

RINGMORE PARISH NEWSLETTER NO.10    OCTOBER 1985

September has seen two successful and very well co-ordinated events. The Harvest Supper and Parish Emergency Team's first rate meals. They deserved and got your support. Having done our Christmas Toy shopping over the last two years at the Post Office for numerous grandchildren, we can thoroughly recommend their selection.

BARBARA TAYLOR is running her usual FLOWER ARRANGING classes in the W.I. Hall, every Weds. at 10 a.m. ALL are welcome to join.

PARISH COUNCIL - Emergency Team Open Day - At its October meeting, the Parish Council passed a vote of thanks to the team who organised this very successful day and decided to send a £5 donation to the St. John's Ambulance Brigade in Plymouth, as a token of appreciation for the attendance of their representative.

CHURCHYARD - The Council decided to increase their contributions for the upkeep of the churchyard in 1985/6 to £75.

CHALLABOROUGH - It was noted that the beach cleaner, mentioned in the last Newsletter, was employed by Challaborough Bay Holiday Camp; Challacot Chalet Park; Beachdown Chalets & several Shops. It was agreed that a report of builders rubbish being dumped on the beach, should be investigated. One or more "sleeping policemen" are to be placed near the entrance to Challaborough Bay Holiday Camp - to restrict speeding on the lane. There will be a warning sign on the public lane.

FOOTPATHS TO AYRMER COVE - The Assistant Heritage Coast Officer has promised to make permanent arrangements during November, to prevent the flooding of the "Smugglers" bridle path. The draining of the path through Lower Manor Farm will be more difficult and there are to be further discussions about this.

"PIPER LIFELINE" EMERGENCY ALARM COMMUNICATOR - It is hoped to arrange a demonstration of the 24hour alarm system in Ringmore during November.

RINGMORE & CHALLABOROUGH'S CHURCH - We have a lovely 13th century Church and a Church yard with a stupendous view. It is our church and many visitors come to see it and often comment on how it must be well loved, because it is so well looked after. IT IS loved and has been loved through the ages past by those who worship

SUNDAY by SUNDAY the GOD who loves us all. We have just had our quin-quinennial inspection and work has been done on the fabric. We have spent money keeping our trees safe to give our Church yard that quietness and shelter which is appreciated by so many. We have to make our contribution of £1,280 to the Church of England's Central Funds this year. This sum increased annually. It cost us £4,487 last year to meet all our expenses in fulfilling our responsibilities, to God, to past generations of inhabitants of Ringmore, and to you who live here now. Many give generously. If you have not yet helped in this task, could you think about it and make your contribution as generously and regularly as possible, through the collecting boxes in the Church or to our Treasurer: Mrs. Alice Mason, "Elmsleigh", Ringmore. Tel: Bigbury 467. An covenant form is available if you can claim on your Income Tax. God loves a cheerful giver! Parochial Church Council.

THE PARISH CHURCH - Sunday Services  
Sept. 29 6 p.m. Evening Prayer & Holy Communion.  
Oct. 6 9 a.m. Holy Communion with Hymns.  
" 13 6 p.m. Evening Prayer. Oct. 20 9 a.m. Holy Communion  
" 27 11 a.m. Morning " Nov. 3 9 a.m. Communion & Hymns.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY - RINGMORE'S SERVICE 10th Nov. at 8 a.m. Shortened Communion Service without sermon. A similar Service at BIGBURY at 9 a.m. The R.B. Legion Parade at 10.50 a.m. at KINGSTON. The updated version of "O Valiant Hearts" will be sung. There will be NO EVENING SERVICE on Remembrance Sunday.

DEANERY SYNOD will be held at Charleton Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Weds. 29th Oct. The programme will include a video film and discussion of "The Tiller Report" on the future strategy of Ministry in the Church of England.

CHURCH REGISTERS - MARRIAGE (at Kingston) - 7th Sept. Michael Hugh Nixon and Ann Corbett. - The Rector & Mrs. Corbett would like to thank all those who helped in so many ways to make their daughter's marriage such a happy and successful occasion.

AUTUMN PROGRAMME: Colonel Grimshaw has once again accepted responsibility for the HOME STUDY GROUPS. Full details will be announced in Church as soon as they are available.

W.I. News.

