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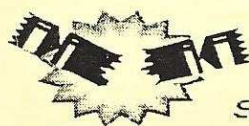
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**UPDATE ON SIBFORD CHURCH ROOF APPEAL**

**Gifts, covenants & loans totalling £15,000 have already been  
promised by 30 people in response to last month's appeal.  
Further details on page 20, or contact David Soden (780543)  
or Norman Nash (780275) if you wish to offer your support.**



# Nature Notes

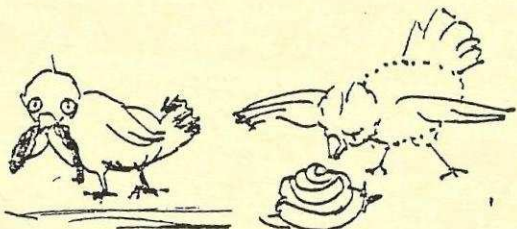
**Oct 22nd.** We were surprised to hear the thud of a bird flying into our window at 8 o'clock tonight. I took a torch to see what sort of bird had come to grief at that time of night and saw a cat rushing away leaving a handful of blackbird feathers. I wondered whether the cat could have flushed it from its roost following it until it hit the window and then collecting its reward.

**Nov 1st.** Two buzzards were seen over Acre Ditch this morning which is not such a rare sight as it used to be as they continue to spread from the west. I have often wondered whether queen wasps can sting. Today I put my finger on one that had hidden itself away amongst my flower pots and found out that they can.

**Nov 7th.** A nuthatch flew against the window this afternoon. At first it looked to be dying and I kept an eye on it and made sure that there were no cats near and after a few minutes it came to and started to look around and within 20 minutes felt well enough to fly away into the trees. A few days ago my sister had two blackbirds hit her window at the same time and both of them died. They were probably chasing.

**Nov 9th.** There were two nuthatches on the bird table today so I think it must have made a full recovery.

**Nov 15th.** A heron was patrolling Sibford Ferris gardens, at 7.15 this morning, looking for a pond to rob. My sister-in-law tells me that many years ago she found a good sized goldfish, that could only have come down the chimney, on the sitting room hearth at Holly House. Could a heron have dropped it? I find it hard to visualise a heron settling on top of that chimney although I suppose they are a shade smaller than the white storks that sometimes nest on chimney tops on the continent.



ENJOY YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER

## SIBFORD HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

### \* \* Christmas Slide Show & Festive Fare \* \*

Those who did not attend our last meeting missed a most enjoyable & enlightening talk by Mr Hirons on *The Farne Islands and their Flora & Fauna*.

The next meeting is on **Wednesday 9 December**, at 8pm in the (pre-heated) Village Hall, when Roger Powell will give an illustrated talk entitled 'Kaleidoscope'.

Our renowned Christmas festive fare will follow and remember to bring along your entries for our competition for a **Christmas Table Decoration**.

Do come and join us at what is always a very enjoyable evening and also remember to purchase your new 1998/99 membership cards in order to get your discount on those Christmas purchases at local garden centres. RP



## MONTHLY COLLECTORS & CAR BOOT SALES SUNDAYS in SIBFORD VILLAGE HALL

These sales (now indoors) include several tables of items of interest to COLLECTORS. The next sales will be on **Sunday 6 December** and **3 January**, from 12.30 to 3.30pm. Refreshments available. Come along and find some good Christmas presents.

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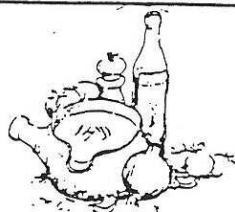
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## LETTER FROM SIBFORD VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Sadly seeing the youngsters enjoying the new play equipment at the Hall was short lived, when some items were damaged and had to be removed but hopefully will be available for people hiring the Hall.

You will see the notice board has been demolished by an unknown source. We will be replacing this as quickly as possible - meanwhile the board has been left against the wall for any posters.

