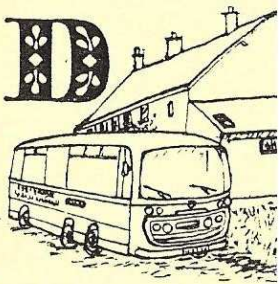


SIBFORD SCENE



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* THE MOBILE SHOP *
'Farewell' and 'Welcome'

I feel many of us in the Sibfords would like to say a heartfelt '*Thank You*' to Bob Stowe for the wonderful service he has given us for many years; regardless of the weather and road conditions the Mobile Shop has turned up.

Sadly, this Summer we have to say goodbye to Bob & Marie. We wish them well in the future.

We would also like to welcome Mr & Mrs Hambridge, who are taking over the Mobile Shop - we wish them a long and successful future in their new venture.

Mollie Mulley

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Remember my warning last month about door-to-door salesmen who are not genuine?

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John Mulley (Coordinator)

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SENIOR CITIZENS GARDEN TEA PARTY

You are invited to enjoy the Hook Norton & District Silver Band and to take tea in the garden of Temple Close (or in the house if the weather lets us down) from 3pm to 5pm on Sunday 20 August.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

We would like to thank Mrs Tanner for opening her garden to us on 6 June and also for the lovely tea provided by her and Sandra. Everyone appeared to enjoy themselves and although the wind was cold the afternoon managed to stay dry.

For our next meeting on **TUESDAY 4 JULY**, we have been invited to an afternoon out at Mrs Puddle's home at 3 Sycamore Close in the Gower.

Further events in July/August are as follows:

WEDNESDAY 19 JULY - Steam train outing on the Toddington to Winchcomb line. Bring a picnic lunch.

TUESDAY 8 AUGUST - Outing to Bournemouth. Fare £8 each. Coach leaving at 8.00am.

TUESDAY 15 AUGUST - Coffee Evening at 6.00pm at Mrs Fowler's home at 6 Pound Lane in the Gower. Usual stalls & raffle.

SUNDAY 20 AUGUST - Garden Party at 3.00pm at Mrs Jones's home at Temple Close in the Gower.

For further details of any of these events, please contact Mrs Webb (788211). We would welcome **ANYONE** who wishes to join us on our outings or coffee evening. BH

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Nature Notes.

May 28th. A quail has been calling in the Woodway area but has now stopped so I expect that it has moved on.

May 30th. A detailed investigation carried out in Germany concludes that to get atmospheric pollution down to a sustainable level we must reduce our output of noxious gasses to one tenth of the present level. I expect this report will follow all the others into a pigeon hole while we continue like lemmings to who knows what.

May 31st. We had an enormous hatch of tadpoles in our garden pond but they have almost all disappeared. They seemed to be greatly reduced in number after the heavy rainfall of May 16th and 17th, and as the air quality was very poor prior to that rain we wondered whether the rainwater was toxic. I have been told by other pond owners that their tadpoles are still all right but as all the water from our roof goes into our pond it could be more severely affected than ponds that are filled in other ways. I have removed two dead newts but have not seen any dead tadpoles. One tadpole was being attacked by a dragonfly nymph but I cannot think that they are numerous enough to have taken them all and there are no fish to take them.

June 13th. The lower branches of our dead cedar make a nice place to see the blue and coal tits feed their young ones. They seem to find plenty of insects on the bare branches without moving more than a few feet from their offspring.

June 16th. A few damsel flies have hatched from our pond but there are no newts or tadpoles to be seen. I rang Thames Water to see if they could tell me whether the rain that fell on the 15th & 16th of May was very polluted, but they do not test rain for pollutants. They leave that to the National Rivers Authority. The N.R.A. said that they did not do it and suggested trying the Met. Office. The Met. Office passed me on to the Department of the Environment. The DoE gave me the number of the Acid Rain Research Centre at Manchester University who said that they do not test on a regular basis and anyway do no tests in our area and thought I might do better trying our local council. I then rang Cherwell D.C. who suggested the Min. of Agriculture at Oxford. They did not do it so I gave up at that point.

