

ALL HALLOWS CELEBRATION

All Hallows Celebration at Ringmore Church and afterwards at the Church Hall was a Happy occasion. Our Ringmore songsters and musicians entertained us all so well. Plus, a taste of Devonshire dialect. The evening was rounded off by a sing song to the accompaniment of Steve Drowley's guitar (he had travelled from Torquay for the occasion.) Thanks to everyone who provided the food and made the evening such a success.

RAINFALL: 2 October - 30 October 2 ¹³/₁₆" B.B.

PARISH COUNCIL

Finance: Parish Councils are required by law to have their accounts audited by a particular firm of auditors. With an annual precept of only about £650, the Ringmore parish accounts are necessarily very simple, yet the audit fee has risen, in two years, from £52 - 80 to £90 - 14. The Parish Council will be writing to the Chief Executive of the South Hams District Council to express its utter disquiet at this situation.

Watch-A-Box Scheme: Mrs. Pam Wilkins has agreed to take over from Mr. Brian McCabe, the daily duty of inspecting the Ringmore phone box.

Mirror at St. Ann's Chapel: The new mirror, that replaced the one which was vandalised, has disappeared - presumably in the recent gale. A request will be made for a further replacement.

Cookworthy Museum: As in previous years, the Parish Council has made a donation of £10 towards the upkeep of the museum at Kingsbridge.

Parish Road Cleaner: Since 1983, Mr. Tom Woodall has conscientiously kept the edges of our village lanes free from litter and mud. He has now retired and the Parish Council will be writing to thank him for the care he has taken of the village. We now need somebody to take over this work. It involves 5 hours work a week and is paid at the normal agricultural wage. Anyone interested in the job should contact Mr. Guy Eddy.

Planning: Detailed planning applications have been received, to build a bungalow in the garden of "Tosca" - where outline permission already exists - and to build a restaurant, with seating for 100, at Challacott. In connection with the former application, the Parish Council is concerned to ensure that no damage is done to the roadside trees, which are protected by Tree Preservation Orders. In the case of the latter, the concern is mainly with the additional traffic, through Ringmore village, which would be generated.

Fallen Tree at Westbury: Residents will have noticed the huge tree stump opposite "Westbury", on the road out of Ringmore and may have wondered where it came from. The story is one of very prompt and helpful action, on behalf of the village. At about 12.45, on the Saturday of the last great gale, the Parish Council Chairman found the road completely blocked by a huge fallen tree stump. He appealed for help to Mr. Perraton, of Lower Manor Farm, who immediately left his lunch and brought his tractor to the scene. With the aid of Mr. Eddy and several other volunteers he had cleared the road completely by 2 p.m. Thanks are due to Mr. Perraton and all concerned.

Tree Planting: The District Council has now become interested in the desperate need to plant more and more trees, if the planet is to survive. As part of the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers' campaign to plant a million trees, they are asking to be notified of small areas in the countryside where landowners would agree to the planting of native trees. If you can suggest any suitable areas, please contact the Parish Council.

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BIGBURY PLAYERS

Bigbury Players present their Christmas extravaganza 'Aspects of Christmas' on Fri. 8 Dec. and Sat. 9 Dec. at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Hall Bigbury. Tickets soon available at local shop

CHURCH NOTES



After such a long summer of almost unbroken good weather, it seems strange to be back to the daily changes of weather as we go deeper into the Autumn. We've blown about in recent gales, and are becoming increasingly aware of the shortening days. In fact, the Autumn weather provides a constantly changing background to our daily lives, which is not altogether unwelcome! Change, providing it's not too violent, can be stimulating, and it seems to me that most people cope with it pretty well. But you do need a secure foundation to meet with changes in the weather, or in daily living.

There is a famous verse in the Bible (Hebrews, chapter 13, verse 8) which brings together the thought of the sure foundation against a background of the changing years in which we live out our lives

" Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today and for ever".

Now we cannot avoid the march of time and the changes it brings - how vital then to be sure of the foundation !

CHURCH SERVICES

	<u>Bigbury</u>	<u>Ringmore</u>	<u>Kingston</u>
<u>Nov. 19th</u>	<u>9.0am</u> Holy Communion	<u>6.0pm</u> Evening Service	<u>11.0am</u> Family Service
<u>Nov. 26th</u>	<u>11.0am</u> Family Service	<u>9.0am</u> Holy Communion	<u>6.0pm</u> Evening Service
<u>Dec. 3rd</u>	<u>6.0pm</u> Evening Service	<u>11.0am</u> Family Service	<u>9.0am</u> Holy Communion
<u>Dec. 10th</u>	<u>11.0am</u> Morning Service & Communion	<u>9.0am</u> Holy Communion	<u>6.0pm</u> Evening Service

FOR YOUR DIARY

The mid-week Rectory Fellowship at 7.30pm most Wednesdays, is looking at the subject of prayer during the weeks up to Christmas. We share informal discussion, and try to grapple with this difficult matter in an informal and practical way. We finish by 9.0pm and welcome all who might like to join us. Details are found on the Church Bulletin which, by the way, is always pinned up in the church noticeboard and in the Post Office(usually!).



