

RINGMORE

PARISH NEWSLETTER

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DEADLINE Sat 24th

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

2nd Royal British Legion Auction JE 8.30pm

7th RBL Meeting 7.30pm Royal Oak

Poppy Appeal Draw 9.30pm Royal Oak

8th WI AGM 7.30pm Parish Room

10th RBL Coffee Morning Bigbury-on-Sea 10.30am

11th Remembrance Service All Hallows 10.50am

12th RBL Whist Drive Parish Room 7.30pm

15th AGM Historical Society 7.30pm Parish Room

20th Parish Council 7.00pm Parish Room

22nd Table Tennis - change of day

24th Table Tennis Club Christmas Party Parish Room

December

5th RBL AGM 7.30pm Journey's End

Mobile Library

Friday:- 9th & 23rd

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 $4\frac{1}{2}''$

Average - last 10 years - 3"
High - 1995 - 4.5"
Low - 1996 - 1"

Please send items for inclusion in the Newsletter to:

The Editor

Ringmore Parish Newsletter,

Ringmore Vein, Ringmore, TQ7 4HL

or put them through the letter box in the garage door

10.50am Ringmore
Sunday 11th

REMBRANCE
SERVICE

If you read the back numbers of the Newsletter, you will know that November is a month of enormous British Legion activity. As far back as 1986 you can see the initials GPE after the Appeal in the Newsletter- Guy Persistent Eddy, at least that is what it should represent. Guy has been organising the Auction since then, cajoling auction lots from people who did not know they had one and breaking records almost every year. This year is Guy's swansong as the Organiser of the Auction - let's make it a bumper one!

The fund-raising activities are legion - forgive the pun - the Auction, Raffles at the JE and the Royal Oak, the Whist Drive, Coffee at Sedgewell Sands and the more serious Remembrance Service. There is something for everyone to show their support

In more recent times, at this time of year, the Parish Room as it is known, has hosted an evening of enjoyment. This year the evening is being organised by the Table Tennis Club, which has become a popular alternative to anything else on a Tuesday evening. This year's fun will resound to music from the last 50 years. The theme of the evening is 'RED' so let your imagination take flight!

Also this month, the Historical Society AGM will be on 15th in the Parish Room. Be aware that other activities will be held in the Parish Room until future notice. These include the Parish Council meeting, WI meetings and other activity normally held at the WI Hall which is out of commission due to building work.

Elsewhere read about the Parochial Church Council, the Bus Survey, SHDC information, sad news of 'Ralph' McCabe and . . . we have had a letter!

The Bus Services, 875 and 876 have been restored. If there is room next month, a timetable will be printed.

Times are a'changing at the JE. Steve Millichip, our friendly local barman will be leaving the Journey's End on Thursday 8th November. Over recent years, Steve has become a familiar, welcoming face for locals and visitors alike. No doubt everyone who has frequented the bar will wish Steve well.

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News from All Hallows



Who's Who in Bigbury, Kingston and Ringmore Churches

Resident Minister: The Revd John Elliott (810565)

Reader: Michael Tagent (810520)

Team Rector: The Revd Canon Bob Campbell-Smith (830260)

Remembrance Sunday

The Remembrance Day service this year will be in All Hallows Church, Ringmore, starting at 10.45 a.m. Very much in our minds this year are the members of our armed forces who are involved in the action against Afghanistan, and in peace-keeping duties in a number of places.

The Christmas Fairs are Coming!

Bigbury – November 17th at 10.30 a.m.

Kingston – November 24th at 2 p.m.

Ringmore – December 1st at 1030 a.m.

IT IS A SMALL BUT LOVED WORLD

Saints and Sinners get big publicity this month; all the fears and fantasies that can be raised by All Saints Eve, followed by the celebration of All Saints Day. We then move on to the dark deeds of Guy Fawkes and his not so merry band of plotters. Strange that we "celebrate" that event, when we see with horror the similar intent but more successful execution of September 11th. Both misguided and both evil actions to bring about the promotion of a man's perverted imaginings of "God's Will"!

