

RINGMORE

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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DEADLINE Friday 23rd

THIS MONTH

MONDAYS: Short Mat Bowls Parish Room 7.30pm

TUESDAYS: Table Tennis Parish Room 7.30pm

WEDNESDAYS: Step Aerobics Parish Room 8.30pm

THURSDAYS: Quiz Night at Journey's End 9.00pm

- 3rd Chinese New Year at the JE
- 7th RBL Meeting The Dolphin, Kingston 7.30pm
- 10th RHS History for All, Parish Room 10.30pm
- 12th WI Whist Drive WI Hall 7.30pm
- 14th Romantic Valentine's Dinner at the JE
- 16th Ps and Qs in the Parish Room 7.30pm
- 20th Parish Council Meeting, WI Hall 7.00pm
- 27th Shrove Tuesday 10.30am, Parish Room
- 28th RHS National Trust in Devon, WI Hall 7.30pm

Mobile Library

Friday:- 2nd & 16th

Ringmore Church

12.05 - 12.30

Challaborough

12.35 - 12.45

St Ann's Chapel

3.15 - 3.30

Kingston Fire Station

3.45 - 4.30

Rainfall - Fiona Batten



Last Month $7\frac{1}{2}$ "

Average - last 10 years - 4"
High - 1996 - 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Low - 1993 & 97 - 1"

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The Editor

Ringmore Parish Newsletter,

Ringmore Vean, Ringmore, TQ7 4HL

or put them in the letter box in the garage door

Thank You

To say I was overwhelmed by the level of support I have received is the understatement of the year and 'Thank You' seems quite inadequate. But that is said most sincerely to all the many, many friends who have sent messages, gifts, offers of help and enquiries. You will never know what a great boost it was to my morale and it gave me a greater determination to fight and get better. I am delighted to report that so far the news is good and treatment is continuing.

Jenny Vanstone

As many of you will know, Sir Douglas Hall fell and damaged his pelvis last month. The latest news is that he is making steady progress although he is still in hospital. There is a note from Jenny Vanstone of Holywell Stores, who is in good heart.

February has the makings of a very busy month - people to see and places to be.

The Women's Institute, the Parish Room, the Historical Society, the Inter-Parish Quiz Team, the Journey's End and the Church are, among others, all battling for your attention.

The Inter-Parish Quiz Team takes on Newton Ferrers & Noss Mayo (why do we have to play two teams, I hear you ask) on Tuesday 13th at 8.00pm in the Journey's End. Please support your team; let us capitalise on our home advantage.

Still on the quiz theme - the Parish Room is fundraising with a Ps & Qs evening (Pasties and Questions). It's a fun way of raising much needed funds and your help is needed to help meet the running costs of the hall. It will not be as demanding as last time but some of the questions will make you think, eg. What nationality was the 16th century scientist who said that the earth went round the sun? . . . the fool!

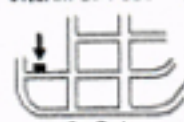
The Historical Society has a History morning on 10th in the Parish Room - Fun for all the Family. Come dressed as 'the poor of the parish'. Also, please bring photographs of your house and yourselves so that they can be scanned into the Millennium Album. On 28 the RHS has a talk in the WI Hall on the National Trust Properties in Devon.

The WI continues raising money to help pay for the alterations to the facilities and the access to the Hall. The next activity is the Whist Drive. There is always room for a few more so if you know your Ace of Spades from your Two of Diamonds why not come along? There is always plenty of refreshments.

Finally, Fostering is in the news at the moment. DCC Social Services is looking for support and if you think you would like to be involved in this important aspect of our society, you can obtain information from Glynis Webber on 01803 869300

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A number of people have been asking "What's happening about Derek's successor?" The position is termed a "House for Duty" post; that is to say, the diocese provides accommodation and a small honorarium for a clergyman willing to work on a part-time basis. It is not easy to find people willing to undertake this sort of work, and our efforts through advertising and contact with organisations placing clergy have so far been in vain. We have done a fresh round of advertisements and await the outcome. We would value your prayers for a suitable person to come as minister here. In the meantime, the Revd Michael Wilkinson and I will be helping out, as will the churchwardens, with the Revd Canon Bob Campbell-Smith being more closely involved in his capacity as Team Rector.

