

# RINGMORE NEWSLETTER

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*There is no doubt that when the clocks are put back, there is a mental change of season. Winter seems to be upon us and we have only short, grey days ahead of us until the end of March, five months away. That might be so but there is much to do to fend off the blues.*

*Anyone, who has lived in Ringmore for thirteen months or more, will know that November is the time of the Royal British Legion. Guy Eddy, who has revealed that this year is his 21st anniversary as the man who persuades all to dig deep every year, has steadily pushed the total raised to an incredible £47,000 and in so doing, always seems to be breaking records. A year will come when the previous year's figure will not be surpassed. That will be cause for brief disappointment but it will in no way reflect adversely on the dedicated work of all members of the local branch or on the generosity of those who support this worthy cause. The timetable for this year's events is elsewhere and there is something for everyone.*

*The Ringmore Historical Society will hold its AGM this month and it will be followed by a talk from Stan Brunskill, illustrated by slides of old Ringmore. It is an opportunity for anyone,*

*perhaps new to the village, to acquaint themselves with the Ringmore of yesteryear.*

*On Wednesday 24th, the Parish Council will be holding an open meeting to discuss the trees in the village. Our Tree Wardens, Jane Guy and Jan Roberts, have conducted a survey and will illustrate their findings with slides. This is a Conservation Area and this imposes certain restraints on what we can do to our trees but the supporting legislation has some weaknesses which make it difficult to ensure an arboreal legacy. Perhaps trees are not important; maybe their loss is of little consequence. Without trees we would have an unhindered view of the sea and of . . . each other. If you are interested, go to the meeting, let your opinions help form a policy which, with goodwill, could be implemented.*

*Does no one want a Tide Table? A few have been reserved but please don't leave it until the last minute. Ring the Editor or put a note through the letterbox.*

*In this issue you will find the first starter question for the Ps & Qs. Further questions will appear in subsequent Newsletters and on the ticket.*

### Clifford Davison

*Most of us have become aware that Margaret Wood's father died suddenly during October. At this sad time, we send Margaret and Bob our sincere condolences.*

*Margaret has asked that it be known that her Dad's wheelchair will be available for use when required by anyone in the village. It will be kept at the WI Hall. If you have a temporary need, contact one of the WI committee.*

### Diary for the Month

- MONDAY: Short Mat Bowls Parish Room 7.30pm
- TUESDAY: Table Tennis Parish Room 7.30pm
- WEDNESDAY: Steak Night at Journey's End
- THURSDAY: Quiz Night at Journey's End 9.00pm
- SUNDAY: Pizza Night at Journey's End
- 3rd Royal British Legion meeting Royal Oak 7.30pm
- 6th RBL Raffle at JE 9.00pm
- 10th RHS AGM WI Hall 7.30pm
- 11th 11-11-11 at All Hallows  
WI Annual meeting WI Hall 7.30pm
- 13th Coffee Morning at Sedgewell Sands 10.30am
- 14th Remembrance Service All Hallows 10.50am
- 15th Whist Drive WI Hall Ringmore 7.30pm
- 23rd Parish Council Meeting WI Hall 7.30pm
- 24th Open meeting to discuss trees in the village WI Hall 7.30pm
- December
- 1st RBL AGM Journey's End 7.30pm
- January
- 26th Ps & Qs in aid of funds for the Parish Room
- February
- 19th 'Calendar Girls' at the WI Hall

### MOBILE LIBRARY

- Friday: 5th & 19th
- Ringmore Church  
12.15 - 12.25
- Chalkeborough  
12.30 - 12.40
- St Ann's Chapel  
1.15 - 1.30
- Kingston Fire Stn  
3.45 - 4.30

### OCTOBER 2004

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### DEADLINE

Thursday  
25th

Editor:  
Geof Dykes  
810123

### RAINFALL

- Fiona Batten
- Last Month  
4 1/4"
- Ten Year Average  
3"
- Ten Year High  
2000 4 1/2"
- Ten Year Low  
1994 1"

