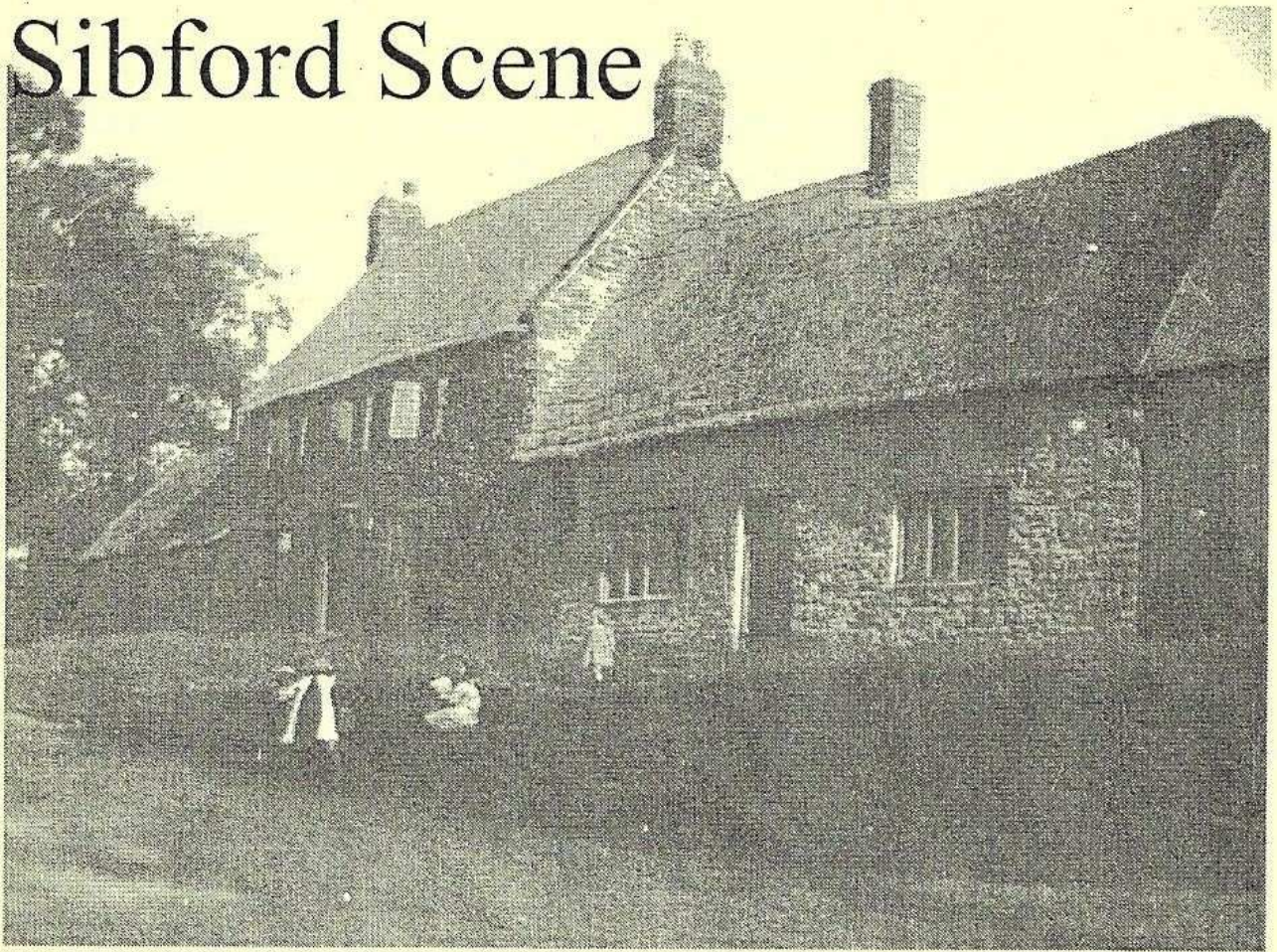


# Sibford Scene



February 2006

No. 280

## **THE CARNIVAL BAND PRESENTS "CARNIVALESQUE"**

**FRIDAY 27th JANUARY 2006 AT 8.00PM  
MAIN HALL, SIBFORD SCHOOL**

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**Village Hall Quiz Night  
Saturday 4 February 7.30 pm Start**

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**Temporary Road Closure  
at Colony Road, Sibford Gower  
Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2006.  
until Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2006.**

## Nature Notes

Nov. 30th. The last ten days have been exceptionally cold for November with night frosts sometimes as low as 24°F (-4°C) and the midday temperature often struggling to get much above freezing point.

