



# SIBFORD SCENE



NO. 178  
JULY/AUGUST 1994

## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH SIBFORD FLOWER FESTIVAL 27, 28 & 29 August

Saturday 27th

Church Open  
Car Boot Sale  
(at Sibford Primary School)

10am - 6pm  
2pm - 5pm



Sunday 28th

Church Open  
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Monday 29th

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SENIOR CITIZENS GARDEN TEA PARTY

SUNDAY 24 JULY

Senior Citizens are invited to a garden tea party at Temple Close from 3pm to 5pm on Sunday 24 July. Music will be provided by the Hook Norton & District Silver Band.

## 2000 BALLOONS HELP TO RAISE £735 for SIBFORD CHURCH

Members of Holy Trinity Church were blessed with a perfect afternoon for their garden party at The Red House at Burdrop. The theme was Balloons which added greatly to the colour with nearly 2000 generously contributed by Mrs Vera Jones, Mr David Bennett, Boots the Chemists, Halifax Building Society, B & Q and Guide Dogs for the Blind, even if the destruction of them when the party was over was reminiscent of "D" day. Contributions also came from S H Jones & Co Ltd Wine Merchants and J & M Humphris Funeral Directors. The hamper, a model of a hot air balloon basket suspended from its magnificent balloon made by Mr Ian Warden (who also made all the signs) provided a banquet for the winner and prizes were also won for the number of balloons in a mini, for the Balloon Shy and Balloon Throwing contests and for the best of a talented entry of paintings of balloons, judged by Mr & Mrs Pearlman who also judged the faces painted on balloons. A very realistic Sweeny Todd conducted a balloon shaving competition and the younger generation were able to let off steam bursting balloons. Delicious teas were organised by Mrs Gill Soden. It is impossible to mention everyone who helped with such hard work and enthusiasm but a big thank you to them all and to all those who could not attend but sent donations. A grand total of £735 was collected for the church.

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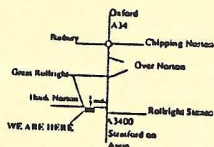
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# Nature Notes.

May 25th. Magpies were chackling in the trees near our bungalow at a quarter to eleven last night. There was an owl around so I expect they were seeing that off.

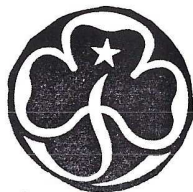
May 26th. Last evening my grand daughter pointed out a dragonfly which was resting on a leaf of a day lily. When I looked this morning it had gone but there was an empty nymph case nearby from which it had no doubt emerged. The day lily is a good yard from the pond so the nymph must have crawled across the garden to get to it. They usually climb up the stalk of a plant which is growing in the water.

May 28th. I removed the body of a badger from the road this morning. I expect it had been killed by a car but it was a very unhealthy one with a good quarter of its body devoid of hair and its paw pads peeling off.

June 19th. Went on a very interesting walk, organised by the Sibford Horticultural Society, in Wychwood Forest. The walk was led by Peter Sheasby who showed us a good range of wild flowers like the beautiful common valerian (not the rad valerian) and the pyramidal, southern marsh, spotted and greater butterfly orchids, also twayblades. I am unsure as to whether the twayblade counts as an orchid. We also saw plants with interesting names like the goosefoot which is known as "Good King Henry", herb paris, eybright and the sinister deadly nightshade. We also smelled the difference between cornmint and watermint. While we ate our sandwiches near some man-made lakes a pair of swans and their cygnets posed for photographs. Peter and one or two others saw a woodcock and I thought I caught a glimpse of a buzzard, but the highlight was a fallow deer fawn which lay absolutely still in its grass nest while we milled around within a few feet of it. We could easily have moved on without seeing it. Despite the dry weather one member found a roman snail which looked like a huge garden snail. It is thought that they were introduced by the Romans for culinary use.

Our thanks are due to Peter Sheasby who gave so generously of his free time to take us on this enjoyable walk.

## SIBFORD BROWNIES



Brownies everywhere are celebrating their 80th Anniversary this year and in Sibford we have been looking at how brownies has changed over the years. We have done a series of Collages which we have displayed in the Village Hall. Do have a look at them if you are in the Hall or happen to be passing - they really are most interesting.

We have had a busy term taking part in the Octagon Challenge to celebrate 80 years of brownies and we have done a variety of activities and have almost completed the Challenges now. All the brownies have gained their Athlete Badge this term and many of them are now getting ready for Pack Holiday at the end of July.

We say goodbye this term to Eleanor Paine and Natalie Miles who have been with us a long time and have been super brownies. We shall miss them and wish them well.

We have welcomed this term Katy McKellar, Philippa Wilkinson and Alexandra Thomas.

