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VILLAGE HALL TOURING PROJECT : KNEE HIGH THEATRE

The venue for the evening open air performance of "Ship of Fools" will be in the Playing Field. Ticket prices will be £4.00 Adults and £2.00 Children. Tickets will be available from Rick Blower, Peggy Biggs and Oz Osborne.

Please support this event.

To remind you again, the date is Friday, 17th July. All profits from this event to go towards the Village Hall and Playing Field Funds.

Rick Blower.

CHURCH NEWS

Thank you to those who contributed to Christian Aid Week through the envelopes and also to those who came to sing favourite Hymns in the Church Hall yard on 20th May. It was lovely to be able to sit outside and have our coffee and sing. The final total for the week will be in next month's newsletter.

We extend our sympathy to the family of William Tucker (Senior) who was buried at Dartington, followed on the Sunday by a memorial service at St. Michael's, Brent Tor. We also remember in our prayers Jenny Bevan, whose mother Sheila Sharp died this week. She was only in Brentor for a short time, but many got to know her and admire her courage in her illness.

7th June is Whitsunday. There will be Family Service at 9.45am at Christ Church and Hymns of Praise at St. Michael's at 6.30pm.

There will be no service on Sunday evening, 21st June, as we will be attending the Deanery Service in Tavistock at 6pm.

ARTHRITIS AND RHEUMATISM COUNCIL FOR RESEARCH

There will be a Strawberry Tea on Saturday 27th June from 3.15pm to raise funds for A.R.C. There will be a Bring-and-Buy and Raffle. Thanks to Hilary and Dorothy for their generous hospitality.

The Arthritis and Rheumatism Council for Research Car Boot Sale was extremely well attended with more "boots" than ever. Thanks to all for their support.

Congratulations to the Brentorians for their recent production. Thank you for a most enjoyable evening of entertainment. Your hard work and talent was appreciated.

J. Venning.

METHODIST NEWS

The coffee morning on 9th May was well attended and sincere thanks is extended to all the support given.

The total raised was £180.50.

S. Claringbold.

THE BRENTORIANS Would like to thank all those who supported us in our recent production, "Strike Up The Banns". It was a great success and in next month's issue of the Brentor News I will be able to tell you exactly how much was raised and how it has been distributed. We do appreciate all the help we had from so many people in all manner of ways. I'm sure everyone knows that Jenny Bevan stepped in the leading role at very short notice and made a superb job of it. Thanks from all Brentorians.

Pat Burns.

W.I. NEWS

May is traditionally the month in which all W.I.'s discuss the resolutions on which delegates will be voting, this year at the Interim General Meeting to be held in Bournemouth. President, Mrs. Blowey, was delighted to once again welcome Mrs. Keeler, the V.C.O. who has helped at so many of the Institute's Resolutions and Annual meetings and has now become a good friend of Brentor W.I. Besides the resolutions concerning the constitution, the three main resolutions this year deal with the patenting of life forms, disposal of fallen farm stock and endometriosis. All topics were well discussed and the delegate, Mrs. Sibley, briefed accordingly.

There are various outings and visits in the pipeline and Brentor W.I. will be represented at a New Members Meeting in Tavistock, a Heritage Walk at Sheepwash and the Summer Celebration to be held at Blundell's School, Tiverton in July.

The flower of the month was won by Mrs. Purvis, 2nd Mrs. Davey, 3rd Mrs. Sibley.

On a balmy May evening members and their husbands spent a very pleasant couple of hours in the company of Mr. Rollinson, the Head Gardener, touring the gardens of Saltram House. The gardens were looking lovely and great credit is due to Mr. Rollinson and his very small work force who keep them in such pristine condition.

The W.I.'s next meeting on 4th June is an open meeting when Sally Wetherbee will be giving a talk and product sampling on behalf of Dairy Crest. Anybody who is interested in attending this meeting will be most welcome, at 2.00pm in the Village Hall, tickets £1.

Marion Pritchard.

POCKET PARK - VISIT BRENTOR STATION ON June 13th

Mr. and Mrs. Jones and Son have kindly invited us to hold a social afternoon at the Station House on Saturday June 13th at 2.30pm. This is to raise funds for the pocket park as it will need lots of plants, etc.

I'm sure that everyone would enjoy a walk round the ground at Station House. It's really lovely down there, and of course, if you're a railway enthusiast you will be in your element, as Mr. Jones (Jnr.) is gradually restoring the station to its former state. I popped in for 5 minutes and stayed 2 hours!! -- and enjoyed every minute. Tea and cake will be provided and a stall for the sale of produce, i.e. cakes, jams, plants, is also hoped for. So gifts for same would be appreciated. A charge of 50p Adults and 25p Children will be made.

