



Your attention is drawn to the Parish Council News and details of a further issue of butter and possibly cheese. We have been asked by a member of the public to congratulate Molly Trueman on the way she handled the first issue, despite misleading information and limited supplies. We endorse this statement.

LOST Blue budgerigar (BOBBY) please contact Joan Park Bigbury on Sea 810583

LOST Pair of ladies glasses in Ringmore. REWARD!!
P. Brunskill 810654

RAINFALL. From 2.2.87. to 2.3.87. 3 1/8th inches of rain fell in Ringmore.

PARISH COUNCIL

E.E.C. Surplus Supplies: The official instructions concerning the distribution of surplus E.E.C. butter and cheese have been very misleading and, so far, distribution in this area has been only through the W.R.V.S.. It is now hoped that the Parish Council will be able to obtain supplies for all those who are eligible i.e. not only those receiving Supplementary Benefit and Family Income Supplement but also all retired people receiving a DHSS Retirement Pension. The first supplies will be distributed from the W.I. Hall, Ringmore from 10 a.m. - 12 noon on Thursday 12 March. All those eligible should bring with them their DHSS Pension Books (or send the books with somebody who will collect supplies for them).

Electoral Roll: Through an extraordinary official error, the names of seventeen voters have been left off the electoral roll. In response to her complaint about this, the Clerk has received an assurance that each voter, whose name has been omitted from the list, will receive a letter of apology re-assuring them that they are nevertheless entitled to vote in any election after 1 March.

Annual Parish Meeting: The Annual Parish Meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday 17 April. It is hoped that there will be a good attendance of members of the public.

Best Kept Village: The Council has decided that, in view of problems with the muddy footpaths and the fact that in a number of ways the village has become far more untidy recently, it would not be worthwhile to enter the "Best Kept Village Competition" this year. It is hoped that those responsible for the local eyesores will do their best to improve matters, so that it will not be too long before a worthwhile entry can again be made.

Heritage Coast Boundary: A map showing the boundary of the "Heritage Coast" area, has been lodged with the Clerk, Mrs. Sally Davis and may be seen on request.

Skip Service: Skips will be available as follows:- Challaborough Beach 18 - 22 May
Ringmore (Journey's End Car Park) 11 - 15 May.

THE PARISH CHURCH

Every now and again a parson produces a little book of verse which deserves a wider audience than a churchy one. Such a volume came out last year, written by a retired Archdeacon, illustrated by another parson and with a foreword by the Dean of Exeter (who was previously a fellow Archdeacon with the author). Some of the poems are appropriate to our situation in this benefice and I have Canon Kerr-Dineen's permission to use them in this newsletter from time to time. A very apt one is:-

SITUATION VACANT

We want a Vicar, ours has gone
Elsewhere, not yet to heaven
So there's an urgent meeting on
In Church tonight at seven

We want a man of godly life
With not a breath of scandal
Possessing but one current wife
And children he can handle

We want a good committee man
A gifted organiser
But harmless as a turtle dove
And than a serpent wiser

We hope he will not meditate
Too long beneath the steeple
Or in his garden vegetate
But get among the people

We want a man the youth will like
Who rides a bike full throttle
Yet intellectuals will strike
As bright as Aristotle

We'd take Archangel Gabriel
And mix him with St. Peter
And for a preacher add St. Paul
But make it slightly sweeter

He must be good with children too
And play at seek-and-hideance
At ease with all the parents who
May need some Marriage Guidance

We would not grumble with all this
Yet there are two points further
He must be humble with all this
And happy when he's poorer

Again the man we hope will come
Won't fill the place with candles
Or bring a tintinnabulum
And go to church in sandals

(From "The Company of Merrymakers" F. G. Kerr-Dineen and Graham Jeffery available at £2 plus postage from Family Social Work, Diocesan Church House 9 Brunswick Square, Hove, E. Sussex.)

For times of services please see Church Notice Board.

RCT

W.I.

Craft meetings are now held every Wednesday afternoon at 2 p.m. at the W.I. Hall. Is anyone, members or non-members interested in a years subscription at £4.35 to the Home and Country magazine. Wonderful value - full of interest - recipes - articles of topical interest - holidays - competitions - knitting patterns - special offers - health - et Please contact Alison Wynne-Powell at Bigbury on Sea 810407 or Suzanne Race at The Post Office.

