Ringmore Parish Newsletter

AUGUST 2010

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DIARY DATES

Short Mat	Bowls closed until September	1
	Table Tennis, Parish Room	8.00pm
Friday:	Quiz, Regatta Bar	8.45pm

1	1st and every Sunday of the month
	Cream Tea, W.I. Hall
ı	5th Quiz & Curry , WI Hall

3.15pm-5.30pm

VI Hall 6.30pm

31st	Church Fete. Church Field	9.30-10.30an 2.30pm
September		

Sept	ember	
1st	RBL meeting, Journey's End	7.30pm
3rd	Supper 'n Jazz, WI Hall	7.30pm
6th	Short Mat Bowls recommences	7.30pr
21st	Parish Council Meeting, WI Hall	7 .00pm

October

6th	RBL meeting, Dolphin Inn	7.30pm
19th	Parish Council Meeting, WI Hall	7.00pm
23rd	RBL Film Show	7.00 for 7.30pm

November

3rd	RBL Meeting, Journey's End	7.30pm
23rd	Parish Council Meeting, WI, Hall	7.00pm
27th	Newsletter Christmas Bazaar	

RBL meeting, Dolphin Inn 7.30pm

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Emily & Andi King 811210

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810211

Karen Purdy Jane Reynolds

811218

Debbie Mercy

811276

Neighbourhood Watch

Many of you will already know that the hanging baskets have been stolen from the bus shelter. How mean can people get?



The police are warning that a firm selling house alarm systems is phoning householders in South Devon and is using hard sell tactics to try and arrange appointments. They falsely claim that their system is the only one recommended by the police. If you get a call from them the best advice is to put the phone down.

WELCOME

We are delighted that JUDITH WOODINGS AND HER SON OLIVER have decided to live in Ringmore and have made Cumberland Cottages their permanent home. They are already well known in the village and we hope that they will make many more new friends and be very happy living here.

MOBILE LIBRARY: FRIDAY 6th & 20th

St. Ann;s Chapel Ringmore Church 2.30-2.45

Challaborough

2.50-3.10 3.20-3.35

Kingston Fire Station 4.00-4.30



Rainfall by Eleanor and Grace Purdy

Last Month:

62W.M

10 HEAR AVERAGE: FOMM

10 year high: 108mm (2003)

10 MEAN LOW:

25mm (2000)

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - 27TH NOVEMBER PARISH ROOM

We know, we know...... it is too early to be thinking about Christmas but we wanted to give advance notice to all those talented people out there. Put the date in your diary and start creating. Lets have a wide variety of goods on offer - we want to make it an interesting event for everyone.

Editorial Team

THANK YOU

A truly heartfelt thank you to everyone who has showered me with kindness, good wishes, cards, flowers, cakes and even dog walking since my operation. It is the amazing caring of the people of Ringmore that make this village so very special. I feel humbled in the light of such kindness. Sandy

Of all the wonders of nature, a tree in summer is perhaps the most remarkable, with the possible exception of a moose singing 'Embraceable You' in spats. Woody Allen

IT WAS THE BEST EVER VIEW

Only the sweet scent of home welcomed me.

The awesome view amazed my sight,

And the essence of beauty was laid below me,

Like a duvet cover over a bed.

The sun created a gold outline around my body.

The sea was obeying the moon's directions,

And I could look over the mix of blues and putples.

My pencil wobbled it's way across my page,

Fighting against the powerful wind.

It was so awesome.

That my heart thumped like it was in a race.

It was the best ever view.

A beauty so devine.

I simply cannot decline the screeching beauty.

Home will win against all new shiny accommodations.

Consequently, due to the wind's might,

My pencil abandoned my strong grip,

And took to the whirling wind.

It will always be the same to me.

Elysha Radford



CHURCH SERVICES & THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

	Bigbury 11,00 am	Kingston 9.30 am	Ringmore 9.30 am
1st August	Family Communion	Family Communion	Family Service
8th August	Family Service	Family Service	Holy Communion (BCP)
15th August	Family Service	Holy Communion (BCP)	Village Service
18th August (Wednesday)	Holy Communion at the Komiloff (2.30 pm)		
22 nd August	Holy Communion (BCP)	Family Service	Family Communion
29th August	Local Team Service	la de la compania de	

"OH, I DO LIKE TO BE BESIDE THE SEASIDE"

There was a time, many, many years ago, when the word "holiday" meant a day trip to the seaside. Some of us can remember when the amount of money you could take abroad for your holiday was limited, and few people could venture further than the nearer part of Europe. Nowadays, we travel right across the world, soaking up sun, culture (and cheap booze!) and enjoying holiday activities of every description. I hope you enjoy yours as we shall ours!

For Christians, not just holidays, but every part of life is to be enjoyed. Joy is high on the list of spiritual gifts – signs that God is at work in us, so morose, miserable behaviour is the opposite of what God wants in us. Jesus was no killjoy; one of his first miracles was to turn water into wine at a wedding (what a pity vicars can't copy this!). It was his desire to help people, and to demonstrate to them the love and care of God. Christians are Jesus people, and our task is to reflect Jesus in our lives and to tell others about him, wherever we are.