Vivienne Scouse

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## SIBFORD VILLAGE HALL NOTES

There are many weekends & weekdays when the Village Hall is not in use. When you are next considering a venue - for a fund raising event, a birthday party, a wedding reception or a christening party - why not use the Village Hall? The charges are very reasonable. If you would like more information, contact Di Baker on 788177.

During the course of the year, the Village Hall Committee puts on a wide range of different events & functions and in order to maintain and improve our Hall we need your support.

For your diary, our next events are:-

Saturday 9 July 2pm Sibford Village Hall Pete

" " " 8pm Pig Roast & Dancing to Live 60's Music

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## SIBFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Dates for your Diary are:

Saturday 2 July - Outing to Highclere Castle and Gardens.  
A FEW TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE. Coach about £4; Admission about the same. Lunches & Teas available but bring a picnic if preferred. Names to Sheila Baseby [780544] PDQ please. Leave Village Hall 9.15am, pick-up in Ferris (Manor & Cotswold Close), return by about 6.00pm.

Saturday 20 August - ANNUAL SHOW in Marquee at Village Hall. Show Schedules already distributed - spares at Surgery & Post Office. Stock for Tombola & Raffle stalls would be welcomed at Surgery (Dr Heath) or by any Committee member.

If you hold a Cup or Trophy from the 1993 Show, please return it NOW to the Surgery or to a Committee member, otherwise it may not be possible to engrave your name on it.

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## SIBFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

# FLOWER SHOW

SATURDAY 20th AUGUST - 2.30 p.m.



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at the Surgery, Burdrip, or by Post



## FRIENDSHIP CLUB

\* Outings, Garden Party and Coffee Evening \*

We had a lovely afternoon at Mrs. Tanner's in June and would like to thank everyone who supported us and also Mrs. Tanner for opening her garden for this event. We made £80 which was given to Holy Trinity Church.

### Forthcoming Events:

Wednesday 6th July - an evening out, coach leaving Epwell at 6.00 p.m. Fare: £2.50. Anyone will be welcome to join us on this trip.

Sunday 24th July we have been invited to a Garden Party at the home of Mrs. Jones starting at 3.00 p.m.

Tuesday 2nd August - Coffee Evening at the home of Mrs. Fowler, 6 Pound Lane, Sibford Gower at 6.00 p.m. where we shall have a 'Bring and Buy' stall, raffle etc. All are welcome.

Tuesday 16th August - Outing to Weymouth coach leaving at 8.30 a.m. Fares: Children under 12 yrs. - £4.00.  
Others - £7.00

Details of any of these events can be obtained from Mrs. Webb (788211).

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## W. I. NEWS & INFORMATION

Our new President, Mrs Baadsgaard, was at the helm for the June meeting, and after announcing the new officers and committee gave an excellent delegate's report on the Triennial General Meeting held at the N.E.C. in June. We were reminded of the rapid passage of time as we placed our orders for 1995 calendars and diaries. Volunteers were forthcoming for helpers to supply and serve teas at the Village Fete on July 9th.

Our speaker, prevented from attending the April meeting due to an accident en route, was fully recovered, but not so his damaged vehicle, the first slide in his programme entitled Royal Trains and Their Passengers! Mr Kingston spoke with regret at the passing of the steam train. His accent was mainly on royal passengers, ranging from Queen Victoria's first train journey in 1842 to many recent royal visits to the Midlands.

He was surprised to learn that a picture of an arrival at Moreton station early this century was taken by a doctor who helped to bring one of his audience into the world, but more surprising was the revelation that a light steam train, built specially to run over Romney Marsh, and depicted with a youthful Prince Charles aboard, was built by the father of yet another member of his audience! He was appropriately thanked by Mrs Ellred.

The next meeting is to be held on 12 July in the garden of Rosalind Pearlman's home at Burdrop House Barn, starting at 2.00pm. Rousham has been suggested as the venue for the August outing. May the sun shine for both occasions! M.C.

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The wintery weather for our May visit to Bloxham was surpassed by the Arctic weather for our planned midsummer visit to members' gardens, which had to be cancelled. However, nine members gathered round the fire at Miriam Hembrey's, for an enjoyable *conversazione* followed by refreshments, including a delicious gâteau produced by Mary Bristow.

The next LEO meeting, on 20 September, will be an evening visit to Banbury Police Station. Full details in the next edition of *Sibford Scene*.



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Why do so many ladies take up knitting?

It gives them something to think about while they're chatting to their friends.

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Richard & Jean White.

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## PLAY AREA NEWS

The play area is situated at the south end of Cotswold Close, in the Ferris, and is free for all to use. The land is rented from Cherwell District Council by the Play Area Group but the Ferris parish council make a grant to cover this annual expense. The play equipment was bought by the efforts of the groups fund raising and the ground work was carried out by manpower services. The boundary fence was provided and erected by the parish council.

