

SIBFORD SCENE

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THANK YOU MOLLIE

As most of you will have noticed, the front pages of this year's issues of the *Scene* have been graced by a series of delightful drawings of our villages by our own Mollie Mulley.

Depicted so far have been houses in the Gower, the Ferris, Burdrop & the Colony (including, with a little artistic license, the mobile shop); two of our places of worship were included at Easter (the third is 'pencilled-in' for later in the year); both pubs have appeared and, this month, our two schools enhance the front page.

Our sincere thanks go to Mollie for giving so much of her time so that we may enjoy the benefit of her talents.

The Editor

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ABUSE OF RUBBISH SKIP SERVICE

A considerable amount of rubbish was placed next to and on the roof of the already full skip when it was in Acre Ditch in August. Consequently, when the skip was removed by the contractor an unsightly, & probably unhealthy, mess remained scattered along the roadside. It took several journeys with a wheelbarrow for a community-spirited villager to move this rubbish to another skip - *well done, kind sir.*

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If this situation is repeated, the Parish Council may well have to reconsider the provision of this service.

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CAT LOST in BURDROP - see page 7.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

We would like to thank Mrs Puddle for the lovely afternoon we spent in her garden in July and also for the delicious tea she served on her patio. A most enjoyable afternoon was had by all.

Our August trip to Bournemouth had to be cancelled; instead we had an evening tour around some of the Warwickshire lanes & villages, ending with a meal at *The Peacock* in Tysoe.

We would also like to thank Mrs Fowler for the very enjoyable Coffee Evening in her garden in August. The various stalls (raffle/cakes/bric-a-brac) raised a total of £113, and our thanks go to all who helped and those who came along to support this event.

Future events are as follows:

TUESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER - We have been invited to an afternoon with Mr & Mrs Arnold Lamb at Back Acre, Sibford Ferris to see some old photos and a look round the garden, followed by tea.

TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER - An afternoon trip to Moreton market, coach leaving at 1.15pm. **ANYONE WELCOME** to join us.

TUESDAY 3 OCTOBER - Meeting in the Village Hall at 2.00pm.

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Nature Notes.

July 3rd. While picnicking in a quiet spot a few miles away my companions heard the distinctive song of the grasshopper warbler. Alas my ears can no longer pick it up.

July 4th. I noticed today that a section of an old tree trunk which had lain in a spinney for many years and had rotted through, has been torn apart presumably by badgers in a desperate search for food. I hope that the grubs they found quelled their pangs of hunger.

July 6th. There is little doubt that it was a badger that raided my daughters chicken coop recently. Two years ago we made it fox proof with new wire netting dug into the ground but the badger had dug a way under the wire and managed to break in to the coop and killed a few hens. They are also causing trouble in some gardens in the village. In ours they have pulled up some carrots but not eaten many of them, eaten the gooseberries that we had left to ripen on a small bush growing against a wall and each night walk on top of the netting that covers the strawberries so that they can eat the fruit through the netting.

July 11th. The number of winged aphids in the air has been rising steadily over the last few days to a high this morning when there were more than I have seen before. We had to go a few miles in the car and they soon covered the windscreen but a short sharp shower this evening has thinned them out a bit.

July 19th. This evening one of our American visitors spotted a fox looking in through our back door. It stayed around for some minutes while they fetched a camera and took a flash photo through the glass which may or may not come out.

July 29th. Until I saw a great spotted woodpecker working along the underside of an ash branch I thought that the underside was for tree creepers only. The branch was only about 3 inches thick and it was able to reach round it with its toes in a way that would not be possible on a thicker one.

July 30th. There is a good number of butterflies around the garden particularly on scabious and of course buddleia. We have seen tortoiseshell, brimstone, small skipper, speckled wood, gatekeeper, peacock, red admiral, common blue, ringlet and far too many cabbage whites but no holly blue, painted lady or

comma, although we have seen commas in other gardens.

Aug.4th. Nature evolves some wonderful ways of spreading seeds. I went to collect some hardy cyclamen seed from the garden but found that ants had carried away all the seed from the ripe capsules which had opened. The sticky substance that surrounds the seeds seems to attract them and even after they had taken the seed they still seemed to be cleaning the inside of the empty capsule.

