



Mike Wynne-Powell has taken photographs of a number of fossils in the rocks at Arymer Cove. Could anyone explain why there are so few in what appears to be sedimentary rock?

Rainfall 3 April - 1 May 3 inches

#### Dartmoor escapees end up in The Tower

No, not the Tower of London but Blackpool Tower via Reading and Liverpool, where the police caught up with them. They spent the night, not in a cell, but the police rest room. (Cushy time for prisoners these days!)

Helen Tate and her two friends would like to thank every one who contributed to nearly £300 that they raised for Dame Hannah Rogers School.

#### Women's Institute

The W.I. thanks everyone who helped to make the Mini-market especially those who provided so many delicious cakes. About £157-04 was raised for St. Luke's Hospice. The next W.I. Meeting will be at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 11 May. It will consider resolutions for the A.G.M.

RINGMORE COUNTRY FAYRE NEW HAPPY SHOPPER RANGE. 1/4 PINT SINGLE CREAM - 32P; 1/4 PINT WHIPPING CREAM 32P; 1/2 PINT DOUBLE CREAM 72P; LARGE KITCHEN FOIL 51P; SMALL KITCHEN FOIL 43P; 21B OVEN CHIPS 64P; 1 LB SLICED GREEN BEANS 44P. SHOP LOCALLY AND BE "A HAPPY SHOPPER".

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#### SOUTH HAMS SOCIETY

Many people will have noticed the fine display of primroses this year on the grass verge, almost opposite Westbury. These were planted by the South Hams society, who also provided 100 wild daffodil bulbs for the Town Well.

The South Hams Society was formed in 1961, with the object of protecting the beautiful countryside and beaches of the South Hams and campaigning against the erection of unsuitable buildings. Membership costs only £1 per annum. Why not join the twenty four residents of Ringmore who already belong to the society?

Membership forms can be obtained from Ardene Bennett and Natalie Hilton at Hill Cottage.

#### An Invitation to Ringmore Parishoners

On Saturday 20 May 1989, Will, son of Earl and Countess Grey, and Rosy, daughter of Guy and Myra Eddy, are holding a thanksgiving service in Ringmore Church at 1 p.m.. This will be followed by a reception for family and close friends of Will and Rosy only. However between 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Guy and Myra Eddy are inviting all parishoners in receipt of the Ringmore Parish Newsletter to come and drink the health of Will and Rosy at the Journey's End Inn.

BELLE VUE FARM FOR YOUR FRESH POULTRY, EGGS AND CREAM.

CHURCH NOTES



The Rector writes....

The Church Annual Meeting was held on April 17 and the small group present elected Reg Trant for a further term as Warden, and Pam Brunskill, Susan Freeman and Michael Wynne-Powell to the Council. A vacancy still remains, there being no-one present who felt it right to offer themselves for election. With thanks to those who have served so well in the past, we look forward to the challenges of a new year together; not least to welcoming the visitors who will soon be swelling our numbers. There are leaflets available for giving to any holidaymakers - please help yourself from the church table if you can make use of them.

Church Services throughout the Parishes

	<u>Bigbury</u>	<u>Ringmore</u>	<u>Kingston</u>
<u>May 14th</u> <u>WHIT-SUNDAY</u>	<u>11.00am</u> Family Service	<u>9.00am</u> Holy Communion	<u>6.00pm</u> Festival Service
<u>May 21st</u>	<u>8.00am</u> Holy Communion	<u>6.00pm</u> Evening Service	<u>11.00am</u> Family Service
<u>May 28th</u>	<u>11.00am</u> Morning Service and Communion	<u>9.00am</u> Holy Communion	<u>6.00pm</u> Evening Service
<u>June 4th</u>	<u>6.00pm</u> Evening Service	<u>11.00am</u> Family Service	<u>9.00am</u> Holy Communion
<u>June 11th</u>	<u>11.00am</u> Family Service	<u>9.00am</u> Holy Communion	<u>Deanery Evensong at</u> <u>Aveton Gifford - no</u> <u>service at Kingston.</u>

