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DEADLINE

**Tuesday
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Robbie McCarthy

DIARY FOR THE MONTH

MONDAY:	Short Mat Bowls Parish Room 7.30pm
TUESDAY:	Table Tennis Parish Room 7.30pm
THURSDAY:	Quiz Night Journey's End 9.00pm
SUNDAY:	Pizza Night at Journey's End

- 5th Royal British Legion Royal Oak 7.30pm
- 13th WI Meeting WI Hall 7.30pm Speaker 8.15pm
- 16th All Hallows Friends' Event Local Archaeologist 4.00pm
- 18th Parish Council Meeting WI Hall 7.00pm
- 20th WI Group Meeting WI Hall 7.30pm
- 21st RBL Trafalgar Tree Planting Bigbury Church 11.00am
Fairtrade Market Parish Room 7.00pm
- 25th DEADLINE

November

- 9th Ringmore Historical Society AGM WI Hall 7.30pm

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The end of September seems always to bring a certain sense of relief in Ringmore. It's not that the visitors have gone and Modbury is but ten minutes away again, it's the end of the Quiz that smooths the furrowed brows. The results are inside; thanks to everyone who took part.

A number of villagers suffered the misfortune of needing to visit Derriford during the month but all are recovering, it is hoped, without lasting effects.

October has a number of things in store. A Fairtrade market will again be held in the Parish room. If nothing else, this event makes one think of the labour that goes into producing what we tend to take for granted.

A successful Harvest Supper was held, also in the Parish Room with over fifty villagers in attendance. This occasion literally provides food for thought.

The Journey's End sponsored the Ringmore Tug of War team in their attempt to regain the title held by the Dolphin in Kingston. This time 'our boys done well', winning 2-0. Not all of them come from the village but if it means we are the champions we cannot be too precious. Well done to them.

This month sees the restart of Short Mat Bowls in the Parish Room. Anyone is welcome to join in. You do not have to be a serious bowler to enjoy the fun.

The Journey's End quiz night has also restarted and will be on Thursday night until late Spring next year. One of the regular quizzers, John Court from Waterhead, was missing. John has been off-colour for a little while and we wish him a speedy return to form.

The Friends of All Hallows have organized an interesting afternoon with a local archaeologist who will talk about both the exterior and interior of the church. For those with an interest in vinification, there will be appropriate refreshment.

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NEWS FROM ALL HALLOWS

LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES IN OCTOBER

Date	Bigbury	Kingston	Ringmore
Oct 2 nd	11.00a.m. Family Service	9.00 a.m. Communion	11.00a.m. Family Service
9 th	11.00a.m. Harvest Festival then lunch at The Oak)	6.00 p.m. Harvest Festival (with supper following in the Reading Room)	9.00 a.m. CW Communion
16 th	9.00 a.m. BCP Communion	11.00 a.m. Family Service with Christening	6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer
19 th	2.30 p.m. Korniloff Communion		4.00 p.m. Spoken Communion
23 rd	11.00a.m. Family Communion	6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer	9.00 a.m. BCP Communion
30 th	10.30 a.m. TEAM SERVICE	No Service, but 6.30p.m. at Modbury, Deanery Evensong	No Service, but 6.30p.m. at Modbury, Deanery Evensong

Naff E-mails (A Whinge) !

Look, it's been a long day. I've just spent the last hour clearing my inbox of rubbish emails from my friends, the intelligence of some of whom I am starting to question. This has nothing to do with the Bible, but my wife is in bed and I have no one else to whinge to, so I'm going to let you read it and then I can feel better about the world and go to sleep.