The Village Hall theatre evenings will continue in the new year with "Thurtinkles Telling Tales" for 4 years and upwards (a 50 minute performance about this much loved storyteller from the Land of the Big Noses who lives in a very tiny house; includes rod & glove puppets, shadows, marionettes, live music and audience participation). This is on during the half-term school holiday on Wednesday 17th February at 3 p.m. with tickets at only £1, followed in March by the Oxfordshire Touring Theatre Company's "Tripping the Light Fantastic", a new play for adults & young people that will have audiences dancing in the aisles! Details from Muriel Chandler on 780025. These are held in conjunction with Cherwell District Council.

The last car boot sale raised £80 for Village Hall funds. These Sales are indoors and supported by some stall holders selling lovely collectable items. There is a sale on Sunday 6th December from 12.30 to 3.30 p.m. with refreshments available and bookings can be made by ringing 01295 251339. An opportunity for buying some good Christmas presents. Our thanks go to Josie and Bert Marshall and family who run these sales for the Village Hall. The January sale will be on Sunday the 3rd. We do appreciate your support at these fund raising events.

We would like the co-operation of all who use or hire the Hall to ensure that the paper towels are disposed of in the bins provided and not put down the toilets as recently happened, which put the gents toilet out of action for a short while.

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Select a large mixing bowl, measuring cup and spoons. Sample another measure of rum to confirm it is of *highest* quality. To be *absolutely* sure, pour yourself a level cup of rum and drink as fast as possible. Repeat if not 100 pershent sore.

With a hand mixer, beat 1 cup of butter in the large fluffy bowl. Add 1 tsp thugar and beat again vigourishly. Sit down and retest another cup of rum (in case it has gone off in the heat - *isn't it getting warm in here?*).

After a little well-deserved rest, open your eyes and continue with recipe by addling 2 arge leggs & 1 flup of cried druit and beat till high. If druit gets stuck in beaters, pry out with a drewscriver (*either standard or Phillips will do*).

Open second bottle of rum (*you don't remember finishing the first one?*) and test for tonsiscency. Next sift 3 cups of pepper or salt (*it really doesn't matter*), & ½ pint of jemon luice into the large bowly fluff and add 2 spabletoons of washing soda. Fold in the chopped butter and add your strained nuts. Retest rum for contistic constituency.

(*We're nearly there, my duck, so brace yourself against the sink, take 2 deep breaths and mop your brow with the dish-cloth.*) Add a bag (*as in many things, actual size doesn't matter*) of brown thugar (*nor does the colour, really*). Wix mell with a spoonen woon. Grease a 7½" oven (*What with? Oh, I don't know. See what's lurking in the bottom of your chip pan*). Turn your cake tin up to 350 gredees. Pour contents of the buffy flowl into the coven and leave to brake till dun (*probably a week next Tancake Puesday, but who cares?*).

Finally, sift the rest of the rum into the empty flowly buff, drink it, give your brow a final mop with the clish-doth and bo to ged.

(*Merry Chrishmash.*) - *Smelia Dith.*



Based, with many thanks and apologies, on an item in the Spring 1998 edition of Caring Matters, the magazine of the Carers Centre in Banbury.

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## W. I. NEWS & INFORMATION

There was a larger company than usual of members and visitors at the November meeting - all keen to hear of the life of the lady long-distance lorry driver. But - she didn't arrive !

Instead we were whisked across the Atlantic to Vancouver, sailing down the western coast, visiting Los Angeles (voted "rather tatty" !), Mexico, Guatemala and Costa Rica. Of the many pleasures en route emeralds had been admired (and resisted!) and coffee plantations visited. Then came the eight hours journey through the Panama Canal before the homeward flight and the end of a memorable holiday for MRS ELLDRED.

There was no time to recover from jet lag before we were airborne again, landing in Lanzaroti, the barren island of volcanoes. It was here that MRS CONWAY enjoyed (or did she say "endured" ?) a camel ride, and grilled chicken legs over volcanic heat.

Thank you both for your impromptu talks which were greatly appreciated.

More mundanely we had discussed the possibility of marking the millennium with some tangible gift to the village and of having our own W.I. banner.

We heard of the financial success of the Moreton Coffee Morning and heeded the appeal for unwanted spectacles.

On November 18th. we celebrate our 70th. anniversary - assuredly not the end of our "allotted span" !

On December 8th. we meet at the home of Mrs Bristow. Don't forget a small wrapped gift for exchange.

