

RINGMORE NEWSLETTER

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*Didn't we have a lovely time
The day we went to Ayrmer
Some of us drove to have lunch in the cove,
After our picture was taken, you know;
A hundred or more were down by the shore
To picnic with friends and our neighbours
And when it was done we packed it all up
And we all went home.*

What a great Ringmore Occasion. On a hot sunny day, more than half the village gathered to mark the 21st Anniversary of the Ringmore Historical Society or to be in the picture or to have a picnic or for all three. Whatever the reason, it was a lovely affair. Ages ranged from one to ninety six and that was just the Charlies. Some of the older folk had not been there for more than ten years. Imagine their feelings as they recalled old memories. None more so than Alice who was proposed to at Ayrmer. As far as is known, no troth was plighted this time but everyone was left with a happy feeling, pleased at having participated.

Will it happen again? Who knows, often it is better to travel in hope . . .

Rob and Fiona Batten will be leaving for France before too long which will leave a gap in the Newsletter Support Team as well as the Parish Council (see the notice board in due course). Not only did Fiona monitor the rainfall but she and Rob also delivered the Newsletter along Rectory Lane and to Marwell, Renton and South Langston. If there is anyone willing to undertake either or both of these helpful activities, please contact the Editor.

The PCC will be running a FairTrade Market in the Parish Room on 18th; volunteers are needed to help keep the village looking its best; Julie has exceeded her hopes in fundraising for the Modbury Surgery; Cream Teas are coming to the WI Hall.

This month you can write that Limerick which you always knew would win a competition. Entries will be judged in the August Newsletter.

Finally, a warm welcome to the new leader of the Modbury Team Ministry, the Revd Neil Barker. We look forward to welcoming him in Ringmore

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Diary for the Month

MONDAY: Short Mat Bowls resumes September
TUESDAY: Table Tennis Parish Room 7.30pm
THURSDAY: J E Quiz restarts in the Autumn
SUNDAY: Pizza Night at Journey's End

- 1st Royal British Legion Dolphin Kingston 7.30pm
- 14th WI Meeting WI Hall 8.00pm
Work of Association of Country Women of the World
- 18th FairTrade Market Parish Room 6.30pm
- 19th Parish Council meeting WI Hall 7.00pm
- 24th Cream Tea WI Hall 3.15pm - 5.30pm
- DEADLINE
- 31st Cream Tea WI Hall 3.15pm - 5.30pm
- August
- 3rd WI Summer Fête WI Garden 2.00pm

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DEADLINE

Sunday
24th

Editor:
Geof Dykes
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RAINFALL

Fiona Batten

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2½"

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Ten Year Low

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NEWS FROM ALL HALLOWS

LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES IN JULY

Date	Bigbury	Kingston	Ringmore
July 3 rd	11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer	9.00 a.m. Communion	11 a.m. Family Service
10 th	11.00a.m. Family Service	6.00 p.m. BCP Evening Prayer	9.00 a.m. CW Communion
17 th	9.00a.m. Communion	11.00a.m. Family Service [with Childrens Club]	6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer
20 th	2.20 p.m. Korniloff Communion		4.00 p.m. Communion
24 th	11.00 a.m Family Communion	6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer	9.00 a.m. BCP Communion
31 st	<i>No local Services</i>	<i>TEAM SERVICE</i>	<i>See below</i>

31st 11.00 a.m. Team Service at East Allington

The Honeymoon Begins!

By the time this is read we will have a New Rector, Neil Barker, leading the combined Modbury Team Ministry. Our local Church is within this umbrella, a sort of mini ecclesiastical community not totally unlike the European Community. Our member Churches are Modbury, Aveton Gifford, Loddiswell, East Allington and Woodleigh in addition to the more local Bigbury, Kingston and Ringmore.

Many of you will recall that Bob "Canon Bob" Campbell-Smith was our Team Rector, and he carried out the local ministry in Modbury and Aveton Gifford as well as overseeing the Team. The Team is completed by Mike Jefferies (Team Vicar with responsibility for Loddiswell, East Allington and Woodleigh) whilst yours truly [John Elliott] is the Resident Minister looking after Bigbury, Kingston and Ringmore. My role is contractually part time as I am given a house to live in and a small honorarium in exchange, in theory at least, for just two days of weekday work in addition to Sundays. Most weeks those working days are Tuesday and Wednesday, but with Saturday weddings and death and funerals respecting no clock or calendar there has to be considerable flexibility.

Neil Barker, the New Team Rector, comes to the South Hams from a part of Surrey that falls just within the Southwark Diocese. He keeps chickens and likes canoeing, so should fit well down here.

