



November 2000

No. 228

Primary School Bonfire and Fireworks  
Sunday November 5th at 6.30pm  
(Gates open at 6pm)

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Service of Remembrance  
Sunday 12th November 10.55am

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Church Bazaar Saturday 25th November  
Village Hall 2.30pm  
All the usual attractions

## Nature Notes

**Sept. 23rd.** I was sorry to have slept through this mornings earth tremor as I have never felt or heard one. This one, centred just to the east of Warwick and measuring 4.2 on the Richter scale, was felt and heard by several people in the village. It sounded to some like a gust of wind and two people have told me that it caused pheasants to fly up noisily from close to their houses.

**Oct. 3rd.** Another bird flew against our window today. I went straight out hoping to find it alive but was only in time to see a cat running away with what was probably a great tit, which supports my theory that many of the birds that die in this way are trying to escape from predators.

After hearing that there was either a mink or a polecat dead on the road near the site of the Pig and Whistle, I thought I ought to look for myself. It turned out to be a polecat which could be either a domesticated one that had been lost while ferreting or a truly wild one, as they are known to have recolonised this area over the last few years. I am told that only an expert studying the skull could say whether it was wild or not. As this one was only half a mile from one that was killed on Pitch Hill a few years ago and not much further from one that I saw in the headlights on Sibford Heath it seems likely that they are wild ones.

**Oct. 14th.** As I was approaching Traitors Ford in the car this afternoon a dipper flew across the road coming under the bridge and flying on downstream only a foot or so above the water. This is the first time I have seen one on the stour but I was told, some years ago, that a pair nested a few miles downstream.

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## Neighbourhood Watch

Christmas is a busy time for all, a time to celebrate and a time to enjoy. Better to be safe than sorry. To avoid distress do take extra care to close windows, Lock your house, your car, garage and garden sheds. Make sure you do not leave items visible in your car. Avoid leaving tools in your van.

John Mulley, Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator.

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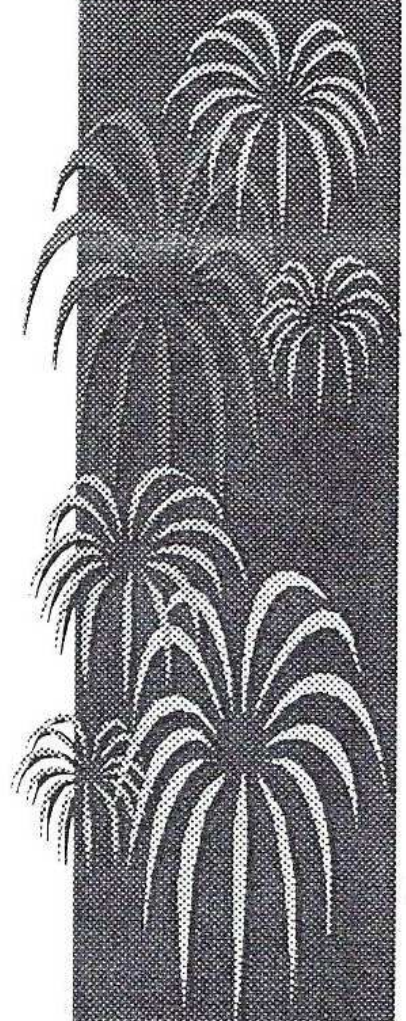
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We entertain up to about 15 members each week and are funded by Social Services. Contributions towards motor expenses are paid.

Please apply to Norman Nash, The Red House, Burdrop (780275) or Ian Warden, 9 Barley Close, Sibford Gower (788252).

Are you going away over the christmas period?

Would you like someone to stay in your home while you are away?

My brother and his family (5 altogether) would very much like to come and see us for Christmas (from December 22 until December 27). They have tried to find a holiday let but have been unsuccessful. They will spend the days with us but my niece is allergic to animals (we have 1 dog and 2 cats) so it is better for them to have their own accommodation.

