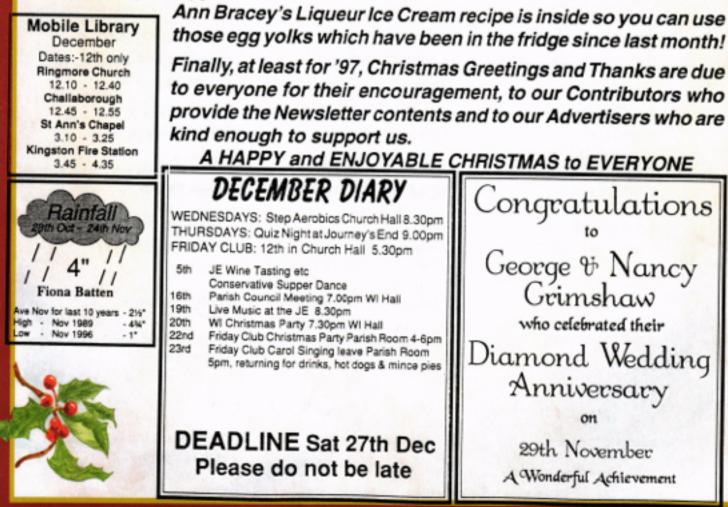


So we didn't have a Bonfire this year. The weather on the 8th was not conducive to alfresco merry-making. Of course it was disappointing and no less so for those making the decision. If we are spared, there will be next year.

A new group has been formed at the surgery in Modbury called 'Modbury Caring'. Once again The Royal British Legion has broken its fund-raising record or rather 'we' did! There will be much going on at the Journey's End this month. Details of all these topics appear inside.



Parish Church of All Sallows, Ringmore



December, 1997

With a plethora of clipart images for Christmas available, the writer of a Church page for December is spoilt for choice. When, however, Advent is still over a week off as he writes, he's not yet in the Christmas mood. So let's just take the advice above, shall we? Our Christmas leaflet should appear with this Newsletter; in any case, you can always get one when you come to church – before the rush! Here are the less hurried dates, and a summary of the Christmas and New Year services:

December 7	9 a.m.	Kingston	Holy Communion, ASB
	11 a.m.	Ringmore	Worship at Eleven
	6 p.m.	Bigbury	Evening Prayer, BCP
December 14	9 a.m.	Ringmore	Holy Communion, ASB
	11 a.m.	Bigbury	Worship at Eleven
	6 p.m.	Kingston	Evening Prayer, ASB
December 18 (Thursday)	7.30 p.m.	Kingston	Carol Service
December 21	9 a.m.	Kingston	Holy Communion, ASB
	11 a.m.	Bigbury	Carol Service and Lunch
	6 p.m.	Ringmore	Carol Service
December 24	4 p.m.	Bigbury	Carols round the Crib
Christmas Eve	11.30 p.m.	Kingston	Midnight Communion
December 25	9 a.m.	Ringmore	Holy Communion
Christmas Day	10.30 a.m.	Kingston	Christmas Family Service
December 28	9 a.m.	NO SERVICE	
Detemote 20	11 a.m.	Bigbury	Communion at Eleven
	6 p.m.	NO SERVICE	
December 31	11.30 p.m.	Kingston	Watchnight Service
January 4, 1998	9 a.m.	Kingston	Holy Communion, BCP
and any if the	11 a.m.	Ringmore	Worship at Eleven
	6 p.m.	Bigbury	Evening Prayer, BCP

The Revd. Derek Matten, Hon Team Vicar The Church House, Ringmore Tel: (01548) 810565

Journey's End Journal

From 1st to 23rd December we are offering a three-course Christmas Lunch or Dinner for those who wish to make up a small party. The cost of the meal will be £7.95 and a copy of the menu is available at the bar.

Our Christmas programme begins on 19th December with live music by a group, new to Ringmore, called ONYX. We hope you will enjoy the evening. The Christmas Draw is on Sunday 21st at about 2.30pm. On Christmas Eve there will be a chance to sing Carols, eat mince pies and drink mulled wine. On the morning of Christmas Day we are open from 12.00 to 2.00pm and we hope to see you all for a drink. On Boxing Day evening, Terry has offered to compile a guiz for our amusement.

Our New Year's Eve Dinner is nearly fully booked; whether dining or not, do join us to see in 1998.