Dec. 11th. This mornings explosions at Hemel Hempstead fuel storage depot were heard by several people in the village and by my sister-in-law who lives 15 miles further west at Sezincote. We walked up to the watershed just beyond the Elm crossroads and could see over the fog that was lying in the Cherwell Valley to where the smoke was billowing up with the heat of the fires and then flattening out as the slight air movement carried it southward.

Dec. 21st A flock of fieldfares that were feeding on a field along Hawkes Lane were being watched by a sparrow hawk from a dead elm in the hedge. When they moved on so did the sparrow hawk but we did not see it take one.

Dec. 22nd. I was pleased to hear a mistle thrush singing this morning as I think they are more endangered than the song thrushes.

Dec. 31st. A great spotted woodpecker has been drumming here since Dec. 11th and today another one was answering it from further down the valley. It is nice to know that two pairs are establishing territories in the valley. They are said to drum at 16 beats per second in their short bursts. I don't know how the neck muscles can work at that speed.

Jan. 1st. We had a very dry start to 2005. Up to March 28th I had only measured 2.4 inches (62mm) of rain which is little more than an average months fall. It continued to be fairly dry with only 12.77 inches (234mm) in the first 8 months. The last 4 months produced about average falls bringing the total for the year to 22.72 inches (577mm) which is well below average.

Jan. 7th. I have been told of a sparrow hawk that was seen feeding on a road casualty. I had thought that they only ate what they killed.

Jan. 12th. Two great spotted woodpeckers were drumming only a few yards apart this morning. I have always doubted whether both sexes drummed although I have read that they do, but as there was no quarrelling between these two I expect that they must have been a pair. If they do it again I must get my binoculars and make sure.

Jan. 14th. A song thrush has started singing this morning bringing cheer to a damp dark day and a goldfinch came to our sunflower seed feeder. The first we have seen this winter.

Jan. 15th. As with many birds of prey peregrine falcon numbers have increased greatly over the last few decades and some have moved into cities where tall buildings replace sea cliffs as nesting sites and feral pigeons make a ready food source. A friend who called this afternoon said that a pair had lived in a church steeple near his home in Bath for the last few years and showed us a photograph of one of them eating a pigeon on his patio. He said that he had also seen them kill gulls.

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### **Temporary Road Traffic Order - S14 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 Temporary Road Closure - at Colony Road, Sibford Gower**

Oxfordshire County Council has advised that, in the interests of public safety, it will be necessary to close a short section of Colony Road to facilitate the replacement of a culvert near to Temple Mills Farm. A Temporary Traffic Regulation Order is being made to implement the temporary closure and will operate from **Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2006**. It is estimated that the works will finish on **Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2006**. Access will be maintained for emergency service vehicles and those residents and businesses within the closure area, subject to the progress of the works. Please note that it would be advisable to access premises north of Temple Mills from the north rather than the south.

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From 31 January, the group will be run on a fortnightly basis using the term-time calendar, so the following sessions will be on 21 February and 7 March. Fees will be £1 per adult and 50p per child (still good value, I hope you agree!).

I would like to thank those who continue to attend to show their support and enjoy socialising with other parents and carers.

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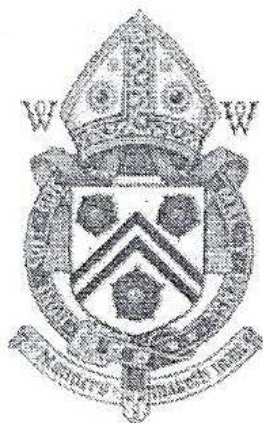
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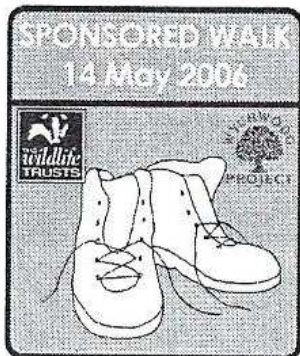


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The start and finish point for the walk will be the stately Blenheim Palace near Woodstock. A variety of routes have been planned to suit all abilities, starting with a short three-mile amble suitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs and going up to a major 37-mile hike along the entire Wychwood Way. In between there are routes of around five, eight and 17 miles. So whatever your level there is a walk for you.

All of the routes take in at least some of the grounds of the palace and there is plenty to see along the way. Pretty villages, meadows and woodland are dotted along the route and walkers should be able to enjoy all the sights, smells and signs of spring. To help children and the young at heart get more from their walk there will be special quizzes and activities.

