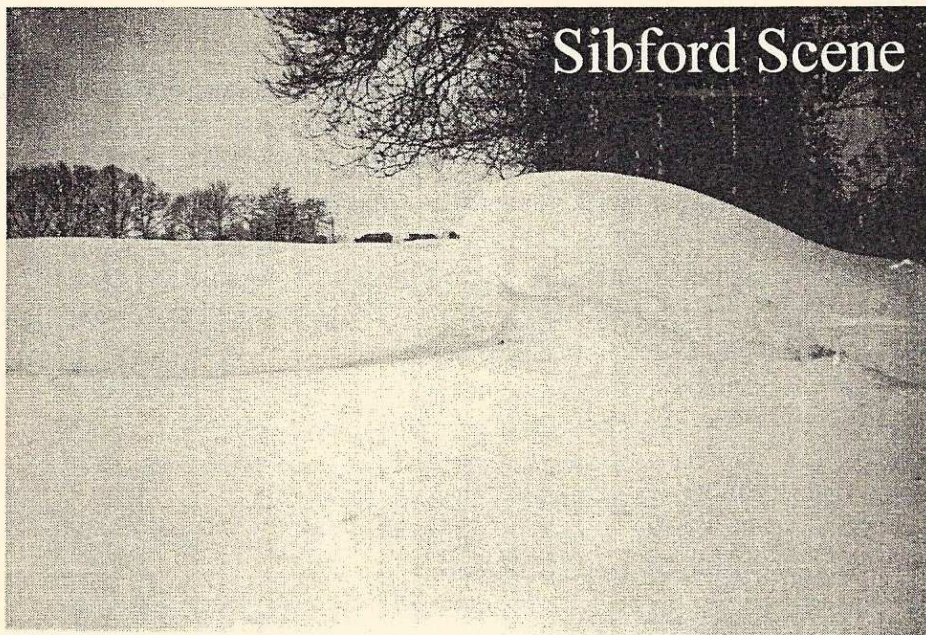


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April 2012

No. 341

Sibford Ferris Annual Litterblitz

Saturday 31st March, 10.00am at Lanes End Corner

Good Friday Childrens Activities

In the Primary School, April 6th 9.30am

Sibford Village Hall Easter Egg Hunt

on Good Friday, April 6th, from 2pm

New Clubs Night

Tuesday 17th April in the Village Hall 7.30pm

Church Coffee Morning

Saturday 21st April 10 - 12 noon in the Church

Nature Notes

Feb 21st. Birds of the crow family can make some odd noises at times but none more odd than a raven was making at Folly this afternoon as it sat in an ash tree by the path. At first I thought that this "tonk-tonk" repeated at short intervals might be made by someone hammering something in the farm buildings until we saw the raven and realised that it was making the noise. It allowed us to walk quite close and stand to watch and listen before it spread its wings, let go of its perch and let the wind lift it off to glide away towards Hill Bottom.

Feb 22nd. I was fooled again today by the call of a raven in the trees by our bungalow. I first thought that it was the bark of a small dog. It was not as sharp a "tonk" as the one yesterday and was repeated 4 or 5 times while the one at Folly kept strictly to pairs of notes.

Feb 26th. I heard a mistle thrush singing in the valley. It is nice to know that there is still at least one in the parish.

Feb 27th. I hear that a pipistrelle bat was seen flying just before midday and it seemed to be catching some insects. I wonder whether it now goes back into hibernation or stays active until the spring. I believe they are the bats that are most often seen out on mild days in the winter and are the earliest to come out in spring so it may well remain active and fly on mild evenings.

Feb 28th. I have not seen a muntjac in our garden for a while now, although I did see the tracks of one in the snow, but our neighbours saw four on their lawn at the same time.

Mar 12th. We have a bit more frogs spawn in our garden pond than we had last year but nowhere near as much as we used to get about 15 years ago.

Mar 19th. We are now seeing ravens less frequently, although I heard one this morning, and I still don't know where or whether they are nesting. It would be nice to have a nest in the par-



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ish as they have not nested here during my lifetime. And probably very much longer than that.

Mar 20th. It is several days since we last saw blackcaps on our bird table so I expect that, after wintering here, they have moved back northward to nest and we will soon have some coming from the south to sing and nest here. This musical chair like pattern of migration has been proved by ringing birds.