In January we are planning a Scrabble Contest, a Table Tennis afternoon and a Burn's Night Dinner.

Diary	dates:		
5th	Wine Tasting & Dinner		7.00pm
19th	Live Music - ONYX		8.30pm
21st	Christmas Draw		2.30pm
24th	Carols & Mince Pies		9.30pm
25th	Open Lunchtime only		12.00 - 2.00pm
31st	New Year's Eve Dinner		
Quiz			
4th	John Bracey	9.00pr	n
11th	Denis Collinson	9.00pm	
18th	John Freeman	9.00pm	
26th	Terry	9.00pr	n

Welcome . . somewhat belatedly

but no less warmly to Pat and Barry Old, who have moved from York to live in End House in Cockle lane Those who have met them already will have acquainted them with the pleasures of life in Ringmore.



WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

Annual General Meeting

The annual reports by the secretary, treasurer and president were read and accepted by the members and the new committee confirmed. The 1998 programme is available from Myra on payment of the year's £13.75p subscription. The 1997 charity, the Children's Hospice South West, will continue to be supported as Ringmore's selected charity in 1998. Current membership of Ringmore WI is 28.

Margaret Wood read out 10 of the 83 resolutions which Ringmore will support in 1998.

Irene Hill, Vice Chairman, gave a very interesting slide show on Denman College in Oxfordshire where WI members can enjoy a number of activities including bookbinding, weaving, bird watching, croquet and orienteering. A full programme of courses is available from the secretary and course vacancies can be found in Home & Country. The course cost is £150 - £200 and Mrs Hill suggested an annual bursary might be set up to cover the cost to support members who wished to attend.

Christmas Party

The Christmas Party will be held on Saturday 20th December in Ringmore WI Hall, starting at 7.30pm. Jenny Jackson and Sue Muller would like 50p from each member to purchase Christmas decorations, before the party, if possible. The finger buffet will be provided by members and Jenny and Sue will finalise these arrangements. The first glass of wine is free but donations are requested for additional drinks.

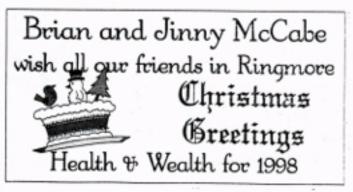
The evening will include an entertainment by a local comedian and is open to all members and their guests. Please come and enjoy the party and support the entertainer.

Yvonne Sheppard

4 egg yolks 4oz sifted icing sugar 1/2pt double cream

Liqueur Ice Cream Put egg yolks and sugar into a large bowl and whisk until it is very pale and thick (5 minutes with an electric whisk). Whip 4 tblsps liqueur or spirit the cream lightly until it begins to thicken. Add the liqueur and continue whipping until it is beginning to hold its shape.

Fold lightly into the egg mixture until well blended. Spoon into a 1 litre (1¾ pints in old money) plastic food box. Freeze until firm.



Tel 01548 810205 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

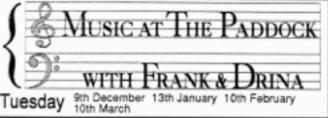
TEN YEARS AGO

The WI was reported near to folding as there was reluctance to stand for office and a tugof-war over afternoon or evening meetings.

Reparations were made to the Coastal Path from Challaborough towards Ringmore.

Arthur, with his wife Doreen Drowley began what was to be the last full-time ministry as Rector of Ringmore

Last month a poem by RJT was wrongly attributed to Reg Trant. Mea culpa. RT was and still is , Rosemary Tate. Sorry, Rosemary! Sorry Reg!





The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 1997

The Poppy Appeal is over and the anxious wait whilst the young ladies of Lloyds Bank, Modbury count the 21 collecting boxes, is also over. I am able to report that we have again



shattered the previous year's record total. No less than £3443.34p has been collected from various sources, the breakdown of which is as follows.

This year the Appeal got off to a flying start because of Mrs Susan Freeman who, although she now lives in Loddiswell, is

still a Ringmore person at heart. She offered to donate the proceeds from a Bingo Night at Loddiswell on Friday 24th October to our Appeal. This was wonderful news and at the end of the evening, the Appeal was on the way with £300 in the kitty.

