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NORTH DEVON Festival JUNE 2005

Plus associated events from May to Sept

250 main events in ... 60 towns & villages

The North Devon Festival is rapidly establishing itself as a major UK festival. It is a celebration of the rich and diverse cultural life of North Devon, with a wide range of activities reflecting the character of the region.

The Festival is unique in the UK as it includes not only top quality arts and entertainment, but also many events associated with the people and the place - those things which residents and visitors love about the natural beauty of the area.

North Devon Festival Office

The Queen's Theatre,
Boutport Street, Barnstaple
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Box Office: 01271 32 42 42

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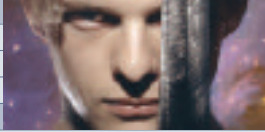








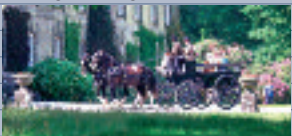



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Celebrity Series		Music & Dance	Visual Arts & Literature	Touring Theatre & Fayres	Sport and Leisure	Natural Environment
17 - 19		GoldCoast Live Music Stage		South Molton Olde English Fayre	GoldCoast Oceanfest	
18		Joolz Gianni & His Sax		1066 and Lots More	GoldCoast Oceanfest Surfing	
18		Gigging-it-to-Win-it			GoldCoast Beach Football	
		Artavian Baroque			GoldCoast Beach Volleyball	
18 - 19		Jazz for a Summers Evening				
18 - 21		Martin Dale Quartet				
19		Smash Dance Project	Art Trek	Romeo & Juliet	Barnstaple Race For Life	Rose Sunday
22			Les Barker	Strawberry Fayre	Dragon Boat Racing	Birds for Beginners on Bikes
22 - 24				Bugsy Malone		Bats & Moths Night Time Safari
23	Clare Teal	Circle of Fifth	Local Tales for Grown-ups			
24	Magic Live	Music Workshop	Making Our Mark		Spring Fair	
24 - 26		Rory Ellis		St John's Fair, Witheridge		
				Midsummer Charity Weekend		
				Miracle Theatre		
				Cinderella Alternative Panto		
				Bratton Fleming Festival		
25	Roger Whittaker	Music in the Orangery	Bonanza of Craft		Carriage Driving	The Lundy Experience
		Midsummer Music				
		Sing & Swing				
		All Wrapped Up				
		Alex Christaki's Monday Afternoon				
		Braunton Jazz Festival				
25 - 26	Tina May	Sing and Swing		The Woolsery Weekend	Antiques & Collectables	Health & Harmony Weekend
25 - 30			Exmoor Story Bus	Brannockstown Festival		
26		Michael Roach				
		Bideford & North Devon Music Day				
27		Tina May				
27		Passion Fruit				
29	The Soldier's Tale		Comedy Special			
30		King Pleasure & the Biscuit Boys			Braunton Cricket Club	
30 - 2 July				Mother Courage		

Throughout the Festival

14 May - 25 June	The Art of Furniture - Shapland & Petter of Barnstaple
28 May - 26 June	Focus on Farmers - Mixed Art Exhibition
11 June - 29 August	Flower Fairies at RHS Garden Rosemoor
1-30 June	Barnstaple Fringe
	Broomhill International Art Exhibition
	NDAONB Photographic Exhibition
	SEED Trans National Films
	From Rags to Rainbows - Art Exhibition
	Square Picture Show
	Open House & Garden - Arts & Crafts Exhibition
	The Gloves are Off - School's Art Project
	Art from the Park
	Banner Making



Associated Events

27 April - 4 May	North Devon Walking & Cycling Festival
29 April - 2 May	Landmark Beer Festival
17 - 19 May	Gallerie Marin 33rd Annual Exhibition
21 May - 5 June	Paul Lewin - Oak
28 - 30 May	Westward Ho! Potwalloping Festival
28/29 May to 27/28 Aug	Health & Harmony Weekends
3 June - 17 July	Devon Dance Festival
1 - 24 July	Combe Martin Music & Comedy Festival
7 - 10 July	Hatherleigh Festival
16 - 24 July	Ilfracombe Trafalgar Week
16 July	Pilton Greenman Festival
26 - 30 July	Chulmleigh Fayre
26 - 29 August	Sun West Festival
10 - 25 September	Nine Days of Art



All details are correct at the time of publication, but are subject to change.

Shapland & Petter of Barnstaple

The Art of Furniture

Shortlisted for the Gulbenkian Prize for Museum of the Year

Museum of Barnstaple & N Devon

Sat 14 May to Sat 25 June

Mon to Sat, 9.30am to 5pm

Info: museum@northdevon.gov.uk

Experience the seamless blend of beauty and design that saw Shapland & Petter at the forefront of the Arts & Crafts movement

between 1890 and 1914. This is a rare opportunity to enjoy the fine craftsmanship and artistry of these exquisite pieces in the home town of this famous company.

Disabled parking available.
Level access to ground floor.
Stairlift to first floor.

The Gulbenkian Prize 2005
for museum of the year



Go For It! Ali Baba & the Farty Thieves

Art & Drama Days for Half Term

Goodleigh Village Hall

Tues 31 May to Thurs 2 June

Tues 1pm to 4 pm

Wed and Thurs 10am to 4pm

Cost: £18 per person

2½ days full of making & doing for 8-12 yr olds, leading to a short performance. You'll make props, scenery & the storyline for this tale

of thieving, treachery, curvy swords & flatulence. All you need is a packed lunch, old clothes & your imagination.

Advance booking essential as there are only 15 places available

Booking: Tel 01805 603201 or
Email: info@beaford-arts.co.uk
www.beaford-arts.co.uk



Also around this date

Focus on Farmers

28 May to 22 June at Griffin's Yard, South Molton. See page 60

Pirates & Princesses Treasure Day

Arlington Court, Fri 3 June, 11am-3pm. Tel: 01271 850296



International Art Exhibition

Broomhill Sculpture Garden

June & July

Featuring the following artists:

- Giles Penny** - Sculptor
- Carol Peace** - Sculptor
- Mariette van Berkel** (Netherlands) - Sculptor
- Hans Grootswagers** (Netherlands) - Sculptor
- Martin Grover** - Paintings

Info: Tel 01271 850262



Puttsborough, North Devon

Smash

Barnstaple Live! Queen's Theatre

Sat 11 & Sun 12 June

Tunnels Beaches

Sat 18 & Sun 19 June, 11am to 6pm

This dance project involves young male novice dancers from North Devon and culminates in open air performances and installations.

www.northdevontheatres.org.uk

In association with *Dance in Devon* and *Stacked Wonky*

SEED Trans National Films

The changing nature of rural environments

Gallery Bar, Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Throughout June

Tel: 01271 32 42 42 for opening times

This project by Northern Devon Coast & Countryside Service in partnership with Stichting Zonnemaire Buitengewoon (the Foundation Zonnemaire Extraordinary) in The Netherlands involved commissioning two Dutch

(Bei Ning and Marinus van Dijke) and two English artists (Kirsty Waterworth and Heidi C Morstang) to make short films that document and explore the changing nature of rural environments in North Devon and in Zeeland in The Netherlands.

A special Gallery Bar 6 seater 'cinema' will be showing these films on a continuous loop.

AONB Photographic Exhibition

Vote for your favourite photo & WIN a great prize!

The exhibition will be on display at the following venues:

Hidden Valley Wildlife Open Day

Wed 1 June

Atlantic Village, Bideford

Thurs 2 to Fri 10 June

Norbury House Hotel, Ilfracombe

Sat 11 to Wed 15 June

Gallery Bar, Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Throughout June

Barnstaple Library

Thurs 23 June to Fri 1 July

A fantastic exhibition consisting of photographs taken within the North Devon Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Visit the exhibition and vote for your favourite image. You could WIN a great prize simply by voting! (Voting forms available next to the displays).

www.northdevon-aonb.org.uk
Email: aonb@devon.gov.uk

Sponsored by J & A Cameras.



Open House and Garden

From Sussex to Devon

Norbury House Hotel, Ilfracombe

Sun to Wed in June, 11am to 5pm

Admission: A voluntary donation to Ilfracombe in Bloom is requested.

A delightful house and garden to visit with displays of art, sculpture and crafts based on images and individuals who are making the journey from Sussex to Devon. Featuring landscape and abstract paintings from resident artist Carole Walters and showcasing the stunning leather handbag art of Simon James. Refreshments available in the conservatory.

www.norburyhousehotel.co.uk

Email: openhouseandgarden@norburyhousehotel.co.uk



Banner Making

School workshop

South Molton

Throughout June

Pupils from South Molton Primary School will work with an artist to produce banners to hang in South Molton Pannier Market in conjunction with the South Molton Olde English Fayre committee.

A Beaford Arts Village Voice Event
Email: clare@beaford-arts.co.uk

The Square Picture Show

North Devon Arts Exhibition

Broomhill Art Hotel, Barnstaple

Wed 1 to Thurs 30 June,

Wed to Sun, 11am to 4pm

In a diverse June show, North Devon Arts (NDA) members will be exhibiting small, square artworks at Broomhill Art Hotel, one of the West Country's most prestigious contemporary galleries.

NDA are planning a stimulating evening art event, with a high-profile artist speaker, to coincide with the exhibition. For details see www.northdevonarts.co.uk

www.broomhillart.co.uk
info@broomhillart.co.uk

Picture below by: Nancy Gault.
'The Old Fire Station', Sth Molton



Discovering Nature

Open Day at Hidden Valley with Trevor Beer

Hidden Valley Park, Nr Ilfracombe

Wed 1 June, 10am to 4pm

Admission: Free

A fabulous opportunity for all ages to explore some of North Devon's wildlife at this delightful location. Nature writers, Trevor and Endymion Beer, will be present throughout the day sharing their vast knowledge and enthusiasm on nature and conservation - gift shop and coffee shop open all day. Donations towards wildlife and conservation activities will be gratefully accepted on the day.

Info: Tel 01271 813837

www.hiddenvalleypark.com

relax@hiddenvalleypark.com

Biosphere Cruise

A maritime glimpse of unique North Devon

Depart from Appledore Ferry Quay

Wed 1 June, 2:30pm

Admission: £9

Join the crew of the Neptunia II for a one and a half hour trip around the estuary which is part of the internationally acclaimed UNESCO Biosphere Reserve in North Devon. A commentary will be given by Northern Devon Coast and Countryside Service staff who are responsible for taking care of the reserve.

Tickets must be bought from the Sea Chest Chandlers, 20a Market Street, Appledore prior to departure. Tel 01237 476191



The Gloves are Off

Sculptural project

Chulmleigh Primary School

Throughout June

Working with an artist, pupils will create new sculptural works inspired by Old Chulmleigh Fair and its history. The works produced will be situated around the central tree in front of the school during Old Chulmleigh Fair.

A Beaford Arts Village Voice Event

Email: clare@beaford-arts.co.uk

Card Making for Children

Workshops

RHS Garden Rosemoor

Wed 1 June, Sessions: 10am,

11.30am, 1.30pm, 3pm

£5 per session (incl. materials)

Workshop for children 7-12 years.

This is a new event for children. You will be shown different ways to decorate cards, then create your own selection of cards to take home with you. Please wear old clothes. Materials will be provided.

To book: Tel 01805 624067

Email: roosemooradmin@rhs.org.uk

www.rhs.org.uk/rosemoor



Appledore Crafts Company

Craft demonstrations, the artists show how it's done!

Bude Street, Appledore, Bideford

Thurs 2 to Sun 5 June, 10am to 5pm

Admission: Free

Local designer/makers offer you the chance to watch them at work. Members of the Appledore Crafts Company will be demonstrating their skills daily at their gallery in Bude Street, Appledore.

