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With the summer weather setting in it is a great time to get out and about on the South Devon coast. The vibrant spring colours are beginning to fade, and the grass is turning golden but there is still plenty to be seen. For the ranger team, summer is one of our busiest times when we hold more events and work closely with local communities, and schools.

On Sunday 12 June it was Open Farm Sunday. This is a national event whereby farmers open up their doors to the public so that people can learn more about farm life. This was the second year that Scobbiscombe Farm joined in this national event. It was the perfect time to unveil the new permissive path across the farm out towards Hoist Point. Although the weather failed us, a couple of dedicated locals joined us to walk the new path. It was a great opportunity to meet the local community, and to see the fondness people have for the countryside.

New Barton Farm, Wembury will be opening their doors to the public on the 2nd July from 10am. Tractor rides at both 10am and 1.30pm will take people around the farm to show exactly what goes on at this family run farm. The award winning butcher at Moo Stone Meats will run butchery demonstrations throughout the day, and a renowned chef will cook up some delicious meals using wonderful local produce. So, there will be plenty for both adults and children to enjoy! A BBQ will run from 12-2pm cooking up mouth-watering burgers from meat reared on the farm. Once again, it will be a wonderful family day out and a great way to learn more about where your food comes from. Admission £2 adult, £1 child.

The Dartmoor ponies are always a point of conversation at this time of year as our small herd grows in size. You may remember Pongo and Roly; the speckled foals at Wembury Point last year. They were exciting additions to the ponies as the spotted crossbred are so rare. We are lucky enough to have another beautiful speckled foal born out on Wembury Point this year, so keep your eyes out for him!

Wembury Guardianship scheme is still running brilliantly. The year six pupils have thoroughly enjoyed their sessions so far; it is a superb way for children to learn more about nature and the abundant wildlife on their doorstep and something the team are proud to be a part of.

Look out for our exciting events programme, and volunteering opportunities in and around Wembury. I hope to see some of you at the New Barton Cook Out, it will be a fantastic day!

By Sophie Ellis
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Future Events:

New Barton Farm Cook Out Day, Saturday 2 July, 10am-4pm. Take a tractor ride and discover where your food comes from. Watch our chef cook up delicious meals from our local produce. Find out more about butchery and watch demonstrations from the award winning butcher at Moo Stone meats. Join us with lots of activities for children and enjoy wandering around the local produce stalls. BBQ running from 12 to 2pm. Prices: Adult £2, child £1.

Paddle Power- Canoe Adventure (half day), Saturday 23 July 9-12.30pm OR 1-4.30pm. Noss Mayo. Join the National Trust Rangers and Singing Paddles for a half day adventure on the River Yealm. Learn essential paddling techniques and discover history and wildlife whilst exploring the shallow creeks.

Overnight wild camping - a family adventure, 7pm Friday 5 August - 7am Saturday 6 August.

Wembury Bay to Ayrmer Cove (in Devon)

One of our most popular events last year, our really wild adventure includes camping out in the woods, bat walks, stargazing and campfire tales. Not to be missed!

Set up a wild camp and after sunset enjoy some bat watching and star gazing. Warm by the campfire enjoy hot spuds and some night time storytelling. Then it's heads down as they'll be an early start to catch the dawn chorus. The adventure finishes with a bacon buttie, juice and a coffee. Adult £15, Child £10.