W. I. NEWS & INFORMATION

The June meeting commenced with a short silence as we remembered Mrs Law, a loyal member for nearly 20 years.

Mrs Hutchinson gave a glowing account of the county train trip to York and there was a good response to the proposed outing to Evesham in August in lieu of our monthly meeting.

A fortunate survivor of a Japanese P.O.W. camp was our speaker. Mr Osborne, who recounted many of his ordeals in captivity, but, despite all, bears no animosity towards the Japanese today. He retained his sanity but lost his appetite for rice! In lighter vein he recited one of his own poems about the W.I., and was regaled, as we all were, with tea and biscuits served by Mrs Ellred and Mrs Puddle.

The competition for an oriental floral arrangement produced a delightful display, winners being Mrs Puddle, Mrs Hutchinson and Mrs Pearlman.

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Sept. 12th "LADIES DAY" - in the Village Hall.

A very special W.I. DAY - open to all ladies, commencing at 10.30am with coffee and biscuits, followed by a *FASHION SHOW*, presented by Miss Jean Brown. There will be an opportunity to try on and purchase affordable garments.

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SUGGESTIONS for SPENDING the VE/VJ GRANT

In last month's *Scene*, the Ferris Parish Council asked for suggestions for spending the balance of their £500 grant to commemorate the 50th anniversary of VE & VJ Days. Presumably, after paying their share of the VE Day Party costs, including the children's VE mugs, the PC will have an available balance in the region of £200: no doubt the Gower PC has a similar balance.

As a result of discussions with other villagers, the following points are tentatively put forward for consideration by our two Parish Councils:

1. Perhaps this is a good opportunity for a single Sibford community project rather than two parochial projects.
2. A project of a relatively enduring nature and of benefit to or supported by a substantial section of the community would appear to be an ideal objective.
4. For many people, Sibford's major amenity is its Village Hall: a project to improve some aspect of the Hall might be worthy of consideration.
5. Suggestions for possible projects for full or partial funding are:
 - a) purchase of Indoor Bowls equipment.
 - b) purchase of additional storage hut.
 - c) purchase of larger hut, with room to house the billiard table that has been donated to the Village Hall.
 - d) funding of improvements to heating system.

These first thoughts are published in the hope that others will come forward with additional suggestions or comments.

The Editor

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THE 1995 BROWN ENVELOPES APPEAL

A total of 119 Brown Envelopes have been received so far, containing a total of over £480 - a very big THANK YOU to you all. I hope there will be more space in the next issue to give a fuller report. In the meantime, the collecting box is still available at the Village Post Office for late donations. *Can we reach £500?*

The Editor

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TWELVE POTENTIAL GUIDE DOGS ARRIVE IN THE FERRIS

Supporters of Chris Ross's work for Guide Dogs for the Blind will be pleased to hear that Tessa is now the proud (but slightly bewildered & agitated) mother of 12 healthy puppies, 7 girls & 5 boys. They arrived between 8pm and 5am on the night of 19/20 June; they were two days earlier than expected, which left Chris with only telephonic support from Iain, who was in Scotland at the time!

Potential visitors are kindly requested to curb their enthusiasm for a few weeks, until Tessa has become less agitated by strangers (and Chris has regained her equilibrium).
Thank You.

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LEO CLUB NEWS

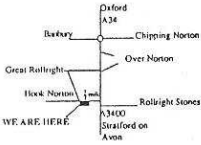
The next meeting will be on Tuesday 19 September; details in next issue of the *Scene*.

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The Sibfords Society

The Museum of Bygones provided a most interesting evening for our summer visit - if you haven't been to see the extensive and varied collection of memorabilia collected by the Fox family do put it on your list of local visits to be made.

Our next treat is an evening with Martin Layer, a "newish" Sibfordian who is coming to give us an illustrated talk on Geology and our locality. This is our annual joint meeting with the Swalcliffe Society so we shall be meeting in the Village Hall on 20 July at 7.30 pm - members and non-members welcome.

