Sibford Scene



July 2014

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Saturday 5th July

Young at Heart concert at Swalcliffe Church 3pm Summer Serenade concert at Swalcliffe Church 7.30pm

Sibford Ferris Annual Parish Meeting

Wednesday 9th July at 7.30pm in the Sports Hall classroom at Sibford School

Village Hall Fayre

Saturday 12th July. 2 pm

Coffee Morning at Carters Yard

In aid of Holy Trinity Church Saturday 19th July 10 - 12 noon

Nature Notes

May 24th I have not seen the bullfinches feeding their young ones in the nest in the wall shrubs on our bungalow wall today and wonder whether they have died.

May 27th My grandson went up to look at the bullfinches nest and found it empty. I think the young ones must have been taken by aerial predators probably the two magpies that have spent a lot of time round the garden recently. May 29th My granddaughter tels me that there are 29 house martins nests on the youth hostel where she is working in North Wales. They are all on the south or west side of the building. She also says that there are plenty of cuckoos and plenty of big hairy wooly bears. (the caterpillar of the garden tiger moth) I still wonder whether they are essential food for the cuckoo as we have so few of the caterpillars or cuckoos when we used to have plenty of both. May 31st I have not heard a cuckoo this year but one was heard in Sibford Ferris today.

June 5th Although I cannot hear larks now it is nice to know that they are still plentiful and singing in parts of the parish.

June 9th It was interesting to see on the TV programme "Springwatch" how a clever badger had taken to swimming across to islands in the scrapes at Mins-

mere where the concentration of water birds nests made it much easier to get a feed of eggs than it is in an area like this.

June 10th I hear that an otter was seen at Traitors Ford recently.

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June 12th The jackdaws have been making a lot of noise around the rookery in Sibford Ferris and early one morning there were about 20 of them on our lawn. They were probably feeding on ants. Some of them were young ones that were being fed by their parents. They must in some way benefit from the rookery. My grandfather wrote in 1932, when touring Ireland that in Donegal the jackdaws made their nests in the lower part of deeper rooks nests. He noted that the clump of trees that the nests were in were the only trees for quite an area round and there were no other possible jackdaw nesting sites that he could see.

June 13th We have a bumble bees nest in the corner of our bungalow roof. At least it will be safe from badgers up there.

June 15th A swift going at speed failed in its atempt to collect a pigeon feather as it floated down but it made a tight turn and still got it on the way back before it came down on top of the hedge. I did not think that swifts could build nests as they cannot land to collect the material for one but they must still like to get a feather for lining when opportunity offers.

June 16th We have seen quite a few bats over the last few evening but I wonder what they feed on. Moths are few and far between.

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SIBFORD FERRIS PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

Following the Parish Council Election on 22 May, Joanne Connor, Maureen Hicks, Tim Huckvale, Adrian Lamb and Peter Robinson were re-elected to the council

SIBFORD FERRIS ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 2 JUNE The meeting was attended by all parish councillors, the clerk and two members of the public with apologies from District Councillor George Reynolds. Joanne Connor was elected Chairman and Maureen Hicks as Vice-Chairman, with Anita Spencer (Clerk) taking over the role of Responsible Financial Officer. The following items were addressed: the implications of the School Transport Review for the community; an update on efforts to improve broadband speeds in the Sibfords; the use of Wheathills for non-agricultural purposes; the investigations into acquiring a defibrillator facility; provision for badgers at the solar farm; closure of the churchyard and assistance with mowing costs; the problems reported from Sibford Gower of negotiating the corner at Temple Mill; the review of the Community Plan; the lack of information from Cherwell District Council following the parish council election; parish council insurance renewal; clerk's equipment; affordable housing; the new fitness equipment at the MUGA site and the post-installation inspection report; Cotswold Close play area and annual inspection report; a local heritage assets register; the provision of a replacement lamp and new lamppost on Mannings Hill; the consultation on non-emergency patient transport services; the annual return to 31 March and internal audit; planning. Under Any Other Business, the matters of damage to the bench on Hook Norton road and a hedge overgrowing Main Street were raised. The next meeting was arranged for Monday, 23 June when the annual return would be approved for sending to the external auditor. The meeting closed at 9.50pm. A copy of the full draft minutes of the meeting of 2 June is available on www.thesibfords.org.uk or from the Clerk on 788557.