Meanwhile, church life does not stop. The regular Sunday services are being maintained, as the diary shows. The Team Council meets this month with an agenda which includes a look at the new *Common Worship* book and how we might use it here. *Common Worship* replaces the *Alternative Services Book* which has been used for a number of years, but does not affect the *Book of Common Prayer* which continues unchanged. Also on the agenda is consideration of ways in which the gifts in one church might be used to meet the needs in another. Another item under discussion is the Church's "Mission Statement". It may seem odd defining one's purpose after being in business for centuries ("Haven't you found out yet?") However, it is good from time to time to review what the Church is here for, and what we should be doing to fulfil that purpose (for every Church member has a part to play).

Tuesday February 27 is Shrove Tuesday, and we shall hold our annual coffee morning in the Parish Room, starting at 10.30 a.m. This year, the proceeds will go towards roof and drainage repairs at the church – the first phase in our programme of repair and renovation. The following day is Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent. As a change, the customary Holy Communion service (this year in Kingston) will be at 9 a.m., rather than in the evening. This avoids people turning out on a dark evening, and hopefully will enable others to come before leaving for work. Lent is a time of preparation for Easter and of thinking about where we stand before God. There will be a weekly meeting in Kingston Church on Wednesday evenings during Lent, with the theme "Growing in Worship", and details will be given out during the month. These meetings will replace the normal Home Group.

Michael Tagent
Challaborough Cottage, Ringmore (810520)

CHURCH SERVICES IN FEBRUARY

(Book of Common Prayer services marked *.)

Sunday February 4

9 a.m.	Kingston	Holy Communion & Children's Church
11 a.m.	Ringmore	Worship at Eleven
6 p.m.	Bigbury	Evening Prayer*

Sunday February 11

9 a.m.	Ringmore	Holy Communion
11 a.m.	Bigbury	Worship at Eleven
6 p.m.	Kingston	Evening Prayer*

Sunday February 18

9 a.m.	Bigbury	Holy Communion*
11 a.m.	Kingston	Worship at Eleven
6 p.m.	Ringmore	Evening Prayer*

Sunday February 25

9 a.m.	Ringmore	Holy Communion*
11 a.m.	Bigbury	Communion at Eleven
6 p.m.	Kingston	Evening Prayer

Wednesday February 28

9 a.m.	Kingston	Ash Wednesday Holy Communion*
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WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

Journey's End Journal

The first month of the New Year has again disappeared in a blur of activity.

The first meeting of the New Year was well attended. It seems that members are glad to see each other and get back to normal after the Christmas break.

Geof and Anne Dykes delighted us with their account of a visit to Australia, illustrated with slides which showed the different fascinations of this vast country from - Sydney to Ayers Rock, places which most of us can only dream about; a very good evening.

This month's meeting includes a talk on the St John's Ambulance, which has been a wonderful aid to so many over the years and which perhaps we tend to take for granted. The meeting is on 8th February at 7.30pm and all are welcome.

Naomi Warne

Gary Streeter

Your MP will be at a Coffee Morning in the Kingston Reading Room at 10.30am on 10th March. This is a chance to meet your Member of Parliament at an informal gathering. Everyone is welcome.

TQ7 played to a packed pub for Tina's birthday and we had another full house for Chris Denham's intriguing and informative talk and supper. Two packed houses in one week and it was still January! The pace did not let up and a great night was had by all at our Jumping January Extravaganza. A lot of glazed looks were encountered and change checking took place before people realised that you could buy a large round of drinks, have Steak and Chips and still get change from a £10 note! We rounded off January with a full dining room for a marvellous Burns' Night Supper.

The Quiz is still going strong on Thursday evenings, thanks to our many talented Quiz Masters and Mistresses.

Now to February . . . another month packed with fun, frolics and Good Food. **Saturday 3rd** sees our Banquet in celebration of the **Chinese New Year**, the Year of the Serpent. There will be no other food that evening. On **Friday 9th** we have combined our **Italian Pasta** evening with the first appearance this year of **Wendy**. Why not come down early and try one of



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Mondays - closed

Tues - Sat Noon - 3.00pm

6.30pm - 11.00pm

Friday: Early Doors Club 6.00pm

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our Italian Pasta Specials? Next day on **Saturday 10th**, our **Sherriff Room** is open in the evening for a special set menu.

On **Tuesday 13th**, the **Modbury Harriers** meet outside the JE at 11.00am and in the evening the **Inter-Parish Quiz, Ringmore v Newton & Noss** takes place in our conservatory. Please come along and support your village team. **Wednesday 14th** . . . time to slow down . . . time for a romantic interlude. Why not come and enjoy our **St Valentine's Day Special**, an all-inclusive menu, romantic music and a rose for the lady in your life. Menus are available and bookings are advisable.

