

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Mobile Shop		Tuesday	10.00am - 4.00pm
Brownies	Village Hall	Tuesday	5.15 - 6.45pm
Folk Dancing	Village Hall	Tuesday	8.00 pm
Volleyball	Friends School	Tuesday	7.30 - 8.30pm
Yoga	Friends School	Tuesday	7.00 - 9.00pm
Badminton	Village Hall	Wednesday	8.00pm
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
Callenetics Fitness	Friends School	Thursday	8.00pm
Mobile Fish & Chips	(follow your nose)	Thursday	
Beavers	Village Hall	Friday	4.30 - 5.45pm
Cub Scouts	Village Hall	Friday	6.00pm
Scouts	Village Hall	Friday	following Cubs
Playgroup	Village Hall	Mon, Wed, Fri	9.00am - 12noon
Sibford Sports Club	Friends School	(Phone 380 or 8492 for details)	

CALENDAR for NOVEMBER 1992

Sunday	1st Spiceball Park, Banbury - Craft Fayre
Tuesday	3rd Friendship Club - Village Hall - 2.00pm - see page 18
Tuesday	3rd Sibford Ferris Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday	4th Fielding Day Centre - 12.15pm - 3.00pm
Wednesday	4th Healthy Lifestyles Group - Surgery - see page 10
Wednesday	4th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Thursday	5th Bonfire Night - OUR Primary School - see p 21 - A MUST
Saturday	7th Scouts Paper & ALUMINIUM Can Collection
Saturday	7th Friends School Christmas Fair - see page 15
Sunday	8th Remembrance Sunday Service - Holy Trinity Church
Tuesday	10th WI Meeting - 'My Tea Towel Collection' - see page 5
Wednesday	11th Horti Society Meeting - Village Hall 8pm - see page 11
Wednesday	11th Sibfords Video - Swalcliffe Village Hall - see page 19
Saturday	14th Rubbish Skip in Gower
Sunday	15th Spastics Society - Charity Horse Race - see page 20
Tuesday	17th Friendship Club - Outing to Worcester - see page 18
Tuesday	17th LEO Club - Aromatherapy - see page 2
Wednesday	18th Red Cross Coffee Morning - Broughton Castle - see p 2
Wednesday	18th Fielding Day Centre - 12.15pm - 3.00pm
Wednesday	18th Healthy Lifestyles Group - Surgery - see page 10
Wednesday	18th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Saturday	21st Sibford Church Christmas Bazaar - see page 1 - BE THERE
Thursday	26th 'Memories of Sibford' - First Meeting - see pp 1 & 19
Friday	27th Sibford Methodist Chapel - Coffee Morning - see p 5
Saturday	28th Tory Music Hall - Village Hall - see Insert
	(Isn't Westminster enough? Sorry! Should be good fun)

CALENDAR for DEC 1992 (partial)

Tuesday	1st Friendship Club - Christmas Carols - see page 18
Saturday	5th Scouts Paper & ALUMINIUM Can Collection
Saturday	5th Short Mat Bowls Comp - Spiceball - see page 12
Saturday	5th Swalcliffe Christmas Bazaar - see page 14

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