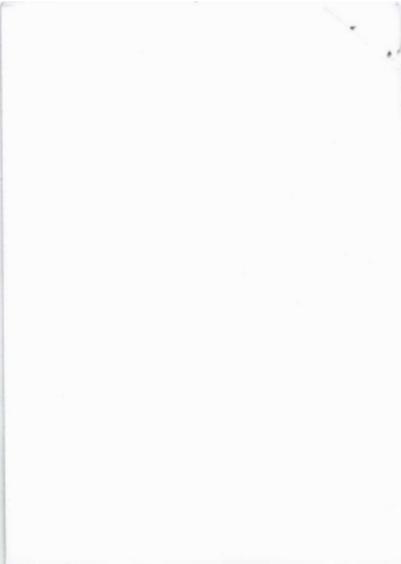


As a child I lived with my family at 3 Crossways. My father Grenville Johns owned Quarry Garage. He unfortunately died in 1958 aged only 51 and is buried in Ringmore Church yard. We left Ringmore in 1963, although my husband and I rented Rose Cottage in 1965-71, and my two eldest boys were born then; but as

my husband was in the R.N. we had to move on.

The purpose of this letter is that my mother died recently (aged90) and she wanted her ashes put in fathers grave. So we are having a gathering of the Johns Clan on Wednesday 27th May for a short service at 3pm; internment of the ashes and Tea at the W.I Hall. Anyone who remembers any of us is welcome to come and have a cuppa and a chat. I hope to have some photos of Ringmore and Challaborough in the 40's and 50's

Sylvia Renton



Ringmore Parish Mewsletter

May 2009

Issue Number: 285

Deadline: 9am Monday 25th May

A warm welcome is extended to Andy and Sandra Ravens who with Dylan the dog have moved into Vean Cottage. Mark, Caroline, William and Oliver Barrett and their dog Barker to Mount Pleasant and Rose Cottage.

Also Richard, Lesley, Imagen and Callum who have moved into the Church House. We hope you all enjoy your time here and look forward to meeting you all.

The oil scheme is proving a success and the next date for delivery is week commencing May 18th. It will then be a 16week cycle with the next delivery mid September before reverting to the 8 week cycle. Anyone requiring extra oil during this period are asked to contact Watsons direct.

The Parish Council meeting and AGM were held on Tuesday 28th April with interesting talks from Devon County Councillor William Mumford, South Hams District Councillor Brian Carson, Simon Garner from the National Trust and Steve Radford the manager of Park Dean, the minutes of which will be posted on the notice boards.

A reminder that the Parish Plan, whilst having been published is a working document and therefore if anyone from the Parish has anything they think should be included can contact any councillor and put their suggestions forward.



Sea food Tasting With a fish Barbeque Nicks Demonstration of Tasty Cooking Tips 6pm onwards Bigbury Village Shop 3rd May

Please send items for inclusion in the newsletter to the editorial team c/o: 8 Crossways, Ringmore, TQ7 4HP

e-mail: news@ringmore.net or contact any of the team: Emily 811210, Jane 811218, Gillian 810303, Karen 810382, Sandy / Billy 810572, Lynn 810093

DIARY FOR THE MONTH

Monday: Short Mat Bowls, 7.30pm (Parish

Rooms)

Tuesday: Table Tennis, 7.30pm (Parish Room)

4/5 W.I May Fair, W.I Hall & grounds, 2pm

9/5 Murder Mystery, Parish Rooms. 7pm

13/5 First Aid training, W.I Hall 7.30pm

14/5 W.I meeting, W.I Hall, 7.30pm

19/5 Parish Council meeting, W.I Hall 7pm

25/5 Cream tea W.I Hall 3-5.30pm

29/5 Breakfast re future of the Church, 1 Crossways 8.45-10am

June

2/6 Coffee morning, Cumberland Cottage, 10.30am

11/6 W.I Barbeque, W.I grounds, 6.30pm

Flower Festival, All Hallows 19/6 - 21/6

Rainfall by Eleanor and Grace Purdy

Last Month:

46mm

10 year average:

76mm

10 year high:

178mm

10 year low:

13mm

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St Ann's Chapel:

2.30-2.45

Ringmore Church:

