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Karaoke Night at the Brentor Inn

On Saturday 14th September we are putting on a Karaoke evening. Join in the fun or just watch others making fools of themselves - perhaps. Maybe we shall find an up and coming Cliff or Kylie in the village!? Who knows. The fun starts at 8.30 pm.

Harvest Festival - Brentor Inn

That time of year is here again. On Thursday 26th September at 8 pm at the Brentor Inn we shall be holding our Annual Harvest Festival. As usual, Mr. Woolcock from Ward & Chown will conduct the Auction. Any donations of produce or gifts of any description would be appreciated for the Auction. If anyone has any suggestions to which Charity or Organisation some of the proceeds can go, please contact Chris at the Brentor Inn on 810240. Other monies will be distributed to village amenities as in previous years.

Brentor Cricket Club are riding high in the league this season but on Sunday 15th September they will be humiliated (hopefully)! by a Ladies Eleven. The Club have challenged a team of ladies to a friendly to end the season. If there are any budding female Ian Botham's out there please contact Chris at the Brentor Inn on 810240. We need you!

P.S. Good luck to the cricket team on September 1st. Let's hope you beat Buckland in the final of the Cup. Champagne if you win - buckets of water if you lose.

Chris Moore

W.I. News

Arriving at Devon Herbs in very unsummery weather for their annual Garden Meeting, members of WI and their friends received a warm welcome from Sally and her two assistants, Dee and Jenny. Dodging the showers, with umbrellas very much in evidence, there followed a guided tour of the garden with Dee and Jenny explaining the names and uses of the many different herbs. Meanwhile Sally was busy organising the cream tea which everyone was able to enjoy in the dry in the "tunnel". Before making for home there was the opportunity of buying some of the herbs for future use. Thank you Sally, Dee and Jenny for providing such an enjoyable afternoon - we won't hold you responsible for the weather!

Although there was no institute business to attend to, Mrs. Gill Saunders was officially welcomed as a new member and presented with her 'new member's pack'.

At the WI's next meeting on 5th Sept. Mr. Morris will be making a return visit to give a talk, this time illustrated, on the history of bee keeping.

M. Pritchard

Brentor Playgroup

Summer holidays are coming to an end and a new term of the playgroup starts on Tuesday 3rd Sept. We are very sorry to lose two of our older members, Martin Webb and Susie Emmett, who start at Mary Tavy School, we wish them all the best. We would all like to thank Jeanette for her hard work and help with the Playgroup over the years - the end of an era!

We welcome new members to our group which meets every Tuesday 10 - 12 noon in the Church hall - do come along. If anyone has any toys they no longer require which are in reasonable condition and are willing to donate them to the playgroup we would be delighted.

The playgroup would like to thank David Brimacombe for all the hard work and time he has given in tidying and trimming the Eastcott Memorial Field - a wonderful job - thank-you.

P. Pascoe

Church News

Youth Praise 11th August. Unfortunately the weather was unkind and the Treasure Hunt was cancelled; but the service of Youth Praise was celebrated in St. Michael's Church. The young people chose their favourite hymns which were accompanied by Simon on the guitar.

Alexander Bromhead was christened at St. Michael's on 4th August. We welcome him to the congregation.

The services are slightly different for September and will be posted on the Church Notice Board.

1st Sept. - 9.45 am morning worship at Christ Church
6.30 pm Holy Communion and Healing Ministry at St. Michaels

29 Sept - Patronal Festival of St. Michael & All Angels
9.45 am Harvest Festival Family Service at Christ Church
6 pm (Note time) Harvest Festival at St. Michael's.

On Monday 30th there will be the Harvest Supper in the Church Hall at 7 pm followed by Auction of produce. All are welcome.

Saturday 14th September the Annual Sponsored Cycle Ride for the Devon Historic Churches Trust - Also the "March for Jesus" at 11 am in Tavistock. Please contact the Rector if you are interested in these events.

In August we lost two ex-members of our congregation. Mrs. Moira Wills who lived at West Blackdown is well remembered for her riding on Beeza with Dommy her terrier. She belonged to the Junt and rode Point-to-Point over the banks. A founder member of Brentor WI and well respected member of the community, with a great zest for life, we shall all remember.

Miss Margaret Gallup died at Bere Alston - but she lived at Blackdown, Mary Tavy, which she set up as a Nursing Home. Her life was devoted to the care of the sick after serving as a V.A.D. in the War.

Our sympathy is extended to the families of these two ladies.

J. Venning

I would like to thank everyone who helped and supported my Coffee morning on August 3rd at such short notice as well. £70 was raised for Molly Owen Centre, my grateful thanks.

Michaelmas Fair is the next date on the Agenda - September 28th. Please support this for your village hall. We would be most pleased with any items to sell - plants, cakes, books, bric-a-brac, jumble etc., 2.30 pm on the 28th. Date to remember.

K. Lashbrook

Methodist News

Once more it is time to invite you to services on 8th and 9th September. Yes folks, Harvest Festival time is here again, how swiftly a year has passed since we last joined in worship to give thanks for the fruits of the harvest.

Services will be held on Sunday 8th September at 11 am and 6.30 pm and on Monday at 7.30 pm. There will be the usual supper and sale of produce. A sincere welcome is extended to all.

Stella Claringbold

Coffee Morning

Bring and Buy Coffee Morning at Shell Park, Brentor on Wednesday 4th September at 10.30 am. Entrance 50p in aid of St. Luke's Hospice. Mrs. Meadows 810320

Thank you to Mr. & Mrs. Whitcomb, Philip and John for hosting the Cream Tea on 27th July, and to all those who came to meet Mrs. Mary Vick our County Councillor.

