

# SIBFORD SCENE

NO. 203  
APRIL / MAY 1997

## *Thank You, George!*

I know I am expressing the thoughts of many readers of the "Scene" in saying how much we have appreciated George's service over the years. We have never once failed to find the milk on our doorstep in even the most appalling weather. I can't imagine George will be idle, but I hope he will enjoy getting up at a more civilized hour.

*Wyn Johnston*

*[Wyn was the first of several villagers who kindly offered to thank George publicly for his unfailing service to the Sibfords, which he maintained for more than 20 years. Well done, George! The Editor.]*

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## \* \* MONTHLY CAR BOOT SALE \* \*

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## WHY DID GEORGE RETIRE??

Exclusive story and picture - see page 11.

# Nature Notes.

Feb. 23rd. A few weeks ago I was surprised to hear that a goldfinch had visited a nut feeder in Sibford Ferris as I had never seen one eating nuts, but today one, perhaps the same bird, has come to ours, with a brambling taking sunflower seed last month and a goldfinch now feeding on peanuts it seems that old birds can learn new tricks.

Feb. 26th. While helping with a bird count on a kilometre square near the Rollright Stones this morning a woodcock got up from a sheltered ditch, but I was even more pleased to find a recently used hare scrape, or 'hod' as we used to call them, in the stubble of a set-aside field. Years ago when hares were plentiful hods were frequently seen on arable land. When I was young I was told that if I spotted a hare in its hod, (which was a rare occurrence as it was so well camouflaged that the eye was the only point to draw your attention) I should take off my coat, set it on the ground and walk back the way I had come before circling round to come up behind the hare which would still have its eyes fixed on the coat. I could then grab it before it realised that I was there. I have often wondered whether there was any truth in this or whether it was just a leg pull and have never had the opportunity to try it out.

Mar. 9th. I hear that netting and ringing of birds has been carried out at Knownhill. Those caught included finches, a lot of yellowhammers, a few tree sparrows and some corn buntings which were the species that the exercise was aimed at. Although sizable flocks of corn buntings are recorded during the winter months very few of them are nesting in the area and it is hoped that the ringed birds can be traced to their summer quarters.

Mar. 12th. The first siskins that we have seen this year visited our bird table early this morning. There were four males and one female in the group which is probably working its way north for the summer.

It is thought that climatic change could account for the appearance of a greater proportion of albino frogs in southern counties. They are mostly orange in colour and should be easily distinguished from the usual green/brown variations.

Mar. 14th. This morning I had a perfect view, through a gap in a fence that I was mending, of a very smart pair of goldcrests hopping about in a bush only a few feet from me.

Mar 17th. This early warm spell of weather has brought the butterflies out of hibernation a good deal earlier than usual. The earliest sighting of a yellow brimstone that I heard of was on Feb. 25th. Since then we have also seen peacocks, small tortoiseshells and a comma but the colder weather now forecast may make them hide away again.

Rec'd.  
5/4/77 - 29/3/77

## FRIENDSHIP CLUB

We all enjoyed our Village Hall meeting on 4 March, when Simon Townsend from Banbury Museum gave a talk & showed slides on the work they do and their plans for a larger museum when the re-development of the Bridge St area is carried out.

On THURSDAY 3 April in the Village Hall we shall be having an 'Easter Tea' at 5pm, which is for members only. However, from 7-9pm there will be entertainment by 'Music Unlimited' and this is free to anyone who would like to attend. A raffle will be held during the evening, all proceeds to go to the Blue Cross Animal Rescue Centre at Burford.

On TUESDAY 15 April we hope to arrange a trip to Toddington and a ride on the local railway. This is still to be confirmed.

On TUESDAY 6 May our Annual General Meeting will be held at 2pm in the Village Hall.