2.50-3.10

Challaborough:

3.20-3.35

Kingston Fire Station: 4.00-4.30



FIRST AID TRAINING Wednesday 13th May W.I Hall



7.30pm

Please contact Sandy 810572 so she can have an idea of numbers

Congratulations to Lucie for passing her Grade 6 Flute exam

SUCCESS

At age 4 success is - not piddling in your pants

At age 12 success is - having friends

At age 17 success is - having a drivers licence

At age 35 success is - having money

At age 50 success is - having money

At age 75 success is - having a drivers licence

At age 85 success is - having friends

At age 90 success is - not piddling in your pants

May Sudoku

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LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES IN MAY

Date	Bigbury	Kingston	Ringmore	
May 2 nd Saturday	2.00 p.m. Wedding (Ty Sherburn & Lana Widger)			
3 rd	11.00 a.m. Family Service	9.00 a.m. BCP Communion	11.00 a.m. Family Service	
10 th	11.00 a.m. Family Service	6.00 p.m. BCP Even. Prayer	9.00 a.m. CW Communion	
17 th Rogation	9.00 a.m. BCP Communion	11.00 a.m. Family Service	6.00 p.m. Evening Prayer	
20 th	2.30 p.m. Korniloff Communion			
21 st Ascension Day		9.00 Ascension Day Communion (a Thursday)		

24th: 10:30 a.m.Team Service at Modbury

	3.00 p.m. Wedding (Sean Massingham & Suzanne Tomlinson)		
31 st Pentecost	11.00 a.m. Family Communion	6.00 CW Evening Prayer	9.00 a.m. CW Communion

As They Were Walking They Recognised Him?

One of my greatest weaknesses, and therefore problems, is my memory of faces but not names. I recognise people but then struggle to remember from where, and then the name that goes with the face. It happened at Easter, there were lots of faces that I knew had been in Church before, but when and for what. "Nice to see you again on another joyful occasion" is fine if it was a wedding last time, but hardly appropriate for the average funeral. It was an exceedingly joyful celebration on Easter Morning, it always should be for Christians celebrating that great day when sin and death were defeated forever. It was even more special at Bigbury this year; in fact it was amazing. Don't get me wrong the folk who came to Ringmore at 9.00 O'clock, for it was good there with 60+ giving us a fairly full and joyful Church. At Bigbury though a few more, 98 so the quick head count said: the hymns were the same, and the sermon wasn't much different, but overall it was very different.

It was as though the risen Lord had come to Bigbury, and given our meagre offering of worship a plus factor that was felt by many in the congregation. Faces shone with more than the usual holiday sun tan, voices were raised and it was almost as if the angels themselves joined in with our singing. At least four folk at the Church door moved beyond the "Nice Service/Sermon John" into comments that the Holy Spirit had been moving powerfully for individuals and the whole body of the congregation. That is how it should be every time we meet, and that would be my prayer, but in honesty it does not happen every time at the same level.

Two stories that often immediately follow Easter in Church Bible Readings are one from the Gospel of Luke chapter 24, about the two Disciples on the road to Emmaus who are joined by a stranger who asked them what had been going on in Jerusalem that first Easter weekend. He walks with them, but like many of us, for a long while they do not recognise him for who He is. The other is that special personal appearance for Thomas in amongst his friends. Thomas, again like many of us, had his period of doubt. It was after a mystical and supernatural addition to the physical around him, that Thomas was able to say "My Lord, and My God".

I hope and pray that for more and more of us that mysterious and wonderful extra comes in and allows us to confess the same. Not just a teacher, not just a prophet, not just a healer, not just a king: but all of these and more besides "Lord and God". Towards the end of the month we should, hopefully, have a full Church at Modbury for the Team Service on the 24th: do come whether a regular or not. We pray for that Service that the Holy Spirit of God would again dwell amongst us as He surely did on Easter Day. On the 31st we celebrate that first Pentecost when about 3,000 were added to the number of the Disciples after the Morning Service (see Acts 2: 41). 3,000 baptisms in a day, now that would be going out in style!