Part of the Appledore Visual Arts Festival

www.appledorecraftscompany.co.uk

info@appledorecraftscompany.co.uk

Info: Tel 01237 423547

Ships of the Torridge

Maritime Art Exhibition

Gallerie Marin, Appledore

Thurs 2 to Sun 5 June

10am to 12pm, 2pm to 4pm

An exhibition specifically celebrating ships that sailed the Torridge.

Showing over the period of the Appledore Visual Arts Festival.

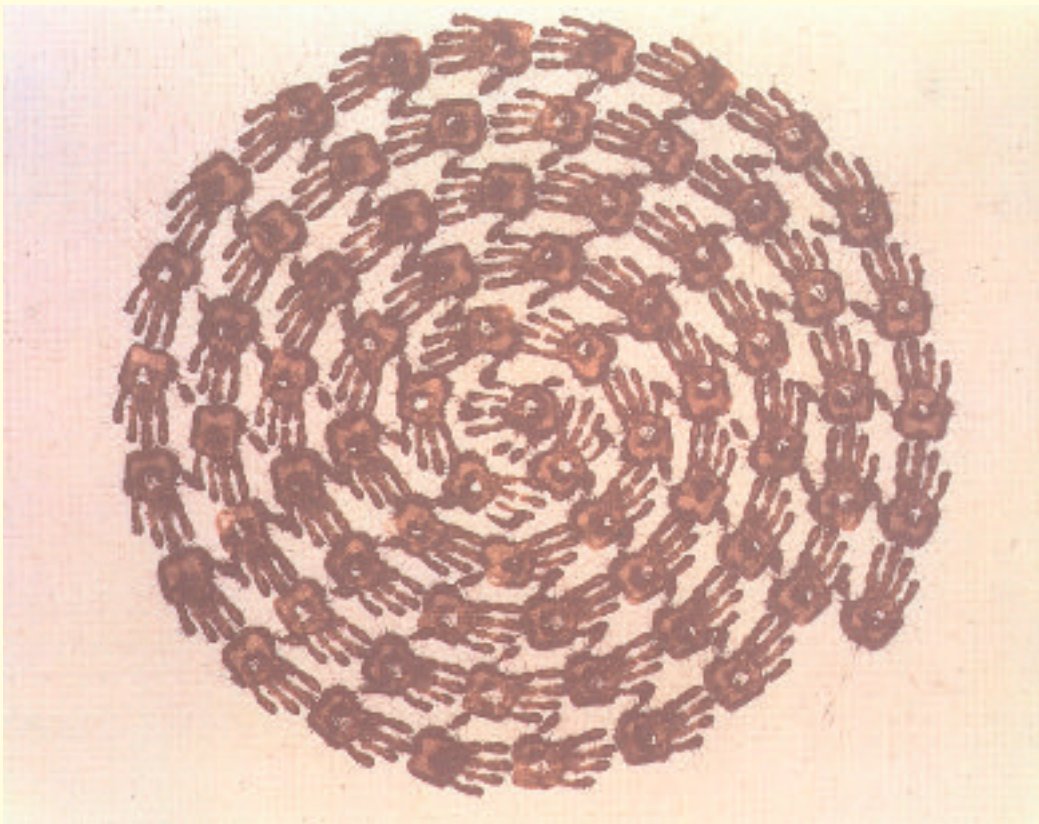
Info: Tel 01237 473679

See page 64 for details of Gallerie Marin 33rd Annual Exhibition

Also around this date

Paul Lewin Exhibition, Sat 21

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River Avon Mud Hand Spiral 1984, Richard Long. Mud drawing on paper 183x244cm owned by Hayward gallery

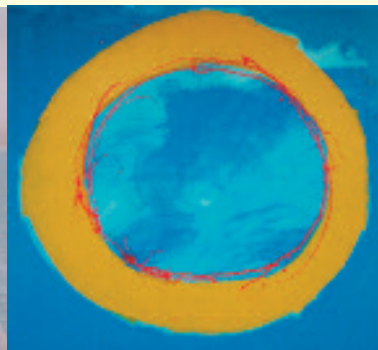
Appledore Visual Arts Festival

The first and best annual visual arts festival in the country

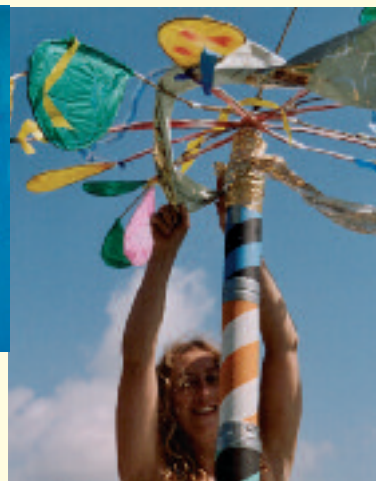
Various venues in Appledore
Thurs 2 to Sun 5 June
www.appledorearts.org

Appledore Visual Arts Festival has a strong reputation for an innovative programme of arts activities including exhibitions, open studios, talks and inclusive participative workshops.

The theme for 2005 is Tides and guest artists include Turner prize



winner Richard Long, and artists John Pollox, Steven Turner, Patrick Jones and Carol Klein.



Atherington Flower Festival

Theme: Carers of the World - A Tower of Strength

All proceeds to the Church and Fabric Fund.

St Mary's Church, Atherington

Fri 3 to Sun 5 June,
10.30am to 5.30pm

The 13th Century Church will be adorned with a colourful array of flower displays and there will be a local arts and crafts exhibition showing daily in the Church Hall. Refreshments available.

Barnstaple Male Voice Choir with soloist Jean Blake

Fri 3 June, 7.30pm

Admission: £5 at the door

Songs of Praise

Sun 5 June, 6.30pm

Ann Gower's Open Garden

Sun 5 June, 10am to 5pm

Plant and basket sale in aid of the Yarner Trust

Flower Festival Info: 01769 560387



Martin Speake's Constellation

Broomhill Jazz Evening featuring the music of Charlie Parker

Broomhill Art Hotel, Barnstaple

Fri 3 June, 7.30pm
Admission: £15.00 to include Mediterranean buffet supper

Martin Speake (alto sax)
Mike Outram (guitar)
Simon Thorpe (double bass)
Dave Wickins (drums)

Reservations essential.
Tel 01271 850262

www.broomhillart.co.uk
Email: info@broomhillart.co.uk



Echoes of Ellington Jazz Orchestra

Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Thurs 2 June, 8.15pm
Admission: All Seats £14.50 (£12.50)

There can be few people who are unaware of the name of Duke Ellington. In an entirely new project, the Echoes of Ellington Jazz Orchestra sets out to recreate the Duke's music and to present an insight into the man himself.

In a two-part concert, a cross section of the Ellington repertoire

is presented, spanning his whole composing career from a simple piano rag from 1914 to the music from the monumental concerts of the early seventies.

'The musicians played with finesse and a tremendous energy'
Benny Green

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
or book on-line at:
www.northdevontheatres.org.uk

Colours of the Culm Festival

Various locations in Ruby Country
Sat 4 to Sun 12 June

Flowers at your feet and butterflies playing around your head – this is a festival not to be missed.

This new annual event aims to highlight crafts, produce and wildlife interest of the beautiful Culm area around Holsworthy and Hatherleigh known as Ruby Country. With so much to offer in our area it was time to celebrate its diversity with a festival of fun. We have a super array of events for both children and adults.

Sat 4th June

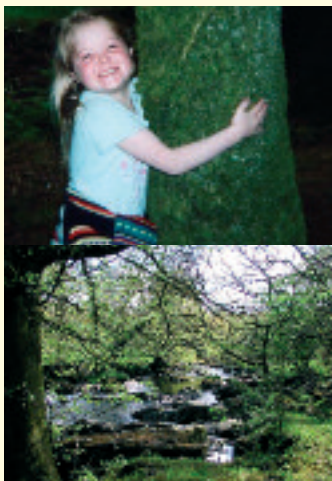
Ruby Way launch, Cookworthy Forest Centre, 11am - 2pm

Celtic Lifestyles - Landscape Living, Cookworthy Forest Centre Roadhouse, 2pm - 6pm

Sun 5th June

Dunsdon Open Day, Dunsdon Nature Reserve, 12pm - 4pm

Roadford Ramble, Roadford Lake Car Park, 11am - 2pm



Tues 7th June

Tree ID, Cookworthy Forest Centre, 6 - 8pm

Wed 8th June

Bradworthy Ruby Trail, Bradworthy Village Square, 6pm

Sat 11th June

Food of Love Music Bus (see page 37)

Strictly Culm Dancing with The Oggle Band (see page 37)

Workshop under the sky, Cookworthy Forest, 10 - 4pm

Shebbear Samba Evening, Shebbear Village Inn, 7pm

Sun 12th June

Ruby Run Half Marathon (see page 41)

Shebbear Safari Lunch

Shebbear Songs of Praise, Buckland Filleigh

Current dates so far, forever growing so watch out for more!

Booking: For more information ring the Ruby Country Initiative on: 01409 220036

www.therubycountry.com
enquiries@therubycountry.com

North Devon Open Art Exhibition

Mixed art exhibition

St Mary the Virgin Church, Lynton

Sat 4 & Sun 5 June, 10am to 4pm

Admission: Free

The Third North Devon Open Art Exhibition selected from local artists offers a mix of paintings, textiles and sculptural works.

A Beaford Arts Village Voice Event
Email: clare@beaford-arts.co.uk



Sheena Davis Group

Jazz at the George

The George Hotel, South Molton

Fri 3 June, 8.30 pm

Price: £6.50 (£5.50 concessions)

The group is now a regular feature on the London jazz & swing scene and has also appeared at a host of other UK clubs and jazz festivals. Sheena herself has gained a reputation for her stunning vocal ability. Her innate sense of swing and dynamic voice have led to comparisons with the likes of Nancy Wilson and Eva Cassidy.

'If you get a chance to hear her live, don't miss her' *Jazz At Ronnie Scott's Magazine*

Booking: Tel 01805 603201 or 01769 572514 to book food.

www.beaford-arts.co.uk
Email: info@beaford-arts.co.uk



Barb Jung: Love Me Tender

Barb Jung in cabaret: an uncharted journey into the King's legacy

Plough Arts Centre, Torrington

Fri 3 June, 7.30pm / 8.45pm

Admission: for 2 course meal served cabaret style (7.30pm) & Barb Jung: £20, £18 conc, £17 supporter

Admission: Barb Jung on stage only (8.45pm): £12, £10 conc, £9 supporter

Barb Jung takes the songs of Elvis Presley and embarks on a journey through love, loneliness, obsession and finally, faith. Accompanied by top musicians and stunning arrangements, Jung's witty interactions with her audience and vocal virtuosity have led to comparisons with the greats. Her blend of jazz, European cabaret and humour, is unique.

Box Office: 01805 624624
www.plough-arts.org

Al Marconi

& his Spanish guitar - an evening at Hidden Valley

Hidden Valley Park, West Down, Near Ilfracombe

Fri 3 June, 8pm

Admission: Tickets £7.50 each

Booking: Tel 01271 813837

Back at this beautiful location, Al Marconi promises an evening of enchanting music.

You will be enthralled by the exciting, passionate performance of this talented musician. He will delight you with his delicate Hispanic harmonies, Latin rhythms and emotive melodies.

Email: relax@hiddenvalleypark.com
www.hiddenvalleypark.com



Wistlandpound Wander

**Wistlandpound Reservoir,
Blackmoor Gate**
Sat 4 June, 2pm
Admission: Free

The Wistlandpound Wander is an easy going stroll around the reservoir with Ranger Blair Warner. It's a great opportunity to explore and enjoy the peaceful lake surrounded by conifer plantations and a variety of wildlife.

Wistlandpound is managed by the charity South West Lakes Trust, which also manages other lakes across the region.

