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Friday 24th

Friday 10th & 24th Ringmore Church Challaborough

Ten Year Average

St Ann's Chapel Kingston Fire Stn

2.30 - 2.45 4.00 - 4.30

2.55 - 3.15

3.35 - 3.35

Last Month

51/1"

Ten Year High Robbie McCarthy

1998

41/2"

4"

23/4"

Ten Year Low 2005

MONDAY: TUESDAY:

Short Mat Bowls Parish Room 7.30pm Table Tennis Parish Room 7.30pm

THURSDAY: Quiz Night Journey's End 9.00pm 1st Royal British Legion Royal Oak 7.30pm

Jazz Night at the Journey's End 4th 9th

First collection of Brown Wheelie Bin WI Meeting 7.30pm WI Hall Speaker 8.00pm

Shelter Box Coffee Morning Cumberland Cottages 11th Archaeological walk from Bigbury Church 10.00am

AGM Short Mat Bowls 13th

16th First collection of Grey Wheelie Bin 21st Parish Council Meeting WI Hall 7.00pm 21-25th Fiddler on the Roof Malborough Village Hall

Ringmore History Society Speaker WI Hall 7.30pm Ladies in Lavender WI Hall 7.00pm 22nd

25th

26th British Summer Time - Clock goes forward 1 hour

Mothering Sunday at the Journey's End Inter-Parish Quiz Ringmore v Cornwood JE 8.00pm 28th

April 1st

All Hallows Clean-up 10.00am

Annual Parish Meeting WI Hall 7.30pm

Please send items for inclusion in the Newsletter to: The Editor

Ringmore Parish Newsletter, Ringmore Vean, Ringmore, TQ7 4HL or put them through the letter box in the garage door email: news@ringmore.com

The chance to wish someone a HAPPY ninetyseventhbirthday comes only once in a lifetime and unfortunately that opportunity was missed last month.

So Charlie, please accept all good wishes for your birthday last month.

MARCH 2006

GEOF DYKES

EDITOR:

This month's edition is almost a record with so much going on.

John Bracey's annual Table Tennis Tournament was, as usual, a successful and enjoyable affair. Although the title left the village again, it was won by Charlie Toms' grandson so we should not be too upset. Thanks to John for his organisation of the event.

Our support for Shelterbox enters its third month. The proceeds from the Pancake Day will be added to Anna Antebi's Coffee Morning on Saturday 11th March.

Two dead dolphins were washed into the cove during last month. Normally they are removed for a postmortem but because of the waterlogged ground this was not possible. A number of villagers formed a burial party on a freezing wet day.

Pete Chicken and Ben Turner will take part in the Devizes to Westminster Canoe Marathon over the Easter weekend. Few would change places with them (Nigel Spence completed the course during the last century) but we can help by sponsoring them.

Postman David bade farewell at the JE at the end of February. He will be missed but our new postman, Frank, will look after us.

The annual Spring clean at All Hallows will be at 10.00am on Saturday, 1st April . . . really!

Mrs Rose Jennings of Hillcliff, Challaborough, who is in her nineties, has entered hospital. Everyone hopes she will receive the care and attention to make her comfortable.

The Wheelie Bins are upon us. All should have been delivered by Saturday 4th. On Thursday , 9th March, the BROWN bin will be emptied and recycling sacks collected. The following Thursday, 16th March, the Grey bin will be emptied. Collections will alternate on a fortnightly basis. Full information will be in the Caddy which will come with the bins. If you have problems, phone the Recycling Helpline 01803 861199.

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NEWS FROM AUG BAUGOWS

LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES IN MARCH

Date	Bigbury	Kingston	Ringmore
Mar 1st Ash Wed	223322	6.30 p.m. Communion	4.00 p.m. Communion
5 th	11.00 a.m. Family Service	9.00 a.m. BCP Communion	11.00a.m. Family Service
12 th	11.00 a.m. Family Service	6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer	9.00 a.m. CW Communion
15 th	2.30 p.m. Korniloff Communion		4.00 p.m. Spoken Communion
19 th	9.00 a.m. BCP Communion	11.00 a.m. Family Service	6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer
26 th Mothering Sunday	11.00 a.m. Family Communion	6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer	9.00 a.m. CW Communion
Apl 2nd	11.00 a.m. Family Service	9.00 a.m. CW Communion	11.00 a.m. Family Service

God's Chosen or Frozen People?