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It is therefore very important that bridleway users know the countryside code, and treat the farms that they enter with the respect they deserve.

This may sound like sucking-eggs for most riders and the majority are extremely well behaved and in many ways help the farmer. As with so many things in life, even farmers themselves, it's the minority that let the majority down. With more people hacking out from different backgrounds it is important that education in the field does not slip.

### **Please remember;**

- > Keep to the bridleway.
- > Close all gates, even the ones left open unless tied back.
- > Do not ride over farmers crops! It is their livelihood and your food!
- > Do not enter farmers fields ie. stubbles, cultivated stubbles etc without permission from the farmer. They could be planted!
- > Refrain from using bridleways across cropped fields after wet weather.
- > Ride in single file across bridleways that cross cropped land.
- > Do not use bridleways as your local gallop. Over use in wet muddy conditions only ruin it for you and others in the summer months.
- > When you enter a property, leave it as you found it. Do not cause unnecessary damage.
- > There is no right to use a footpath as a bridleway.
- > Do not make up your own alternative routes, no matter-how tempting or convenient it is, you are on someone else's property, treat it with respect.
- > Remember dogs should be kept on a lead or under strict control under the countryside code. This is very important during nesting season and when entering stocked fields.
- > Grass and wild flower headland margins are there to benefit wildlife only.

Above all remember, the land is there to serve a purpose. It provides the farmer with a living and a habitat for the wildlife. In return this gives us the food that we eat for ourselves and our pets.

The access across the countryside is an added privilege from a bygone age, and exists now for every ones pleasure, health and enjoyment, but when we use it we must respect it.

Clinton Jack, Farmer



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## Sibford W.I. Christmas Meeting - Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> December 2005

Glennis welcomed everyone and thanked Kathleen Winter and her helper, Mary Bristow, for arranging the excellent spread of refreshments and all who had baked cakes and made sandwiches. It was nice to have Lynda back from America officiating as Secretary.

Members were informed that Jean's model castle was now on display at Broughton Castle. Lady Saye and Sele paid £50 for it and Jean has donated the money to the Fiennes Centre for Sufferers from Alzheimer's Disease. Glennis reported on the Christmas Carols evening "A Christmas Feast" at Oxford Town Hall on 5<sup>th</sup> December. As usual, a delightful evening with great entertainment and lots of rousing carols. She also reported on the trip to Bath by herself, Jane and Gaynor to visit the Christmas Market and Claverton Manor -- a very long day which started from the Pear tree Park and Ride at 8am and we didn't return there until 8.15pm. The Market was fascinating, well sited around the Abbey, and there were lots of beautiful decorations at Claverton, both in the reconstructed rooms and for sale in the Manor shops. Unfortunately, the coach broke down on the return journey with failed electrics but a replacement arrived within fifteen minutes. Well done, Plastow Coaches!

Our speaker, Mr Derek Parkes, then entertained us with a talk on 'Being a Santa in Lapland'. A professional actor, he was working on a television programme in Birmingham when he fell into conversation with a fellow actor who had been working as a Santa Claus in Lapland. It sounded fun so he decided to have a go himself. He worked there from the 6<sup>th</sup> December 2000 up to Christmas Eve in very cold conditions and lodging in a log cabin, beautifully fitted out, initially with about seven other Santa's. He was lucky enough to be assigned to an area close to the large town of Rovaniemi, whereas his less fortunate companions were posted further north into real wilderness. This meant he had the log cabin almost to himself after they left, which was an improvement on sleeping in a cramped bedroom with his head pressed against a hot radiator. Mr Parkes showed us some of the amusing letters and paintings he had received from the many children he dealt with during his stay. He explained that he was set up in his own small cabin, with elf assistants and a roaring open fire. He was seated on a throne draped in skins and it took him three and a quarter hours to work his way through the fifty eight groups of adults and children who wished to see him each day. When asked whether the waiting visitors had to queue in the cold, he explained that they were thoroughly entertained whilst waiting, with trips on the nearby frozen river, rides on skidoos, bonfires, sleigh rides, pony rides and story telling in the teepees set up around his own hut. However, he did think people were paying ridiculously high prices for the privilege of meeting him and spending one day in Lapland - about £300 a head when he was there and nearer £400 now!

Rosalind thanked Mr Parkes for his excellent entertaining and very seasonal talk.