As we think of Saints and Sinners no-one has yet claimed the bar of chocolate or the favourite tipple by spotting the life changing events that moved your Resident Minister from competent sinner to imperfect saint. There are two other people in the three villages who were present when one of the key events occurred on the Lloyds Bank 27th Intermediate Management Course in 1972. So there is one clue! The pint and chocolate will now go to the first candidate who can name those people, or fulfil the original challenge in the September Magazines.

It is a small world, as they say, but it is God's world and he loves it and everyone in it, including you. He loves the sinner, but not the sin. In these dark days it is sometimes good to remember that God said "Let there be light" before He created the sun for day and the moon for night; that light was the glory and love of God. So whether you feel proud of your saintliness (care - pride is after all a sin!), or if you feel you are a miserable sinner, worry not: God loves you. And that is, as they say, "Good News" at a time when good news is a rare commodity. How about an Old Year's Resolution for those who have not kept all this years good resolutions: come to Church before Christmas, beat the rush.

Blessings from the Church House: John & Pam

CHURCH SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

Sunday November 4th

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

Sunday November 11th

9 a.m. Bigbury Holy Communion
10.45 a.m. Ringmore **Remembrance Service**
6 p.m. Kingston Evening Prayer*

Sunday November 18th

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

Sunday November 25th

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

*Book of Common Prayer services are marked **

The Journey's End Inn

Ringmore

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Grilled Haloumi Cheese on a Warm Char-Grilled Vegetable Salad

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# Journey's End Journal

As a damp Autumn descended on Ringmore there were a few anxious glances in the direction of our car park - had travellers arrived in our midst? No - it was only the cowboys settling in for a week-end of Kareoke, Quick Draws and Pow-wows, as well as some casual drinking at our Beer Festival. The Taste of the West, Part II, as it was known, was a huge success with the strongest selling out first!

The British Legion Auction kicks off our November timetable on Friday 2nd. Please come along, dig deep in your pockets and give generously. There are some fantastic lots to be had so nobody need go home empty handed.

We celebrate Beaujolais Nouveau over the weekend of 16th/17th with French Bistrot-style food and lots of Beaujolais!

St Andrew's Day rounds off the month on Friday 30th with a taste of Scotland.

Quizmasters and mistresses for the month are:

- 1st John Freeman  
8th Adrian Muller  
15th Jenny Jackson  
22nd Geof Dykes

Our Hot Dish of the Day, at £2.95, continues and appears to be going down well with those who have tried it. Carlsberg Lager is down to £1.80 per pint, so there is no excuse for not popping in for a cheap and cheerful, warming, autumn lunch!

Debbie & Grahame

Please note that we shall be closed on Mondays in November



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WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

At the meeting on October 11th Thelma gave a demonstration of yeast cookery which members found very informative and very tasty! She made doughnuts and Chelsea buns amongst other things, all of which were enthusiastically consumed at the end of the meeting. This proved to be one of the most popular sessions of the year, and members went away eager to try their hands at similar confections. The next meeting will be the AGM on November 8th in the Parish Room.  
Pat King

**St Luke's Hospice  
Plymouth**

Thank you all, once again, for your generous response to this year's appeal. The total raised was £134.

Drina Williams.



Bigbury, Kingston and Ringmore Branch

**The Royal British Legion**

The AGM will be held on Wednesday 5th December 2001 at the Journey's End Inn, Ringmore at 7.30pm. Would anyone wishing to serve on the committee contact the Hon Secretary on 01548 810738 before the end of November.

The speaker following the monthly meeting on 7th November will be James Stevenson. He will be giving us a fascinating insight to the Air Transport Auxiliary (The ATA, also known as Anywhere to Anywhere or Absolutely Terrified Airwomen). All are welcome: James starts at 8.30pm, in the Royal Oak, Bigbury. Entry free.

The RBL is always pleased to hear from anyone wishing to share their experiences or expertise with us following our monthly meetings. Please contact me on 01548 810738.

Robbie McCarthy  
Hon Secretary

**RINGMORE HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY**

Annual General Meeting  
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## RINGMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting: Tuesday 2nd October  
Present: 6 Councillors, the Clerk.  
Neighbourhood Watch: David Young;  
Millenium Committee: Guy Eddy.  
Dist.Cllr. Bryan Carson, PC Stephen Bond.

### Matters Arising

Bus Survey: Twenty five survey forms had been returned.

