

# RINGMORE

## PARISH NEWSLETTER



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*The first edition didn't go too badly, only a few apologies to make! Firstly, apologies to all those advertisers who lost their adverts last month and secondly to Phill for 'losing' the All Hallows poster. As you have probably realised by now, I lost two full pages because of a conflict between operating programs. However, it is now (hopefully) sorted out and we won't have that happening again. Sorry Sean for typing can instead of van and fate instead of gate - Gladys' saga was very amusing.*

*Two fabulous fetes again this year - both very lucky with the weather. All that hard work really did pay off.*

*Alice didn't exactly see 'Changing Guards' but she did go to Buckingham Palace - more inside.*

*We wish Geof Dykes a very happy 70th birthday last month and Anne a very happy birthday also for last month.*

*Tearfund lunches start again next month - yum-myl  
Children's Choir and Short Mat Bowls are both starting again this month - I guess that means autumn is fast approaching. Just where did the summer go?*

*As has become customary, here is a question which will be included in the P&Qs on 22 November: 'What does an ecdysiast do as an occupation or hobby?'*

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Robbie McCarthy - Editor*

### DIARY FOR THE MONTH:

Tuesday: Table Tennis Parish Room 7.30pm  
**SEPTEMBER**

3 Sep: 7.30pm RBL Meeting JE followed by Mike Wynne-Powell's photo presentation  
14 Sep: 12pm Harvest Lunch (Parish Rooms)  
16 Sep: 7pm Parish Council Meeting  
17 Sep: 8pm PRC AGM (Parish Rooms)  
20 Sep: 11am Children's Choir (Barnford)  
25 Sep: Deadline  
29 Sep: 7.30pm Short Mat Bowls (Parish Rooms)

### OCTOBER

1 Oct - 7.30pm RBL Meeting (Royal Oak)  
6 Oct: 12 pm Tearfund Lunch

### Rainfall by Eleanor and Grace Purdy

Last month:      7 1/8"  
10 year average: 35/8"  
10 year high:     2008 - 7 1/8"  
10 year low:      2001 - 1 1/4"

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Ringmore Church:      2.50 - 3.10  
Challaborough      3.35 - 3.55  
St Ann's Chapel:      2.30 - 2.45  
Kingston Fire Station: 4.00 - 4.30

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## LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

Date	Bigbury	Kingston	Ringmore
Sept 7 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 a.m. Harvest Festival (Harvest Lunch with Ram Roast follows)	9.00 a.m. BCP Communion	11.00 a.m. Family Service
14 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 a.m. Family Service	6.00 p.m. CW Evening Prayer	11.00 a.m. Harvest Festival (Harvest lunch follows)
19 <sup>th</sup> WEDNESDAY	<i>No Communion All Clergy at Diocesan Conference</i>		<i>No Communion All Clergy at Diocesan Conference</i>
21 <sup>st</sup>	9.00 a.m. BCP Communion	11.00 a.m. Family Service	6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer
28 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 a.m. Family Communion	6.00 p.m. Spoken Evening Prayer	9.00 a.m. CW Communion

\*\*\*\*\*Care: Service patterns have changed for this month \*\*\*\*\*  
 \*\*\*\*\* to cater for the Harvest Festivals & Diocesan Clergy Conference  
 \*\*\*\*\* Normal services will be resumed as soon as possible! \*\*\*\*\*

### USE IT OR LOSE IT

Most local readers, especially those in Ringmore will know that Church House is currently empty, and that effort are being made to rent it out following the relocation of the present Minister to what will become John & Pam's retirement home. The new place is just as close to Kingston and Bigbury Churches, and it is a little further away from Ringmore. "Is it within walking distance?" was one person's query, and the response "Well, Ian Botham walked from Land's End to John of Groats" was perhaps tongue in cheek. Sat Nav's answer is a more precise 3.1 miles.

Moving from a large house to a large Vicarage was easy in logistic terms if emotionally difficult after 25 years in a family home. Then there came the problems adjusting to living in a place owned by one's employer, and no freedom to make all the alterations that makeover artists, and permanent homemakers, would desire. So this time it is emotionally easier as we return to a place that is our own, but logistically quite different with deliberate downsizing on garage, garden, one less bedroom and no loft. Suddenly a lot of downsizing was required. It makes for careful examination "Have we used it in the last six years since it came from Aylesbury?" if "No" proceed to sell: then if no offers proceed to charity shop or church fete or give away. The clothes were interesting, no longer fashionable hardly relevant in the case of the males of this land but just how often have I worn it and will it really be useful for the gardening?

