



BRENTOR NEWS



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DON'T FORGET!!

The proposed plans for the New Village Hall will be on display in our present Village Hall on Saturday July 12th (10.00am to 4.00pm) and Monday July 14th (3.00pm to 7.00pm).

Your chance to comment on the future of your Village Hall!

End Of Term BBQ

Friday 18 July 6pm

Village Hall

Join us on the 18th to enjoy a delicious barbecue and celebrate the summer in Brentor. We will cater for meat eaters and vegetarians.

We would also welcome help on the day, and anyone prepared to make a salad such as coleslaw, potato, rice etc,

please ring Sheryl on 870554.

Brentor Show

Saturday September 6th

This year's show schedules are enclosed. We hope for a good crop of entries!

Please make sure that each family member that enters uses their own entry form. Extra copies of which are available from Peggy Biggs at the Old Post Office or from the back of Christ Church.

The overall theme for this year's show is Pirates & Princesses, and we hope the children will enjoy dressing up for the fancy dress parade. We look forward to seeing you in September.

Judy Baxter 810375

**Kate Kelly 810287
Sue Stephens 860374**

Adventure Playground

The landscaping at the adventure playground is in need of attention. We need some help to trim and cut grass where the tractor mower can't reach and there is also the therapeutic task of weaving in the fronds on the willow tunnel. If you are able to spare an hour or two on the morning of **Sunday 20 July** please get in touch.

Alan Smith 810143

A website for Brentor? A date for your diary

There have been positive responses from different groups in the village to the item in the June issue about a possible website for Brentor. There will be a meeting at the village hall starting at **7.30pm on Monday 11 August**, to decide whether to go ahead, and if so, to make some basic decisions on how to do it. Everyone is welcome to join in and make their views known.

Hope to see you there!

**Alan Ray-Jones tel: 810606, email:
alan@ray-jones.org.uk**

'Charivari'

Happenings at "The Studio" - so nice to see you Maddie, Billie and Duncan - most welcome faces in Brentor, especially at the village functions.

Warm congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Badwell - Naomi and Chris who were married in Christ Church on the 21st of June. Naomi is the daughter of proud parents Sue and Eric Rhodes, Station House, Brentor.

Anne Clark 810035

Brentor Garden Club, 'Fun with Fuchsias'

Not only 'fun with fuchsias', but fun with Carol Richards! Now President of the Camborne & Redruth Fuchsia Society, Carol claimed to be "unashamedly Cornish", and her sense of humour was infectious.

Fuchsia flowers range from 1/8" to 2 or 3" across, and come in a huge array of shapes – far more than most of us had imagined. There is evidence that they were flowering in the high Andes 100 million years ago, and spread as far as Antarctica. They have died out in Australia, and New Zealand is home to species with blue pollen, and yellow flowers with no petals. However, there are about 12,000 cultivars across the world, many having been discovered and transported by Europeans.

In a fascinating talk and demonstration, interspersed with jokes, Carol explained how to take cuttings, pot them up, and start training the plants into a variety of shapes. Using slivers of ladies' tights, she tied stems to stakes to encourage twisted growth, and by pinching out shoots in different places she produced bush and standard plants. Rings, fans and pillars added to the selection of possible shapes. Fuchsias can also be trimmed and trained to produce delightful Bonsai plants : one of her samples was 10 years old, but it takes only 2 or 3 years at most to produce a mature growth.

Carol completed her talk with a lovely selection of slides of fuchsias, other plants,

and her cat Ben! Amongst others, she showed Fuchsia 'phyllis', which can be grown for the fruits, which make good jam, and also the insectivorous plant Sundew, which can be kept in the greenhouse to keep down whitefly and other pests.

The next Garden Club event will be a visit to Carol Klein's garden in North Devon on Thursday 17th July.

Anne Malleson 860304

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Garden Club Dates as follows :

Thursday 17th July 2.00 p.m. Garden Club
visit to Carol Klein's garden at Umberleigh

Liz Rogers 820278

Thursday 18th September 7.00 p.m. Garden
Club : "Cottage Garden Plants" by Mary
Benger

Mike Malleson 860304

PIZZA and SKITTLES Night

Thanks to all who helped and also to those who supported the June pizza evening. We raised over £100 for the Village Hall and Playing Field Fund.

Pat Blower 810600

Charity Run

A big thank you to all the local people who donated to the Multiple Sclerosis Society for my recent Plymouth half-marathon. I completed it !! You donated a very generous £135.00 and that means I've raised a similar amount for the Village Hall. Many thanks again.

John Evans.

Garden Trail

The weather held fair on Saturday 14th June as about 50 people made their way round an amazingly interesting variety of gardens in Brentor and the Lydford Station area. Arriving at the Village Hall, all were welcomed by the offer of raffle tickets and a selection of plants and other items from the sales table, before embarking - on foot, bicycle and by car - on the Trail, following the map provided, together with the Quiz, to identify the plant adorned with a pink ribbon in each garden.

Refreshments were enjoyed at the Village Hall, - tea and cakes - and at Wastor Farm - cream teas, cakes, Pimms and a classical guitar accompaniment. As the afternoon passed, the weather warmed up, and those who finished the Trail at Wastor basked in the sunshine as they enjoyed their tea, looking out across to Blackdown. Those kind enough to open their gardens all said they much enjoyed the experience, and the interest taken by the visitors.

My thanks go to our host garden owners and to the Committee who put in so much hard work to make the afternoon such a success.

Mike Malleson

Brentor Prayer Group

Next meeting Thursday 3rd July 8pm
Christchurch. All welcome.

Jackie MacRostie 810683

Church Services

Christchurch

6th July	9.45
20th July	9.45

St Michael's on the Hill

6th July	6.30
13th July	6.30
20th July	6.30
27th July	6.30

Sheila Downs Churchwarden 01822 82038



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Diary Dates

Saturday July 12th 10.00am to 4.00pm	Brentor Village Hall's future	Tim Beavon 810564
Saturday July 12th 10.00am	CHICKS Open Day	Kristina Marshall 811020
Monday July 14th 3.00pm to 7.00pm	Brentor Village Hall's future	Tim Beavon 810564
Thursday 17th July 2.00pm	Garden Club visit Carol Klein, Umberleigh	Liz Rogers 820278
Friday 18th July 6.00pm	End of Term BBQ	Sheryl 870554
Sunday 20th July	Adventure Playground clean up	Alan Smith 810143
Monday 21st July 7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	Robin Burdfield 810412
Monday 11th August 7.30pm	Brentor Website meeting	Alan Ray-Jones 810606
Saturday 6th September	Village Show <i>Show schedule enclosed</i>	Judy Baxter 810375 Kate Kelly 810287 Sue Stephens 860374
Thursday 18th September	Cottage Garden Plants" by Mary Benger	Mike Malleson 860304

At Brentor Village Hall unless stated otherwise

FINAL COPY DATE
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Friday 25th July
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