Report of the Sibford Gower Parish Council Meeting – 21st March 2012

The Bishop Blaize – the chairman said that the situation is in the hands of Cherwell District Council and with regard to an Appeal having been made against a recent Enforcement Order the Parish Council is considering what needs to be prepared for the forthcoming Appeal Hearing. Community Plan: Mrs Sue Mattinson brought the Meeting up to date in respect of progress made so far. Clerk's Report: The Annual Spring Clean will take place on Saturday, 5th May 2012 and volunteers are sought to give an hour or so of their time to help. Details had been received from Cherwell District Council that Parish Councils are invited to apply for grants of up to £500 towards local community events to celebrate the Jubilee. Muriel Chandler, present at the Meeting and representing the Village Hall Committee, asked whether the Parish Council would take advantage of this financial support. Highway Matters: Notification had been received from Oxfordshire County Council of the closure for up to seven working days to facilitate footway maintenance work between Burdrop and Sibford Ferris (Mannings Hill). Annual Parish Meeting: This is to take place on Friday, 25th May starting at 7.30pm in the main hall of Sibford Gower Endowed Primary School. Public Participation: A large pothole in the road outside the school was mentioned and the Clerk was instructed to liaise with Oxfordshire Highways. A question was raised about the distance between the burial plots in the Parish Council Burial Ground which the resident felt was too great. Next Meeting: This will be the Annual Parish Council Meeting at which the Chairman and Vice Chairman will be elected or re-elected. The date is to be notified in due course.



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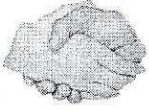
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Friendship Club

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Our trip out for April is to Wychwood Golf Club for a carvery lunch. More about that in our earlier meeting in April.

In May we hold our A.G.M which every member should attend!!!!



Sibford Horticultural Society

The first meeting of 2012 was held on 14th March in The Small Village Hall and the talk given by Janet Cropley, who spoke on 'Ideas for your herbaceous border'. It would be hard to imagine plants failing to thrive in Mrs Cropley's garden - they wouldn't dare! Her passion for the subject shone through and, in answer to the question 'where do you find your plants?' she replied "I buy them when I see them, or, if I spot something I admire in someone's garden, I ask if I might just dig up a bit of whatever it is. People hardly ever refuse!" She produced a very useful list of herbaceous plants which were illustrated in her talk.

The next Horticultural Society Meeting is due to be held on 11th April at 8.00 in the Small Hall. The speaker will be Ann Anson who will be giving a Flower arranging demonstration and will be talking about "ideas for your picking borders".

Advance Notice - There will be a class for Hanging Baskets at this years show should you wish to enter one.

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'We've got workshops on freelancing, writing sex scenes and compiling your memoirs,' she says, 'as well as author talks from household names such as Prue Leith, Joanna Trollope and Colin Dexter. Whether you're a poetry buff or a fan of contemporary women's fiction, there's bound to be something which appeals.' The programme is certainly varied: crime writers Mark Billingham and Dan Waddell will be discussing the perfect murder, whilst the Cotswold Gardens panel includes such green-fingered gurus as Sir Roddy Llewellyn and Robin Lane Fox. For the chick-lit lovers the Contemporary Women's Fiction event promises to be a lively affair, with best-selling authors Katie Fforde, Veronica Henry and Jill Mansell headlining the panel.

Full details of the festival line-up can be found on the website www.chiplitfest.com Tickets are priced from £7.50 and can be bought online or from the box office on 01608 642350.



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VILLAGE HALL NEWS

EGGSTRAVAGANZA! The Easter Egg Hunt will be from 2pm onwards on Good Friday. Entries at the Village Hall please - charge £1 per child. There are two classes, one aimed at smaller children, but families can choose which class will suit your group best. Easter Egg reward for all children entered. Drinks and snacks will be available in the Hall.

DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS ! We are planning a full weekend of events including the Fayre and Dog Show on Saturday June 2nd, with stalls / games / teas / bar / bbq and music. AFTER the Fayre we would like to welcome you all to stay on at the Village Hall and enjoy the Bar and refreshments and perhaps some musical entertainment. We have been thinking about hosting an informal TALENT SHOW that evening so if anyone would like to come along and entertain us we would be delighted! Contact Ginny on 01295 780373. On Sunday June 3rd several village gardens will be open and teas will be available. On Monday June 4th there are plans for sports and a picnic. If anyone is planning an event in the village over the Diamond Jubilee Days do let us know about it.

PAINT A SELF PORTRAIT! We would like to challenge you all to provide a self portrait [in any medium] so that they can be used to create a display/decoration in the Village Hall during the Jubilee Celebrations. This is just for fun. Pictures need to be A4 size and anonymous! We will collect them in the middle of May--more details in the next Scene.

DAMN RIGHT I GOT THE BLUES are BACK! on June 30th. If you have not yet heard the band you have missed a treat. Make sure you don't miss them this time! More details next month!

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Since the last increase in hires charges in December 2008 the costs of running and maintaining the hall have increased considerably. It now costs £11.08 an hour to open and run the hall. During this time we have made considerable improvement to the fabric of the hall with new windows and doors to improve insulation; new stage curtains and curtains in the small hall. Some of this expenditure has been funded by various grants. Future planned improvements include new ergonomically efficient hall lighting and a new suspended ceiling which will help reduce heating costs.

The Management Committee work tirelessly to ensure that this much used facility is available at a reasonable cost to all village organisations. The Committee raises between £4,000 and £5,000 each year to ensure that hire rates to regular village users are kept as low as possible subsidising the cost by more than £6 an hour. Private hire and commercial lettings adequately cover their running costs.

The management Committee recently agreed to increase the hourly hire charge all users with effect from 1st April 2012.

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Village Organisations	£6.00	£11.00
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<u>WEEKENDS HIGH TARIFF:</u>	<u>ONE HALL</u>	<u>BOTH</u>
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The Sibfords Society

The AGM of the Society was held on Thursday 15th March in the village hall and was attended by 28 members. This was followed by a most interesting presentation by Margaret and Peter Whittle from Tadmarton who explained their fund raising activities on behalf of the Katharine House Hospice at Adderbury. They had brought a wide range of craft items all of which they make themselves, and these were available for sale on the night. We have been informed that a total sum of £240 was raised all of which will go to the Hospice and members are thanked for their support.

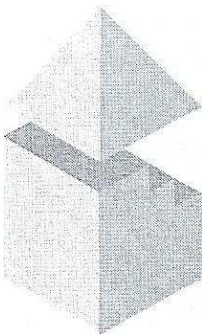
Our next meeting will be on Thursday 19th April when Martin Quartermain will be giving a talk on the Hook Norton Railway.

All current and any new members are most welcome.

'Domesday 2010' – a comprehensive record of life in our village

During 2010 the Sibfords' Society collected information from villagers to record the life and everyday activities in the Sibfords throughout the whole year. The purpose was two-fold: to make comparisons with a similar survey carried out in 1877 by, the Rev Edward Stevens, vicar of Sibford at that time, and secondly, to make a record of our time in the villages for future generations.

In addition to the Householders survey, groups and organisations who met in the village were contacted, schoolchildren were invited to tell us about their interests, and adults and children completed a survey of their own activities on one dedicated day in June 2010. All the data collected has been analysed and compared with data from previous sur-



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veys. Interviews were carried out with some of the people who held public office or offered services in the village during the year. A photographic record of village services, amenities and businesses was compiled, a monthly journal covering a year in the life of the Sibfords was written, and a website <http://theSibfords.org.uk> was developed and launched.

All the results and comparisons have been summarised, compiled and printed providing a comprehensive record of life in our rural, north Oxfordshire village throughout 2010. The final document has been placed on record in the Archives of the Sibfords' Society and can be made available to anyone interested in reading it by contacting Bryan Mills, Chairman, (780248) or Margaret Gardiner, Archivist, (780979).