Wheelchair: This matter is still being pursued.

Heart Start: A number of names have been submitted but a few more needed before a course date can be arranged.

Cumberland Cottage new access: no permission is required as this is an unclassified road.

### Police Matters

Pc Bond from the Kingsbridge Police Station was a welcome attendee. His area comprises Churchstow, Bigbury, Kingston and Ringmore. He said that although from time to time crimes do occur, this is regarded as a light crime area. He will do his utmost, duty allowing, to attend future meetings. In the meantime he reminded us that we should dial 999 in an emergency and Kingsbridge Police Station, 853673, for less urgent matters.

### Matters raised by Parishioners

The Church Clock ticks on and there is hope yet that funds will be available.

Rocky Path was reported to be particularly hazardous due to the number of leaves which have fallen recently. This is a job for the new village road sweeper.

### Footpaths

At a preliminary meeting regarding the flooding in Darkie Lane, Mr Keith Reynolds from Coast and Countryside, SHDC, stated that something had to be done. Exactly what will be determined by a further meeting in November, to be attended by all interested parties.

### District Council

Bryan Carson informed the meeting that the government had directed that greater use of email facilities must be installed throughout local government. This could cost South Hams up to £140,000 but of course, the intention is to save money.

### Planning

The application to rebuild the swimming Pool at Challaborough has been approved.

### Any Other Business

A request was received for Parish Council support for the purchase of new external Christmas Tree lights. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

### Next Meeting

Tuesday 20th November, 7.0pm in the Parish Room

Geof Dykes

Jane Guy writes . . . . .



I was interested to see in the September issue of a report from Bigbury-on-Sea of two cats roaming the area. It is not only female cats that are at risk, but all cats are likely to be infected with the new deadly and prevalent FIV (Feline Immune Deficiency Virus) which is peculiar to cats and not transferable to humans or dogs.

Infection is highest among male free roaming cats, and one bite is sufficient to infect another cat as the virus is passed through saliva. Some cats can withstand the infection but remain as carriers able to infect others. Some succumb to the full feline form of Aids from which there is no cure. I have just experienced having to make the gut-wrenching decision to put to sleep my much loved and characterful Abyssinian cat Chaka. He was only eight years old, hitherto an extremely healthy cat in the prime of life. It is a most distressing experience watching your pet slowly deteriorate and any amount of TLC and money cannot save them.

There are a number of abandoned cats and non-neutered toms roaming the area,

and covering long distances. It is not yet known if the virus can be sexually transmitted, but when cats mate the tom invariably grabs the queen by the scruff of the neck. If the skin is broken an infected tom can pass the virus to the queen through his saliva, and the queen in turn will infect her kittens, either directly through the placenta, or later through her saliva when licking and grooming.

If you and your cat are being bothered by stray cats the Cats Protection League (01752 892113) will provide a humane cage to catch them. The League will collect, do a blood test and if infected will put them to sleep. If clear, after neutering if necessary, the League will try to re-home.

On behalf of all cat lovers and owners please, please have your cats neutered and inoculated. There is now an antidote for the previously fatal leukaemia (responsible for the untimely death of my previous Abyssinian). Also if purchasing a kitten make sure it has a clear blood test, and most importantly try and keep your cat in at night to avoid fighting as it only takes a simple bite.

Jane Guy

## TEN YEARS AGO . . .

The Parish Council considered a suggestion from Devon Highways that double yellow lines be painted from Ringmore Cross to the Journey's End.

The WI was hoping for new members.

It was that time of year . . . the AGM of the RHS . . . the RBL Poppy Appeal . . . Flu Jabs at the Health Centre . . . the JE was alive, thriving and doing well *but there had been no Foot & Mouth.*

## BIGBURY FAYRE

Bigbury Fayre would like to remind you that we will be having Carols around the Christmas Tree on Christmas Eve.

We  
will  
confirm  
times in the  
December  
Newsletter so  
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14th Jan 18th Feb 18th Mar

## South Hams District Council

As you may know, SHDC has re-organised the way it maintains our highways and byways. It has created Teams which will visit their areas on a regular basis.