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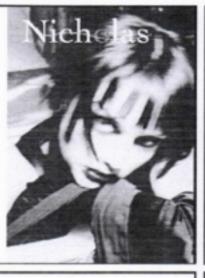


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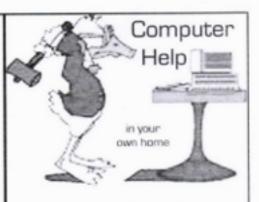
Coffee morning, at Anna's (Cumberland Cottage)

Tuesday 2nd June at 10.30am

Do come to support your local Hospice Entrance £3.50 (includes coffee, cake and raffle ticket)

Please contact Drina (810405) to offer cakes, raffle prizes or other help on the day.

Thank you



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OLD IS WHEN ...

OLD is when going bra-less pulls all the wrinkles out of your face

OLD is when you're cautioned to slow down by your doctor instead of the police

OLD is when feeling lucky means not having to find your car in the car park

OLD is when an 'all-nighter' means not having to get up to go to the bathroom

OLD is when getting a little action means you don't have to eat bran flakes for your breakfast

OLD is when your husband says, "lets walk upstairs and have a cuddle" and you reply, "please pick one, I

can't do both"

APRIL MEETING: TANZANIA SAFARI

Our April meeting was attended by about 30 people, all eager to hear John and Ann Bracey's illustrated talk entitled "Meet the animals and other things in Tanzania".

They went in January 2008 when the climate is pleasant and not too hot, and took a local plane to the Masai area of Tanzania, then on to the Rift Valley and finally Zanzibar. Their photos and commentary were first class and had everyone enthralled.

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY CREAM TEAS

Thank you everyone who supported our cream teas on Easter Monday; this raised £111 towards the cost of extending the Hall grounds. By popular request (really!), we are repeating this on Bank Holiday Monday 25th May - see separate details.

MAY FAIR: MONDAY 4TH MAY

A final reminder for our annual May Fair on Monday 4th May, starting at 2 pm in the W.I. Hall and grounds; we look forward to seeing you there.

MAY MEETING

Our next monthly meeting is on Thursday 14th May at 7.30 pm, when we will be discussing the Resolutions which will eventually be debated at the National Federation meeting later this year. This is the chance for all members to voice their opinions.

ADVANCE NOTICE: JUNE BARBECUE

Don't forget to put the barbecue date in your diaryl It's on Thursday 11th June at 6.30 pm (note the earlier time) in the W.I. Hall and grounds. All profits to Shelterbox.

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Cream Tea



Ringmore W.I. Hall

Bank Holiday Monday 25th May 3 to 5.30 pm

A treat for the whole family

It was the Bride who was late arriving! Twenty two minutes; according to John, a record for Ringmore!

WOW! What a wedding! It surpassed all our expectations! There are so many people I would like to thank for making it all so very special. If I was to list all those who made it thus, it would sound like a speech from the Oscars!.... and the News Letter probably doesn't have enough pages to do so anyway!

It was wonderful to have Ben home safe from the war zone in Afghanistan just the week before; (it wasn't very long ago that we had serious doubts about his making it back in time! He wasn't officially due back till the 14th April!!)

So thank you to one and all - from those who donated twigs, and the beautiful heather posies... up to those who gave their time, expertise, kindness and even prayers. The new Mr and Mrs Hammond were incredibly touched by everyone's efforts and moved by village friends gathered outside the church waiting to wish them well.

Ringmore is a truly special place with some amazing people who do so much to make it so. Thank you.

Sandy

RINGMORE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

ALMOST A CENTURY AGO AT ALL HALLOWS

From the Kingsbridge Gazette, August 1911

'We regret to have to record that a silver-mounted wine flagon and a silver paten were stolen from the Church a few days after the Rector's return from his holiday. As soon as the articles were known to be missing, the police were called in, but unfortunately the thief has not been found up to the present, and we fear that he has made good his escape.

We cannot think, however, that his sacrilegious act will bring him any good. The news of the theft was received with the greatest indignation by everyone in the Parish, and in response to what seemed to be the general desire the Rector announced that a special collection would be made, with a view to repairing the loss. The collection was made on Sunday evening, August 11th, when the Rev. H.M. Scott, Rector of Farleigh, preached an admirable and most sympathetic sermon to a crowded congregation. The collection amounted to £2 8s. 9d. Which will go a long way towards covering the cost, and the Rector has received very kind promises from leading members of the congregation to assist in making up the total sum required, when the amount is fully ascertained.

