

the game this month - in the words of Jeremy Elliott will host the evening. Paxman's succinct forecast, 'Well, what do you expect? It's April'.

The Ringmore team made a minor name for itself by overcoming Diptford to reach the final of the Ken West Plate in the Inter-Parish eventually Ringmore won convincingly 107 -90. Support the team in the final at the Ivybridge Community College on 12th May.

The annual skip will be in the Journey's End car park on Saturday 21st May. Thanks to Ken for allowing the car park to be used.

On 2nd May the WI will hold a Spring Fair at the WI Hall.

Do Not forget to have your hair done for the Village Photograph at Ayrmer in June.

Among the PCC plans in May is an Auction for Africa. Bring along an item for the auction and fifty percent will go the Christain Aid and Ringmore, especially if you drive a white van!

Dodging the showers has been the name of the other fifty percent is yours. Revd John

A poorly-attended Annual Parish Assembly heard speakers on diverse subjects. In his valedictory comments, before moving to the Salcombe constituency, Sir Simon Day reminisced on his forty year association with Quiz. The score seesawed somewhat but Ringmore. Steve Munday, from SHDC, spoke of the difficulties faced by planners in reaching a balanced decision. Steve Radford, manager Challaborough Holiday Park, showed his willingness to address problems raised by local residents. Lastly, Simon Garner of the National Trust gave an interesting presentation on the acquisition of HMS Cambridge. A full report of the meeting will appear next month.

> The multicoloured map of Ringmore, promised last month, is available. The design is in the style of the London Underground map and shows every house in the parish. The cost is £1 per copy, in aid of Newsletter funds. A copy can be seen in the Journey's End. Call 810123 if you would like a copy of this useful guide to

#### 1arv tor the Month







#### LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES IN MAY

| Date                | Bigbury                          | Kingston                | Ringmore               |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| May 1 <sup>st</sup> | 11.00 a.m. Morning<br>Prayer     | 9.00 a.m. BCP Communion | 11 a.m. Family Service |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>     | 11.00a.m. Family                 | 6.00 p.m. BCP Evening   | 9.00 a.m. CW           |
|                     | Service                          | Prayer                  | Communion              |
| 15 <sup>th</sup>    | 9.00 a.m. BCP                    | 11.00 Family Service    | 6.00 p.m. Evening      |
|                     | Communion                        | & Childrens Club        | Prayer                 |
| 18 <sup>th</sup>    | 2.20 p.m. Korniloff<br>Communion |                         | 4.00 p.m. Communion    |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup>    | 11.00 a.m. Family                | 6.00 p.m. CW Evening    | 9 a.m. BCP             |
|                     | Communion                        | Prayer                  | Communion              |

# 29th Team Service 11.00 a.m. Aveton Gifford

### A NON PARTY POLITICAL BROADCAST!

I know that most of you are fed up with them. This year one of the Parties came seeking our support in the form of a joker who smilingly claimed to be calling on behalf of the Jehovah's Witnesses. Strange because years ago David Liddington the Conservative candidate for Aylesbury called with the local council candidate, and as they were both in long black raincoats I compared them to Mormon Missionaries.

What should influence our vote? Sadly the Church or Christian view is often seen as negative. In the past, a 'no' to Sunday trading and longer Pub opening hours. More recently a 'no' to the offensive Gerry Springer broadcast and legislation allowing mega casinos and easier gambling. This image of rejection rather than positive affirmation needs to be changed, so what will influence Pam and me as we place our crosses in the box.

Well Jesus went to the cross to restore relationship, in his case between God and humankind. In that wise book of Proverbs in the Bible (Chapter 14: verse 34) it says 'Righteousness exalts a nation'. One writer summarises righteousness as 'the quality of life displayed by those who live up to the norms inherent in a given relationship, and thereby do right by the other person or persons involved'. So we will be influenced by those who display right relationships in public and private life.

Patently the Christian, and other, voters would want to see lower divorce rates, parents spending more time with their children, better race relations, less loneliness among older people, lower crime rates, lower unemployment. In education relational skills and good manners as well as technical targets; and even some restoration of the balance between working hours and time to spend with family. Also ethics and morality in private as well as public life are important. Most of these issues are relationship related, so let's restore them.

