

RINGMORE

November 1997

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Editor: Geof Dykes

A bumper issue which presages a busy month for anyone who does everything on offer this month.

The month begins with a legion of fundraising activities for the RBL which culminates in the two-minute silence, this year in Kingston where the RBL standard will be present. In the midst of this is Bonfire Night and the usual Beer and Barbecue will be available. Given good weather, we should have another splendid evening which will be a reward for those who invest much time and effort in the preparations.

Last month blissful ignorance meant that the Library times were out of date. 'Thanks' to Drina Williams for pointing out the changes which will be reviewed, yet again, in March next year.

'Thanks' also to Jacqueline Patterson for supplying the article about the Gale's Honey sponsorship of a hay meadow in Aymer Cove.

It appears that the Parish Council has no plans to build on the Village Appraisal bar another effort to resolve the perennial traffic problems.

'A rose would smell as sweet' The truth or otherwise of this quotation might be about to be revealed. Some call it the Village Hall. Once it was known as the Church Institute. Why is the Church Hall now called the Parish Room? See inside.

NOVEMBER DIARY

WEDNESDAYS: Step Aerobics Church Hall 8.30pm

THURSDAYS: Quiz Night at Journey's End 9.00pm

FRIDAY CLUB: 7th & 21st in Church Hall 5.30pm

Apologies to any children who turned up on the wrong nights last month.

- 7th British Legion Auction Journey's End 8.30pm
- 8th British Legion Coffee Morning 10.30am at Sedgewell Sands, Bigbury on Sea
Bonfire Celebrations - Fire Lighting 7.00pm
- 9th British Legion Remembrance Service 10.50am
Kingston Church
- 10th British Legion Whist Drive 7.30pm WI Hall
- 11th British Legion Two Minutes Silence 11.00am
Reading Room, Kingston
- 12th RHS AGM WI Hall 7.30pm Speaker
- 15th Christmas Bazaar - Bigbury Court 10.30am
- 18th Parish Council Meeting 7.00pm WI Hall
- 22nd Coffee Morning in Parish Room 10.30am
- 24th Children's Books Sale Well Cottage 10 - 12pm
- 29th Christmas Bazaar-Kingston Read Room 10.30am

DEADLINE Mon 24th Nov

Mobile Library

November

Dates: 14th & 28th

Ringmore Church

12.10 - 12.40

Chalborough

12.45 - 12.55

St Ann's Chapel

3.10 - 3.25

Kingston Fire Station

3.45 - 4.35

Rainfall

26th Sep - 27th Oct

3 1/2"

Fiona Batten

Ave Oct for last 10 years - 2 1/2"
High - Sep 1989 - 4 1/2"
Low - Sep 1996 - 1"

AT THE ELEVENTH HOUR ON THE ELEVENTH DAY



Two minutes silence

The British Legion Standard will be at
The Reading Room
Kingston

Parish Church of All Hallows, Ringmore



November, 1997

I may be getting things wrong, but it does seem as if there is to be a determined and sustained attack on our wallets and purses this month, with two "Christmas Bazaars" (Christmas seems to get earlier each year!) and a fund-raising Coffee Morning. But, as they are distributed over three successive Saturdays, and are in each of our three villages in turn, I suppose it's not too bad. Bags I first place at the cashpoint machine!

Please note that, because Remembrance Sunday is this year in Kingston, the "usual order of Services" (joke over!) is reversed on the 9th and 16th. I've put the changes in bold type to help you not to miss them.

On November 30 (Advent Sunday) the quarterly Team Service, this time in Kingston, is Something Very Special. Come and join us as we together give thanks to God for the Diamond Wedding of George and Nancy Grimshaw. You don't get one of these every month!

Here's the November diary:

November 2	9 a.m.	Kingston	Holy Communion, ASB
	11 a.m.	Ringmore	Worship at Eleven
	6 p.m.	Bigbury	Evening Prayer, BCP
November 9 Remembrance Sunday	9 a.m.	Bigbury	Holy Communion, BCP
	10.50 a.m.	Kingston	Remembrance Sunday Service
	6 p.m.	Ringmore	Evening Prayer, BCP
November 15 <i>(Saturday)</i>	10.30 a.m.	Bigbury Church Christmas Bazaar in Bigbury Court Barn	
November 16	9 a.m.	Ringmore	Holy Communion, ASB
	11 a.m.	Bigbury	Worship at Eleven
	6 p.m.	Kingston	Evening Prayer, ASB
November 22 <i>(Saturday)</i>	10.30 a.m.?	Coffee Morning in the Parish Room (a.k.a. Church Hall), Ringmore, to raise funds for refurbishing.	
November 23	9 a.m.	Ringmore	Holy Communion, BCP
	11 a.m.	Bigbury	Communion at Eleven
	6 p.m.	Kingston	Evening Prayer, ASB
November 29 <i>(Saturday)</i>	10.30 a.m.	Kingston Church Christmas Bazaar in the Reading Room	
November 30	11 a.m.	Kingston	"A Diamond is Forever" (Joint Team Service of the Modbury Team Ministry)