Christmas Bazaars are held by Kingston Church on Sat 25th Nov. at 2.30pm in the Reading Room, and by Bigbury Church on Tuesday Nov.28th in the Memorial Hall at 2.30pm. Much hard work has gone into preparing goods for sale, ready for your Christmas buying! Do come and support them.

THANKS FOR A GIFT - an anonymous gift received at the Rectory recently has been used to buy Bibles for each of our churches, so that folk can use them during the service, to follow lessons and the address. We are most grateful for this very generous provision - the Bibles were dedicated on Nov.5th when we had a visitor from the Bible Society to speak of its work. Very appropriate!

LOOKING AHEAD !

CHRISTMAS carols and services for our three Churches begin on Tues. Dec.19th at St.James', Kingston at 7.0pm; then on the Thursday the 21st., Ringmore Carols will be held in the Church Institute, also at 7.0pm. The Bigbury Carol Service is at St.Lawrence's at 6.0pm on Sunday, 24th, Christmas Eve, and the 11.30pm Communion and Carols is this year at All Hallows', Ringmore.

Family Carol services will be held at 11.0am at Ringmore on Christmas Eve, and at 10.30am at Kingston on Christmas Day.



Remember - " Know (No) Christ, Know (no) Christmas ! "

The Rectory,
Ringmore. (810565)

ARTHUR DROWLEY
Rector.

SOUTH HAMS SOCIETY

On Friday 24 November, Group Captain J. Goodman will speak on "Aircraft Design from Icarus to Concord". This meeting will be at 7.30 p.m. in West Charleton Hall. On Saturday 13 January at Malborough Hall, the Society will be holding its annual Cream Tea - which is always a friendly and sumptuous affair and very good value for £1. As usual there will be a very special slide show and this year Chris Pearce will be showing the wonderful views of Wildlife which he took during a visit to the Falklands. Tickets can be obtained from Hill Cottage, Ringmore.

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ROSEMARY OF BROAD STREET, MODBURY. CHRISTMAS HOLLY WREATHS. ORDERS NOW BEING TAKEN. A LARGE SELECTION OF GIVTS AND DECORATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS. TELEFLORIST WORLD WIDE.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The new officers are as follows:- Chairman - Mrs. Margaret Wood, Vice-Chairman - Mrs. Pam Brunskill, Secretary - Miss Natalie Hilton, Assistant Secretary - Mrs. Thelma Mann, Treasurer - Mrs. Myra Eddy, Committee - Mrs. Alice Mason and Mrs. Val Dyer. For the Winter, afternoon meetings will be held, in addition to the normal evening meetings. The first will be on Wednesday, 15 November at "Cliff Path", when Pam Brunskill will show slides of Dartmoor. All W.I. members are welcome. The Christmas Party will be on Thursday 7 December at 7.30 p.m. in the new dining room of The Journey's End. The Children's Christmas Party will be at 3 p.m. on Sunday 10 December in the W.I. Hall - for the children and grand children under age 11 of members.

WATER

There has been a lot of concern recently over the quality of the water that we have to drink and possibly some of you are considering buying some kind of water purifier. I am pleased to be able to tell you that I am an agent for the Moritz Water Purifying System, which is a combination system incorporating a sub-micronic, silver impregnated ceramic filter with a granular activated carbon core. (I am not trying to blind you with science, some people like to know these things!) This is a double "fail-safe" system which effectively filters out 99.99% of any particles or bacteria which might be in the water and prohibits any possibility of a build-up of bacteria within the filter itself. A wide spectrum of organic chemicals, pesticides are also removed, if present in the first place. Dissolved gasses such as chlorine are taken out, so the water no longer tastes like a swimming pool. The Moritz is a straightforward DIY job, fitting under the kitchen sink. We have one in operation at home which you are welcome to come and see, without any obligation. Telephone 810729 to arrange a suitable time and come and have a 'taste test' - you will be amazed at the improvement that a Moritz Water Purifier makes. Annabel Major.

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READ ALL ABOUT IT

If you can still get a copy of the November issue of 'Popular Crafts', there is a three page spread about Ringmore's own potter, Stephanie Grey. For those original Christmas gifts, at special discount prices to locals, why not call at the pottery and select from the range displayed?