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## W.I. NEWS & INFORMATION

Hygienic households and healthy inhabitants were the main ingredients of an illustrated talk given by Wendy Kingsbeer, Cherwell District Health and Food Safety Officer.

We sat silently smug concerning our own "Environmentally Friendly" kitchens - but did we all have a thermometer in our frig ?? We were certainly given cause for concern as well as complacency ! Mrs Kingsbeer was thanked by Sheila Walsh.

The appropriate competition for a mousetrap produced entries all of the humane type.

The Group Meeting on Oct. 25th. and our Annual Moreton Coffee Morning on the 31st. heralded a busy end to the month. Volunteers were forthcoming to cover both events.

We shall definitely sing Jerusalem at the former, and Jam will be supplemented by cakes, bric-a-brac and books at the latter, when we hope for a fine morning and lots of thirsty customers.

Mollie Gallard won the raffle, and we were refreshed by Gaynor Harper-Tarr and Kathleen Reid.

A table displaying wedding memorabilia was greatly admired. Thank you Mrs Hardman !

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November 14th. Speaker: Kathleen Winter

"Porcelain Dolls"

M.C.

## The Sibford Panels

Christmas is coming!

Our cards tell the story of the Sibfords and celebrate our Millennium Year. They are unique, colourful and personal with individual contributions worked by so many of our residents.

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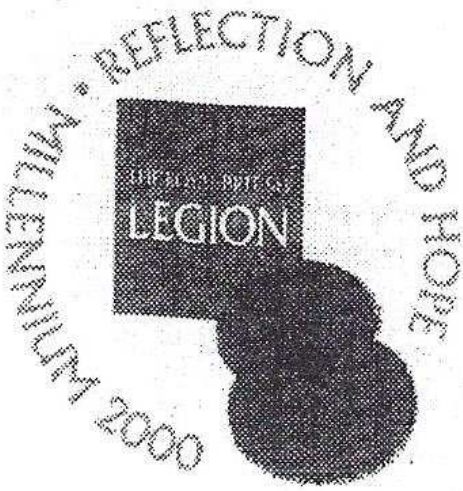
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I must first apologise for not letting you know the total collected last year which was a wonderful £799.11 and I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all those who helped obtain this result. This years appeal starts on Saturday October 28th until Saturday November 11th. I hope in this millennium year we can, from these villages, send to the appeal £1,000. Please read the enclosed

leaflet as this says more than I can ever say as to how important the appeal is, now more than ever.

The Service or Remembrance is on Sunday November 12th at 10.55am at Holy Trinity Church.

Please come if you can.

Robin Spicer. Hon. Organiser.

## **Urgently Required**

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## Letter from the Village Hall Committee

The Collectables and Car Boot sales in October made £152 for Village Hall funds. Next sales are on Sundays 5th and 19th November approximately 12 noon to 3pm. Bookings taken on 01295 251339. Refreshments available.

Our thanks to Mr and Mrs Pearlman who donated the £71 proceeds from their garage sale to Village Hall funds, plus other items sold at the last sale which made a further £10.

The Heart of England Jazz Band will be back in the Hall on Saturday 2nd December at 7pm playing traditional jazz. Tickets (£5 and £3) will be available shortly at Sibford Ferris Stores or telephone 780025. Price includes a glass of wine and nibbles. This Band has played at most of the major jazz clubs in the UK and at numerous jazz festivals both at home and abroad. It was a good night out and last year all who attended thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

The next public auction in the Village Hall is on Saturday 18th November at 2.30pm. Viewing from 12 noon. Refreshments available. Details on 01608 662587

## Methodist Chapel

We shall be holding our Christmas Coffee Morning in the Chapel on Saturday 2nd December 10 - 12 noon.

Coffee and Biscuits - usual stalls.