Don't forget to sign up with our project leaders for our current workgroups:-
Farming in the Sibfords - this group to be led by Ivor Hopkyns - 788367
A countryside walk around the Sibfords - this group led by Ian Warden - 788252
Millennium preparations - this group to be led by David Ryall - 780574

August 17 is the next date for your diary - at 7pm the Society members will be leading the Circular Walk as part of the CDC Countryside Events Programme starting and finishing at The Bishop Blaize!

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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.

This month we say 'Welcome' to:

- Caroline & Nick Harley, who have moved into 'The Cottage' in Sibford Ferris from Malmesbury, Wiltshire. Nick is an accounts manager for 'Keddy' in Upper Heyford. They have two children - Emma age 2 and Angus age 4.

- Penny & Stephen Cox, who have moved from Wantage into 'Maddocks' in the Ferris. Stephen is a police officer. They have two girls - Emily age 4 and Hayliegh age 2.

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SIBFORD GARDENS OPEN UNDER THE NATIONAL GARDENS SCHEME

Sibford Gower Sunday 16 July 2 - 6pm

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SIBFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

* Annual Show - Saturday 19 August *

Two dozen or so Members and their friends thoroughly enjoyed their "Day Out" visit to Mr and Mrs Phillips' 1750, 18½ acre garden at Wombourne Wodehouse. After a picnic lunch they went on to see a wonderful show of colour at David Austin's rose nursery.

There are still just five of the twenty places left for Members to visit the Whichford Pottery, during production, on Thursday July 20th. rendezvousing at the Village Hall at 2.00 p.m. Ring 780601 to reserve a place.

The Society thanks sincerely, all those who supported the Coffee Morning at the end of April and the Plant Sale in early June. Thanks also go to the hostesses, Mesdames Ellen Warwicker and Sheila Baseby.

The big event of the year will be the Annual Show at the Village Hall and Marquee on Saturday the 19th. of August at 2.30 p.m. All houses in the Villages have had a copy of the "Schedules" delivered, but additional ones are available at the Surgery. Entries must be made by no later than 9.30 p.m. on Wednesday the 16th of August. Will last year's winners of Cups and Trophies please be good enough to return them to the Surgery (or to any Committee member) straight away; this will allow time for their names to be engraved ready for this year's event. Meanwhile all members of the Society now have the "Grand Draw" tickets for sale. Do please try to support it!

Further interesting meetings of the Society are scheduled for September 13th (Bees and Beekeeping), October 11th (Garden Photography), November 8th and December 13th. You will very be welcome at any or all of our activities.

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* DOG FAECES *

Some of us have to attend unfenced gardens. It is very unpleasant to find one has a handful of dog faeces. Please may I ask those dog owners (there are a number) who are not particular about the behavior of their dogs, to consider the consequences and to show respect for others. It is in fact illegal and carries a fine on prosecution. *Mollie Mulley*

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A Family Service

Every month a band of dedicated parishioners prepare and present a service designed for The Family in Trinity Church at Sibford. Even so, there has never been a Family Service with so much love and feeling as the one held on Saturday 10 June 1995, when the church was filled to the rafters with villagers who had assembled to give thanks for the long, full life of their dear friend Toonie Law.

So many Families were represented; Toonie's own special Family of daughters and grandchildren were joined by her local adopted Families including the W.I., the Red Cross, the Cheshire Home, the Horti Society and of course her beloved Church. To each and for each she had been a Mother figure, adding grace and offering wise advice to all their proceedings.

As her friends entered the church on that day they became aware of a soft, peaceful presence. Toonie's coffin was at rest in the chancel that had meant so much to her over the last twenty years. It was illuminated by the pale light from four tall, flickering candles and graced by lovely, sweet, white lilies for a sweet, lovely lady.

The service was simple but meaningful. Three hymns had been selected from Toonie's favourites, commencing with 'All things bright and beautiful' - what else could it have been? Two readings had been chosen and were read with great feeling by two grandsons.

The anthem 'For the beauty of the Earth' was most touchingly sung by members of St Catherine's School, where Toonie's granddaughters were educated. A quiet stillness fell over the whole church as César Franck's '*Panis Angelicus*' was sung as a solo by granddaughter Buffie du Pon - spellbinding.

In his address the Rector spoke, as only he is able, using words which drew a perfect picture of a Christian lady and of her long, brave life which had always offered charm, love and understanding.