On TUESDAY 20 May there will be an Outing to Cadbury World. For details please ring Mrs Boughton on 263460. BH

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### NEWS FROM THE SIBFORD GOWER ENDOWED PRIMARY SCHOOL'S PTA:

#### "THE GREAT BALLOON RACE" - 16 TH APRIL

How far can a balloon travel from Sibford? Bloxham, Birmingham, Biggleswade, Bognor or Berlin? The PTA are organising "The Great Balloon Race" Each balloon will be tagged with the sponsor's name and address and from posted returns, the children will plot their journeys. The balloons will be released on 16th April and they will *boldly blow where no balloon has blown before!* The chequered flag will end the race on May 2nd. Just £1 will buy a balloon and reserve it's place on the starting grid! If any children want to cajole their parents into buying a balloon - please contact: Tony Skowronski (780490)

THERE WILL BE A PRIZE FOR THE OWNER OF THE BALLOON THAT TRAVELS THE GREATEST CONFIRMED DISTANCE!!!



#### ARTS FESTIVAL: 10TH & 11TH MAY

We've organised an Arts and Crafts Festival to be held at the School over the weekend of the 10th & 11th May where local artists will be exhibiting their work alongside the children's artwork. All money raised will go to the School and the Katherine House Hospice. So far, the response has been *fantastic* with over 100 pictures being exhibited by 24 artists. Entrance will be free and there will also be live music and our very own special "cafe-bar" to keep you suitably refreshed!

# W. I. NEWS & INFORMATION

Once again the A.G.M. presented an account of a successful past and a promising future.

The financial statement was "in the pink" and the secretary's report recalled enjoyable meetings and much activity during the year. In her Swan Song the president thanked one and all, but particularly the secretary, treasurer and fellow committee members for their loyal support, and admitted to having enjoyed her three years in office. May her successor do likewise!

Congratulations were extended to Mrs Winter on her award of a Silver Medal in the recent County Handicraft Competition.

Formalities completed, we listened to Mrs Kate Healey (alias Mrs Muriel Chandler's daughter) as she told of her equestrian involvement and her literary prowess - another outstanding achievement. Thank you Kate.

Brains were kept busy as we wrestled with an "algebraic quiz". Many of us knew that  $70 = T S Y \& T$ , and all of us that  $5 = T$  on a  $F$  - but did you know  $2 = O.P.$  and  $4 = G$  in a  $P$ . No, its not geese in a pond or goats in a paddock!

As ever, visitors will be welcome to our next meeting,

April 8th, 2 p.m.

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The suggested contribution is still £2 per household, though larger contributions would, of course, be greatly appreciated!

May I suggest you fill your envelope **NOW**, before you get side-tracked into deep contemplation by the forthcoming electoral snowstorm of utopian promises of either jam tomorrow or, possibly, treacle tart every other Sunday.

Thank You - The Editor,

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## LEO CLUB News

There was an excellent turn-out at the March LEO Club meeting at Jean Puddle's home. Plenty of amusing reminiscences were exchanged, after which plans were made for the future, as follows:

Tuesday 15 April - at Lynda Conway's, Shennington. A food quiz and recipe swap.

Tuesday 20 May - at Pat Bates's, 5 Folly Court, S. Ferris.  
A talk on South Africa by Pat.

Tuesday 17 June - at Rosalind Pearlman's. Bring Summer food, wine will be provided. Treasure Hunt in the garden.

Tuesday 15 July - Proposed evening visit to Brook Cottage.  
To be arranged with owner.

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### COME & SEE THE MILLENNIUM PANELS PROJECT Village Hall Sunday 27 April

The Millennium Committee are supporting the Millennium Panels project; they have invited us to join them in the Village Hall on Sunday 27 April from 3pm, to show you what we are aiming to do and how we work. Our usual Sunday afternoon workshop will be in action, with work at all stages being displayed.