There is another piece of land which, at the moment, we are not using but thought that a single machine such as an old tractor or a boat to play on would use the space to advantage so if you can help to find anything suitable please let us know. The on going expenses are for maintenance of equipment and a huge bill for insurance.

An order for new swing seats and some safety matting beneath the swings, to prevent the muddy area increasing, has just been placed and this results in the need for more fund raising.

If anyone has any items suitable for sale at a car boot sale, good quality clothes, clean toys or nice nik-naks, Bernie Jones (780343) or Joanna Gilkes (788190) would be pleased to receive or collect them.

The mowing of grass and cutting of hedges around the play area are carried out by parents and anyone who would trim around the equipment where the mower can't get, or help to keep the site tidy in any way is welcome to do so. Another person willing to take a mower and mow the grass a few times in the season would be appreciated, again contact Bernie or Joanna. Any suggestions for equipment you would like to see or ideas and help for fund raising are welcome.

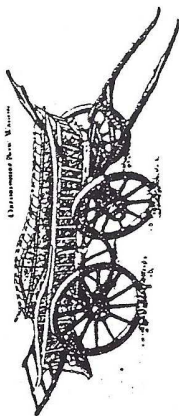
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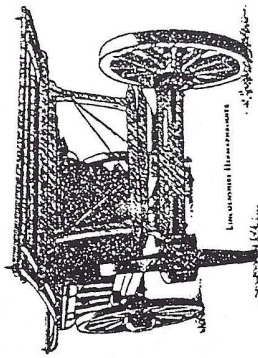
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- Tickets for two people for a Medieval Banquet - Friday night - The Stone Circle
- Two tickets to see 'One foot in the grave' filmed at the B.B.C.
- Full car valet - car collected and delivered afterwards
- The making of a pair of lined curtains by professional curtain maker
- A sailing trip on the Stent for a family of two adults and two children
- The preparation of a birthday tea excluding the birthday cake
- A round of golf at Tadarnelun Golf Course
- Individual Trial Gliding Lesson at the Gliding Centre, Sherington
- Two tickets for the British Grand Prix at Silverstone on the 9th & 10th July
- Afternoon tea on a dairy farm
- A caravan holiday in Port Eynon, The Gower, S.Wales
- An evenings babysitting
- Tickets for a family of two adults and two children - The Llanwrtyd Theatre
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1944 - 1994

Hearty Congratulations  
to

Arthur & Margaret Dring, who were married on 26 July 1944  
and

David & Margaret Eldred, who were married on 5 August 1944

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SIBFORD FERRIS GARDENS

This year we were unfortunate with the weather. However, there were 200 visitors on the Sunday and about 30 on the Wednesday to visit the three gardens, so that we were able to send £312 to the National Gardens Scheme for their various charities.

The primary school P.T.A. provided the teas very efficiently. The Friends school kindly allowed parking in the Piece and we were grateful to the cricket club, the Society of Friends and the village school for help with crockery, tea urns, tables and chairs.

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## Young Scene

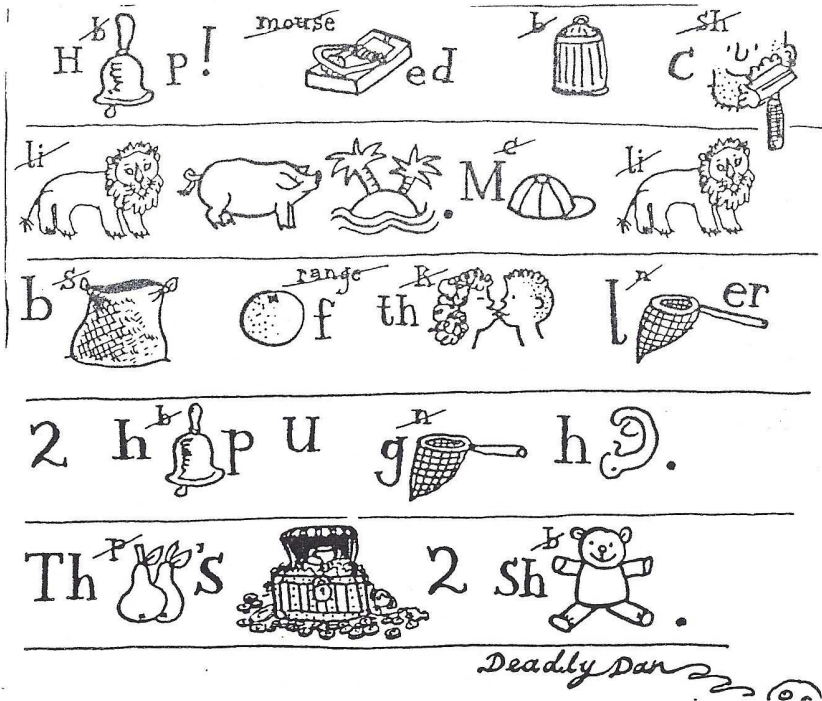
Congratulations to Kayleigh Gilkes, aged 8 years, who is the winner of the Nature Quiz printed in last month's Scene. Your prize is on its way and well done!  
Thank you for your entries and a big thank you to Kayleigh for the following jokes.