Mr. Jones (Jnr.) will be happy to answer any questions you may have. Do come along. I'm sure you'll enjoy it. If you would like to come, but can't manage the walk, please contact me as soon as you can, and I'll arrange transport for you. See you on the 13th.

Pat Burns, Chillaton 259.

EIGHTH JEAN WHITFIELD MEMORIAL WALK FOR LEUKEMIA TREATMENT AT DERRIFORD

Once again we were blessed with perfect weather on the 16th May. Just a breeze to temper the warm sunshine. Between 38 and 40 walkers set off and completed the nine mile walk, through beautiful farmland, woods and moorland. Included in the large group were about 14 youngsters. Mike's family was well represented as usual, coming from all parts of the country including the Wirral and London. It was good to meet them all again. We caught the countryside at its best. The woods were a riot of wild garlic and bluebells, while the hedgerows were verdant with new growth. Every shade of green clothed the trees, with just the oak and ash to make their display and add their tints to the canvas of life.

We had our picnic in the usual spot, a small glade in Langstone Woods. It was so perfect we didn't want to leave. The Manor Farm Tearoom was our next port of call (those ices), then the long haul on the moor back to the Village Hall. Blackdown provided us with a welcome breeze which, together with the song of the many skylarks, made some of us a little sad our walk was almost over. The welcome cups of tea at the hall though, soon changed our minds. For a long time the hall was buzzing with people and conversation, as we all relaxed and cooled off. All too soon the time passed and we said our farewells, for some until next year.

Mike and I would like to thank all those who came along. It was a good day, for a very worthy cause. Also, our thanks to all those kind people who gave so generously. We are not sure yet just how much we will have raised. We will let you know at a later date. Every penny handed in will be passed onto the Leukemia Fund at Derriford. If any of you haven't donated but would like to, just get in touch with Mike or myself.

Once again, thank you.

Mike Whitfield and Dennis Young.

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DIARY DATES

- 4th June W.I. Dairy Crest Open Meeting - Mrs. S. Wetherbee, 2pm.
- 7th June Family Service, 9.45am Christ Church, 6.30pm Hymns of Praise, St. Michael's
- 9th June Bingo, 7.30pm Village Hall
- 10th June Brentor Community Centre Coffee Morning, 10.30am, Church Hall.
- 13th June Station House Social, 2.30pm.
- 23rd June Bingo, 7.30pm, Village Hall.
- 24th June Brentor Community Centre Coffee Morning, 10.30am Church Hall.
- 27th June A.R.C. Strawberry Tea, 3.15pm.
- 2nd July W.I. Collectables - Mr. Leach
- 7th July Bingo, 7.30pm Village Hall.
- 17th July Knee High Theatre - Village Playing Field
"Ship of Fools".
- 21st July Bingo, 7.30pm Village Hall.

FINAL COPY FOR BRENTOR NEWS, 25th JUNE. THANK YOU.

POCKET NATURE PARK FOR EASTCOTT MEMORIAL FIELD

It is hoped that work will commence on the construction of the Pocket Park at the lower corner of the Eastcott Memorial Field, opposite Christ Church, very soon.

The ditches which feed the wet area have been cleared out by Frank and John Downing, and the Dartmoor National Park have promised to put in hand the landscaping of the area as soon as possible.

The total cost of the work is expected to be in the region of £2,000 and the DNP have budgeted to fund half this amount. In addition English Nature have promised a grant of 25% up to a maximum of £500. The remainder of the money it is hoped to raise locally and, as announced elsewhere in this month's Brentor News, there will be an opportunity to enjoy tea at the Old Station House on Saturday 13th June and support the project.

A number of people have promised to help, including Mr John Carter of Rowden Gardens who has generously promised to supply the various water and wetland plants that will be needed for the area. The Brentor WI have offered to subscribe towards a seat and the Community Centre have also offered money for this purpose so that parents (and grandparents!) can sit and enjoy the ambience whilst ensuring that the children are quite safe.

A provisional layout on which planning permission was obtained for change of use for the area is shown overleaf. On the advice of English Nature it is proposed to plant a thorn and beech hedge along the stockproof fence to encourage bird life etc; this will be similar to the one which separates the Children's Play Area from the rest of the field. Access will be through a small gate from the lane opposite the Church.

This whole project is a joint one, originally put forward by the Children's Play Group but supported by the Community Centre Committee, the Parochial Church Council (the field is owned by the Church) and by the Parish Council who applied for the planning permission. It should be completed at the latest by 31st August 1992 in order that the grant from English Nature can be claimed. It is hoped that the Pocket Park will help in the natural history education of our local children and at the same time make an attractive area, in keeping with this part of the village.

If you can provide any practical assistance - such as help with erecting fencing etc - or any other sort of help, please do get in touch with me on 810425 or speak to Ozzie Osborne on 810606.

JOHN WESTON

BRENTOR CHURCH / VILLAGE