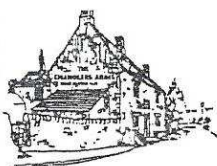
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Mollie Mulley tel. 780629

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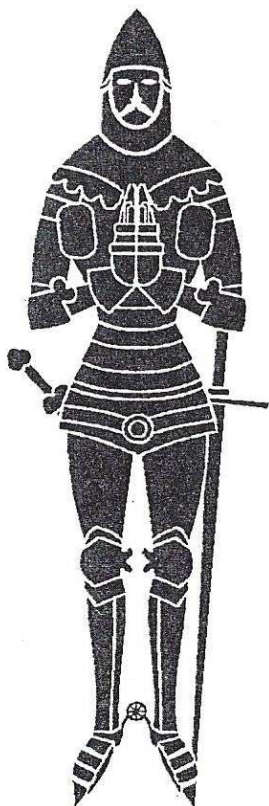
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## MARY BENNETT

1952 - 1995

A Meeting to celebrate the life of Mary Bennett was held on Sunday 2nd February at Sibford School. Family, friends, teachers and pupils (past and present) gathered together in the Oliver Studio. After the meeting a collection of £160.00 was donated to the Katherine House Hospice, where Mary spent the last year of her life.

Mary was appointed Teacher in Charge of Orchard Close in 1989. She was an inspirational teacher and her loss is greatly felt.

Mary lived in Rufus Cottage and made many friends in the village. She was a talented artist and writer. Her school plays were memorable because she always wrote them around the characters of her pupils.

Mary's strength of character shone throughout her long illness "To teach is to touch a life", Mary touched many lives in this community.



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The annual general meeting held at the Bishop Blaize Inn resulted in the following club officials for the 1997 season:

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Treasurer - Lee Gilbert  
League Captain - Dave Pratt  
League Vice-Captain - Jason Barton  
Friendly's Captain - Chris Wollerton  
Press Secretary - Matthew Spicer  
Hospitality Secretary - David Simms

Recognition of the contribution that Adrian Lamb has made to the club was given as he was finally standing down as secretary after holding various club positions for many years. His involvement in most club affairs is widely acknowledged and will hopefully continue in a playing capacity as well as Sibford Scene contributions.

Net practice will take place every Wednesday in April between 6.00 pm and 7.00 pm at the School's sports hall. All previous and prospective players are encouraged to attend to iron out the winter stiffness.

Matches commence with a friendly at Fenny Compton on 27th April. The full season's fixtures will be published in the May edition of The Scene.

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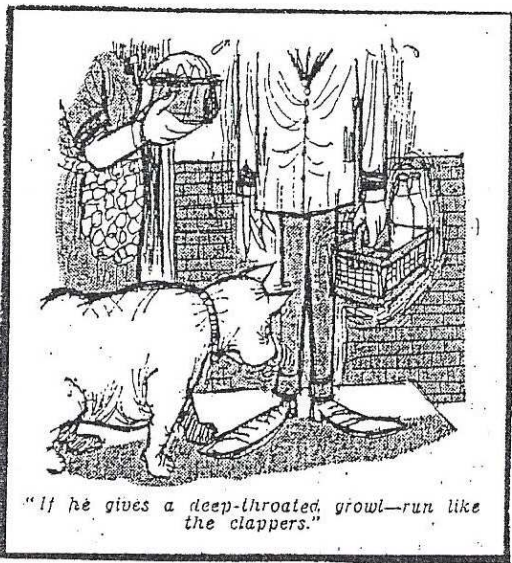
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## WELCOME to SIBFORD - ALL NEWCOMERS

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 Mary Mills on Swa. 780248 (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.

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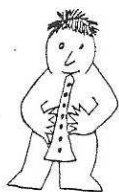
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Every Wednesday for over 5 years, the Fielding Day Centre has been operating in a room kindly provided by Sibford (Friends) School, and provides, between 12.30 and 4.30pm, a cooked lunch, social activities and tea for up to 14 visitors. They attend the Day Centre by referral from the Social Services and many of them are otherwise housebound, with little if any social activity. Currently, our visitors come from Sibford, Bloxham, Epwell, Hook Norton, Hornton, Wigginton & Wroxtton.