So what is this honeymoon in the headline? It has been said that for the first year an incoming minister can do nothing wrong, but for the next however many years he can do very little right. In a previous existence a wise old Bank Inspector told me to ignore the temptation to consider the two biggest fools in the Bank to be my predecessor, and later my successor. He was wise to sound this warning for we are all gloriously different, but also made in the image of God, even if that image in us has been marred by the world, sin and the devil. In a previous Parish many miles from here our first Vicar was a wonderfully efficient clerk in holy orders. The administration was clean effective and buttoned up tight, as was he! There was initially such relief when his successor appeared warm cuddly and personable with an informal love for all. Then the banns were not called, the e-mails not answered and appointments and deadlines missed. "Wish we could have X back" came the cry from many quarters.

Lets us hope that our new Team Rector Neil with Caroline will be warmly welcomed by us all. That will mean for me a new boss and colleague, and for all of us someone to encourage but also to be encouraged by. Neil in an article for the Modbury Magazine wrote "we are looking forward to seeing what God is doing in and through each other, each taking our part in His plan as together we seek His Kingdom". Amen to that; let's welcome them both and look forward to meeting them.

John Elliott, Church House, Ringmore (810565)

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Journey's End Journal

Dear All

Not a great deal happened in June, including our "Summer Quiz"! Nothing like good planning. I always say! We are working things out and shall put notices up very soon.

During a quiet moment we installed a Boules Court. Chris and Alan (King) arranged the speedy delivery of 9 (yes, nine!) tons of gravel and armed me with a wheelbarrow. No doubt very good for the waistline but hard on the back. Thanks Alan !! Signs will be in place soon as will some lighting to permit evening games. So, "Get Your Boules Out", or borrow some from the bar, and prepare yourselves for

a challenge from either our "JE Food" or "JE Beverage" teams.

We have extended food service on Friday and Saturday evenings to 9.30pm for those of you wishing to eat a little later and further extended the menu throughout the pub.

The Sunday lunch sessions with Pete James on Piano are becoming very popular and future Saturday night sessions will include guest appearances from some excellent vocalists and musicians starting Sat. 2nd then the 16th and 30th of July. So, come along and enjoy. That's it for now. We look forward to seeing you through July.

Ken & Elaine



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Sunday

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BIGBURY FUN RUN

A fair Ringmore contingent turned out in their running shoes for the annual Bigbury Fun Run on Saturday 25th June. A Knight, 4 Swans and a Chicken joined the fund-raising Julie Linzell and many others (including Elvis, Superman, a family of pirates, Sylvester the cat, Maid Marion, a nun and some Roman Legionnaires) to cover the 5 1/4 mile course.

The course record was smashed by last year's winner (see the Kingsbridge Gazette for his name!) whilst the locals cup went to Ross, our very own JE kitchen man from St Ann's Chapel!

Although the weather was much improved on last year's event, the hot conditions certainly made the running more difficult and many runners were grateful for the various water stations (not least, The Journeys End) and the hose pipe shower at the top of Challaborough Hill.

Thanks to the organisers at the Royal Oak for another great day!

Pete Chicken



WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

The Annual Barbecue was a great success, as usual, due to much hard work and a lot of time given behind the scenes. The weather was kind, too; just what we always pray for.

It is a great time for meeting friends over a sausage or a chicken leg and how much better they taste in the open air! (the food, not the friends).

Thanks to everyone who toiled in their aprons - Well Done.

Naomi Warne

LIFE BEGINS AT 40

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our friends and neighbours for their cards, gifts and best wishes for Peter's Fortieth Birthday Party. We were overwhelmed with all the help and the loan and supply of various items.

A big 'THANK YOU' to all.

We hope that the music did not cause anyone offence. We had a most enjoyable evening and hope that you did too.

Peter, Debbie, Georgina & Bradley Mercy

COAGUCHECK

Julie Linzell had a resounding success in the Fun Run. She had a very respectable time of one hour six minutes and raised approximately twelve pounds for every minute she was running. Once all the sponsorship money has been collected, Julie will have accumulated a sum of more than £820 which will go towards the blood-testing machine at the Modbury Health Centre. Well done Julie.

The various cheques will be presented to the relevant charities on Sunday 17th July at 3.00pm in the Royal Oak.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

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Dear Historical Society

Thank you for arranging a wonderful slice of Ringmore history on Sunday. It was wonderful and slightly overwhelming at times to take part in something together as a village that will forever be in the history books. It was marvellous to see so many people from the village make the effort to join in and to see the beach so busy with familiar faces. The sun shone, the tide was perfect and the cake delicious!

Many thanks.

Debbie (Chicken)

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TEN YEARS AGO . . . The Royal British Legion Ringmore Parish Council

Modbury School was bursting at the seams and a number of fund-raising activities were aimed at providing additional accommodation.