There is a very general wish among the Parishioners that the articles stolen should not be replaced by anything inferior, but should be of the very best. We heartily thank them for the ready and generous way in which they have come forward, and also those visitors to the Parish and neighbourhood who have most kindly given their help and sympathy.'

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Food Glorious Food

This months Spring recipes have been submitted by Gillian Parkin - Many thanks Gillian

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RECIPES FOR SPRING

Asparagus with Ham and Cheese

36 Asparagus Spears
Salt and Freshly Ground Black Pepper
1 tsp Butter (for dish)
12 Thin Slices Proscuitto or Cooked Ham
300ml Double Cream
50g Finely Grated Parmesan Cheese (or similar)
2 tbs Fresh Breadcrumbs

- Snap off the ends of the stalks and boil the aspargus for 3-4 minutes. Drain under cold running water and pat dry with kitchen paper.
- Heat the oven to 150C (130C fan oven) gas mark 2 and butter a shallow ovenproof dish which will hold 12 bundles of asparagus in one layer.
- Place 3 spears on a slice of Proscuitto and roll up. Prepare the remaining asparagus and ham in the same way and place side by side in dish.
- 4. Pour over cream. Season with pepper and a little salt if needed. Scatter on cheese and breadcrumbs.
- Bake for about 30 minutes until cream is bubbling and the top is lightly brown.

Can be prepared in advance

Serves 6 as a starter or light lunch

Lamb with Spring Vegetables

Whole Leg or Boned and Rolled Shoulder of Lamb Salt and Ground Black Pepper 1 Clove Garlic, Crushed 50g (2oz) Butter 150ml (half-pint) Dry White Wine 300ml (half-pint) Brown Stock 750g (1 lb 10oz) New Potatoes, Scrubbed 350g (12 oz) Frozen Petit Pois 1 tbsp Flour 4 tbsp Double Cream 2 tbsp Fresh Mint, Chopped

- Cut away skin and fat from the lamb. Grind on black pepper. Mix garlic with softened butter, spread over lamb and leave to stand for about 30 minutes whilst the oven pre-heats to 180C (160C fan oven), gas mark 4.
- Heat a large flameproof casserole. Brown the lamb. Pour in wine and stock and bubble for 2 minutes.
 Cover with lid and transfer to the oven.
- 3. After 30 minutes add potatoes and carrots.
- 4. After 45 minutes add peas.
- After about 15 minutes or when the lamb is cooked and vegetables tender, transfer to a large platter and cover with foil
- Stir flour into cream and, over medium heat, whisk into the hot stock in the casserole. Boil for about 5 minutes until syrupy. Season. Stir in mint and serve with lamb.

Rhubarb Fool

400g (14oz) Rhubarb, trimmed 125g (4oz) Golden Caster Sugar 50ml (2 fl oz) Grand Marnier or Cointreau - optional 300ml (half-pint) Carton Double Cream 500g Tub Low Fat Greek Yoghurt Half tsp Vanilla Extract

Cut rhubarb into 2.5cm (1in) chunks. Put into pan with 75g (3oz) sugar, liqueur (if using) and 75ml (3fl oz) cold water. Bring to boil; simmer gently for 5min. Strain rhubard, reserving syryp.

2. Pour syrup back into pan and simmer until reduced by a third. Cool

Whisk cream, yoghurt, vanilla and rest of sugar until soft peaks form. Mash half of the rhubarb; stir
into cream. Fold in remaining pieces. Divide between six glasses. Drizzle on syrup.

Fool and syrup can be made day before. Keep separate and complete just before serving. Serves 6.

Giving Up Wine

I was walking down the street when I was accosted by a particularly dirty and shabby looking homeless woman who asked me for a couple of dollars for dinner.

I took out my wallet, got out ten dollars and asked, 'If I give you this money, will you buy wine with it instead of dinner?'

'No, I had to stop drinking years ago', the homeless woman told me.

'Will you use it to go shopping instead of buying food?' I asked.

'No, I don't waste time shopping,' the homeless woman said. 'I need to spend all my time trying to stay alive.'

