

SIBFORD SCIENCE

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MAY 1995

SIBFORD GOWER VE DAY CELEBRATIONS

* Road to be Closed to Traffic *

Please remember to return your reply to the VE Day Street Party invitation as soon as possible to Cathy Ryall, Fairview (near Primary School) or Chris Hall, Burdrop Farm House.

All pre-school & Primary School children will receive a commemorative mug from the Parish Council.

PLEASE NOTE. The road between Crossroads & the Village Hall will be closed to traffic from 2pm to 6pm on Monday 8 May. Diversion signs will be displayed.

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SIBFORD GOWER ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Gower APM will be held in the Primary School Hall on Friday 12 May, starting at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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FIELDING DAY CENTRE A.G.M.

Members of Fielding Day Centre are reminded that the AGM will be held in our usual meeting room in Sibford School on Monday 1 May, starting at 7pm.

Please bring your diaries with you to help finalize the rota for May & June.

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FRIENDSHIP CLUB A.G.M.

The AGM will be held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 2 May starting at 2pm - see page 16.

HARMONY IN THE COUNTRYSIDE

The improving weather will be bringing changes to the local scenery, with the winter rape starting to flower and many grass fields now being grazed with young lambs and newly 'turned out' cattle.

As many people have found out, cattle which have been shut up for the winter months tend to be lively and excitable, so special care is needed when walking through their fields, especially if you walk with a dog. As always dogs must be kept under control and on leads whenever livestock are nearby.

Arable crops are growing fast at this time of year and many crops will have been chemically treated. While agrochemicals are totally harmless to animals once they have dried on the leaf, it is always prudent to avoid walking dogs through fields which are still wet after spraying, to prevent their coats becoming contaminated. (it only takes about half an hour for a crop to become completely dry after spraying).

Only with consideration from farmers and the public using rights of way over agricultural land, can modern farming practises and leisure activities carry on without friction. Please ensure that neither side of this arrangement has cause for complaint in the coming months by using common sense and following the 'country code' whenever you are in the countryside.

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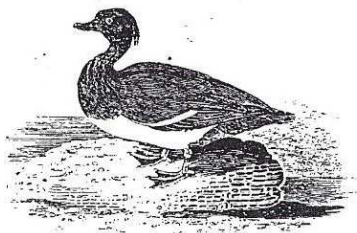
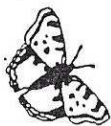
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Nature Notes.



9 The Tufted Duck

Mar 31st. Today we paid a visit to Pitsford Reservoir near Northampton which was, when it was constructed in 1955, the biggest man-made lake in the country. The area to the north of the causeway, which carries a road across the middle, is managed as a nature reserve providing a safe haven for a great variety of wildfowl and waders. This winter cormorants have come to Pitsford in greatly increased numbers. We counted 44 of them on the water and in the trees where some perched with their wings stretched out to dry. The woods near the waters edge show stripes of whitewashed branches below their regular perching places. These will get worse if they decide to nest and rear young there. As I watched the cormorants through my binoculars I was surprised to see a group of 5 swallows, or could they have been sand martins, cross my field of view. I followed one for some time but, it being a good way away and against the sky, I could not be sure of the colour; but whichever they were it is the first time I have ever seen them in March. My earliest previous sighting of a swallow was on April 5th in Acreditch. Among the many wildfowl we saw were a lot of wigeon and tufted duck and a few white headed duck.

April 2nd. It is certainly true that "the climate of England is variable". This beautiful spring, almost summer, weather, has brought out the bees and hibernating butterflies while earlier in the week we had some snow and night frosts.

April 15th. Warblers are now arriving to add to our wealth of bird song. This morning I heard a willow warbler in Epwell Woods and yesterday my first blackcap in the valley where I am told that a chiff-chaff has also been singing.

April 18th. A swallow has now been seen in Sibford although I have not seen anything in that line since our visit to Pitsford.

NEWS from SIBFORD VILLAGE HALL

- Tuesday 9 May - VILLAGE HALL AGM at 8pm
Saturday 13 May - CAR BOOT SALE starting at 2pm; for
more information contact David Baker (780676).
Saturday 15 July - VILLAGE HALL FETE starting at 2pm.
Saturday 28 October - SIBFORD ANNUAL QUIZ.