Amazing that the South Hams has just had a winter, forget global warming for it has been cold over the last three months. Especially in Church I hear some of you say. In Bigbury the quick fix storage radiators have been a blessing that has alleviated the ice age. The more comprehensive systems in both Kingston and Ringmore churches have had their minor glitches, but at unfortunate times. How comfortable should we be in Church? A valid question, as someone once said "the mind can only absorb what the bottom can endure". That statement came within a presentation by a Diocesan Bishop, not Exeter, asking all his congregations to seriously consider providing more comfortable alternatives to pews. Those present were asked to remember that pews were largely a Victorian invention that vandalized the aesthetic beauty of buildings created for the space, beauty and drama of liturgy. Even the choir stalls in chancels had been a late addition when the musician's galleries had been destroyed in Thomas Hardy's time.

In Ringmore the discussions about a heating system more than a decade ago, included passionate and worthy arguments that the Church should not have a "Rolls-Royce" heating system, an unfortunate adjective to one whose brother married a Royce and saw their house purchase fund in Rolls-Royce shares disappear overnight. The argument against an expensive system included the suggestion that we consider those Christians and others who did not have enough to eat, did not have a permanent house and certainly did not have double glazing or central heating! As a result Ringmore has a perfectly adequate system until the oil pump fails through blockage, meter failure or breakdown. Our worthy and hardworking Churchwardens and heating operatives cannot be blamed for that, though occasionally less than thoughtful folk do sling arrows.

In a similar fashion clocks, switches, and boilers give occasional glitches at Kingston, and in Bigbury there are some damp and colder spots. In all three Churches the pews are less than comfortable, especially if the Preacher goes on for more than ten minutes: and he often does! Add to that the lack of toilets, and then starting proceedings on page 167 in the programme, and we are less than stranger friendly.

The hard reality is that our Churches are not over used for community worship: usually only once a week. Ideas to extend their use for community activities have been explored in the distant and recent past. Bigbury lends itself to community use, and we could even get a full sized badminton court with good roof clearance for lobs provided. Offers to explore the way forward with Memorial Hall and others received a mixed reception. In Ringmore we have two Community Halls (Parish Room and W.I.) neither is fully adequate, neither has good parking, and the Church building is small so a church and community hall combined option is unlikely in the extreme. Kingston perhaps falls midway between the other two, with a handy and nearby "Reading Room" providing good facilities, with both Parking, Church and Pub within a few paces.

Personally I would not want to see the Church turned into a bingo hall and bar, but then again a cold impersonal monument to Victorian vandalism and furnishing sized for smaller people is equally unattractive. What do we do about it? Ideas in a plain brown paper envelope, even anonymous will be gratefully received.

Recent promises of prizes for responses drew a good joke from a well known Ringmore. Editor: and some knowledgeable naming of tunes from our guest and relief organist residing at Svybridge. Both will receive their prizes delivered before this magazine!

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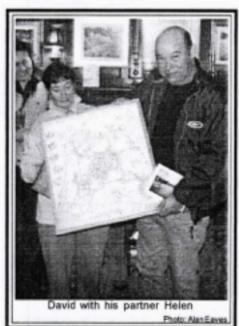
Journey's End Journal

February ended on a high note. The Our Jazz evenings continue on the first and supporters who enjoyed good then come along and enjoy the music. competition and through taking part, swelled the coffers of Devon Air We have special menus available from Ambulance.