What do you get if you cross a duck with a racing car?  
A quick quack.

Why are people tired on April Fool's Day?  
Because they have just had a thirty-one day March.

Can you work out this message?

Pictures and words have been used instead of words.



Can you draw the treasure map to go with this message?

To make your map look old, tear the edges slightly and then gently wipe both sides of your map with a used damp tea bag. Crumple it into a ball and leave it to dry, uncurl it, put it on a sheet of paper and brush it carefully with cooking oil. Blot it dry with kitchen paper. It should now look and feel more like genuine parchment.

### Some ideas for staying cool when the weather is hot.

You will need some fruit juice, empty yogurt pots and lollipop sticks.

1. Pour the fruit juice into the yogurt pots, and put into the freezer.
2. When the juice has started to freeze, push a lolly stick into the middle of each pot. Return to the freezer until frozen. Then tip it out!
3. Make coloured ice-cubes out of fruit juice. A grape or strawberry in each looks pretty. If you let each layer freeze at a time, you can make multi-coloured ice lollies from different fruit juices or squashes.

-----And some wet ideas for staying cool----- (check with a grown-up first!)

A leaky plastic bottle is just right for making a cooling shower. Leaky plastic cups are fun to play with too--Who can carry water the quickest from a full bucket of water to an empty one at the other end of the garden?

Empty washing-up bottles make good water pistols. Pile up some empty yogurt pots and see how many you can hit from five paces away.

### Rainy Day Football.

Cut the bottom off a large cardboard box with scissors to make your pitch. Cut gaps at each end of this bottom piece of box to make the goals. Paint this base with green and white paint to look like a football pitch.

Place a ping pong ball in the middle of the pitch. Use straws to blow the ball towards the opposite goal, while your opponent tries to do the same thing. The first to score ten goals wins.

### A Game to Play While Travelling.

If you have a long car journey ahead of you, try playing Sign Cricket--One of my favourite travel games.

Have two teams if possible, each taking one side of the road. Whenever a team passes a pub or restaurant on their side of the road they score a point for the number of legs shown on the sign.

So: The Dog and Partridge scores 6

The Royal Oak scores 0

The King George scores 2

The first team to score 20 wins the game.

### Something to Tease Your Brain.

If yesterday's tomorrow was Thursday, what day is the day after tomorrow's yesterday?

Two fathers and three sons went fishing. They caught one fish each. What is the smallest number of fish caught?

I hope you enjoy trying out these activities, and have a really good summer holiday. See you in September.

Answers: Friday. The two fathers are also sons, so the smallest number of fishermen is three, and they each caught a fish.

# Sibford Village Fete

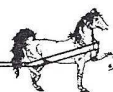
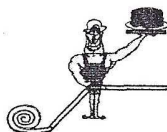
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Further details, if you are able to offer exhibits from  
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## 'THE GOOD LIFE'

Fifty years ago, on 26 July 1944, Arthur Dring and Margaret Wild were married in the romantic setting of All Saints Church in Harewood, an 18th century model village outside the walls of Harewood House, the home of the then Princess Royal (who marked the occasion by allowing them to use her own private entrance to the church).

The couple had met in 1937 when Arthur came to work as a gardener at Harewood House, where Margaret's father was running the estate. When the War started Arthur volunteered for the RAF; he & Margaret became engaged in February 1940, a few days before he set off for the Middle East - little did they think that it would be more than four years before their next meeting.

As the War ebbed & flowed, Arthur's duties took him to Egypt, Palestine, Syria, Greece, Cyprus, Turkey (in mufti), and the Desert, including Tobruk & El Alamein. Margaret helped the war effort as a telegraphist and then as an instructor on PO counter work and took part in drives to boost National Savings - but still found time to pen a total of 1376 letters to Arthur!

When peace came, they at last settled down to married life. After a while they decided to go into market gardening - a wise choice at a time of food shortages and rationing! (Many will no doubt recall that this was the time of clandestine pig rearing and bartering as a way of life.)

In 1954, and with 8 year old Anthony's schooling in mind, they ventured south and Arthur became estate manager/head gardener/maintenance man/book keeper/etc at Sibford School; Margaret became matron/housekeeper the following year. During the next 28 years they saw many changes at the School, including the introduction of mains water and the increase in pupils from 200 to 340, with an even greater percentage increase in staff.