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LETTER-BOXES for BROWN ENVELOPES

SIBFORD GOWER

Roger Powell	Meadow Cottage, 6 The Colony
Petra Berry	2 Barley Close
Mollie Mulley	Old Post Office, Main St (garage door)
Kathleen Winter	Cels Bield, Backside Lane
Ann Spicer	7 High Meadow
Timothy Wimbush	The Rectory, Acre Ditch

BURDROP

Sheila Baseby	Park Farm House
Margaret Cox	Westways
Colin Frith	Barn Close

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Carole Moir	4 Home Farm Close
Ray Henbrey	Virginia Cottage, Hook Norton Rd
Kathleen Horn	3 Cotswold Close
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As many of you may know, it costs about £950 per year to produce the *Sibford Scene*, which is distributed, ten times a year, to every house in the Sibfords parishes.

Our annual income to cover these costs comes mainly from three sources. About £350 comes from the commercial adverts that appear in the *Scene*. About £250 is usually received as donations from some of those local organizations that use the *Scene* to publicize their activities; this amount includes a donation from the Town Estate Charity, which also gave us a greatly appreciated £1000 towards the cost of our new photocopier last November.

This leaves a potential deficit of about £350, which we hope to obtain (plus a bit more to start rebuilding our contingency fund to cover any future unexpected expenses) by this appeal for voluntary contributions from our readers.

We have already received about £80 from readers since December. If you would also like to help in keeping the *Scene* alive, all you have to do is put your contribution (cash or a cheque payable to *Sibford Scene*) in the enclosed BROWN ENVELOPE and drop it in the collecting box at the Village Shop or into the letter-box at one of the addresses listed opposite.

The suggested contribution is £2 per household (single occupancy homes £1) - larger contributions would, of course, be greatly appreciated!

It is noted that, earlier this year, about half the Sibford households indicated a desire to continue receiving the *Scene*; this is considerably more than the number of responses to last year's 'Brown Envelopes Appeal' and it is hoped that it betokens a corresponding increase in the number of readers who contribute this year. The Editor.

INDOOR BOWLS at SIBFORD VILLAGE HALL
on Monday Afternoons AND Monday Evenings

You can now join us on Monday afternoons from 2pm to 4pm OR Monday evenings from 7pm to 10pm. Young or old - just turn up - no equipment needed except a pair of SOFT FLAT SHOES. The charge is £1 per person per session.

Do come along and try it; no commitment is needed, but all those who have come along so far have thoroughly enjoyed themselves. It is a game that is equally suitable for both the 'fun-seekers' and the competitive players. MC

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HIRE OF VILLAGE HALL

Do remember that the Village Hall is available, not only for organisations but also for your family celebrations. A fully equipped kitchen with china and cutlery etc., plus tables & chairs, are included in the very reasonable hire charge. For hire terms, please contact David Baker (780676).

You will all be pleased to know that, in addition to the completed re-decoration, improvements to the heating system are being put in hand and all should be well for the future Winter months. RP

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W. I. NEWS & INFORMATION

We anticipated a surprise for our April meeting, but it was an unexpected one to hear that our president was in Cornwall!

Vice-president, Mrs Pearlman, competently steered us through the business session, and Mrs Power gave a very comprehensive report of proceedings at the County A.G.M.. Modesty forbade her to tell of the good marks awarded to her embroidery entry.

Mrs Conway gave a very amusing report of a "Staging Demonstration" which she had attended complete with cotton reels, cereal packets, etc etc, as requested!

Mrs Hutchinson had attended a demonstration on "Hanging Baskets" - will her exhibit at the Sibford Show be even better than usual?

The deputy "surprise speaker" was Mrs T.Collard, of Hanwell, who left us almost breathless by her dynamic life association with the theatre, graduating from Rada to becoming script writer and producer both in London and the provinces, and the authoress of three books - murder she wrote!

The competition for a hedgerow arrangement produced an amazing variety of flowers and foliage, and was won by Mrs Pearlman, Mrs Grasby and Mrs Hutchinson.

Members, DON'T FORGET the Bring and Buy stall at the A.G.M. next month.

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P. S. The V. H. was really warm!

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WELCOME to SIBFORD - ALL NEWCOMERS

If you are a new resident of Sibford and have not yet received a copy of the 'Welcome to Sibford' leaflet, please telephone Barry Davies on Swa. 780291 (Gower or Burdrop) or Jane Holliday on Swa. 780500 (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.

FIRST SIBFORD P.O. NATIONAL LOTTERY CUSTOMER IS A WINNER!