Journey's End Journal

Cross your fingers for a dry and calm evening on 8th November for the firework display. The bonfire will be lit at 7.00pm and the fireworks will begin at 7.30pm. There will be a bar and barbecue providing refreshments. Many thanks to the Ringmore Playgroup for making the Guy. He is sitting in the bar at the moment and for 20p you can guess his name and have the chance of winning a bottle of wine.

The RBL Auction takes place on Friday 7th November and as the pub is usually busy that night, we suggest you book early if you are planning to eat.

We are arranging a wine tasting and dinner on Friday 5th December. As numbers need to be limited, please let us know if you are interested.

November Diary	6th	Terry's Quiz
	7th	RBL Auction 8.00pm
	8th	Bonfire Night 7.00pm
	13th	Tabitha's Quiz
	20th	Colin's Quiz
	27th	Tony's Quiz
	28th	Live Music - GIN



WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

Meeting Thursday 9th October

1 The date for the Christmas party is confirmed for Saturday 20th December at 7.30pm for 8.00pm in the WI Hall. Entertainment will be provided by a local comedian; food will be provided by the members and wine will be available. Sue Muller and Jenny Jackson are organising the catering and members will be asked to provide a variety of party dishes for the evening.

2 Sue Muller is collecting subscriptions of £10.56, for Home and County, for the year in November.

3 Myra is collecting 1998 subscriptions of £13.75

4 An information pack is available for new members.

5 Ringmore WI are grateful to Adrian Muller for installing the new garden steps.

Hilary Firminger gave a very interesting talk for the rest of the evening on how she started her small business of glass working. Hilary passed around a number of samples of different coloured glass such as ripple glass, water glass, English muffle glass and she demonstrated how to make an ornamental butterfly from the glass and copper foil. The evening concluded with a sale of the glass angels, coasters, apples and hearts she had brought along which she usually sells at craft fairs and shops. Finally, we had a closer examination of the specially designed glasswork she has recently completed such as the stained glass bird windows at Mothecombe House.

Next Meeting

Thursday 13th November 7.30pm (AGM)

Please attend the AGM in November when Irene Hill will be present as VCO and the new committee will be elected for 1998. Wine and cheese will follow the meeting.

Yvonne Sheppard



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Mon - Sat 11.30am - 3.00pm & 6.00pm - 11.00pm

Sun Noon - 10.30pm

Last time for ordering food
Lunch 2.00pm Dinner 9.00pm

TEN YEARS AGO . . .

A spate of burglaries prompted advice from the local constabulary to photograph antiques against a ruler and to note the serial number of electrical goods.

Nothing changes - there is more advice from Neighbourhood Watch this month

The Parish Council expressed strong opposition to the development of the orchard opposite the Church Hall.

The last two lines of a poem from Reg Trant:
'And the peace of a tourist-empty Aymer Envelops me.'

And so say all of us!

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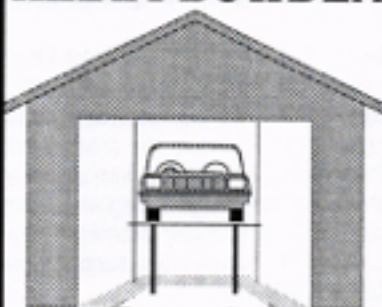
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RINGMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting: Tuesday 21st October 1997 Present 6 Councillors and 3 members of the public. Apologies were received from Mrs. Thelma Mann

Parking Crossways

The thoughtlessly painted parking lines which effectively blocked access to the Crossway residents' parking spaces have been removed. It is not anticipated that the parking spaces by the telephone box will be altered.

Overhanging dead trees on Smugglers Path

This matter is under investigation by the Parish Council Tree Warden.

Cliff Path

Residents of properties served by the unmade road have become increasingly concerned about its rough state. It is understood that responsibility lies with the National Trust to which an approach in this respect has been made.