Since their retirement from the School in 1982 they have continued to enjoy life in their bungalow in the Ferris; Arthur uses his horticultural skills to keep his flower & vegetable garden immaculate (with a little help from his good neighbour and fellow golden-wedding celebrant, David Elldred), whilst Margaret keeps her matronal skills in tune by looking after Arthur.

*May they share many more years of 'The Good Life'.*

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## SIBFORD GOWER PARISH COUNCIL

At the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 17th May Mr Eric Payne was re-elected as Chairman and Mrs Maureen Hicks as Vice-Chairman. The stiles as Wheathills were again discussed and since the meeting the Clerk has received a letter from the Field Path Officer informing the Council that the original Parish Claim of 23rd May 1951 clearly states that at every boundary on this path there was a kissing gate. The Field Path Officer will be taking this matter up with the owner of the land.

The Clerk has written to the County Engineers Department with regard a 40mph speedlimit in the village as the Council is concerned with the speed with which carusers travel through the village but were informed that limited resources for such measures are having to be concentrated at sites where there is a history of casualties.

The Council urge road users to take care when driving through the village especially near the Primary School.

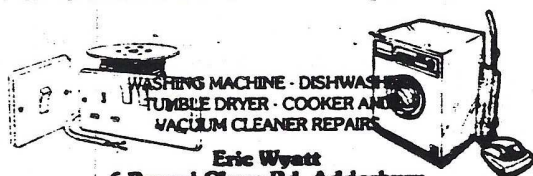
The pond has been cleared off the blanketweed several times and once the frogs have gone a workparty will empty the pond and clean it thoroughly before returning some fish.

The Council has also received a letter from the Rural Housing Trust with regard Affordable Housing for Sibford Gower.

The Council would like to hear from anyone who thinks there is a need for affordable housing in the village and who would be willing to participate in a survey. Please contact the Clerk for more information. (Tel.780462).

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The sponsored Treasure Hunt was held on 15th June, when the children had great fun finding various items of 'treasure' which had been hidden in the field behind the Village Hall. As soon as all the sponsor money has been collected, we shall be in a position to publicise the total amount raised.

The Summer Outing to the Shire Horse Centre and Farm Park at Stratford is on Weds. 13th July and Sports Day is on Weds. 20th July. The A.G.M. will be held in the Village Hall on Thursday 22nd September at 8.00 p.m. Please contact Sandra Butt on 780352 for further information.

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## "BURSTING OUT ALL OVER"

### From the Boundary Man

#### A JUNE DELIGHT

At last the sun and the Sibford cricketers continue to exist with their batting, bowling and inspirational outfielding last month, Tom Holliday and David Pratt performances were highlighted. They have continued their good work but special mention this month of two of our veterans, Ron Morbey and Nigel Fletcher, who have been simply sensational with bat and their respective specialisations of wicket-keeping and bowling. Our Captain, David Inns, wishes it to be known that he hopes to make the next issue! Challenging for the league honours, the village side look forward to welcoming back its student brigade to strengthen the squad. Watch this space for further cricket news.

#### SOUTH NORTANTS LEAGUE

- |      |  |                |  |
|------|--|----------------|--|
| 28/5 | v. Brailes -<br>Sibford 121 all out<br>(Adrian Lamb 53, Ian Davies 23)             | Won by 85 Runs | Brailes 36 all out<br>(David Lamb 4-9, Tom Holliday 3-12<br>Roger Gilbert 2-2) |
| 11/6 | v. Croughton -<br>Sibford 171-5<br>(Ian Davies 50, David Inns 38)<br>Ron Morbey 32 | Won by 98 Runs | Croughton 73 all out<br>(Nigel Fletcher 3-0, David Inns 3-10)                  |
| 18/6 | v. Thornborough<br>Sibford 146 all out<br>(David Inns 56, Roger Gilbert 41)        | Won by 89 Runs | Thornborough 57 all out<br>(Nigel Fletcher 4-26, Tom Holliday 4-29)            |

#### LEAGUE CUP

- |     |   |               |                                  |
|-----|---|---------------|----------------------------------|
| 9/6 | v. Great Houghton<br>Great Houghton 85-7<br>(Nigel Fletcher 5-22) | Won 9 Wickets | Sibford 86-1<br>(Ron Morbey 53*) |
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#### WARDINGTON CUP

- |      |  |                   |   |
|------|--|-------------------|---|
| 31/5 | v. Woodford Halse<br>Sibford 69 all out<br>(Ian Davies 22) | Lost by 7 Wickets | Woodford Halse 71-3<br>(Tom Holliday 2-9) |
|------|--|-------------------|---|

#### LONG COMPTON SHIELD

- |      |  |                   |  |
|------|--|-------------------|--|
| 1/6  | v. Long Compton<br>Sibford 84-6<br>(Ian Davies 30) | Won by 9 Runs     | Long Compton 75 all out<br>(Adrian Lamb 4-13, Nigel Fletcher 3-14) |
| 15/6 | Tysoe<br>Sibford 71-6<br>(Roger Gilbert 25)        | Lost by 6 Wickets | Tysoe 73-4<br>(Chris Wollerton 2-12, Roger Gilbert 22)             |

