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NOT MUCH NEWS this month so here is a brief list of what is happening in the next few weeks in August and some other items. Back to our usual length in September.

DON'T FORGET...

Family Night tomorrow Friday August 7th at 7pm in the Village Hall. Selection of Faery Queen and Miss Brentor and their attendants together with prizes for best Fancy Dress. Classes for all ages.

Sports Day Sunday August 16th at 2pm on the Playing Field.

All the accompanying side-shows and the crowning of the Faery Queen and Miss Brentor and their attendants. A really enjoyable event for all ages.

Parish Council Meeting at 7.30pm on Monday August 17th in the Village Hall. Agenda items will include....

.....discussion of the letter to be sent to the County War Emergency Officer conveying the feelings of the Parish Council on the War Emergency Plan.

....the selection of a member of the village who would be Brentor's War Emergency Defence Adviser

.... Tree Preservation Order on Davies Wood.

.... identification and condition of Brentor's footpaths.

Community Centre '3rd' Birthday Party

Friday August 28th at 8pm in the Church Hall... drink will be free but please could you contribute a plate of food

W.I. News

Despite the noise of the mechanical digger outside, members of the WI listened raptly to the speaker at their July meeting. Mrs Harding, Chairman of the Plymouth Group for the Riding for the Disabled Association told some touching stories of her experiences with this association, bringing tears to the eyes of many members. She explained the work done by the association and the great joy and independence felt by disabled person when riding a horse. A vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs Sibley.

The competition, Iron Steel and Bronze- was won by Mrs Frost, second Mrs Pritchard, 3rd Miss Dunne. The flower of the month was won by Mrs Frost, 2nd Mrs Blowey, 3rd Mrs Young.

Next meeting: 2nd September: Speaker Mrs Lethbridge - Soups and Starters.

CHURCH NEWS

On Sunday 30 August (Bank Holiday weekend) there is to be an outdoor service of Praise and Prayer at 6.30 p.m. at St Michael's on the Tor. This will be followed by a barbecue picnic (bring your own bangers!) and more singing round the fire. Everyone is invited to join in - of whatever denomination - and any visitors to Brentor area will be especially welcome. So let us hope for some really good weather that evening; but if the weather is not kind and it rains, then arrangements have been made to retreat to Christ Church and the Church Hall in the village.

CHURCH HALL

August 13 (Thursday) is the evening for the next fabulous marathon Cheese and Chair Paint-In when we hope to provide some seats for the many skeleton chairs resulting from previous efforts. The last Paint-In was a great success, both socially and productively, so do come and join us; bread and cheese supper provided free!!

CHURCH FLOWERS

There will be a coffee morning in aid of the church flower fund at the Old Vicarage on Saturday 22 August from 10.30 a.m. while the Rector and Mrs Apps are in residence there. There will be a 'Bring and Buy' stall and a raffle. The money will go towards providing the flowers for the two churches, mainly at the festival times.

BRENTOR HORTICULTURAL SHOW

This will be held in the Village on Saturday 5 September and details may be obtained from Jennifer Venning (Mary Tavy 555). Proceeds will go towards further improvements in the Church Hall.

WEDDING

Congratulations from the Brentor News to Marie Dean, who lived at 2, Hammer Park, and to Paul Smith of Farnborough who met at Sussex University and who were married on Marie's 22nd birthday, 18 July, at Earlsdon Methodist Church, Coventry. Both of them are now graduates of the University and both have jobs with G.E.C. in Coventry. We send them our good wishes at their new address, 182, Humber Avenue, Coventry.

CELEBRATIONS

The village came together on the night of the Royal Wedding to celebrate the occasion. The 'Sausage Sizzle' which took place on that beautiful evening in the Old Vicarage Field (thanks to Mrs Lefevre) was a great success.

We are grateful to a generous donor who provided celebration mugs for all the young people in the parish of Brentor who were under 16 years of age. Well over 100 hundred people turned up, including most of the children who came to collect their mugs - some in their parents' arms! Stella Claringbold, as one of those who spent her own childhood in the village (she disclaimed being the oldest inhabitant!!) made the presentations.

The usual Brentor 'bonhomie' prevailed. A successful raffle, a skittle's competition and the sale of refreshments produced a small profit of some £30 which will be sent to the Stoke Mandeville Hospital Appeal Fund to help the disabled who are cared for there.

CONGRATULATIONS! to Gill and Mike Barge on the arrival of their baby Andrew Michael (9lbs 14 oz!) on Sunday July 19th 1981.