Can someone please explain why intelligent people – people with degrees and careers, people who have raised families and who are otherwise accomplished, are so dopey when it comes to the internet? For the sake of the rest of us who are sick of getting daft emails, can you please stop being gullible and refrain from forwarding... well... pretty well anything at all really. The world will be a better place if you could consider the following: If you get a petition on the internet, it's a hoax. Do not add your name and pass it on. All this does is circulate a list of idiots around the world. This is especially the case with anything to do with the United Nations. On its website, the UN even begs you not to send petitions to them as they don't have any mandate to do anything about it and it just clogs their system

If you email a cute animal picture presentation that ends in the caption "If this has made you smile, why not pass it on to ten friends?". I will tell you why not. Because kittens dangling from branches do not make me smile and one working or relaxing hour has been lost while they all read it. Most virus warnings are hoaxes, especially if it is "just released today" and it asks you to delete files from your PC and tell at least ten friends. Check out any hoax website (www.snopes.com) and you'll find your little email right there.

If you are a Christian, fine. I am too. However, all those emails about the potential rape/murder victim being saved by two giant men invisible to everyone except the criminal are a sappy fiction. That picture you just forwarded to everyone of a little girl who has gone missing, is of some unsuspecting victim of a practical joke who is sitting at home right now eating crisps and watching T.V. Kids' cancer is tragic. However, terminally ill kids do not write poetry and have it published on the net so that Microsoft will donate three cents to cancer research every time you forward the email to someone. The world is not so benevolent.

Emails that have anything to do with physically disabled children winning a baseball game or women restoring dignity to homeless men by giving them a hug in McDonalds or men whose BMWs break-down in the wrong part of town and they come to get a new perspective on life because they are helped by a kid called Pepe whose mother is dying of leukemia and all she wants for her funeral is a dozen red roses which she can't afford... are generally the creation of some sad person with too much time on their hands.

Anyway, that's enough whinging. I feel better. It's time for bed. And besides, I just received an email from a Mrs. Ubulu M'bacha a widow whose husband (a Senior Minister with the Nigerian Finance Department) left her 10 million dollars and even though I am an anonymous guy on the other side of the world, she wants to split it with me. All she needs is the number of my MasterCard account. Lucky!

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Journey's End Journal

September saw the decline in the number of visitors. It has been a busy Summer but now we turn our thoughts to the coming months.

Before that, the Beer & Music Festival. This was a great success as both the beer and the music proved to be very popular. We know the 'bar in the bar' took up space but it was sensible to ensure that people were not kept waiting too long. We hope no one was inconvenienced.

We plan to have music on a monthly basis during the Winter and although the Jazz

was very popular we shall feature different music from different bands during this time.

Also, our chef is working on some new menus for the Winter Season.

The Darts and Bar Billiards which has been running for a while now has raised £333.20 for the CLIC/Sargent Cancer Fund. This was handed to a representative of the charity recently.

On 25th September, the Ringmore Tug-of-War team was successful in regaining the trophy held by the Dolphin at Kingston. The team had trained long and hard in the JE before taking the strain. Well done to all who took part.

The Quiz season resumed on the last Thursday of the month and the first winners of the new season was a team with 'quita lotta Otter' in it. New Quiz masters and mistresses are always welcome. The list is on the notice board.

Ken and Elaine



WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

The talk by Yvonne Toms, on 'Working in Buckingham Palace', had been keenly anticipated and no one was disappointed.

The subject was guaranteed to fascinate anyone and the speaker succeeded brilliantly in capturing our full attention. She described the intricate business of application and acceptance at the Palace.

We were led through the routine of the daily work of the many housemaids and housekeepers in the various rooms on the different floors, with the rare but exciting glimpses of the Royal Family and distinguished guests to lighten the load. There was much more! Altogether, a talk full of interest beautifully presented by Mrs Toms.

The next meeting on 13th October features a talk on Four Seasons on the River Dart.
Naomi Warne



Royal British Legion

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Auction Journey's End Friday 4th Nov

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Sunday 13th Nov



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All Hallows, Ringmore FRIENDS EVENT

Sunday 16th October
4.00pm - 5.45pm

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Poppy Auction Appeal

The Bigbury, Ringmore & Kingston Branch of the Royal British Legion will be holding the annual Poppy Appeal auction of pledges, promises and useful items on Friday 4 November in the Journey's End Inn, Ringmore. The auction will start at 8.30pm with viewing from 6.30pm.