A Sibford resident walked into the Village Shop a few minutes after its National Lottery machine came into operation on 12 April and purchased the Shop's first on-line Lottery ticket.

He was back again just after 10am on Sunday to collect his winnings - and the bottle of wine that Colin & Helen were presenting to their first on-line Lottery winner!

After carefully counting his winnings - *did you know you can collect more at Sibford than you can at WH Smith or Tesco?* - he announced "I propose to give half of the money to the road-runner's 'Workable' charity, but I haven't decided yet what I'll do with the rest."

"This will not alter my life-style - maybe I'll get just a few little luxuries" he continued, surveying the crowded shelves and finally handing over a tenner. "A packet of Polo Mints and a Kit-Kat, please - one of those big ones."

He concluded "I wish to remain anonymous and to be left in peace to continue my job as Editor of the *Sibford Scene*."

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SIBFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
* Television Gardening Presenter to Visit Sibford *

The meeting on April 12th. was well supported and enjoyed when Derry Watkins from Chippenham, spoke about "Unusual and Long-Lasting Plants".

Our feature meeting of the year, is on May 10th. Matthew Biggs, the co-presenter with Roy Lancaster of "Garden Club" on Channel 4, will be speaking on, and showing slides of, "Gardens of the Caribbean, Planting in Paradise". This will be an event not to be missed and visitors will be welcome at only 50p each.

On June 10th. our Annual Plant Sale will take place at Park Farm House - courtesy of Peter and Sheila Baseby - from 10.00 a.m. 'til noon. Coffee too will be available.

Our Annual Day Out will this year will be on Thursday the 22nd of June when we shall be visiting the 1750, 18½ acre garden (near Wolverhampton) belonging to Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips. We shall be taking picnic lunches and afterwards, go on to David Austin's Rose Nursery and Garden. The cost will be about £9.00. Please book your place and pay your deposit to Sheila Baseby (780544). We shall be leaving the Village Hall at about 9.30 a.m.

Schedules for the Annual Show - in a marquee at the Village Hall again - have been distributed to each household. Do please make a note in your diary. The big day is on Saturday 19th. August, from 2.30 p.m. onwards.

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SIBFORD FERRIS PLAYAREA GROUP

The sponsored Scavenger Hunt in aid of the Playarea, originally planned for 22 April, had to be cancelled, because of a total lack of support.

Joanna Gilkes

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LEO CLUB NEWS

The May meeting of LEO Club will be held at the home of Sheila Baseby at Park Farm House, Burdrop at 8pm on **Tuesday 16 May**. This will take the form of a Carbouchon Jewellery Party, when items of jewellery may be purchased or ordered from the catalogue.

Please do try to come along.

Vivienne Scouse (788320)

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SIBFORD CRICKET CLUB 1995

The whites are laundered - the nets are sounding to the impact of leather on willow and expectations are high for a successful 1995 Season.

DAVID PRATT leads the village side, with DAVID INNS stepping down after 9 - successful and entertaining years. The village side are participating in the SOUTH NORTHANTS LEAGUE DIV III. All the regulars will be back in circulation, with the added bonus of a couple of new stars.

KEITH SHARRATT will captain the Sunday Side with CHRIS WOLLERTON as his deputy, SIBFORD play BALDONS in the first round of the NATIONAL VILLAGE CHAMPIONSHIP on the 14th May next.

Anyone interested in joining this village institution is most welcome to meet us at NETS at SIBFORD SCHOOL on a Wednesday Evening at 5.45 pm. A healthy fixture list is shown below.

SIBFORD CRICKET CLUB Fixtures 1995

April	29 Sat	Great Houghton A	Home	July	1 Sat	Syresham	Away
	30 Sun	Radway	Home		8 Sat	Bodicote A	Home
May	6 Sat	Woodford Halse A	Home	Cup	9 Sun	Darlingstons	Home
	13 Sat	Long Buckby	Home		15 Sat	Boddington	Away
	14 Sun	Baldens	Home		16 Sun	Long Compton	Home
	18 Thur	Bodicote A	Home		22 Sat	Wootton A	Home
	20 Sat	Wootton A	Away		23 Sun	Mickleton	Home
	21 Sun	Winslow	Away		23 Sun	Final	T.B.A.
	27 Sat	Syresham	Home		29 Sat	Great Houghton A	Away
	28 Sun	Round of Gras	Home		30 Sun	Aynho	Home
June	3 Sat	Bodicote A	Away	August	5 Sat	Woodford Halse A	Away
	8 Thur		Away		12 Sat	Preston Capes A	Away
	10 Sat	Preston Capes A	Home		13 Sun	Long Compton	Away
	11 Sun	Mickleton	Away		19 Sat	Wroxton	Home
	17 Sat	Wroxton	Away		26 Sat	Long Buckby	Away
	18 Sun	Darlingstons	Away		27 Sun	Lighthorne	Away
	24 Sat	Boddington	Home				
	25 Sun	Round of Gras	Away				
	29 Thur		Away				

Young Scene

Welcome to the May edition of Young Scene.