The same obviously applies to the Church and that fragile possession called faith: 'use it or lose it'. The Church in this land is not always well used, but locally it is better on average than the national picture. A petition appealing to the government for sympathetic assistance to small rural congregations has been filled in by many of you... Thank you. To keep a Minister locally we need to keep up our support. In essence the local Church gets back in value, if there is a minister, more than it contributes to the Diocese in contribution to central funds. That is so for our Church, and we will see our neighbours in Thurlestone and others getting a lower level of staffing in the future. They will partially lose it, because they have partially failed to use it! So support you local church if you want it to survive.

More importantly use your faith. In the middle of August we heard sermons about Peter walking on water towards Jesus. When fear suddenly hit him as he realized what he was doing, he looked away from Jesus. His Lord and Master asked him "Where's your faith Peter?". He might ask the same of you one day, so will you sink or swim? Well, walk to be precise, The walk bit is towards Him and then with Him. If you've got it use it, if not come and find some at Church. As the Olympics end with this article being penned, much talk of exercise and training for London 2012, there is a more important date for all of us one day, and the reward is much better than a gold medal!

*John Elliott, Resident Minister*  
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## Archie Errett - Our Rover Correspondent

Bags are packed & off in the car we go on another sunny day for what I am told will be a very pleasant walk. Hurray. Through Kingsbridge we go, along Slapton Sands and turn off just before we get to Dartmouth and end up in the Little Dartmouth car park. We get out of the car and race across the fields towards the coastal path, turning left and make for Warren Point. Warren Point's name derives from the old trade of breeding rabbits for fur and meat in long burrows or warrens. Lovely views here behind us to Start Bay, Slapton Sands and Start Point lighthouse in the distance. Onward we go, cows and sheep in the fields on our left and lots of sailing boats out on the sea on our right. We follow the coastal path past Combe Point, Shingle Hill Cove and stop above Compass Cove for coffee and water & bickies for me. We don't though climb down into the Cove - these humans haven't got what it takes I think to myself. Off we go again towards Dartmouth past Blackstone Point which was a site of a 17<sup>th</sup> century gun battery commanding the entrance to the Dart. Through a nice shady wooded area eventually picking up a lane near Compass Cottage. Turning right here we end up at Dartmouth Castle for refreshments. I can recommend the Pasties and excellent Cream teas served here which can be enjoyed overlooking the entrance of the River Dart as it goes into Dartmouth. Plenty of action in the mouth of the estuary as it gets quite choppy and boats bob around all over the place. Dartmouth castle dates from the 1480's & has guarded the entrance against attacks from the sea since the reign of Henry VII. Along side the castle is St Petrox church which was rebuilt in the 17<sup>th</sup> century. If one wished you could go on and enjoy the pleasant walk into Dartmouth or catch a small boat there. We back track though towards Compass Cottage and continue up the lane to the Coastguard Cottages which were built in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century to house men recruited to stop smuggling. Onto a bridleway and along here at Compass valley are some large posts which are submarine cable markers. These mark the line of a cable that went from this area to the Channel islands, some 67½ nautical miles. First laid down in 1860 it was in use until just after the war. We carry on through the farm eventually returning back to the car park & a peaceful drive home. I hope you realise how arduous all this walking and taking notes is - much harder than just chasing rabbits!!

## Geof 70 years An ode

Geof was born to the skein of Dykes,  
The world had never seen the likes.  
He came to life in Soton town,  
A port for ships of great renown.  
A city now of saints and sinners,  
With pubs where one can go for dinners.

He went to school, or so we're told,  
And left the place sixteen years old.  
He joined a bank and went to Dover,  
There to hand much money over.  
Then to Winchester he came  
To carry on the banking game.

Across his till a maid he spied,  
"I am in heaven; I must have died".  
To cut it short, he married her,  
And never yet has ceased to purr.  
Three children were then born to them,  
Jay, Bec and (not so little) Jen.