Aug.11th. Perhaps badgers are not all 'brute force and ignorance'. I heard of one that failed to get into a poultry house from the front and when the commotion attracted attention was found in the adjoining building trying to get through from there. In another case I was shown a poultry ark where a hen and some chicks had been killed which must have been the work of a badger because of the power used to force an entry.

Aug.14th. The dry weather which is making the badgers so desperate for food and the pastures browner than I have seen them since 1976 is making for an easy harvest. I don't expect the yields of grain will break any records although I have no doubt that there will be some good crops of wheat on the heavier lower lying land. The cultivations following harvest are going to be difficult, dusty and expensive if it remains dry. Over the last 4½ months I have recorded less than 4 inches of rain; over the last 6 weeks only just over half an inch and over the last 4 weeks only an eighth of an inch. We have been unlucky in missing useful showers that have passed to the east and to the west of us.

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BROWN ENVELOPES APPEAL - CONTRIBUTIONS EXCEED £500

Contributions to the *Sibford Scene* funds have continued to trickle in during the Summer and I am pleased to announce that our readers have now contributed a

* * GRAND TOTAL of £514.80 * *

This is almost £100 more than last year, the increase being due to the number of villagers who generously gave more than the suggested £2, including several donations of £10 & £20 and one of £25.

The number of responses, 126, was almost the same as last year; but is 25 less than the 151 readers who, earlier this year, indicated that they wished to continue to receive the *Scene*. *How do they do that?*

To all those readers who did respond to our appeal -

* * A VERY BIG 'THANK YOU' * *

The Editor

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DONATIONS from SIBFORD ORGANIZATIONS

In addition to contributions received from our readers, the *Scene* is also supported by donations from many of the local organizations whose activities are reported in the *Scene*. So far this year, donations have been received from the following (in alphabetical order):

Brownies	Sibford Gower PC
Friendship Club	Sibford Playgroup
Holy Trinity Church	Sibford (Friends) School
Horticultural Society	Sibford Surgery
LEO Club	Sibfords Society
Methodist Church	Village Hall
Sibford Ferris PC	Women's Institute

The individual donations range from £5 to £50 and make up a total of £227, for which we give another big * THANK YOU *. Two other donations have been promised and will be reported on when received.

Finally, we must not forget the £1000 donation from the Town Estate Charity last November, which helped us purchase our new photocopier and for which we are very grateful.

The Editor

W. I. NEWS & INFORMATION

Will it? - Won't it? - we wondered, as optimistically we gathered for our July meeting in the delightful garden at Birch Hill, conscious of the ominous clouds above.

With many forthcoming activities discussed and arranged, members were assured of a busy time ahead and were prematurely fortified with mouth-watering refreshments provided by our generous hostess and willing helpers.

More cups and plates were hastily provided when we were joined by three more members, each with her two young Japanese guests. Even more hastily all was rushed under cover from the inevitable storm, and the very pleasant garden meeting ended indoors.

In August, we were blessed with ideal weather for our outing, first to Annard Woollen Mill near Evesham, where we heard the history of and viewed the products of a very thriving family business. Then to the Almonry Museum where we learned of the history and heritage of Evesham, and were fascinated with an exhibition of lingerie of yesteryear.

There was time to relax as our itinerary concluded with a peaceful trip on the Avon - a pleasant ending to a very enjoyable day.

Our next meeting, on Sept. 12th, is an open one - see the notice opposite for details.

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Saturday 28 October

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The work that is being done at Fielding Day Centre was acknowledged nationally in July when a group of people, mostly professionals involved in the provision of services in rural communities, met at the Village Hall to hear a presentation about the setting up and running of the Day Centre. They were part of a week long Conference at Cheltenham organised by the Oxfordshire Rural Community Council and Action for Communities in Rural England. The Fielding Day Centre is a piece of pioneering work, in which money given by the Government to Local Authorities to use in enriching the lives of elderly people being maintained in the community under the Community Care Act has been used in conjunction with local volunteers.

The presentation was well received and interest in the scheme was generated. The credit should go, of course, to all those volunteers in the village who give up their time to run the Day Centre week by week. It may not be so well known that they give time and effort to the elderly people in many additional ways: it is not only on Wednesdays that they committed. It was good to have their labours valued by such an eminent group.

Thanks also go to the WI who provided a scrumptious tea to which a group of members of the Day Centre came. It made it a very happy occasion and we are grateful to the WI for their efforts.