For me to close, an entirely personal issue, and it claims my vote for our MP. I wrote to Gary Streeter, our present office holder, on a very tricky subject. He replied personally, did something about it and even went the extra mile by doing more than was requested. I hope there be will be many more like him irrespective of their party label.

[Rev. John Elliott, Church House, Ringmore (810565)]

### Christian Aid Week 15 - 21 May 2005

Christian Aid is 60 years old this year and continues to raise funds to make a difference to the lives of the world's poorest people. The funds raised will support agricultural training projects and health needs rooted in the needs of the local community to relieve poverty. The work of Christian aid and its partners has enabled many more people today have access to a secure supply of food and water, literacy, health services and a voice in decision making. However, overall in the last 60 years global inequality has increased and still half the world, population exist on less than £1.30 a day. The campaign continues to alleviate world poverty and address injustices in world trade.

In Ringmore, your local church will be collecting with gift envelopes in Christian Aid week and holding a fundraising event on Wednesday 18 May for this charity. Please give generously to this appeal and take a moment to add your vote for trade justice on the card which will be delivered with your gift envelope



## SURF THE WEB £1.00 FOR 30 MINUTES VIDEO & DVD RENTAL - £2.75

### SHOP

Monday to Saturday 7.00am - 6.00pm July & August 7.00am - 8.00pm Sunday 8.00am - 5.00pm

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MONDAY TO FRIDAY 9.00AM - 1.00PM

CASH MACHINE & MOBILE PHONE ELECTRONIC TOP-UP Wide Range of Local Cheeses (incl Sharpham and local Goat & Sheep cheeses) Fresh Daily Bread - Organic Vegetables Fruit & Veg - Frozen Foods - Groceries Aune Valley Meat - Heron Valley Juices Langage Farm Cream & Ice Cream Coal - Logs - Charcoal - Calor Gas Newspapers & Magazines -Clive's Organic Vegetarian Pies, Pasties, Flapjack and Luxury Cakes Off Licence - wide selection of Wine & Beers NOW STOCKING A RANGE OF BOTTLED BELGIAN BEERS Local Agent for Air Ambulance Lottery

# Journey's End Journal

The JE Bracey Table Tennis Tournament We are planning to host, sometime in May was won again this year by Jim; we an Australian theme evening, with tasters understand this is his third winning year. such as Kangaroo, Emu and Crocodile!! Frank was runner up after a thrilling third We hope you will be adventurous enough game. Well done to all who took part, to give it a go. Terry Wogan says it all including Felicity who stepped in for Elaine. We enjoyed the day, as I am sure many of you did.

From 1<sup>st</sup> May we will be operating on summer hours, and will be open lunchtimes and evenings seven days per An evening of cheese & wine may whet week

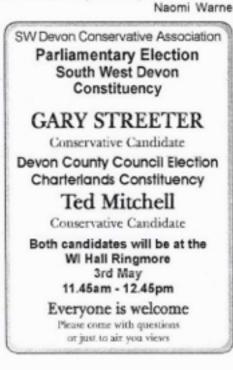
Matt has returned from his travels and has brought back with him lots of new ideas. The menus will be changing shortly, so we hope you will pop in to enjoy many new We are still holding our Bar Billiards and flavours including some Australian Darts Knock Outs every other Sunday dishes.



#### WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

Members were fascinated by the talk by Janis Denis on her career as an offcier on the QE2. Her account of her training. achieved after years of hard work at school and college, and her single-minded determination to 'go to sea' were equally interesting. But when finally being accepted and gaining her place on the QE2, her wonderful experience began. Meeting celebrities, visiting exotic places around the world, coping with life on board in fantastic situations, all this was told with great assurance. Members were enthralled and wanted more! An excellent evening - take note of our very good speakers this year.

Also, do not miss the Spring Fair at the WI Hall on Monday 2nd May.



tastes of chicken!

Other evenings to promote Italian and Thai food, wines and beers will follow so watch this space.

your appetite. We shall have on offer many wines for you to taste and possibly purchase, and some interesting local cheeses to accompany them.

evening, so please come along and join in the fun; and it is fun. The next knockout will be bar billiards on Sunday 8th May.

We understand that the JE ran golfing knockouts in the past, and we would like to reinstate a similar theme. Anyone interested in playing golf should speak to either one of us to register your interest.