Obviously we need as many people as possible to attend the auction to purchase the amazing variety of items and pledges. We also need useful items for the auction which can be delivered to Colin Jackson (810292) or Alan McCarthy (810738). If you have a transport problem we can arrange collection by phoning either of us.

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GREATFUL THANKS

Harvest Festival

Friends of All Hallows

Jan Jan and Chris would like to thank all those who sent best wishes and offered support during Jan's recent stay at Derriford and subsequent convalescence. I am pleased to say I am feeling a lot better although frustrated at my relative inactivity.

Jane Jane and James would like to thank everyone for their overwhelming support, good wishes and encouragement. Jane is very much better as a result, but kamt spel two wel yet. (sic)

Joan Joan Smith who is in hospital would like to thank all friends who have sent cards and good wishes. She is doing well and hopes to see everyone again soon.

John Now that I am well on the way to recovery from the first resurfacing operation, I should like to thank all those who thought of me, wished me well, sent me a card, gave me rest and victuals on my walks or lifts back home when I walked too far. THANK YOU
John Bracey

RINGMORE PARISH COUNCIL

There was no meeting in September. The next meeting will be in the WI Hall on Tuesday 18th October.

This year's Harvest Festival Lunch was held in the Parish Room and was attended by fifty-five people who sat down to a cold buffet followed by coffee and mints. The Lunch was a great success and a real village occasion - good food, wine flowed and a good festive time had by all. Thanks to all the willing helpers who cleaned the hall beforehand, decorated it with flowers to make it look festive and of course, not forgetting those who helped with the clearing up.

The Lunch was followed by the Harvest Festival service held in the evening at All Hallows which was jointly conducted by Elliott and Neil Barker, our new Team Rector. All Hallows looked splendid with all the fruits and flowers of the Harvest and was a real credit to all those who gave their time to clean the church top to bottom, polish the brass and decorate it so beautifully. After the service the produce was divided equally and taken to Korniloff, Bigbury-on-Sea and the Shekinah Mission, Plymouth, who both sent their grateful thanks.

Phill Errett
Churchwarden

Everyone is invited to the annual Friends event on Sunday 16th October from 4.00pm to 5.45pm in the church of All Hallows, Ringmore. The event will be led by local archaeologist, Robert Waterhouse, who will take us on a tour of the church exterior and then give a talk on the archaeology within the church. The event in the church will also include a complimentary glass of wine.

Non-members of the Friends of All Hallows are also welcome at a small charge of £1.50 or, of course, you may wish to join on the day. All proceeds from membership of the Friends of All Hallows goes towards the upkeep of the church building.

We do hope as many people as possible can find the time to come to this event and also stay for the 6.00pm service.

Phill Errett

Apology

Please accept the apologies of the Editor and the Proofreader for the lateness of this month's Newsletter. The delay is due to a family gathering which alas for us, is now over.



THE VICTORIOUS RINGMORE TEAM

Peter Mercy

Phil Knapton

Roger Smallridge

Richard Edwards

Picture by Debbie Chicken

Andrew West Colin Campbell

Ali Winstanley Andy King

Ben Turner

Pete Chicken

Taff Lawrence

TEN YEARS AGO . . .

Arthur Drowley wrote his last notes on the Church page before 'final' retirement. Arthur had been Rector and then part of the Modbury Team Ministry. He and Doreen retired to Torquay.

Apples may not be plentiful this year but if you have any, this recipe, published ten years ago, might be helpful.

SOMERSET APPLE PUDDING

1lb Cooking Apples, peeled and diced
3oz butter
¼pt milk
2oz plain flour
2 eggs
3 tablespoons sugar

Melt the butter in a saucepan. Gently fry the diced apples for about three minutes in the butter until thoroughly coated but still retaining their shape.