On **Friday 16th** the JE will resound to the dancing of the **Dartington Morris Men**. **Fiesta Time** comes on **Saturday 17th** so drag out your castanets! We are having a **Spanish Tapas-style Banquet**. Again, menus are available and bookings are essential. As this busy week ends it is time to polish your bats! On **Sunday 18th** the **John Bracey Cup** is up for grabs in our annual **Table Tennis Tournament**. Please register as soon as possible if you wish to compete. **Friday 23rd** is our big **Charity Race Night**, all proceeds going to the RNL. Sponsor a race, buy a horse or just have a flutter on the Tote. All the fun of the races at your local. A **Race Night Supper** will be available. On **Saturday 24th** our **Sherriff Room** will be open for a special 4-course menu.

Don't forget - **Tuesday 27th** is **Shrove Tuesday** and we will have a Pancake menu.

That's it for February. We hope there is something for everyone to enjoy and we look forward to seeing you.

March Taster

Six Nations Tournament Supper
Friday 16th / Saturday 17th
St Patrick's Weekend Celebrations

Debbie and Grahame

Romantic Valentine's Dinner

Wednesday 14th February, 2001

£16.95 per person

Romantic Candle-Light Dinner

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Romantic Music

Carrot and Tarragon Soup

Scallops in Lemon, Ginger, and Vermouth Sauce

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Ringmore overcame Ivybridge in the first leg of the IPQ, 66-57. The team comprised Mike Wynne-Powell, John Borne, Guy Eddy and Reg Trant. 2nd leg result next month.

The were three policemen with 'particular responsibility for our area'. *Times have changed!*

Rumanian Orphans Appeals were in the news then. A 'Kid's Klub' was run in the Church Institute . . . now the Parish Room.

South West Devon Conservative Association

Annual General Meeting Bigbury Golf Club

7.30pm Friday 16th March

followed by

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Guest Speaker

Gary Streeter

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Music Night
with
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Tuesday
February 6th
March 13th

Royal British Legion

Chris Denham proved just how easy it is for a random thought spoken out loud in a bar to become a reality.

Then having decided in the cold light of day, it really would be a good idea to compete in the London to Peking Rally for Vintage Cars, it became a bit like a Polish omelette - first find an egg, or in this case a suitable car. It was felt faithful Doris wouldn't stand the pace.

A room full of people were then given a fascinating insight into the acquisition of a 1954 Alvis and the logistics of the whole enterprise.

Planning eventually became a reality and we were treated to an evening of high adventure across many countries not previously accessible to anyone. Names of places only vaguely remembered from school history lessons about Marco Polo and the Silk Route.

Chris' style was very relaxed choosing to answer questions rather than offer a talk and he described vividly the highs and lows of coping with border crossings, break downs, less than luxury accommodation, driving in difficult conditions, high temperatures and sand storms in deserts to say nothing of the vastness of China.

He described the thrill of being in the lead when he only expected to go along for the fun of it and the huge disappointment of losing by just 4 seconds after many weeks and several thousand miles.

Tom Hendy, officially the sound recordist, but in reality the mechanical genius who kept the car going came along to answer the thoughtful technical questions, and oh! I nearly forgot Ron Bendell went on the rally too.

Will any of us think twice before voicing our random thoughts of adventure and derring-do after a couple of pints - not if Chris Denham's experience has anything to do with it.

Robbie McCarthy
Royal British Legion

March Talk

There are still tickets available for the talk on 14th March by Penelope Douglas. Contact Robbie McCarthy on 810738

Whales - Dolphins - Porpoises

Brixham Sea Watch would be interested in any sightings of these creatures. If you are lucky enough to spot any, note whether they are large or small and the direction in which they are moving. The location of stranded whales and dolphins should be identified immediately. All information will be gratefully received by Lindy Hingley on 01364 631578.



TABLE TENNIS

Following an initial up and running period the Table Tennis Club has now formally agreed its Committee, Constitution, Subscription rates and format.

Elected to form the Committee are:
Chairman - Phillip Errett
Treasurer - Jim McGinley
Secretary - Barry Old

As from 1st February, the Annual Membership subscription will be £7 with a club night fee of £1 for members and £2 for non-members.

