

BELSTONE YOUTH GROUP

Belstone Youth Group has had a busy year with activities ranging from letter-boxing, kite flying and go-carting to quiz nights, baking and a very explosive session imaginatively named Volcanoes and Rockets! We were delighted to welcome Judy Marshall to lead an evening of clay modelling and painting as well as a small company from Cornwall who ran an animation workshop which resulted in two short (and rather bizarre) films! During the summer we visited Okehampton Youth Hostel for two fantastic days of gorge scrambling, archery and antics on their high and low rope courses. We are also a very creative bunch and have designed our own T-towels which make lovely gifts! If you haven't already got one, please contact Theresa on 840933 – they are a mere £4.00 each and all proceeds go to Children's Hospice South West. Youth Group sessions run every other Friday from 22nd January 6.00 – 7.30 pm. See posters and village website for details or contact Theresa 840933 or Zoe 840800.

Join us for this – no need to bring a child!

Multi Story – the internationally renowned theatre company – will be performing **Clever Clogs and the Cunning Princess**, an extraordinary Russian adventure story, in **Belstone Village Hall on April 23rd at 6.00 pm**. The story has all the richness and resonance of the old folk-tales. It will delight and absorb children aged 5 plus and will also appeal to unaccompanied adults! Tickets available from South Tawton Primary School; South Zeal Stores or telephone Theresa Weaver on 01837 840933.

£6.00 adult; £5.00 child; £20.00 family ticket.

Theresa Weaver

If you are holding an event or taking part in a fund-raising activity and want to advertise – let us put it on the website for you!

CHILDREN'S HOSPICE SOUTH WEST

The Belstone & Area Friends' Group would like to thank the Village Hall for sharing the takings of Mel Stride's talk on the Tower of London.

Our next activity is our annual Snowdrop Sunday at Andrews Corner on Sunday 14th Feb from 11am-4pm. Promotional goods, hot soup & bread, sausage rolls, hot drinks and cakes; also snowdrops, hellebores and cyclamen. Indoor space available for those who prefer to view the garden or consume refreshments in relative warmth!

AN "EVENING OF SONG" . . .

. . . with The *Tamar Valley Male Voice Choir* and *Twin Harmony*, in Belstone Church on Sat 27 March at 7.30pm.

Tickets only available before the evening, from Susan & Richard Norrish on 840378, price £7.50 or £6.00 (restricted view) to include a glass of wine. **All proceeds shared between CHSW and Belstone Church.** Look out for posters.

BELSTONE PLAYERS PRESENT . . .

Habeas Corpus – the hilarious farce, written by Alan Bennett and directed by Robin Hill – in the Village Hall from Wednesday 17th– Saturday 20th March at 7.30pm. Bar opens at 7pm and will be open during the interval and after the performance. Tickets £5 from Marion on 840498.

BELSTONE PARISH CHURCH

Mothering Sunday is on 14th March and, once again, the young people of the village will be taking part in the service and providing music. Simnel cake and refreshments after – everyone welcome.

For any information or help regarding the church please contact the Church Wardens:

Michael Ash 840082 Simon Herbert 840693

For Service times see church notice board or village website.

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the village website www.belstonevillage.net

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Hopefully the snow will have stayed away and this newsletter will be delivered to you in beautiful early-spring sunshine! This is the first edition of 2010 so Happy 'New' Year – where did the last decade go?

However . . . never mind the last decade , , , this year we need to be thinking about the last century because the Village Hall is 100 years old and the Hall Committee are busy planning a range of celebrations, beginning with a bring-and-share supper and dancing to the five-piece band 'Undercover', on Saturday 17th April. There is also a street party on Sunday 18th July and an exhibition about the Hall and its illustrious history, over a weekend in September. Further details over the coming months on posters, in *The Beacon* and on the village website.

Did you know . . . ?

Many services come regularly to the village . . .

Kernow Fisheries (Darren) brings fresh Cornish fish, alternate Fridays. Parks by the telephone box between 11.15 & 11.45am. Next visit 5 Feb. Barry & Joyce Woods deliver milk regularly to your door. Also have free range eggs, juices and a variety of dairy produce. 840522

Veg boxes are delivered weekly by:-

Riverford Organics – on Fridays. Boxes are left with Jane Lehni (840087) and she delivers to each house.