A TABLE SALE AND COFFEE AFTERNOON will be held in Modbury School Hall on Saturday 18 Nov. 2-4 p.m. Anyone wishing to book a table (£5 adult, £2 child) please telephone Modbury 830513.

BIGBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Sorry we missed the November Newsletter. Our next meeting will be at "Sedgewell Sands" at 8 p.m. on Tuesday 21 November 1989. Come and see some slides of Old Bigbury and Bigbury-on-Sea 810387.

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INN-SIGHT - JOURNEY'S END INN. OUR GAMES NIGHT WENT WELL, RAISING £70 - 00 FOR THE DAME HANNAH ROGERS' SCHOOL FOR THE HANDICAPPED. HALLOWEEN WAS A GOOD NIGHT TOO, SOME EXCELLENT COSTUMES, THOUGH NOT AS MANY AS LAST YEAR. BONFIRE NIGHT WAS ALSO VERY GOOD THOUGH WE DIDN'T QUITE RAISE ENOUGH TO COVER THE FIREWORKS. WE'LL START COLLECTING EARLIER NEXT YEAR. OUR THANKS TO THE KINGS, RICHARD PERRATON, JIM FREEMAN, VAL, IAN & PAUL, NOT FORGETTING NORMAN, WHO HELPED BUILD AND LIGHT THE BONFIRE. FUTURE EVENTS. SATURDAY 18 QUIZ NIGHT. ONCE AGAIN BRAINS ARE NOT ESSENTIAL. CASH PRIZES, SPOT PRIZES, MAGIC NUMBER, ETC. TEAMS OF UP TO FOUR PEOPLE AT £1 - 00 PER PERSON. THURSDAY LUNCHTIME IS STILL VILLAGE DAY WHEN WE OFFER A 10% DISCOUNT ON ALL FOOD. WE DO HAVE A NUCLEUS OF "REGULARS", BUT WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE A FEW MORE OF YOU, EVEN IF IT IS JUST TO HAVE A CHAT WITH SOME OF YOUR NEIGHBOURS. WE HAVE ALSO STARTED OUR CHRISTMAS DRAW, AT 10P A TICKET. TURKEY, CUDDLY TOY, CHRISTMAS CAKE, ETC. THE DRAW WILL PROBABLY BE ON SATURDAY 23 DEC. SEE NEXT MONTHS NEWSLETTER.

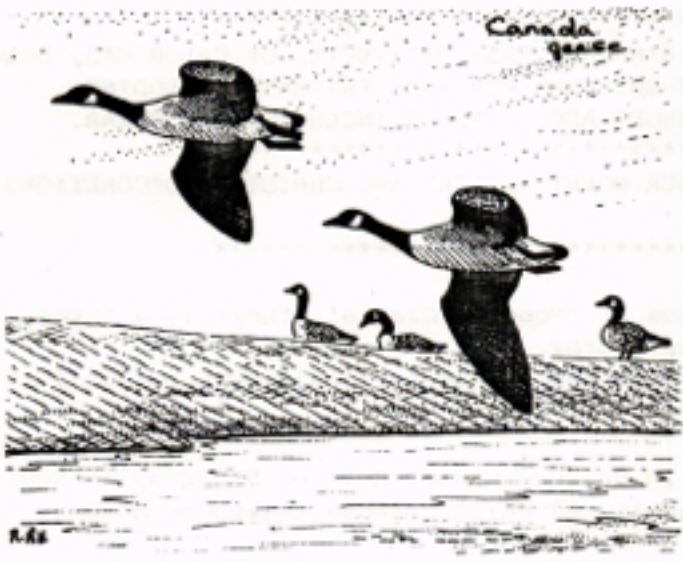
BIRD WATCH

King Charles the Second brought the first Canada geese to St. James's Park in London in the 1660's. A striking, attractive bird with a black and white head and neck, it soon proved popular with the owners of many parks and stately homes, who brought more birds into the country.

There are now more than 10,000 Canada geese living here. At nearly a metre long it is our biggest goose. It can often be seen feeding around lakes and ponds. Some farmers regard it as a pest because it sometimes eats their crops.

Our smallest owl was also originally a foreign visitor. Released into the wild by members of the Victorian nobility, who brought it over from Holland, the little owl is gradually spreading over the country. Although a fierce looking bird, with bright yellow eyes and a hooked beak, it spends much of its time hunting for slugs, beetles and earwigs. Only 20 centimetres high, it rarely catches anything bigger than a mouse.

Royal Society for the Protection of Birds.



Canada geese



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