Our afternoon ended with members drawing gifts from a seasonally decorated bran tub and then enjoying the scrumptious tea. The raffle was won by Joan and the competition for a Christmas tree decoration was awarded to Greta, second Jean and third Kathleen (Winter).

Gaynor

## Check Point 8 - or Check Point Charlie's?

Ah! Luxury at last, not a tent in the corner of a field or a horse box up an ally but Ratley Village Hall, great. This is check point eight on the very difficult Tour-de-Trigs hike. Seniors having to complete 50 miles in 24 hours (52 miles for this years route) and juniors 30 miles in 15 hours.

10 a.m. Saturday 3rd December; Marshals briefing and the first teams of walkers setting off at minute intervals. I collect the necessary equipment for our check point, large amounts of plastic to cover the floor, drinks for walkers, the inevitable paperwork, top secret route and position of the check point after us. I also arrange to pick up our Sea Cadet radio operator at 6.30pm. (I ended up with 3 Sea Cadets as they were all keen to see proper action.) I never did find out what was in their rucksacks but they were enormous!

We spread the plastic to cover the floor and entrance hall and got ready in the kitchen. The radio operators set up their equipment in a small room. The opening marshals came and gave us a run down on paperwork and sat around having a warm and drinking tea until they had to go and open the next check point. Our check point was 35 miles into the hike and I think the first team came through at around 10 p.m. got their tally punched and went straight on. The walkers tally has to be punched at every check point, manned and un-manned and at all the secret check points which are not included on the walkers route information. We had 4 more teams through at about 10.45 then it started to get busier. Many teams carried straight on but gradually the hall filled with walkers plotting their routes, drinking hot drinks and taking boots off to repair blisters. Fortunately we only had to get the medics to one fabulous blister, red raw on the sole of one blokes foot. He put his boots on and carried on. Around 1.00 a.m. good news, one of the local teams reported that our local junior team had completed their 30 miles finish-

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ing at Farnborough Village Hall in 12¼ hours, good walking!

We were now very busy with walkers retiring and being bussed back to B.G.N. school and their team mates joining other teams as everyone, must walk with at least 2 others and all these team changes have to be recorded and radiod back to B.G.N. Headquarters by the sea cadets. Around 4.00 a.m. things had calmed down and half an hour later the closing marshal arrived. Our paper work guru's settled down to check all the walkers still going had gone through our check point. All went well but we were missing team 16. The times indicated that they had gone through Farnborough check point 3½ hours earlier and they had not missed us as there was no trace of them at the next check point. The roving marshals joined the group and search patterns were planned but just as the search was about to start team 16 walked in. They had got very lost and when asked if they were on-going the marshals shouted a definite NO! so team 16 had tea, waited for the minibus and we started to clean the hall. We had an awful lot of muddy chair legs to wipe and plastic to roll up, meanwhile our paper work people went to the next check point and once everyone we had through our check point had been accounted for at the next one we could close and return the equipment to B.G.N.

It was just getting light as I went home and I couldn't help thinking about those still walking with possibly another 4 hours ahead of them. All the walkers are served a good breakfast and then comes the presentations by the mayor (who had taken the trouble to visit our check point in the middle of the night) I'm sure it should be classed as human cruelty to make these poor walkers stand up and hobble up the steps on to the stage to receive their trophies, then wonder how to get down the steps with the least pain. I'm sure it's not often the Mayor greets people in bare feet, sandals or socks! Well done everyone. JG.



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## Sibford Gower Parish Council Meeting - Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> January 2006