Calendar Mistakes.

Let's hope that your calendars at home are more accurate than the one below! There are 8 mistakes on this one. Draw a ring round each mistake.

1991		MAY				1990	
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26	27	28	29	30	30		

Monday 8th of May is the 50th anniversary of V. E. Day. Across the country celebrations will be held to mark this event. Many of these celebrations will include the flying of flags.

Did you know that flags have been used for over 5,000 years? The earliest flag-like emblems were solid objects held up on poles. The eagle standards carried by the Roman legions are examples of these early flags. It was the Romans who first introduced cloth banners to the West.

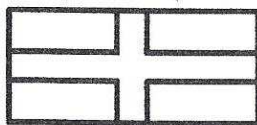
In the Middle Ages flags represented kings, families or cities. Flags, such as the Union Jack, representing countries did not emerge until the 17th century.

The Union Flag or Union Jack is a combination of the flags of England, Scotland and Ireland. It first appeared in 1603 after the accession of James VI of Scotland to the throne of England.

The separate flags of England and Scotland looked like this:

England

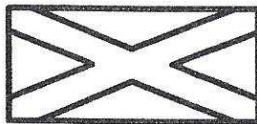
The cross of St. George was first used by the Crusaders.



red cross
on white

Scotland

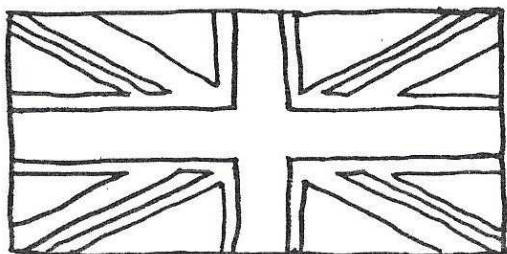
The very old cross of St. Andrew is based on the x-shaped cross on which he was crucified. His bones were reputedly washed ashore at St. Andrews in Fife, from the Holy Land.



white cross
on blue

In 1801 Ireland was brought into the Union and the flag was changed. Wales had been ruled with England since the 13th century and consequently its flag did not feature in the Union Jack. However, in 1959, the red dragon was recognised as the official flag of Wales.

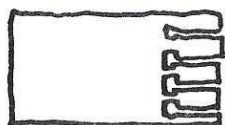
Here is the Union Jack for you to colour in:



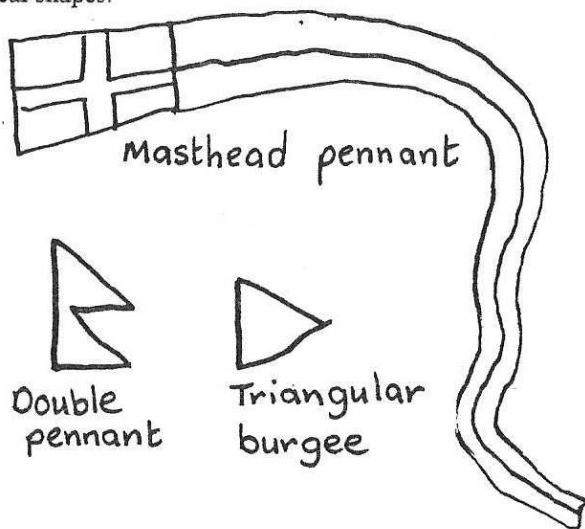
Flags have been used for signalling. Semaphore is a system of signalling carried out by holding a flag in each hand and moving the arms. There is a set position of the arms for each letter of the alphabet.

There are flags to represent all the letters of the alphabet and numbers 0-9. Modern means of communication have replaced the use of flags. However sailors still learn how to hoist and read signals correctly.