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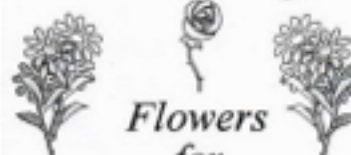
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# NEWS FROM ALL HALLOWS

## November Services

### Ringmore

- 7<sup>th</sup> 11.00a.m. Family Service with  
Christening of Helena Hext  
14<sup>th</sup> 10.50a.m. Remembrance Service  
21<sup>st</sup> 6.00p.m. Evening Prayer  
28<sup>th</sup> 9.00 a.m. BCP Communion

### Other Local Church Services

#### Bigbury

- 7<sup>th</sup> 11.00a.m. Family Service  
14<sup>th</sup> 9.00a.m. BCP Communion  
(Change to usual timing due to  
Remembrance Service at Ringmore)  
17<sup>th</sup> 2.30p.m. Korniloff Communion  
21<sup>st</sup> 9.00 a.m. Spoken Communion  
28<sup>th</sup> 11.00a.m. Family Communion

#### St James's Kingston

- 7<sup>th</sup> 9.00 a.m. BCP Communion  
14<sup>th</sup> 6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer  
21<sup>st</sup> 11.00 a.m. Family Service  
& Childrens Club  
28<sup>th</sup> 6.00 p.m. CW Evening Prayer



**Ringmore 10.50a.m. Nov.  
14th Remembrance Service**

## Who Told You ?

Last month the question was "Where are you?", and I said that it was worth looking at because it was the first one that God asked humankind. A relevant query that highlights God's search for relationship with us, rather than our search for meaning in life and a God of our own invention. Last week I was in Woolacombe with the Archbishop of Canterbury, what a name dropper, and also with around three hundred and fifty clergy from the Exeter Diocese at our Conference.

The Archbishop made one of those catchy statements that could so easily make a tabloid headline when he said "It is your job to make some people atheists". He went on to explain "atheists" in the sense of removing their belief in the misconceived and wrongly constructed God of their imagination, or someone else's imposition. That might be the God of the Mormon, who lives to a creed, formulated using metal scrolls found in the desert by a convicted arsonist which just happened to contain most, but not all of two books of the Bible. There are many other such man-made religions from the so called age of enlightenment, in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century when science asked some good questions and some men provided daft answers. Today many scientists are turning to Christianity as even further education and research tilts them towards the God who gives life and asks questions.

"Who told you?", the second question God asked Adam and Eve; in answer Adam blamed Eve, Eve blamed the snake, and the snake hadn't got a leg to stand on! They had done wrong and moved away from God and made their excuses. To put it right Jesus eventually came. The "spitting image" of his Dad, literally in the case of his healing of the blind man (see Gospel of Mark: Chapter 8 and verse 3). Jesus came to show us what God is like: loving, healing and accepting as well as challenging. God wanting each one of us to come back into good relationship with him, whatever we may have done in the past. That is why he came at Christmas, but that is for next month. Meantime if you have a different view of God I have to say "Who told you?".

John Elliott (Resident Minister 810565)



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# Journey's End Journal

Important facts, Baby Katie, born 3.19 am, 11th Oct 2004, 7lb 4oz.

We are absolutely delighted to boast our appointment as grandparents, Pops and Grandma, we're told by our equally proud son, Tom and his partner, Jane. They are planning to visit us between Christmas and New Year, so, appointments will be arranged for those wishing to Coo with Katie!!

Oh yes, I remember, Pub News...

Most important date, Friday 6th November. Royal British Legion raffle, starts 9.00pm. Loads of really good prizes, still being added to as we speak! Get in and buy your tickets, soon.

Further changes to our opening times. We are going to close on Mondays, all day. Any changes will be announced on our new, super big, notice board.... please keep checking.

Elaine is putting the finishing touches to our new menus and Christmas menus and offerings over the Christmas and New Year Hols., so, hopefully, all will soon be made clear.

You are all aware that Matt is off on his travels soon. Hence the reason for the Bar Billiards Comp. and "The Matt

Bamborough Cup", won, appropriately, by Matt. We shall run a monthly knockout for the cup, the winners name being added as we go along and keep Matt advised via the internet of those likely to challenge him upon his return.