Unfortunately due to lack of interest, we have cancelled the JE Draw, until further notice.

Information on all the above will be on the notice boards - please keep your eyes edition of the "Trucker's Weekly": peeled.

Finally, Congratulations to Ringmore who have progressed to the Final of the Inter Parish Quiz Ken West Plate. A good time was had by all although the final rounds were certainly nail biting stuff.

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| David Young          | 389               |
| Rob Batten           | 680               |
| Stan Brunskill       | 654               |
| Dennis Collinson     | 286               |
| Ken Dann             | -                 |
| Pat King             | 359               |
| Anne Lambell         | 530               |
| Thelma Mann          | 673               |
| Barry Old            | 359               |
| James Parkin         | 303               |
| Mike Pitt            | 633               |
| Chris Roberts        | 730               |
| Frank Williams       | 405               |

Please support your team.



Tel 01548 810205

Monday - Saturday 12.00pm - 3.00pm

Food: 12.30pm - 2.00pm 6.00pm - 11.00pm Food: 7.00pm - 9.00pm

#### Sunday

Noon - 4.00pm Food: 12.30pm - 2.30pm 7.00pm - 10.30pm Pizzas only: 7.30pm - 9.00pm



I thought your readers would be interested in this extract from a recent West Country

#### Lost in Ringmore

Those of you who have tried to deliver to this little village will know that there are no road names and houses are difficult to locate. However, there is a solution. In the Elaine & Ken white bungalow, near the telephone box in the middle of the village, there lives a charming young lady who doesn't mind being disturbed and is only too happy to give directions. If you smile nicely, she might even offer you a cup of tea. Happy delivering!

> White Van Man (Regn number supplied)

TEN YEARS A The Trojan Owners' Club Meeting was being planned.

Not surprisingly, The Royal British Legion marked the 50th Anniversary of VE Day. There was a Beacon and barbecue at Scobbiscombe Farm.

There was a Parish Council election due. there were nine candidates for seven seats.

Ringmore progressed to the final of the Ken West Plate in the Inter-Parish Quiz by defeating Bigbury 94-90.



### The Royal British Legion

There was no speaker at the April meeting and there was no 100 Club draw as Colin was away in the West Indies.

However, the next meeting will be on Wednesday 4th May at the Journey's End Inn, Ringmore. The speaker will be James Stevenson who will tell us all about Mr Young had telephoned with a warning training with the Royal Canadian Air Force. James is always an entertaining speaker and everyone is welcome to listen to his exploits.

The meeting on 1 June will be at the Matters are proceeding. Dolphin Inn, Kingston.

### Short Mat Bowls

The Short Mat Bowls has finished for the Town Well season. It will recommence on Monday Work should begin before the end of April. 3rd October. Enjoy the summer and we look forward to seeing you in the autumn. District Council

### AUCTION FOR AFRICA

On Wednesday 18 May at 7pm the PCC will be holding an evening event with an African flavour in the Ringmore Parish Room to raise more funds for Christian Aid. John Elliott will be your auctioneer for Congratulations to our Club Treasurer a 50/50 auction - you bring a saleable Frank Williams for winning the Village item and it is auctioned on the evening Trophy in the recent 'John Bracey' and you keep 50% of the proceeds with Competition. It was good also to see Jim 50% donated to Christian Aid. The auction back again putting his natural talent on starts at 8pm - please come and enjoy a show and carrying off the overall trophy. glass of wine or fair trade coffee, plants. The event held recently in the JE once cakes, fair trade items for sale, and Bring again proved to be a popular and social & Buy at this special evening. Entry is £1 occasion and our thanks go to John and on the door to include wine/coffee.

Yvonne Sheppard

Christian Aid Week AUCTION FOR AFRICA Wednesday 18th May 7.00pm Parish Room 50/50 Auction (50% to denor - 50% Christian Aid) Please bring an item for sale

Also Books, Plants, Cakes, Bring and Buy Fair Trade items for sale African snacks for you to try

> For more details contact: Phill Errett 810547 Yome Sheppard 810341

### **RINGMORE PARISH COUNCIL**

Meeting - Tuesday, 19th April 2005

Present - Five councillors, the Clerk Bryan Carson - District Councillor Apologies: Clirs R Batten and C Jackson David Young, Neighbourhood Watch

#### Neighbourhood Watch

about door-to-door salesmen who became abusive when rejected. Similar incidents have been reported in Paignton.