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On 19th June a group of ten from the Sibfords Society enjoyed a very entertaining walking tour of Stratford, starting at the Birthplace of Shakespeare and ending at the RST. Our guide, David Gunnell, aware that we were a local group, avoided the usual information on Shakespeare

and told us a great many facts about the architecture and history of the town and its Bard which were probably quite new to us all.

One of the most notable details was that the Birthplace was saved in 1846 from the fate of being bought by the showman P.T. Barnum and transported brick- by- brick to the USA! Thankfully the Shakespeare Birthplace Trust, then the Shakespeare Birthday Committee, purchased it. David painted a picture for us of the house as it would have been when Shakespeare was a boy, not pristine with carefully tended gardens, but a hectic household and place of business, with the pervasive stench of hides being cleaned and tanned filling the air all around.

Somehow the two hours shot by, while we were given an outline of Shake-speare's whole life, and shown all the places of importance in the town. Next time we go there we can forget about the twee souvenir shops and just appreciate the many 15th Century timber-framed buildings which are still all over Stratford.

An impromptu performance by David in the riverside gardens and lunch outside the theatre completed a lovely trip.

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The talk in the church begins at 18.30. Please either meet us there or depart from the Village Hall at 17.40. Please inform either Diana Hughes: 780506 or Bryan Mills: 780248 if you would like to come. Non-members are of course very welcome to join us!

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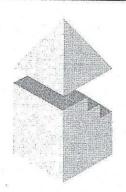
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SIBFORD FERRIS ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Will take place on Wednesday, 9 July at 7.30pm in the Sports Hall Classroom (First Floor) at Sibford School. Items included on the agenda will be reports from: The Chairman, Responsible Financial Officer, the Town Estate charity on Wheathills, the Village Hall, Mr Goodwin of Sibford School and the Community Plan Co-ordinators. It is hoped that representatives from Thames Valley Police and the Highways Department will also attend. Items identified for discussion will include: Affordable Housing, Defibrillator, Wheathills, Closure of the Churchyard, Traffic at Temple Mill and Further Development of the MUGA Site. Please take this opportunity to find out what is happening in your village and come along on 9 July.

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Sibford WI Meeting - 10th June 2014

The President welcomed three guests to a well attended meeting – Joyce Seely from Canada (staying with Secretary Lynda Conway) and two more local ladies from Burdrop

(Mary Eddis and Valerie Parkinson). Members were invited to sign up for the Members Lunch on Thursday, 14th August at the Stratford-upon-Avon Rooftop Restaurant, organised by Lynda. Sibford WI will not be having an annual coach outing this year. However, ten of us will be joining Hook Norton WI coach outing to Greys Court on 17th July.

This month, Christine Abel, entertained us with a talk about hats and the hat hiring business she runs called "The Hat Box" in Broughton. Christine told us how to determine our face shape and then explained the theory of matching hats to the different shapes. For example a round face suits a hat with a big brim, a high flat crown and lots of decoration. Those lucky enough to have an oval face can wear any sort of hat. The hat hiring business is a fun job as it is generally all about happy occasions such as weddings, Royal Ascot and sometimes, Buckingham Palace garden parties! People are also very honest as Christine has experienced only one lost and three damaged hats in seven years of trading. We were then invited to find hats to suit from the large and colourful range placed on the table. It was a very interesting and enjoyable session with lots of enthusiastic hat trying-on and Christine was thanked by Lynda Conway. Eleanor Joynes and Jan Warner served tea with delicious cakes baked by Eleanor. Christine was invited to judge the competition for 'A Decorated Hairpiece'. She decided on Val Powell as first, Kathleen Winter as second and Lynda Conway as third.

Tuesday, 8th July is the date for our Garden Meeting to be held at the home of Mary Hill – Wallnut Tree House, Goose Walk, Church Street, Bloxham. Those members who are not making their own way there, please assemble at Sibford Village Hall carpark at 1.30pm to make up car

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Sibford's Cricket in Full Flow

It has been a bit of a mixed start to the season with four wins, four losses, one tie but only one match lost to the weather.

The Saturday league side started the season with a losing weak side versus Silverstone and were all out for 99 with only Ian Wollerton with 49 making any real impact.