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 lunches.

Unfortunately, several of our volunteers are now 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, for which drivers are paid expenses of 30p per mile.

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.*

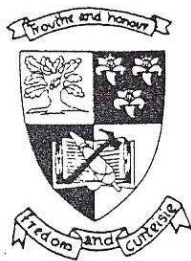
*Ray Henbrey (Chairman)*

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SIBFORD SCENE by POST - Renewal of Subscriptions

Our stalwart supporters, from Hook Norton to Devon & Dorset, who receive their *Sibford Scene* direct from our Distribution Department by Royal Mail, are reminded that 12 months have sped by and subscriptions are now due for renewal. The cost - £6.00 per annum including postage - remains the same as in 94 - 96. Cheques should be made out to '*Sibford Scene*' and should be mailed to *The Editor* (our Treasurer has more than enough to do, keeping a fatherly eye on his extended flock).

We hope you continue to find something of interest to you in each issue, not only of the *Scene*, but also of the innovative *Scene Extra*.



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## **"The Mikado"**

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The chorus has a major role in this ever popular musical and Mark Paine is looking for a few more experienced singers, especially Altos, Tenors and Basses (also some Sopranos).

Weekly rehearsals at Sibford School will be on Wednesdays at 7.30 p.m. and Thursday at 4.40 p.m., commencing on 16th April. (An additional time may be arranged if there are many who cannot make these times).

Please ring Mark Paine 780377 if you are interested in singing or leave him a message on 780441.

**"He's got a little list" !**

A full orchestra is being assembled for this production and local musicians are welcome. Music available in early April, minimal rehearsal time, lots of notes to play.....

There must be some musicians reading the Scene who will be tempted!

Many people have enjoyed seeing *Hale-Bopp*, one of the brightest comets of this century. If we have some more clear nights, it will still be visible in the Northern Sky throughout April, as it continues its dramatic trip towards & around the Sun and then starts its return journey past Earth and onwards to the farthest reaches of our Solar System - way beyond the planet Pluto, which is some 4 billion miles from Earth. It was last seen from Earth at the time of the ancient Egyptians and is not expected to return for another 3,000 years!

Unlike the planets, whose orbits round the Sun are well-known, like Venus the 'evening star', or the fleeting meteors (the so-called 'shooting stars'), comets are exotic wanderers of the night and only a few specially bright ones are easily seen in anyone's lifetime, as they make such long elliptical voyages around the Sun.

*Jim Shields*

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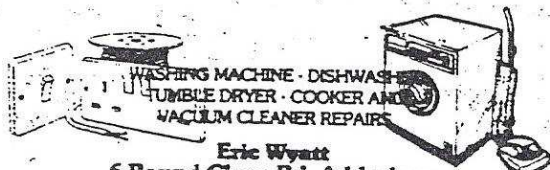
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## Fostering and Adoption

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Oxfordshire County Council Social Services Department are looking for long-term foster carers and adopters for a number of children like Sophie, Jack and David. Most of these children are between 3 and 13 years old. Some of them have special needs. All of them need someone to come forward to offer them a permanent home. We try in most cases to keep brothers and sisters together so we often need families who can take more than one child.

All sorts of people can become foster carers or adopters. You can be married or single, age is no barrier and educational qualifications are not required. All you need to start with are the qualities common to every good parent. You will receive training and regular support. Foster carers are paid generous allowances (these allowances do not affect entitlement to Income Support). Dependent upon circumstances, some adoptive parents can be given financial support too.

Could yours be the family one of these children are waiting for?