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The next meeting will be at 8.00pm on Wednesday 13 September in the Village Hall, when Mr A Rawlings of Upper Boddington will speak on 'Bees and Beekeeping'.

Other Evening Meeting Dates for your Diary are:

- 11 October - A brief AGM followed by a talk by Keith Hicks on 'Garden Photography'.
8 November - not yet arranged.
13 December - 'The Roger Powell Garden Picture Quiz' followed by free seasonal refreshments.

Our Committee would like to thank everyone who exhibited at or attended our Annual Show on 19 August. Congratulations to all those who were awarded prizes, especially the following exhibitors, who won the cups, trophies & bowls:

- Section A (Fruit & Veg): Nick Giles, Andrew Newbold and Julia Gordon.
Section B (Plants & Flowers): Roger Powell & Ellen Warwicker.
Section C (Flower Arranging): Jean Puddle.
Section D (Country Crafts): Gilian Soden.
Section E (Handicrafts): Bea Haynes & Ian Barratt.
Section F (Children's): Harriet Boyce, Tim Newbold, Jessica Friend, William Spackman.

Particular thanks go to all those 'volunteers' who so gallantly gave of their time & muscle to prepare & finally dismantle all the display tables & decorations within the marquee and also to the ladies who provided the much-needed refreshments throughout the day.

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If you care to come to our September meeting, there would be no charge and membership could commence at the AGM in October. It costs only £2.50 per year!

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If you can't read this you may have

LOST YOUR GLASSES at the HORTI SHOW?

If so, contact Gilian Soden - phone no. 780543.

CAT LOST in BURDROP - see page 7.

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY

During Red Cross Week in the Banbury area, a total of £5981 was collected by an army of willing helpers; an excellent celebration of 125 years of the Society in the UK. Locally in the Sibfords £109.05 was raised - heartfelt thanks are offered to all concerned.

Roger Powell

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A "Nail Biting" Finish to a Successful Campaign

Two weeks to go with the top of the table clash against Wroxton on the 19th August to determine the Division III Title - only a very wise man will bet on that outcome!

The 1995 Season will not be bare however- for Sibford have won the Long Compton Shield - a four-way contest between Hook Norton, Long Compton, Sibford and Tysoe - and finally thanks to our loyal band of supporters for their devotion and encouragement during this recent spell of glorious weather. Let us hope that their faith will be fully rewarded.

Results

South Northants League - Division III

v. Boddington

		Home - 24th June - Won by 159 Runs	
Sibford	270-3	Boddington	III - All-Out
(Daniel May	148	(Jason Barton	4-20
Ron Morbey	97)	Roger Gilbert	2-2
		Nigel Fletcher	2-28)

v. Syresham

		Away - 1st July - Lost by 66 Runs	
Syresham	213-6	Sibford	147-All-Out
(Adrian Lamb	3-54)	(Jason Barton	43*
		Ron Morbey	37)

v. Bodicote "A"

		Home - 8th July - Won by 84 Runs	
Sibford	235-2	Bodicote	151-8
(Daniel May	126*	(Roger Gilbert	4-13
Ian Davies	41	Adrian Lamb	2-39)
Ron Morbey	34)		

v. Boddington

		Away - 15th July - Won by 82 runs	
Sibford	150-All-Out	Boddington	68-All-Out
(Jason Barton	50	(Adrian Lamb	3-18
Ron Morbey	35)	David Lamb	3-27
		Nigel Fletcher	2-9
		Tom Holliday	2-10)

v. Great Houghton "A"

		Away - 29th July - Won by 63 Runs	
Sibford	150-All-Out	Great Houghton "A"	87-All-Out
(Ian Davies	67*	(Daniel May	4-11
David Pratt	24)	Tom Holliday	3-4)

v. Woodford Halse "A"

		Away - 5th August	Won by 7-Wickets
Woodford Halse "A"	90 All-Out	Sibford	93-3
(Roger Gilbert	3-14	(Ron Morbey	37)
David Lamb	3-24		
Tom Holliday	2-11)		

v. Preston Capes "A"

		Away 12th August	Lost by 1 Wicket
Sibford	117-All-Out	Preston Capes	118-9
(Roger Gilbert	- 49	(Roger Gilbert	5-26
Jon Bennett	- 28)	Tom Holliday	3-42)

From The Boundary Man

Young Scene

Hello and welcome back to Young Scene. I hope you have enjoyed your summer holidays as much as I have. It has certainly been HOT. Let's hope we have some rain soon.