This was followed with three consecutive wins. Notable performers were Lee Gilbert with 5-31, Matt Wood 30 and Ian Wollerton 36 no against Crown, Richard Ferley 91 no, Simon Chard and Dave Brassett with 3 wickets each against Syresham and Lee Gilbert 6-32, debutant S Brabham 3-23 and Rich Morbey scoring 27 no against Middleton Cheney A. This was followed by a loss against Helmdon where having posted what was thought to be a respectable 183 with good batting throughout the team, one of the opposition batsmen then had a field day which included seven 6s which got the opposition home safely.

The Sunday side have had good fun at each other's expense (literally!) in the four matches so far. The season started with a thrilling tie against a noisy Round of Gras. Steve Glanvill's 63 and the Chairman's 46 no resulted in a what was thought to be a defendable 170 total. However, despite good bowling from Lee Gilbert with 4-27, the total was reached but not exceeded by the last pair at the crease in the last over. A good day was had by all.

This was followed by two losses against Milton where only Simon Chard with 2-27 and Kit Lamb with 34 made any impressions and then against a strong Quinton side who posted over 200 with only the Chairman with 3-26 offering any containment and Steve Galnvill with 47 and Scott Cuthbert with 31 offering any real batting resistance in Sibford's 117 response. The first Sunday win came against Hook Norton where a healthy 206 was posted by Sibford with notable contributions from Steve Glanvill 35, Dave Pratt 50 (held the inning together in Geoffrey Boycott style with 50 in 33 overs, got fined for slow scoring and then had to buy a jug of beer for his half century!) and young Will Eagles with 40 no. Hooky's response was always faltering with Lee Gilbert talking 5-17.

July home games include Towcestrians (5th), Round of Gras (6th), Syresham (19th), Steeple Aston (20th) where all are welcome to watch and support.

A date for the diary - the annual Bert Gilbert Memorial Club game with BBQ etc is on 3 August with fine weather and plenty of fun guaranteed! Come and join us for this annual event.

NEW HEAD OF SIXTH FORM AT SIBFORD SCHOOL

Sibford School has announced the appointment of Cate Mallalieu-Needle as its new head of Sixth Form studies.

Cate, who has extensive experience and expertise in post 16 education, will take up the position in September.

Speaking about her appointment she said: "Young people today are facing a future in a very challenging world. They are also embarking on A level qualifications that, I firmly believe, have become increasingly more academically complex.

"To prepare for these challenges, students need individualised support and guidance and I am delighted that Sibford School will provide me with the opportunity to share my skills and understanding with students on a one-to-one basis.

"I am hugely excited by the future and I am looking forward to what this will mean for myself, the sixth formers and their tutors."

For the past four years, Cate has been Director of Post 16 Studies at Cooper School in Bicester. For five years prior to that she was head of sixth form at Chipping Norton School.

Sibford School head Michael Goodwin said: "We are delighted to welcome Cate to the team here at Sibford and look forward to the skills and enthusiasm she brings with her. When Cate joined Cooper School there was no existing provision for students to stay on after GCSEs. She oversaw the successful creation of their Post 16 Study Centre and I know that many of the talents she displayed in carrying out this task will be of great benefit to Sibford."

Sibford Sixth Form provides a range of post-16 opportunities for both Sibford's own pupils and to pupils who join from other schools.

Cate met up with some of her new students when she visited Sibford recently to chat with current year 10 and 11 pupils and their parents.

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ing and generally increase the number of options open to you."

Cate Mallalieu-Needle is pictured with some of Sibford's current Year 10 pupils ... Finn Ridley, Harry Berks, Beth Hughes, Amanda Helgemo and Eleanor Walton.

Summer Holiday Activity Club

Sibford School's popular Fun in the Country holiday club will be operating during the summer from Monday 28 July until Friday 22 August (week days only). Children can enjoy a range of activities including swimming, crafts, sports and cooking. Cost is £28

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Sibford Gower Annual Parish Council Meeting – 9th June 2014

The Meeting took place in Sibford Gower Endowed Primary School with the re-elected Parish Councillors, County and District Cllr George Reynolds and seven local residents in attendance. Also present, at the invitation of the Parish Council, was Mr Maurice Sheehan (Area Steward, Oxfordshire Highways). Cllrs Murray and Abbott were re-elected Chairman and Vice Chairman respectively.

