



#### Sites for affordable housing

The village of North Brentor is identified by Dartmoor National Park as a rural settlement where the provision of a small number of affordable houses to meet an identified local need could be permitted. Suitable sites will be within or adjoining the settlement and well related to the existing buildings. Two sites have already been put forward to Dartmoor National Park Authority by landowners and it is considered appropriate that other landowners be given the opportunity to put forward suitable sites for consideration. Brentor Parish Council has been invited to discuss any proposed sites with the The Community Council of Devon's Rural Housing Enabler, Dartmoor National Park Authority (the planning authority) and West Devon Borough Council (the housing authority). For an information pack or an informal discussion please contact Sue Hitchcock, The Community Council of Devon on 01392 248919 ext. 122. or susan@devonrcc.org.uk. The closing date for submission of proposed sites is Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2013.

#### **Brentor Calendar 2014**

A very big thank you to everyone who submitted photographs for first Brentor calendar and to everyone who bought calendars at the Village Show. The profits from sales will be used for the benefit of the village.

We are planning a second print run so we have calendars available at the coffee morning in October and November. They will also be for sale at the Mistletoe Fair on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December. If you would like to order one it would be really helpful if you could let us know so we are sure no one is disappointed.

The photographs will also be at the coffee mornings so they can be returned to their owners.

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## **Brentor News**

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Villages in Action: Matt Harvey - 'Wondermentalist' Poetry and Comedy.

Matt returns to Brentor Village Hall on Saturday October 12th at 8.00pm.

Comedy infused, a fundamentally wonder-filled show. Celebrating subjects as diverse as kippers and curtains, IT and potatoes, petty theft, pain relief and public nudity.

The show also features his alter ego Empath Man, a contemporary superhero who fights crime with his advanced listening skills and ability to stay open and vulnerable in a tight situation.

Matt has continued exposure on Radio 4 and is a regular contributor to the Guardian's Desktop Poetry slot.

The hall will be set out cabaret style and you are welcome to bring your own refreshments.

Tickets available from Rick Blower 810600.

Adults £8.00 and children £6.00.

### Brentorians AGM + Film Thursday September 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Village Hall

In addition to a (short) formal agenda, we'll be discussing plans for the next production(s), and there will be another showing of "*Under the Patio*" – the movie.

Newcomers very welcome - if you are interested in taking part, on or off stage, do come along – we hope to see you!

John Wheeler - 810083

#### **Coffee Morning!!**

Saturday 7th September 10.30-12.00

We are back.... ready to get the bacon frying and the coffee brewing.

Meet up with friends and neighbours.

Sheryl Burroughs

# BRENTOR GARDEN CLUB "The Life in Your Compost Heap" a talk by Nicky Scott

**Thursday 19 September @ 7.30 pm** in the Brentor Village Hall

Nicky Scott is the coordinator of the Devon Community Composting Network and is an expert in all aspects of composting. In 1992 Nicky Scott was inspired to get a group together to start a community composting scheme after seeing the amount of green waste that people were piling into the bulky council skips. Just about everything from the garden was being piled into these skips, from bags of grass cuttings, leaves, weeds, prunings, branches, soil and even lovely plants. Over the vears Nicky rescued many wonderful plants that people had just thrown away - his peony collection comes from throw outs! Most composters are also gardeners and it is extremely rare to find a gardener who has enough compost, especially no dig gardeners who look for every scrap of material that could be turned into compost. After all what could be simpler than diverting some garden clippings to make compost. Nicky will give us a fascinating insight into all the bugs and other organisms in our compost heaps and tell us how to get the best results.

Non Garden Club members very welcome - £2.00 on the door

#### **Heather Webster**

#### Time to spare and share?

Here at TASS (Tavistock Area Support Services) we need volunteers to support older people in the community; particularly for our hospital car service, befriending service, minibus driving, book sales and other fund raising events.

If you can spare some time, either on a regular basis or occasionally we'd like to hear from you. Your time could make a big difference to the lives of older and disabled people in our area.

Training is offered where necessary, and for some roles a DBS check (Disclosure and Barring Service, formerly CRB) is required.

If you would like to volunteer, or would like more information, please contact Ann on 01822 616958, or email <a href="mailto:a.wilson@tasstavistock.org.uk">a.wilson@tasstavistock.org.uk</a> Alternatively please call in to the Anchorage Centre, Chapel Street, Tavistock

## Chicks Open Day- Friday 20th September 2-6pm at CHICKS Moorland Retreat at Brentor.

Want to find out more about CHICKS charity? Come along and meet the CHICKS team, take a tour of the retreat and enjoy some delicious tea and cake.



This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about CHICKS, and what they do and how you can get involved.

Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, call 01822 811020.