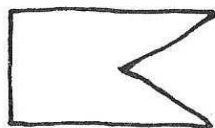
These days flags are rectangular in shape, but many different shapes were common in medieval times. Pennants were tied to knights' lances, and streamers fixed to ships' mast-heads. Here are some typical shapes:



Gonfanon



Masthead pennant



Swallowtail flag



Double pennant



Triangular burgee

Why not have a go at designing your own flag? A flag to represent yourself, your family, your village or maybe the 50th anniversary of V. E. Day.

That's all for now, young vexillologists. See you next month and enjoy your V. E. Day celebrations.

BBONT Garden Party - Saturday 3 June
(Berks, Bucks & Oxon Naturalists' Trust)

A Garden Party, in aid of BBONT funds, will take place on Saturday 3 June from 2.30pm at 'Back Acre', Sibford Ferris, the home of Arnold & Ina Lamb. The gardens at Home Close & at Maria's House will also be open.

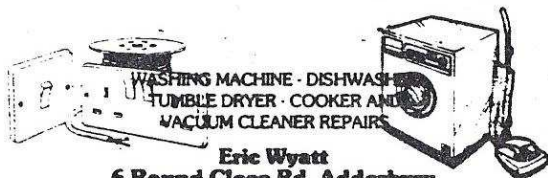
Cream teas will be available and there will be stalls for the sale of Plants, Cakes and 'White Elephants' of all sizes. Items for any of these stalls would be gratefully appreciated.

All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you on the day. For further details please contact Arnold & Ina Lamb (780357) or Bill & Barbara Crabtree (780635).

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If you have a child aged between 2 - 5 and would like to find out more about Playgroup, you are welcome to visit us in the Village Hall between 9am and 12 noon on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays, or if you would like to receive a brochure, please contact Sandra Butt on (01295) 780352.

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FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Unfortunately, our meeting on 4 April was cancelled because of illness, but we hope everyone will be better and able to attend the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** on Tuesday 2 May at 2pm in the Village Hall.

Also, an outing has been arranged for Tuesday 16 May - the destination to be decided at the AGM, so please come along and bring your suggestions. BH

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Why not take this opportunity to visit this beautiful garden ahead of the crowds who will be there when it is open to the public under the National Gardens Scheme. *Jenny Barratt*

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SKIP TWICE A MONTH IN THE SUMMER

The Gower rubbish skip will be available TWICE a month in June, July, August & September - details of dates & locations will appear in the Calendar on page 24, as will information on the recycling units when appropriate.

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"THREE TIMES IN A ROW - MISSION ACCOMPLISHED"

A happy competitor is putting pen to paper to record his thanks and appreciation to all those good folks in the SIBFORDS for sponsorship of this "wrinkle" in the 1995 LONDON MARATHON.

THE TIMES - WEDNESDAY, the 5th APRIL records that D.Bennett completed the course in 3H 38M 21S (adjusted to 3H 33M 51S) and finished in 6831 position - a marked improvement in time by 7 minutes and up by 2700 places.

A glorious day - with a light breeze off the Thames to ease the heat of the last few miles - made it an occasion to remember. Most importantly, a 4 - figure sum has been raised to support WORKABLE, the charity which support students with disabilities into work placements and real jobs.

Competitor 24911 is now retiring "at the top" - the legs are willing, the heart still beats, but it is now opportune for others to get their chance to participate in the nation's folklore. The final message is a big thank you to everyone in the SIBFORDS for their generosity and encouragement over the last 3 - MARATHONS.

THE TRAINERS ARE NOW FIRMLY PUT TO REST!

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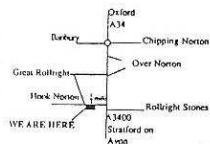
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NEWS
from
SIBFORD BROWNIES



We have said goodbye this term to Natalie Miles, Elena Tew, Alice Rathbone, Emma Long, Kate Lewis and Collette de Halle, all of whom we hope have gone on to Guides. We wish them well. They have been super brownies.

We have also said goodbye to Sara Helm who has gone to live in Kansas City, America, where she hopes to join Girl Scouts.

We have had a super Pack Holiday at the County's Pack Holiday House just outside Oxford. 18 brownies took part and had a wonderful time. Many thanks to Isabel Brown, Victoria Scouse, Helen Soden, Christine Stott and Nicola Sale for all their help.

Brownies have gained a variety of badges recently including Cooks, Collector, Swimmer, Agility, Pony Lover, Craft, Pack Holiday Badge, Chess, Booklover, Dancer as well as the usual Challenge Badges which they work for all the time.