Chairman's Report: Defibrillator:: The acquisition of a defibrillator is ongoing and further information will be provided in due course. Signs at Temple Mill: The meeting agreed that the PC would support Sibford Ferris PC in a request for signs at Temple Mill indicating vehicle priority and that the road was single-track. Parking problems in Main Street, Sibford Gower around the Pond: Debate has continued about this problem for more than twenty five years. The present Parish Council generally takes the same view as that agreed by its predecessors in 1994, that there is no immediate solution, although in the long term alternative off-street parking might be found. It has been decided not to discuss this topic again for the next three years. Sibfords Community Plan: Two aspects of the Plan were carried forward by the Parish Council.

The first concerned the provision of allotments where minor interest by residents had been expressed but nobody has so far come forward to organise a management group to take control. It was agreed to join with Sibford Ferris PC if their appeal for volunteers produced results, otherwise to abandon the scheme. The second concerned the formation of a Walking Group and this was formed, albeit small in number, and regular walks currently take place. Verge in front of Bishops End (formerly The Bishop Blaize): The PC expressed its opposition to any form of obstruction on the verge, in the belief that there was an agricultural right of access to the adjoining field. They noted

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that half of this access had already been obstructed by a new fence and hedge, and asked Oxfordshire Highways to report on this apparent infringement of the rights of neighbouring owners to cross the verge in order to access their properties. Clerk's Report: Notification had been received from Cherwell District Council that Bishop's End (formerly The Bishop Blaize) had been nominated by The Bishop Blaize Support Group for listing as an Asset of Community Value and this is to receive consideration. A letter had been received from the Information Commissioner's Office following its receipt of a complaint from a local resident that information about her and her property held by the Parish Council was being withheld from her. This was strongly refuted. The IFO will now take no further action. Annual Financial Return: The Members of the Parish Council approved the Annual Financial Return for the year ended 31st March 2014 for submission to the External Auditor and the Receipts & Payments Account for the same period. Thanks were expressed to Mr David Soden for carrying out the internal audit. The Members of the Parish Council acknowledged their responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control and that this was exercised during the financial year.. Planning Matters: Since the previous Parish Council Meeting, five planning applications had been considered and five decisions received from Cherwell District Council. Highway Matters: Oxfordshire Highways is to be requested to mark a Keep Clear sign on the road opposite the phone box in Main Street because anyone parking there blocks the essential access for the milk lorry and tractors to the farm at Rye Hill. At the same time the refreshing of other Keep Clear signs in Main Street would be welcomed. Oxfordshire Highways has been asked to provide a map of the Parish and, when received, the drains that tend to flood and give cause for complaints will be marked. Oxfordshire Highways will be requested to carry out such remedial work as may be necessary to prevent future problems. Footpath Matters: Cllr Susan Bannister, who leads the Walking Group, said that generally the footpaths appear to be in good order. Cllr Gilian Soden raised the matter of the path that leads from Hawkes Lane towards the road to the Doctors Surgery in respect of which complaints had been received

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from some elderly residents that part of it is slippery and something of a potential hazard. The Parish Council is currently in discussion with Oxfordshire County Council with regard to this matter. Village Pond: The Chairman informed the Meeting that the Parish Council's application to register the Pond as a town or village green under section 15(2) of the Commons Act 2006 is still awaiting consideration by Oxford County Council's solicitor. Public Participation: No matters were raised. Any other Matters: Mrs Mulley stated that she wished it recorded that her views were not as represented in a recent letter to the Sibford Scene.

The next Meeting will be on Monday, 22nd September 2014 starting at 8pm in the Staff Room of Sibford Gower Endowed Primary School,

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked all present for attending and closed the Meeting at 9.15pm.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR THE SIBFORDS

Following the drop-in event on affordable housing proposals held at the village hall on June 5th, the information boards and plans set up by Cherwell District Council and the developer are available to view on the Sibfords website, www.thesibfords.org.uk.

Hello from Thailand.