Hallwood Fresh Veg (Petrockstowe) Delivered to your door on a Thursday. 01837811762 or email kelsey.kelsey@btconnect.com

See village website, *The Beacon* or contact Edwina & Robin for further details on these services

A CELEBRATION OF BELSTONE IN PICTURES – 2010

Following the success of last year's photo competition, this year's is now underway. Rules as last year: All photos taken within the Parish of Belstone or local environs, between **January 1st and November 1st 2010**. Any format – print, transparency or digital – sent to Edwina and Robin Hill throughout the year, up to the closing date – 1st November. Some pictures will be displayed on the village website during the year. Winning photographs will be enlarged to A4 and mounted, for display in the Village Hall for a year with the overall winning photo in each class also mounted on canvas for permanent display in the Hall. Winners will be announced and their photos displayed at the Village Hall Christmas Coffee Morning on 11th December. Winning photos will also go on the website at that time. Don't forget to visit the Hall to see last year's winners and Highly Commended. Photos are also on the website.

This year's classes are: -

- Class 1 ~ My Family and Other Animals
- Class 2 ~ Colour, Form and Texture
- Class 3 ~ Under Belstone Skies

Categories within the classes are: -

- i. Resident 18 and under (on 1/11/10)
- ii. Resident over 18 (on 1/11/10)
- iii. Non-resident 18 and under
- iv. Non-resident over 18

Please indicate with each photograph which class and category it is entered for, with your name, address or email, age (if 18 or under), date taken and any further interesting information about the photograph, e.g. animal or plant species, location of view, what the person or people are doing.

Photographs entered will become the property of the Village Hall; they may be displayed on

the Belstone Village website and possibly used to create a village calendar and cards.

Only minor digital adjustments are allowed, including cropping. What you saw at the time of the shot must be maintained. The judge's decision will be final and we reserve the right not to award a winner in any category if there are insufficient entries.

Photographs used on the website will not include the name of the photographer until displayed as a winning entry.

For further info on this competition, see the Village Website or contact Edwina & Robin

'WALK THE WALK' CANCER CHARITY.

Jane Herbert will be taking part in the 'Moon Walk' in London on Sat 15th May. If you would like to support this vital cause by sponsoring Jane, contact her on 840693

BELSTONE VILLAGE HALL

e-mail directory:

The Committee is trying to set up a directory of local people who would like to be kept up to date with Village Hall news and events via email. If you would like to be contacted in this way, please email: bandtweaver@gmail.com. Many thanks and I look forward to hearing from you. *Theresa Weaver*

Regular Village Hall Groups & Contacts:

Badminton Club: Tuesdays from 7pm – 840847
Art Group: Tuesdays 9.30am-12.30 – 840498
Café: Thursday mornings 9.30-12.30 – 840498
Post Office: Tue & Thurs 9.30-11.30am
Art Group with tutor: Thurs 2-5pm – 840378
Youth Group: alt. Fridays 6.00-7.30pm – 840549

Village Hall Chairman – Colin Lawson 840214
For Hall Bookings contact the Manager – Marion Walpole 840498

Clerk to Commoners – Ann Norman 840581
Parish Council Clerk – Sarah Blacksell 840808
(View minutes on the village website.)

DIARY DATES AT A GLANCE

In Village Hall, unless otherwise stated – more info on all events on village website

February

6th 7.30pm International Supper – tickets 840498
13th 7.30 Pudding Club – tickets 840498
14th Snowdrop Sunday – **Andrews Corner** – see article
25th 7.30pm North Dartmoor Garden Club

March

14th Mothering Sunday Service 11.00 – see article
17th-20th Belstone Players' *Habeas Corpus* – see article
25th 7.30pm North Dartmoor Garden Club
27th Concert – Belstone Church – See article

April

11th "Secrets of Skaigh" Chris Walpole walk
17th Centenary Celebration – see editorial
22nd 7.30pm North Dartmoor Garden Club AGM
22nd 7.30pm Belstone Church AGM
23rd 6pm *Multi-Story*, performance – see article
29th 7.30 Village Hall AGM
30th 7pm North Dartmoor Garden Club Plant Sale

May

2nd (Sunday) 5.30am Dawn Chorus Bird Walk. Meet in car park
15th 7.30pm Egyptian Evening – Twinning Association – look out for posters, etc
16th "Belstone Secret Gardens" 11am-5pm – look out for posters, etc
18th Annual Parish Meeting

ADVANCE NOTICE:

Safari Supper June 26th – contact Edwina & Robin for further details
Village Fair July 11th

More Services to the Village . . .

The Mobile Library visits on alternate Mondays, 2.20 - 2.50 No limit to the amount of books allowed out or length of time. Parks by the Little Green. Next visit 8th Feb
Okehampton Medical Centre delivers repeat prescriptions by courier on Wednesday mornings. You must order before 4.30pm on Tuesday.