Installation of the heating system in the church had been completed.

The Parish Council discussed the provision of car parking spaces and the potential effectiveness of rumble strips.

The Royal British Legion was leading celebrations to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the end of WWII.

A Warning to Treewardens

Yes, only God can make a tree,
But let me please explain,
He made the views that we can see:
The sea, the cliff, the plain.
He made the rolling hill and field
The quiet river, fen and weald

But sometimes God makes tree and bush

That seek to hide away
All these good things he made for us,
So why do people say:
"Cut down that tree? Oh goodness no!
Just let it grow and grow and grow."

And let its shadows cast their gloom
Snuff out the light from house and room

Grow on brave tree, shut out that light
And cast upon the land your blight
Till everything is out of sight.
Leave us to fume!
And Ringmore soon will lose its views,
I'm telling yews.

From a reformed tree-hugger
(Branch address supplied)

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 7 September where the speaker will be John Symes.

100 Club £20 - Paula Woodhead, £5 - Chris Freeman.

The speaker at the Dolphin Inn, Kingston was Guy Eddy who gave us a very detailed talk about his part in WWII, which was very appropriate given the anniversary celebrations this year. In 1939 Guy passed his Cambridge School Certificate, the first in his family to pass an exam of any consequence he told us, which enabled him to apply to the RAF. The RAF were happy to have him but not his tonsils so as soon as they were removed he started his service life as an Apprentice Clerk in the RAF records office in Ruislip. He had an 18 month course in typewriting and the other skills necessary to run an orderly room. He was 16 when he started this busy life which included sports and drill but definitely no loitering. The main PTI was Eddy Hapgood who played for Arsenal in a former life and as a result during Guy's time at Ruislip he went to Wembley five times. From there he went to Porthreath in March 1942 and until the end of the war Guy was posted all over the Middle East and Asia travelling to those exotic places by boat and train. He finished by having to fly a plane back from a transit station in Italy to England and as he had undertaken all his flying training abroad and never having flown in England he ended up in the wrong place! However, he did manage to get the situation sorted out in the end. Our thanks to Guy for a very entertaining evening. I am sure there are many more stories where those came from.

Robbie McCarthy
Hon Secretary

Meeting Tuesday, 21st June 2005 at 7pm.

Present: Six councillors, the clerk, Mr Young - neighbourhood watch - and one member of the public.

Apologies: Cllr. Jackson and Dist Cllr Carson

Grass Verges As everyone knows, the grass verges need more attention at this time of the year. Parishoners are requested to make sure that those outside their properties are kept clear.

Neighbourhood Watch Dust bins and bags left outside after the refuse collection day are a clear indication that the property is empty: a temptation to would-be thieves.

Land Registry Enquiries proceeding.

Footpaths Nettles are the problem at the moment. Our volunteer footpath warden, Cllr McCarthy is dealing with the matter.

Planning

Approvals:-

- Extension at No 1 Crossways
- Alterations to the roof at Channel View
- Construction of a replacement dwelling at Marwell Cross

Tree house at Lower Manor Farm - an appeal has been made to the Secretary of State.

Trafalgar Celebrations

It was reported that the British Legion would be planting a tree, possibly in Bigbury Parish Church grounds.

VJ Day On 20th of August, to commemorate VJ Day, there will be a Ram Roast at the Memorial Hall, St Ann's Chapel. Tickets will cost £8 each.

Finance

John Reid for cutting the grass at the Town Well - four cuts- £68
Annual membership of the Salstone Group of Parish Councils - £15
Clerk's salary and expenses - £188.60
Hire of annual skip for clearance of household rubbish - £211.50
Please note that the cost of the skip was £40 above the price quoted because someone dumped a quantity of asbestos in it. Asbestos is termed a hazardous material and should have been disposed of elsewhere.

Date of next meeting:

Tuesday, 19th July, 7pm in the WI Hall.
Thelma Mann

National Garden Scheme SCYPEN

John and Ann would like to thank all the people who helped at the Scypen Garden Open days on Sunday 19th and Wednesday 22nd; they were very much appreciated, as were the villagers who came to look at the garden.

Thanks partly to the wonderful weather on both days but mainly to an article appearing in the free magazine distributed to garden centres, we had a record attendance and record takings from the gate and sale of cakes and drinks.

The amount raised for the ten National Garden Scheme charities, the principal two being McMillan Nurses and Marie Curie Cancer Trust, was £695.