We would really welcome some more help at brownies, but we need someone who would be prepared to be in uniform and come on a regular basis. If anyone thinks they might be interested please ring Vivienne Scouse on 788320.

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SIBFORD SCOUTS CAR WASH
SATURDAY 20 MAY from 10.00am to 12.30pm

The Car Wash will take place at the Primary School,
Sibford Gower and will be in aid of
the Sibford Scouts funds.

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1st The Sibfords
Cyril Gardner Memorial Hike

"Hurry Up' We haven't a minute to lose" said Tom Groome,
leader of 1st The Sibfords 'A' Team, to George Rodgers.

"Team 30 went through here 10 minutes ago", said a marshall at
checkpoint 12. "We started 10 minutes after them", added Stephen
Dean.

Sudden realisation - 28 miles out and tying for the lead
with only two miles to go.

A final big effort was required. Pacemaking is not allowed
but encouragement and verbal abuse from elder brother, supporters
and parents alike was the order of the day.

They made it home in 8 hours 44 minutes, winners by just
one minute. The cup stays with the Sibfords for a second
consecutive year.

Next year the competition is for teams of four. Just as
well that two of our novice team also finished. Well done Chris
Thomas and Chris Hazelton. Hard luck to Chris Duxbury who
retired with an injury at checkpoint 8.

Ike Boot.

CHURCH SERVICES

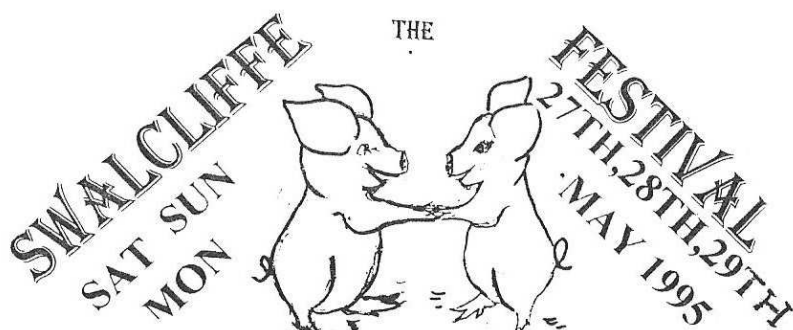
Society of Friends	Sunday at 10.30 am
Methodist	Sunday at 11.00 am
Roman Catholic Mass (Hook Norton)	Sunday at 11.00 am
(Brailes)	Sunday at 11.30 am
Baptist (Hook Norton)	Sunday at 10.30 am

Church of England, Holy Trinity, Sibford Gower

7 May	10.00am	Benefice Eucharist at Swalcliffe
14 "	10.00am	Deanery Eucharist at St Mary's, Banbury
17 "	10.05am	Holy Communion, at 4 High Meadow, Sibford
21 "	10.00am	Family Service
28 "	8.00am	Holy Communion

4 June 10.00am Benefice Eucharist at Sibford

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GET THE WEEK-END OFF TO A SIZZLING START
AT THE SATURDAY NIGHT
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Family Ticket £10
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Single Ticket £4

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SIBFORD BUS SERVICES

1. SIBFORD GOWER TOWN ESTATES CHARITY

Free Bus Service for Residents of Sibford Gower and Bundrop

			Depart	Return
Friday	5 & 19 May	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon
Wednesday	10 & 24 May	to Chippy	11.00am	1.00pm
Friday	2 June	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon

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. CHERWELL VILLAGER, Sibford - Banbury

*** TO USE THIS SERVICE, PHONE 263777 or 255863 THE DAY BEFORE ***

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- Tuesday only -Shipston-Stratford-Coventry

	Outward	Return*
Sibford Ferris	09.39am	2.15pm
Sibford Gower	09.41	2.13
Shipston	09.55	1.59
Stratford	10.25	1.30
Coventry	10.55am	1.00pm
		(read up)

* All return times
are one hour later
during
School Holidays

THE DEADLINE for CONTRIBUTIONS
for the JUNE *SIBFORD SCENE* will be

* TUESDAY 16 MAY *

Contributions to Editor, Treasurer or Shop

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**FORTHCOMING
EVENTS**

DIARIST - Norman Nash (Tel 780275)