Parking in the Village

A report was received of an unidentified car blocking access for service vehicles. Everyone who drives a vehicle, including visitors, can help by ensuring that they are sensibly parked.

Village Appraisal

Two relevant items were raised.

The Church Hall

This has now been renamed Ringmore Parish Room. The Management Committee is making strenuous attempts to raise funds to enable a modernisation programme to take place thus making this a facility for a wide range of village events. The Parish Council supports this action.

Traffic

The nuisance caused by vehicles passing through the village i.e. size, volume and speed, was discussed. It was agreed that a meeting would be arranged with a representative of the Devon County Council Highways Department to see if anything could be done to improve matters.

Planning

An application has been made by Mr & Mrs Sheppard for the erection of a single storey bathroom and lobby at Three Ways, Ringmore. The Parish Council had no objection.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 18th November at 7.00pm.

Adrian Muller

Enigma

October

Solution

Guess who won this month? No, it was The Furry Boys! Why? Because no one else entered. Their solution correctly identified the answers as anagrams of nationalities. ABLE GIN was another possibility which is BELGIAN but it can also be BENGALI ... confusing!

HAD SIN	-	DANISH
INCH ALE	-	CHILEAN
SHIN LEG	-	ENGLISH
SEAL MET	-	MALTESE
SASH PIN	-	SPANISH
ANGER AIL	-	ALGERIAN

October

Each line automatically creates the line which follows. Once you have fathomed the rule, complete the final line.

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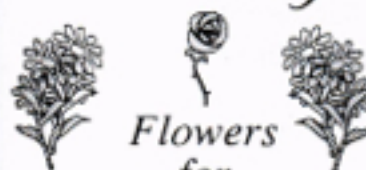


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The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 1997

This is the time of the year when once again I appeal for your help in aid of the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. This annual appeal is the main source of income for the RBL to enable them to carry on with their work of helping ex-service men and women and their dependents. The major part of the RBL membership is made up of veterans from World War II who are now in their 70's and many of these, after years of helping others, are now in need of help themselves.

We, in our three parishes, have always responded in the most positive fashion. For every one of the 13 years I have been privileged to be Poppy Appeal Organiser, we have surpassed the previous year's total. Last year we collected no less than £2561 for the Poppy Appeal. This equates to over £1.80p for every man, woman and child in our parishes and compares more than favourably with a national average of about 30p per person. This year's target seems pretty daunting but I'm sure we will give it a good fright!

ONCE AGAIN WE ASK FOR YOUR WONDERFUL SUPPORT

following the favourable response to the re-introduction of the Two Minute 'Pause to Remember' at 11 o'clock on 11th November last year, it is hoped to make it an annual event. This year many Legion members will be gathering with our standard at the Tuesday Market in the Reading Room, Kingston for the 11-11-11 silence.

As in past years, we are running the following fund-raising events - Please watch for posters nearer the dates.
Guy Eddy, Poppy Appeal Organiser

27th October - 8th November House to House Collection

Friday 7th November
Journey's End Inn
Auction of Memorabilia
8.00pm

Wanted
Items for the Auction
and
Buyers on the night

Saturday 8th November
Coffee Morning
Mrs Joan Smith's
Sedgewell Sands
Bigbury on Sea

Cake Stall
Produce Stall
Bring and Buy Stall
Raffles for good prizes

Sunday 9th November
**Remembrance
Service**

Kingston Church

10.50am

Monday 10th November
Whist Drive

WI Hall Ringmore

7.30pm for 7.45pm
Prizes
Raffles

Royal British Legion Bigbury, Ringmore & Kingston Branch Chairman's Report, 1st October 1997

Since our AGM last year, we have had 9 branch meetings with attendances ranging eight to twenty one. At the conclusion of our meetings, we have been entertained by members from within our branch who have spoken on a variety of subjects which proved both amusing and interesting.

As we all know, the main object of the RBL is to raise money for the Poppy Appeal and last year the sum raised was £2,561 which is a new record for our branch. This record could not have been achieved without all the hard work by Guy Eddy, our Poppy Appeal Organiser, ably assisted by his team of collectors. Apart from the door-to-door collections, we held our annual Whist Drive in the WI Hall and our usual auction at the Journey's End, by kind permission of the landlord; the Coffee Morning was held at Sedgewell Sands, hosted by Joan and Jack Smith. Sadly, Jack passed away last Christmas Day. It should be mentioned that Jim Isaacs, in spite of his many health problems, personally ran a raffle for a bottle of Scotch. A goodly sum was raised at the Remembrance Sunday Service, thanks to the generosity of the congregation. The Women's Section of the RBL, plus many other Ladies, did sterling work at the Coffee Morning and Whist Drive - 'Thank You' Ladies. During January our Social Secretary, Pat Kingdom, arranged a social evening at the Kingsbridge Club which proved very successful - 'Thank You' Pat. A number of us attended all three Torbay Group Meetings of which two were held in Dartmouth and one in Kingsbridge. Apart from the Poppy Appeal proceeds, a number of donations were made from the Branch to related charities.