M.C.

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# The Sibfords Society

The next meeting of the Society will be the annual Social Evening on the 27 January at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. As usual, we will be having a Bring and Share supper, so please could you bring along a plate of food. Non-members are also

very welcome to attend this very pleasant evening.

There are still a few Xmas cards for sale, so please get in touch with Ivor Hopkyns on 788367 or another member of the committee, should you need some.

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## The John Loggins Charity

The Trustees of this Charity will soon be meeting and the annual distribution of funds will be considered. As in previous years, will those people, older or younger, who feel themselves in need of being considered for help offered, please write to The Trustees, c/o The Rectory, Sibford Gower by 12 December. Their applications will thereafter be considered, in complete confidence of course, by the Trustees. Distribution will be achieved in time for Christmas.

Timothy Wimbush  
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## SIBFORD GOWER AND SIBFORD FERRIS PARISH COUNCILS

### Wheathills Farm

Both Councils were very pleased with the response following the Wheathills appeal and wishes to thank everyone who pledged a donation. The Trust has now made an offer and further details will be announced when more information becomes available.

The appeal is still open for pledges of donations of any size. Once again thank you very much for your support.

### Tenants Rights to Consultation

The Housing Department at Cherwell District Council has over the past few years actively encouraged tenants of the Council to become more involved in the decision making process.

The Councils has recently formalised the Tenants' Consultative Committee (TCC) to become a sub-committee of the main Housing Committee. This new forum has enabled tenants to receive a real voice and to help make decisions on strategy planning, housing policy direction, and general improvement of service delivery.

The TCC has spaces available for rural representation and anyone who wishes to represent this Parish at the TCC and further involvement of rural areas in the decision making process within Cherwell District Council can contact the Clerk for further information.

Petra Berry, Clerk to Sibford Gower Parish Council (780462)

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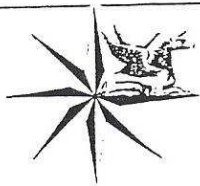


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Letter



to the Editor

Dear Editor

Having lived in a village where the shop was sold as a residential property, I was delighted to hear that Judith Jefferson had taken over as the Sibford Postmistress and would be continuing with the shop, which I feel is a life-line to many of the residents.

A warm welcome is extended to both Judith and to Terry Byrne, who I understand will mainly be running the shop side. I hope they will be successful and enjoy being part of our village life. Let's all give them as much support as we can. Also a 'Thank You' for their cheese & wine evening.

Not forgetting a big 'Thank You' to Helen Henderson & family, the previous owners, and to wish Helen 'Good Luck' in whatever she next chooses to do and we hope her back improves!

Yours M.C.



### *A FAREWELL to SIBFORD*

Colin, Helen & family would like to say 'Thank You' to all of the customers that supported us during our time at Sibford P.O. & Stores. It has been a very memorable 5½ years, not always easy but very challenging. We would also like to thank the staff that worked for us and helped things to run smoothly.

I would like to make a special mention of Bernie - without her loyalty & support over the last two years my job would have been almost impossible.

Also thanks Bernie, for making a collection for my leaving present - I'm still not sure how you managed it without my Knowledge! - and thanks to everyone who contributed towards it and also to the kind cards of thanks.

Lastly we would like to wish Judith & Terry all the best for the future and we hope that you, the villagers, will continue to support your village shop.

*Colin, Helen & family.*

\* \* SIBFORD L. E. O. CLUB NEWS \* \*

(Ladies Evening Out Club)

Over a dozen members attended the November meeting at Glennis Hutchinson's home; after a careful locking of doors and closing of curtains, we were treated to further entertaining chapters of Muriel Chandler's life story.

On 15 December we will gather at 8pm at Ellen Warwicker's home; please bring along a seasonal poem, story, extract, etc to read and a plate of festive finger-food to share.

On 19 January we will visit *The Sun Inn* in Hooky (7.30 for 8.00) for our Annual Dinner - details of the menu will be finalized at our December meeting. M. H.