The service ended with the quiet cadence of '*Nunc Dimittis*' spoken softly by the whole assembly as Toonie's coffin and her close family left the church for her to be laid peacefully to rest beside Geoffrey.

Those who remained in thoughtful silence within the church were aware of an empty space - a space which may never quite be filled - an emptiness which would spill over, out into the lanes and fields of the two villages of The Gower & The Ferris, a warm beckoning space which will, in the years to come, conjure and attract sweet memories of a True English Lady.

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Young Scene

Here are the answers to last month's quiz, as promised:

- 1) Gravity is the name of the force which makes things fall back to earth.
- 2) A playing card dropped end on will fall to the ground faster than a playing card dropped face-down. This is because the air pushes up under the flat card and slows it down.
- 3) If you make water flow from one jar to another, through a tube, you have made a siphon.
- 4) About three-quarters of your body is made up of water.
- 5) The pupils of your eyes are larger in dim light than in bright light.
- 6) Chlorophyll makes leaves green.
- 7) A meteorologist is someone who studies the weather.
- 8) The Moon's gravity is much weaker than the Earth's.
- 9) The bark on trees is dead, but the cork layer just inside the bark is alive.
- 10) Cranes use pulleys to lift heavy objects.

How well do you know your village?

This month the quiz is all about Sibford Gower, Sibford Ferris and Burdrop.

- 1) What are the opening hours of the village shop on a Saturday?
- 2) What are the names of the two pubs?
- 3) How many places of worship are there?
- 4) Can you name them and say where they are?
- 5) What is the name of the stream which flows through the valley?
- 6) Write down the names of all villages which are immediate neighbours of Sibford.
- 7) Where would you find a Play Area?
- 8) How many ducks might I see on the village pond?
- 9) List three organisations which regularly use the Village Hall.
- 10) How many telephone boxes are there, and where are they situated?

The answers to this quiz will be printed in September's Young Scene. I hope you enjoy working through it.

After all that serious business, here are some jokes:

What is yellow on the inside and green on the outside?
A banana disguised as a cucumber.

Who wears a black mask and rides a horse when he cuts the grass?
The Lawn Ranger.

What does Dracula do in a cricket match?
Bat.

Fit-back.

Can you fit all the words back into the frame?

The word "match" has been put back into the frame to start you off.

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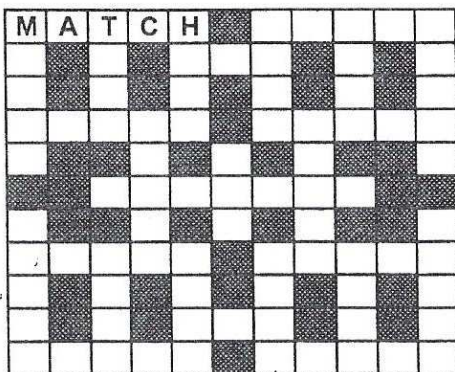
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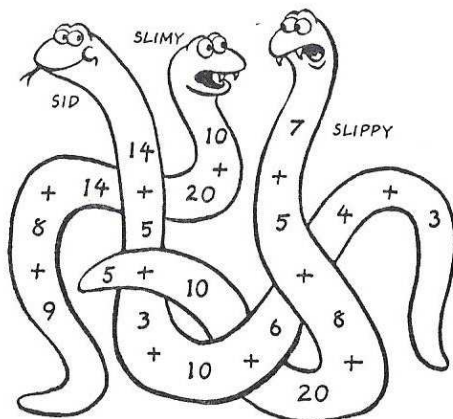
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Snakes Alive.

Meet Sid, Slimy and Slippy the snakes---and, yes---they are adders!

Which snake has the highest total when the numbers are added together?



Well, that's all for now. I wish you all a very happy summer holiday, and see you in September.

SIBFORD GOWER PARISH COUNCIL

At the Annual Parish Meeting in May, Mr Eric Payne was re-elected as Chairman and Mrs Maureen Hicks as Vice-Chairman. Other members of the Council are Messrs Robin Spicer, John Parmiter and Tom Pratt.