Here are the answers to last month's quiz about the Sibfords :

- 1) The village shop opens from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays.
- 2) The Bishop Blaize and The Wykham Arms are the names of the two pubs.
- 3) There are three places of worship.
- 4) They are : Holy Trinity Church, Sibford Gower (opposite the village hall).
The Methodist Chapel, Sibford Gower (next to the Manor House)
The Friends Meeting House, Sibford Gower (opposite Temple Close)
- 5) The name of the stream is The Sib.
- 6) The neighbouring villages are Swalcliffe, Epwell, Shutford, Hook Norton, Brailes and Whichford.
- 7) The Play Area is at the top end of Cotswold Close.
- 8) There are now 4 ducks on the pond.
- 9) Organisations which regularly use the Village Hall are Playgroup, Indoor Bowls, Brownies, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, The Horticultural Society.
- 10) There are 2 telephone boxes which can be found almost opposite the shop in Sibford Ferris and beyond the crossroads on the left-hand side as you approach the pond in Sibford Gower.

Were all your answers correct?

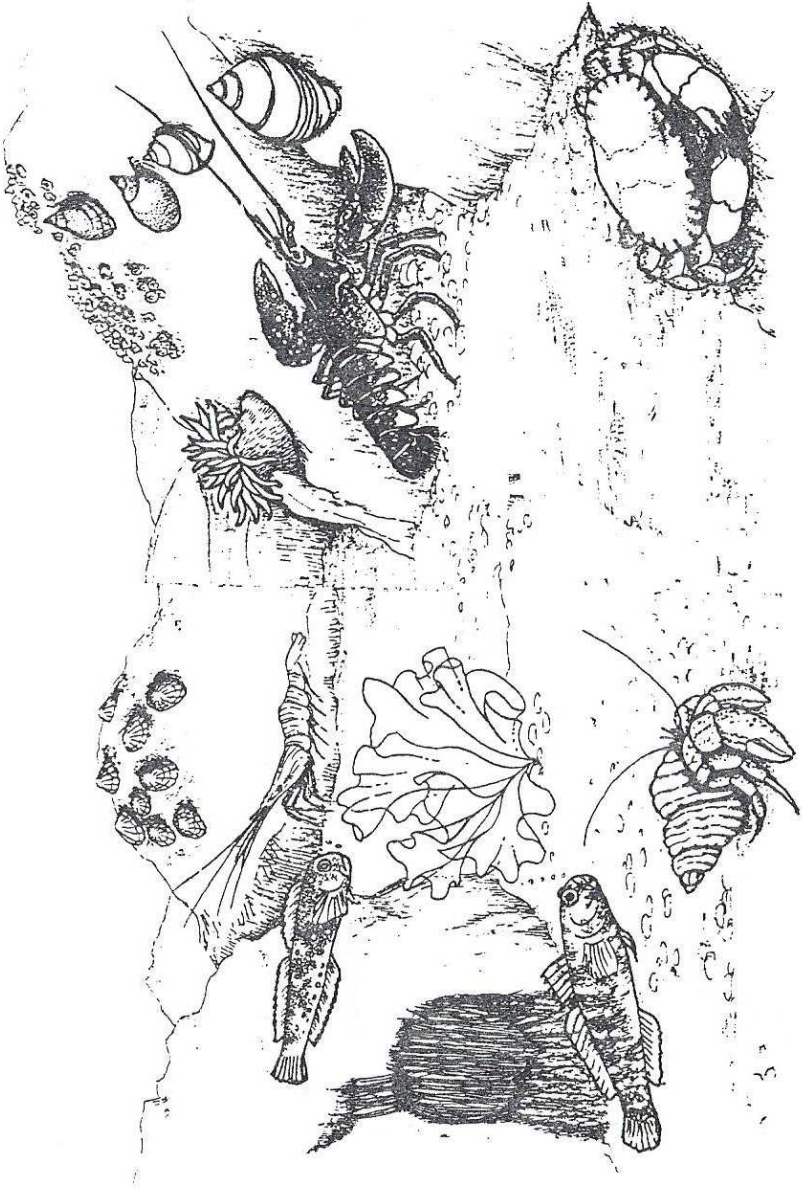
Seaside Quiz

Here is a word-search about the seaside and on the next page a picture of a rock pool for you to colour. Can you spot the following in the wordsearch and also in the picture?

limpet rock goby sea lettuce blenny hermit crab dog whelk prawn
anemone barnacle edible crab lobster

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t	e	a	f	n	b	w	i	t	s	a	t
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Remember to look in the picture for the 11 living things listed in the wordsearch. It may be easier to do this before you colour in the rock pool.