SPECIAL NOTES - Sunday May 14th

After the Whit-Sunday Festival Evening Service at Kingston, a buffet-reception is being held in the Reading Room, with the opportunity to hear about the "Send-a-Cow" scheme. It is hoped that one of Robert Beard's cows which is being got ready, will be one of those cows, in calf, which are being sent to Uganda. We'll hear something of what it means to an African village to have a supply of fresh milk for the many children who are undernourished and in poor health through inadequate diet. This scheme is part of the stewardship of what God has given us, shared with others. Come and hear about it.



Wednesday, May 17th - A Coffee Morning at the Rectory in aid of Christian Aid. Apart from the fellowship and the coffee (and, we hope, opportunity to sit in the sunshine!), there will be plants & produce, cakes & biscuits to buy. Any contributions of goods or money, will be gladly received at the Rectory, but villagers and visitors are warmly invited to share an informal hour in the garden. Again, another opportunity to spread our plenty to the less rich, as well as meet one another.

NOT FORGETTING the proposed visits to Plymouth to hear Dr. Billy Graham in the last week of June - look out for details!

The Rectory  
(Tel. 810565)

ARTHUR DROWLEY  
Rector.

Parish Clerk Vacancy

Last months advertisement drew a blank. Those of you who didn't apply, because you thought it would be quickly snapped up, can now do so, and earn the good wishes of the Parish Council. It is a not too demanding but vital part of government at grass roots level, and unlike the post of parish councillor, does carry some reward as well as expenses. Any councillor will be happy to advise you, so please get in touch. GPE

Ringmore Historical Society

The proposed visit to Exeter has been arranged for Tuesday 16 May. All interested members should rendezvous at 2.15 p.m. at the Albert Museum in Victoria Street, Exeter; there is a large car park not far away. Those members who intend to go to Exeter should contact the Secretary, Mrs. Warne, on 810214, so that some idea of numbers can be obtained.

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Inter Parish Quiz

The last match was played against Wembury at the Langdon Court Hotel, a splendid setting for the ensuing duel of minds. Once again the team was helped by a small band of loyal supporters, who came along to give us very much appreciated moral support. As with our previous opponents, Ugborough, the home team brought a large supporting audience, some of whom had to set very close to the teams. Wembury fielded a mixed team of ladies and gentlemen (can Ringmore offer any ladies, or gentlemen, for the team as reserves?). The match started badly for Ringmore with an early lead by Wembury held through to the break. The second half saw Ringmore gradually gain, but we just could not catch up, the final score being 99 to 83. As team Captain I have to add the comment, that the success of the team in getting to the semi-final was down to the knowledge and cool-headedness of the other members (who remained the same throughout the competition), i.e. Guy Eddy, Reg Trant and Bill Warne, I would therefore like to thank them personally and on behalf of the village. An interesting point came up in the discussions following the quiz, when the size of our village compared to Wembury was discussed. Ringmore has somewhere around 180 on the voters register, compared to 3,200 for Wembury, one could therefore say that for Ringmore to get to the semi-final was quite an achievement. Even though we will not be in the final, we are all invited to attend the final between Wembury and Brixton at the Jubilee Hall, Ivybridge Community College on Tuesday 23 May at 7.30 p.m.

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Brent Moor Protection Group

The Public Inquiry into the planning application to build a house and cottage on the site of the former Brent Moor house is now due to be held on Wednesday 31 May, Thursday 1 June and Friday 2 June at the Village Hall, South Brent at 10 a.m.

There will be a meeting of the Brent Moor Protection Group in the School Hall, South Brent, on Tuesday 16 May at 8 o'clock. We will be discussing our arrangements for the presentation of our case at the Inquiry.