On Friday 7th November we held the annual Auction at the Journey's End Inn by kind permission of James and Gillian Parkin. Rob Batten started business at 8.00pm and by 10.45pm he had charmed £1,590 out of the very responsive buyers. Rob was assisted by Alistair Rimmer doing the bookkeeping and David Young, Colin Jackson and Brian McCabe doing the humping and heaving. Our grateful thanks to them all and also to the providers of all the goods and pledges that went to make the evening such a success. Meanwhile my wife, Myra, was selling tickets for the whisky raffle, which realised £116.

On Saturday morning, 8th November, a coffee morning was held at Sedgewell Sands, Bigbury-on-Sea, by kind permission of Mrs Joan Smith. She wished it to carry on as a tribute to her late husband, Jack, who sadly died on last Christmas Day. Another of the stalwarts, Jim Isaacs, has also died recently and the whisky raffle, which he always provided, was run in his memory. A successful morning realised £285 towards the Appeal, thanks to a lot of hard work by the members.

The Remembrance Service was held on Sunday 9th November at 10.50am at Kingston Church. A well-attended service was conducted by the Revd Derek Matten, who in his address, spoke of the need of working for peace and understanding. On the completion of a splendid service, wreaths were laid at the Memorial. A further £185 was added to the Appeal.

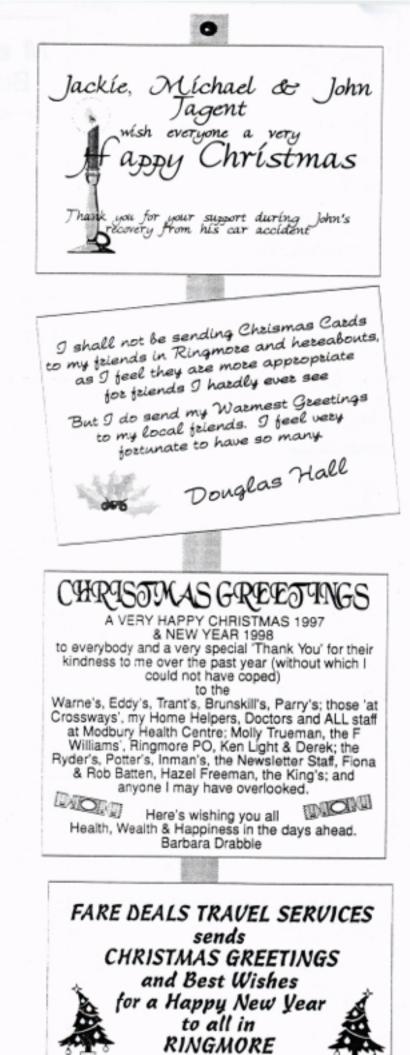
The final function of this year's Appeal was a whist drive held at the WI Hall, Ringmore on Monday 10th November. An enjoyable evening was organised and run by the Women's Branch and a further £75 was raised for the Appeal.

Meanwhile, during the period 27th October to 8th November, house-to-house collections had taken place. For once the collectors had some fine weather during the first week for their rounds, which may have helped their success. They, together with boxes in shops, clubs and pubs, realised a record £912.

Once again, you have ensured that the Royal British Legion's annual Poppy Appeal has been met with an outstanding response from our three Parishes.

THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN FOR YOUR WONDERFUL SUPPORT

> Guy Eddy Poppy Appeal Organiser





RINGMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting: Tuesday 18th November 1997 Present 4 Councillors and 2 members of the public.

Trees in Conservation Area

Residents are reminded that there is a preservation order on ALL trees within a conservation area. Any tree removed without consent can incur a fine of up to £20,000.

Newsletter

The role of co-editor of the newsletter is still available. Any offers? If you think you could take on the job or require any further information, please contact either Rob Batten on 810680 or Geof Dykes on 810123.

Village Appraisal

Contrary to last month's editorial, the Parish Council has already discussed, made decisions and acted upon sections of the Parish Appraisal. For example:

 the possible amalgamation of both parts of Challaborough into Ringmore Parish. At present, the stream, which acts as a boundary, divides Challaborough into two, with one side in Ringmore Parish and the other in Bigbury Parish.

2) the council gave its full approval to the Parish Room project.

 Mr Paul Marshall, from Devon County Highways Department, will be attending the Parish Council on 20th January, to discuss the traffic problem in the village.