On 27th April our Standard Bearer and I attended the Exercise Tiger Memorial Service at Slapton and I laid a wreath on behalf of the branch.

A very important event of the last year was the laying up of the Bigbury and Ringmore Standard and the dedication of the Bigbury, Ringmore and Kingston standard. The ceremony went extremely smoothly and efficiently thanks mainly to our Hon. Parade Marshall, Guy Eddy and, as usual, our Standard Bearer, Brian McCabe handled his side to perfection. Our Hon Chaplin, the Revd. Derek Matten conducted the Service with great dignity and feeling. After the Dedication, the Buffet Lunch at the Bigbury Memorial Hall was a huge success and thanks must go to Tony Walters and his team of loyal workers who made the arrangements.

David Young, Chairman

Many of you will have known Jim Isaacs, mentioned in this report, who died earlier this month after a long period of ill health. Among other things, he was the 'Bigbury Historian'.

The Church Hall

Ringmore is fortunate in that is endowed with two halls for the use of the village. However, the Church Hall has been suffering, not so much from neglect but more a gentle decline. Therefore, some months ago, Derek Matten telephoned me to invite me to help the Parochial Church Council to form a committee which would look into ways of raising money for much needed renovation work. Yvonne Sheppard volunteered together with Michael, John and Jackie Tagent, Ella Dodds and Gordon Allan.

Money or the lack of it was our first concern. The Lottery Fund seem to have quite a lot of it and is prepared to give some of it away to deserving causes. However, they won't give money to religious groups or organisations so, for the purposes of our application we had to re-name the hall. Given the tradition of the hall and its history, this was a potential mine field. Therefore the name 'Ringmore Parish Room' metamorphosed as being the most suitable. I must stress that the name is purely for the grant application and for no other purpose.

However, we cannot rely on the Lottery alone and some good old-fashioned fund raising is required. To that end, we are having a Coffee Morning and a Christmas Concert, with other events to follow. The work we hope to tackle will include alterations to the hall to facilitate Short Mat Bowls and the enclosing of the toilets into the main building. The hall is to be heated and the wiring upgraded. We also realised that the hall probably does not comply with safety regulations, e.g. the provision of fire extinguishers and Exit signs: these will have to be paid for. Running repairs such a damp, redecoration, pointing and so on, will also be tackled.

We need all the support we can get so please come along to the advertised events and support us!

Andrew Ireland

BONFIRE

SATURDAY
8th November
Firelighting 7.00pm
Fireworks 7.30pm

REFRESHMENTS
Mulled Wine
Beer - Soft Drinks
Barbecue



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TWO EVENTS IN THE PARISH ROOM

(Formerly Ringmore Church Hall)

Saturday 22nd November at 10.30 a.m.

COFFEE MORNING

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Friday 5th December at 7.30 p.m.

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Honey Pots at Ayrmer Cove

Gale's Honey is supporting the National Trust in the creation of a hay meadow at Ayrmer Cove. This is part of a £40,000 national sponsorship with the trust to restore eight sites around the country to wildflower meadows.

First steps have been taken by stopping the use of fertilisers and sprays on the land and by restoring hedge banks. The next phase is to restore stone walls and to start monitoring the wildlife benefits. Visitors to the area should soon begin to see the return of wild flowers, butterflies and bees as the regeneration takes hold.

The money provided by the sponsorship from Gale's Honey will help much needed restoration and management of the site and will, in addition, help to protect the wild honey bee. One hundred years ago 495 different species of bees and stinging wasps were recorded; today more than 50% of these are in decline and 18 have already disappeared.

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Christmas Red House Children's Books

Well Cottage

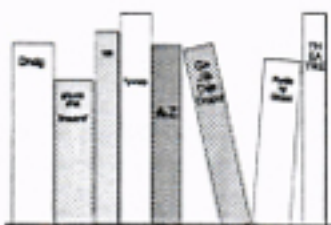
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Barbara Taylor

Ringmore Historical Society

Annual General Meeting
WI Hall

Wednesday 12th November
7.30pm

After the business of the meeting
has been concluded there will be a
talk by

Mr Keith Dockray

from the
University of the West of England
'Did Richard III murder
the Princes in the Tower?'