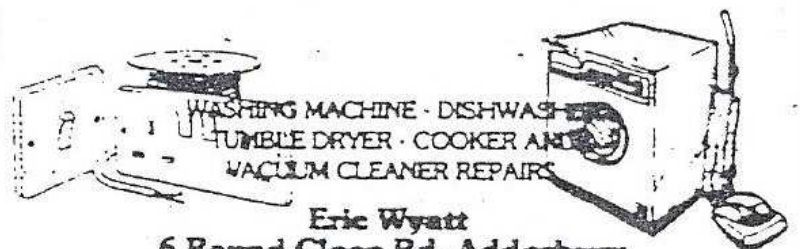
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# Friendship Club

We all enjoyed our game of skittles at Long Itchington and the buffet meal was lovely, in fact plans are being made for a further visit in the future.

Diary dates for November and December;

**Tuesday November 7th.** Turners at Northampton for their Christmas show. Lunch and tea there, times of coach pick-up to be decided.

**Tuesday November 21st.** Village Hall at 2pm when a speaker will be coming from the St. Johns Ambulance.

**Tuesday December 12th.** Chipping Norton Pantomime, 'Dick Whittington' 5pm performance.

**Tuesday December 19th.** Christmas tea in the Village Hall.

Further details from Mrs. Boughton 263460

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Emma, Pasco and Aquila Dunford Wood moved into Stewarts Yard in the Ferris in July from Whichford.

Both Pasco and Aquila attend the Friends School as did their brothers Jesse and Rollo before them. They are passionate about football and acting respectively.

Emma is a yoga teacher and body worker (Kahuna massage) and loves walking and singing. They can't believe their good fortune in having landed in such a peaceful and friendly village. "It's like being on holiday".

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The annual sermons on behalf of this much-needed and excellently-managed charity, which grants small pensions to decayed farmers and their families, were preached in the church here on Sunday, August 1st, by the Rev. Edwd. T. Stevens, M.A. The collections, supplemented by the offerings placed in the alms' box on the following Sunday, amounted to £2 13s. 6d., and we are glad to know that a by no mean's insignificant portion of this sum was made up of the contributions of agricultural labourers and their wives. In June last, 36 pensioners were elected out of a total of 443 candidates, so that the large number of 407 had to be sent empty away. Nearly half the candidates were over 70 years of age, one being over 90, 28 over 80, 80 over 75, and 109 between 70 and 75 ysars of age. This does not, of course, represent the whole of the distress among the farmers of the country, but we think it is sufficient to show that a society which does its best to meet it in a particular and very good way, deserves the increased support of the whole community, which benefits by being able to buy a big loaf for a little money.