To book: Tel 01566 771930

Organised and managed by South West Lakes Trust

www.swlakestrust.org.uk
info@swlakestrust.org.uk



Horwood Scarecrow Festival

A real taste of Devon village life!

Horwood
Sat 4 & Sun 5 June, 11am to 5.30pm
Adults £3;
Accompanied children: Free

Once again, the Domesday village of Horwood suffers a plague of scarecrows. Come and walk the trail and see how many scarecrows you can

find...in gardens, fields and even in the beautiful 12th Century church. Enjoy village life – refreshments, stalls, competitions, games and much, much more. A real family day out.

Horwood is signposted from the Old Barnstaple Road out of Bideford, and from the B3232 from Barnstaple to Torrington.

Info: Tel 01271 858231/858564



Art On The Rocks

Morte Point to Lee Bay
Sat 4 to Sun 12 June

Four national artists create exciting contemporary art-works along the coast. Meet the artists at Lee Bay between 1pm to 2pm daily and walk

and talk along the trail. See the works through an artist's eye.

Geoff Stainthorpe - Sculpture/Film
Claire Winfield - Painting
Brenda Whormsley - Land Art / Installation / Painting
Martin Winfield - Photography



An Evening with Jack Dee

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple
Sun 5 June, 7.30pm
Admission: All Seats £24.50

The star of BBC 1's hit new series Jack Dee Live At The Apollo, returns to the road after an absence of three years with a brand new show.

Celebrity Big Brother survivor, West End actor and sitcom writer, Jack's talents know few bounds.

Join the nation's best-loved deadpan comedian as he takes you through life's pet hates.

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
Book on-line at:
www.northdevontheatres.org.uk



The Spirit of Friendship

Qawwali music from India and Pakistan

Plough Arts Centre, Torrington
Sat 4 June, 8pm
Admission: £15, £13 conc,
£11 supporter

The Nizami Brothers perform exciting and rhythmic "qawwali" in the unblemished traditions associated with the shrine of the Sufi saint, Nizamuddin Auliya. Led by Ghulam Sabir and Ghulam

Waris of the legendary Sikendra Gharana, the group of 10 perform devotional music rooted in the Sufi mystical traditions that are both lyrical and vitally rhythmic. For this performance at The Plough the Nizamis will be joined by their cousins from Pakistan who are led by Taufeeq Niyazi Qawal.

Box Office: 01805 624624
www.plough-arts.org

Barnstaple Fringe

There's music, madness and general fun as the Fringe takes off in June with a wide mixture of blues, jazz, comedy, storytelling and singing in a variety of clubs, pubs and restaurants throughout Barnstaple. The Fringe is an increasingly important part of the Festival, and a great opportunity to catch top-quality names in informal settings.

For 2005, the Barnstaple Fringe venues are:

Café Artiste at the Three Tuns Tavern	01271 371308
Queen's Theatre	01271 32 42 42
The Litten Tree	01271 347070
Marshals	01271 376633
North Country Inn	01271 376169
The Royal & Fortescue Hotel	01271 342289
Zena's Restaurant	01271 378844

Further details can be found in the special Barnstaple Fringe leaflet.

Advance tickets from the Festival Box Office: Tel 01271 32 42 42

or book on-line at:
www.northdevontheatres.org.uk



James Taylor Quartet

The Litten Tree, The Strand

Wed 1 June, 8pm

Admission price: £9.50 - Limited seating

JTQ is the grooviest jazz-funk band in the UK with the swinging, timeless Hammond organ sound. Their sets are explosive. They can recall jazz greats like Jimmy

McGriff and Jimmy Smith, they have duetted with Tom Jones on the Reload CD, written the Austin Powers theme and they tear into TV themes with Tom Scott-like fervour. Hot, hot hot.

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or book on-line at:
www.northdevontheatres.org.uk

Les Barker

Café Artiste, Three Tuns, High St

Thurs 2 June, 8pm

Admission: £5

Is this the funniest man in the UK with his poems, stories and anecdotes? Les Barker writes strange poems and comes from Manchester. He was an accountant before he became a professional idiot. He's written 72 books. His poems have spawned a number of folk heroes: Jason and the Arguments, Cosmo the Fairly Accurate Knife Thrower, Captain Indecisive and Spot of the Antarctic, to name but two.

Michael Dacre & Steve Yates

The Saragossa Manuscript

Café Artiste, Three Tuns, High St

Thurs 9 June, 8pm

Admission: £5

Storytelling with music for adults, recounting the puzzling tale of the famous 19th century novel by Count Jan Potocki, containing rich folkloric elements, supernatural motifs, bawdy humour, surreal touches and scientific theories of the day. The story became a cult film (1965), a favourite of Martin Scorsese, Francis Ford Coppola and Jerry Garcia. Listen if you dare.



John Etheridge

North Country Inn, Boutport St

Fri 10 June, 8pm

Admission: Free

Jazz and rock from one of the greatest UK guitarists ever, who was a key member of Soft Machine and most UK jazz groups that you can think of, and toured with Stephane Grappelli. For the last twenty years he has pursued a career involving associations with many of the great players of the jazz world, including Barney Kessel, Herb Ellis, Birelli Lagrene, Dizzy Gillespie, Tony Williams, Yehudi Menuhin, Pat Metheny, Andy Summers and Nigel Kennedy.

"I never wanted to be a star, just a highly respected musician like John Etheridge" Sting

Marshals, Boutport St

12 June, 2pm

Admission: Free

John Etheridge returns with his trio for a special blues and jazz set for Sunday afternoon.

John Burton Race

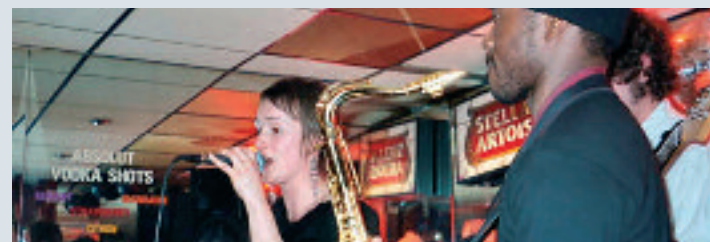
Queen's Theatre, Boutport St

Tues 7 June 12.30pm

Admission: £3.00

John Burton Race – chef, Francophile, and subject (together with his family) of the TV documentary series French Leave and Coming Home – is being brought to Barnstaple by Ottakar's bookstore. Passionate about using local produce in his recipes, he will give a lunchtime talk at the Queen's Theatre and afterwards sign copies of his books, which will be specially discounted for the occasion.

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
Book on-line at:
www.northdevontheatres.org.uk



Jazz at Zena's

**ZZ Bop featuring
Craig Milverton**

Zena's, Market St

Sat 11 June, 1pm to 3pm, Free

Craig Milverton is one of the best pianists in the country, who plays in many styles from mainstream to contemporary and has an abiding love of Oscar Peterson. He tours frequently with George Melly and Digby Fairweather, but this Festival appearance is with his regular outstanding quartet featuring Alex Garnett (sx), Tom Hill (bs) and Nick Millwood (dms). A special afternoon of jazz in the courtyard outside Zena's Restaurant, with marquees.

**Matthias Garrick &
Lucy Moon Band**

Zena's, Market St

Sat 11 June, 4pm to 6pm

Smooth, funky jazz featuring standards and originals from one of the coolest new bands on the London scene, with rising singing star Lucy Moon. Led by pianist Matthias Garrick and vocalist Lucy Moon, this band is already making waves with its sparkling new talent and is recording their first CD in time for the Festival.

Angela Brown and The Mighty 45s

The Litten Tree, The Strand

Wed 15 June, 8pm

Admission: £7.50

Low down, dirty, electric blues from one of the greatest voices in

the business, with her favourite 4 piece band, The Mighty 45s.

Angela is a classy, powerful fusion of musical talent, and with the band performs a seamless mix of blues, soul, rock and jazz in her

subtle but hard-hitting style.

"Angela has the sort of voice that, fully unleashed, could strip Ronseal off your floorboards!"
Sunday Times



Jeremy Hardy

The Litten Tree, The Strand

Thurs 16 June, 8pm

Admission: £7.50

The comedian, satirist, writer and broadcaster from BBC Radio 4's News Quiz, Humphrey Lyttelton's I'm Sorry, I Haven't a Clue and, of course, his own Jeremy Hardy Speaks to the Nation, brings his own acerbic, witty political views to provide enlightenment tonight. Possibly.



Martin Dale Quartet

Royal & Fortescue Hotel

Sat 18 June, 8pm

Jazz cabaret & dinner: £19.50

Music only: £4.50

The hard swinging tenor sound of Martin Dale, with his guitar based quartet playing standards to die for. A regular at the Barbican Jazz Café, he has played with many of the great names in jazz, including Jim Mullen, Roy Williams, John Critchenson and Derek Nash.



Kirsty McGee & Mat Martin

North Country Inn, Boutport St

Fri 17 June, 8pm

Admission: Free

The sweetest voice in folk, and nominated for the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards 2005 for Best Original Song, Coffee Coloured Strings taken from her acclaimed CD Frost. Kirsty will be accompanied for this Festival appearance by the multi-picking skills of Mat Martin.

Wendy & Michael Dacre plus Nick Hennessey

Café Artiste, Three Tuns, High St

Thurs 23 June, 8pm

Admission: £5

Local stories and songs for grown-ups from two of Devon's finest

performers, who have toured extensively throughout Europe; Michael even won the Hodja Cup for Lying, so watch out! Plus a real Festival bonus with Cumbria's

Nick Hennessey, a powerful and passionate performer able to draw relevance from traditional stories for a 21st century audience.

Rory Ellis

North Country Inn, Boutport St

Fri 24 June, 8pm

Admission: Free

Rory Ellis is one of Australia's leading new wave of acoustic performers, taking audiences by storm and impressing the critics. His music defies the simple folk categorisation using a collection of progressive contemporary and roots music influences to create a style he labels Urban Folk. His latest CD – the Road of the Braver Man – is receiving favourable reviews.

"I have to admit my life has been enriched. Ellis is a man who has a story to tell and he knows how to tell it ..." Natalie Vulic, Beat Magazine



Les Barker

Café Artiste, Three Tuns, High St

Wed 22 June, 8pm

Admission: £5

Your second (and final) chance to catch up with Les - you'll regret it if you don't.



Tina May

with her quartet

Royal & Fortescue Hotel

Sat 25 June, 8pm

Cabaret & dinner: £19.50

Music only: £4.50

Tina sings the night away with her wonderful voice and brilliant interpretation of classic repertoire for a great evening's entertainment. In demand by many musicians including Tony Coe & Alan Barnes, Tina is an exceptional singer and award-winning vocal coach and her latest acclaimed CD *I'll Take Romance* features Scott Hamilton.

"That great rarity, a singer who enhances a song..." Dave Gelly, The Observer

Special note

Tina May is also appearing at Heasley House Hotel - a garden performance. See page 60

Sing & Swing

Two local secondary schools play host to their feeder primary schools for a day of 'Singing and Swinging' with award winning jazz and popular music singer Tina May and critically acclaimed accompanist Nikki Iles.

Queen's Theatre, Boutport St

Fri 24 June, 7pm

Admission: Free

Demonstration by the participants of the schools project.

Jazz Vocal Masterclass for adult singers

Queen's Theatre, Boutport St

Sat 25 June, 10.30am to 12.30pm

Cost: £10.00

A rare opportunity to be coached by a noted expert; places are limited to a maximum of 15.

Booking essential: Tel Carol Turner on 01271 869 216

"Singing, and particularly jazz singing, is a great way of speaking to people. My personal approach is to assist people in discovering their own sound, to release it and support it through good breathing technique. I am committed to helping young singers avoid damaging their voices. Since jazz is such a vibrant and communicative art form, I'm especially interested in education in jazz for all age groups..." Tina May

Tina May is a member of the Association Of Teachers Of Singing (AOTOS).