How we enjoyed our first ever mystery trip. See a guest's report below. On Thursday, 10 October at 2.30 p.m. "Joan of (the) Ark" invites us to her home to demonstrate her cake icing skills. Please members, don't forget to take along your snapshots of local views for the Calendar competition and a flower for "the Bloom of the Month".

There are still a few seats available for the W.I. Autumn Theatre Outing to see Bula Lenska and Dennis Waterman in "Same time next year" at the Theatre Royal, Plymouth on Wednesday, 16 October; leaving Ringmore at 6.15 p.m. Cost, including transport is £7.35. If interested, please contact Ringmore Post Office Stores or ring Suzanne Bigbury 217 immediately. A reminder that evening meetings commence on Thursday, 14 November at 7.30 p.m. in the W.I. Hall.

Mystery Trip

It was a superb September morning when we set off on the W.I. Mystery Trip; but where were we heading? There were many eager anticipations.....Flambards Village? Cheddar Gorge? Paignton Zoo perhaps?.....and there was only a temporary lull in the guessing when it was realised that no prize for a correct answer would be forthcoming!

After a pleasant ride (thanks to coach-driver Jim) the first part of the guesswork was over. We were in Tiverton, about to be transported back in time along the Great Western Canal by horse-drawn boat.

The glorious sunshine, and serene tranquillity of the next 2½ hours, only interrupted by pleasurable sighs of contentment or the sightings of another duck family, or a rarer, prettier dragonfly than the last, left us blissfully relaxed as the shire horse, resplendent in painted and decorated harnessing, towed us effortlessly along.

Back in the coach the guessing re-commenced. Where would we enjoy our cream teas after enjoying the scenic route we were travelling? One correct guess of Bovey Tracey was overheard, and as we stopped, the only few drops of rain fell. No problem for we tucked inside the cosy, clean tea-rooms where we drank tea and ate scones, jam and lashings of cream.

Feeling replete we returned slowly and contentedly to the coach to return home. Still more guessing went on. How had we had such a splendid day out at such a low, inclusive cost? Thanks were definitely due to Suzanne Race as organiser of the first W.I. mystery trip. The only remaining question on everyone's lips as we returned to Ringmore: when will the next W.I. trip take place? RJT

RINGMORE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Cheer up! It has been worse! Extract from Robert Randle's Journal.

"1839 20 June. Great Thunderstorm with tremendous rain, which washed down many hedges. A bad hay harvest and worse corn harvest; scarcely a farmer had a single bag of unstained barley. The wettest summer and autumn ever recollected; unsaved barley to be seen on the 25 Oct. We removed 2 barley mows to dry then 26 Oct., and the same day saved Yardland meadow of hay".

KINGSTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY has kindly invited any of our members to join them on a visit to FARDEL MANOR near CORNWOOD on TUES. 8 OCTOBER 2.30 p.m. at the MANOR.

Partly Medieval and partly Tudor. Not open to the public. Please let me know if you would like to go. G. C. Grimshaw.

Our A.G.M. and Open Meeting on 17 October in W.I. Hall.

A BOMB IN RINGMORE

The door opened very slowly and a familiar face peered into the shop.....

'An unidentified object! You are the local coastguard - your problem!'

I'm only a cliff rescue unit! I said looking at the object. It looked like a small bomb and I thought to myself, is this reality in Ringmore? A bomb in the Post Office? It was eventually left at a comparatively safe distance in the Car Park. It was all happening! In no time at all, the Royal Navy Bomb Disposal Team had arrived and confirmed that it was a real bomb.

FOOTNOTE ANY unidentified object should be left UNTOUCHED and the local Police contacted immediately. RR

PARISH EMERGENCY OPEN DAY.

The Committee would like to thank everyone who played a part in making it another successful day. The team who worked hard and cheerfully to produce a first class meal. The parishioners who came along and said they enjoyed the meal, but also took a keen interest in everything that was going on. To Suzanne and Roger Race, who sold the tickets for us, for without their considerable efforts the day would have faltered. Thank you all. There will be a 'wash-up' meeting on Wed. 9 Oct. 7.30 p.m. W.I. Hall for Team Members.