Emergency Reference Number

If, at any time, you need to telephone the Emergency Services, e.g. Air Ambulance, they are often miles away and have no idea where you live. However, they do carry Ordnance Survey maps with them and can pinpoint your exact location if you give them the OS Reference Number. Please try to keep this number next to your telephone so that you can quote it in a hurry. For instance, the reference number for the Church in Ringmore is SX 653 459 and for the Boathouse at Challaborough, SX 648 450 (both on OS Map Sheet SX64). Your reference number will vary just a little from the above, depending on where you live in the Parish. If you haven't a map or have difficulty in sorting out your reference, the members of the council are willing to help you.

Village Shop and Post Office

The subject of the possible imminent closure of the Shop and Post Office was mentioned at the end of the meeting. It will be on the agenda for next month with a view to opening a discussion at a future meeting, if necessary. Residents are invited to come to the December meeting to share their ideas and opinions.

Dog Fouling

A plea to all dog owners. Please ensure that you clean up after your dog if it happens to foul any and all footpaths, road verges, and beaches where people are likely to walk.

Next Meeting

Tuesday 16th December at 7.00pm

Theima Mann

Modbury Caring

'Modbury Caring' is a patient participation group whose aim is to help 'you' in our community with combined health and transport needs.

If you are unable to get to the health centre or hospital for an appointment or just need a prescription delivered because you have no access to any private transport, and let's face it, the buses are limited and in some areas conspicuous by their absence, then we at 'Modbury Caring' are here to help you.

To enable us to provide this service we need volunteer drivers. Yes, you folks out there who have cars and an hour or two to spare, once a week or just occasionally when required, to help those who are not as fortunate. Your costs will be reimbursed at the rate of 35p per mile; so come on, give us the use of you and your car. Remember, one day you could need us!

Call our co-ordinator, Jean Flockhart on 01548 830666 or call at the Health Centre for a volunteer driver's questionnaire.



The Furry Boys enlisted help but there is no limit to the size of a team. Yogsothoth did it himself. I know that is true, he told me so!

The answer is:



Numerically, it describes the previous line - one three, two ones, one three etc. Last test of the year - give yourself a Christmas Treat and send in the answer.

December

What do the following words have in common?

MANY RAIN GLAND WAIT WAY RATES MANIA MARK ALES KEY

NEIGHBOURHOOD

Co-ordinators (Tel. Nos begin 810)

David Young	389
Stan Brunskill	654
Rob Batten	686
Anthony Chell	547
Ken Dann	638
Anne Lambell Peter Major Thelma Mann Brian McCabe Pat & Barry Old Mike Pitt Frank Ricketts Tracy Rimmer Barbara Taylor Frank Williams	5309 7273 5359 5359 5556 5556 5621

'Thanks' are due to Mike Pitt and to Pat & Barry Old who have agreed to have their names added to the list of co-ordinators.



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FROM DANE, HILARY, JENNIFER and FAMILY

(Opp: Pickwick Inn)

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> CHRISTMAS DAY 10.00am - 12.00 Noon We invite you to join us to celebrate our first year at Holywell Stores

BOXING DAY 10.00am - 2.00pm Just give us a ring if you are in need of urgent supplies when we are closed and we will try to help you out

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RINGMORE PARISH ROOM COFFEE MORNING

Thank you everyone who helped and supported the coffee morning on Saturday 22nd November. The event raised over £200 which is being spent on new convector heaters so that the room can be used with more comfort in the winter.

RPR Committee

An Evening of Entertainment

The evening planned for 5th December has been postponed until next year to avoid clashing with the winetasting at the Journey's End and also the Conservative dinner/ dance.

Details will be announced in due course. Michael Tagent

Village Bonfire

It was disappointing that the fireworks had to be cancelled. Alan and Yogi are in favour of keeping them for next year, when we can have a really spectacular display. However, as so many have contributed to the purchase of the fireworks, anyone who can think of a suitable occasion and venue for a display before then, is welcome to arrange it.

Thanks are due to Norman, Alan and Yogi for all their help in preparing for the evening and to all who contributed to the fund. James Parkin

SCOUTSABOUT

Many thanks to all who supported the Rockwood dance. It was a very successful evening. It's been a busy time for the Modbury Scout Group. The Beetledrive was once again great fun and raised £59. This was closely followed by the Car Boot Sale which raised a grand total of £70. Don't forget this month's now famous cake stall which will be at 6 Poundwell Street on Saturday 13th December from 10.00am.

Finally, Modbury Scout Group wishes you all a very Happy Christmas: don't forget to save those newspapers for the new year.