The present situation is that the land has just been put on the market once again. An advertisement appeared in the Financial Times on April 15. The asking price has been slightly reduced - from £110 an acre to £80 an acre. The area is advertised as "a potential leisure and sporting estate". They say "any purchaser requiring some form of residential accommodation should apply for details of various accommodation which is known to be available for sale...".

Please encourage as many people as possible to attend the Inquiry and give it any further publicity that you can.  
If you intend to go to the inquiry check that it is still going ahead. Ring Cliff Path.

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INN-SIGHT - THE JOURNEYS END. WELL, THE NEW TOILETS ARE NOW IN USE, THOUGH ACCESS IS STILL FROM OUTSIDE. THE CONSERVATORY STRUCTURE IS NOW COMPLETE AND WE ARE NOW WAITING FOR THE FLOOR TO DRY OUT COMPLETELY BEFORE THE FLOOR LAYERS MOVE IN. WE ARE ALL PRAYING THAT IT IS READY FOR WILL & ROSIES WEDDING. THE AUSTRALIAN BEACH PARTY WENT WELL, AND AS A RESULT WE ARE KEEPING LARGE RUMP STEAKS AND GIANT PRAWNS ON OUR MENU. FUTURE EVENTS: SATURDAY 13 MAY TRIVIA QUIZ NIGHT - 8.30 START. BRAINS ARE NOT ESSENTIAL - SPOT PRIZES - BEST TEAM NAME - AND OF COURSE - THE MAGIC NUMBER. MONDAY JULY 31 AT 8.45 WE HAVE THE PLYMOUTH MORRIS MEN AGAIN. IT COINCIDES WITH MINE AND ROSEMARYS' BIRTHDAY, SO A GOOD EVENING IS IN THE OFFING. GET THAT STICKOUT KENNY.

#### Dartington Rural Archive

##### Summer outing Monday 26 June 6 p.m.

This summer, the Archive's annual outing takes rather a long view of local history by looking back over a hundred thousand years. We have arranged a special visit to the PENGELLY CAVE STUDIES CENTRE in Buckfastleigh. Don't worry - we are not going potholing, crawling or even bending and you don't need special clothing.

The caves were formed when, long ago, they lay beneath the water table, the river Dart being then level with the top of the hill where the parish church now stands. In the Joint Mitnor cave we shall see remains of animals like the rhinoceros and straight-tusked elephant now foreign to this country. Our visit will include a walk on Buckfastleigh Hill where we shall be guided by volunteer members of the Cave Studies Trust, headed by Mr. Wilfrid Joint. The whole tour will take about one and a half hours, and MEMBERS WILL BE EXPECTED TO PAY THE USUAL FEE OF £1 which goes towards the upkeep of the caves and the Trust's work.

PICNIC: if fine, we can eat our traditional picnic in a field by the church where there are wonderful views over the surrounding countryside. If wet, we suggest the local pub, the White Hart in Buckfastleigh.

TIME: Meet in the William Pengelly Cave Studies Centre at 6 p.m. We shall be shown round in two or more groups, so if you have to be a little late you can join the second group.

DIRECTIONS: From the Dart Bridge over the A 38, take the left hand road towards Buckfastleigh. After 300 yards, past a house called Fairway, turn sharply right up a steep track, Russets Lane. The Centre is half way up the hill. Parking is limited, so share cars if you can.

Conclusion: The cost to non members would be £2 which includes membership of the Archive. If any non-members wish to go please contact Cliff Path beforehand.

#### Bird Watch

##### Cirl Buntings a Devon Bird??

Numbers of cirl bunting have declined considerably in the south and east of England over the last 20 years. In Devon, recent population estimates suggest that the current breeding population is between 100 and 150 pairs.

Earlier records suggest that the cirl bunting was once more widespread and more numerous. A survey undertaken during 1957-59 recorded breeding birds present in all south coast parishes from Dorset to the Cornwall border and along the lower reaches of all the principal rivers. Today, Devon holds over 90% of the British population of cirl buntings.