### FRIENDSHIP CLUB

During November we visited Moreton Market and then enjoyed a lovely ride to Winchcombe for tea. We have also had a meeting in the Village Hall when two representatives from Sainsbury's talked about their work and supplied Christmas 'goodies' for sampling with our cup of tea; a vote of thanks was given by Mrs Webb.

Arrangements for December/January are as follows:

TUESDAY 15 DECEMBER - Christmas Lunch at *The Sun* in Hooky. Coach leaves Epwell at 11.45am, then picks up at Tadmarton, Swalcliffe, Sibford Gower & then Sibford Ferris.

TUESDAY 19 JANUARY - Meet in Village Hall\* at 2.00pm, when we hope to have a representative from the Ambulance Service to give a talk. BH



### FLU INJECTIONS

Winter is approaching and this year's flu injections are now available for patients of Sibford Surgery.

Flu injections are advised for:

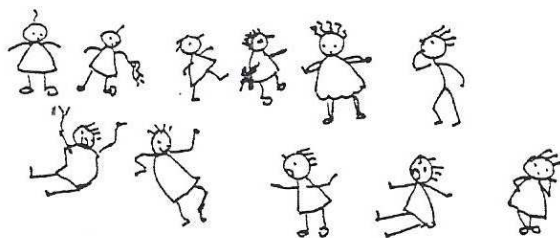
- those over 75
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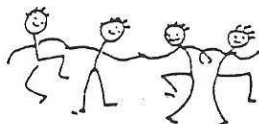
## SIBFORD TOTS & BABES

We meet on Wednesdays, 10.30am - noon, in the Friends Meeting House in the Gower.

We are all looking forward to joining the Playgroup for a Christmas Party at the Village Hall on 16 December.

New faces are always welcome, especially for the party.  
Phone Christine Bell (780036) or just pop into our meeting on a Wednesday.

C.B.



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## DONATIONS to SIBFORD SCENE FUNDS in 1998

Donations totalling £180 have been received so far in 1998 from the following 10 local organisations:

Friendship Club  
Sibford (Friends) School  
Sibford Gower School  
Sibford Playarea Group  
Sibford Village Hall

Horticultural Society  
Sibford Gower P C  
Sibford Methodist Chapel  
Sibford Playgroup  
Sibford W I

**MANY THANKS** to you all for your support, which has been gratefully appreciated.

Maybe the treasurers of a few of our other erstwhile regular supporters will now be goaded into erubescence, followed by a speedy loosening of purse strings.

*The Editor*

## WINTER WARMTH IS ESSENTIAL

If you are fit and healthy and live in a comfortable well heated home there is a good chance you will not be at risk from cold this winter. However, there are groups who for a variety of reasons, fall short of this criterion and who need to take extra care during the winter months. These groups include the elderly, the very young, the sick and the disabled.

Hypothermia is the big worry for vulnerable groups, during the winter months, and this occurs when the internal body temperature drops below 35°C.

Signs to look for include:-

- Lack of awareness of cold conditions
- Drowsiness and slurred speech
- Slow pulse and slow breathing
- Pale cold skin
- Blue coloured lips
- Unsteadiness and slow responses
- Mental confusion

The three main points for avoiding hypothermia centre around diet, clothing, accommodation.

### Diet

Have a good hearty breakfast, preferably hot, such as porridge or boiled eggs and toast. Drink plenty of hot drinks regularly during the day. Have a well balanced main meal sometime during the day and keep a flask of hot drink by your bedside for use during the night.

### Clothing

Wrap up well indoors if your house is cold.

Remember several thin layers of clothes keep you warmer than one thick layer. Thermal underwear is effective in keeping out the chill.

It is a fact that 20 per cent of your body heat goes out through your head, so a warm woolly hat or nightcap can be a great help.

If you have to pop outside, even if its only briefly, be sure to wrap up well with warm coat, scarf and gloves.

### Accommodation

Try to keep your home warm, but if its draughty or poorly insulated this may prove to be expensive!! Sealing cracks, covering letterboxes and drawing across thick curtains will all help to keep the heat in.

Sleeping temperatures should not be below 13°C, so if your bedroom is cold, consider having your bed down in the living room during cold spells. Electric blankets, that are fairly cheap to run, can make going to bed the luxury of the day!