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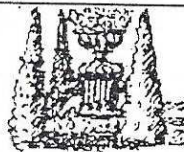
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There was an excellent attendance for our March Meeting and members were warmly welcomed by President Glennis Hardman. Margaret Gardiner gave a report on the OFWI Workshop held in Sibford Village Hall on 12th March. Val Powell, Kathleen Winter and Glennis Hardman will be going to the OFWI AGM at Oxford Town Hall on 28th March. Names were taken of those wishing to attend the Group Meeting at Cropredy on 17th April. Glennis Hardman has been successful in having one of her photographs chosen for the 2013 Oxfordshire calendar. Programme Secretary, Val Powell, read out details of the speakers arranged for 2012/13. Outings Secretary, Margaret Gardiner, announced that the Annual Coach Trip will be to Anglesey Abbey, Cambridgeshire on Wednesday, 15th August. Any non members wishing to join us should phone 780979 or 780391.

The “Way You Wear Your Hat” is the first line of a well-known Gershwin song and it sums up this month’s talk by Pam Goddard. Pam is in the business of hiring out English hand-made designer hats to ladies seeking that final touch to the outfit they have selected for a special occasion. It might be a wedding, Royal Ascot, an investiture or a garden party. But, of course, “hat” is too simple a word to convey what they hope to find - perhaps a fascinator, a cloche, a bonnet, a pillbox, a teardrop, a plate, a high-crown, a turban or a wide-brim. Throughout the centuries, and for a variety of reasons, women have covered their heads with shawls, scarves, cloaks but it was the C17th before structured hats were introduced and became more than merely a practical way to keep warm, dry or comply with

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convention. They became decorative and part of latest fashions and trends. The C19th century brought first of all the white straw hat favoured by Queen Victoria, followed by bonnets with wide ribbons. The Edwardians favoured huge brims with high crowns frequently decorated with ostrich feathers. These were followed by the early-'20s cloche. During the Second World War hats became more utilitarian and were often replaced by the turban, headscarf or snood. The 60s beehive hairstyles caused sales to plummet and only recovered with the revival of hats led by Princess Diana in the 1980s. Royal Ascot is the most important social event for milliners and in these days many fashionable race-goers refrain from purchasing very expensive hats and instead choose to hire them for a comparatively modest fee. Pam Goddard provides a selection of almost 700 of these designer hats – and during Ascot week will usually hire out at least 200, advising her clients on styles, colours, fitting etc. To demonstrate some of the tricks of selecting, purchasing and wearing hats Pam Goddard chose three WI members to act as models and as one of the “lucky?” three I thank my fellow members for resisting the temptation to join in a chorus of “O Where Did You Get That Hat?” at the conclusion of an entertaining, light-hearted session.

Greta Baadsgaard gave the vote of thanks and Theresa Tovell and Margaret Thomlinson served teas with a tempting selection of home made cakes. The competition for ‘An Easter Bonnet’ was won by Val Powell with Rosemary Neal second and Valerie Taylor third.

Tuesday, 10th April will be the AGM with a Bring & Buy Stall. There will be neither a raffle nor a competition.

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STUDENTS MAKE THE HEADLINES

Students at Sibford School in the Ferris made the headlines when they took part in the BBC News School Report Day.

A team from the BBC in London visited the school to meet with students and share some trade secrets about

how to make a successful news report.

And the result, a short film about young entrepreneurship, hit the airwaves on School Report Day (March 15).

Gilly Roberts of the BBC School Report team said: "It was an absolute delight working with Sibford School. The pupils were incredibly well behaved, great journalists, wonderful at learning their lines and coming up with ideas.

"Although it was a busy day of filming, it was a joy and everyone involved should be very proud of what they achieved."

In addition to producing the news film, the young reporters also recorded an interview for BBC Radio 4's Farming Today programme and contributed live inserts into BCC Oxford's Breakfast Show with Phil Gayle.

Rosie Weston (13) said: "It was a really good experience and it made me think about journalism as a possible career in the future."

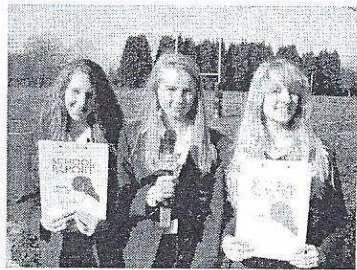
Martha Katz (13) added: "It was interesting to see the difference between reporting for television and radio. You have to describe things in much more detail for radio ... but at least you don't have to look as good as you would for TV!"