DAVID ROUNDS-OFF DELIVERY

At lunchtime on Wednesday 21st February, thirty or more villagers gathered in the 28th and will need all the support it can Journey's End to mark the end of an era. get. Make a note of the date. Our popular postman, David Bartrip had left at the beginning of the year to deliver Asyou know, Pete Chicken and Ben Turner on his new round and Dennis Collinson are aiming to complete the Devizes to had organised a farewell presentation. Westminster Canoe Marathon at Easter. David had asked for one of the village in support of this we shall be offering a photographs as a memento and in Hot Pot Supper Night on a Friday evening addition was given a cheque for £170, after the event which we hope will swell collected around the village, and a framed their collection box. Details will be in the map of Ringmore, the latter presented by April Newsletter Ann and John Bracey.

We shall miss David and we wish him well as he hands over to our new postman, Frank



I would like to thank all the people who so kindly contributed to my farewell gift at the Journey's End on 22nd February (thank you also for the individual contributions).

It has been a pleasure delivering mail in such a nice community. Hopefully I'll see you now and again on holiday relief duties. David Bartrip

Shart Mat Bawls

The AGM of the Ringmore Short Mat Bowls Club will take place at 8.30pm on Monday 13 March in the Parish Rooms, All members are invited to attend.

Chairman

JEJBTTT. The bar was filled with players Saturday of the month. If Jazz is our style

the bar for Mothers' Day on Sunday 26th of the month. Treat Mum or treat yourself, if the family is too far away.

Ringmore will entertain Cornwood in the Inter-Parish Quiz at 8.00pm on Tuesday

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CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION

Bigbury Ringmore Kingston

Diary of Events 2006

Friday 7th April: AGM Annual Dinner 7.00pm Bigbury Golf Club

Friday 7th July: Garden Party with Supper 7.00pm The Old Rectory, Bigbury

Friday 8h Dec: Christmas Social & Supper 7.00pm Memorial Hall, Bigbury

Tickets for these events are available from committee

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

The countdown has started. This month, Kingsbridge Amateur Theatrical Society presents the world's most popular musical show, FIDDLER ON THE ROOF, with a cast of 54. The production is directed and choreographed by Jamie Fraser, who performed in the original London production in 1967.

In a small village in Czarist Russia, a poor dairyman tries to instill in his five daughters the traditions of the tightly knit Jewish community in which they live; he wants his girls married off to rich suitors, but times are changing and the daughters are becoming restless. This is musical comedy at its finest and its songs are loved all over the world.

As usual, Malborough Village Hall will be converted into a theatre with raked seating. Performances take place every evening from Tuesday 21st March to Saturday 25th. Tickets available from Kingsbridge Information Centre.

Alan McCarthy Hurry, buy your tickets, don't miss it. James Stevenson



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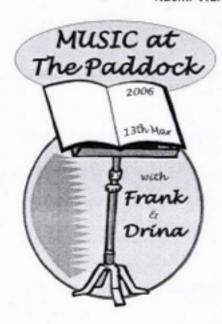
WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

The February meeting was well-attended bearing in mind the many illnesses and absences afflicting the village at present, not to mention the weather.

The Speaker, Mrs Foster of St John's Ambulance, gave a comprehensive and fascinating account not only of the necessity and ability to give First Aid when need occurs but also of the long history of the foundation of St John's. A practical reminder of 'what to do and how to do it'. in face of emergency, is essential especially in view of our ageing population (no offence intended!).

At the next meeting, on 9th March, Ann and John Bracey will give a talk on 'Travels in Egypt'.

Naomi Warne



DEVIZES - WESTMINSTER

All for charity....



For those of you who haven't seen them practising on the water you may be interested to know that Ben Turner and Pete Chicken are busy training for an endurance marathon with a difference - in a two-man kayak, from Devizes to Please help us to reach our target for four Westminster.