The trial period of 'children only' between 7.00pm and 8.15pm has been poorly supported due, I believe, to the children having other commitments. It has therefore been decided that Tuesday evenings will be for 'adults only,' with a start time of 7.30pm. Of course if parents wish to organise a children's section on another night, or at sometime over the weekend, assistance will be given.

Members really seem to enjoy their Tuesday evenings and long may it continue to flourish. New members will be most welcome and of course it is especially beneficial to those proposing to enter the Journey's End Table Tennis competition! Come along on a Tuesday evening, good exercise, good company, good fun and all standards catered for. If you require further information please don't hesitate to contact any of the Committee.

Phillip Errett, Chairman, 810547

RINGMORE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Wednesday 28th February
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Sat Feb 17th - Live music with 60's chart group 'The Silkie'
Wed Feb 21st - Annual Darts Match v The Pilchard Inn - home - 8.30pm
Tue Feb 27th - Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Day
Wed Mar 21st - Annual Darts Match v The Pilchard Inn - away - 8.30pm

RACE NIGHT coming up soon - watch out for the posters. In aid of
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January SOLUTION

What a splendid response! Thank you to everyone who combined to make this month's entry the largest there has been (there is still room for more). All current participants submitted entries this month and one was assisted by a new name, Pengu... more in a moment. The perceptive among you will have noticed that the pairs of letters were in fact every other letter in the alphabet. I thought that 26 pairs would be too much so I set 13 aside. The Beginners spotted this too and as well as sending a correct answer, proceeded to supply answers for the missing letters as well, thus rendering the possibility of something similar later this millennium quite useless! Real Sleuth worked long hours, submitting a valid late correction to achieve 100% as did the Matchman. He/she was ably assisted by Pengu; the answer was submitted by email from Adelaide!! Wow!

The rest of the entrants, The Furry Boys, Gemini, Taurus, Su Da Nim and the Lovely Sue Brickay (welcome back, sigh) were almost right. The following minor slips were between you and your usual impeccable standard: FISHHOOK (should be hyphenated); OXX, AX (answer LXX); BEVY (s/b BEVY); GARRISON and GARROTTE (both one letter short, eg CORRECTLY).
Winners 3, runners-up 2.

February

Expand:
1 GTDA 3 CITF
9 DW 10 CIAF
3 LMFS 5 YP
13 MIALY 19 TTD
24 SOPIAQ 100 HIASK
3 LW 8 NIAO

All Hallows Church, Ringmore
COFFEE MORNING
Shrove Tuesday
Tuesday 27th February
10.30am
Dingmore
Darish Room
Cakes and Preserves
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Extract from
THE NATIONAL TRUST
Yealm & Avon Area Newsletter

FootPaths & Tracks: The summer was an interesting season with wet and warmth producing good growth rates which made keeping up with it a challenge. The wardens and volunteers kept cutting to keep access open. Smugglers Lane in particular seemed to grow a foot overnight.

There were a number of **adder sightings** this year around Ringmore paths. On the whole people were fascinated to see these reptiles that are more likely to slither away than bite anyone. They are quite slow moving in the early summer becoming faster as temperatures increase.

Ragwort was in abundance but through a number of pulling days we managed to eliminate most of this rapidly spreading plant which is poisonous to grazing animals

The **hedge-laying** programme has continued with another section being laid of some 400m; elm, thorn, ash, willow and sycamore.

Scrub: Areas that have become too thick in scrub have been cut to create a better balance. Trying to reach the target of 70% grassland to 30% scrub making an improved habitat overall.

New Bridge: The bridge on the South West Coast Path was becoming unsafe and therefore a new bridge was constructed using Larch lengths that have been felled on the Ayrmer Cove property. These lengths were used to underpin the bridge as its main support and boarding was secured to the top of the Larch poles.

RINGMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting : Tuesday 23rd January
Present : 6 Councillors, The Clerk, Dist.Cllr
B.Carson, Guy Eddy (Millennium
Committee) and 4 members of the public.

Matters Arising

There has been no progress in having the compost heap at Crossways removed by the SHDC. Better weather is awaited to allow the rebuilding of the wall at No 1 Cumberland Cottages.

Devon Highways has been contacted regarding blocked drains and the water which is flowing from the BT manhole. The new problem of water flowing from beneath the tarmac will be discussed with them.

The application for a 49 feet (15 metres) high mast for radio communication at the BT Exchange at Marwell has been withdrawn. A significant number of applications has been made to SHDC and discussions are taking place to seek a 'better' way of BT achieving their objective. The application will be re-submitted in due course and it may well be similar.