In partnership with Devon Music Service and Barnstaple Academic Council, North Devon Theatres and Festival are producing a programme of workshops and performance for schools and the community.



Comedy Special

with **Richard Morton, Alan Carr and Simon Evans**

The Litten Tree, The Strand
Wed 29 June, 8pm
Admission: £6.50

Michael Roach

Marshals, Boutport St
Sun 26 June, 2pm, Admission: Free

A blues original born in South Carolina but now living in the UK, Michael plays 6, 12 string and National steel guitars and has presented a three-part series on blues music (Deep Blue) on BBC Radio 4 in 2003. His last two CDs (Good News Blues and Cypress Grove) were released on Stella Records.

An evening of stand-up comedy from three award-winners: Richard Morton (*"Comic genius"* Daily Express) who has toured with Jack Dee, Lee Evans and Jo Brand; Alan Carr (*"Belly achingly funny"* Sunday Telegraph) a Comedy Store regular plus tours with Men in Coats and Bob Downe; and Simon Evans (*"Absolutely brilliant"* Caroline Aherne), a TV and radio regular who has had many sell-out shows at the Edinburgh Festival.



Alex Christaki's Monday Afternoon

Zena's Courtyard, Market Street
Sat 25 June, noon to 2pm, FREE

Based in Plymouth, this excellent jazz pianist and composer brings

his five-piece jazz fusion band Monday Afternoon to the Festival for the first time. Alex's track record is exhausting; he runs a duo, teaches music and music technology, has a 30-piece jazz funk band and plays mainly his own memorable compositions. He was commissioned to write a piece for the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra and steel band a few years ago.

Stop Press

North Country Inn, Boutport St. Every Wed night. Admission Free. Brendan Taylor Hosts Live Open Mike plus guests.

Broomhill Jazz Evening. See page 15



Art from the Park

Park School Visual Arts Festival Project

Barnstaple
Wed 1 to Thurs 30 June

For this year's North Devon Festival, Year 10 students are focusing on African, Indian, Egyptian and Polynesian art. Look out for their work displayed around Barnstaple and featuring as part of other Barnstaple events.

King Pleasure and the Biscuit Boys

The Litten Tree, The Strand
Thurs 30 June, 8pm
Admission: £7.50

The Festival closes with the party-style atmosphere generated by swinging jazz and blues from one of the most enjoyable bands around, recreating the days when swing was king. If you liked Ray Gelato last year, then you'll love King Pleasure.

"To those who say that swing is a musical form best left to Americans, prepare to be proven wrong. This British combo is bulletproof!" Atomic Magazine, New York City

Barnstaple Live

Sat 11 & Sun 12 June, 12pm to 8pm

An amazing two days of Free community dance, drama and music performance at the Queen's Theatre

Mon 13 June

A brand new event for 2005

Big Voice

Captain Noah and his Amazing Floating Zoo

Sat 11 June, 3pm & 6pm

This popular work opens with a splendid storm, above which God can be heard muttering about the irritations he finds with mankind. Following the Old Testament story God then instructs Noah how to build the ark and select animals. A profusion of fine solos and lively choruses build up to a crescendo where 150 community singers of all ages join as one 'Big Voice'.



Children's Theatre Day

Multi-Story Theatre presents

Baby Iron Teeth

Mon 13 June, 10am
Suitable for ages 4-11
Admission: £2

Firebird

Mon 13 June, 2pm
Suitable for ages 9+
Admission: £2

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42



Dancing with Angels

Sun 12 June, 3pm

Performers include: Smash! - dance performance preview, Pilton College, Lindsay Ballet Studio, Demi Dance School, Neat Feet, Belly Bollies, Pilton School of Dance, Dancing Feet, N. D. Deaf Children's Society, Park School, Braunton College, Ilfracombe College and more...



Big Voice is supported by Devon Music Service

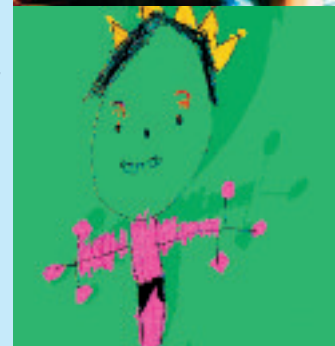


Ruff Luck

Stiltskin Theatre Company

Sat 11 June, 1pm

Delight in the gruesome and gorgeous goings on in Elizabethan life. (See details on page 42)



Petrovian Orchestra Concert

St Mary's Church, Lynton

Tues 7 June, 7.45pm

Admission: £4.00 on the door,
Children: Free

A summer evening of light classics from Grieg to Sibelius.



Classic Family Fun Day

West Buckland School

Sun 5 June,

Tel: 01271 344248 (for both events)

Admission: £5 per car

North Devon Hospice's annual Family Fun Day & Classic Car Rally will take place in the grounds of West Buckland School. The day begins with almost 200 beautiful classic cars meandering around the scenic routes of North Devon before arriving at the school for the day. The grounds of the school will be bursting with activity and fun for all the family. Visitors will be able to enjoy exciting activities including helicopter rides, archery, bush tucker challenges, mediaeval combat displays and many others, or simply relax with a refreshing glass of Pimms or indulge in a traditional Devon cream tea.

Also

Woolacombe Beach

Sun 10 July

Don't miss the great UK National Sandcastle Competition in aid of North Devon Hospice.

The Illusion

Torrington Players 25th Anniversary Production

Written by Ray Ridgwell

Plough Arts Centre, Torrington

Wed 8 to Sat 11 June, 7.45pm

Admission: £5, £4.50 Conc,
£4 Supporters

A metaphysical drama in three acts. Late summer 1919. War is over. Henry is settling back into civilian life as a GP and researching into electricity in medicine. However, his devoted wife Sarah is horrified by anything electrical. The action is intriguing and suspenseful with a twist not at the end - but at the beginning!

Torrington Players 25th Anniversary Exhibition

Wed 8 to Sat 11 June, 10am to 11pm

Admission: Free

An exhibition to celebrate 25 years of Torrington Players productions at The Plough Arts Centre. Photos and programmes from past productions will be on display all week to coincide with our 25th Anniversary production of the 'The Illusion' by Ray Ridgwell

Box Office: 01805 624624
www.plough-arts.org

Royal Philharmonic Orchestra

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Fri 10 June, 7.30pm

Admission: Stalls/Dress Circle £22.50
Front Stalls/Upper Circle £20.00

Conductor: Andrew Nethsingha
Soloist: Michael Whight

Featuring Haydn's famous symphony 104, reviewed as 'surpassing all his other compositions', the brilliant Weber clarinet concerto written for the 19th Century virtuoso Baermann and Beethoven's Fourth Symphony, which is in many ways an ideal example of his style, for it blends the gracious classicism of his early years with the hearty orchestrations of his later work.

Haydn - Symphony No 104 in D major

Weber - Clarinet Concerto No 1 in F minor, Op.73

Beethoven - Symphony No 4

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42

Or book on-line at

www.northdevontheatres.org.uk



Dade Krama

Music and dance traditions from Tanzania, Ghana and the Gambia

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Wed 8 June, 7.45pm

Admission: All seats - Adults £14.00
(£13.00), Child £8.00

This group of inspiring African instrumentalists have enchanted audiences worldwide with their powerful dance rhythms on a diverse range of traditional instruments.

Anyone who has experienced a Dade Krama performance will tell you that it is 'vibrant', 'exhilarating' and 'alive' and they are always left wanting more.

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42

Or book on-line at

www.northdevontheatres.org.uk

Earth Chant Day

Tapeley Park Gardens, Instow

Wed 8 June, 7.30pm until sunset.

Admission: Free

An international event taking place each year to commemorate the 1992 Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Throughout the world, groups of people annually join together to share in creating a positive energy through songs, chants and music, dedicated to healing both the planet and it's people.

Earth Chant Day is not affiliated to any religious or political organisations and is open to all.

Information: Ian Godfrey on 01271 830878 or Email: chants@thepurplebus.com

Ferns

RHS Garden Rosemoor, Torrington

Wed 8 June, 11am (allow 2 hrs)

RHS member £8, Non-member £13.50

Booking: Tel 01805 624067

Come along and learn about the intriguing world of ferns. We will look at both native and non-native species and their cultivars, cover some basic botany, identification features, propagation techniques and cultivation.

Email: rosemooradmin@rhs.org.uk
www.rhs.org.uk/rosemoor



250 main events in 60 towns and villages

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42

In addition to the feast of Festival activities there are many other excellent places to visit:

- Entertainment and theme parks
- Museums & heritage centres
- Golf courses
- Fishing
- Glorious beaches
- Stunning countryside
- Pannier markets
- Restaurants, pubs & hotels
- Delightful coastal and market towns and villages

To find out more about North Devon's attractions and accommodation providers, contact:

North Devon Marketing Bureau
www.northdevon.com

You can also find helpful information at any of North Devon's comprehensive network of Tourist Information Centres



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Lynton & Lynmouth Music Festival

Devon's best kept secret

Lynton & Lynmouth
Fri 10 to Sun 12 June

Lynton & Lynmouth Music Festival is a free festival, now in its third year. It is gaining national acclaim for its freshness and commitment to original and live music.

Bringing together acts from around the country, this year's line-up



features **Zion Train, Aspects, James Yorkston, Rose Kemp, The Broken Family Band and Misty's Big Adventure**, among many others. Plus the ever-popular **Jazz on the Green**.

Steve Lamacq, the Radio 1 DJ famed for championing new bands, who compered the event in 2004, described it as his 'pre-Glastonbury training.'

Booking and information:
Email: info@llama.org.uk
Tel: 01598 752736 or 753980.

www.llama.org.uk



Food of Love Strictly Culm Dancing

Ruby Country music bus

Pick up points: Back of the Globe Hotel, Torrington & Holsworthy Memorial Hall Car Park

Sat 11 June
Torrington, 10.45am
Holsworthy, 11.15am
Return Holsworthy, 6pm
Torrington, 6.30pm
Tickets: £12.50 (ad); £8 (ch) incl tea, & garden admission

A guided trip round the Ruby Country with stops for live music from Tom & Barbara Brown & The Oggie Band at local food & drink producers. Enjoy the natural music of the beautiful Culm grassland. Also includes a visit to the Winsford Walled Garden plus tea & an art exhibition at Henford Studio, Ashwater. Evening ceilidh in Ashwater.

Art Exhibition Teddy Bears' Picnic

Broomhill Art Hotel, Barnstaple
Fri 10 to Thur 16 June

An Art Exhibition by Year 11 students from Pilton Community College and three students from Pathfield Special School.

Info: Tel 01271 374381

Evening ceilidh at Ashwater

Ashwater Village Hall
Sat 11 June, 8pm
Tickets: £6

To complete their outing with the music bus, The Oggie Band will be playing a lively ceilidh to burn off the day's eating & give you an appetite for a local pasty & cider. You're welcome to join us, even if you haven't been on the bus.

Music Bus booking:
Tel. 01805 603201 or
email: info@beaford-arts.co.uk

Ceilidh booking: Tel 01409 211222
www.winsfordwalledgarden.co.uk
www.therubycountry.com
www.beaford-arts.co.uk

St Michaels School
Fri 10 June, 2.30pm

Bring your teddy bear to enjoy a picnic in the school grounds.

Info: Tel 01271 343242

Flower Fairies Exhibition

RHS Garden Rosemoor, Torrington
Sat 11 June to Wed 29 August,
10am to 5pm daily

Entry: £5.50 adult non-members
£1.50 children (6-16 yrs) incl
garden entry (RHS Members +1
guest free)

Feast your eyes on 50 of Cicely Mary Barker's original enchanting paintings of Flower Fairies. This is a rare opportunity to view a fine collection with colours as fresh as if they were painted last week. Relive your childhood and share the magic with friends and family.