Finally if you are worried about your heating bills do not turn the temperature down, ask for help without delay.

Cherwell District Council Health Promotion Team. Tel: 01295 252535 ext 4149.



## NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Christmas is a time for celebration.

Please take care of your property and that of your neighbour. Make sure all doors and windows are secure against unwanted visitors, that sheds and cars are locked. Please do not leave letters, papers or parcels for the passer-by to see.

The opportunist is up to every trick. Please check the identity of all strangers before allowing them into your property, and make sure that elderly neighbours understand how important this is.

A Very Happy Christmas to you all.

John Mulley.



## THE MILLENNIUM PANELS

We are delighted to tell you that Jack Walpole has joined us and is working with Mary Bristow. They are producing some lettering to explain the figures which tell the story of the Pageant, our history.

We are nearing the completion of the individual contributions. We have had a wonderful response, over sixty people have taken part producing some excellent work.

The next stage will be arranging the work, a real challenge. We will be starting in January 1999 and have to complete the project by April, ready for our exhibition at The Mill in Banbury.

Mollie Mulley.

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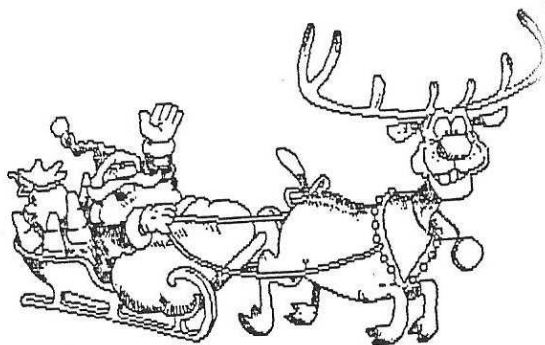
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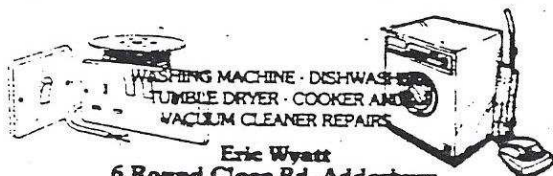
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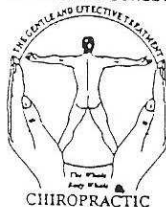
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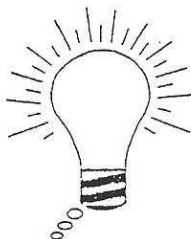
## THANK YOU AGAIN, SHEILA

Once again I wish to thank Sheila Walsh for her continued supply of seasonal and ever more inventive page 1 headings for the *Sibford Scene*, and for the many delightful little line drawings, including, this month, feeding birds (page 2), singing snow men (page 10) and cavorting tots (page 13). May Sheila's artistry continue to delight us. *The Editor.*

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Two schemes, which give away low-energy light bulbs to residents of Cherwell District, are currently in operation.



**Midlands:** If you get your electricity through MEB, and are in receipt of benefit or on a low income you will have to complete a short questionnaire about your electricity consumption and in return you will receive a single free low energy light bulb courtesy of the MEB.

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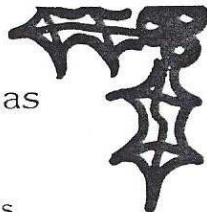
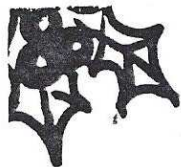
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Saturday 12th December

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Sibford Village Hall

Admission 20p



Crafts/gifts/games, bric-a-brac/ tombola/ raffle/ refreshments

Raffle prizes include:

A luxury hamper, giant-size Toblerone, basket of fruit and lots more!

For details of raffle tickets or for anyone wishing to donate bottles or bric-a-brac items for our stalls, please contact 01295 780813.

We look forward to seeing you all there to join in the fun!!

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## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH NEWS

The church in Sibford has many people to thank for the work they do in cleaning the church, brass polishing, flower arranging, grass cutting and gardening amongst other needs. It is always invidious to pick out individuals but mention must be made of particular recent achievements: first of all, Bill Puddle and Eric Payne have carried out a major repair to the iron fencing on the west boundary and made a really good job of it; the same two plus Guy Wilson have done an immense amount of clearing in the East area which for years has been allowed to grow wild also on the boundaries generally; Ian Warden has rubbed down and oiled the wooden benches and recently made a new notice board for us, amongst the many other jobs he does for the church. To all these and the many un-named, we give our grateful thanks.