The items raised at the Annual Parish Meeting were discussed and action would be taken where appropriate.

Cllr David Turner agreed to take up with the Engineers Dept the widening of New Barn Farm Rd, the gullies in Colony Rd and the bend past Temple Mill.

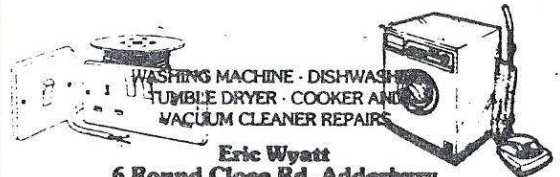
The next Parish Council meeting is on Tuesday 11 July in the Primary School.

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The Wing Commander, himself a distinguished air navigator experienced in high speed jets, explained the careful rules laid down to ensure that inconvenience to the public is kept to a minimum and safety measures to a maximum. For example: low flying only between 7.00 am and 11.00 pm (except with special and rare permission); minimum height from the ground or space laterally from high objects (church spires, masts etc) 250 feet; maximum speed 450 knots (517 mph). He showed us maps of the UK showing the prohibited areas and told us that as much training as possible, subject to cost, is carried out overseas such as in Germany, Canada and a number of other countries. Also flight paths in training were varied so that noise problems were spread.

There followed a brief talk by Richard Warren from the Air Staff Secretariat of the Ministry of Defence which deals with complaints and compensation. Of the former there are about 5/6,000 a year and annual compensation totals up to about £500,000.

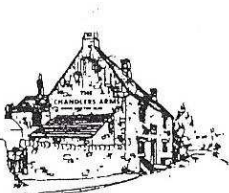
A large number of questions were asked and were still continuing when your correspondent had to leave. Following an explanation by the Wg Cdr of the high-tech method of route following by the pilots, I asked if these could be altered a bit more from time to time as we tend to have noisy jet fighters over Sibford on rather a regular basis. I was told that he thought he knew the reason for the problem and would look into it.

I believe that leaflets giving more detail may be obtained from the RAF and an enquiry to Mr Page of Environmental Health at Bodington might produce a copy. The meeting was efficiently chaired by Wendy Humphries, chair of the Environment Committee.

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The Fielding Day Centre has been operating in a room kindly provided by Sibford (Friends) School for over 3 years, and currently provides, between 12.30 and 4.30pm every Wednesday, a cooked lunch, social activities and tea for up to 14 visitors. They attend the Day Centre by referral from the Social Services Dept and many of them are otherwise housebound and have little if any social activities. These visitors come from Sibford, Epwell, Swalcliffe, Tadmarton, Hook Norton & Bloxham.

The Day Centre is run by a paid coordinator and by **volunteers, a third of whom are men**, who attend about once or twice a month on a rota basis. The visitors and volunteers pay £1.20 for their lunch.

Unfortunately, because of illness & other commitments, several of our volunteers are, at present, unable to help as often as they would like, which means that the others have to attend more often. It would greatly alleviate our present rota problems if we could obtain the services of a **few more volunteers** - either to attend for the 4-hour session or just to provide transport to and/or from the Day Centre.

If you think you could help us out or if you would just like more details of what's involved, please telephone me, on 788265. **Thank You.**

Ray Henbrey (Chairman)

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NEWS from SIBFORD BROWNIES

Most of the Summer term has been taken up with the whole Pack doing their Conservation Badge and by the time you read this all the Brownies will have gained this badge.

They have had to undertake a variety of tasks including demonstrating ways of conservation, both in the home and out-of-doors. Also, you may have noticed there is very little litter in Sibford. That's because we have been systematically litter-picking for 8 weeks in various areas in the villages. We actually decided that Sibford was a fairly clean village and in some areas there was very little litter.

We have a barbecue planned for the end of term and a walk & picnic to Traitors Ford. Vivienne Scouse

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* HORSEWATCH *

The Third Horsewatch Show will be held on
Sunday 9 July at the Rural Fayre Ground at Hook Norton.
Further information from Ginny Bennett (780373).