Mr Colin Miller is 'our man' from the Operations Team. At the moment it appears that he might be a one-man team. He will be in Ringmore on Thursdays and Challaborough on Fridays. Cost is the basis of this change and it remains to be seen if enough time has been allocated to allow each area to be maintained in a manner which meets its approval.

## RALPH

Brian and Ginny McCabe have lost their faithful friend Ralph, their dog.

Ralph had defended Windwood Farm against generations of Newsletter distributors, among many. Sadly, it appears that he was struck by a motor vehicle and at the grand age of 17, he did not have the physical resources to survive.



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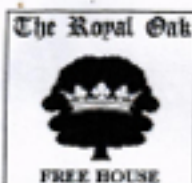
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### NOVEMBER DIARY

Mon 5th - Bonfire Night with fireworks and Mulled Wine

Wed 7th - R.B.L. Meeting and poppy appeal fundraising - also Martin's birthday !?!?!?



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## Bigbury Kingston Ringmore

There has been a reasonable response to the joint Bus Survey but more replies are needed to give due weight to the case to be presented by the three parishes.

The three Parish Council chairmen, Morin Ness of Kingston, Graham Davies of Bigbury and Rob Batten have joined with District Councillor Bryan Carson in asking those who have not responded to return the forms by Saturday 10th November. The forms can be returned to a Parish Councillor or left in the letterbox at Ringmore Veau.

Those who drive cars should be aware that some in the community do not and are therefore dependent on the bus. Please help them by submitting your response.

## News from the PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

### Harvest Supper

Drina and Yvonne would like to thank everyone who prepared and provided food, flower arrangements, crockery, set things up and cleared it all away to make the evening an enjoyable event on Friday 5th October.

Thank you also to the evening's entertainers - our celebrity pianists, Alice Mason and Naomi Warne; Mike Wynne-Powell who allowed us to re-visit the May Flower Festival, August fete and also to see candid camera shots of the Harvest Supper before it was even over; and our new minister John Elliott for his very amusing after-supper speech.

Thank you to all who supported the evening which raised a surplus of £245, which will be donated to one of the farmers' relief funds.

### Harvest Produce

Thank you to everyone who decorated the

church so beautifully with autumn produce for the Harvest Festival Service on the first Sunday in October. The Shekinah Mission in Plymouth were very grateful for three boxes of Harvest produce and a letter of thanks is on the noticeboard in the church porch. A further box of harvest produce was taken to the Korniloff Home in Bigbury who were also very pleased to be remembered.

## THE CHURCH QUIZ

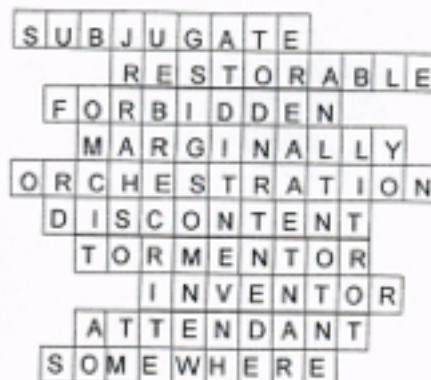
Seven entries were submitted for the Quiz with scores ranging from 69 to the victorious total of 90%. The winner was Geof Dykes who was presented with his prize at the Harvest Supper.

On behalf of the organisers, I want to thank all who took part and for helping to raise funds for All Hallows Church.

Michael Tagent

Embroidered

## October SOLUTION



I am relieved but not surprised that no-one was put off by the error last month - apologies. Welcome to The Opals who chose a tricky month to make their debut. All entrants, The Furry Boys, Real Sleuth, Gemini, The Beginners, Matchman, New Dawn and The Opals win 3 points apiece. With two rounds to go the excitement mounts; Matchman is maintaining his slender lead over the Beginners, while The Furry Boys and Gemini are watching for a slip.

## November

Let's try a numerical puzzle without any misleading elements such as typographical errors.

Arrange the numbers 1 - 9 in an order such that the following rules apply.

The first number is divisible by one (it is bound to be so); The first two numbers are divisible by 2; the first three are divisible by 3; the first four by 4, etc. eg. 123456789 - 1 divided by 1 = 1; 12 divided by 2 = 6; 123 divided by 3 = 41; 1234 divided by 4 does not work! The quotient is irrelevant providing it is a whole number.



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