#### FRIENDLIES

- |      |  |                  |   |
|------|--|------------------|---|
| 29/5 | v. Round of Gras<br>Round of Gras 160-5<br>(Tim Andrews 2-28)                          | Match Drawn      | Sibford 65-1<br>(Ron Morbey 39)                                     |
| 5/6  | v. Mickleton<br>Sibford 155 all out<br>(David Inns 40, David Hughes 37)                | Won by 2 Runs    | Mickleton 153 all out<br>(Roger Gilbert 3-21, Chris Wollerton 3-43) |
| 12/6 | v. Darlingscott<br>Darlingscott 135 all out<br>(Chris Wollerton 6-25, David Inns 2-16) | Match Drawn      | Sibford 100-9<br>(David Pratt 42)                                   |
| 19/6 | v. The Otters<br>The Otters 175 all out<br>David Pratt 31)                             | Won by 6 Wickets | Sibford 176-4<br>(Chris Wollerton 41, Nigel Fletcher 40,            |

## RED CROSS GARDEN EVENING

The British Red Cross are organizing a Garden Evening at Chivel Farm, Heythrop, the lovely garden of Mr & Mrs Sword, on **Wednesday 6 July**. They have kindly given over their garden for the evening - 6.30pm until dusk. There will be a Garden Competition, Red Cross Stall and a Raffle.

Tickets (£5.00, including refreshments; wine available) can be purchased at the gate or in advance from Roger Powell (tele. 780525).

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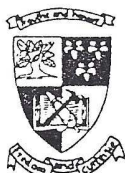
## RED CROSS WEEK RESULTS

I am proud to report a total of £142.71 collected for the Red Cross in our villages, and would like to thank the Scouts for their excellent work in collecting £107.08 of this sum. Many thanks to all who contributed so generously.

The grand total for Banbury and the 40 surrounding villages is £5,879.43.

Anne Stephens

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The School Committee, Headmaster and Staff  
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### SIBFORD SCHOOL OPEN DAY

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## SIBFORD SCHOOL

**! NEWS JUST RECEIVED - FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS !**

**Summer Sports Scheme - Sibford Gower Primary School Field**

**15 to 19 August 10am - 12noon**

**Contact Petra Berry (780462) for details.**

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## **TWO WEEKS to TRAVEL from FERRIS to GOWER**

At the beginning of July, Judith & Katie Weeks and Louise will be crossing the Sib, to take up residence in foreign parts - Sibford Gower. They would like to thank their many friends in the Ferris for being such wonderful neighbours. They will not lose their links, as Judith has taken over as Clerk to the Ferris Parish Council.

They will be moving into 'Wayside' and will rename it 'The Old Co-op', which of course it is. If anyone can think of a suitable name for the upstairs flat (currently 'Highways') that will link with its past, Judith will be pleased to hear from you.

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The following gardens will be open under the National Garden Scheme from 2 pm to 6 pm on Sunday 10 July:


Temple Close	(Mr & Mrs Ernest Jones)
Carters Yard	(Mr & Mrs William Clutterbuck)
Meadow Cottage	(Mr & Mrs Roger Powell)

Due to a change in occupation The Manor House gardens will not be open to the public this year.

The combined admission fee is £1.50 with no charge for children if accompanied by an adult.

Teas will be available at Carters Yard and Temple Close and a plant stall at Meadow Cottage.

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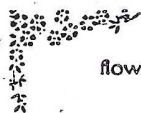
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## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH PARISH SUPPER

As promised in the last issue of the *Scene*, here is a report on the results achieved after the supper and financial presentation.

We have received many appreciative letters, not only about the supper itself but about the manner and content of the presentation. Grateful thanks to those who wrote.

One correspondent commented that he had not previously realised the narrow support base which the figures disclosed [that we had only 26 regular and committed pledges out of a Family Roll of 80 people and villages with a population of over 700].

The good news is that the base has been widened; there are twelve new donors under Deed of Covenant and 6 new regular uncovenanted pledges. In addition there have been six donations, some of which may be repeated and three other pledges whose monetary value is as yet unknown. I suppose that it could nevertheless be seen as a little disappointing that with the sizes of the Family Roll [more formally, the Church Electoral Roll] and of the village population, the base is still relatively small.

