

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Selected items from the minutes of the meeting held on November 17th 1986.

The Village Stream, Brentor The Village stream had been cleared of vegetation.

Post office closure.... The clerk received a reply to her letter to Sir. Peter Mills MP who expressed his concern at the possible closure of the Post Office. The clerk also read her reply to the letter from the head Post Master, Plymouth; he said he would do all that was reasonably possible to ensure the re-establishment of a sub Post Office at Brentor.

Wastor Lane... The Land around the lane is owned by the Landowners.

Street lighting, Brentor Village.... The clerk read a letter she had received from the Area Engineer stating it would not be possible for the Village to receive Street Lighting in the immediate future.

Mrs Weston reported that the Parochial Church Council had agreed to a time switch being placed in the Church to enable the main street to be lit up for a few hours during the winter months. This possibility was to be looked into and an article was to be placed in the Brentor News, asking for views on the suggestion. (So, if you do have any views on the idea of street lighting, please contact, John Weston Mary Tavy 425 or Gill Gorbett Mary Tavy 403)

Community Policeman.... P.C. Base the Community Policeman is to be given a Motorcycle on or about December 1st 1986, hopefully he will be able to resume Community Policing in the area.

Charities Act 1985.... This Act came into force on January 1986. It gives new powers to trustees of local charities for the relief of poverty, making it easier, firstly to transfer funds to other charities and secondly to change the objects of the original trust. A copy of this letter had been forwarded to Mr. Barge, Administrator of the Parish Charities. Mr. Downing offered to represent the Parish Council at a meeting to be held on Saturday 23rd November 1986 at the Old Vicarage, Brentor.

Signpost in the Burn Lane Area of Brentor.... The signposts are in a poor state of repair and particular mention was made to a sign indicating a weak bridge - the lettering had completely disappeared from this. The Clerk was instructed to contact the District Surveyor at Okehampton.

Gerry's Seat.... Repairs are being carried out.

Swab Pole at Station View, Brentor.... The Clerk was instructed to contact W.D.B.C. to see what if anything was being done about removing the Pole.

School Children at Lydford Station.... Mr. Friend drew the attention of the Council to the possibility of Secondary School Children from Lydford Station area having to go to Okehampton to School. The Clerk was instructed to contact the Education Authority, requesting them to consider allowing the children to continue to have the choice of attending Tavistock School with free transportation. One child lived at Southern Railway Cottages in the Parish of Mary Tavy; the Clerk was asked to contact that Council with a view to their supporting the Brentor case.

Next Meeting.... Of the Parish Council, Monday Jan 19th 1987. 7.30pm,
Brentor Village Hall.

W.I. NEWS

At the W.I.'s December meeting members were taken on a quick world tour with coloured slides. The journey started across the Channel with a visit with Mrs. Pritchard to Belgium and Holland, then much farther afield with Mrs. Bodman to New Zealand, the exotic sights of Hong Kong and the breathtaking scenery of Bali. The tour came to an end through Italy and France with Mrs. Weston who also incorporated a "where is it?" quiz. This proved some amusement with members airing their geographical knowledge (or lack of it!) and was won jointly by Mrs. Higginson and Mrs. Backhouse.

Tea and mince pies were served by Mrs. Davey and Mrs. Blowey and the flower of the month competition was won by Mrs. Brew, with Mrs. Ball 2nd and Mrs. Pritchard 3rd.

The programme for 1987 was discussed and the President reported that a series of day craft classes were being organised starting with Tapestry on 22nd January. Anybody who would like to come to these classes would be most welcome - watch the notice boards for further information.

A very enjoyable Coffee and Carols morning was held on Saturday with nearly £25 being raised for Children in Need. The W.I. would like to thank all of you who supported this event. Thanks also to Mrs. Blowey and Mrs. Venning who played the organ and to all the other members who provided the coffee and mince pies.

Members are reminded that the first meeting of 1987 will be on 8th January not New Year's Day!

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ONE AND ALL

Marion Pritchard

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TWINNING ASSOCIATION

The Mary Tavy/Mery-Corbon Twinning Association would like to wish readers a Happy New Year, with a reminder that we would warmly welcome new members from our Brentor neighbours.