#### Land Registry

#### Planning

Robbie McCarthy Application: Alterations to No1 Hon Secretary Crossways. No objections but concern was expressed over the position of a window in the SW elevation.

Alan McCarthy Clir Brian Carson reported that the new Chairman recycling scheme was going well. It will soon be arriving in Ringmore Parish. He reminded the meeting that if the



Ken for making it such an enjoyable afternoon.

The beginning of May sees the end of the winter season but following last year's success Table Tennis Club members have decided to carry on with the Tuesday Evening Club nights during the Summer months, Frank Williams, on 810405, will run the evenings, initially for a trial period, every week and if numbers support it, hopefully throughout the summer. If you wish to join in, perhaps to entertain visitors for an hour or so, or loose a few pounds after all the cream teas and other summer goodies etc, come to the Parish Room on a Tuesday evening, 7.30 onwards where you would be made most welcome. We have had a tremendous winter season and it has been a pleasure to welcome new faces.

The Winter season will start again on Tuesday 4" October, hopefully following as good a summer as last year.

> Phillip Errett Chairman 810547

Thursday collection is missed, rubbish can be taken to Torr Quarry.

The SHDC received a status award from the Deputy Prime Minister's office for efforts in providing affordable housing. They also received £350,000 to improve development control services. Electronic services should be on-line by the end of the year.

#### Finance

Annual insurance premium - £322.54

#### Village Skip Service

Saturday 21st May 10.00am - 4.00pm in the Journey's End car park.

#### Next Meeting

Tuesday 24th May at 7.0pm in the WI Hall.

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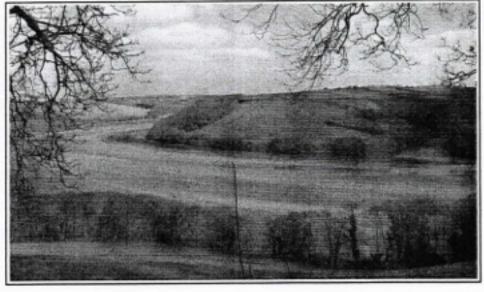


# Aune Valley Siltation Project

On the geological timescale, estuaries are short term coastal features that are filled by sediments and become part of the terrestrial landscape; although, on the human timescale estuaries are long lived and in Devon at least, form vital parts of our coastal heritage and character. However, locals of the Avon estuary (known locally as the Aune to distinguish it from several other Avons in the Country!) have become very concerned that their estuary might be filling up in their lifetimes, citing increasing instances of propeller hits and loss of dingy sailing area.

In the true Aune estuary local community spirit of pulling their sleeves up and actively getting things done, the local estuary 'friends' group, the Aune Conservation Association (ACA) have taken the helm in teaming up with the South Hams Society and several local statutory authorities and formed a group to investigate the issue and seek a way forward.

There is a common perception that modern farming practices are to blame for such siltation but as there are many local influences that could affect the siltation of the estuary, including sediments carried in from the sea, so the group are taking the entirely responsible and scientific route of commissioning studies by the Plymouth Marine Laboratory, University of Plymouth and WS Atkins. These studies involve the measurement of sand-ingress in the mouth of the Estuary; the taking of sediment samples and seeking to match them with soil samples taken from the



Avon catchment area and their analysis to ascertain the history of their deposition; and the creation of a three-dimensional model of the Estuary and salt marsh respectively.

"The funding of the 'Avon estuary siltation project' has been raised by the ACA," says John Crawford, the ACA Chairman, "from two family trusts that have been associated with the Estuary for more than half a century, although the ACA have raised money on their own account and are now receiving funding from the South Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Partnership for aspects which add value to the project. Many other organisations are offering help in kind, including the Environment Agency and the local estuary partnership officer." The outcome of the studies will be presented at a future Avon Estuary Forum meeting and will also involve suggestions and discussions on how the siltation might be slowed back down to natural levels. [The Avon Estuary Forum was established three years ago under District Council leadership; the Forum brings together all persons and organisations with any interests in the Avon estuary]. Progress will be reported on the ACA website at

http://www.aveton-gifford.co.uk/aca.