If you are interested in finding out more about Sophie, Jack or David, or fostering and adoption generally, please contact the Banbury family placement team at:  
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# SIBFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

## 1997 Programme.

- April 9th "Delphiniums" by Mr. Woodfield
- April 17th Coffee Morning at The Court House,  
Sibford Gower
- May 14th "Climbers and Wall Shrubs" by Mrs.  
Cropley
- June 7th Plant Sale at Park Farm House, Sibford  
Gower
- June 19th Outing - RHS Rose Gardens at St. Albans
- August 16th Annual Show

**All new members very welcome**  
**Meetings start at 8.00 p.m.**  
**Transport can be arranged if requested**  
**Telephone Ann Stevenson 780612**

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SIBFORD GOWER PARISH COUNCIL  
\* Village Spring Clean \*

This year, the National Spring Clean campaign runs from 18th to 27th April. Sibford Gower Parish Council will be supporting this campaign by tidying up our village and plan to meet on Saturday 26th April at 2.00pm at the Village Hall. Sacks will be provided so please come along and help to litter-pick and spring clean our village verges and public areas. Please wear stout shoes and protective gloves. Children will be accompanied.

ACCOMMODATION WANTED FOR JAPANESE STUDENT

We have a 22 year old Male Japanese Student coming at the beginning of May to do six months work experience at Whichford Pottery. We are looking for somewhere for him to stay as a paying guest, either self-catering or within a family. If you think you might be able to help, or would like more information, please phone Carole Moir at the Pottery on 01608 684416.

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for the MAY issue of *Sibford Scene Extra*  
will be

\* TUESDAY 15 APRIL \*

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## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH NEWS

The Mothers' Day service was attended by a large congregation which included many families and children. The service was taken by Mary Nash and The Rector preached; lessons were read by Charlie Ryall and James Wimbush and prayers by Jonathan Young and Emily Cox. The organ was played by Mark Paine for most of the service as he had to rush off for another service elsewhere when the Rector took over this task as well. Many interesting paintings and drawings with poetry and writing were offered by the children.

If this copy of the Sibford Scene reaches you before then, it will help to remind you that the Children's Holiday Club morning on Good Friday 29th March will be from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm at the Sibford Primary School. This will comprise storytelling, music, crafts and other activities and will be based on the Easter story.

The services for Easter are given elsewhere in The Scene.

There will be working parties in the church garden at 6.30 pm on Wednesday 2nd April and Thursday 10th April. Help would be greatly appreciated and could volunteers please bring strimmers, shears, garden forks, spades and rakes. We hope to clear the area between the "old" and "new" churchyards and to clear and level the ground by the newly cleared hedgerows so that grass seed may be sown. If there is anyone who knows how to persuade the moles to move their homes and motorways to areas outside the churchyard, advice would be greatly appreciated.

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1910 + LESLIE TANNER + 1997

Leslie Tanner died at the Horton General Hospital,  
Banbury on 4 February, aged 86 years.

Leslie, brother of Jeff and Henry Tanner,  
lived his younger years in Sibford Gower.

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## CHURCH SERVICES

Society of Friends	Sunday at 10.30 am
Methodist	Sunday at 11.00 am
Roman Catholic Mass (Hook Norton)	Sunday at 9.00 am
(Brailes)	Sunday at 11.30 am
Baptist (Hook Norton)	Sunday at 10.30 am

Church of England, Holy Trinity, Sibford Gower

6 Apr	10.00am	Benefice Eucharist at Tadmarton
13 "	9.30am	Holy Communion
20 "	9.30am	Family Service
27 "	9.30am	Holy Communion
4 May	10.00am	Benefice Eucharist at Epwell
8 "	7.30am	Holy Communion (Ascension Day)
11 "	9.30am	Holy Communion
18 "	9.30am	Holy Communion (Pentecost)
25 "	9.30am	Holy Communion (TRINITY SUNDAY)
1 June	10.00am	Benefice Eucharist at Broughton

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### 1st The Sibfords Scout Group

All sections of the Group provided an evening of entertainment and enjoyment for parents and friends at the Village Hall recently. Beavers and Cubs staged some lively and amusing musical items; the Beavers with a six humped camel (and a horse) that delighted the audience. The Cubs presented a number that had originally been written by the late Ralph Reader for the Scout's London Gang Show entitled "the Doctor with the little Black Bag" The youngsters portrayed butchers, bakers and other trades people of yesteryear reminding the audience of life before the giant supermarket and the all embracing health authority.