The Meeting was attended by three Parish -Councillors (Muriel Chandler, Martin Layer and Robin Spicer) and apologies were received from Cllrs Peter Abbott and Eric Payne(Chairman). Also present, and welcomed by Cllr Robin Spicer who -took the Chair in the absence of the Chairman, were County and District Cllr George Reynolds and three local electors. Since the previous Meeting, the Councillors had considered three planning applications. Reference was made to the Parish Action Plan which was promoted in the most recent edition of the Sibford Scene inviting those interested to register their interest but there had been a very minimal reaction with only three responses. As such, the Councillors had no other choice than to declare that the Plan appeared to have very little attraction and matters will not proceed. Included in the agenda was the subject of Affordable Housing. The one possible site (adjacent to High Meadow) for development has now been deemed by Cherwell District Council Planning Department as unsuitable. Oxfordshire Rural Communities Council, which is very much involved with Affordable Housing projects, has arranged for another survey to take place to establish whether there is any current need for affordable housing and the forms will be distributed with an issue of the Sibford Scene. The Councillors were advised by Cllr George Reynolds that promised remedial work in respect of highway matters may be deferred because of County Council financial constraints but the Clerk was advised to keep the outstanding matters well in front of the County Council. On the agenda, also, was the village pond. Mrs Glennis Hardman was invited to give an account of her attendance at Oxford Brookes University on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2005 at the Ponds for People Thames Valley First Annual Conference. The morning was taken up with a number of fascinating presentations. It was interesting to learn how other villages in Oxfordshire are altering and improving their ponds. Rod d'Ayala showed some excellent slides of Sibford Pond. He said that it would be an easy one to work on as it merely needed its bare look to be softened by selective planting in and around the pond. The aim is to provide a friendly environment for amphibians and insects; at the same time giving a pleasing look for villagers and visitors. Rod and his team extensively surveyed our pond last July. A full recommendation plan will be available soon. Glennis and Ivor (Hopkyns) are currently carrying out soil suitability tests. The Clerk was instructed to take matters forward with regard to pruning the trees on the verge of Pound Lane. He will also pursue the matter of the still inoperative phone in the pay-phone box. Local street lighting for High Meadow is still in the enquiry stage and much depends on monies that may become available from Charter Community Housing and a decision by its

tenants as to whether it is considered desirable. A major subject discussed was finance. The Parish Council is required to submit to the District Council its Precept request for the financial year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April 2006 by 29<sup>th</sup> January 2006. With regard to normal outgoings, a small increase has been made allowing for the inflation. However, a main contributory item is the cost of maintaining the churchyard of Holy Trinity Church. The cost will be shared with Sibford Ferris Parish Council. At present, maintenance-work-is carried out by a decreasing band of volunteers who do not have youth on their side. The Parish Council understands that under the Local Government Act 1972 Section 214(6) it has the power to precept for the cost of contributing to the costs (and this can be up to 100%) of maintaining a churchyard. Under Section 214(2) of the same act, a Parish Council has the power to precept for the cost of maintaining a Council owned Burial Ground as will be the case of the land where negotiations to acquire from the owners (The Diocese of Oxford) are currently in train. This land will be needed relatively shortly when the churchyard is up to capacity. Quotations have been received for maintaining the churchyard and consequently the sum of £2,100 has been included in the precept request. All in all, the request is for £5,803 (previous year £3,875).

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held in Sibford Gower Endowed Primary School on Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2006 commencing at 8pm  
 It should be noted that the Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the main hall of Sibford Gower Endowed Primary School on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> May 2006 commencing at 7.30pm. Invitations to attend will be sent to Oxfordshire County Council Highways Department, Thames Valley Police and the Oxfordshire Rural Communities Council. A warm invitation to join the Meeting is extended to all local residents.

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## Sibford Ferris Parish Council Meeting, 11 January 2006

Four Councillors, County and District Councillor George Reynolds and two members of the public were present at the meeting, with apologies received from Cllr Hopkins. It was reported to the meeting that progress has been made on several matters, including the notice board: a supporting frame had been purchased and the whole unit was now nearly ready for installation by the Lanes End junction. Members of the Play Area Liaison Group had inspected examples of play equipment by all four quoting companies and would be putting forward proposals for refurbishing the Cotswold Close site and also facilities for older children within the next few weeks. The Clerk reported that there was now a specific contact at Cherwell District Council dealing with Section 106 funds and that she had spoken to them about the sum held for Sibford Ferris for use on play facilities. The completion of the rumble strip bell-mouth at the Lanes End junction had been delayed by technicalities over the inclusion of a smooth pathway across the rough cobble sets, but it was hoped that Oxfordshire County Council would resolve the matter quickly. Due to the departure of Steve Bowden from the Highways Department at OCC, work on the promised raised section on the east side of the junction had not materialised and discussions with OCC were in progress to ensure that this promised safety measure is provided in accordance with the wishes of the Parish Council. It was noted that transfer of the burial ground extension land had not taken place to date due to delays at the Oxford Diocese. Meanwhile, maintenance and fencing quotations were being sought and there was some concern amongst Councillors at the costs involved. It was decided to propose several alternative courses of action that could reduce the costs to the villages. A second lorry count was carried out on 17<sup>th</sup> November and the Clerk would like to thank all those who helped with both counts. The results of the two counts are given below. It was the impression of the Councillors who helped with the survey that a significant number of the lorries were delivering to the area rather than driving through. Figures will be given to OCC once Mr Bowden's successor has been appointed. Communication on various other outstanding Highways matters, including verge clearances to retain road widths and refurbishment of the Main Street drains, will continue until all matters are attended to. There were no responses from the Ferris to the article on a Joint Parish Plan. There had been two planning applications and two planning decisions since the last meeting. The precept for 2006/07 was agreed at £4909, an increase on last year (£3690) mainly to cover inflation on annual expenses, burial ground extension costs, a wage increase for the Clerk in line with National Salary Scale levels, and a contribution to the cost of a possible election. Under Any Other Business, the meeting was asked why there were no dog bins in the village and the Chairman explained that the bins were expensive to buy and Cllr