Also, we now have the "Snug" in operation, (I've still some work to do, painting etc.) which has a dart board set up for use by all. To kick things off we are having a knockout on 14th November, again for the prestige of the winner having your name engraved on a trophy. So, get yourselves registered, speak to me or our "Hon. Sec. & Treas. JE Sports Soc"., James. (What's in a name?) Is anyone interested in forming a darts team, eucree team, cribbage ladder or anything else?? Please let us know. We are keen to generate interest in any good pub game and will provide whatever support we can.

Don't forget Steak Night is now on a Wednesday.

The Jazz on the 30th last was really fantastic. Further "Jazz at the JE" dates are November 13th and 27th and December 11th. Again, please keep an eye on the notice board for details of forthcoming events and news.

Ken & Elaine



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Pizza Night menu 6.30pm - 9.00pm

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## POPPY APPEAL

### WHIST DRIVE

#### WI Hall Ringmore

7.30pm

Wednesday 15th November

Prizes - Raffle

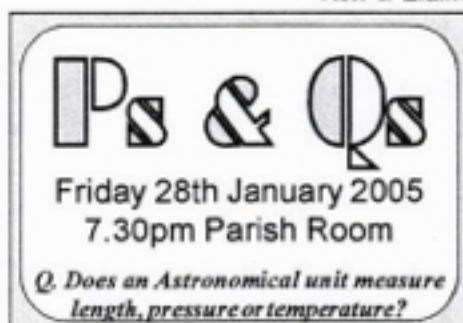
Refreshments

All Welcome



WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

Out President, Jackie Tagent, welcomed a good number of members and some guests to the October meeting. After WI business, our speaker, Mr John Crawford, gave a very interesting talk on the Prince's Trust, its aims and aspirations. He mentioned two or three young people in this area who had been helped by the Trust and who now had a good business of their own which was up, running and thriving.



On 30th September, approximately thirty Ringmore WI members, friends and invited guests, celebrated the eightieth birthday year of Ringmore WI. This occasion took place over a lunch at the Marine Hotel in Salcombe where the good company, excellent meal and superb weather all conspired to make the day very special. After a lovely meal in the restaurant, coffee and mints were taken on the terrace, in the autumn sunshine, overlooking the estuary.

Our next meeting, the Annual Meeting, takes place on Thursday 11th November at 7.30pm, in the WI Hall. At the close of the meeting, a cheese and wine social and the cutting of the eightieth Birthday cake will take place. New members and visitors will be made most welcome.

Sally Errett  
Hon Secretary

South West Devon  
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And fractions  
And even protractions  
And very much more  
But still were not sure.

And then there were wrangles  
To do with the angles,  
And horrible whines  
About overused lines  
And awful confusions  
With visual illusions,  
And tearing of hair  
In most dreadful despair  
At the punishing rigours  
Of dealing with figures  
And thinking we'd got it  
But then it was not it.

And so it went on  
Till our brain cells had gone  
And we had to be done;  
But still . . . it was fun.

The Beginners

## Wedding Bells

Derek Crookes and Natasha Horan were married on September 11th at St Andrews Church, Totteridge, North London.

Derek is the son of Keith and Linda, of Challaborough, and is half-brother to Jennifer Borne and Jane Pitt. The reception was held at the Britania Hotel in Hampstead, with friends and family coming from as far as Connecticut and New York.

The honeymoon was spent in Sri Lanka and the Maldives.

## An Apposite Verse

from the Hon Sec of the RBL

'Tis on a certain Sunday,  
A special time of year,  
Old soldiers from all Britain  
Stand to attention here.

The noise is hushed in London  
On this very special day,  
Poppies on the Cenotaph,  
Red amidst the grey.

Two minutes' special silence  
As we think of those who fell,  
Who died for King and Country  
In that other place called Hell.

And those legions of old soldiers  
Like shadows, march on by,  
And they hold their bodies proudly,  
And stare towards the sky.

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## TEN YEARS AGO . . .