Info: Tel 01805 624067
Email: rosemooradmin@rhs.org.uk
www.rhs.org.uk/rosemoor



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Ilfracombe Victorian Celebration

Royal Philharmonic Orchestra

Landmark Theatre

Sat 11 June, 7.45pm

Admission: All seats £19.50

Saturday's concert will start the week of Victorian Celebration in Ilfracombe with an outstanding programme of popular music, including many Gilbert & Sullivan classics, Strauss polkas invoking the magic of Vienna and finishing with our soprano soloist Shan

Cothi rousing the audience to sing along with a 'Last Night' medley including Rule Britannia, Jerusalem and Land of Hope and Glory.

Conductor: Andrew Nethsingha

Box Office: Tel 01271 32 42 42 or book on-line at: www.northdevontheatres.org.uk

After the concert at 10.45pm there will be a stunning Musical Firework Display over Capstone to launch the week in style.

Over 30 headline events

Ilfracombe Seafront, Park & Town

Sat 11 to Sun 19 June, all day & everyday

A week packed with events highlighting activities the Victorians loved: Parades and fayres, street entertainers and garden parties. Watch out for the world's smallest miniature horses visiting Ilfracombe for the first time. Enjoy picnics, Punch & Judy, cream teas, a tennis match in Bicclescombe Park. See PC Persuasion attempt to keep the suffragettes in order! Spend an evening at the theatre. There will

be horses and carriages, a pearly night and steam engines on the seafront. Bathing belles may perhaps be glimpsed dipping dainty toes in the ocean. Visit the museum, sail down the coast and much, much more . . .

Full details are in the *Ilfracombe Victorian Souvenir Programme* available from *Ilfracombe TIC*

Town Criers Competition

Runnymede Gardens

Sun 19 June, from 10am

Colourful and noisy!

Town criers come together from all over the country to compete. All criers will then join the . . .

Final Pageant Parade

Along the Seafront to the Pier

Sun 19 June, 3 pm

Watch the grand parade led by Queen Victoria in her carriage, bands and town criers, steam engines, cycles, and walkers all for your entertainment and delight.

Tel: 01271 863001 or Email: ilfracombetic@aol.org.uk www.victoriancelebration.org.uk

Ruby Run

Half Marathon

Hatherleigh to Holsworthy

Sun 12 June, start 10.30am

The 3rd annual Ruby Run Half Marathon will run from Hatherleigh, finishing in The Square at Holsworthy.

Runners and walkers welcome - all competitors will receive a T-shirt plus trophies for the winners.

Jazz band en route and town bands in the Square at the finish.

There is also a fun run for the family finishing in the Square.

For an application form contact: Carole Smith, Race Entry Secretary, 37 Higher Street, Hatherleigh EX20 3JB Tel 01837 811266 or Email RR@hatherleigh2.freeserve.co.uk



Cliffhanger

Bash Street Theatre Company

Landmark Theatre, Front Green

Sun 12 June, 3pm

Admission: Free

It's an hour-long, silent movie style show that returns to the golden age of the silver screen. Follow the fortunes of an unlikely hero as he becomes innocently embroiled in an underworld plot leading to hair-raising escapades as he goes on the run from the villains & the law.

This action-packed family show features live piano, death-defying stunts, and a seriously scary scaffold tower. It is packed full of laughs and action with Bash Street's unique blend of silent comedy, live music, circus skills and much, much more!

Part of the *Ilfracombe Victorian Celebration*

Lyn Bonnet Netball Tournament

Park School, Barnstaple

Sun 12 June, 9.30am registration of teams for 10am start

A versatility netball tournament involving approximately 24 teams of 7 players from the ND Netball League. Tournament organisers also welcome other teams not registered with the ND Netball League to take part. The games take place with fun and fair play in mind in memory of the late Lyn Bonnet, a netball player. To be held on the excellent new outdoor netball courts at Park School. All spectators very welcome.

Entry: £20 per team, spectators Free

Booking: Nadine Sampson Tel 01271 329953 Email: hinay7@aol.com





Diploma Show

Representing the next creative generation!

North Devon College, Art Barn

Tues 14 to Thurs 30 June

9am to 4pm (Tues until 7pm)

A vast exhibition of art and design. Featuring the work of nearly 100 students on the North Devon College Foundation course covering: painting, sculpture, ceramics, textiles, photography, furniture, jewellery, illustration, fashion, graphics, crafts, & more.



Ruff Luck

Stiltskin Theatre Company

Swimbridge Village Hall

Mon 13 June, 7.30pm

Admission: £1.50 per person, Family £6 (2 adults & 3 children), on door

My Lady Isabella Rannochmore (stunt double to Mary Queen of Scots) and 'would-be gentleman' Variable Simnel (finest pastry cook in all the land) are waiting...in Purgatory. Reminiscing, reliving, disagreeing, disliking and falling in love - the best way to pass time for tragic beheaded characters.

Ruff Luck is a new piece, featuring wild foolery, puppetry and rather crazy properties and inventions. It's suitable for young people and adults with a good stomach and who won't mind blushing during a raucous rumpus, however we recommend parental guidance.

Info: Tel 01271 830311

Frankenstein

Bash Street Theatre Company

Chulmleigh Primary School

Playground

Mon 13 June, 4pm

Admission: £1.50 per person, tickets on the door

Suitable for all ages.

Mary Shelley's classic tale of creation and alienation is reworked in Bash Street's inimitable style when Professor Frankenstein, the renowned magician and illusionist, attempts to perform the ultimate magic trick - creation of life itself.

After several hilarious attempts, and with the help of his unsavoury assistants, Frankenstein gathers his 'raw materials', builds a spectacular life-giving machine, and succeeds in his misguided mission.

Barnstaple Writers & Friends North Devon Schools Film Festival

Henry Williamson Room, Barnstaple Library

Mon 13 June, 7.30pm

In case the Festival gets too solemn, your local writers have put together a light-hearted mix of stories, drama, poetry, wine and perhaps even music.

The usual suspects will do their cheerful best to entertain you, boosted by some new members as well as the unpredictable talent of our invited guests.

Tickets: £2.50, £1.50 Conc

Info: Geoff King Tel 01271 388596
Email: geoff.king@devon.gov.uk

See fledgling filmmakers learn to fly...

Plough Arts Centre, Torrington

Wed 15 June, Throughout the day

Admission: £4.50, £4 Conc, £3.50 Supporter, Schools - ring for discounts

The first North Devon Schools Film Festival hosted by The Plough Arts Centre together with partners Great Torrington Community School and The Devon Media Education Centre. Showcasing short films made by local secondary school and sixth form college students.

Box Office: 01805 624624 - for full details of screenings and events.

www.plough-arts.org



North Devon Swimming Gala

North Devon Leisure Centre

Tues 14 June, 10.30am to 2pm

Full time students at North Devon College Care and Children's Studies Section work throughout the year to teach children and

teenagers with severe learning disabilities (mainly from Pathfield School), to swim and improve their technique. This gala is a highlight of this swimming programme.

Email: rmitchel@ndevon.ac.uk

Tag Rugby Festival

Great fun & prizes

Barnstaple Rugby Club

Tues 14 & Wed 15 June

All spectators welcome - Free

Now in its 12th year, the Tag Rugby Festival attracts over 450 children from North Devon Primary Schools.

Tuesday's competition is for schools with less than 100 pupils. On Wednesday it is the turn of the large primary schools. The winners on each day enter a

play-off for the honour of representing North Devon in the Devon Youth Games. Organised by first year sports students at North Devon College.

Info: Nathan Kelly at ND College
Tel 01271 338112

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Under the Bodhi Tree

Mixed media paintings

Plough Arts Centre, Torrington

Fri 17 June to Sat 2 July

Tues to Sat, 10am to 11pm

Susannah Clatworthy is a teacher of art, yoga, meditation and a colour therapist. This exhibition is part of the Network of Buddhist Organisations Arts Festival 2005. Including storytelling and workshops with Terri West.

Admission: Free
www.plough-arts.org

Ga Ga

'Superb' - Brian May

Plough Arts Centre, Torrington

Thurs 14 June, 8pm

Admission: £12, £11 Conc,
£10 Supporter

The Plough only does one tribute band per year so it is always a good one! A towering tribute to Queen's musical genius performed by a multi-award winning band. Packed with hits from start to finish. No wigs, no make-up and definitely no false moustaches.

Box Office: 01805 624624
www.plough-arts.org

Poetry Night

An evening of poetry

Broomhill Art Hotel, Barnstaple

Tues 14 June, 7.30 pm

Admission Price: £10.00

Price includes Mediterranean supper

Reservations essential

In conjunction with Ottakar's Bookstore, Broomhill is pleased to announce an evening of literary entertainment featuring well known poets and writers. For full details Tel: 01271 850262

www.broomhillart.co.uk
Email: info@broomhillart.co.uk

Schools' Literary Day

Top Children's Authors

Broomhill Art Hotel

Wed 15 June, 9am - 4pm

Featuring six top children's writers and illustrators including Jill Newton, Angie Sage, Charmian Hussey. This day is now a regular event in the Broomhill calendar. Workshops and performances throughout the day involving 700 local primary school children.

Bookings Essential: 01271 850262
www.broomhillart.co.uk
Email: info@broomhillart.co.uk

In association with Ottakar's Bookstore



Jamaica Inn

By Daphne du Maurier

A Salisbury Playhouse production

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Wed 15 to Sat 18 June, 7.45pm

Thurs and Sat matinee at 2.45pm

Admission:

Wed Eve - All Seats £12.00

Stalls/Dress Circle £15.00 (£13.00)

Front Stalls/Upper Circle £13.00

(£12.00)

Matinees: All Seats £10.00

A wonderful opportunity to see du Maurier's gripping tale of adventure, smuggling and love brought to life on the Queen's Theatre stage.

In Jamaica Inn, at the heart of bleak Bodmin Moor, young Mary Yellan soon discovers mysterious goings-on in the dead of night. But worse is yet to come as Mary finds herself helplessly ensnared in the deadly activities taking place around her.

Evocative, atmospheric and chilling, this new adaptation of Jamaica Inn has all the hallmarks of a great adventure classic - murder, mystery and malevolence.

Box Office: Tel 01271 32 42 42
or book on-line at:
www.northdevontheatres.org.uk

South Molton Olde English Fayre

Celebrating the charter given to the town by Charles II and Elizabeth I

South Molton Square

Fri 17 to Sun 19 June

This year commemorates 350 years since the last battle of the Civil War in 1655.

A weekend of fun and frivolity for all the family... come and dance through the streets of South Molton. Treasure hunt, special Fayre market, rodeo bull, bungee

trampolines, sumo wrestling, Crowning of the Queen followed by traditional floral dance, Fayre feast, amateur town criers competition, OAP and children's tea parties, cream teas, civic parade and church service, pig roast, running races - plus various entertainment for all ages throughout the weekend.

Info: Sth Molton TIC 01769 574122

Petrovian Orchestra

St. Michael's School, Tawstock

Wed 15 June

A summer evening of music with the Petrovian Orchestra and the Choir and Musicians of St. Michael's School, Tawstock.

Come and share in this musical celebration. Wine will be served at your table (included in the ticket price). A Hog Roast with bar will follow the entertainment.

Info: Tel 01271 34 32 42



The Coal Porters

A bucketful of tradition and a smidgeon of cheek

Plough Arts Centre, Torrington

Fri 17 June, 8pm

Admission: £10, £9 conc, £7-50 supporter

Led by Kentuckian and ex-Long Ryder Sid Griffin, this incredible five-piece acoustic band perform a mixture of authentic traditional bluegrass songs and tunes, classic contemporary country-rock by such greats as Gram Parsons and Bob Dylan, and original songs from their acclaimed new album.