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* VEHICLE PARKING *

Please may I ask you to consider others and think when you park a vehicle. It is unpleasant and irritating for anyone to have to waste time and to disturb neighbours to find out who has parked a vehicle in front of their garage or drive when they need to go out. Thank You. Mollie Mulley

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New Strip - Unbeaten !

The local football team (yes, there is one !) completed their third season with a run of excellent form. Playing every Sunday morning we haven't lost a match since October 94.

Grateful thanks to **Mobile Training** for their generous sponsorship, which enabled us to buy a much needed strip, looking like a football team seems to go a long way towards playing like one ! Is it a coincidence that we started wearing it in October 94 ?

Many thanks also to Percy Turner and Sibford School, without who's support we would not have such a splendid pitch and facilities.

We hope to continue the winning run next year and look forward to seeing some encouraging support on the touchline.

**Matches are played on Sunday mornings,
kick-off 10.30 on The Piece, by the Friends School.**

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SIBFORD CRICKET CLUB

A CROWDED SCHEDULE - A DECENT RETURN

Whilst June's weather has not been glorious, the Village Cricketers have nevertheless continued their good early season form in the **South Northants League Division III** and to date, remain unbeaten; however, the Cup Competitions have come to "nought" and in Friendly Games, **Keith Sharratt**, despite his considerable skills of administration, diplomacy and tact, has seen his side struggling in the face of tough opposition.

The return of the "student brigade" is eagerly awaited to consolidate the challenge for league honours - and hopes are high that for the second season running that **Promotion** will be the positive outcome!

Results

South Northants League Div III

v. Wooton "A" -

Sibford - 204 - 4
(David Prait 80
Ian Davies 54
Daniel May 37*)

Away - 20th May - Won by 96 - Runs

Wooton A 108 - 7
(Ian Davies 3 - 2
Roger Gilbert 2 - 18)

v. Syresham * -

Syresham - 146 All out
(Roger Gilbert 5 - 27
David Lamb 3 - 26)

Home 27th May - Won by 7 Wickets

Sibford - 137 - 3
(Ron Morbey 61*
Roger Gilbert 38*)

* (Rain Interruption - Sibford's Target 137 -)

v. Bodcote "A"

Away - 3rd June "The Rain"

v. Preston Capes "A"

Preston Capes - 87 All out
(Daniel May 4 - 20
Nigel Fletcher 3 - 18
Roger Gilbert 2 - 21)

Home - 10th June Won by 9 - Wickets

Sibford - 88 - 1
(Daniel May 42*
Roger Gilbert 31*)

v. Wroxton

Sibford 156 - 7
(Nigel Fletcher 41
Daniel May 32
Roger Gilbert 26)

Away - 17th June Won by 90 - Runs

Wroxton 66 All Out
(Daniel May 5 - 45
Roger Gilbert 3 - 9)

South Northants Div III League Cup

v. Wroxton

Sibford 57 - All out

Away - 8th June -

Lost by 4 - Wickets

Wroxton 58 - 6
(Roger Gilbert 3 - 31)

Wardington Cup

v. Charlton

Charlton 136 - 4

Home - 13th June

Lost by 37 - Runs

Sibford 99 - 5

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

2 July	10.00am	Benefice Eucharist at Epwell
9 "	10.00am	Holy Communion
16 "	10.00am	Family Service
23 "	8.00am	Holy Communion
30 "	10.00am	Holy Communion
6 Aug	10.00am	Benefice Eucharist at Tadmarton
13 "	10.00am	Holy Communion & Baptism
20 "	10.00am	Matins
27 "	8.00am	Holy Communion

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VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The Sibford Village Hall is available for hire on a number of weekends in the Autumn and, of course, it is available during the week.

If you hire the Hall you can use all the facilities - chairs, tables, crockery, fridge & cooker - and good parking.

A 2 hour party would cost £12.30 - Monday to Friday

A 4 hour party would cost £49.60 - Saturday

Wedding reception - midday to midnight - £148

If you hire the Hall we do not charge extra if you wish to have a marquee in the field, but the hire company may charge as much as £500 for a one day hire of a large marquee.

For further information please contact David Baker, Village Hall Manager, telephone 780676.