3 June Saturday	Garden Party for BBONT, Sibford Ferris, see p14	[780357]
9 June Friday	Sibford School Open Morning - see p15	[780441]
10 June Saturday	Horti Society Plant Sale - see p9	[780601]
11 June Sunday	Colony Open Garden in aid of M.E. - see p11	[780336]
15 June Thursday	Sibford Soc - Visit to Claydon Museum	[780259]
17 June Saturday	Sibford Church Garden Party 2.30pm Red House	[780275]
18 June Sunday	Epwell Village Fete 2.00pm	[780773]
19 June Sunday	Sibford Gower Open Gardens	[780525]
20 June Tuesday	Sibford BBONT Circular Ramble	[780357]
21 June Wednesday	Sibford Gower Open Gardens	[780525]
22 June Thursday	Sibford Horti Day Out - see p9	[780601]
24 June Saturday	Garden Fete Tadmarton	[780630]
24 June Saturday	Sheepdog Trials Swatcliffe 9.00am	[780253]
24 June Saturday	Sibford School, Banbury Symphony Orch Concert	[780441]
25 June Sunday	Sibford Ferris Open Gardens	[780357]
25 June Sunday	Sibford School Open Gardens - Walled Garden	[780441]
1 July Saturday	Sibford School Open Day	[780441]
15 July Saturday	Sibford Village Hall Fete	[788162]
16 July Sunday	Sibford Gower Open Gardens	[780222]
17 Aug Thursday	Sibford Society Circular Walk	[780259]
19 Aug Saturday	Sibford Horti Soc Annual Show, Hall & Marquee	[780424]
10 Sept Sunday	Tadmorton Open Gardens	[780212]
16 Sept Saturday	Tadmorton Open Gardens	[780212]
14 Oct Saturday	Sibford Harvest Service & Supper	[780275]
28 Oct Saturday	Sibford Village Hall Annual Quiz	[788162]
28/29 Oct Sat/Sun	Tadmorton Crafts Sale for Kathrine H'se	[780453]
2 Dec Saturday	Sibford Methodist Church Coffee/Sale	[780461]

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LOCAL CORRESPONDENT to BANBURY GUARDIAN - Sheila Baseby (Tel 780544)

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LOCAL CHERWELL DISTRICT COUNCILLOR - David Green (Tel 780444)

WEEKLY EVENTS

Guides	Hook Norton	Monday	evening
Indoor Bowls (p6)	Village Hall	Monday	2.00 - 4.00pm £££
" "	" "	"	7.00 - 10.00pm £££
Mobile Shop		Tuesday	10.00am - 4.00pm
Brownies	Village Hall	Tuesday	5.15 - 6.45pm
Mums & Toddlers	Gillett House	Wednesday	10.30am - 12noon
Fielding Day Centre	Friends School	Wednesday	12.30pm - 4.30pm
Cricket Club Nets (p11)	Friends School	Wednesday	5.45pm
Beavers	Village Hall	Wednesday	5.15 - 6.30pm
Badminton	Friends School	Wednesday	7.30 - 9.30pm
Badminton	Village Hall	Wednesday	8.00pm
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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CALENDAR for MAY 1995

Monday	1st Fielding Day Centre AGM - see p1
Tuesday	2nd Friendship Club AGM - see p16
Wednesday	3rd Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Friday	5th Sibford School Open Morning - see p15
Saturday	6th Scouts Paper Collection
Monday	8th VE DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY and CELEBRATIONS - see p1
Tuesday	9th Sibford Village Hall AGM - see p4
Wednesday	10th Horti Society meeting - TV's Matthew Biggs - see p9
Friday	12th Sibford Gower APM - see p1
Saturday	13th Recycling Units in the Gower (Acre Ditch) - see p17
Saturday	13th Village Hall Car Boot Sale, 2pm - see p4
Sunday	14th National Village Cricket match at Sibford - see p11
Tuesday	16th Friendship Club outing - see p16
Tuesday	16th LEO Club meeting - see p11
TUESDAY	16th * DEADLINE for SIBFORD SCENE CONTRIBUTIONS *
Wednesday	17th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Saturday	20th Skip in the Gower (near Pond) - see p17
Saturday	20th Sibford Scouts Car Wash - see p20
Saturday	20th Sibford School 'Marching to a Different Drum'
Sat-Mon	27-29 Swalcliffe Festival - see pp 16 & 21
Wednesday	31st Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)

CALENDAR for JUNE (part)

Saturday	3rd BBONT Garden Party & Open Gardens - see p14
Saturday	3rd Scouts Paper Collection

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