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#### **Devon Historic Churches Trust.**

This year's Ride and Stride Day is on Saturday, 14th September, when we have a Hymn Request day at St. Michael's from about 11-30am. Do come along and choose your favourite hymn or just sit and listen. There will be cream teas and other light refreshments. tombola and all the usual guide books and cards available. It is a great fun event, so come and join us for a while during the day. Offers of prizes for the Tombola would be appreciated .Sponsor forms are available from Jennifer on 810555. Half the money goes to The Devon Historic Churches Trust and half comes back to St. Michael's. The new Viewpoynt App guide to St Michael's is now available for anyone with a Smart phone.

Jennifer Venning

#### Brentor Commons Association - 'Bulldozed' clearance on Bowden Down

You may have noticed a mysterious area of scraped earth just behind the signpost on Bowden Down, which is now rather garishly fenced off. This has resulted from a mistaken and unauthorised attempt by a Devon Highways subcontractor to dispose of rubble from their recent road works. Unfortunately it has effectively erased one of our breeding areas for small pearl-bordered fritillaries. It also leaves a prominent scar on this area of common land held in trust for Brentor Parish.

Following a site meeting between three representatives of Devon Highways and Will Walker -Smith, Belinda Wheeler, Terry Pearce & Mike Whitfield, it was agreed that Devon Highways would temporarily fence off the area and scrape and remove the rubble and earth down to subsoil. This work has now been completed. It was also agreed that Devon Highways would provide an information board that can be used to explain the environmental value of Bowden Down.

The Brentor Commons Association intends to re-establish heather and violets in this area as a first step towards restoring the lowland heath habitat.

Mike Whitfield (810209) & Will Walker-Smith (860165)

#### Tor & Tavy W I

The July meeting was yet another interesting evening for the ladies from Tor & Tavy WI. We were very pleased to welcome Lynne Edwards to give a talk and demonstration on Willow and hedgerow weaving. Lynne started by telling us how after completing her textile studies she was drawn towards working with natural materials and in particular willow. Lynne had bought along a selection of baskets, hats and platters to tell her story of how she came to be so involved in weaving. Some of the items were particularly interesting especially the very old Crib Basket which was once used by a Cornish Miner to carry his lunch in, this had been 'converted' by Lynne into a beautiful and useful sewing box. Lynne had also bought along some willow and showed us how to make a simple vet pretty willow wreath, we were then let loose to make our own! Although quite tricky everyone managed to produce a wreath to take home. We are looking forward to our next meeting which is: 26th September - Conservation of British Wildlife. As usual these will be held at Brentor Village Hall starting at 7.30pm. If you and your friends or family would like to join us just pop along to a meeting or call Nicky-Deane Simmons on 01822 810930 or Trish Wall on 01409 221871.

#### **Advance notice of Jumble Sale**

It will follow the Oct 5th coffee morning at approx 1.30pm so start sorting all your 'good' quality jumble.

You can bring jumble to the hall on Friday 5-6pm and during the coffee morning.

Helpers always needed.

Tel Sheryl 870554

#### **Brentor Yoga Class**

The Autumn term starts again in the Village Hall on Tuesday September 24<sup>th</sup>, at 7.00pm.

Non competitive, friendly class led by an experienced and trained yoga teacher. New members very welcome – for more information or to book, contact:

Jane Osborne <u>t:(01822)832897</u> <u>e:Info@yogadreckly.com</u> or visit <u>www.yogadreckly.com</u>

### Advance Notice for your diary.

This year's Mistletoe Fair will be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December at Brentor Village

The Brentor Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday September 16th at 7.30pm in Brentor Village Hall

#### IS YOUR WILL UP-TO-DATE?

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#### **Diary Dates** All events at the village hall unless otherwise indicated

**Sept 2013** 

Thurs 5th: 7.30pm **Brentorians AGM** John Wheeler 810083 Coffee Morning Sat 7th: 10.30-12.00 Sheryl Burroughs 870554 Sat 14th: 11.30am Ride & Stride Day; hymn request at St Michael's J. Venning 810555 Mon 16th: **Brentor Parish Council Meeting** K Palfrey 01822 610050 7.30pm Thurs 19th: Heather Webster 810004 7.30pm Garden Club, 'The Life in your Compost Heap' Fri 20th: 2.00—6.00pm Chicks Open Day Moorland Retreat Brentor Azita 811020 Tues 24th: 7.00pm Yoga Term commences Jane Osborne 832897 Tor & Tavy W.I. Conservation of British Wildlife Thurs 26th: Trish Wall 01409 221871 7.30pm

Oct 2013

Sat 5th: 10.30-12.00 Coffee Morning Sheryl Burroughs 870554 Sheryl Burroughs 870554 Sat 5th: Jumble Sale 1.30pm Sat 12th: 8.00pm Villages in Action; Matt Harvey Rick Blower 810600

Hall bookings and enquiries: Liz Wheeler 810083

All Brentor Village Hall bookings are shown on the village website calendar which can be accessed directly at: www.brentorvillage.org/1 cal.htm.

Please check availability before making a booking request.

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