We arrived safely back to Thailand on the 22nd May and after staying one night in Bangkok we were home on the 23rd May we were told of curfew when we went to get our evening meal and that we had to be in our Hotel by 10.00pm and could not leave before 5.00am but up in Bualai as long as you are in your village by curfew time that's Ok we had a good drive back to Bualai and the only road blocks we saw was going the other way towards Bangkok. Back to school on the Monday and so back into the thick of school life we both now do another school in another village we do it for our friends who are Teachers there I started going to their school before the holidays they only

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have 70 children in the school. The weather here is very hot at the moment it never gets below 85f and we have had a lot of thunder storms and heavy rain over the last 3 weeks, Robin has managed to get his garden back and has planted Courgette lettuce pak choi tomatoes coriander and chines kale and they have all come through in the last 3 days not bad when he only planted them last Friday. We are both keeping well but finding the heat a bit much but then the locals are finding it too hot as well. Will write again soon. From Robin & Ann



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VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Many thanks to all who helped to make the Dog Show a success. Our judge Peter Abbott and the Rev Ronald were a great team. The winner of The Sibford Top Dog Trophy went to Daisy with owner Lesley Bishop from Sibford Gower. Reserve was Toby with seven year old Tom Rowley from Burdrop, who also won the Best Dressed Dog and Owner class. The Best Young Handler trophy was won by Sarah Spencer with Jazzy from Sibford Ferris. We raised £446-00 which will go into the Village Hall Refurbishment Fund.

The VILLAGE HALL FAYRE is on July 12th from 2pm.

We would welcome any gifts /donations of items for the stalls. Contacts are; White Elephant Ginny 780373

Gifts Sally 788367/Diana 780506

Books Petra & John 780462

Bottles Clive/Jan 780475 or Joan 780410

Cakes Anita 788557 or Ginny 780373

We will have stalls, cakes, teas, bar, competitions, face painting, bottle tombola, books, plants, raffle, bouncy castle, Paper plane making and flight competition and an Art display. Do come and help make it a fun afternoon.

VILLAGE HALL AGM

will be on September 29th in the large hall. Everybody welcome.

BRIDGE DRIVE Join us on October 25th From 2pm to 5pm. Funds from this event will go into the Hall Refurbishment fund.

MUSICAL EVENING Ilone and Matt are going to entertain with music. Refreshments available in the interval, and bar open from 7pm. More details in September' Scene'. DATES FOR THE DIARY

The QUIZ night will be on November 22nd for teams of up to 6 people. FILM nights will restart in September.

LOST AT THE Dog Show -an umbrella [navy with white spots and pink hearts] Contact Muriel on 01295 780025

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'30 June Short (no more than 1.5 hours) Route tha

14 July Great Tew Park circuit

28 July Wroxton circuit Will alter route if very wet

11 August Route tba

1 September Note: 3 week gap Route tba

15 September Route tba

We leave Sibford Gower Village Hall car park at 10 sharp, sometimes on foot, sometimes driving to the start.

Dogs on leads when requested are very welcome.

Boots and walking poles recommended but not essential, though some routes are rough.

The routes are normally a circuit and take about 2 hours unless marked as short.

Please email <u>sebannister@gmail.com</u> or phone 01295 780365 if you have any queries.

WELCOME TO SIBFORD

If you are a new resident of Sibford and have not yet received a copy of the "Welcome to Sibford" booklet, please telephone Ivor Hopkyns on 788367 (Gower or Burdrop) or Nic Durrant on 788865 (Ferris), and a copy will be delivered to you. The information will help to make you feel at home - by acquainting you with the services, schools, clubs and societies that are currently active in the villages.



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In reply to last months letter to the Editor

We are privileged to live in a lovely area, a no-through road with a working dairy farm at the end. ALL members of the community should want to help each other. Since living alone, the number of mid/late evening knocks on my door has considerably increased due to the milk lorry and other vehicles not being able to pass. Opening the door has caused me great anxiety. To help ease the lack of parking by the pond now effecting Main Street, I have asked for ALL residents to be asked to park on their own land and for the public parking area between Bonds End Lane and the green to be reinstated and allocated for residents with no parking. The grass has been allowed to grow across this area, which was for people visiting The Post Office at Cedar Holm.

I have not accused Dr. Murray or the PC of not working. I did raise my voice with frustration as three members of the PC know exactly the area I mean.

Mollie Mulley.

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Contributions for the August & September Sibford Scene to the Editor by July 15th OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR A 40 PIECE ORCHESTRA ON YOUR DOORSTEP!