'Will you spend this on a beauty salon instead of food?' I asked.

'Are you NUTS!' replied the homeless woman. I haven't had my hair done in 20 years!'

'Well, I said, 'I'm not going to give you the money. Instead, I'm going to take you out for dinner with my husband and me tonight.'

The homeless Woman was shocked. 'Won't your husband be furious with you for doing that? I know I'm dirty, and I probably smell pretty disgusting.'

I said, 'That's okay. It's important for him to see what a woman looks like after she has given up shopping, hair appointments, and wine.'

20 years ago

The Journeys End - The conservatory structure is now complete, hopefully the floor will be laid. Australian Beach Party went well, and as a result will be keeping large rump steaks and giant prawns on the menu.

Monday July 31st we have the Plymouth Morris Men again.



Kit Taylor planted a Horse Chestnut Tree by the Bus Shelter. Only 25 people attended as the village was suffering from a flu epidemic. It was hoped that the tree would live for a long time. www.heatcaresouthwest.co.uk

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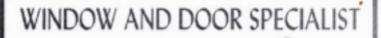


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- 2. Patient has left her white blood cells at another hospital.
- Patient's medical history has been remarkably insignificant with only a 40 pound weight gain in the past three days.
- She has no rigors or shaking chills, but her husband states she was very hot in bed last night.
- 5. Patient has chest pain if she lies on her left side for over a year.
- 6. On the second day the knee was better and on the third day it disappeared.
- 7. The patient is tearful and crying constantly. She also appears to be depressed.
- 8. The patient has been depressed since she began seeing me in 1993.
- 9. Discharge status:- Alive, but without my permission.
- 10. Healthy appearing decrepit 69-year old male, mentally alert, but forgetful.
- 11. Patient had waffles for breakfast and anorexia for lunch.
- 12. She is numb from her toes down.
- 13. While in ER, she was examined, x-rated and sent home.
- 14. The skin was moist and dry.
- 15. Occasional, constant infrequent headaches.
- 16. Patient was alert and unresponsive.
- 17. Rectal examination revealed a normal size thyroid.
- 18. She stated that she had been constipated for most of her life until she got a divorce.
- 19. I saw your patient today, who is still under our care for physical therapy.
- 20. Both breasts are equal and reactive to light and accommodation.
- 21 Examination of genitalia reveals that he is circus sized..
- 22. The lab test indicated abnormal lover function.
- 23. Skin: somewhat pale, but present.
- The pelvic exam will be done later on the floor.
- 25. Large brown stool ambulating in the hall.
- 26. Patient has two teenage children, but no other abnormalities
- 27. When she fainted, her eyes rolled around the room.
- 28. The patient was in his usual state of good health until his airplane ran out of fuel and crashed.
- 29. Between you and me, we ought to be able to get this lady pregnant.
- 30. She slipped on the ice and apparently her legs went in separate directions in early December.
- 31. Patient was seen in consultation by Dr. Smith, who felt we should sit on the abdomen and I agree.
- 32. The patient was to have a bowel resection. However, he took a job as a stock broker instead.
- 33. By the time he was admitted, his rapid heart had stopped, and he was feeling better.

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NEWS FROM ALL HALLOWS

Flower Festival

Plans are well under way for the Flower Festival to be held in June. The theme for the Festival is "SUMMERTIME" and we would like to thank all those organisations and individuals who have kindly agreed to provide an arrangement. Please remember if you do require financial help to buy some flowers or you wish to order them wholesale then please contact Jinny McCabe on 810538. The festival gets underway on Friday evening the 19th of June at 7.30pm with a Gala Concert. Kate Tomlin (Gill's daughter) will be singing, and there will be a variety of music from other local groups. Tickets £7.50 to include wine and nibbles, are available from Phill Errett 810547, Drina Williams 810405, Judy Bull 810420 and Holywell Stores. It promises to be a very varied and interesting programme. Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st sees All Hallows open for visitors with a plant stall together with various refreshments, such as Ploughmans, Cream Teas etc all through the day in the WI Hall. The Festival draws to a close on the Sunday evening with a Festival of Praise in the Church at 6pm, which will be an opportunity to give thanks to God, with hymns old and new, for all the blessings He gives us. If you have a favourite hymn that you would like to be included, do let Judy Bull (810420) know and we will do our best for youl

Breakfast at Folletts

Rosemary and Christopher would like to send their many thanks to all of you who are coming to their breakfast meetings. Besides being a lot of fun, they have also provided the opportunity to discuss many really useful ideas for our community, as well as praying for our church and village. There are more meetings in the pipeline.