Reynolds confirmed that the cost of emptying them could be also be high. The Parish Council was open to any comments or suggestions, however. The Sibford Manor Residents Management Committee asked the Parish Council to apply to OCC for a grit bin on their behalf to be sited at the top of Walford Road, and it was agreed to do this. The meeting ended sadly with the resignation due to new work commitments of Chairman, Peter Neighbour who handed over to Barbara Crabtree, Vice-Chairman. Barbara thanked Peter for all his good work with the Parish Council and good wishes for the future were expressed. It was agreed to co-opt Mr Chris Franklin as a new member and he kindly accepted. Barbara Crabtree was then proposed and seconded as new Chairman. The meeting closed at 9.50 pm. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> March at 7.45 pm in the top floor room of the Sports Hall, Sibford School, Sibford Ferris.

Lorry count results: Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> October 05, 08.00-18.00-hrs


4WD's 182, transits 82, tractors 1, 2-axle lorries 20, 3-axle-lorries 10, buses/coaches (not the 480) 12;

Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> November 05, 08.30-16.30 hrs

4WD's 130, transits 69, tractors 1, 2-axle lorries 26, 3-axle lorries 4, buses/coaches (not the 480) 9.

## Village Hall Quiz Night Saturday 4 February 7.30 pm

We are again holding an ANNUAL QUIZ on SATURDAY, 4<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2006, 7 for 7.30 p.m., again thanks to the Wimbush family. £15 per team of four/£22.50 per team of six, which includes a hot dinner. We will have a licensed bar, so no need to bring your own drinks! A Raffle – prizes would be greatly appreciated. Team names can be booked – NO LATER THAN 28<sup>th</sup> JANUARY, 2006 PLEASE – by either ringing 01295 780025, or 780386 (evenings and weekends for latter please), or given to Mr Timothy Wimbush.



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The first gathering of the Society was the Annual Social, which proved to be a very popular event, with sixty five members and guests enjoying each others company.. The welcome mulled wine was there to get the evening off to a good start and hopefully helped to solve the tricky questions in the quiz Arnold and Ina had devised on country matters.

As usual, the food provided by members, was delicious and plentiful and I am sure New Year diets were forgotten that evening. We were then entertained by Folk Singers, who sang old traditional songs and we were encouraged to join in the choruses, which rounded off a happy evening.

We do not meet again until 16 March and the details will appear in the next copy of the Scene.



### Sibford Horticultural Society

There is no meeting in February and details of our March meeting will appear in the next issue.

In the mean time don't forget to work on your handicrafts and get out to take photos ready for the flower show in August. The photography and handicraft classes can be found in the last Sibford Scene

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## Sibford W.I. Meeting - Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> January 2006

Seventeen Members and one guest, Mrs Beryl Sabin, were welcomed by our President to the first Meeting of the year. She said she hoped that we had all enjoyed the Christmas and New Year celebrations. The Christmas Meeting was voted a great success and Derek Parkes' talk on "Being a Santa in Lapland" was much enjoyed. However, we didn't have the usual time for socialising so it was felt that future Christmas Meetings should revert to readings by Members with plenty of time for tea and chat! Gil, Lynda and Glennis will attend the first round of Resolutions at Chipping Norton on 12<sup>th</sup> January. The Team was finalised for the Village Hall Quiz. Due to a double booking of the Bloxham Jubilee Hall, the Group Meeting scheduled for 20<sup>th</sup> April has had to be brought forward to 9<sup>th</sup> March. The entertainment will be a fashion show. Our Planning Meeting will take place at Jane's on 31<sup>st</sup> January. Our annual coach outing will be on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> August, organised by Jane, to Whichford Silk Mill. The coach will take us in the morning to Newbury for shopping and lunch. In order to raise funds, a new raffle system was introduced. Members brought prizes and were each invited to buy a raffle ticket for £1. Ten prizes were produced which gave us an exciting launch. Barbara Gray of OFWI has recently moved house and a card of good wishes has been sent to her from Sibford W.I. A card has also been sent to our member, Pat, who has not been at all well.