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Saturday 05 July 2014, St Peter & St Paul Church, Swalcliffe YOUNG AT HEART FAMILY CONCERT at 3.00 pm

...an hour's fun concert for children & adults
+ Sibford Gower Primary School Choir
Opportunities to join in... Hear the sounds & learn about the instruments...

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Tickets: £12.00 (adult)/£5.00 (child) 01295 780193 or susannah.arnaboldi@gmail.com

Church Services

Society of Friends Roman Catholic Mass

Baptist

Sunday at 10.30 am Wroxton Sunday at 9.00 am

Brailes Sunday at 11.30 am

Hook Norton Sunday at 10.30 am

Hol; y Trinity Church services

July 6th Benefice Eucharust at Swalcliffe at 10am

July 13th 8am BCP Holy Communion & 9.30am Morning Praise

July 20th 9.30am Holy Communion

July 27th 9.30am BCP Holy Communion

August

Aug 3rd Benefice Eucharist in Sibford 10am

This Service will have quite a lot of material about the commemoration of the outbreak of World War 1 100 years ago

Huge thanks to everyone who organised, supported or attended the Trinity Fair in June; lots of people enjoyed Afternoon Tea, games to play, and the Plant Stall and over £400 was raised for church funds.

Church Clock; you will ALL be receiving a leaflet about the Church Clock and the finances associated with it; please don't just bin it!

July 19th Coffee Morning at Carter's Yard by kind permission of Malcolm and Sue Bannister. 10am to 12noon. Do come and enjoy some good coffee and a chat with others. There may be plants in addition to the customary raffle and bring and buy stall.



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The next Coffee Morning will be in church on August 16th.

Canon Tim Wimbush's significant contribution to music in North Oxfordshire and his work with the RSCM (Royal School of Church Music) will be noted at a Choral Evensong in Broughton Church on Saturday September 14th. All competent singers are warmly invited to take part and full details and an application form can be obtained from Ronald -

reverendronald1954@gmail.com. there will be but one rehearsal on the day itself, plus tea!

Sibford Bus Services

Cherwell Rural Dial-A-Ride Scheme

A mini bus with tail-lift to take elderly or disabled people and escort to Banbury (max fare £1.60) Door-to-Door service. Book at least one day in advance. Operates on Wednesdays & Thursdays. Phone 263777 for details. BCTA also takes bookings for groups of 8 or more on a weekly/monthly basis (Wednesdays & Thursdays) to and from Banbury. Tel; 263777

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Shipston,	09.15	11.40	13.35	15.11 16.50	17.55	18.55
Stratford on Avon, Wood St.	09.40	12.09	14.04	15.40 17.19	18.24	19.24

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S G, School		07.55	09.56	11.56	13.56	15.56	16.10	17.14
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Calendar of Events

July

Wed 2nd Mobile Library in the Sibfords (2.40-4.10pm)

Sat 5th Young at Heart concert at Swalcliffe Church 3pm p21

Sat 5th Summer Serenade concert at Swalcliffe Church 7.30pm p21

Tue 8th W.I. Garden Meeting p9

Wed 9th Ferris Annual Parish Meeting. 7.30pm Sports Hall classroom p8

Sat 12th Warriner School Fun Day 12 - 4pm p4

Sat 12th Village Hall Fayre 2 pm p18 Sat 12th Upton House Jazz Party p17

Mon 14th Sibfords Walking Group - Great Tew 10am from V. Hall p19
Tue 15th Deadline for contributions to Aug & Sep Sibford Scene p20

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Thu 17th Sibfords Society visit to Swinbrook Church. P6

Sat 19th Church Coffee Morning at Carters Yard 10 - 12 noon p22 Mon 28th Sibfords Walking Group - Wroxton 10am from V. Hall p19

Wed 30th Mobile Library in the Sibfords (2.40-4.10pm)

August (part)

Sun 3rd Bert Gilbert Memorial Cricket Match - Sibford School p11

Mon 11th Sibfords Walking Group 10am from V. Hall p19

Wed 13th Mobile Library in the Sibfords (2.40-4.10pm)

Sat 16th Church Coffee Morning 10 - 12 noon p22

Wed 20th Horticultural Show Entries - Village Hall 7 - 8.30 pm p4

Sat 23rd Horticultural and Produce Show 2.30 - 4.00 pm p4

Wed 27th Mobile Library in the Sibfords (2.40-4.10pm)

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