Three Scouts provided a more serious note when they gave details of the expedition and results of research carried out for their Chief Scout's Challenge. Christopher Hazleton, Stephen Dean and Tom Groom used slides and overheads to give a very professional presentation of their findings.

Following refreshments, the County Commissioner, David Chapman officially presented the Scouts with their Chief Scout's Challenge awards, followed by presentations and investitures to Cubs and Scouts. Mrs Vera Jones presented Christopher Hazleton with the Ernest Jones Summer Trophy, one of two trophies presented in memory of Ernest to be competed for on an annual basis and presented to the "...Beaver, Cub or Scout who had contributed most to the spirit of Scouting..." during the previous 12 months.

# SIBFORD BUS SERVICES

## 1. SIBFORD GOWER TOWN ESTATES BUS SERVICE

Free Bus Service for Residents of Sibford Gower and Burdrop

			Depart	Return
Friday	4 & 18 Apr	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon
Wednesday	9 & 23 Apr	to Chippy	11.00am	1.00pm
Friday	2 & 16 May	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon
Wednesday	7 & 21 May	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. MIDLAND RED. 480 Sibford - Banbury

Mon - Sat (M-S). Mon - Fri, College Term only (M-F)

	Outward		Return (read up)	
	M-S	M-F	M-F	M-S
Sibford Gower Crossroads	7.30am	8.20am	5.20pm	6.30pm
Sibford Ferris School	7.32	8.22	5.18	6.28
Banbury Cross	7.55	8.45	4.58	6.08
Banbury Bus Station	8.00am	8.50am	4.55pm	6.05pm

## 3. JEFFS COACHES. 480 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	11.42	11.42	12.47	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. 55 Sibford - Banbury

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

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## WEEKLY EVENTS

Guides	Hook Norton	Monday	evening
Indoor Bowls	Village Hall	Monday	2.00 - 4.00pm
Brownies	Village Hall	Tuesday	5.15 - 6.45pm
Mums & Toddlers	Friends School	Wednesday	10.30am - 12noon
Fielding Day Centre	Friends School	Wednesday	12.30 - 4.30pm
Badminton	Friends School	Wednesday	7.30 - 9.30pm
Beavers	Village Hall	Friday	4.30 - 5.45pm
Cub Scouts	Village Hall	Friday	6.00pm
Scouts	Village Hall	Friday	following Cubs
Playgroup	Village Hall	Mon, Wed, Fri	9.00am - 12noon