The Sibford School news report ... which features 13-year-old pupil Emily Duffy, whose egg production business was the catalyst for the video, can be viewed on the Sibford School website:

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Pictured: Some of the Sibford School reporters ...

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And, to add further prestige, the school was delighted to welcome David Choules, Independent Schools Programme Officer for London Wasps, as guest referee.



Richard Ferley of Sibford School PE department said: "This year's Sevens event was a terrific success and we were delighted that David was able to join us.

"Having been a former member of the London Irish Academy and a Bath United player he was able to offer both our players, and those pupils who helped run the line, a lot of inspiration."

Picture: David Choules (centre) with Richard

Ferley (right) and Sibford School rugby player Alexander Robertson (15).

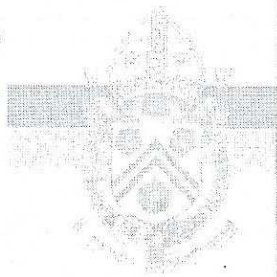
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If you are interested in playing, text or ring Ian Davies 07875 078110 or Tom Pratt 07771 704308 or alternatively, just turn up at our net practice on; Indoor at Sibford School Sports Hall on 3rd and 10th of April from 7.00 to 8.00pm, and Outdoor at Bloxham School on 17th and 24th April and 1st May from 6.00 to 7.30pm

We look forward to seeing you.

Ian Davies. Chairman Sibford CC. 01926 640974

Sibford Gower Annual Spring Clean, Saturday, 5th May 2012

The Annual Spring Clean will take place on Saturday, 5th May 2012 and volunteers are sought to give an hour or so of their time to help with the work of clearing litter from where it may have gathered in Burdrop and Sibford Gower. We will meet at Sibford Village Hall at 10am when Peter Abbott will allocate the areas which require attention.

Clear recycling sacks (for paper, cardboard, plastic bottles and cans) and rubbish sacks (for other items) will be provided together with cotton gloves. The District Council supplies on loan only a minimal number of litter pickers and high visibility jackets so if you are able to bring along your own it will be extremely helpful.

Should anyone be willing to help but not be available on 5th May, please phone Peter Abbott (Tel: 780731) and he will discuss with you a particular area that would benefit from your attention on another day.

The Members of Sibford Gower Parish Council hope that the occasion will once again receive the usual enthusiastic support and look forward to seeing you on the 5th May.

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Sibfords – Burdrop/Mannings Hill

26th April 2012 for approximately 7 working days

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The group now has the support of:

Epwell PC, Shutford PC, Tadmarton PC, Sibford Ferris PC and Sibford Gower PC. Swalcliffe Park School, Sibford School and Sibford Gower Primary School. Sibford Surgery. Many local businesses and community organisations.

I know that a significant number of you are content with our current broadband service but those in our community managing schools, charities, public service organisations, or running businesses and/or working from home need better connectivity to improve their productivity. This could make a big difference to our villages; increasingly people are looking to the internet to facilitate home working, keeping in touch with work colleagues, on line conferencing, accessing goods and services, marketing their goods and services locally, nationally and internationally.

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The meeting in the Village Hall on March 19th of the representatives of all six villages in the Benefice with the Area Dean and Lay Chair, the Bishop of Dorchester and the patrons who are Lord Saye and Sele and New College and Worcester College Oxford, represented by the college Deans went through the Benefice Profile page by page making a small number of amendments. They also reviewed the Bishop's introduction to the profile and the terms of the proposed advertisement of the vacancy. The Bishop went through the detailed procedure, and the advertisement was placed on 23rd March in the *Church Times*. It is hoped that there will be some replies and these will be considered by the same group on April 26th for interviews to take place on May 10th. Both these meetings will be held in the Sibford Village Hall. It is very much hoped that an appointment may take place soon thereafter and



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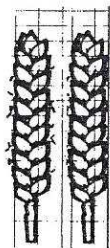
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assuming a three months period of notice, the appointment might be taken up in September. The profile was a triumph for the Parish representatives, all of whom worked very hard on their individual ones and particularly for Tim Huckvale, the designer of our village and Church website who designed the final copy. Many excellent photographs were supplied by the villages, including a front page photo of Paul Holledge, head of the Primary School surrounded by some of his pupils also an aerial shot of Holy Trinity Church taken from David Stewart's aircraft and we are so grateful to David for flying us round to take many shots. The final Profile can be seen on the website of the Diocese of Oxford which can be reached through a link from our own website. It is well worth reading for those who have the necessary equipment.