D. Reeve

University of the Third Age 'U.3.A.'

Q. What is it?

A. An organisation for providing all kinds of educational, creative and leisure activities for anyone not in full-time, paid work.

Q. Who can join?

A. Retired people of all ages. No academic or other qualifications are needed (and none are given).

Q. Who runs it?

A. U3A members organise their own activities and offer their own skills, knowledge and experience to their fellow members.

Q. Where does it exist?

A. There are currently more than 120 U3A's throughout the UK with some 14,000 enthusiastic individual members. More are starting all the time.

Anyone interested in knowing more about U3A please ring 0822 810658 (Mrs. E. Wheeler).

Gill Saunders

Parish Council

A meeting of the council was held on Monday 12th August '91. The following are extracts from the PCC meeting and are not yet approved.

Pocket Park Mrs. Venning expressed concern about the safety aspects of having a pond so close to the playground, in the other part of the Eastcott Memorial Field. The Chairman requested the Playgroup's representatives, who were present at the council meeting, to canvass the opinions of the other mothers involved with the playgroup, and to report back to the Parish Council.

Liddaton - unauthorised tipping in the disused quarry. The owner has met with representatives from WDB.

Tree branch near the Herb Garden. Mr. Baskerville reported that the tree will be removed as soon as the field has been harvested and arrangements can be made for the tree to be taken down.

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Money for a slide to fit into the bank of the Eastcott Memorial Field
The clerk read a letter from Mrs. Pascoe, Secretary of the Brentor playgroup, stating the playgroup have raised £250 towards a slide and would like the Parish Council to support their efforts in finding other sources of money, to enable a slide to be purchased; cost £800. Councillors thought this project would be of benefit to the children and agreed to give their support. It was suggested the Secretary submit drawings and a background to the money raising efforts so far; the Parish Council would then submit this application to the British Telecom Grant Scheme for their consideration.

Stable and Food Store OS 3135, North Brentor. Mr. Downing noted that work had commenced and hoped that every effort would be made to ensure this development caused the minimum of inconvenience to surrounding properties.

Next Meeting 9th September 1991 7.30 pm Village Hall.

Bat Boxes

Some of you maybe wondering about the new des. res. in Bill Tucker's Plantation up on the main road. It is infact a bat box constructed in part by Mike Whitfield's son Ben. We can obtain more free for anyone who would like one. Conditions are that a record will be made of any visitors of the furry flying kind. You will need a tree or building facing S, S.E. or S.W. and be able to fix it about 15-20 feet above ground and away from branches. For more information please contact Mike Whitfield 810209.

Traidcraft - Trading For A Fairer World

Traidcraft sells a variety of high quality products from developing countries through a mail order service and a network of voluntary reps. The products are shown in a 64 page full colour catalogue - the 1991/92 edition has just been issued. I am a voluntary rep for Traidcraft but have been without a regular place to sell goods from since the vegetarian cafe in Tavistock closed. Should any reader want to order Traidcraft goods I place an order in the first week of each month. Ordering through a voluntary rep means that goods are paid for on delivery (avoiding any problems of damaged items) and there are no carriage and handling charges. Voluntary reps buy goods at a slightly discounted price - for Brentor orders I will pass on the benefit of the discount to the Brentor Community Centre.

Should anyone want to borrow the catalogue - I have two copies with more arriving with my next delivery - find out more about the products or about Traidcraft or place an order please get in touch. I hope that the catalogue and some products will be displayed at the next community shop coffee morning.

For those unfamiliar with Traidcraft I hope the following extract from its leaflets helps explain what it's about.

Traidcraft is committed to promoting trade based on fair shares, concern for people and care for the environment. It is helping communities in developing countries to get a fairer share of the wealth created by their skill and effort.

Many consumers are now buying from Traidcraft's range of crafts, clothing, teas, coffees and foodstuffs. These come from over 80 producers in 15 developing countries, most of which are small community groups or cooperatives. All of them treat their workers fairly and pay decent wages. A range of European recycled paper products is also sold, reflecting concern for the environment and recognising the need to protect the world's resources on which all of us - rich and poor - depend. Tim Beavon 810 564

Diary Dates

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| 1st September | | 9.45 am Morning Worship at Ch. Church 6.30 pm Holy Communion & Healing Ministry at St. Michael's |
| 3rd | " | Brentor Playgroup recommences after summer break |
| 4th | " | Bring & Buy Coffee Morning 10.30 am at Shell Park |
| 5th | " | WI - History of Bee Keeping - Mr. Morris |
| 8th | " | 11 am & 6.30 pm Methodist Ch. Service, Harvest Festival |
| 9th | | 7.30 pm Methodist Ch. Service, Harvest Festival |
| 9th | " | Brentor Parish Council Meeting 7.30 pm V.L. Hall. |
| 11th | " | Brentor Comm. Centre Coffee Morning 10.30 am Ch. Hall |
| 14th | " | Karaoke Night at Brentor Inn 8.30 pm |
| 15th | " | Brentor Ladies Cricket Team vs. Br. Cricket Club |
| 26th | " | Harvest Festival Auction Brentor Inn 8 pm |
| 25th | " | Comm. Centre Coffee Morning 10.30 am Church Hall |
| 28th | " | Michaelmas Fair 2.30 pm Village Hall |
| 29th | " | Patronal Festival of St. Michael & All Angels 9.45 Harvest Festival Service at Ch. Church 6 pm Harvest Festival at St. Michaels |
| 30th | " | Harvest Supper Ch. Hall 7 pm & Auction |
| 3rd Octbber | | W.I. The language of Flowers - Mr. Gerken |

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