Our speaker, Mr Clive Jones, then entertained us with a talk, illustrated with beautiful slides, on the Western Highlands of Scotland. Mr Jones had been a guide for walkers all over the world, including the Himalayas, but he maintained that nowhere could beat Britain for the beauty and diversity of its scenery, especially the Highlands of Scotland. As a walker, he led his clients over beautiful country to the tops of the highest Scottish mountains, and along some extremely sharp and jagged ridges, which he assured us were perfectly safe, even when only three feet wide. As his wonderful photographs showed, this was often across sheer drops of more than 1,000 feet. It might not be the Himalayas, but if you fell, you would be just as dead! Some of his photographs showed the same scenes at various times of the year and in different climatic conditions, totally altered by heavy cloud or snow, or sometimes bright sunlight, but always lovely. One beautiful view of a lochan with an island and mist looked like a Japanese or Chinese painting, which he claimed was just good luck. Jean thanked Mr Jones for a marvelously uplifting talk on a dull winter's day and spoke for us all when she said she felt as though she had just been on a holiday to Scotland.

We finished our Meeting with delicious cakes and tea, supplied by Jane and Kathleen (Reid). The competition for a Scottish souvenir was won by Kathleen (Winter), second Caroline, third Ann. Next Meeting - Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> February, Lesley Underwood on "Valentine Theme Cooking". Competition - A Valentine Cake. Coins for Friendship will also be collected (Associated Countrywomen of the World)

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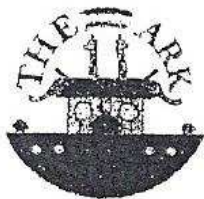
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Sue and Malcolm Bannister have moved into Carters Yard Sibford Gower. They have moved here from Chipping Norton, they both enjoy walking and gardening and are busy restoring the garden. Malcolms sporting pursuit is archery and Sue enjoys riding.

The Wykham Arms has a new landlord Damian Bradley has moved in with his wife Debbie and two children Connor and Tyler . They have moved to Sibford from Windsor so this is quite a big change. The children attend the local school and playgroup. Damian and Debbie are both chefs and this is their first Pub and are looking forward to life in the country.

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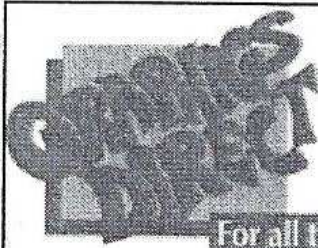
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We would like to thank all those who supported our Christmas Coffee Morning early in December. We raised the wonderful sum of £535.00 which is a record. The dolls name was Jane and was won by Mrs. Ina Lamb.

The Carol Service was well supported and the collection from that and the United Service which is not covenanted will be given to charity.

Dear Editor

I wonder if you could include a brief thanks to those who turned out to sing carols in the Ferris on the Thursday before Christmas in the next edition of the Scene. We were delighted at the turn out and hope everyone enjoyed singing and hearing our carols. We raised £130 to help the asylum seekers supported by the Quaker meeting. There are already (vague) plans to extend the carol singing to Sibford Gower next year!

Many thanks

Michael and Veronika Goodwin

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Church Yard Mowing - are there any kindly volunteers out there with some spare time and a mower who would be prepared to mow the churchyard on a regular basis? The two Parish Councils will soon be taking over responsibility for maintenance and if a contractor is employed, this will significantly increase both Parish Precepts. Either of the two clerks would be very pleased to hear from you.

Peter Hardman (Gower) 780391 or Anita Spencer (Ferris) 788557

The Parish Councils receive far more information than they are able to put in their reports so this 'Notice Board' will be used to let you know what other information the Council has available.



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Through the Scene we would like to pass on our thanks for the many cards and gifts we received over the Christmas period. We really do appreciate the time and effort you make to wish us well at this time of the year and all our staff have enjoyed the many home baked goodies that some of you delivered to us.

We would take this opportunity to wish all our customers a happy and prosperous 2006.

In 2005 we had two Open House events, an evening in November and our usual daytime event in December. It was good to see so many people at both of the gatherings and we enjoyed the opportunity they afforded us to talk with you without having to rush away to attend to other duties. We still have a couple of unclaimed raffle prizes from the party on 22 December so do check out your ticket when you are next in the shop.