### UPDATE ON THE ROOF APPEAL.

We have had a most encouraging response so far with 30 people offering a total of almost £10,000 in gifts and covenants and a further £5,000 in loans. Together with the £5,000 from the Oxford Historic Churches Fund, this means that we are nearly one third of the way there already. Those wishing to do so may bring their offering slips to the special Appeal Service in church on Sunday 13th December at 3.00 pm which is being held to dedicate our gifts but the Treasurer, David Soden would be pleased to receive further offers before then.

### CHRISTMAS BAZAAR.

As well as the Roof Appeal, we have to redouble our regular fund-raising efforts to cover our daily expenses and of course to repay the Roof Appeal loans. In this respect, the support by the village for the Bazaar was magnificent as usual. A great many people attended and £1,259 was achieved. This is a great result for Ian & Maureen Warden who organised the event for the first time and we and they are very grateful to all their helpers and indeed to the entire village for their gifts and for their response generally. With our thanks go our best wishes for a very happy Christmas to all in the Sibfords.

### POST SCRIPT

The Annual Meeting of the Church will again be held within the confines of a Pancake Party at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall on Shrove Tuesday 16th February 1999. Please make a note in your diary of this popular event which has a big village attendance; and the pancakes are delicious!





## CHURCH SERVICES

Society of Friends

Methodist

Roman Catholic Mass (Wroxton)  
(Brailles)

Baptist (Hook Norton)

Sunday at 10.30 am

Sunday at 11.00 am

Sunday at 9.00 am

Sunday at 11.30 am

Sunday at 10.30 am

Church of England, Holy Trinity, Sibford Gower

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|-------|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 6 Dec | 10.00am | 'Young at Heart' Service at Tadmarton                           |
| 13 "  | 9.30am  | Holy Communion                                                  |
|       | 3.00pm  | Church Roof Repair Appeal Service                               |
| 18 "  | 7.00pm  | Carols & Christingle Service                                    |
| 20 "  | 9.30am  | Holy Communion                                                  |
| 24 "  | 11.30pm | Midnight Mass at BROUGHTON                                      |
| 25 "  | 9.30am  | Holy Communion                                                  |
| 27 "  | 10.00am | Benefice Service at Sibford                                     |
| 3 Jan | 10.00am | Benefice Service at Swalcliffe                                  |
| 6 "   | 8.00pm  | Benefice Service at Sibford                                     |
| 10 "  | 9.30am  | Family Service                                                  |
| 17 "  | 9.30am  | Holy Communion                                                  |
| 24 "  | 9.30am  | Holy Communion                                                  |
|       | 3.00pm  | Service for Unity Week,<br>Friends Meeting House, Sibford Gower |
| 31 "  | 9.30am  | Holy Communion                                                  |
| 2 Feb | 8.00pm  | Candlemas Service at Epwell                                     |
| 7 "   | 10.00am | 'Young at Heart' Service at Tadmarton                           |

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## CARERS CENTRE JUMBLE SALE

The Jumble Sale in aid of the Carers Centre (N & W Oxon) and held in Sibford Village Hall on 24 October raised the grand sum of £337.

*Thank You* to everyone who turned out on such an atrocious day (weather wise!) to help make this sale such a brilliant success.

*Judy Abbott*

# SIBFORD BUS SERVICES

## 1. FREE BUS SERVICE

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			Depart	Return
Wednesday	2, 16 & 30 Dec	to Chippy	10.00am	12.00noon
Friday	11 Dec	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon
Wednesday	13 & 27 Jan	to Chippy	10.00am	12.00noon
Friday	8 & 22 Jan	to Banbury	10.00am	12.00noon

The pick-up points are:

### Banbury Bus

Village Hall

Crossroads

High Meadow

### Chippy Bus

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High Meadow

Crossroads

The Colony

## 2. MIDLAND RED. 480 Shipston - Sibford - Banbury

Mon - Sat (M-S).