The Royal British Legion raised £1844 which equated to £1.50 per head of the population in the three parishes.

Six of the Neighbourhood Watch coordinators of 1994 can be found in the list published this month.

**MUSIC at The Paddock**  
with  
**Frank & Drina**  
november 15th  
december 6th  
january 10th  
february 7th  
march 7th



## Ringmore Pushes for Modern Mobile Library

In order to avoid a large increase in Council Tax, South Hams District Council has to make substantial cuts in spending.



Privatizing the Mobile Library Service is a favoured proposal and if this is carried, the new service would be operated by Mr Clifford (Cliff) Path.

## Ringmore Parish Council

Meeting: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2004

Present: Cllrs G Dykes, C Jackson, A McCarthy, G Parkin; Dist Cllr B Carson; J. Guy, Tree Warden;  
D. Young, Neighbourhood Watch  
Apologies: Cllrs R Batten, T Mann, J Patterson

### Trees

Public Meeting to discuss tree management in the Parish confirmed as 24<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 p.m. in the WI Hall.

### Town Well

Cllr McCarthy has cleared suckers on large sycamores, ivy and undergrowth. Needs to seek the advice of Ben Turner regarding the state of some trees. He has the weedkiller to treat the Butterburr and a small area will be treated to see result before proceeding further.

### Footpaths

PSA inspection has taken place for 2004/5 survey. Satisfactory. NT layering hedge on Smugglers Path

### District Council Matters

Cllr Carson reported that SHDC has to address problem of using more renewable energy. Wind farms in this area cannot be ruled out.

Recycling bags left at Holywell Stores may now have cardboard and paper in same sack

SHDC hope to provide every household with wheelie bins by 2006

### Planning Applications

Captains House, Decking: Retrospective application refused by SHDC. Owner appealing

The Coach House, Garage, Store & Greenhouse: Re-application - no objection

Renton Farm, Cowshed: no objection

Marwell Cross, Single Dwelling: No objection

Smugglers Cottage: Owner advises that he means to fell 8 sycamores on wall opposite property. Not in conservation area. He has offered to plant some trees anywhere needed in village

### AOB

Letter with requests from Parochial Church Council, to be dealt with at next meeting

### Next Meeting

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, WI Hall, 7.00pm.

Gillian Parkin



## The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

By the time that you read this, the Poppy Appeal will have started, the House-to-House collection having begun on 30th October. This will last until 13th November.

The Auction at the Royal Oak took place on 29th October and we raised over £1400. Our thanks to everyone who contributed either with pledges, helping on the night or coughing up a great deal of hard earned cash. Fuller details in next month's newsletter.

The need for the Appeal is as great as ever. The sixtieth anniversary of the D Day landings has been remembered this year, which makes the survivors in their eighties, or close to, and many may need the help of the Royal British Legion. Also, at this time, many of our servicemen and women are exposed to very real danger in Iraq and may need help in the future. I remember my father talking about this area as 'Messpot' when talking about his experiences in the First World War: the name would still seem appropriate.

On a more cheerful note, this is the twenty-first year that I have been privileged to be the Poppy Appeal Organiser for our three parishes. During this time we have raised an extraordinary £47,191 for the Appeal; all from a population of about 1250 parishioners. Our obvious target this year is to get past the £50,000 total. Last year we raised a record £5,001 for the

## BIKE - RIDE - STRIDE

Well done everybody. The really tremendous sum of £400 was raised in Ringmore during this year's Devon Historic Churches Trust 'Bike, Ride or Stride' event.

The amount raised was even better than the sum of £363 collected in our previous event, held in 2002. Thank you all once again for making it all such an enjoyable and successful day, despite the weather.

The event provided Ringmore with the opportunity to actively support the Trust, whose task is to help Churches and Chapels of all denominations with grants or loans for major repairs. Last year the Trust raised nearly £50,000, enabling them to make a significant contribution to the financial upkeep of some of Devon's most beautiful but expensive-to-maintain churches.

The monies raised will be divided equally between the Devon Historic Churches Trust and All Hallows.

Phillip Errett

Appeal in an exceptional year and that will be hard to follow.