But let us be positive. The exercise has clearly engendered a lot of good will and in financial terms there is, in new or increased covenants grossed up for recovery of tax, a fraction under £3,450 per annum of *new* covenanted money and there are new pledges of uncovenanted giving amounting to something over £600 per annum. And we have received single unpledged gifts of £285 including a splendid £80 raised at an event run by the Friendship Club in aid of our funds. Another substantial gift is promised, but I knew about it well before the supper, so we cannot claim it as a result of our efforts. So if there are no unforeseen disasters our finances look reasonably secure for a year or three. But any prudent Treasurer still ought to say to those who want there to be a Church in Sibford, 'if you aren't giving regularly please consider doing so. If you are, please remember to review your giving as your own circumstances improve!'

To all those who have responded to our appeal I offer on behalf of the Parochial Church Council (and indeed myself) our very grateful thanks.

Colin Frith

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### AN EVENING of HOMEMADE WINE with CHEESE

You are invited to a *Homemade Wine with Cheese Evening* at 7 High Meadow, Sibford Gower on Friday 12th August, from 6.30 to 8.30pm.

ALL PROFITS to  
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH and KATHARINE HOUSE HOSPICE.

## 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

3 July 10.00am Benefice Eucharist at Sibford  
10 " 10.00am Holy Communion  
17 " 10.00am Family Service  
24 " 8.00am Holy Communion  
31 " 10.00am Holy Communion

7 Aug 10.00am Benefice Eucharist at Tadmarton  
14 " 10.00am Holy Communion  
21 " 10.00am Family Service  
28 " 8.00am Holy Communion

4 Sept 10.00am Benefice Eucharist at Swalcliffe

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## SIBFORD METHODIST CHURCH

We would like to thank everyone who came to our coffee morning and helped to make it such a success. We made £100 for our church funds which was very encouraging, especially as the weather was not in our favour.

Our next fund-raising effort will be a Christmas Sale which we shall be holding on Saturday 3 December in the chapel, when we shall be pleased to welcome anyone who is able to come, as, indeed, we would at our Sunday Services held at 11.00am each Sunday morning.

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## A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

We would like to thank all the people who so very kindly rang regarding our cat, Tabatha, and for looking out for her.

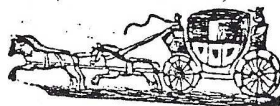
We are very pleased to say that *Tabatha returned home* - four weeks after she disappeared! She was OK, but a bit thin. After a couple of injections from the vet, she is now doing fine.

Special thanks to Lyn & Ian Turner for their kindness & concern and a *Big Big Thank You to All.*

Tom and Mary West.



# **SIBFORD BUS SERVICES**



## **1. SIBFORD GOWER TOWN ESTATES CHARITY**

Free Bus Service for Residents of Sibford Gower and Burdrop

			Depart	Return
Friday	1, 15 & 29 July	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon
Friday	12 & 26 August	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon
Wednesday	6 & 20 July	to Chippy	11.00am	1.00pm
Wednesday	3, 17 & 31 August	to Chippy	11.00am	1.00pm

The pick-up points are:

<u>Banbury Bus</u>	<u>Chippy Bus</u>
Village Hall	Village Hall
Crossroads	High Meadow
High Meadow	Crossroads
	The Colony

## **2. REGULAR SERVICE - MIDLAND RED, 480 Sibford - Banbury**

Monday - Saturday	Outward	Return (read up)
Sibford Gower Crossroads	7.30am	6.30pm
Sibford Ferris School	7.32	6.28
Banbury Cross	7.55	6.08
Banbury Bus Station	8.00am	6.05pm

## **3. REGULAR SERVICE - JEFFS COACHES, Shipston - Sibford - Banbury**

Monday - Saturday	Outward	Return (read upwards)
Sibford Gower School	09.45am 11.45am	11.45am 12.50pm 14.50pm
Sibford Ferris School	09.48 11.48	11.42 12.42 14.47
Banbury Cross	10.13 12.13pm	11.17 12.17 14.17
Banbury Bus Station	10.15am 12.15pm	11.15am 12.15pm 14.15pm

## **4. REGULAR SERVICE - CHERWELL VILLAGER, Sibford - Banbury**

Wednesday only	Outward	Return (read up)
Sibford Gower	9.55am 1.15pm	1.15pm
Sibford Ferris	9.57 1.20	1.20
Banbury	10.50am 2.15pm	1.00pm

## **5. REGULAR SERVICE - MIDLAND RED, X60 Hook Norton-Banbury-Sibford- -Shipston-Stratford-Coventry**

	Outward	Return*	
Sibford Ferris	09.39am	2.15pm	* All return times are one hour later during School Holidays
Sibford Gower	09.41	2.13	
Shipston	09.55	1.59	
Stratford	10.25	1.30	
Coventry	10.55am	1.00pm	
		(read up)	

# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir

23 June 1994

I thought the villagers might like to know of three recent donations to the village on behalf of the late Bidy Bennett.

£300 was donated to the Sibford Playgroup and this has been used to buy play equipment for the benefit of all children from the village attending Playgroup.