Catch them at The Plough prior to their appearance at Glastonbury.

Box Office: 01805 624624
www.plough-arts.org



2005 GoldCoast Oceanfest

Action-packed great competition, entertainment & fun

Croyde Bay, Woolacombe Sands

Fri 17 to Sun 19 June

ProSurfing
Skateboarding
BMX jumps & trials
Mountainboarding
Surfboat Carnival
Ocean Ski Marathon
Surfboard paddle race
Beach Football
Beach Volleyball
Speed Climbing
Live Music Stage & Big Screen

Charity events
Friday Education Day

Action-packed competition, great entertainment & family fun. Licensed bars & restaurants, adrenalin zones, demos, exhibitions, sampling and simulators so bring the folks along for a beer or sample the superb variety of cuisine also available - no need to pack a picnic! Rock on summer . . .

Entry details & info:
www.goldcoastocceanfest.co.uk



Barnstaple Pannier Market 150th Anniversary Fun Days

Barnstaple Pannier Market

Fri 17 & Sat 18 June, all day

Market traders will be dressed in Victorian costume and trading with pannier baskets. Old market artefacts will be on view. A Children's Parade on the Friday, The Oggle Band and Tarka Radio stage on the Saturday.



Barnstaple Heritage Days

A feast of historical tours & activities

Barnstaple Heritage Centre and around the town

Fri 17 & Sat 18 June

Friday

Costumed figures at the Guildhall and Pannier Market. Children's Victorian Parade from The Square to the Pannier Market.

Saturday

Historical re-enactments and other fun events on Castle Green. Celebrated Victorian re-enactment

trials in The Guildhall. Joining in and heckling encouraged!

Fun events all day at the Heritage Centre. Fights and skirmishes and costumed promenaders around the town. Stall holders in the Pannier Market and Butchers Row will be in costume and selling outside the market from traditional panniers. Carriages from Arlington Court will be in attendance.

Info: Tel 01271 373003



Gigging-it-to-Win-it

Rock The Plough Night 2

Plough Arts Centre, Torrington

Sat 18 June, 7.30pm

Admission: £5, £3 Conc, £2-50 Sup

Local school bands go amp-to-amp once again in our annual search for the best under 18s band in North Devon. Who will win the chance to record a CD with a day in the studio at the Plough

Box Office: 01805 624624
www.plough-arts.org

Artavian Baroque

A concert performance of Charpentier's opera Medea

Marwood Church, Nr Barnstaple

Sat 18 June 7.30pm

Tickets £12.50

A story of love, jealousy and revenge. Tara Overend as Medea, Roy Rashbrook as Jason. Artavian Baroque Orchestra and Singers are directed by John Marston.

Booking: jamarston@lycos.co.uk
Tel: 01271-323202





Art Trek

Open studios event

Various venues

Sat 18 to Tues 21 June

12 noon to 6pm Sat, Sun Mon

12 noon to 8pm Tues

North Devon artists open their studios to the public. A chance to meet and talk with painters, sculptors and other artists, see how they work and be inspired!

Participating artists are:

Christine Lovelock: Painting, Barnstaple, 01271 376594

Brenda Whormsley: Painting, photography, Ashford, 01271 346238

Vanessa Marston: Sculptor, Barnstaple, 01271 323202

Kim Appleyard & Sally Burke: Painting, Barnstaple, 01271 329514

Marianne Edwards: Painting, Barnstaple, 01271 343324

Reg Gale: Painting, Ashford, 01271 372491

Joolz and his Sax

A Hidden Valley Music Evening with Joolz Gianni

Hidden Valley Park, Nr Ilfracombe

Sat 18 June, 8pm

Admission: £10.00

Advance booking: Tel 01271 813837

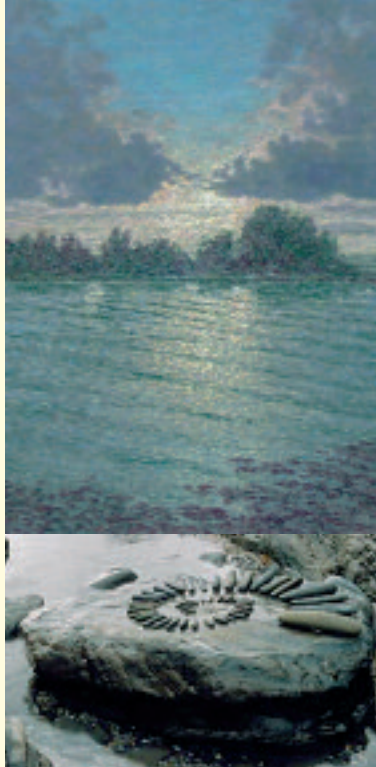
You will be stunned by the breathtaking performance of Joolz Gianni. His superb command of the saxophone has resulted in Joolz working with musical legends and featuring on the double Platinum Classic Chill Out series. A charismatic entertainer, Joolz will delight you with his unique style at this beautiful location.

Email: relax@hiddenvalleypark.com
www.hiddenvalleypark.com

Also around this date

Smash - the performance, at Tunnels Beaches, 18 & 19 (11am to 6pm) June. See page 11.

Dragon Boat Racing, Barnstaple, Sun 19 June, Tel 01271 388214



Stella Levy: Photography, South Molton, 01769 57 4441

Liz Willis: Painting, collage, stained glass, East Down, 01271 850829

Nigel Mason: Painting, Ilfracombe, 01271 867070

Rosalinda Smith: Painting, Bucks Cross, 01237 431062

Alastair Bremner: Painting, Huntshaw, 01805 625129

Kate & Geoff Stainthorpe: Art furniture & sculpture, Barnstaple, 07989 066137

Helen Bailes: Ceramics, Peters Marland, 01805 601331

Carole McAllister: Glass jewellery, Barnstaple, 01271 344798

Judith Westcott: Printmaking, South Molton, 01769 572225

Paul Bancroft: Driftwood-carver, Landcross, 01237 473699

Deborah Hastings: Rag rugging, South Molton, 01769 574441

Barnstaple Race for Life

Seven Brethren Bank Events Area

Sun 19 June, 11am

Entry price: £8.50, u18 £5

Cancer Research UK's Race for Life is a national series of women only 5km walks and runs, sponsored by Tesco.

It's returning this summer and organisers are encouraging women and girls of all ages and fitness levels to sign up once the web site goes live on 1 Feb.

To register your interest call 08705 134 314 or visit www.raceforlife.org.uk
Email: info@raceforlife.org



Jazz for a Summer Evening

Pete Canter (sax),
Jim Blomfield (piano)

Gardens at Croft, Torrington Rd,
Winkleigh (village hall if wet)

Sat 18 June, 7.30pm

Admission: £7/£6 (reduction for advance booking)

Info: Tel 01837 83209

A sparkling evening of swing & bebop from two fine exponents of modern jazz. Relax on the grass as the evening closes in & watch the swallows chase the moths across the lawn. Please bring rugs. Bar & light refreshments.

www.beaford-arts.co.uk



Romeo & Juliet

Chapterhouse Theatre Co.

Tapeley Park Gardens

Sun 19 June, 6.30 for 7.30pm start

Admission: £12 Adult, £10 Senior Citizen, £8 Student/Child, £35 Family Ticket (2 adults & 2 children)

Shakespeare's romantic tale of star-crossed lovers, the greatest love story ever told, unfolds against the stunning backdrops of Tapeley Park Gardens. Magnificent period costume, large casts and an enchanting original music score promise to create one of the most memorable evenings of the summer. A wonderful evening of theatre under the stars. Picnic in the magical surroundings of these beautiful gardens.

Booking: Tel 01271 860897 or come to the Tapeley Shop.

See Chapterhouse again: **Taming of the Shrew**, on Sun 14th August



1066 and a Lot More

Normans, Vikings and a Mediaeval Feast

Holwell Castle, Parracombe

Sat 18 June, 12 noon to 5pm

A celebration of over 1000 years of life taking place around the castle mound in Parracombe – one of Britain's best preserved motte and bailey castles. Planned events include minstrels, mask making, fletching, weapons in action and a feast of mediaeval proportions.

Heddon Hall Gardens, Parracombe

Also, on the same day you can

visit these newly opened gardens, learn about Mediaeval herbs and start a plant collection for your own herbal garden.





Night Flights

Late night wildlife safari - see which animals work the night shift

Tarka Trail - Meet at the Car Park by the Puffing Billy near Torrington

Wed 22 June, 9.30pm to 11pm

Admission: Free

Join us for a nocturnal ramble down the Tarka Trail. Listen to the bats with our bat detector and see the moths attracted to our light. Total distance 2 miles max. Level easy walking. Bring a torch.

Booking: Tel 01237 423655

www.devon.gov.uk/ndccs
ndccs@devon.gov.uk



Strawberry Fayre

Cross Street, Combe Martin

Sun 19 June, 1pm to 4pm

Street market with stalls, strawberries, dancing, music and demonstrations. Friendly atmosphere and ample parking.

Combe Martin TIC 01271 883319

Also about this date

Spring Fair, Arlington Court,
Thurs 23 June, 11am-4pm,
Tel: 01271 850296
See advert page 46

Birds for Beginners on Bikes

An ornithological adventure in the saddle for all ages

Tarka Trail - Meet at the Car Park at Fremington Quay

Wed 22 June, 11am to 1.30pm

Admission: Free

Bring your bike for a ride along the Taw Torridge Estuary to find out more about the birds that make it their home. Bring binoculars if you have them. Total distance 8 miles max.

Booking: Tel 01237 423655

www.devon.gov.uk/ndccs
ndccs@devon.gov.uk

With Northern Devon Coast & Countryside Service



Rose Sunday

RHS Garden Rosemoor, Torrington

Sun 19 June, 10am to 5pm

Entry £5.50 adult non-members
£1.50 children (6-16 yrs) incl.
garden entry (RHS Members +1
guest free)

Horticultural events are a wonderful highlight of the North Devon Festival. On Rose Sunday our rose gardens will be full of colour and scent and experts will be on hand to give advice on choosing roses and the best way to grow them. There will be talks on roses, garden walks and advice.

Info: Tel 01805 624067

Email: rosemooradmin@rhs.org.uk
www.rhs.org.uk/rosemoor

Bideford and North Devon Music Day

Victoria Park, Bideford

Sun 26 June, 11am to 7.30pm

Admission: Free

An exciting, eclectic open-air charitable music festival featuring

jazz guitarist, John Etheridge, cellist Caroline Lavelle, and a host of other musicians from local rock, pop, jazz, samba and silver bands, classical ensembles and schools.

Music and entertainment for all the family. Refreshments. Licensed bar. Fairground rides.

www.bidefordmusicday.org.uk



Bugsy Malone

A North Devon College Students presentation

Plough Arts Centre, Torrington

Wed 22 to Fri 24 June,
1pm & 7.30pm each day

Admission: £5, £4 conc,
£3 supporters

A contemporary outlook on this performance classic.

Box Office: 01805 624624
www.plough-arts.org

Making Our Mark

The Meshaw Writers and Strollers present an evening of reading & music loosely themed around the ending of WWII

Garden at South Hills, The Square,

Meshaw courtesy of Mary Foster

Fri 24 June, 7.30pm

Admission £3 (Concessions available)

One of the smallest communities taking part in the North Devon Festival hosts a midsummer evening of reading and music performed by local entertainers.

Please come along and support this event.

Cinderella

Oh Cinderella you shall go to the ball ...