For further information, contact;

Nigel Mortimer, Marine Conservation Officer, Salcombe Harbour Authority, Whitestrand, Salcombe, Devon, TQ88BU. Tel: 01548 843791

### All Hallows PCC News

#### News from the Annual Church Meetings

Since the 1930s, the two villages of Ringmore and Kingston have been one parish for ecclesiastical purposes. Kingston used to be a daughter church of Ermington but in the early 20th century the parish of Ringmore with Kingston was born, with the Church of St James the Less a daughter church to the Church of All Hallows. The administrative arrangements have been unsatisfactory for sometime as the conjoined parish is legally only entitled to one Parochial Church Council and two churchwardens between them. There have been concerns about the legality and responsibility and accountability of decisions taken by two separate halves of the PCC meeting in our separate villages, and the Archdeacon

of Totnes, in his official Diocesan legal overseer role, requested a resolution of the arrangements. It was agreed at the meeting on 5 April 2005 held in Kingston Church there would be one PCC comprising the wardens and a few elected members and ex officio members of each village, and two District Church Councils, one for Ringmore and one for Kingston to whom the PCC could delegate most responsibilities for each church. The fine detail of the scheme will be formalized by a small group from both villages and put forward to the Bishop's Council for approval in the next few months.

The visitation by the Archdeacon of Totnes will be held in St Edmunds Church, Kingsbridge on Tuesday 3rd May when Churchwardens and Sidesmen are sworn in. Everyone is welcome to attend the Church service from 7.30pm.

Yvonne Sheppard

|                   | 2005                     |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Church C          | ouncil Members           |
| for               | Ringmore                 |
| The Revd John     | Elliott - Chairman       |
| The Revd Neil I   | Barker -                 |
| (New Team Rector  | r - induction 21st June) |
| Phill Errett - Ck | nurchwarden              |
| Yvonne Sheppa     | ard -                    |
| Deputy Churchwa   | rden and Treasurer       |
| Michael Tagent    | -                        |
| Reader and Dean   | ery Synod Representative |
| Mike Wynne-Po     | well - Secretary         |
| Alice Mason       | Jackie Tagent            |
| Gil Tomlin        | Drina Williams           |
| All sidesmen hav  | e been re-elected.       |

THE WINNER TAKES IT ALL



| Round One  | Round Two   | Round Three                         | Semi-Finals                    | Final          |
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| Poter Chickon Byo  | Peter Chicken<br>11-9, 11-5<br>Gillion Parkin                   | Pater Chidsen                       |                                |                |
| Jinny McCabe 11-5, 11-5<br>Alen McCathy<br>Bon Turner<br>Geof Dykes, 11-7, 11-3                    | Jinny McCabe<br>11-4, 11-6<br>Geof Dykes                        | 21-2, 21-8<br>Geof Dykes            | Geof Dykes                     |                |
| Andrew Swan Bye<br>Debbie Chicken  | Andrew Swan<br>11-1, 11-2                                       | Andrew Sean                         |                                |                |
| James Stephenson 21-14,21-14<br>Kares Upschie 11-8, 5-11, 11-4<br>Phil Baster<br>Jim McGirley Rive | James Stephenson<br>Karen Upsdale<br>11-4, 11-3<br>Jim McGinley | 28-22, 21-12, 21-15<br>Jim McGinley | 21-15, 23-21<br>Jim McGinley   | Jim McGinley   |
| Frank Williams 21-19, 21-19<br>John Beacry   | Frank Williams<br>11-6, 11-1                                    | Frank Williams<br>21-4, 21-10       | Frank Williams<br>21-17, 21-19 | Frank Williams |
| Sally Errett<br>James Parkin 11-7, 11-7  | James Parkin  |                                     |                                |                |
| Feicily Godwin Bye   | Felicity Godwin<br>11-1, 11-5                                   |                                     |                                |                |
| Phi Thompson Bye<br>Mo Ritchie 11-8, 11-8  | Phil Thompson<br>Mo Ritchie                                     | Phil Thompson<br>Mo Ritchie         | Ma Ritchie                     |                |
| Phil Errett<br>Brian McCabe<br>John Freeman 11-6, 11-6   | 11-6, 11-6<br>John Freeman                                      | 21-17, 21-19                        |                                |                |
| Sandy Hammond Bye  | Sandy Hammond<br>11-5, 11-1                                     | 1                                   |                                |                |
| Mary Swan Bye  | Mary Swan   | Mary Swan                           |                                |                |