Service of Remembrance

Sunday 12th November 10.55am

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Church Christmas Bazaar

Saturday 25th November 2.30pm

in the Village Hall

All the usual stalls

## "How to give a cat a pill"

1. **Pick up cat** and cradle it in the crook of your left arm, as if holding a baby. Position right forefinger and thumb on either side of cat's mouth and gently apply pressure to cheeks while holding pill in right hand. As cat opens mouth, pop pill into mouth. Allow cat to close mouth and swallow.
2. **Retrieve pill from floor and cat from behind sofa.** Cradle cat in left arm and repeat process.
3. **Retrieve cat from bedroom, and throw soggy pill away.**
4. **Take new pill from foil wrap, cradle cat in left arm holding rear paws tightly with left hand. Force jaws open and push back of mouth with right forefinger.** Hold mouth shut for count of 10.
5. **Retrieve pill from goldfish bowl and cat from top of wardrobe.** Call spouse from garden.
6. **Kneel on floor** with cat wedged firmly between knees, holding front and rear paws. Ignore low growls emitted by cat. Get spouse to hold cat's head firmly with one hand while forcing wooden ruler into mouth. Drop pill down ruler and rub cat's throat vigorously.
7. **Retrieve cat from curtain rails, get another pill from foil wrap.** Make a note to buy a new ruler and repair curtains. Carefully sweep shattered figurines from hearth and set to one side for gluing later.
8. **Wrap cat in large towel** and get spouse to lie on cat with its head just visible from below spouse's armpit. Put pill in end of drinking straw, force cat's mouth open with pencil and blow down drinking straw.
9. **Check label** to make sure pill not harmful to humans, drink glass of water to take taste away, Apply Band-Aid to spouse's forearm and remove blood from carpet with cold water and soap.
10. **Retrieve cat from neighbour's shed.** Get another pill. Place cat in cupboard and close door onto neck to leave head showing. Force mouth open with dessert spoon. Flick pill down throat with elastic band.
11. **Fetch screwdriver** from garage and put door back on hinges. Apply cold compress to cheek and check records for date of last tetanus shot. Throw T-shirt away and fetch new one from bedroom.
12. **Ring fire brigade** to retrieve cat from tree across road. Apologise to neighbour who crashed into fence whilst swerving to avoid cat. Take last pill from foil wrap.
13. **Tie cat's front paws to rear paws** with garden twine and bind tightly to leg of dining table. Find heavy duty pruning gloves from shed. Force cat's mouth open with small spanner. Push pill into mouth followed by large piece of fillet steak. Hold head vertically and pour pint of water down throat to wash pill down.
14. **Get spouse to drive you to the emergency room;** sit quietly while doctor stitches fingers and forearm and removes pill remnants from right eye. Stop by furniture shop on way home to order new table.
15. **Take cat to Vet**



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I am currently looking for volunteers to accompany and assist two ladies to go swimming in the Banbury area, and a volunteer who would like to teach lacemaking.

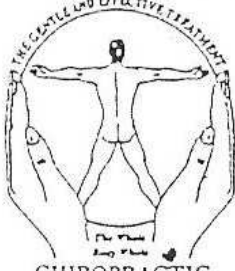
Like to learn more? Please call me, Judy Redhead, Co-ordinator, Ryder Cheshire Foundation on **01280 701076** for more details of the project in your area.

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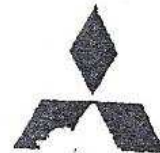
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### LEO CLUB NEWS

Just a reminder about the next meeting, which will be on the 31st October at 8 o'clock. Timothy Wimbush will be telling us about some amusing incidents in his life and we are to have a Bring and Share supper; so please arrive at Mary Mills' home, "Maria's House" in the Ferris, with a plate of food and lots of ideas for future meetings.

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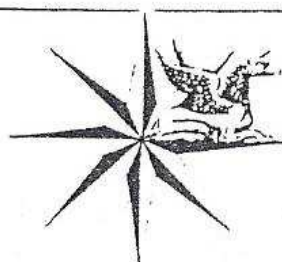
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contact Jenny Barratt on 780336 if you wish to purchase some and we extend our thanks for the support you have given us over the last few years.

To add to the Village Archive, we would like to hear from anybody who owns a painting of the Sibfords and would be happy to allow it to be photographed. This could then be dated and would add to the records of the village.

There will be a meeting of the Swalcliffe Society on Wednesday, 15 November at 8.00pm when Alan Watkins will talk about the Chipping Norton photographers, Packer & Simms, to which Sibford members are invited.

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Virginia Bennett SRN MHAF

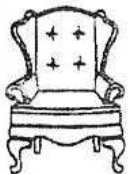
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A final reminder about the Bazaar, to be held at 2.30 p.m. on November 25th in the Village Hall.

There will be the usual stalls and it will be a good opportunity to start off your Christmas shopping. Please try and come.

### Thanks from Jessie.

Many of you will probably know that my son Stephen and his very new wife Marriane were on the Greek ferry that sank recently. By a miracle, they were saved.

Everyone has been so kind, and I have had many concerned phone calls and letters. I would like to thank all those people for their kind thoughts and prayers during this traumatic time, and I am pleased to say that they are now safely home and doing well.