Secondly, the bench on Acre Ditch looking over towards the Ferris has been restored and a small plaque placed there in her memory.

Lastly, a very valuable piece of equipment was bought for the Surgery, which can be used for the relief of pain in terminally ill people.

I think Bidy would have approved of these choices and I hope the villagers do as well.

Yours sincerely

Dr David Spackman

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## WEEKLY EVENTS

Guides	Hook Norton	Monday	evening
Youth Club	Village Hall	Monday	7.00 - 9.00pm
Mobile Shop		Tuesday	10.00am - 4.00pm
Brownies	Village Hall	Tuesday	5.15 - 6.45pm
Beavers	Village Hall	Wednesday	5.15 - 6.30pm
Badminton	Village Hall	Wednesday	8.00pm
Mums & Toddlers	Gillett House	Wednesday	10.30am - 12noon
Fielding Day Centre	Friends School	Wednesday	12.15 - 3.00pm
Mobile Fish & Chips		Thursday	
Cub Scouts	Village Hall	Friday	6.00pm
Scouts	Village Hall	Friday	following Cubs
Playgroup	Village Hall	Mon, Wed, Fri	9.00am - 12noon

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

DIARIST - Norman Nash (Tel 780275)

22 Sept	Thursday	Playgroup AGM, Village Hall, 8pm	[780352]
14 Oct	Saturday	Tadmorton Quiz & Draw 7.30pm Village Hall	[788593]
29/30 Oct	Sat/Sun	Tadmorton Crafts Xmas Sale for Kath House	[780453]
12 Nov	Saturday	Tadmorton Church Bazaar 2.30pm	[780630]
18 Nov	Friday	Tadmorton Skittles 7.30pm Village Hall	[788593]
19 Nov	Saturday	Sibford Church Bazaar 2.30pm Village Hall	
26 Nov	Saturday	Conservative Music Hall 7.30pm Village Hall	[788162]
3 Dec	Saturday	Sibford Methodist Chapel Christmas Sale p25	[780461]
10 Dec	Saturday	Sibford Playgroup Xmas Bazaar Village Hall	[780352]

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## CALENDAR for JULY 1994

Saturday	2nd	Scouts Paper Collection
Saturday	2nd	Horti Society Outing to Highclere Castle - see p6
Saturday	2nd	Sibford School Open Day, 1.30 - 5pm, see p21
Saturday	2nd	" " Recital, 7.30pm, see p21
Wednesday	6th	Friendship Club, Coach Evening Outing from Epwell - see p7
Wednesday	6th	Red Cross Garden Evening at Heythrop, 6.30pm, see p21
Friday	8th	Gower School PTA Auction of Favours, 6.30pm - see p12
Saturday	9th	Sibford Village Hall Fete, 2pm, see pp5 & 16
Saturday	9th	Sibford Village Hall Shindig, 8pm, see p5
Sunday	10th	Three Open Gardens in Gower, 2 - 6pm, see p23
Tuesday	12th	WI Meeting in the garden at Mrs Pearlman's, 2pm, see p8
Wednesday	13th	Playgroup Outing to Stratford Shire Horse Centre, see p19
Wednesday	13th	Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Wednesday	13th	Horti Soc. Meeting, Vill Hall, 8pm, 'Preparing for a Show'
Saturday	16th	Skip in Gower - Pound Lane
Sunday	17th	Tadmorton Gardens Open/Teas in Village Hall
Wednesday	20th	Playgroup Sports Day - see p19
Wednesday	20th	Sibfords/Swalcliffe Societies Antiques Road Show - see p16
Sunday	24th	Senior Citizens Garden Tea Party, Temple Close, see p1 & 7
Wednesday	27th	Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)

## CALENDAR for AUGUST 1994

Tuesday	2nd	Friendship Club, Coffee Evening at Mrs Fowler's, see p7
Saturday	6th	Scouts Paper Collection
Wednesday	10th	Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Friday	12th	Homemade Wine & Cheese Evening, see p24
Mon-Fri	15-19th	Sports Scheme, Gower Primary School Field - see p22
Tuesday	16th	Friendship Club Outing to Weymouth, 8.30am - see p7
TUESDAY	16th	DEADLINE for <i>SIBFORD SCENE</i> CONTRIBUTIONS SEPT - see p5
Wednesday	17th	Entries for Horti Show, Surgery 6.30 - 9.00pm - see p6
Saturday	20th	Skip in Gower - Barley Close
Saturday	20th	Horti Annual Show in Marquee, Village Hall - see p6
Wednesday	24th	Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Sat-Mon	27-29th	Sibford Church Flower Festival, see p1
Sunday	28th	Epwell Fete, Village Hall [780362]
Sun-Mon	28-29th	Tadmorton Open Gardens/Church Flowers [780212]

### \* *SIBFORD SCENE* \*

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