SOUTH HAMS SOCIETY

Winter Programme. There will be four illustrated talks on varied subjects and the extra one at the Annual General Meeting. Please make a note of the dates in your diary. All meetings start at 7.30 p.m. and admission will be 50p, which will include coffee and biscuits. Advertisements will appear in the press and on posters.

Friday 11 October. Thurlestone Village Hall. Mr. G. C. Waterhouse and Mr. Bryan Ashby on 'Wildlife of the South Hams Coast'.

Thursday 7 November. Cliff House, Salcombe. Mr. Bill Bunting on 'Undersea Life Around the Coasts'.

Thursday 5 December. Iddiswell Village Hall. Mr. Alec Worth on 'Down the Teign and Up the Exe'.  
NON MEMBERS WELCOME.

BRITISH LEGION

The next meeting of the mens section will be held in the Pickwick Inn at 7.30 on Friday 11 October.

British Legion Coffee Morning. Saturday 9 November at Mrs. Doreen Hill's home at Easton, Bigbury.

Remembrance Sunday. Service to be held at Kingston on Sunday 10 November

WOMENS SECTION

The November Meeting will be held at Eileen Randle's Yellands Park, Kingston at 7.15 p.m.

MORE OLD ROSES.

GALLICA ROSES

One of the oldest roses, Rosa Gallica known before Roman times and possibly the Romans helped to develop this class. Developed by the French in the 18th Century to a very high standard. They form bushy shrubs with many hairy bristles, practically no thorns or prickles. Summer flowering, very fragrant with colours from pink to crimson, mauve, purple and maroon.

OFFICINALIS

Brought to France by the Crusaders and grown in early Monastery gardens for Rose Water. Petals hold scent when used for Pot Pourri. The RED ROSE of LANCASTER. Almost certainly used by Medieval Apothecaries.

Large semi-double light crimson flowers. Hips. Parent of Rosa Mundi. 4 ft X 4 ft.

ROSA MUNDI Prior to the 16th Century.

Believed to be named after FAIR ROSAMUND mistress of HENRY II. (A 16th Century Chronicler writes)----- Daughter of WALTER de CLIFFORD, Henry made her a house called LABYRINTHUS called a maze. QUEEN ELEANOR was commonly said to have found a way through the maze by a thriddle of silk. She was poisoned and died at WOODSTOCKE. The verse on her tomb roughly translated-----

Here rose the graced, not ROSE the chaste, reposes;

The scent that rises is no scent of roses.

Crimson flowers striped with white. Very showy 4 ft X 4 ft.

NO ONE KNOWS

THROUGH WHAT WILD CENTURIES

LOVES BACK THE ROSE.

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THE GATHERING

The air is heavy with the scent of hay,  
New-dried beneath the hot September sun;  
The reapers cease their labours of the day  
To contemplate with pride a task well done.  
In cottage gardens, heavy-laden trees  
Bow with the weight of sweetly-ripened fruit,  
Swollen with summers yearly expertise  
And succulent with moisture from the root.  
The choicest flowers of autumn overspill  
Their glowing tints from pulpit and from pew,  
And rich-bloomed fruits arranged with loving skill

/Cont...

Blend in a radiant harmony of hue.  
Organ and choir in glad triumphant tone  
Raise once again the song of harvest home.

LEMON SHORTBREAD

Pastry:

- 8oz plain flour
- 4oz margarine
- 3oz sugar
- 1 egg, beaten

Rub flour and margarine together, add sugar and bind with egg (plus a little milk, if necessary). Place in fridge.

Filling:

- Juice and rind of 1 lemon
- 2oz margarine
- 2oz sugar
- 1 egg, beaten

Place all ingredients in a bowl, place in a pan of hot water and bring to boil. Stir until mixture thickens. Leave to cool slightly.

Line 8" flan tin with half pastry and spread lemon curd on top. Finish with remaining pastry. Bake for 30 Minutes at 350°F.

(Freezes well)

PIN MONEY

Pins were invented in France in 1543. Brought to England by Catherine Howard. They were considered a great luxury. On sale on only a few days each year. Husbands gave wives money to buy pins. Money for own private spending became "Pin Money".

There are two ways of spreading light, to be the candle, or the mirror which reflects it.

To remove the smell of onions from a chopping board sprinkle with coarse salt, mix in and wash in cold water.

After peeling onions wash hands in cold water first - hot water seals in smell of onions.