Mix the flour and eggs in a bowl; add the milk and sugar. Mix well. Combine the apples and batter mixture and pour into a shallow, greased 9" (22.86cm) round tin or dish. Bake at gas 5/375°/185°C for 20-25 minutes. Remove dish/tin from oven and dredge the top with Demerara sugar. Brown under the grill or return to the oven until golden. Serve hot with thin cream or crème fraîche

RINGMORE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Annual General Meeting will take place in the W.I. Hall at 7.30p.m. on Wednesday 9th November 2005. We invite non-members to join us at 8.00p.m. for a lighthearted quiz accompanied by a glass of wine. We look forward to welcoming you.

At this Summer's fêtes you may have seen the postcards on display depicting scenes of Ringmore in the past. They are proving to be very popular and may be purchased by phoning James on 810303. Pack of 4 cards: £1.00.

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The Royal British Legion

Fill in the - - - - -

Thanks to everyone who took part in the RBL's 'fill in the blanks' quiz which raised a small amount for Branch funds. The winner was Meribah Stark with a very respectable total of 19½ out of 20. The lowest score was 15½ - well done to everyone. There were some unusual and inventive answers which provided the marking team with some chuckles along the way. Thanks too, to Ken Doughty for pointing out my mistake. The answers are as follows:

Old sins cast *long shadows*
Why, then the world's mine *oyster*
Age cannot *wither* her, nor *custom* stale
Journeys end in *lovers meeting* (not Ringmore)
Genius is one per cent *inspiration* and ninety nine per cent *perspiration*
Pride goeth before *destruction* and a haughty spirit before a *fall*
Neither cast ye your *pearls* before swine
The *spirit* is indeed willing, but the *flesh* is weak
Tyger! Tyger! *Burning bright*. In the forests of the night
Every *dog* has his day
Yet each man kills the *thing he loves*
I can resist everything but *temptation*
A week is a long time in politics
Nostalgia *isn't what it used to be*
He who *hesitates* is lost
Never look a *gift horse* in the mouth
A *stitch* in time saves *nine*
A *bird* in the hand is worth two in the *bush*
Never in the field of human conflict was *so much* owed by *so many* to *so few*
It is a *wise father* that knows his own *child*

Secondly - Following our September meeting we were treated to a very high tech but relaxed presentation of innovative schools in California and Uganda by John Symes. John's links with these schools started when he was Principal at Tavistock College where the Internet and emails were extensively used to communicate with other schools around the world. As Tavistock College specialised in languages it proved to be a very useful link to other cultures. Although the Foot and Mouth epidemic did not seem to have any upside to the rural community it forced schools in these isolated areas to communicate with those pupils unable to attend school by unconventional means, including email and the internet. From these rather unlikely beginnings, John's interest in this underused technology took him to some amazing places to see some truly remarkable children and teachers.

He visited both California and Uganda where all the schools in the scheme had been failing. They were all in poor areas with low aspirations and expectations from both staff and pupils. However, using the latest technology and innovative techniques these schools are now thriving, in some cases under very difficult circumstances.

It was a fascinating sprint through this engaging subject - especially for those of us who had not seen the inside of a classroom for a good number of years. We look forward to the next instalment.