They lived in Worthy that is Kings.  
He joined IBM, did other things.  
Moved to Holland, a land of dykes,  
The country's flat with lots of bikes.  
To the Mead of End returned he,  
And lived there very happily.

Then off to Devon and Ringmore vean,  
As pretty a place as we've ere seen.  
For many a year this was his home,  
The local quiz night was his own.  
A BSB they ran right well  
As many a guest will gladly tell.

The magazine there did he edit,  
Its format gave him every credit.  
Two parish councils did he serve,  
The locals got what they deserve.  
Though soccer was his favourite sport,  
He enjoyed a game of any sort.

When visiting he'd always help,  
And do the chores with n'er a yelp.  
At Christmas parties, what a mover!  
After mealtimes, out came the Hoover.  
With Geof around the grass is lower,  
Forever sitting on the mower.

They then moved North to be near Bec,  
Wi' twa wee bairns to keep in check.  
In Perthshire he has made his den,  
The lingo he finds hard to ken.  
I've rhymed your life at quite a canter,  
Here's t'many more years and lots more banter.

Keith

## The New Ark - submitted by Andrea Young

In the year 2007 the Lord came unto Noah, who was now living in England as said 'Once again, the earth has become wicked and over-populated, and I see the end of all flesh before me. Build another Ark and save two of every living thing along with a few good humans.'

He gave Noah the CAD drawings, saying 'You have 6 months to build the Ark before I will start the unending rain for 40 days and 40 nights.'

Six months later, the Lord looked down and saw Noah weeping in his yard, but no Ark.

'Noah!' He roared, 'I'm about to start the rain! Where is the Ark?'

'Forgive me, Lord' begged Noah, 'but things have changed. I needed Building Regulations Approval and I've been arguing with the Fire Brigade about the need for a sprinkler system. My neighbours claim that I should have obtained planning permission for building the Ark in my garden because it is development of the site, even though in my view it is a temporary structure. We had to then go to appeal to the Secretary of State for a decision. Then the Department of Transport demanded a bond be posted for the future costs of moving power lines and other overhead obstructions to clear the passage for the Ark's move to the sea. I told them that the sea would be coming to us, but they would hear nothing of it. Getting the wood was another problem. All the decent trees have Tree Preservation Orders on them and we live in a Site of Special Scientific Interest set up in order to protect the spotted owl. I tried to convince the environmentalists that I need to wood to save the owls - but no go! When I started gathering the animals, the RSPCA sued me. They insisted that I was confining wild animals against their will. They argued the accommodation was too restrictive, and it was cruel and inhumane to put so many animals in a confined space. Then, the County Council, The Environment Agency and the Rivers Authority ruled that I couldn't build the Ark until they'd conducted an environmental impact study on your proposed flood. I'm still trying to resolve a complaint with the Equal Opportunities Commission on how many disabled carpenters I'm supposed to hire for my building team. The Trades Union say I can't use my sons. They insist I have to hire only accredited workers with Ark-building experience. To make matters worse, Customs and Excise seized all my assets, claiming I'm trying to leave the country illegally with endangered species. So, forgive me Lord, but it would take at least 10 years for me to finish this Ark.'

Suddenly the skies cleared, the sun began to shine, and a rainbow stretched across the sky. Noah looked up in wonder and asked, 'You mean you're not going to destroy the world?' 'No', said the Lord. 'The British Government beat me to it.'

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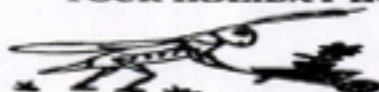
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## Food Glorious Food

Well it seems Summer may have already gone—hopefully not altogether and that we're in for some better weather than we've had of late. What better way to enjoy food than eating Al Fresco.

On a warm, sunny day there's nothing better than the delicious aroma of food sizzling on a Barbie.

### Creole Cabbage Salad

For a great alternative to your usual coleslaw this salad really hits the spot with a cool, spicy kick.