The idea was hatched, like many before for such events, over a beer or two in the pub, the Journey's End in this case. Nigel Spence took part in the very same event in 1970 and has encouraged our latter day paddlers to have a go - and maybe even The following changes will be better his time!

them. The marathon is non-stop and safety for all beach users. should take about 30 hours or so. This means no sleep for either them or their Boats: New rules will apply for the Chicken & Jim McGinley) have to meet Beach. them at locks and stops along the way to It's pretty much an endurance for the Licence. support team too, they'll have to stay awake to feed the paddlers through the night!

about 7.00am on Easter Saturday and be allowed to park on the beach. hopefully arrive with the high tide at County Hall Steps, Westminster on Easter Sunday All speed restrictions and designated around lunchtime.

They are collecting money for four charities: There will be a Season Ticket available for

Devon Air Ambulance Trust

The Down's Syndrome Association

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The Spinal Injuries Association

All money collected will be divided equally between the charities and the target for each is £500.

To keep them afloat with vital food and equipment several local companies are Apologies: Clir J Patterson providing financial support. Team Nigel would like to thank the Twofour Media RNLI

For those of you who would like to sponsor Ben and Pete (Team Nigel) we have Footpaths sponsorship forms scattered far and wide. Work is progressing on improving For those who frequent public houses Footpath 4, leading to Toby's Point. you'll find a form at the JE, for those who don't you'll find one at Holywell Stores. District Council Alternatively please contact Debbie on Cllr Carson informed the Council that or you can pop a cheque into Mayfield, via of £5.51 on a Band D property. the green post-box on the wall, made payable to "P A Chicken (DW)".

very worthy charities. Thank you.

Debbie Chicken

ALL CHANGE AT CHALLABOROUGH

implemented by Parkdean during 2006.

The DW (as it's called) is a 125 mile Jet Skis: From 1st March no Jet Skis will course, with 77 locks to be traversed (or be allowed to launch from the Beach at "portaged"). Some of these portages are Challaborough. During 2005 Jet Skis nearly a mile long and the lads will have to were monitored and it has been decided carry the kayak out of the water to get past to implement the ban in the interest of

support team. The support team (Debbie launching of boats from Challaborough

supply them with water and food and make All vehicles must have a valid Test sure they need no equipment replacing. Certificate, Insurance and Road Fund

Once the boat has been launched no vehicles will be allowed to remain on the The DW takes place on Easter weekend. beach. They must be returned to the main Pete and Ben plan to leave Devizes at car park. Only emergency vehicles will

launching areas must be respected.

£35. Individual launches will be £5.

A key to operate the barrier at the slipway will be available from Main Reception and 8.00pm.

Steve Radford task. General Manager

RINGMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting: Tuesday, 21st February 2006 at 7.00pm.

Present: Six councillors, the Clerk; Dist Clir Bryan Carson; Mr David Young, NH Watch; Tree Warden, Mrs J Guy.

Group, Holywell Stores, Lawn Lane The trunking equipment has been Finance, Medisec Limited and the removed from the wall at Beach Cottage. Journey's End for their generous support. Challaborough. The new Life Guard facility is being built.

810575 with your pledge and she will SHDC has increased its share of the collect the money from you after the event. Council Tax by 4.8%, making an increase

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Annual Parish Meeting

This will be held on Wednesday 26th April at 7.30pm.

Next Meeting

Tuesday 21st March at 7.00pm Thelma Mann

March heralded a Beer Festival at the Journey's End . . . a challenge quiz was planned between the village team and a team from the Journey's End . . . it was discovered, after ten years, that not all houses in the village received the Newsletter.

VENTY YEARS AGO

Ringmore was in the grip of particularly icy weather. 'Aunt Peggy', Margaret Watson died at the age of 103.