In aid of the Tsunami Appeal

Swimbridge Village Hall

Fri 24 to Sun 26 June, 7.30pm

Admission: £5 adults; £3.50 children;
£15 family ticket of 4

Come and hiss and boo to your heart's content at Swimbridge's magical panto extravaganza. In the summer? Oh no it isn't. Oh yes it is! Fun and madness for all the family - not to be missed. In aid of the Tsunami Disaster Appeal.

Booking: Julie 01271 830311 or
Email: cinderella@swimbridge.com

www.swimbridge.com
cinderella@swimbridge.com



Clare Teal

The new first lady of jazz

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Thurs 23 June, 7.45pm

Admission: All Seats £17.50

'Some singers sing standards, some sing their own material, but very few do both and even fewer do it well. Clare Teal is one of those rarities' - The Observer

Clare Teal is one of the most talented newcomers to the UK jazz scene and is not only a wonderfully gifted singer, but also a very melodic intuitive and witty writer. Recently signed to Sony Jazz in a deal that has broken records for a UK jazz singer, the talented singer and songwriter is poised to become a household name around the World.

Clare has recently been working with John Dankworth and Cleo Laine, The BBC Big Band and the BBC Concert Orchestra. She wowed thousands at Glastonbury and took the Edinburgh Fringe festival by storm.

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42 or book on-line at:

www.northdevontheatres.org.uk

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Also about this date

Carriage Driving Open Day,

Arlington Court, Sat 25 June
11am - 3pm, £40 pp (inc lunch)
Tel: 01271 850296. Booking essential.

The Lundy Experience

Sat 25 June
Experience with J&A Cameras all that Lundy Island has to offer - from the indigenous birdlife to the fantastic fauna, see it all under the guidance of our experts!
Booking: Tel 01271 375037 or
Email: kelvin@jandacameras.co.uk



Magic Live 2005

A real magic show

Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe

Fri 24 June, 8.15pm

Admission: All seats £12.50 (£10.00),
Family ticket £40.00

An evening all the family can enjoy full of fun, laughter and excitement. This is a true magic show, where people get sawn in half and escape in mid-air, it includes some of the UK's top magical entertainers. If you love mystery and illusion you are sure to be entertained and left wondering how did they do that?

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42

Or book on-line at

www.northdevontheatres.org.uk

Circle of Fifth Wind Ensemble

Dartington Trust Young Musicians' Support

St. Peter's Church, Barnstaple

Thurs 23 June, 7.30pm

Admission: Adults £6, Students and Children: Free

Light classical recital by the Circle of Fifth Wind Ensemble from the Guildhall School of Music.

Highlight of the programme which will include works by Mozart, Handel and Pachelbel will be a new work sponsored by Mark



Parkhouse Antiques by composer Simon Lloyd to celebrate the success of the North Devon Festival.

Tickets: Tel 01271850317 or on the door.

Music Workshops

Newport Community School & Bishops Tawton Primary School
Fri 24 June

Barnstaple-born clarinettist John Slack re-visits his old primary school, Newport Community School to lead a morning workshop with the Circle of Fifth wind ensemble. John and the group will interact with the pupils to inspire, help and encourage them to play a musical instrument.

After lunch the Guildhall School of Music students move to Bishops Tawton School for a second workshop.

St John's Fair Witheridge

By Royal Charter in 1248 - the oldest fair in the country

Witheridge

Fri 24 to Sun 26 June

A feast of entertainment and plenty of fun for toddlers, teenagers, ... and granny and grandad!

Live Music - Punch & Judy - Street Entertainers - WI Homemade cake & jam stalls - Bric-a-Brac - Vintage cars - Steam Engines - Tiverton Town Band - Majorettes - Craft for sale in the Village Hall - The Annual Devon County Town Criers Championship - Songs of Praise - Annual Wine Fun Run

Miracle Theatre perform, 'The Case of the Frightened Lady' (see page 58)

All Rapped Up



Health & Harmony Weekend

Tapeley Park Gardens

Sat 25 & Sun 26 June

Admission: £3.50 (NB 10% to local charities)

Held annually on the last weekends of May through to August, the Health and Harmony Festivals offer a wide range of holistic therapies with a 'global village' of stallholders offering art, crafts, clothing and other items from both Devon and around the world.



Witheridge Village Hall

Sat 25 June, 10am to 1pm

Performance in square at 2pm

Rowan Ensell from Urban Arts will lead a rap workshop for 12-16 year olds as part of Witheridge's St John's Fair celebrations. Compose an original rap for performance in the Square. Bring a packed lunch.

Free (20 places only)

To book: Tel Ella on 01884 869429 or 01805 603201

Organised by Beaford Arts



Midsummer Charity Weekend

Hartland Abbey

Fri 24 June, Ball, 7.30pm

Sat 25 June, Jazz, 7.30pm

Sun 26 June, Fayre, 12pm to 5pm

The Midsummer Charity Weekend in 2002 raised £26,000 for NDH and Cancer Research UK. This year we are repeating the event with a Grand Ball, a New Orleans Jazz night and culminating with an Antiques and Collectables Fayre with Crafts and a Farmers market. All taking place in an enormous marquee in the beautiful grounds of Hartland Abbey.

Contacts: Ball: Donna Weeks 01237 441996 Jazz & Fayre: Christine Higgins 01237 441291
www.abbeymidsummer.com



Free talks, demonstrations and family entertainment are also offered on both days giving all a chance to share some of the wisdom and rich talent around in the area.

Health & Harmony festival weekends are a celebration of our diversity and an acknowledgement of our shared experiences on this planet. An opportunity to expand our awareness of the many different paths that connect us.

Info: Tel 08453 458627 (low cost call number)

Antiques & Collectables

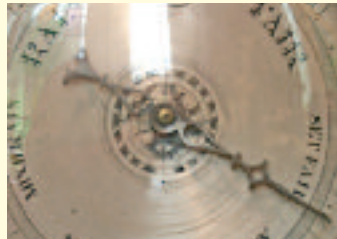
Atlantic Village, Bideford

Sat 25 & Sun 26 June

Admission: Free

Come along and browse or buy from a variety of stalls. Visitors will also be able to have personal 'antiques' valued by some of the South West's finest antiques experts.

Info: please contact Alison Macfarren, Tel 01628 899700



The Woolsey Weekend

Open gardens with local crafts and food

Woolsey, (near Clovelly)

Sat 25 & Sun 26 June

Visit 15 gardens, all different, from the small cottage to grand landscaping, with vegetables, water features and humour included. See local arts and crafts plus Beaford Arts exhibition of Etchings, Poetry and Stone Carvings, by North Devon artists. Delicious lunches and cream teas, made with local produce, available in gardens or our rebuilt community hall. Discover why we are known as 'The Friendly Village'.

Tickets: Purchase on the day, in the village community hall, £3 per person. Last tickets available at 4pm, gardens stay open until 6pm.

Music in the Orangery and Garden Walk

Cottbridge, Loxhorecott, Loxhore

Sat 25 June, 2pm to 5pm

Admission: £1-50 Students and children Free

Young musicians play in the new orangery and around this beautifully mature garden. Performers include Circle of Fifth Wind Ensemble from the Guildhall School of Music and awardees helped by Dartington Trust Young Musicians' Support.

Trees, shrubs and vegetable garden, plus ponds and stream.

Tea and cakes available.

Booking: Admission at gate



Roger Whittaker

And his 10 piece band and singers

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Sat 25 June, 7.45pm

Admission: All Seats £21.00 (£20.00)

Roger Whittaker's melodious and superbly controlled voice has lost none of the rich tonal quality that made him one of the world's best-loved artists for over 40 years.

Yodelling, whistling, songs from Ireland, Scotland, America, stage shows and rock 'n' roll and all his hits including The Skye Boat Song and Durham Town blend together through the magic of Roger Whittaker in concert.

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42

Book on-line at:

www.northdevontheatres.org.uk



The Case of the Frightened Lady

The Square, Witheridge

Fri 24 June, 7pm

The Green, Bishops Nympton

Sat 25 June, 7pm

Millennium Green, Bratton Fleming

Sun 26 June, 3pm

Admission: Free

Miracle Theatre's new open-air show based on the best-seller by Edgar Wallace exploring the genre of the 1930s British thriller... a tangle of dodgy criminals, false clues and foreigners with mysterious pasts...

Brannockstown Festival

Braunton

Sat 25 to Thur 30 June

A week of events in Braunton will begin with the Braunton Jazz Festival. Over the following days there will be a range of events from music and drama celebrating the ancient history of the parish and centred around the 13th Century Church of St Brannocks showcasing the breadth of village life today - truly a Brannockstown Festival.

Braunton Jazz Festival

Braunton Recreational Ground

Sat 25 June, 4pm to 10pm

Admission: £8 (children free)

Braunton Chamber of Commerce presents an evening of jazz featuring the Steve Tucker Jazz Band and others.

Bring a picnic or enjoy the food and drink which will be available from stallholders.

Booking: Tickets at local shops or tel 01271 814257



Craft Bonanza

North Devon Woodturners

St John's Community Centre, Barnstaple

Sat 25 June, 10am to 4pm

Admission: Adults 50p, accompanying children Free

Live demonstrations and displays of woodturning, carving, and other crafts throughout the day. Crafts from North Devon will include spinning, lacemaking and jewellery with many items for sale.

Email: benbenham@aol.com or mike.wgwoodman@lineone.net



Bratton Fleming Festival

Mediaeval Carnival & Midsummer Fayre

Flower Festival

St Peter's Church

Fri 24 June, all day

Storytelling

Bratton Fleming Sports Club

Fri 24 June, 7.30pm

Admission: £5 including finger buffet

Local tales for grown-ups, by two of Devon's finest, Wendy & Michael Dacre plus the wild fun of Cumbria's Nick Hennessey.

Info: Tel 01598 710865

Fun Quiz Night

Village Hall

Fri 24 June, 7pm for 7.30pm start

Tel: 01598 710216 to book tickets

Mediaeval Carnival Parade

Sat 25 June, from 1.45pm

Ending at the Millennium Green

Also features: Birds of prey from Exmoor Zoo, music and live entertainment, archery, a village tug-of-war competition plus a beer tent, barbecue and mouth watering teas.

Live Music

Bratton Fleming Sports Club

Sat 25 June, evening

Fun Day

Millennium Green

Sun 26 June

Family Dog Show

Miracle Theatre perform, 'The Case of the Frightened Lady', 3pm, Free

Pavement Art on Millennium Green

Focus on Farmers

Mixed art exhibition - sound diaries, photographs, videos

Griffins Yard, South Molton

Sat 28 May to Wed 22 June,
10am to 4.30pm Mon to Sat
Griffins Yard: Tel 01769 572372

Molland Parish Hall, Molland

Sat 25 & Sun 26 June,
10.30am to 5pm, lunch available
Molland: Tel 01769 572372

In 2003 four farming families, three on Dartmoor and one on Exmoor, opened their homes and lives to eight artists. Welcoming the artists as adopted family members and

unskilled farm helpers, they allowed their home and work lives to be chronicled. The resulting exhibition of work produced includes photographs, videos, sound diaries, poems, books and sculpture, all providing a sensitive, humorous and thought-provoking reflection of life on the four farms.

Admission: Free

Email: clare@beaford-arts.co.uk
A *Beaford Arts Village Voice Event*



The Exmoor Story Bus

with Michael Dacre

Leaving the Square, Barnstaple.

Visiting Molland, Tarr Steps, Watersmeet & Lynmouth
Sun 26 June, 11am to 6.30pm
Price: £12.50 (ad); £8(ch) incl tea
Booking: Tel 01805 603201

Join storyteller Michael Dacre on a tour of Exmoor with stops for tales at windswept peaks, by bubbling brooks, near rushing streams, under churchyard trees and by the rocky shore. We'll also stop for lunch & an exhibition at Molland and a National Trust cream tea. 31 seats

Email: info@beaford-arts.co.uk

Tina May

Jazz in the Garden

Heasley House Hotel, Heasley Mill, Nr North Molton

Sun 26 June, 2pm
Admission: £16.50 including buffet

Tina May and her band play in the garden of Heasley House Hotel overlooking the River Mole on Exmoor. Excellent entertainment accompanied by a Spanish style buffet, wine and bar will make this an afternoon to remember.