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APOLOGIES from THE EDITOR

The reports submitted on Red Cross Week, BBONT Garden Party, Sibford Church Garden Party and M.E. Research Garden Opening have had to be deferred till the next issue, because of lack of space. My sincere apologies to all concerned.

SIBFORD BUS SERVICES

1. SIBFORD GOWER TOWN ESTATES CHARITY

Free Bus Service for Residents of Sibford Gower and Burdnap

			Depart	Return
Wednesday	5 & 19 July	to Chippy	11.00am	1.00pm
Friday	14 & 28 July	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon
Wednesday	2 & 16 & 30 Aug	to Chippy	11.00am	1.00pm
Friday	11 & 25 Aug	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

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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	* 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)

THE DEADLINE for CONTRIBUTIONS
for the SEPTEMBER *SIBFORD SCENE* will be
*** TUESDAY 15 AUGUST ***
Contributions to Editor, Treasurer or Shop

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WEEKLY EVENTS

Guides	Hook Norton	Monday	evening
Indoor Bowls	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	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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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

DIARIST - Norman Nash (Tel 780275)

10 Sept Sunday	Tadmarton Open Gardens	[780212]
12 Sept Tuesday	WI Fashion Show & Lunch	[789162]
16 Sept Saturday	Tadmarton Open Gardens	[780212]
14 Oct Saturday	Sibford Harvest Service & Supper	[780275]
14 Oct Saturday	Tadmarton Family Bingo	[788470]
28 Oct Saturday	Sibford Village Hall Annual Quiz	[788162]
28/29 Oct Sat/Sun	Tadmarton Crafts Sale for Kathrine H'se	[780453]
15 Nov Wednesday	Swalcliffe Society Nat Trust Evening	[780259]
18 Nov Saturday	Sibford Church Bazaar	[780555]
24 Nov Friday	Tadmarton Village Quiz	[788470]
2 Dec Saturday	Sibford Methodist Church Coffee/Sale	[780461]

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RECYCLING UNITS in ACRE DITCH

The recycling units - bottle bank, etc - will be stationed in Acre Ditch on 8 July and 9 September. The rubbish skip is in the Gower twice monthly in the Summer - see below.

CALENDAR for JULY 1995

- Saturday 1st Scouts Paper Collection
Saturday 1st Sibford School Open Day, Evening Barn Dance - see p5
Tuesday 4th Friendship Club meeting at Mrs Puddle's - see p2
Saturday 8th Skip in the Gower - Barley Close
Saturday 8th Recycling Units in Acre Ditch
Sunday 9th Horsecatch Show at Hook Norton - see p18
Monday 10th Playgroup, Outing to Warwick Park - see p15
Tuesday 11th Sibford Gower Parish Council meeting - see p14
Wednesday 12th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Saturday 15th Rickshaw Relief Garden Party, Swalcliffe - see p19
Sunday 16th Sibford Gower Open Gardens - see p7
Wednesday 19th Friendship Club, Steam Train Outing - see p2
Wednesday 19th Playgroup, Sports Day - see p15
Thursday 20th Horti Society visit to Whichford Pottery - see p9
Thursday 20th Sibfords/Swalcliffe Societies joint meeting - see p7
Saturday 22nd Skip in the Gower - Village Pond
Saturday 22nd Sibford Village Hall Shindig & Disco - see p8
Wednesday 26th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)

CALENDAR for AUGUST 1995

- Saturday 5th Scouts Paper Collection
Tuesday 8th Friendship Club, Outing to Bournemouth - see p2
Wednesday 9th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Saturday 12th Skip in the Gower - Acre Ditch
Tuesday 15th Friendship Club, Coffee Evening at Mrs Fowler's - see p2
TUESDAY 15th * DEADLINE for *SIBFORD SCENE* CONTRIBUTIONS *
Wednesday 16th Entries for Horti Show - see p9
Thursday 17th Sibfords Society Circular Walk (from/to Blaize) - see p7
Saturday 19th Horti Society Annual Show in Hall & Marquee - see p9
Sunday 20th Senior Citizens Tea Party, Temple Close - see pp 1/2
Wednesday 23rd Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Saturday 26th Skip in the Gower - Pound Lane

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