

We apologise for the confusion caused by the April Newsletter coming out before the Parish Council Meeting. The **DEADLINE** for items is the **FIRST TUESDAY IN THE MONTH** regardless of when the Parish Council meets. We have to take into account other organisations dates when deciding on the publishing date. Having said that we would like items as early as possible to guarantee inclusion and of course we will do our best to put in any item that comes in after that **TUESDAY**. **DON'T HESITATE TO RING TO CHECK.** Space is not unlimited and we do have to try to keep to a budget; also the "pianists" really are trying to do their best!!! **JILL DOWNING.** We are sorry that we have had to give up our Fruit and Veg. round. This has not proved viable. We would like to thank most sincerely everyone who has supported us. J.D.

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Annual Parish Meeting. The Parish Council would like to thank parishioners for their excellent support at the Annual Parish Meeting, which because of the interest shown turned out to be a stimulating evening.

Election of Parish Council. The Parish Council would also like to thank parishioners for their big turn-out at the Elections. It does mean that the Parish Council represents the will of the parishioners, which by any standard is a good thing.

The following members were elected:- Rob Batten, Ardene Bennett, John Borne, Guy Eddy, Brian McCabe, Thelma Mann and John Tate.

The new Parish Council elected Guy Eddy as its Chairman and Brian McCabe as Vice-Chairman.

Large Vehicles in Ringmore Village. The Parish Council considers that the nuisance of huge caravans, and other large vehicles, passing through Ringmore village has become intolerable. The Chairman is to discuss the damage and delays, which are being caused, with the Manager of Challaborough Camp. Representations will then be made to Devon County Council, asking them to send an official to make a site inspection. The damage to the quality of life in the village will also be brought to the attention of Mr. Antony Steen M.P. Meanwhile, any resident suffering further damage to property, or inconvenience, is asked to keep a note of dates, times and registration numbers of vehicles and to pass this information to John Tate, who will co-ordinate our case.

Accident Black Spot. Representations by Ringmore and Bigbury Parish Councils about the frequent accidents at the dangerous bend in the narrows, between St. Ann's Chapel and Seven Stones Cross, has resulted in speedy action by the County Council. The centre line has been moved back; **SLOW** is to be painted on the road; a new road sign has been erected and hazard marker posts are to be placed along the verge.

Village Skips. Skips will be at the following locations from 20 to 24 May:-
Journey's End Car Park - 2 skips. Challaborough - 1 skip.

Bottle Banks. There are now bottle banks in Aveton Gifford Car Park (at the south end of the By-pass) and in Modbury - at the bottom of Poundwell Meadow Car Park. The salvage of glass helps to save energy and it is hoped that these bottle banks will be well used.

Public Footpaths. The Definitive Map, showing the footpath from Ringmore to Kingston, does not correspond to the present way-marking of the path. The Council is to ask for the map and the description of the footpath to be brought up to date.

Bigbury & District Youth Club. The Parish Council has decided to donate £10 to the Youth Club, which is attended by several children from Ringmore.

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***JULIE* YOUR LOCAL MOBILE HAIR STYLIST.** FOR PERMS*SHAMPOO & SETS*BLOW DRY*TRIMS*RESTYLE ETC. FOR APPOINTMENT TEL. BIGBURY-ON-SEA 810634 ANSWERPHONE AVAILABLE.
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PARISH CHURCH PAGE

The Rector writes...

Going down the path towards Ayrmer Cove, the headlands came into sight first, in the early sun, then the breadth of the valley floor and finally the curve of the beach itself, with a gentle tide lapping the shore. Breathtaking beauty! And spontaneous praise to the Father for the lavishness of His creation ! Do you praise God as you walk the dog ? No, not for the dog alone - I mean for the beauty all around you !



And all this with the recent reminder of Easter - that God's Son came to this earth for the likes of us, teaching and healing and dying - then, and some find it hard to cope with this rising from the dead. But it was all nearly two thousand years ago and we clearly need a link between the wonder of God's creation and the Jesus of long ago, so that it all might add up to something meaningful for today.

Some years ago Bishop John Taylor of Winchester wrote a book called "The Go-between God" and that was his way of describing the Holy Spirit. Here then is the link between the life and work of Jesus and our present day experience. It is the Holy Spirit who brings us to faith in Jesus and the same Spirit who enables us to live for Jesus. At Whitsun, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit - there would be no Christian Church without Him !

SUNDAYS AT RINGMORE

Sundays at Bigbury & Kingston

12th May 9.0am Holy Communion

11am Morning Prayer & HC at Bigbury
6pm Evening Service & Baptism at Kingston

19th May 6.0pm Evening Service
Whitsun

9am Holy Communion at Bigbury
11am Family Service at Kingston

26th May 9.0am Holy Communion

11am Family Service & Baptism at Bigbury
6pm Evening Service at Kingston

2nd Jun 11.0am Family Service

9am Holy Communion at Kingston
6pm Evening Service at Bigbury

9th Jun 9.0am Holy Communion

11am Morning Service & Communion at Bigbury
6pm Evening Service at Kingston

NOTES & NEWS

Monday 13th May - Confirmation group meets at the Rectory at 8.0pm

Sunday 19th May (WhitSunday) - 7.30pm there will be a "Pentecost Celebration" at St. George's, Modbury; Transport will be available from Ringmore immediately after the Evening Service.