Booking: Tel 01598 740213
www.heasley-house.co.uk
enquiries@heasley-house.co.uk



Braunton Cricket Club

125th Anniversary & Schools Competition

Braunton Cricket Club
Thurs 30 June

A competition for Year 5 (10 year old boys and girls) from the

Braunton area co-ordinated by top coaches including Mark Lathwell (Somerset & England). Fun Events and other activities on the day. Coaching available to all entrants at their school prior to the event.

Part of Brannockstown Festival

Mother Courage

Plough Community Theatre

by Bertolt Brecht

Plough Arts Centre, Torrington

Thurs 30 June - Sat 2 July, 7-30pm
Admission: £6, £5 Conc, £4.50
Supporters, £18 family: 2 adults & up to 3 children

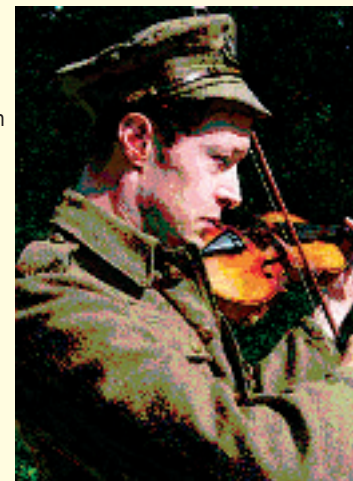
An outdoor production in the walled garden at Torrington 1646

Mother Courage was first performed in Britain in 1955 at the Queen's Hall Barnstaple as part of the Taw and Torridge Festival, a

direct ancestor of the North Devon Festival. The part of Mother Courage was played by Joan Littlewood with her Theatre Workshop Company.

Fifty years on local people of all ages join together to create an exciting new production of this classic play.

Box Office: 01805 624624
www.plough-arts.org



The Soldier's Tale

Production by Academy of St Martin's in the Fields

Queen's Theatre, Barnstaple

Wed 29 June, 7.45pm
Admission: All Seats £17.50 (£16.00)

The world famous Academy of St Martin in the Fields joins forces with director Lawrence Evans and internationally acclaimed and highly versatile violinist, Anthony Marwood in a unique production of *The Soldier's Tale*, a Faustian fable of a soldier cruelly tricked into giving his soul to the devil.

This exciting music-theatre performance mixes drama, music, film and physical theatre, giving the First World War story a social perspective relevant to the modern day.

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
www.northdevontheatres.org.uk

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Mark Parkhouse
Antiques & Jewellery

Passion Fruit

attik dance

Ilfracombe Sea Front

Mon 27 June, 1.30pm

Mix nine musicians and dancers, the choreography of artistic director Lois Taylor and dashes of mischief, stir well and you have *Passion Fruit* - attik have prepared a cocktail of chaos and fun on a knife edge. Games of status and lust are played between beautiful guests, rebellious waiters and apparently innocent musicians.



Midsummer Music

Choirs of North Devon unite for a charity concert in aid of the Plough Arts Centre

Plough Arts Centre, Torrington

Sat 25 June, 7.30pm
Admission: £6, £5 Conc, £4 Sup, £20 Family (2 adults + up to 3 children)
Box Office: 01805 624624

The Plough's own acappella choir Ploughcappella are joined by Barnstaple Jubilee Singers,

Harmony Unlimited, and the Appledore Ladies Choir for an exciting gathering of some of the best North Devon choirs. Join us for a true celebration of singing in all its diversity.

www.plough-arts.org

North Devon and Exmoor Walking and Cycling Festival

Celebrating the beauty and variety of the North Devon & Exmoor countryside

North Devon and Exmoor

Wed 27 April to Wed 4 May

Normally between 10.30am and 4pm

Cost: varies

The North Devon and Exmoor Walking and Cycling Festival has 43 guided walks and 12 cycling events taking place over 6 days around the May Day Bank Holiday. Come and enjoy the beautiful

coastal and moorland scenery with informative guides. All abilities catered for. Book at the local Tourist Offices.

Booking: Call any North Devon Tourist Information Centre or Tel 01271 863001

www.walkcyclenorthdevon.co.uk
bryan@westcountrywalks.co.uk



Health & Harmony Weekends

Tapeley Park Gardens

May to August

Held annually on the last weekends of May through to August and offering a wide range of holistic therapies with a 'global village' of stallholders offering art, crafts, clothing and other items from both Devon and around the world. See also page 57.



'Oak'

An Exhibition by Paul Lewin

RHS Garden Rosemoor

Sat 21 May to Sun 5 June, 10am to 5pm

Normal Garden Entry (£5.50 adults, RHS Members + 1 guest free).

This exhibition focuses on the oak tree in all its glory. Paul Lewin is well known for painting with a strong sense of atmosphere and his collections are found throughout the world.

Info: Tel 01805 624067.
www.rhs.org.uk/rosemoor



Landmark Beer Festival 2005

A Bank Holiday weekend full of beer, music, food and fun!

Landmark Theatre

Fri 29 April to Mon 2 May

Admission: Free

Highlights include:

Friday evening

Steve Tucker All Stars

Saturday evening

Aeroplane Blonde

Sunday

Bands Day in conjunction with

The Ariel

Sunday evening

Amy Newton

Monday

Jim Crawford

Jim Jones

www.northdevontheatres.org.uk

Gallerie Marin

33rd Annual Exhibition

Cedars Inn, Barnstaple

Tues 17 to Thurs 19 May

10.30am to 3pm, 7pm to 9pm daily

Maritime work by internationally recognised marine artists.

Details: Tel 01237 473679

Catalogue on request.



Westward Ho! Potwalloping Festival

Westward Ho! Putting Green

Sat 28 to Mon 30 May

10am to 11.30pm daily

Westward Ho! Potwalloping Festival is 3 days and nights of entertainment, arts, crafts, parades, pebble painting and exhibitions for both locals and

visitors to enjoy over Whitsun Bank Holiday Weekend. With music nightly and the Atlantic Ocean as the backdrop who could resist.

Info: Tel 07980 420754

www.potwalloping.org

info@potwalloping.org

Chulmleigh Fayre

Held every year since 1253

Tues 26 to Sat 30 July

www.chulmleigh.org



The Pilton Greenman Festival

Pilton, Barnstaple
Sat 16 July

10am to 5pm- Street market and entertainment
5pm till late - Live music in the pubs and Church Hall
Admission: Free

The Greenman returns to Pilton for a weekend of action packed entertainment and mediaeval gaiety. Included will be a wonderful procession through the streets of Barnstaple, ending in Pilton Street, where there will be live music of all kinds, dancing, markets stalls, street performers, re-enactments and the Greenman Pageant.

www.piltonfestival.co.uk

Also during the year

Exmoor Folk Festival, Brendon Valley area, 13 to 15 May
www.exmoorfolkfestival.co.uk

Bideford Folk Festival, 15 to 21 August, See advert on page 9.
Info: Tel 01237 425740
www.bidefordfolkfestival.co.uk

Hatherleigh Festival

Various venues in Hatherleigh
Thurs 7 to Sun 10 July
Admission: from Free to £15.00

Diverse, exciting and original, Hatherleigh's 10th annual festival



will be superb. From the rhythms of Zimbabwe's Black Umfolosi, to a comedy night with Andy Parsons; from a sculpture workshop, to the Drum Crazy experience; with classical music performances, children's events and The Miracle Theatre Company, it can't be missed.

Festival office: 01837 811116

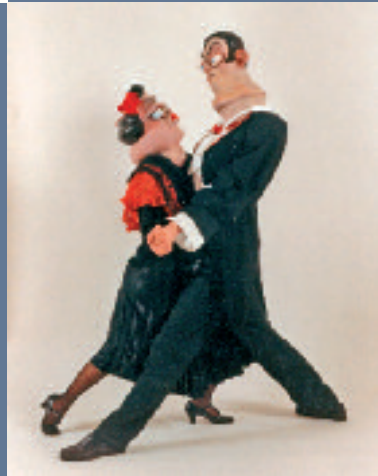
Box office: 01837 810624
www.hatherleigh-festival.co.uk
festival@hatherleigh-festival.co.uk

Sun West Festival 2005

Landmark Theatre
Fri 26 to Mon 29 August
Admission: Free

Celebrate all that's best from the Southwest including the freshest seafood, the strongest real ales, the most sparkling selection of wines and the fruitiest of ciders plus the liveliest live music from the hottest local bands.

www.northdevontheatres.org.uk



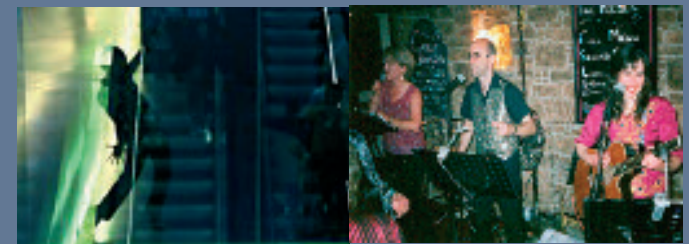
Devon Dance Festival

Various venues across Devon
From Fri 3 June to Sun 17 July

A celebration of dance with performances, workshops, 'have-a-go' sessions and other fun events. Taking place in both indoor and outdoor locations, this festival embraces a variety of different dance styles - from street dance to ballet; tango to contemporary. There is something for everyone, so come along and enjoy the experience!

For more information contact Dance in Devon on 01392 667050

www.dancesouthwest.org.uk/devon
info@danceindevon.co.uk



Combe Martin Music & Comedy Festival

Music and Fun for Everyone!

Various venues in and around Combe Martin - pubs, halls, beach
Fri 1 July - Sun 24 July every weekend
Clowns Tea £1.50 per child.
Devon County Youth Orchestra £5.00 (£3.00 concessions)
Stars in their Eyes £1.00
All other events: Free

From Friday 1 July for 4 weekends, Combe Martin will come alive with music and comedy events designed to appeal to all. From Rock to Ska to Classical there is music for all tastes with events for children and a beach festival too.

Booking: Phone Eileen or Leisa on 01271 883626



Ilfracombe Trafalgar Week

Sea Britain 2005

Ilfracombe Harbour
Sat 16 to Sun 24 July

Ilfracombe's Sea Britain Week

This week long seafest celebrates Ilfracombe's maritime heritage and commemorates the anniversary of the death of Lord Admiral Nelson at the Battle of Trafalgar.

There will be a series of events designed to appeal to all tastes.

www.northdevonfestival.org (click on associated events then trafilgar week)
www.seabritain2005.com

Info: Ilfracombe Tourist Information Centre, Tel 01271 863001
info@ilfracombe-tourism.co.uk

Nine Days of Art

Devon Open Studios event

Across Devon
Sat 10 to Sun 25 September

Professional artists will open their studios to the public during this Devon-wide event. The county will be divided into two areas, each for nine days. This is a great opportunity to see artists at work plus beautiful 'off the beaten track' countryside.

www.ninedaysofart.co.uk



original artist Mike Haywood

Salt Upon The Shore

TimeNTide's Musical Voyage

Landmark Theatre, Ilfracombe.
Sun 24 July, 8.30pm to 10.30pm
Admission: Adult £4.00, Child £2

Stirring, original songs and true stories with evocative visual and audio images tell of triumphs and tragedies in the seafaring times of tall ships and Nelson.

Box Office: 01271 32 42 42
Book on-line at:
www.northdevontheatres.org.uk