We have recently started stocking some locally produced **organic breads** which are yeast free, wheat free or gluten free. This was at the request of one customer but since stocking them we have discovered that a number of our customers need to include these in their diets. Do check out these new lines when you are next in the shop.

We are currently trying to source locally produced goods to try and ring the changes that a village shop can offer. If you have any ideas do please talk to us and we will endeavour to find any particular products that you would like to buy.

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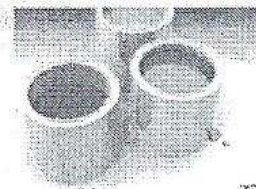
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## Holy Trinity Church News

The Christmas Services proved to be very popular in the village with great numbers of children and their families for the Christingle Service, a larger than usual support for the carol service and many at the Christmas morning service. It was not our turn for the Christmas Eve Midnight Service, two of which were held in the benefice - at Swalcliffe and Shutford.

Perhaps the excellent mulled wine after the carol service, generously provided by Keith and Maureen Hicks and the mince pies provided by the choir members, went some way to atone for the slightly less well known carols sung by the choir and congregation, a relief for those who attend every year but less popular for those who don't. The first performance of a locally inspired carol was most generously received.

The excitement and enthusiasm for the childrens Christingle service obviously took it out of those who normally attend for the first family service after Christmas where there were but 2 children and 9 adults. The usual care taken by the designers of these services was however of the highest and most interesting quality so that the small number were no less enthusiastic and appreciative, notably for Robin Spicer's success with the story of the visit of the Magi.

The next family service will be on February 12th at 10.00 a.m. Lets hope for a return of the regulars and some new faces too!

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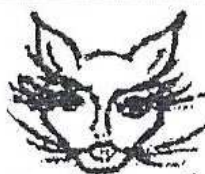
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 Brailes Sunday at 11.30 am  
 Baptist Hook Norton Sunday at 10.30 am  
 Church of the Firstborn (Bridleways S.Gower) Sunday at 10.30 am  
 Church of England, Holy Trinity, Sibford Gower.  
 February  
 Thu 2nd Candlemass at Tadmarton 8pm  
 Sun 5th Benefice service Broughton at 10.30 am  
 Sun 12th Family Service 10.00 am  
 Sun 19th Holy Communion 9.30 am  
 Sun 26th Holy Communion 9.30 am  
 March  
 Wed 1st Ash Wednesday service at Epwell 8.00 pm  
 Sun 5th Benefice service 10.30 at ~~Sibford~~ **SHVT FORD**



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SIBFORD GOWER School	09.25	11.25	12.55	13.55	15.55	17.35	18.35
Shipston, Tilemans Lane	09.47	11.47	13.17	14.17	16.17	17.57	18.57

### *From Shipston towards Banbury*

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Shipston, Tilemans Lane	06.50	07.45	08.50	.....	09.50	11.50	13.20 17.10
SIBFORD GOWER School	07.12	08.07	09.12	09.12	10.12	12.12	13.42 17.32
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# Calendar of Events

## January

- Fri 27th "Carnavalesque" 8 pm at Sibford School p7  
Sat 28th Village Hall Quiz entry deadline p17

## February

- Sat 4th & Sun 5th Stars and Snowdrops at Hanwell 12 - 5 pm p4  
Sat 4th Village Hall Quiz 7.00 pm p17  
Sun 5th Village Hall Market from 12 noon  
Tue 7th Friendship Club. Village Hall 2.00 pm p8  
Wed 8th Mobile Library in Sibfords and Burdrop (2.40 - 4.25pm)  
Mon 13th Road Closed at Temple Mill until March 3rd p3  
Tue 14th W.I. Valentine Theme Cooking p19  
Tue 21st Friendship Club - Lunch at Wychwood Golf Club p8  
Wed 22nd Mobile Library in Sibfords and Burdrop (2.40 - 4.25pm)

## March (part)

- Sat 4th "I Have a Song to Sing O" Deddington Church 7.30 pm p8  
Sun 5th Village Hall Market from 12 noon  
Wed 8th Mobile Library in Sibfords and Burdrop (2.40 - 4.25pm)  
Fri 10th Gower Parish Council. Primary School 8.00 pm p15  
Wed 15th Ferris Parish Council. Sports Hall, Sibford School 7.45pm p17  
Wed 22nd Mobile Library in Sibfords and Burdrop (2.40 - 4.25pm)

Cover picture - "Paradise" then home of Mr. & Mrs. Parkin, now known as Folly Farmhouse, taken when the roofs were still thatched.

### Sibford Scene

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