Bank Holiday Sale Monday 27th May at 2.15pm, at Sedgewell Sands, Bigbury-on-Sea, for St. Lawrence's funds. Stalls, coffee, & a lovely view ! Come and share them!

Sat. June 1st - Ringmore Kids' Klub in the Church Hall from 10am.

Wed. 5th June - Parish Mission preparation evening - details later.

Thurs. 6th June - Fellowship Garden Afternoon at 2.30pm in the Rectory garden; (if it is too wet to be out of doors, we'll be at Beryl & Jim Isaac's at Bigbury-on-Sea. Please accept this as an open invitation for an informal time together.

Thur. 13th June - Confirmation Service at Aveton Gifford Church at 7.30pm

RINGMORE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The following visits will take place in June and July:

- Wed. 5 June - LANGDON COURT** **DOWN THOMAS - CELLARS - CHURCH - GARDENS**
10.30 a.m. for 11.30 a.m. Bar lunch or picnic
- Mon. 1 July - BOWRINGSLEIGH** **DARTINGTON RURAL ARCHIVES SUMMER OUTING**
Evening and picnic £2.50
Membership of D.R.A. £1.00
- Tues. 16 July - MEAVY & SHEEPSTOR** **YELVERTON & DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY**
Afternoon/evening. Supper picnic if fine.

In addition to this programme of outings there will be a meeting on **Wednesday 19 June**.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL AIR PHOTOGRAPHY with slides. Speaker: **FRANCES GRIFFITHS**

We hope you will be able to join us in these events, further details of which can be obtained from George Grimshaw, Tel: 810264.

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BELLE VUE FARM FOR YOUR FRESH POULTRY, EGGS & CREAM. CALL OR RING 810286

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JOHN & BARBARA TAYLOR, MARWELL CROSS GARDENS. FLOWERS FOR WEDDINGS, FUNERAL & ALL OCCASIONS. GOOD VARIETIES OF PERENNIALS. BEDDING PLANTS IN SEASON. PHONE 810366.

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next meeting at 7 p.m. on **Thursday, 13 June**, will be held at Hill Cottage and will take the form of a garden meeting with strawberries and cream as refreshments. It is hoped that the meeting will receive a Report of the first Triennial Meeting of the W.I. in Birmingham.

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ROSEMARY OF BROAD STREET, MODBURY. FLOWERS FOR ALL OCCASIONS. POT PLANTS, GIFTS, PERSONAL ATTENTION. TEL. MODBURY 830048. (HOME GARA BRIDGE 444). TELEFLORIST WORLDWIDE.

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HIRAM BOWDEN FOR CAR REPAIRS. LUCAS GARAGE, ASHFORD. COLLECTION AND RETURN OF YOUR CAR ARRANGED. TEL. KINGSBRIDGE 550129. AFTER HOURS, PLYMOUTH 896065.

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INTER PARISH QUIZ

The final of this contest between Brixton who beat Ugborough and South Brent who beat Sparkwell will take place on **Tuesday 21 May at 7.30 p.m.** in the Jubilee Hall, Ivybridge Community College. All are welcome to attend. A reception will be held after the contest when wine and nibbles will be available at a cost of £1.50 per head. M.W.P.

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PICKLES. MODBURY 830412 FOR HARDWARE, D.I.Y. CHINA, BOOTS & SHOES, OUTDOOR CLOTHING, ELECTRICAL GOODS AND FREE DELIVERIES OF CALOR GAS, OIL & COAL, EVERY THURSDAY.

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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION.

The next meeting will be on **7 June** at the Journey's End Inn.

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RINGMORE POST OFFICE. MONDAY - FRIDAY 10 A.M. - NOON. 150 SERVICES, STAMPS AND A SMILE! STATIONERY FOR HOME, SCHOOL AND OFFICE. GIFT WRAP AND A RANGE OF DISTINCTIVE GREETINGS CARDS. ALSO PHOTOCOPYING AND FAX. TEL. 0548 810238. ROSEMARY TATE.

BIGBURY YOUTH CLUB

We would like to thank Ringmore Parish Council for their donation towards the Youth Club funds. Most grateful. All funds are put towards the children's activities and apparatus. We would welcome any other youngsters from Ringmore and surrounding areas to join us on Tuesday evening.

6.30 - 8.00 p.m. 7 - 11 year olds

8.00 - 9.30 p.m. 11 years upwards

New members welcome. New ideas always welcome too. Julie

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DAVID LAIDLER M.P.S. MODBURY PHARMACY. 5 BROAD ST. TEL. MODBURY 830215. OPENING HOURS MON. TUES. THUR. & FRI. 9 A.M. - 1 P.M. 2.30 P.M. - 6.30 P.M. WED. 9 A.M. - 1 P.M. 5.30 P.M. - 6.30 P.M. SAT. 9 A.M. - 1 P.M. 2.30 P.M. - 5 P.M.

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ASH BEFORE THE OAK
WE ARE IN FOR A SOAK
OAK BEFORE THE ASH
WE ARE IN FOR A SPLASH

The Ash does appear to be coming out before the Oak in some places this year!!!

BIRD SPOT

Magpies have a reputation for killing song birds. They do eat some young birds and eggs, but feed mainly on insects, seeds and berries.



Noisy, colourful and intelligent, magpies are sociable birds, often gathering in large groups. A flock of more than 200 birds was once recorded in Cumbria.