Clock Update

I am informed that delivery of the Tempus Unit, which is the main control box for the clock, is imminent. Due to problems experienced with the previous Tempus Unit it has been decided, after discussion with the manufacturers, to re-site the Unit together with the Antenna in the main body of the Church. To ensure costs are kept to a minimum a local qualified Electrician will carry out this work, hopefully within the next few weeks.

Spring Church Clean.

A very big thank you to everyone who assisted with the church clean on Saturday 4TH April. Special thanks to Drina and Frank who organised the Easter clean & carried out the high level cleaning on the Friday. The response for help exceeded all expectations enabling the church to really look sparkling clean. Many thanks to all of you.

Audio System

We are currently experiencing problems with our microphone system within the church so if anyone knows of, or could recommend, a competent Audio Technician then it would be really appreciated if they could contact me.

Phill Errett (810547)

THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH BREAKFAST AT 1, CROSSWAYS, RINGMORE FRIDAY 29TH MAY 8.45 - 10.00am

If you have an interest in what happens in our local churches, then come along and share ideas. We will eat croissants etc, chat and mull about the future. It is open to everyone, and it is half term, so if your children have ideas, bring them too.

For more information or to say you are coming, phone Alice on 810284

We look forward to seeing you all there.

The Clock

The clock reads twenty five past two. It stands above us all, majestic, bold; We would not dare to question what we're told. That solid tower with holy strength imbued, Gilded with beauteous face serene and viewed By all as father time, eternal, true.

The clock reads twenty five past two.
Tracking the endless hours as years go by
The church which bears it will not let time fly,
But keeps a record, births and deaths alike
And everything between each hourly strike
Is noted from its grand and lofty view

The clock reads twenty five past two. But yet it seems that dawn has scarcely broken

The village still abed with few yet woken
To start their week of work, with joy or tears
As those who went before down through the
years

Gone by, and from this time will hence ensue.

The clock reads twenty five past two.
The children gather for the daily bus
To whisk them swiftly off to school and thus
The daily round of village life begins
The dustmen come to empty all the bins
And hurry on their way their work to do

The clock reads twenty five past two.
The children home from school wait to be met
By parents who would never once forget
To meet their offspring, but are led astray
Having relied upon the clock this day.
They're late and they appear not when they're
due.

The clock reads twenty five past two
By now the outrage at this wayward clock
Is felt by all and passers by just mock.
Its grandeur contrasts with its pointless
hands

Stuck fast when every passing hour demands A circle scribed each sixty minutes through.

The clock reads twenty five past two
But those who will allow their gaze to fall
Espy a sundial clinging to the wall
Its time is told, unwavering and unspoiled
By modern electronics. Craftsmen toiled
To make it thus reliable and true.

The clock reads twenty five past two.

Yet even when it worked to its design

Its time did not with Ringmore's time align

For it was timed to Greenwich, not the best

For Ringmore, many a long mile to the west.

The sundial chooses this false time to eschew.

The clock reads twenty five past two.

This railway time from 1847

Affected only railways first in Devon
Until the fateful 1880 law
Which legally across Great Britain saw
One time zone standardised if not quite true.

The clock reads twenty five past two.

And so we're sixteen minutes from the time.

Our ancestors would recognise. A crime.

To get us all to fall in line, but see.

I thereby justify my tendency.

Always to be late, yet claiming a virtue.

The clock reads twenty five past two.

How long will service engineers take now

To fix this clock and when they have, then how
Will we adjust to standard time again,

Having been led by sundial thus and when

Shall I ever learn to arrive on time like you

When the clock no more reads twenty five
past two?

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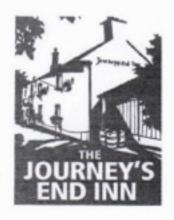
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