The annual J.E.B.J.E. T.T.T. (John E Bracey Journey's End Table Tennis Tournament) took place on Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> April. The number of entrants was down on previous years but the volume of barracking and cheering and the amount of laughter on the Happiometer was definitely up. Ken arranged around the table in the conservatory and

they were filled for most of the event that lasted from 12.00 until about 5.00p.m.

John Bracey was knocked out by Frank Williams, the eventual runner up, which gave him a good opportunity for organising and umpiring in his inimitable. unbiased style. Rather ambitiously the first few matches were the best of three games, the winner being first to get 21 points. Before long it was obvious that this would take too much time so, amid some confusion, the rules were changed to the new National ones of the first to 11 and Peter Chicken. points with the server changing every two depressed after the Newcastle result,



Steamy Gossip points, (this is better for the television with Frank beating a very athletic Mo 21-17, coverage!). The reigning champion Jim 21-19. almost inevitable result.

There were some real cliff hanger on the day, Frank. matches in all rounds. Of note, in the early rounds, were those between Karen Jim was given a bottle of Scotch by Ken and

lost his form (or gained inebriation), against Geof but there were two very close quarter final matches, Andrew and Mary Swan nearly beating Jim and Mo respectively with Frank winning more comfortably against Phil Thompson. Both semifinals were very entertaining, nail-biting matches, the second game between Geof and Jim finishing at 23-21

Predictably Jim won the McGinley, having left the village, was tournament, but only just, Frank achieving reluctant to enter, so a new trophy was 19 points in both games. John decided made for the event. However Jim was that Jim should not receive two trophies persuaded to fill in for Jon Lunn with the so, after presenting him with the old trophy he has won for the last two years, the new cup was presented to the best Ringmorian

Upsdale and Phil Baxter; Phill Errett and Frank a bottle of wine, amid cheers from Mo Ritchie; Karen and Jim; Gillian Parkin the audience. It was the end of a very Peter, rather enjoyable afternoon at the Journey's End which benefitted the Air Ambulance by £24.



50th BIRTHDAY PARTY - BARBARA

**BIGBURY FUN RUN WEEKEND** 

BAY CAFE OPEN DAILY FROM

SPRING BANK HOLIDAY ONWARDS

10am - 6pm

LIVE MUSIC

Sat 14th May

Fri / Sat/ Sun

24 - 26 June



Enjoy the games and try for a raffle prize

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### Last Month

The Japanese puzzle did not prove to be as easy or perhaps as popular as it might have been but it did inspire the Springers to have a go, their first Enigma entry... and it is correct. The solution is as follows:

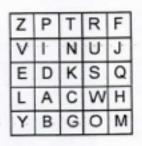
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| 1      | 7     | 2                |
| 8      | 0     | 3<br>2<br>2<br>0 |
| 8      | 2     | 0                |
| .5     | 2     | 3                |
| 5      | 5     | 0                |

There are variations as proved by the four correct solutions from The Springers, the Opals, Taurus and Champion Matchman. Gemini's solution of tipping half into another container will just not do!

Some claim, in similar wording, to have done the double puzzle in March but decided not to submit answers, apparently peeved by Enigma's attempt to be fair over the February problems. Some competitors had verbal clarification of the error but not all competitors had that advantage - not all identities have been revealed, which is part of the fun.

### This Month

Almost everyone will recognize this puzzle, the old standard. Find the longest word



u s i n g contiguous letters. horizontally, vertically and diagonally. Letters can be used only once.

COAGUCHECK

No, it is not an additional Enigma puzzle. Next month Julie Linzell will be doing the Bigbury Fun Run with a purpose. She hopes to raise up to £500 to help the Modbury Surgery acquire another of these machines which are used to determine the coagulability of blood. This is an important factor in monitoring anyone with heart problems.

Julie has the support of the Fun Run committee which is prepared to contribute to her cause. Please get in touch with Julie if you are willing to sponsor her.