### ONCE AGAIN WE ASK FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

A timetable of our events is below, all events taking place in November.

**Saturday 6th** A Raffle and Draw will be held at the Journey's End, for some worthwhile prizes. The draw will begin at 9.00pm

**Thursday 11th** There will be a small gathering of parishioners, with a standard, at Ringmore church gate to commemorate the 11th hour.

**Saturday 13th** A Coffee Morning will be held at Sedgewell Sands, Bigbury-on-Sea, starting at 10.30am. There will be 3 raffles, cake stalls and a bring-and-buy stall. This is always well patronized and is a good morning's entertainment.

**Sunday 14th** Remembrance Sunday will be held at All Hallows, Ringmore, starting at 10.50am. Standards will be in attendance and wreaths will be laid.

**Monday 15th** The final event of the Poppy Appeal fortnight is a Whist Drive at the WI Hall, Ringmore: 7.30pm for 7.45pm. There will be a raffle with good prizes.

Thank you in advance for your support.  
Guy Eddy  
Poppy Appeal Organizer

### POPPY APPEAL CALLING ALL BAKERS

On Saturday the 13th of November, the Royal British Legion will be holding its annual fund-raising coffee morning at Sedgewell Sands, Bigbury on Sea, by kind permission of Mrs Joan Smith. Non-members are also welcome at this event.

Last year we had a delicious selection of bakery for sale, which included, for the first time, a "men's table". So, ladies AND gentlemen, please get out your baking powder, "rise" to the occasion and bring the results of your baking to Sedgewell Sands before 10.30 am. on Saturday the 13th. Bakers unable to attend on the day should telephone James or Jane Stevenson (810151) who will collect from you a day or two beforehand.

### Change to Address

Sue and Adrian Muller have sent the following amended address.

Haven,  
167 Chemin de la Combe  
74300  
St Sigismund  
France

Apparently the number, 167, not 74300, is the distance, in metres, from their letter box to the beginning of their street.

## The Royal British Legion

At the last meeting Mike Hammond gave a very detailed account of his time at Ismailia on the Suez Canal. He was 19 at the time, serving in the RAF and was there between 1951 and 1954. It has been a forgotten conflict with most people only remembering the Suez Crisis of 1956. Mike told us that there were more servicemen and civilians killed in this campaign than there were in 1956, in fact the highest number of casualties since the Second World War. Mike worked as a Navigation and Auto Pilot engineer and in those days there was a shift pattern of 8 hours on and 8 hours off with many problems not least of which was a water shortage. We all know what a trial sand can be on the beach but imagine what it must be like in the desert! We were shown some photographs and given a very vivid account of what life must have been like in temperatures of 110°. We thank Mike for the time and trouble he took to give us this insight and for stepping into the breach at the last minute.

Next meeting is at the Royal Oak on Wednesday 3 November at 7.30 where Brian McCabe will talk about 'Man Overboard'

The AGM will be held on Wednesday 1 December 2004 at the Journey's End Inn at 7.30pm. Would anyone wishing to stand for election as an Officer of the Bigbury, Ringmore and Kingston Branch please let me know as soon as possible.

Robbie McCarthy  
Hon Secretary

## 100 CLUB

October:

£20 Dennis Collinson  
£5 Tom Young

## NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

All telephone numbers begin 810 . . .

### Village Co-ordinator

David Young	389
Stan Brunskill	654
Rob Batten	680
Denis Collinson	286
Ken Dann	-
Anne Lambell	530
Peter Major	729
Thelma Mann	673
Barry Old	359
James Parkin	303
Mike Pitt	633
Tracy Rimmer	658
Chris Roberts	730
Frank Williams	405





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## BAR OPEN ALL DAY EVERY DAY

