

Brief history of the first Ringmore Calendar

The original idea for the calendar came from Robbie McCarthy about the 10th August 2009. A quotation was obtained from Nick Walker Printing in Kingsbridge based loosely on the NLI "his and hers" calendar.

The figures looked satisfactory so I spent 3 hours with Mike Wynne Powell delving into his impressive collection of photographs, choosing a selection for further perusal.

A parish room committee meeting was called for the 17th August where the final photographs for the cover and 12 months were selected together with the titles and layout.

Proofs were produced and 100 calendars were collected on Friday 28th August.

With the kind permission of the Church Fete organiser Phill Errett I was allowed to offer them for sale during the fete on the 31st August and 46 were exchanged for the sum of £5.95 each.

The balance were sold via Holywell Stores, The Journey's End Inn, Parkdean Holidays and myself.

Two reprints of 50 each were successfully sold with total sales of 192 . Complimentary copies were given to the sales points who very generously sold them for no charge, Mike Wynne Powell who donated his photographs and technical expertise, and of course the Historical Society.

The sale of the calendars generated a profit of £356. for the restoration fund.

Plans are already made for the 2011 Ringmore Calendar.

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