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	M-S	NS	SO	M-S	
Shipston	-	-	9.20am	-	
Sibford Gower Crossroads	7.30am	9.00am	9.45	11.45am	
Sibford Ferris School	7.33	9.03	9.48	(11.42)	
Banbury Bus Station	8.00am	9.30am	10.15am	12.15pm	
	M-S	SO	NS	M-S	M-S
Banbury Bus Station	11.15am	12.15pm	12.15pm	2.15pm	6.00pm
Sibford Ferris School	11.42	12.42	12.42	2.42	6.27
Sibford Gower Crossroads	11.45am	12.45	12.45pm	2.45pm	6.30pm
Shipston	-	1.10pm	-	-	-

## 3. CHERWELL VILLAGER. 55 Sibford - Banbury

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

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

DIARIST - David Morgan (780232)

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* Feb 16 Tue	Church Annual Meeting & Pancake Party	Sibford Village Hall	780275
* Feb 17 Wed	'Thurtinkles Telling Tales' Theatre 3pm	Sibford Village Hall	780025
* Mar ?	'Tripping the Light Fantastic' Theatre	Sibford Village Hall	780025
* July 10 Sat	Birmingham Symphonic Winds Concert (MM)	Sibford School	

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* June 22-24	SIBFORD MILLENNIUM PAGEANT (MM)	SIBFORDS
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\* = NEW or CHANGED ENTRY.

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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
Tots'N'Babes(780036)	Friends Meeting Hse	Wednesday	10.30 - 12noon
Fielding Day Centre	Friends School	Wednesday	12.45 - 4.45pm
Badminton	Friends School	Wednesday	7.30 - 9.30pm
Piccolos (term time)	Village Hall	Thursday	9.30am
Ladies Keep Fit	Village Hall	Thursday	8.00pm
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, Thur, Fri	9.00am - 12noon

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### CALENDAR for DECEMBER 1998

TUESDAY 1st THEATRE EVENING - *DON QUIXOTE* - VILLAGE HALL - see p 1  
Saturday 5th Sibford Methodist Chapel Coffee Morning, 10am - see p 1  
Sunday 6th Collectors & Car Boot Sale - Village Hall - see p 3&4  
Tuesday 8th W.I. Meeting and gift exchange - see p 6  
Wednesday 9th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)  
Wednesday 9th Horti Soc Christmas Meeting, Village Hall - see p 3  
Friday 11th Sibford School Hall - Carol Service 5pm - All welcome.  
Saturday 12th Sibford Playgroup Christmas Bazaar, Village Hall, see p19  
Saturday 12th John Loggins Charity, Sibfords - deadline - see p 8  
SUNDAY 13th CHURCH ROOF REPAIR APPEAL SERVICE 3PM - see p20&21  
Tuesday 15th Friendship Club Christmas Lunch, *The Sun*, Hooky - see p12  
Tuesday 15th LEO Club meeting at Ellen Warwicker's - see p12  
Wednesday 16th Sibford Playgroup/Tots & Babes Christmas Party - see p13  
Saturday 19th Skip in the Gower - Village Pond  
Sunday 20th Sibford Methodist Chapel, Carol Service - 11am - see p 1  
Wednesday 23rd Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)  
FRIDAY 25th \* \* A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL \* \*

### CALENDAR for JANUARY 1999

FRIDAY 1st \* \* A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO US ALL \* \*  
Saturday 2nd Scouts Paper Collection  
Sunday 3rd Collectors & Car Boot Sale - Village Hall - see p 3&4  
Wednesday 6th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)  
Tuesday 19th Friendship Club, Village Hall - see p12  
Tuesday 19th LEO Club Annual Dinner, *Sun Inn*, Hooky - see p12  
TUESDAY 19th \* DEADLINE for FEB/MAR issue of *SCENE* - see p23 \*  
Wednesday 20th Mobile Library in Sibfords & Burdrop (2.25 - 4.20pm)  
Saturday 23rd Skip & Recycling Units in the Gower - Acre Ditch  
Wednesday 27th Sibfords Society Social Evening & Supper - see p 8  
Friday 29th Sibford School Open Morning, 10.00am - see p 7

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