Matter raised by Parishioners

The problem of dog fouling was mentioned by a dog owner who felt that more care was required if our walks were not to become places to avoid. The Council agreed to request occasional visits from the SHDC Dog Warden.

Some years ago there was a plan to identify all houses with an OS reference for use when calling the Emergency Services. A parishioner questioned whether this had been implemented. The Clerk will look into the matter.

National Trust

Simon Garner outlined the Trust's plans to arrest the deterioration of Noddon Mill which lies on the parish boundary but in Bigbury Parish. The plans have been welcomed by the Ringmore Historical Society and were endorsed by the Parish Council.

The NT has produced a booklet of the various walks accessible on its land. A copy can be bought from bookshops and local Tourist Information Centres.

Footpaths

Plans to re-route two footpaths at South Langston were not opposed by the Council. Cllr Muller reported work to be done in Darkie Lane and on Kissing Gates on other paths.

Any Other Business

Notice was received from SHDC of work to be done on Sycamore trees at Higher Manor Farm.

Next Meeting

Tuesday 20th February.

Geof Dykes

RINGMORE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

CANDLEMAS

The festival of Candlemas falls on February the second. In the Christian year it commemorates the occasion when Mary and Joseph, in accordance with Jewish law, went to the Temple in Jerusalem in order to present their firstborn son to God, and for Mary to receive purification. The law decreed that this should take place forty days after the child's birth.

Like many other Christian festivals, the rites of Candlemas contain much that has pagan origins. The original, pre-Christian Candlemas was a heralding of spring and a celebration of Februa, the mother of the god, Mars. In Rome it was marked by a massive procession of citizens carrying burning torches and candles. And because the people so enjoyed these pagan revelries, it was deemed better to embody them within a Christian structure than to abolish them entirely. Francis Bacon relates that:

'There was a pope called Sergius, and when he saw the people drawn to this false maumetry and untrue belief, he thought to undo this foule use and custom, and turn it unto God's worship and our Lady's, and gave commandments that all Christian people should come to church and offer up a candle brennyng, in the worship that they did to this woman, Februa, and do worship our Lady and her sonne, our Lord. So that now this feast is solemnly hallowed throw all Christendom.'

Candlemas is also associated with the customs of St Bride's Day, celebrated on February the first. The Day of St Bride is an old Celtic festival of spring that welcomes

the first tender green shoots and the signs of balmier days to come. The Saxons called the month Sprote-kale, for obvious reasons. Calving, and its accompanying abundance of milk, often took place at this time and after the long, hard time of Yule, Bride came in, touching the earth with the promise of plenty and bringing new life to the land. Like the pagan Candlemas, Bride was of vital importance to people who depended on the soil so she, too, was canonised by the Church.

Traditionally, Candlemas Day is the day to forecast weather:

If Candlemas day be dry and fair
The half o' winters to come and mair.'

And there is an old English song:

If Candlemas be fair and bright,
Come, Winter, have another flight;
If Candlemas bring clouds and rain,
Go, Winter, and come not again.'

A similar belief prevails in American folklore. In the USA, February the second is Groundhog Day, the day when the groundhog emerges from his winter hibernation hole to look for his shadow. If he sees it, he takes it to be an omen of bad weather, and returns to his hole. If the day is cloudy, and so shadowless, he remains above ground.

Perhaps we should do as the groundhog does.

Di Collinson

PS **FRIDAY**
16TH FEBRUARY
RINGMORE
PARISH ROOM
7.30PM

AND

£6 **Qs**

HOT SOUP & PASTIES

BRING YOUR OWN WINE
GLASSES SUPPLIED

Questions on all topics
Play the Joker on your favourite
Who was the first monarch to live at Buckingham Palace?

MAKE UP A TEAM - UP TO 8
OR JOIN ONE ON THE NIGHT
A Fun Night Fund Raising
In Aid Of the Parish Room
Tickets 810123

Ringmore Historical Society
History for All
Saturday 10th February
in
The Parish Room 10.30am
The Poor of the Village
200 years ago
Speaker: Judith Farmer
Adults and Children are invited to dress as 'poor villagers of 19th century'. There will be a prize for the most authentic-looking person.
There will be competitions, children's activities, small exhibitions of local historical interest, raffles, fun for the family.
Admission: 50p for adults, includes refreshments.
Please help the Society complete its Millennium Photographic Album. Bring along your favourite picture of your house and also yourself. If you do not wish to donate any pictures, they will be scanned 'while you wait' and handed back.