That's all for now. Enjoy the remainder of your holiday and see you next month.

£300 RAISED for RESEARCH into M.E. (Chronic Fatigue Syndrome)

We would like to thank everybody who generously supported the M.E. Research Fund on 11 June at Meadow Cottage.

We are delighted to report that a grand total of £300 was raised, despite a wet afternoon.

This would not have been possible without Roger & Val Powell's kindness in opening their lovely garden and all their hard work to help make the afternoon a success.

Brian, Jenny & Ian Barratt

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LEO CLUB NEWS

The next LEO Club meeting will be on Tuesday 19 September at 8.00pm at the home of Vivienne Scouse, Meadowbank, Burdrop. Please bring either a sweet or savoury with you. At this meeting we will be discussing the programme for the next 12 months and other issues concerned with LEO Club.

Please come along. I look forward to seeing everyone. It has been a long time since we all got together.

Vivienne Scouse (788320)

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BBONT Garden Party raises £406

(Berks, Bucks & Oxon Naturalists' Trust)

Arnold & Ina Lamb and Bill & Barbara Crabtree would like to thank all the helpers at the BBONT Garden Party and everyone who turned out on such a dreadfully wet afternoon to give their support. A total of £406 was raised for BBONT funds.

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This month we say '*Welcome*' to:

- Geoff & Sue Powell, who have moved from Bearstead in Kent into 'Lions Den' in the Ferris. Geoff works in Banbury as a computer systems manager and Sue is a bank clerk. They have two children, Amy aged 8 and Michael aged 5.

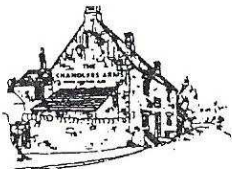
- Nick Thompson & Michele Nunn, who have provided their own introduction, as follows [*they obviously believe in the 1950's advertiser's maxim 'If you want to get ahead'*]:

'Attracted by the lack of a front door or bell, Nick Thompson & Michele Nunn moved to The Barn, Main Street in the Gower on 17 June. Other than that they sport an array of aged hats, these quiet & retiring marketing people are very boring. All they ever do is beaver away at their PhDs, occasionally emerging to feed the ducks, when experiencing mental blocks. Hailing from Odell in Bedfordshire on the river Ouse (they never bought the boat they promised themselves), Nick works at Oxford Brookes University and Michele at Nene (almost a university). Any contributions to their interesting product packaging or hat collections are welcome.'

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Everyone enjoyed the Summer Outing to Warwick Park which proved to be a good choice of venue. Most of the children participated in the Sports Day (some were more keen than others!) and every child received a prize in the form of a rosette and a lolly-pop.

The autumn term will commence on Wednesday 6th September and the A.G.M. will be held on Tuesday 19th September at 8.00 pm in the Main Hall of Sibford Primary School (by kind permission of Mr. Jeff Elliott). We shall be seeking to appoint at least four new committee members if anyone is interested. Refreshments will be served and all parents are invited to come along (even those who don't wish to get involved!).

Anyone who would like to find out more about Sibford Playgroup can contact Sandra Butt on (01295) 780352.

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SIBFORD FERRIS PARISH COUNCIL

At the Annual Parish Council we discussed the purchase of Kill Your Speed signs for the entrances to the village and several people thought that speed camera signs would be more effective. Enquiries have been made about this and we are able to have them in the village and they will be put up in due course. An added bonus is that they are free! Apparently we shall have them in place for six months intermittently.

Another issue raised at the Annual Parish meeting was about the criteria for needing planning consent before lopping or felling trees. I have now received the following information :

"Trees which are exempt from tree works in a conservation area or Tree Preservation Order legislation are those which are either fruit trees or which are covered by a felling licence, dead trees, or trees not exceeding 75mm in diameter at a height 1.5m above ground level"

In response to a query, we have information about annual pruning too :

"With regard to annual pruning, I am advised that it is not possible to issue an annual consent, but if it is annual growth that is being clipped off (as opposed to lopping, topping, uprooting, cutting down or wilfully damaging) then it is probable that consent is not required anyway".