Very sadly two dolphins were found dead on the beach at Ayrmer Cove last week. The relevant authorities were unable to collect them as they could not get access to the beach due to the muddy conditions. The dolphins were buried on Wednesday 22 March on the beach. I would like to thank Phill Errett, John Bracey, Geof Dykes, Frank Williams, Julia & David Stogdale, can be obtained from 6.00am until Sarah Hitchmough and Robbie for turning out in the cold and wet for this unpleasant

AlanMcCarthy Parish Paths Co-ordinator

The Royal British Legion

At the February meeting, our guest, lan meeting in the cosy bar of the Old Chapel Inn, to an entertaining story of part of his life. He started his tale with his days as a child in a Japanese PoW Camp in China where he discovered this was an ideal grounding for teaching in a boys' public school later in life. However, having been liberated from the camp he felt he would like to do something to repay his captors. He went to England where he joined the Royal Navy at Britannia Royal Naval College as a 13 year old entrant. He successfully passed out and joined HMS Bigbury Bay as a Sub Lieutenant. He spent the first year of his service in the West Indies on hurricane watch where they also 'showed the flag' at various receptions. This, he thought was a far cry from getting back at the Japanese, however pleasurable, in 1957 he was present at the summit between Macmillan, Eisenhower and St Laurent (of Canada)

At the February meeting, our guest, Ian in Bermuda. Finally, at the end of the tour Person, entertained us following the he carried the Queen's Colours as they meeting in the cosy bar of the Old Chapel were laid up in Hamilton Cathedral. During Inn, to an entertaining story of part of his his tour in the West Indies he did not see life. He started his tale with his days as a single hurricane.

We thank Ian for giving his time so generously to entertain us and look forward to further adventures. The next meeting of the RBL will be on Wednesday 1 March at the Royal Oak, Bigbury at 7.30pm.

Robbie McCarthy Hon Secretary

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U GLUE

January

20 Thelma Mann

£5 Barry Old

February £20

0 Tony Trivett

£5 Richard Baker.

WELCOME

Rowan Lange and Conor Woodman have moved into Nodden Barn, part of the division of buildings at Nodden Farm. They have moved down from London although Rowan hails from Tuckenhay. Among other things, Conor is a maker of documentary films.

Conor says that anyone with a desperate urge to help with DIY would be a welcome caller.

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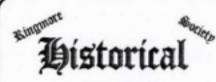
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Meet outside Bigbury church at 10am on Saturday 11th March, return around 3.30pm. The walkers will call in at the Journey's End Inn at Ringmore, so bring some money for a drink and/or lunch. A moderate walk of 2 1/2 miles. Adults £3, children £1.

Robert was an excellent speaker at the Friends of All Hallows meeting last October and this walk is highly recommended.

We have received reports recently that bogus callers are attempting to gain entry into homes. Please check credentials of all unknown visitors. It is also suggested that all outhouses are kept locked when not in use.



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and KYLIE'S 18th - Live Music by 'SIDEKICK'

Fri 17th Mar

St PATRICK'S DAY - Special promotions on

Guinness & Jamesons

Sun 26th Mar

MOTHER'S DAY - Book early for Sunday Lunch

or evening meal

Don't forget that the Rugby 6 Nations Internationals are all shown live at the Oak



March Meeting

On Thursday 9th March we will travel to Egypt in the company of Ann and John Bracey, who will be showing slides of their visit to that fascinating country. We meet at 8 p.m. in the W.I. Hall, and this will be preceded by W.I. business at 7.30 p.m.

Easter Fair

This popular annual event takes place on Easter Monday, 17th April at 2 p.m. in the W.I. Hall and gardens. Books and bric-a-brac can be left in the Hall, and cakes and plants brought on the day. Book the date, come and have some fun and enjoy a cream tea.

Last Month

Complaints that the February Enigma was 'too hard' proved partially true and only for those who could not complete the puzzle. Those who did, contrived to reach the end in one legitimate way or another and there were several different conclusions. The official result ends in Bank; Fanny Adams, Sue Brickay and The Matchman agree as does New Dawn who offered Fund as an alternative. The Opals had Dune as did Taurus and The Beginners had Mine. All get three points. The Springers win two points but did not leave themselves enough time and Frequent Visitor started, left too early to finish but still gets one point.

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This Month

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All Hallows Clean

We propose to start a pre-Easter extra dust and polish from 10.00am on Saturday 1st April and would be most grateful for helpers. In particular, we are hoping a few will come prepared for brass cleaning, if they have not already a regular patch to clean. It is always so encouraging to have occasional group efforts bringing our lovely Church to shining life!