Admission: 30p for members 60p for guests
which will include refreshments

RECIPE

Ann Bracey has kindly sent in a recipe. It is for an ice cream which will store for several months in the freezer.

Christmas Ice Cream

- 2½ rounded tablespoons of raisins
(prepare these the night before)
- 3 tablespoons of brandy
- 2 rounded tablespoons glacé cherries
- 1½ rounded tablespoons flaked almonds
- ½ pint of double cream
- 3oz sifted icing sugar
- ½ teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 4 egg whites

Wash the raisins in hot water to remove oily coating. Soak overnight in brandy.

Finely chop the glacé cherries.

Whip the egg whites in a large bowl until stiff but not grainy.

Whip cream lightly in a large bowl, until it is just holding its shape.

Whisk in sugar and vanilla, lightly.

Fold 2 tablespoons of cream into the egg white then lightly fold the meringue into the cream, one third at a time.

Fold in fruit, nuts and brandy. Spoon into a freezer box and freeze.

Thanks Ann. Next month there will be another ice cream recipe using the egg yolks.

Conservative Association

South West Devon Constituency

Bigbury Ringmore & Kingston Branch

A Supper Dance

will be held at the Memorial Hall, St Ann's Chapel on Friday 5th December from 7.30pm until 11.30pm.

Punch will be served on arrival

Dancing to Len Jackson and his Electric Organ

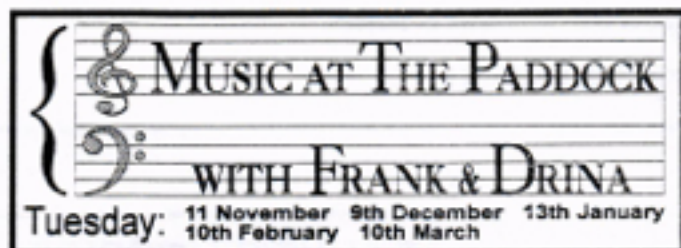
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Tuesday: 11 November 9th December 13th January
10th February 10th March

SPANNA

The SPANA Coffee Morning at The Manor House raised over £200. Many thanks to all who helped and supported this worthwhile cause.

Meribah Stark

SCOUTSABOUT

Plenty of biking and hiking has been the order of the day for the 1st Modbury Scout Group lately! The Beavers hiked their way down Runaway Lane which was matched by the Sea Scouts hiking to Southleigh Caravan Site. Whilst on their weekend camp with the Venture Unit at Shilston, the Sea Scouts increased their complement. Five Cubs moved into the older age range after being invested in the swimming pool, bringing numbers up to the thirty mark. This was followed by a bike ride of some 14 miles at Colypool... there were many tired legs! The boys then joined the 3rd Ivybridge Scout Group on the local air waves as scouting radio hams broadcast messages to one another. Some were then offered their very first opportunity of surfing the Internet - very appropriate for a Sea Scout!

Meanwhile, great strides are regularly being made by each section of the Scout Group with badge work. The sheer breadth of activities undertaken, successfully by boys (and girls) places a tremendous strain on those who have to provide the various badges - they can hardly ever keep up!

Congratulations are also due to the three Leaders, Liz Murrell and Lynne Barnes - Cubs and Lance Doswell - Sea Scouts who have completed their Leadership training. After stalwart efforts over what is now a five-year period, Clive Pearson, District Commissioner, presented all three with their 'Wood Beads' in recognition of their achievement. Well done!

None of the above would be possible without the goodwill and support from the local community, especially in the area of funding. So, thank you - and keep the supply of newspapers and magazines coming.

The long-awaited November fundraising event is nearly upon us. If you have not already done so, there is still a good chance that you will be able to buy a ticket for ROCKWOOD if you're quick about it! **The Rockwood Dance is in the Modbury Memorial Hall on Saturday 8th November at 8.00pm**

Should cakes be more your thing, then make sure you avoid disappointment by being prompt for the Cake Stall at 10.00am at 6 Poundwell Street on 13th December. With your continuing help you can be assured that in the future there will continue to be SCOUTSABOUT!

Remembrance Sunday Church Parade

Please be there in full uniform for this special Church Service.

Sunday 9th November

Meet at 10.00am at Palm Cross Green

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