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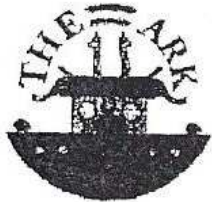
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Roman Catholic Mass (Wroxton) Sunday at 9.00 am

(Brailes) Sunday at 11.30 am

Baptist

(Hook Norton) Sunday at 10.30 am

Church of England, Holy Trinity, Sibford Gower

- 1st Nov. **Wednesday.** Service at 8 p.m. All Saints' Day.  
5th Nov. 10.a.m. Tadmarton. 'Young at Heart'. Archdeacon John Morrison will dedicate the newly re-hung and re-tuned bells.  
12th Nov. 10.55 a.m. Remembrance Service.  
19th Nov. 9.30. a.m. We welcome Henry Ormerod, who works as a house for duty priest in the Ironstone Benefice.  
26th Nov. 9.30.a.m. Holy Communion.  
6.p.m. Epwell. Choirs will sing carols in preparation for Advent.  
3rd Dec. 10.a.m. Confirmation at Swalcliffe Church. Bishop Colin of Dorchester will confirm new members of the Church.  
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To Banbury		
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**Banbury Bus**  
High Meadow  
Crossroads  
Village Hall

**Chippy Bus**  
Village Hall  
Crossroads  
High Meadow  
The Colony

## 2. Stagecoach 480 Shipston - Sibford - Banbury

	M~S	NS	SO	Mon ~ Sat (M-S). (NS)	Sat only (SO).	Not Sat NS
Shipston	-	-	9.20am	-	-	-
Sibford Gower Crossroads	7.30am	9.00am	9.45am	11.45am	12.45pm	
Sibford Ferris School	7.32am	9.02am	9.48am	(11.38)	(12.38)	
Banbury Bus Station	8.00am	9.30am	10.15am	12.15pm	1.15pm	
	M~S	SO	NS	M~S	M~S	
Banbury Bus Station	11.15am	12.15pm	12.15pm	2.15pm	6.00pm	
Sibford Ferris School	11.38am	12.47pm	12.38pm	2.38pm	6.23pm	
Sibford Gower Crossroads	11.40am	12.50pm	12.40pm	2.40pm	6.25pm	
Shipston	-	1.15pm	-	-	-	

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Wednesday only		
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# Calendar of Events

## November:

- Wed 1st G.D.B.A. Coffee Morning, Westerways, S.Ferris. p7  
Sun 5th Collectables and Car Boot Sale. V.Hall 12 noon p9  
Sun 5th Bonfire and Fireworks, Primary School 6.30pm p3  
Tue 7th Friendship Club trip to Northampton p 10  
Wed 8th Mobile Library in Sibfords and Burdrop (2.25-4.20pm)  
Wed 8th Horticultural Society Talk. 'Ferns and Ivy' p7  
Sun 12th Remembrance Service 10.55am p8  
Tue 14th W.I. meeting, Village Hall. p6  
Wed 15th Swalcliffe Society Meeting. p19  
Sat 18th Skip in Barley Close  
Sat 18th Public Auction 2.30pm p9  
Sun 19th Collectables and Car Boot Sale. V.Hall 12 noon p9  
Mon 20th Sibford Ferris Parish Council Meeting. Sibford School  
Tue 21st Friendship Club. Talk by St. Johns Ambulance  
Tue 21st Deadline for contributions to December and January
- Sibford Scene
- Wed 22nd Mobile Library in Sibfords and Burdrop (2.25-4.20pm)  
Sat 25th Recycling Units in Acre Ditch  
Sat 25th Church Christmas Bazaar. p20

## December

- Sat 2nd Chapel Coffee Morning and Christmas Stalls, 10-12. p9  
Sat 2nd Heart of England Jazz Band at the Village Hall 7pm p9  
Wed 6th Mobile Library in Sibfords and Burdrop (2.25-4.20pm)  
Sat 9th Playgroup Christmas Bazaar, 2pm. p14

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