Serves 6-8

275g (10oz) white cabbage, cored and thinly shredded.  
2 celery sticks, thinly sliced  
1 green pepper, seeded and very thinly sliced  
4 spring onion, trimmed and thinly sliced  
½ tablespoon Dijon mustard  
1 tsp creamed horseradish  
½ tsp Tabasco sauce  
1 tbsp red wine vinegar  
2 tbsp olive oil  
2 tbsp mayonnaise  
2 tbsp chopped fresh dill  
Pinch of cayenne pepper  
Salt and ground black pepper

- ▶ Mix the cabbage, celery, green pepper and spring onions together in a large bowl.
- ▶ Mix the mustard, creamed horseradish, Tabasco sauce and vinegar in a small bowl and then gradually whisk in the oil. Stir in the mayonnaise and season with the salt & pepper.
- ▶ Stir in the dressing and chopped dill into the vegetables just before serving so that the cabbage stays nice and crunchy.

### Sticky sesame chicken skewers

750g / 1lb 10oz skinless chicken thighs or breasts fillets, cut up  
8 spring onions, cut into 5cm lengths  
Sesame seeds

#### **FOR THE MARINADE**

3 garlic gloves, crushed  
3 tbsp dark soy sauce  
2 tbsp sweet chilli sauce  
2 tbsp hoisin sauce  
2 tbsp rice wine vinegar  
1 tbsp tomato purée  
1 tbsp sunflower oil

- ▶ Mix together the marinade ingredients in a large bowl. Place the chicken in the bowl and toss it in the marinade. Marinade for 30 mins.
- ▶ Thread onto skewers alternating with the spring onion.
- ▶ Shake off any excess marinade and sprinkle with sesame seeds.
- ▶ Cook over medium hot coals for 3-4 minutes each side, basting occasionally.



### Saffron salmon with tomatoes & lemon

Serves 6

About 20 baby plum tomatoes, halved  
Pinch saffron  
6 salmon fillets, about 140g/5oz each  
6 tbsp olive oil  
6 tbsp white wine  
Zest & juice of 2 lemons

1. Heat BBQ and cut 6 pieces of foil about 30cm square. Curl up the edges so the juices don't run out later on. Season the tomatoes well with salt & pepper, divide

between the foil squares, then crumble the saffron over.

2. Place a portion of salmon on top of the tomatoes, then add 1 tbsp oil & 1 tbsp wine. Sprinkle with a little of the lemon zest, splash over a little lemon juice, then season generously. Pick up the opposite corners of the foil, then roll over & seal well, as if wrapping a present. Repeat with all 6 pieces of fish, then set aside for a good 10 minutes to allow the saffron flavours to infuse the fish.

3. Place the salmon parcels onto the barbecue for 15 minutes—then open & serve

**Serve all the above with new potatoes toss in butter.**



## Short Mat Bowls

*On Monday 29 September at 7.30pm Short Mat Bowls will start again for the winter period. New members are always welcome and the Club has a selection of bowls for you to use. The only other equipment you need are a pair of smooth soled shoes or slippers. Or even thick socks.*

*A sense of humour is also required as, whilst the game is taken fairly seriously, the repartie is an important part of the evening.*

*The session lasts until 9.30 and costs the extortionate sum of £1 each. We look forward to an influx of new members willing to join us in this seriously under-rated sport which is not yet part of the Olympics.*

*Alan McCarthy*

Here's August's Sudoku solution:

8	3	1	6	4	9	2	7	5
9	7	5	3	1	2	8	4	6
6	2	4	5	8	7	1	3	9
4	6	2	8	3	1	5	9	7
3	1	8	9	7	5	4	6	2
5	9	7	2	6	4	3	8	1
1	4	9	7	5	8	6	2	3
2	8	6	1	9	3	7	5	4
7	5	3	4	2	6	9	1	8

September's Sudoku:

		5				6		
		6	9		7	1		
3	4						7	9
	3			4				6
		8	3		5	4		
	2			8				5
9	1						8	5
		7	1		9	2		
		2				3		



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# Enigma

## This Month

In this puzzle an amateur coin collector has been out with his metal detector, searching for booty. He didn't have time to dig up all the coins he found, so has made a grid map showing their locations, in the hope that if he loses the map, no-one else will understand it. Those squares containing numbers are empty, but where a number appears in the square, it indicates how many coins are located in the squares (up to a maximum of 8) surrounding the numbered one, touching it at any corner or side. There is only one coin in any square. Place a circle into every square containing a coin.