We really do have a lot of fun with our Normandy friends, and also with our social activities locally.

The next event is a Skittles evening on January 31st at the Cornish Arms, Tavistock. Anyone interested in joining us can ring me at Mary Tavy 736, or our Committee member in your midst, Mrs. Maureen Prescott on Mary Tavy 737. Do come!

Monica Saunders

Publicity Secretary.

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BRENTOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

DON'T FORGET - Children's Cinema, Walt Disney's 'BEDKNOBS AND BROOMSTICKS' This Saturday, January 10th, at 2.30pm in Brentor Village Hall. Entrance charge 75p for children and £1 for adults. This will include refreshments.

Please come along.

Everyone is very welcome.

Clothes Party - The clothes special on Dec 10th at the Community shop was a great success, and thanks to all the customers, the commission for the Community Centre was £22.

Community Shop - The next shop will be This Wednesday, January 7th at The Church Hall, from 10.30- 12 noon, as usual. Look forward to seeing you all there.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE

Jackie Watson

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(Re. Church Hall bookings - There is a calendar in the Church Hall. If you want to book it, fill in day and time on calendar and say who you are,)

CHURCH NEWS

At Tavistock Parish Church on 23rd. November Jenny Austin and Nicole Reeves were confirmed. We welcome them as full members of our Church.

On 31st. November, Advent Sunday was celebrated with an Advent Carol Service in Christ Church, with contributions from the music group augmented by friends from Wingletang and Lydford Church choir.

Christ Church was again full for the Christingle Service on Sunday, 21st. December, with many families and friends present. Over 30 children received Christingles. Both churches were beautifully decorated for the festival. Thanks are due to all the ladies who provide flowers and lovingly decorate our churches now and throughout the year. That evening some of our members were privileged to join Lydford Church choir to sing at the Service of Lessons and Carols.

Christ church was again full on Christmas Eve when many friends joined in Communion to celebrate the birth of our Saviour. On Christmas Day many more joined in a happy Family Service followed by shortened Communion. At 3.30p.m., on a very wet and windy afternoon, several worshippers ventured up to St. Michael's for Evening Prayer, following earlier ringing of the bells by Peter Bazely and friends. We hope that those who joined us in our Christmas celebrations experienced some of the joy we feel and will come again to share our worship in 1987. You are especially invited to join in the Songs of Praise at 3p.m. on 18th January. Any special requests to Jennifer V.

Betty Gilbert reports that The Church of England Children's Society has received £168-35 from the collection boxes, the Christingle Service and donation from the P.C.C.

Sunday School. Brentor was joined by Lydford for their Christmas party. The children and their families were entertained by a magician. A huge tea was provided by the Mums and Father Christmas presented books to 44 children. A great time was had by all.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Rev. Peter Apps and his family during his illness.

Miss Dunn is progressing well in the comfort of Camplachaye, after a short stay in hospital. We wish her well.

Congratulations to John and Sheila Weston on the birth of their first grandchild - Benjamin John - to Jenny and Andy.

Church Hall. With the newly refurbished hall decorated for Christmas, we all enjoyed an evening of "Carols by Candlelight" on 19th December, singing traditional carols and listening to the music group singing some less well known. The ladies, as usual, provided hot mince pies and tea (and something a little stroger)! The hall is now a pleasanter place for the weekly Toddler Group, the Community Shop, the Sunday School. Remember you can hire it for private occasions too. The keys at the moment are held by John Weston at The Old Vicarage and the second set temporarily by Carol Sargent at 3, Chapel View until somewhere more permanent can be found.

DIARY DATES - Jan 7th- Community Shop.10.30-12noon.Church Hall

Jan 8th- W.I. Prisoner's Families Association-Mrs. Stephens.

Jan 10th- Bedknobs & Broomsticks. 2.30pm. V.Hall. Jan 19th-Parish Council.

Jan 22nd- W.I. Tapestry class- 10.00am-3.00pm, Village Hall. Mrs. Tucker.

Jan 31st -Twinning Skittles. Feb 5th-W.I. Members Day. Feb 19th W.I. Cake
icing Day Class-Mrs. Cavies. Feb 23rd-W.I. Lunch at Brentor Inn. 12noon.

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