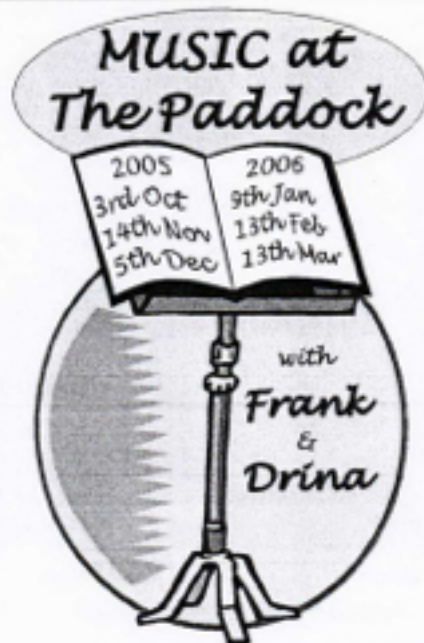
Robbie McCarthy
Hon Secretary

TRAFALGAR

To commemorate the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar, the Royal British Legion, Bigbury Ringmore and Kingston Branch, will be planting an oak tree in Bigbury Churchyard at 11.00am on Friday 21st October 2005. This tree is a descendant of the same trees which were felled to build HMS Victory. There will be a short service conducted by the Rev John Elliott. Please join us to mark this very special occasion - all are welcome.

The Blues

Where are the Blues lovers? We need a few more entries to justify the prize of a trip to the Home of the Blues in the Deep South!



2005 - TOWNS & CITIES OF THE WORLD - 2005

- 1 It sounds like the immortal essence of the human spirit
- 2 Continuous water flow swirling before a pointless curse stops it.
- 3 Rage after vat's returned in Europe
- 4 Is this Gabriel's home town?
- 5 Is this what destroyed Miss Langtry?
- 6 What the inveterate gambler does
- 7 Achilles' nemesis?
- 8 German hold-up but not in Germany
- 9 As is anyone who hails from the Orient in Sussex
- 10 Brownish church but not in Scotland
- 11 What mother does on a yacht
- 12 Hardly edifying enquiry as to whether one is acquainted with the lady.
- 13 Girl friend of Zebedee
- 14 Is this where Christopher Robin's nanny does bunny hops?
- 15 Leave zero on the middle line in South America
- 16 How the French might describe the Queen, if they like her.
- 17 Who ate the chicken? Giscard D'Estang.
- 18 From where destruction fell from the skies in WWII.
- 19 The effect of the two-times table
- 20 A bright green state capital in USA
- 21 A member of the 'dirty mac' brigade?
- 22 To a Scotsman it is a stream. 'Capital', say the Swiss
- 23 Interfering with the drugs trade in Columbia
- 24 Sounds like a relative girl
- 25 They pull a lot of these in South America.
- 26 Flying fish play on this road
- 27 Wear this in Alberta and you should feel fine
- 28 Aromatic mixture of alcohol and essential oils
- 29 Is this where that well-known Crusader was fitted out?
- 30 Heaps of small stones in Australia
- 31 Stumble over oil mess
- 32 This place definitely saw war any which way
- 33 Low antipodean sand hill before discordant noise
- 34 These dance halls would be frowned on here
- 35 Sounds as though this place costs nothing
- 36 Everything in the German
- 37 Call for additional helpings of this curry in USA
- 38 An Australasian sweeper with a point
- 39 Put another way, this place could be fierce in South America
- 40 It is said that one always has to see Diane, briefly, when visiting
- 41 Was Eve concocted from this Italian town?
- 42 Bridgestone, Michelin, Pirelli. There is only one here
- 43 Sounds like the bosom of France
- 44 A seaman and Joly Jack get together here
- 45 I give you Miss Kerennia
- 46 Bill followed this animal for most of his life
- 47 This Chinese city is all over Switzerland
- 48 Sounds like Jolson when he makes derisive noises
- 49 Speed dialling?
- 50 Capital confusion after broad but crooked smile

Once again the animals were prominent in the final analysis. This year a new species entered - a mole, which obviously spent too long underground to be sufficiently informed of the world. The usual suspects did well, filling second to sixth place. However, and to the eternal relief of homo sapiens, a real human being won. Not only that but the motley collection (sorry, the much-loved furry friends) have let the prize go out of the village. This year's congratulations go to Pat Doughty of Avelton Gifford. Well done.

