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Visitors to the Information Centre.

How many visitors do you tend to get here at Postbridge?

Up to around about 70,000 in a season which runs from Easter, usually, until the end of October, we do also stay open on winter weekends up to the beginning of January, and on busy summer days we'll get five to six hundred a day through Postbridge here, I think the record day I've ever known since I was here was the day of the eclipse when I think 846 went through the doors.

So on a daily basis what sort of issues and concerns do you find yourself dealing with on an average day here at the Information Centre?

Well there is no typical day, that's the great and interesting thing about it all really – the main question we get here is a simple one, people sometimes have a problem finding the bridge, which is the main feature for people coming to Postbridge, but we get questions on archaeology, geology and various other aspects of the moor and unlike, I suppose, general tourist information centres we would be expected to know a little bit about those subjects and to direct people to the sites that they might be interested in.

So what are the sorts of people that come here?

All and anybody really, we do get the day trippers out from the resorts in the summer, we get an awful lot of German coaches particularly, we can get seven or eight coaches a day here in the summer. Walkers are the main source of visitors here, a lot of people like to come to Dartmoor and just do a walk and they seem to choose Postbridge as their destination.