2			0		2		2	2	
				1					
	3						1		0
0					3	1			
	1	1	3						1
							5		2
3		1		2			4		
		2				3			
3				0		2		4	
	1			2		1			2
	1	1			2	2	1	2	

Last month

The films are: Groundhog Day, Lethal Weapon, Patriot Games and The Bodyguard. Three points to Matchman, Beta Rabbit & The Opals. Where have all the puzzlers gone?

*Quote of the month:*

*I love quotations because it is a joy to find thoughts one might have, beautifully expressed with much authority by someone recognized wiser than oneself.*  
- Marlene Dietrich

## Children's Choir

We look forward to the choir starting up again on Saturday 20th September, meeting at Barnford at 11.00 a.m. as usual. All children are very welcome to join us, even if they are not able to come every week. Contacts: Adrian & Judy Bull on 810420 or Alice Thornton on 810284

### Alice goes to Buckingham Palace

Alice says:

'On July 15 2008 started a very memorable day. We had a taxi to London, and we had a special car parking space as Norah had to push me in my wheelchair.

Once past security we were shown to the garden entrance, where a Cold Stream Guardsman took us to the tea marquee.

We had a nice tea of sandwiches and cake and at 4 o'clock Her Majesty and the royal party came out to the main steps. We all sang 'God Save the Queen' and she started her walk about.

Norah and I moved further down the line and we were lucky to have a prime spot, the Queen was introduced to service men in front of us, she gave us a lovely smile and wave, she looked lovely.

A little later we saw the Duke of Edinburgh also Prince Edward. Having a wheelchair was an advantage as we pushed to the front.

At 5.45 the Royal party left and we waved them off. This day I shall never forget, the weather and everything was perfect.'

## Parish Room - Annual General Meeting

The first Annual General Meeting of the Parish Room Committee will be held in the Parish Room on Wednesday 17 September at 8pm. All residents of the Parish of Ringmore are invited to attend and vote on nominations for up to two elected members to join the Management Committee. This consists of members appointed by the Parish Council, Parochial Church Council and the Ringmore Branch of the Royal British Legion, together with representatives of the Table Tennis and Short Mat Bowls clubs and the Historical Society.

The Parish Room is 100 years old this year and it needs active support to ensure it will continue to provide a viable venue for Parish activities.

Alan McCarthy - Chairman Parish Room Committee

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Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> August was the date of the Kingston Fun Day. It was also the location for the tug of war challenge between The Journeys End and The Dolphin; the last one took place in 2005 when The Journeys End won so there was everything to play for. This year there was also a challenge from The Royal Oak in Bigbury. The teams stepped up to the rope and the first pull was between The Journeys End and The Dolphin. Both teams held strong to start but The Dolphin had the edge on us and took the first point. It was then the turn of The Royal Oak against The Journeys End and then The Dolphin, The Royal Oak losing both times. They went out of the competition leaving the rivals to battle it out. The Journeys End team settled down to the serious business of making sure we took home the trophy. The men huddled to discuss tactics over a few beers, just to make sure they were in peak condition. The women discussed who was going to leg it with the trophy should The Dolphin win. We should not have been concerned, the men did us proud and The Journeys End took the next point. One a piece and all down to the last pull. This time the rope just kept going our way and the third and final pull was quick and clean. The team were presented with winners' rosettes and the trophy was ours for another year. It is now back in its rightful place above the fireplace in the bar of The Journeys End. Everyone was in jubilant mood and that night the victors had a special table laid on for them in the pub by Paul and Jules. What do you think the music of choice was in the pub that night? Queen and 'We are the Champions' of course. A great day and night had by all.

Karen Purdy  
Tug of War 'wifie'

The Team

James Lewis, Mark Powlett, Mike Rutkowski, Ben Turner, Steve Purdy, Andy King, Peter Mercy, Andrew Swan, Steve Huggatt, Colin Campbell (not pictured) with Paul and Jules and the Tug of War trophy



#### HOW'S THAT ME HEARTIES!

A brief update on the Defibrillator Fund:  
 Margaret ( Parish Clerk) passed on to us  
 the great news that Ringmore Parish  
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 Sandy

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#### Junior Enigma

This month:

A man enters his house. He asks his daughter, Betty a question (to which he doesn't know the answer). The question is such that whatever the answer, right, wrong, true or false, he will know the answer to his question. What was the question?