Scores from Murray the Mole upwards:

Murray the Mole	33%
Jack the Lad	38%
Barry & Pat	40
Frank	40
Jack & Liz	40%
Esmé W-P	42%
Miss Megan P	43
Miss Moss P	44
Choccy McC	44%
Archie E	45%
Pat Doughty	46

Initial comments about this year's quiz suggested a deep depression over the village, caused by perceived problems in answering the questions. A couple of points before you start moaning. The scope was 'Towns and Cities of the World', real ones not imaginary places with names conjured in the hope that the eminent judges would be threatened by an apparently deeper knowledge. Secondly, this was 'Towns and Cities' not 'Villages and Hamlets'. Places the size of Houghton in winter are too small. The judges' official gazeteer is the arbiter. Lastly it is interesting to note that the scores this year are considerably higher on average than in the history of the competition so it cannot have been too difficult.

On to the entries. There were some alternatives to the official answers offered and comment will be passed.

Q 3 A few entries thought that Miss Langtry was destroyed by Lille rather than Lillehammer.

Q 6 The inveterate gambler might Betal, or Betz but they are not in the gazeteer. Wagga Wagga (Wager Wager) and Baton Rouge (Bet on Rouge) were not clever enough. Loose in Kent is just too small. The answer might be a bit obscure but only a bit.

Q 16 Belize was a creative alternative which gained half a mark.

Q 18 There was only one answer when the question was set but a dry run produced the possibility of several answers. Apart from Bombay there could be Wellington, Halifax and Lancaster.

Q 41 Ribera or Venice? None of the top eight thought of Bari.

Q 42 Tyrone gained a half mark but only after the President of the judges was over-ruled.

Q 44 This caused some deep thinking but Salta, Flagstaff, Mostar, Tarba and Jakarta all missed the anagram Rabat.

Q 50 Most entrants were probably looking for this one but many missed it altogether.

Thank you to everyone who took part. Apologies to those who feel that the judging was harsh but lines have to be drawn somewhere. Your support for the Newsletter has raised more than one month's production costs which means we need only eight of these quizzes in the year. Whether there is the stamina out there is questionable; that there is none in the editorial office is a certainty. Next year? Who knows. Thank you all, again.

Ed



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River Dart in all seasons

For our October meeting, we welcome Desmond Gahan who gives excellent illustrated talks on the River Dart. We shall see the river in its different guises as the year rolls on. It's a meeting not to be missed, and takes place on Thursday 13th October at 8.15pm in the W.I. Hall. As always, the business meeting will precede it at 7.30pm.

Don't forget the Group Meeting!

The Annual Meeting of the Avon Group of W.I. Institutes is being hosted this year by Ringmore. It will be on Thursday 20th October in our W.I. Hall, starting at 7.30pm. The Guest Speaker this year is Jane Urquhart of Greycoat Placements. (You want a butler? They'll get you one!). Our theme, of course, is "Upstairs, downstairs" - who will win the cup for the best exhibit? Enjoy the musical entertainment afterwards.

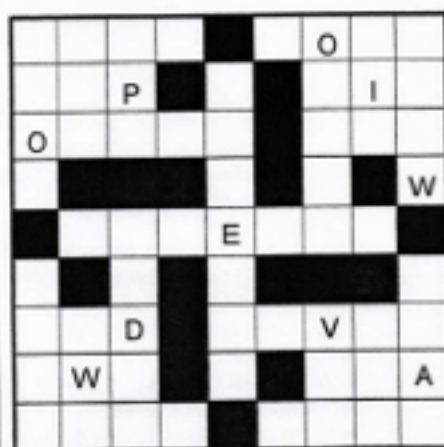
Enigma

Last Month

First Enigma was too easy and now it is too difficult. For the first time no one submitted an answer. Even a wrong one would have gained you one point. Ah well, scores are as they were. Apologies are due to the Matchman for September, a correct entry was submitted but in defence, it was buried at the end of an email.

This Month

Is this easy or difficult? The task is to complete the crossword using the letters outside the grid only once.



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