The next meeting is on Thursday 12 March at 7.30 p.m. Homemade Sweets. Guests welcome at 8.15 p.m.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

About 26 years ago, in the days that Mrs. Rogers ran the village Post Office - there was a lady living in one of the Council houses, who was expecting a baby. Nearly every day, this lady visited the P.O. taking her little boy with her, who listened in to all the chat, about the expected baby. However, this became too much for the small boy, who asked his Mummy - "where is the baby now?" and the fond mother replied - "In my tummy" - Nothing more was said until the small boy went to the P.O. for his Mummy - seeing the little boy without his mother Mrs. Rogers said "oh has your Mummy had her baby?" - "oh, no," he said "we are not having it now, because Mummy has eaten it"!!!----- J.B.

BIGBURY, RINGMORE AND KINGSTON CONSERVATIVES AGM. Saturday 21 March 7.15 p.m. followed by supper. £2 per head. Licensed Bar. Small House, Easton by kind invitation of Mrs. Mary Smallwood.

BRITISH LEGION

The next meeting will be held at the Dolphin Kingston on 3 April.

Women's Section.

On 28 March a Coffee Morning at Mrs. V. Leonard, Courtlands, Bigbury on Sea. Admission 30p. 10.30 - 12.00. Bring and Buy - Raffle. In aid of the County Benevolent Fund. The next meeting will be held on Monday 6 April at West Ridge, Bigbury on Sea by kind invitation of Mrs. E. Toms.

BIRDWATCHING CRUISES WITH TONY SOPER 1987

River Dart Sunday 9 August. Sailing from the South Embankment (River Link kiosk). Dartmouth, at 14.30, back about 17.00. A glimpse of the sea, then up the estuary for residents like herons and may be kingfishers, incoming waders and just possibly a passage osprey.

Tamar Estuary 22nd annual AVOCET CRUISE Saturday 5 December and Sunday 6 December
Sailing from Saltash Pier at 1300 (Saturday) and 1330 (Sunday), back about 1600, 1630.
Last year we saw 97 avocets (we once cracked the 100) and they put on a splendid show,
feeding, flying and roosting. We also had a mass of golden plover and assorted waders..
Through the years we've seen a wild mix of peregrines, merlins, spoonbills, grebes and so
on. Our track record for choosing sunny windless days is legendary, 1986 was no
exception, but we still advise the prudent birder to wear arctic gear. Bar and very basic
buffet on board. Tickets. £4 each, from Tony Soper, Gerston Point, Kingsbridge, Devon.

WILL YOU GIVE A CHILD A HOLIDAY IN YOUR HOME??

Would you like to become a Hostess and take a child or children who would benefit from a
holiday away from its home environment. These children are recommended to the W.R.V.S.
For further information please contact Pam Brunskill or Telephone Bigbury on Sea 810654.

ALFRED & MARGARET LOCKYER

In the report about Alf and Margaret it appears that some of the facts were incorrect.
In the interest of accuracy and because these Newsletters are kept by the Historical
Society as village records, here are corrections that have been supplied to us by
Parishioners who have been in the village before Alf arrived.
Margaret came to live at the Veau in either 1958 or 1959 and was then called Mrs. Linacore.
The Hood Creees were at the Journey's End at this time. Alfred arrived in the village
between mid 1959 and mid 1960. The Clipstones had now taken over the J.E. and Alfred was
with them. Early in 1962 Ayrmer View was being built. In July 1962 Margaret and her
husband moved from the Veau to Ayrmer View. On August 12 1965 Margaret's husband died.
She stayed on at Ayrmer View and married Alf on 16 September 1967. Alf stopped working at
the J.E. for a short time but soon returned. Westbury was run by the Lockyers as a Nursing
Home for some time. Alfred lived in Ringmore for about 27 years, over 20 at Ayrmer View.

INTER-PARISH QUIZ

Ringmore have been drawn at home against Cornwood in the second round of the Inter Parish
Quiz. This will take place in the W.I. Hall in the coming month on a date yet to be fixed.
As soon as the date is settled the event will be advertised on posters around the village.
The team had a friendly contest with a team from the organisers, Ivybridge Community
College and although losing were certainly not disgraced. When the date is known please
come and support your team and enjoy an interesting evening.

ADVERTISEMENTS

RINGMORE POST OFFICE STORES. TELEGRAM SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE AGAIN WITH A GUARANTEED 2
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EVERY DAY FROM SATURDAY 28 MARCH 1987.

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ATTENTION TEL. SHOP MODBURY 830048 HOME GARA BRIDGE 444 ANYTIME.

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AND COAL. EVERY THURSDAY.

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