If anyone needs more information about trees, the Council's Landscape Services Manager, Mr Sacha on Banbury 252535 will be able to advise.

We have been sent the entry forms for the Cherwell in Bloom Competition and information about this is displayed on the Notice Board. There are some entry forms in the post office or they can be obtained from me.

We have received information about the Osca Awards which are for projects that have benefitted the environment. There is further information about this on the notice board. It may be that these signs will have washed or blown away by now so I am pleased to be able to say that it is not long before we shall have a cover for our Notice Board!

There are still some V.E. Day mugs at Home Close so if you know of anyone under 11 living in Sibford Ferris who has not claimed theirs, would you please direct them to Sarah and Peter Randall at Home Close.



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SIBFORD GOWER PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on
Friday 15 September at 8pm. *Petra Berry (Clerk)*

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TWELVE POTENTIAL GUIDE DOGS LEAVE THE FERRIS

After spending their first six weeks snoozing in the tropical paradise of Chris Ross's conservatory (and using up all of the neighbourhood's supply of old newspapers), Tessa's 12 potential-guide-dog puppies have now passed out A1 at their medical exams and have been dispersed to the four corners of the UK, to start the next stage of their lives with their individual puppy-walkers.

Tessa, and Chris & Iain, are now relaxing and starting to build up their strength for January 1997, when the whole process is likely to start all over again!

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CAT LOST in BURDROP - see page 7.

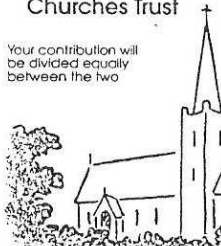
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HONOUR AWARDED to TIMOTHY WIMBUSH

Many congratulations to Father Timothy Wimbush on his appointment as an Honorary Canon of Christ Church Cathedral. This honour has been awarded to Tim for his many years of loyal and faithful service to the church in the Diocese of Oxford. He has been Parish Priest of the United Benefice of Sibford, Epwell, Swalcliffe and Tadmarton since 1976 and for 10 years has been Rural Dean of Deddington Deanery and its 26 parishes.

Tim's musicianship is well known, having been organist at the Tadmarton services for many years and for the last nine years, since starting the United Benefice choir, he has been choirmaster, taking the Friday night choir practices with great enthusiasm. He has also recently joined the Oxfordshire Committee of the Royal School of Church Music.

As if these duties were not enough to keep him occupied, as well as being a devoted husband, father and grandfather, he has been a magistrate for some 6 years and an indefatigable cricketing umpire with a memory to rival Wisden itself. This year he is President of the Banbury XX Cricket Club.

Tim will be (literally) installed in his stall in Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford in an installation service in October. He remains as our Rector despite the grossly incorrect report made in a certain local paper that he is moving to Oxford. In the meantime, congratulations to Tim and to his great supporters, Erica, his sons and all the family.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH GARDEN PARTY

As we brought in the tables and put up the bunting and the signs, the weather glowered at us, telling us that we were being very stupid in not moving to the village hall. The gardeners would not be diverted, however, and an absence of rain and occasional glimmer of sunshine, justified our gamble and a great gathering took place at the Red House in Burdrop. We were again greatly supported by not only those from our own villages but old friends who took the trouble to come over from Epwell, Tadmarton, Swalcliffe and as far afield as Bloxham and to you all we give you our warmest thanks for we raised a net £549.89 towards church funds.

The competitive element in the Noah's Ark golf and ping-pong ball throwing, the cork game, and the balloon bursting was greatly enhanced this year by the duck races, nobly run, at great danger of drowning, by Erica Wimbush.

Perhaps the highlight of the afternoon was the play "The Story of Noah", written and directed by Mary Nash and magnificently performed by 18 enthusiastic children from the Primary School, with faces appropriately painted by Penny Spring and her band of helpers.

Delicious teas were provided by Gill Soden and her band of helpers and to them and all those who organised and ran the stalls and games, together with those who provided plants and produce, books, food and bottles, donations and gifts of all descriptions and to those who came and bought we give our thanks.