*Diary for November/December/January*

<b>Every Monday</b>	EUCHRE DRIVE - 8pm
<b>Wed 3rd Nov</b>	R.B.L. Meeting - 7.30pm
<b>Fri 5th Nov</b>	BONFIRE NIGHT & R.B.L. Raffle
<b>Sat 6th Nov</b>	JOHN TUCKER'S 60th Birthday Bash in the Memorial Hall - Open house from 8pm
<b>Sun 7th Nov</b>	MART'S Birthday Bash at The Oak
<b>Mon 13th Dec</b>	XMAS EUCHRE - 8pm
<b>Tue 14th Dec</b>	PENSIONERS XMAS LUNCH - 12pm
<b>Sun 19th Dec</b>	XMAS DRAW - 8.30pm
<b>Mon 27th Dec</b>	DARTS K.O. OPEN COMPETITION
<b>Wed 29th Dec</b>	POOL K.O. OPEN COMPETITION
<b>Fri 31st Dec</b>	NEW YEAR'S EVE - Fancy Dress with music by Krunchy Carrot - 60's/70s Fancy Dress
<b>Sun 2nd Jan</b>	18th BIRTHDAY PARTY for Martyn Troup
<b>Fri 7th Jan</b>	OAK TEAM DARTS K.O. COMPETITION



## NOVEMBER MEETING

This month is a particularly important one with our Annual Meeting. The date is Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November, and the meeting starts at 7.30 p.m. This is your opportunity to choose who you want as President, Officers and Committee, so come along and use your vote. We will also be celebrating our 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with wine, cheese and a piece of birthday cake. This is a must for all W.I. members!

## CHRISTMAS DINNER

This year, our traditional Christmas dinner will be on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December in The Old Chapel Inn. Don't forget to bring your menu choices - and money! - to the Annual Meeting (or drop them in to me at Challaborough Cottage.

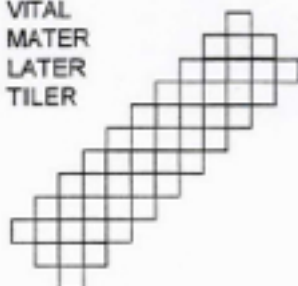
Jackie Tagent (810520)

*Enigma*

## This Month

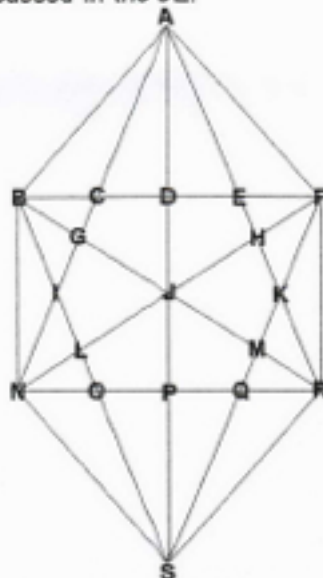
Place the 20 words in the grid so that each horizontal and vertical line forms a word.

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RAP CITES FETES  
METER CITED RATED  
FILED VITAL  
VOTER MATER  
PACES LATER  
BIPED TILER  
SITES  
DAD  
PER



## Last Month

How many triangles in the figure below? The puzzle produced the largest entry of the year, seven responses to be exact. Answers ranged from 46 to 106 but none was high enough. Answer: 110; at least, that's what Enigma has found. Triangles are listed below to aid the debate - differences of opinion can be discussed in the JE.



ABC AHJ BLN ILN SFR  
ABD AJN BNO INO SIN  
ABE AJR BNR JNP SJL  
ABF ANH BOR JNR SJM  
ABG ANP CFN JPR SJR  
ABI ANR DFJ KMR SKR  
ABJ APR EFH KQR SLF  
ABN BCG EFR LNO SLN  
ABR BCI FHK MQR SMB  
ACD BCN FHR SAB SMR  
ACE BDJ FJM SAF SNJ  
ACF BEJ FJR SAI SNO  
ADE BER FKH SAK SNP  
ADF BFJ FKR SAN SNQ  
AEF BFL FMR SAR SNR  
AFH BFN FNQ SBD SOP  
AFJ BFR FNR SBF SOQ  
AFK BGI FQR SBJ SOR  
AFN BGN GJN SBN SPQ  
AFR BIN GNR SDF SPR  
AGJ BJI HJR SFJ SQR  
AGR BJN HNR SFN SRB

*and there could be more!*