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

DIARIST - Eileen Steele (788593)  
13 Old Glebe, Tadmarton

Apr 19	Sat	Swal/Taddy Horti Soc Spring Show	Taddy VH 2pm	788278
*Apr 24/25/26		Epwell Drama 'The Evisto Cats'	Epwell VH	
Jun 7	Sat	Sib Horti Soc Plant Sale	Park Farm Hse, Gower	780544
Jun 7	Sat	Swal/Taddy Horti Soc Coach Trip	ERDD IG(NT)-tickets	788278
*Jun 9	Mon	Sibford School Open Morning	S.Ferris p15	780441
Jun 14	Sat	Garden Fete, Huntington's Disease, 2pm	The Gables, Taddy	780630
*Jun 15	Sun	Epwell Fete		
*Jun 19	Thu	Sib Horti Soc Outing - RHS Rose Gardens	St Albans	780544
*Jun 20	Fri	Supper Dance for Macmillan Cancer Relief	Brailes VH p12	
Jun 27/28/29		Flower/Arts Festival	Winderton Church	01608685226
*Jly 1/2/3		Sibford School - The Mikado	S.Ferris p14	780441
*Jly 12	Sat	Sibford Church Summer Garden Party, 2.30pm	Red House, Burdrop	780275
*Jly 19	Sat	Sibford Village Hall Fete, 2.30pm	Sibford VH	788241
*Jly 20	Sun	Sibford Village Hall Sports Day, 2pm	Sibford VH	780676
*Jly 26	Sat	Epwell Open Gardens & Lunch	Epwell Church	780773
*Jly 26	Sat	Shutford Fete 2.30pm	Shutford VH	788364
Aug 16	Sat	Sib Horti Soc Annual Show	Sibford VH	
Sep 7	Sun	Swal/Taddy Horti Soc Show, 2pm	Swal VH	788278
Sep 21	Sun	Tadmarton Open Gardens, 2pm	Teas Taddy VH	780212
*Oct 4	Sat	Sibford Harvest Service & Supper, 5.30pm	Sibford Church	780275
*Oct 24/25/26		Cottage Crafts, 10am-5pm	Malcolms Cott, Taddy	780453
*Oct 25	Sat	Sibford Village Quiz, 7.30pm	Sibford VH	788241
Nov 22	Sat	Sibford Church Xmas Bazaar, 2.30pm	Sibford VH	780275
*Dec 6	Sat	Coffee Morning & Xmas Sale, 10am-noon	Sibford Method Chapel	780461

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## CALENDAR for APRIL 1997

- Tuesday 1st Line Dancing at Village Hall - Every Tuesday - see p 1  
Wednesday 2nd Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)  
Wednesday 2nd First Sibford Cricket Nets - see p 9  
Wednesday 2nd Working party in Holy Trinity garden - see p20  
Thursday 3rd Friendship Club, Easter Tea & 'Music Unlimited' - see p 3  
Friday 4th Sibford Gower PC meeting - Primary School 8pm  
Saturday 5th Scouts Paper Collection  
Sunday 6th Sibford Village Hall Monthly Carboot Sale - see p 1  
Tuesday 8th W. I. Meeting - see p 4  
Wednesday 9th Sibford Horti Society Meeting - see p18  
Thursday 10th Piccolos Musical Fun, Village Hall, first session - p12  
Thursday 10th Working party in Holy Trinity garden - see p20  
Sunday 13th Tadmarton Gardens Open - see p12  
Tuesday 15th Friendship Club trip to Toddington - see p 3  
Tuesday 15th LEO Club meeting - see p 6  
Tuesday 15th \* DEADLINE for MAY issue of *SCENE EXTRA* - see p19 \*  
Wednesday 16th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)  
Wednesday 16th Gower School PTA 'Balloon Race' - see p 3  
Thursday 17th Sibford Horti Soc - Coffee Morning - see p18  
Saturday 19th Skip in the Gower - Village Pond  
Friday 25th Sibford Gower APM - Primary School 7.30pm  
Saturday 26th Sibford Gower PC Village Spring Clean - see p18  
Sunday 27th Sibford Millennium Projects - Village Hall - see pp 6 & 7  
Sunday 27th Cricket Club - first match - see p 9  
Wednesday 30th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)  
Wednesday 30th Sibford Village Hall AGM - 8pm

## CALENDAR for MAY 1997

- Saturday 3rd Scouts Paper Collection  
Sunday 4th Sibford Village Hall Monthly Carboot Sale - see p 1  
Monday 5th Sibford School - Open Morning - see p15  
Tuesday 6th Friendship Club A.G.M. - Village Hall - see p 3  
Sat/Sun 10/11th Gower School PTA Arts Festival - see p 3  
Wednesday 14th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)  
Wednesday 14th Sibford Horti Society Meeting - see p18  
Saturday 17th Skip in the Gower - Acre Ditch  
Tuesday 20th LEO Club meeting - see p 6  
Tuesday 20th Friendship Club Outing to Cadbury World - see p 3  
TUESDAY 20th \* DEADLINE for JUNE/JULY *SCENE* CONTRIBUTIONS - see p19 \*  
Wednesday 28th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)

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