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
(Brailles)	Sunday at 11.30 am
Baptist (Hook Norton)	Sunday at 10.30 am

Church of England, Holy Trinity, Sibford Gower

3 Sept 10.00am	Benefice Eucharist at Swalcliffe (Rev Veronica Beaumont, Childrens Soc)
10 " 10.00am	Holy Communion
17 " 10.00am	Family Morning Service
24 " 8.00am	Holy Communion

Wednesday 27 Sept 7.30pm - Benefice Quiz at Sibford Primary School. Teams of 6 (as many as possible) from each Parish.

Saturday 14 Oct 5.30pm. - Harvest Service & Supper.

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BIBLE STUDY GROUP

During this Autumn & Winter, the Methodists are planning to hold a fortnightly Bible Study Group. Pastor Henry Edwards will lead the group and anyone interested in joining with us will be very welcome.

The first evening will be on Thursday 12 October at 7.30pm at the home of Kathleen Winter, Cels Bield, Backside Lane in the Gower.

The passage for study is *St John's Gospel, Chapter 3, verses 1 to 13 - Nicodemus.*

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SPONSORED BICYCLE RIDE in AID of CHURCHES SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER

See page 19 for further details.

Sponsorship forms are available from:

Petra Berry (780462) & Kathleen Winter (780461) in the Gower
and Arnold Lamb (780357) in the Ferris.

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TADMARTON GARDENS OPEN under the NATIONAL GARDENS SCHEME

Sunday 10 Sept & Saturday 16 Sept Noon - 5.00pm

Refreshments in the Village Hall in aid of the Church.

SIBFORD BUS SERVICES

1. SIBFORD GOWER TOWN ESTATES-CHARITY

Free Bus Service for Residents of Sibford Gower and Burdrop

			Depart	Return
Friday	8 & 22 Sept	to Banbury	10,00am	12,00noon
Wednesday	13 & 27 Sept	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

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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 OCTOBER *SIBFORD SCENE* will be
* TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER *
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
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
Beavers	Village Hall	Wednesday	5.15 - 6.30pm
Badminton	Friends School	Wednesday	7.30 - 9.30pm
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)

11 Oct	Wednesday	Sibford Horti AGM (see p9)	[780601]
12 Oct	Thursday	Bible Study Group - first meeting (see p21)	[780461]
14 Oct	Saturday	Sibford Harvest Service & Supper	[780275]
14 Oct	Saturday	Tadmarton Family Bingo	[788470]
28 Oct	Saturday	Sibford Village Hall Annual Quiz (see p7)	[780380]
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 2.30pm	[780555]
24 Nov	Friday	Tadmarton Village Quiz	[788470]
2 Dec	Saturday	Sibford Methodist Church Coffee/Sale 10am	[780461]

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Copy for Guardian by FRIDAY please

LOCAL CHERWELL DISTRICT COUNCILLOR - David Green (Tel 780444)

RECYCLING UNITS in ACRE DITCH

The recycling units - bottle bank, etc - will be stationed in Acre Ditch on 9 September.

The rubbish skip is in the Gower twice monthly in the Summer - see below and also page 1.

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CALENDAR for SEPTEMBER 1995

Saturday 2nd Scouts Paper Collection
Tuesday 5th Friendship Club meeting at Mr & Mrs Lamb's - see p2
Wednesday 6th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Saturday 9th Sponsored Cycle Ride for Churches - see pp19 & 21
Saturday 9th Skip in the Gower - Barley Close
Saturday 9th Recycling Units in Acre Ditch
Sunday 10th Tadmarton Gardens open - see p21
Tuesday 12th WI Fashion Show & Snack Lunch - see p7
Wednesday 13th Horti Society meeting - see p9
Friday 15th Sibford Gower PC Meeting - see p19
Saturday 16th Tadmarton Gardens open - see p21
Tuesday 19th Friendship Club, Afternoon Outing to Moreton - see p2
Tuesday 19th LEO Club meeting - see p15
Tuesday 19th Playgroup AGM - see p17

TUESDAY 19th * DEADLINE for *SIBFORD SCENE* CONTRIBUTIONS *

Wednesday 20th Sibford School Open Morning - see p15
Wednesday 20th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Wednesday 20th Swalcliffe Society meeting, Swa. Village Hall - 780259
Saturday 23rd Skip in the Gower - Village Pond
Wednesday 27th Inter-Benefice Quiz, Sibford Primary School - see p21

CALENDAR for OCTOBER (part)

Tuesday 3rd Friendship Club meeting in Village Hall - see p2
Wednesday 4th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)
Saturday 7th Scouts Paper Collection

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