Please note that the 'high' cleaning will have been done the previous day; accordingly the Church will be closed on 31st March and 1st April.

Drina Williams



Ringmore W.I. present a showing of

ladies in lavender

starring Judi Dench and Maggi Smith

Ringmore W.I. Hall

Saturday 25th March at 7 p.m.

Tickets £6.50

include buffet supper with wine (first glass free)

Net proceeds to Modbury Caring

The Journey's End John Bracey



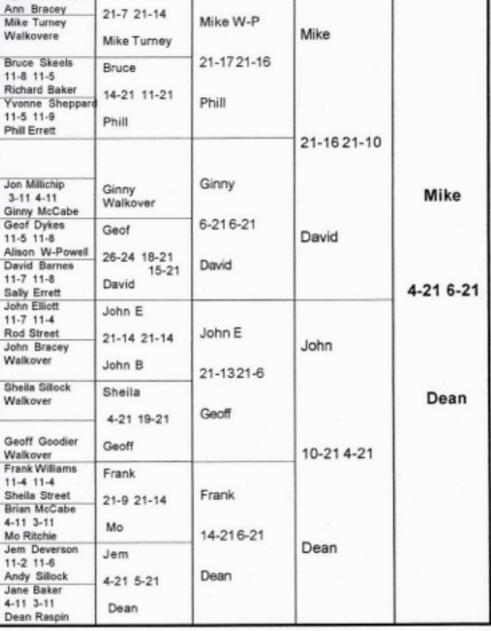








First round	Second round	Quarter Final	Semirinal	Final
Mike W-Powell 12-14 11-7 11-9	Mike W-P			
Ann Bracey Mike Turney	21-7 21-14	Mike W-P		
Walkovere	Mike Turney		Mike	
Bruce Skeels 11-8 11-5	Bruce	21-1721-16		
Richard Baker	14-21 11-21	Dh:III		
Yvonne Sheppard 11-5 11-9	Phill	Phill		
Phill Errett			21-16 21-10	
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Jon Millichip	Ginny	Ginny		
3-11 4-11 Ginny McCabe	Walkover			Mike
Geof Dykes 11-5 11-8	Geof	6-216-21	David	-
Alison W-Powell	26-24 18-21		David	
David Barnes 11-7 11-8	15-21 David	David		
Sally Errett John Elliott		-		4-21 6-21
11-7 11-4	John E			
Rod Street John Bracey	21-14 21-14	John E	John	
Walkover	John B	21-1321-6		
Sheila Sillock	Sheila	21-1021-0		Dean
Walkover	4-21 19-21	Geoff		Dean
Geoff Goodier				
Walkover Frank Williams	Geoff		10-21 4-21	
11-4 11-4	Frank			
Sheila Street Brian McCabe	21-9 21-14	Frank		
4-11 3-11 Mo Ritchie	Mo	14-216-21	1	
Jem Deverson	Jem	14-210-21	Dean	
11-2 11-6 Andy Sillock	4-21 5-21	Dean		
Jane Baker 4-11 3-11				
Dean Raspin	Dean			



















J.E.J.E.B.T.T.T. held on Sunday 26th wine intake, and reached the final to play a great atmosphere and The Air and the conservatory was full of them. Dean who won the tournament, but he Ambulance Box is £33 better off and very and cheering and laughing onlookers was expected to, he plays for the County. full. Dean has volunteered to provide for most of the event. Several new Particularly close matches were between advice to the table tennis club next year so names appeared including David Ann Bracey & Mike W-P, Geof Dykes the tenth tournament should be even Barnes and Dean Raspin, who both & David Barnes, Bruce Skeels & Phill better. reached the semi final, as did the Vicar. Errett and also Phill and Mike. Thanks to

Thirty-two people entered the 9th Mike W-P, was in great form, possibly the the organisers and the J.E. The pub had John Bracey