

## Nicky Scott – Bio

2014	With Proper Job, took over the manufacturing of 'Scotty's HotBoxes', delivered Community Composting Networks accredited three day community composting training programme (Community Composting for local food growing) at Schumacher college.; invited to be key note speaker at the four day Soil Forum event in Falmouth.
Nov 2013	helped launched Growing Devon's Schools website <a href="http://www.growingdevonschools.org">www.growingdevonschools.org</a>
2013	co wrote compost curriculum guide
2012	edited school compost guide #2 s –co founded Growing Devon's schools partnership
2011	first web-link presentation with Aberdeen Forward
2010	spoke at the formation of French Community Composting Network in Nantes – produced schools compost guide #1
1995 – 2011	<p>Continuing with work with Devon local authorities and as a director of Proper Job but stopped having paid employment with Proper Job at some point before 2000 when PJ moved to a site on the edge of Chagford. Was asked by Green Books to 'translate' 'Backyard Composting' by John Roulac into English and adapt for UK market, this led to a fruitful collaboration with Green Books making 2 films and 4 books to date. ('Permaculture in Practise' and 'Composting for All' both with Malcolm Baldwin, 'Composting for All' – booklet 'Reduce – Reuse – Recycle' 'Composting, an Easy Household Guide' and in 2009 'How to Make and Use Compost – the Ultimate Guide' all published by Green Books and Chelsea Green in the States.)</p> <p>Since 2005 working with promoting composting in schools for all food waste and developing the equipment, systems and back up for this in collaboration with Green Machine Solutions in Yorkshire – this work was very much informed by the now sadly defunct 'Compost Doctors' project which was a DEFRA funded project looking at composting food waste in situ for businesses.</p> <p>Also worked with new Economics Foundation (NEF) and the Open University on 'unleashing the potential of community composting' which involved a short film as well as several networking events.</p> <p>Have been very closely involved with CCN until very recently when I stepped down from the committee.</p> <p>Spoken at innumerable conferences and events all over the country including 'Small Scale Composting – organised by the then Composting Association and Garden Organic' and many more</p> <p>Also lectured to students at Southampton, Plymouth universities and Schumacher College</p>
1992 – 1995 ish	<p>Founder member of Chagford Community Composting Project or CCCP later (1995) morphed into 'Proper Job'. Compost bays originally on my allotment and we collected one weekend a month from the local car park. Devon Community Composting Initiative was formed after flurry of interest in the Chagford compost news stories. This later became the Devon Community Composting Network and Nicky was appointed as co-ordinator.</p> <p>Early work with Proper Job included: setting up 2 no-dig market garden sites with 30</p>

	<p>tonnes of imported compost; setting up the 'Courtyard' community cafe /wholefood/organic veg shop; starting a kitchen waste collection round; working with Sam Seward developing early in-vessel composters from dead chest freezers (and later developing these further), and on the Devon Rotary Sieve.</p> <p>Studied for levels 2 and 3 NVQ horticulture at Dartington around this time</p> <p>With Devon Local Authorities on developing good information and guidance for the ever growing network of composters, helping set up projects and guide through the labyrinthine bureaucracy. Also helped set up the National Community Composting Network (CCN) with Andy Moore, Bekki Hoyland, Richard Boden, Mick Marsdon, Steve Tinling and Joe Moore the first co-ordinator.</p>
1982	Set up market garden on Dartmoor – short lived owing to mercurial landlord! Whilst there experimented with no-dig on a field scale with extensive mulching – very successful
1981	Spent year as a student at Henry Doubleday Research Association in Braintree Essex learning about organic growing techniques
1971 – 72	Early compost experience with Guru Dick Kitto at Powlings compost Ipplepen Devon whilst still at Dartington Hall School. Dick the vegetarian collected blood and hair from the Harris Bacon factory in Totnes and fruit and veg waste from the town – anything he could compost and lots of spent mushroom compost and composted it all in the good old pre Environment Agency and Animal By Products Regulation days.