CREAM TEAS AND OTHER TEAS



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**Meet your friends
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The Ringmore Historical Society were delighted to see so many people, young and old, on Aymer Cove last Sunday to celebrate the 21st Anniversary of its foundation. The photograph of more than 100 villagers will provide an interesting record for years to come, as will Mike Wynne Powell's photographs of the event. We all enjoyed a glass of wine and a piece of celebratory cake before settling down to our picnics in the glorious sunshine. Thanks to all who helped to make this such a happy occasion.

A Sample of the Official Photo



Royal British Legion

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There will be a Limerick competition in July. Entries will be published in August for judgement by your peers and the results will appear in the September issue of the Newsletter. There are countless Limericks in print, so to ensure a degree of originality, every entry must contain the consecutive letters C A T somewhere in the verse but not necessarily in the same word. Now, as to the tenor, please remember that the results will not be announced behind the bicycle sheds but in front rooms around the village.

Comments have been made about the untidy appearance of the village now that the verges are beginning to be bowed down by by the weight of growth. Some verges are cut by the local authority, every now and then. Other areas are maintained by the Parish Council. If you feel able to tend any verges outside your house it would help to encourage a tidy appearance around the village.

One area which does need maintaining is the verge known as the Bowling Green. Recently it was trimmed, voluntarily, by Alan McCarthy but it would help if there were a few more volunteers. Would anyone who is willing to help in this area please contact Alan on 810738. Many hands make light work.



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- Sat 9th Jul** BARN DANCE at Mount Folly Farm in aid of DAME HANNAH ROGERS SCHOOL
- Sun 17th Jul** FUN RUN PRESENTATION of cheques for LOCAL CHARITIES
- Wed 27th Jul** YEALMPTON SHOW - bar supplied by THE ROYAL OAK
- Sat 30th Jul** CRAIG & LEAH'S WEDDING
- Sat 20th Aug** R.B.L. 'THANKS A MILLION CAMPAIGN' RAM ROAST & PARTY AT THE MEMORIAL HALL
- Fri 26th Aug** 'DARTINGTON MORRIS MEN' dancing at THE ROYAL OAK - 8pm

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BBQ SUCCESS

A very big "thank you" to everyone who helped at the Barbecue on June 9, both W.I. members and other willing helpers in the village. The evening was a great success, with over £300 raised for Devon Air Ambulance.

JULY MEETING

Our meeting on Thursday July 14 is a backwards one! We will start with a talk from Ginny Addison Smith, one of our County Officers, on the work of the Associated Country Women of the World, assisting women in rural areas in educational and social work. Ginny's illustrated talk starts at 7.30 p.m., and "business" items will be dealt with after refreshments. Do come!

THE FÊTE'S COMING

Make a note in your diary! The annual Fête will take place in the W.I. Hall and gardens on Wednesday August 3, starting at 2 p.m. Contributions towards the tombola, cake and produce stalls, and items for the bric-a-brac stall will be appreciated. Please contact Jackie (810520) or Sally (810547).



Last Month

It might help to run through last month's puzzle again before laying out the answer.

Several children were playing in the garden. Suddenly there was the sound of breaking glass; a window was broken. The four children who had been enjoying a game with a ball now looked alarmed. The garage window was lying on the ground in pieces. Who had broken the window was not easy to observe.

'James broke the window', said Jane. 'No, Mary did it', said James, laughing. Mary's sister Sarah said 'It wasn't me'. Mary said, 'Me? James is wrong to say that I did it'.

Of the four, only one spoke the truth. Who is responsible for the damage?

ANSWER

If James broke the window, Jane, Mary and Sarah spoke the truth.

If Mary broke the window James and Sarah spoke the truth.

If Jane broke the window, Sarah and Mary spoke the truth.

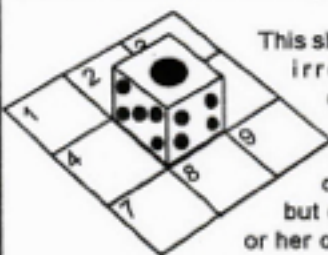
If Sarah broke the window, Mary spoke the truth.

Only one child spoke the truth, so it is Sarah who broke the window.

So who fathomed it out? Perhaps the essence is that only **one** child spoke the truth. The Beginners seemed to have derived their solution from the French and something was lost in the translation. The Opals demonstrated blatant chauvinism and plumped for James as the speaker of truth therefore condemning Mary. Gemini summarily blamed poor Jane. Both The Springers and Champion Matchman decided Sarah was the culprit and they were right. One point for The Beginners, Gemini and The Opals; three each to those with the correct answer.

This Month

Prepare a plan with a die, as shown. The objective is to roll the die up, down, left or right, not diagonally, until it is on square seven with the number six uppermost, in the least number of moves. Please describe your route.



This should be an irresistible diversion from Pimms on the lawn but each to his or her own.