Last month:

The man was buying house numbers. There were no entries.

#### Sudoku for Kids

Last month's answer: The old lady (6) saw Do.

Use the number to help you start this month's puzzle by putting it in all the gray cells. When you've completed the puzzle, the number in the crossed cell will tell you in which direction Du and Ku have to travel.

4			8			5	
	1			3	2		7
	7		5			4	
1			7	8		2	
		8	1	2	4		
		7			9		4
	X	1			7		3
3			9	4			1
	8		2		3		6

Is it East (1), West (4), North (5) or South (8)?

Last month's Digbats was, of course, 'forgive and forget'.

The word wizard was the letter 'Y' to make Still, Thorn, Stand, Toot, Trim, Flute, Pleat and True.

#### Hidden words

The name of a gemstone has been hidden in each of these sentences. Can you find them all? e.g. A man's name has been hidden in this sentence: 'We hadn't given up hope terriers would be banned from the dog show next week.'

1. Rub your eyes if you don't believe it.
2. Over Christmas the wages are good. I am on double time.
3. When you stop, always check in your mirror.
4. From the cliff top, azure waters could be seen for miles.
5. I can make a rabbit appear like magic.

#### Road Trip

A man drives all the way from Chicago to Las Vegas only to then discover he had a flat tyre for the entire journey. However, his car was completely unaffected by this and his journey was a smooth one. How is this possible?

#### And finally

What goes putt, putt, putt, putt, putt?

And finally - a bad golfer!

It was the spare tyre which was flat

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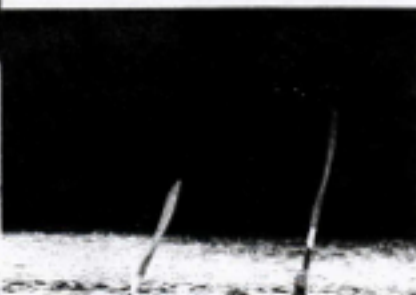


## Ringmore Regatta 2008

Saturday 23rd August

Despite some confusion as to the date, there was a good turnout. There were a variety of crafts, ages and skills demonstrated in the paddle down to the stakes and in the races. All enjoyed themselves, getting wet and being tempted by the aroma of sausages.....

There was a small interruption as Caterfood managed to get through the stakes, whilst having more difficulty negotiating the vehicles blocking the road on his way to the Oyster Shack.



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## NEWS FROM ALL HALLOWS

September 2008.

Without doubt the Event Of The Month if not the Event Of The Year is the August Church Fete that as usual took place on Bank Holiday Monday. After a miserable looking morning the sun came out absolutely on cue, proving – again - that God likes Ringmore church, and a long queue of eager people spread over the field to enjoy a huge variety of stalls, games, food and the Trojan rides.

Your (new) roving reporter decided to interview some visitors to the area and collect opinions on the fete; here are some of the comments:

"Look at the queue – it speaks of the success of what is always a wonderful fete."

"We travel down from Coventry every year and always make a point of coming to your fete".

"The children love it; there is so much for them to do."

"The weather is ALWAYS good. Amazing."

"Quintessential English fete – great fun."

"Excellent pre-planning."

"We stumbled on this 4 years ago and now make a point of coming every year. This is how to spend the Bank Holiday."

"A real traditional, nice, fete. We come every year." (visitors from Whitby)

"Thanks to Phill for the wonderful choice of activities."

"The kind of thing that most people think occurs only in Miss Marple or Midsomer Murders. It evokes something we miss – a more innocent era – which is why we like watching these programmes and why this fete is so popular."

All of us would want to thank those who put so much time and effort into giving so many people a wonderful and memorable afternoon. Particular thanks to Phill ("I might be able to relax by 10 o'clock tonight") for masterminding the event which meant putting in many hours of hard work. In every way the afternoon was a huge success.

Rosemary Piercy

*More stunning photos from Mike Wynne-Powell. Whose hands on the left hand side? Answers on a postcard .....*



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## August Church Fete

A VERY BIG THANK YOU TO ALL who helped make this year's Fete such an enjoyable event. The day proved to be a splendid Village afternoon, which our lovely village of Ringmore seems to specialise in!!