Another most successful Family Service for Mothering Sunday took place on March 18th Unfortunately many of our young attenders were away for the weekend with their families so there was only a handful to participate in an excellent service

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting took place in church on 20th March 2012. Churchwardens, Evey Boughton and Bruce Petter were elected and to the PCC Peter Hardman, John Marshall, Jonquil Sabin, Jan Thompson, Erica Wimbush, Malcolm Bannister, David Hughes and Kathy Yorke. The retiring Members, Catherine Petter, Gladys Stevens, Peter Abbott and Norman Nash were warmly thanked by the Chairman for their valued contribution to the work of the PCC. Accounts and reports were approved.

Lent Austerity lunches have been held in Broughton, Swalcliffe, Tadmarton and Sibford, the latter at the home of Brian and Eleanor Joynes and continue on the remaining Mondays at Epwell Village Hall on 26th March and Shutford Village Hall on 2nd April. Good Friday this year is on 6th April and Easter Day 8th April. Morning Prayer will be said at 7.30 am in Holy Trinity every day in Holy Week, Monday to Wednesday lay lead and Thursday to Saturday taken by Rev John Tattersall.

The first of our series of Coffee Mornings took place in church on Saturday 17th March and made a surplus of £107.

The next will be on 21st April 10.00 am to 12 noon

Church Services

Society of Friends		Sunday at 10.30 am
Methodist		Sunday at 11.00 am
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, April services as below.

Palm Sunday 1st Epwell 9.45 Palm procession 10.00 am Benefice Eucharist Rev John Tattersall

Monday Tuesday Wednesday 2nd, 3rd, 4th 7.30 am Morning Prayer (lay lead)

Thursday, Friday Saturday 5th, 6th, 7th 7.30 am Morning Prayer (Rev John Tattersall)

Good Friday 6th 9.30 am Messy Church in Sibford Gower Endowed Primary School

Easter Day Sunday 8th 9.30 am Holy Communion (Rev John Tattersall)

Sunday 15th 10.00 am Benefice Eucharist at Tadmarton Church Rev Canon Christopher Hall

Sunday 22nd 9.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) (Rev Canon Tom Moffatt)

Sunday 29th 10.00 am Deanery Rogation Service at Broughton (Rev Canon Glyn Evans)

Sibford Methodist Chapel preachers for April

Sunday 1st Palm Sunday Mrs C Cond (Holy Communion)

Sunday 8th Easter Sunday Rev S Bywater

Sunday 22nd Mary Newman

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Calendar of Events

April

- Tue 3rd Indoor Cricket Nets start p14
- Fri 6th Good Friday "Messy Church". Primary School 9.30am p20
- Fri 6th Eggstravaganza at the Village Hall from 2pm p6
- Tue 10th W.I. AGM and Bring and Buy p10
- Tue 10th Meet the Police at Sibford Village Hall 3 - 4 pm. P15
- Wed 11th Mobile Library in the Sibfords (2.40 - 4.10pm)
- Wed 11th Horticultural Society Flower arranging demo. P4
- Tue 17th New Clubs Night 7.30pm at the Village Hall p18
- Tue 17th Deadline for contributions to the May Sibford Scene p20
- Thu 19th Sibfords Society talk on Hook Norton Railway p8
- Sat 21st Coffee Morning in the Church 10 - 12. p20
- Wed 25th Mobile Library in the Sibfords (2.40 - 4.10pm)
- Thu 26th Mannings Hill Closed until May 4th p15
- Sun 29th Tori Handsley in Concert - Shutford Church p9

May (part)

- Sat 5th Sibford Gower Spring Clean Village Hall 10am p14
- Wed 9th Mobile Library in the Sibfords (2.40 - 4.10pm)
- Wed 16th Concert in Sibford Gower Chapel p19
- Wed 23rd Mobile Library in the Sibfords (2.40 - 4.10pm)
- Fri 25th Sibford Gower Annual Parish Meeting Primary School Hall 7.30

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