This was only possible with YOUR Help & Generosity with equipment, Stalls, Time, Effort & Participation. I would like to thank Dane & Hillary, Paul & Jules for their generous support and Dudley Hext in allowing us the use of the field. Many others are due thanks also – too many to mention – but there are some very special people that put in such a lot of work and as I don't like naming individuals, I think they know who they are though.

As this is the year of the Olympics I think now is the time for me to hand over the baton to someone "younger" in village. Many, many thanks to you all who have helped over the past years that I have been organising the fete.

Phill Errett

### *Thank You*

*A very big 'thank you' to Jane Reynolds who has taken over the newsletter delivery round from Lower Manor to Mandava.*

*Dam and John Elliott are wished much happiness in their 'retirement' home.*



## Another Successful Fête!

Every Fête is the result of much planning and hard work, involving a host of willing volunteers. This year, as in the past, members, husbands, villagers all pitched in with enthusiasm; we couldn't cope without their help in erecting marquees, manning stalls (and providing items for them), serving teas – and then clearing up afterwards. Thank you, all of you! And how lucky we were with the weather! We had rain before the Fête, sunshine during, and then heavy rain the moment we had finished clearing away. Phew! The result was that about £1,000 after expenses was raised, which will enable us to maintain and improve our Hall (the insurance alone is over £500), so that it can continue to be used for parties, coffee mornings, whist drives, meetings and so on.

### September meeting: the Citizens' Advice Bureau

*On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September we shall welcome Chris Hole, who will explain the workings of the Citizens' Advice Bureau. Since its formation at the start of World War 2, the CAB has given free and impartial advice to countless people, and now handles some 5.7 million new problems a year from its 3,300 locations, including our local branch in Ivybridge. It will be a most interesting meeting (but without breaching the confidentiality which is crucial to its valuable work). The meeting starts at 8 pm, and all are welcome (not just W.I. members); the business meeting for members precedes this at 7.30 pm.*

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## This Month

### EVERY WEDNESDAYS - OUR +55 LUNCH!

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You can reserve a table for the day or have one set aside for you every Wednesday so that it is here waiting for you. Just give us a call.

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 13 @ 8:00**

## GHOST HUNTERS



**WILL BE HERE AT THE JE!**

They are wanting to hear any 'ghost stories' that you might have about the JE or any that you might have heard of in the area. So, come and be a part if you wish, or just enjoy an evening with us here at the JE. We will be serving dinners as usual... but...

RESERVE YOUR TABLE EARLY  
BEFORE ANY GHOSTS BEAT  
YOU TO IT.

**THURSDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 18 @ 8:30  
QUIZ NIGHT!**

Come on down to the JE for another of our impromptu quizzes... be brilliant, be brave, and pit your brains against everyone else's! So come and have some fun here at the JE!

Ghost  
Hunters at  
the JE on the  
13th!



## FROM THE JE'S DIARY:

September starts ... so ...  
Autumn  
cannot be too  
far away!



But until the weather gets colder and the sun even more rare than it has been ... well ... we still have the beaches, the beautiful walks and our gardens to sit in and relax.

We have a message from Paul's mother:



"Thank you all for making this summer even with all of its rain, such a happy time for me. It is wonderful that Juliet, Lily, Samantha, Billy, and Paul live in such a place as Ringmore. See in December!"

On the 13 of this month we will be having a visit from a paranormal group known as 'Into The Night'. They are coming to the JE at 8:30 to 'investigate' any possible paranormal or ghostly goings on!



So come by as they want your stories and your insights and to be a part of their investigation!

Our +55 Lunches  
will be starting  
again this month!



As always we will be offering a special menu at a wonderful price! But, this year you can reserve your table so that you have it every week. So, come and take advantage of this great offer and sit, read the paper, or just have a good visit with friends.

**Remember it is every  
Wednesday at the JE.**

On Thursday the 18th, we will be holding an impromptu quiz here at the JE. So come by and be a member of a team, bring your friends and have a bit of fun and a good laugh! It will start at 8:30 and there will be some great prizes for the winners and runners up!



The JE would also like to say that we would be happy to take in trade any extra vegetables and herbs that the gardens of Ringmore might produce! So please just come by and see Juliet or Jamie.