Whatever our choice of holiday, we will make sure we're properly equipped, so the sun protection, skis or walking boots will be stuffed into our luggage. We agonise over what we've left behind: have we got our tickets, passports, vouchers and visas? But is the Bible packed in our suitcase alongside all the other essentials of a holiday? We take the local guide books with us; what about God's guide book for life? Or does Jesus get left behind, confined to a small corner of our life at home? If we are churchgoers, do we search out somewhere to worship on Sunday when on holiday? Or do we give it a miss ("after all, we're on holiday.")?

Perhaps our experiences of holiday churches has put us off (my children will gladly regale you with horror stories from their past). If so, perhaps we ought to look critically at our own church services; will holiday visitors find us as welcoming and friendly as we would like to be? It mightn't be a bad idea to ask a non-churchgoer to come along one Sunday and give us a constructively critical summary of his or her experiences. We value the presence and fellowship of summer visitors to our churches, and others will be similarly encouraged when we go to their churches whilst on holiday.

Living as we do in a part of the country where tourism plays a key part in the local economy, we have a seasonal mission field in the form of hundreds of holidaymakers. How can we reach out to them with the gospel? One answer comes from the football world cup. Supporters overflowed with infectious enthusiasm, bubbling over with talk of their team. If football supporters can be like that, why can't Christians?

Michael Tagent

Michael

Team Rector: The Revd Neil Barker (830260: not available on Mondays)
Team Vicar: The Revd Mike Jefferies (550841: not available on Thursdays)
Team Reader: Michael Tagent (810520)

RINGMORE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 20TH JULY WI HALL 7.00PM

PRESENT Chairman M.Hammond

Cllrs. J.Deverson S.Hitchmough B.Lambell J.Parkin J.Reynolds

W.Mumford Clerk M.Wood 1 Member of the public

APOLOGIES - B. Carson

DECLARATION OF PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS - None

OPEN SESSION

It was reported that the footpath from Cockle Lane to Bigbury was overgrown.

Cllr.Lambell will cut this within the next few days.

Cllr.Reynolds stated that contact had been made with the owners of Little Barn who are in the process of looking at various gardening companies to carry out the work.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - Signed as correct.

W.MUMFORD

Mr.Mumford stated that Exeter had lost the appeal against the decision not to allow them to have unitary authority. This has incurred extra expenses, and also means that Exeter council elections will have to take place in September. The Government are proposing to reduce central funding by 25%. This will affect both County and District Councils budgets and will result in a reduction of all non essential services by both Councils.

MATTERS ARISING

Hope Cove Rescue Boat – The Chairman commented upon the Kingsbridge Gazette article concerning the rescue of a casualty at Challaborough. The Maritime and Coastguard Agency refused to allow Hope Cove Boat to launch despite a direct request from Bigbury Coastguards on scene. The Salcombe RNLI boat arrived only after a Ringmore Parishioner, Dr.Malcolm Findlay, rescued the casualty from the sea on his surfboard. The Gazette stated, quote: 'A letter has been sent to Devon and Cornwall police chief constable Stephen Otter saying the Maritime and Coastguard Agency's restrictions on the Coastguard boat are putting lives at risk, citing this case as an example.'

Boundary Stones – Council have received no feedback from either the family nor the Historical Society concerning the public liability insurance matter as per the 22nd June 2010 minutes.

Challaborough Road - Mr. Mumford agreed to inspect this piece of road.

Mound of Earth – Highways are unable to remove this because there is no road surfice underneath. The Parish Council will undertake to make this area tidy.

Higher Manor Barn Wall - Cllr Deverson has contacted the agents; they will send an e-mail to the owners who live abroad requesting them to contact to contact Cllr.Deverson.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS - Nothing to report

PARISH PLAN - Nothing to report

FINANCE

Cheques agreed and signed – B.Lambell £130,00 for parish cleaning Ringmore Parish Newsletter 2nd instalment £88.00

PLANNING

Permission granted application 40/0811/10/0F Marwell Barn

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Proposed permissive footpath Higher Manor Farm – Four copies of the permissive path agreement, which has been signed by Mrs. Capp's, were agreed by the council and signed by the Chairman and witnessed by Cllr. Lambell.

Cllr.Parkin informed the council that it appears that the Grimshaw family are not in favour of having a small stone by the bus shelter. He had been contacted by Juliet Kane of the Journey's End stating that the family had requested that a stone be incorporated into the wall of the pub car park. This request has been passed to the owners by Juliet Kane.

It was agreed that Cllr. Reynolds should attend the community emergency planning workshop to be held sometime in September.

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING HELD IN AUGUST NEXT COUNCIL MEETING 21ST SEPTEMBER

LARDY CAKE

Many of you will remember Anne Dykes's wonderful lardy cake. I have found an old recipe of my mothers which I have not yet tried. Could it possibly be as good as Anne's? Do give it a try and let me know

8 oz Flour 1/4 tsp Salt 1/4 tsp Mixed Spice Sifted together and warmed in oven 1/4 oz Fresh Yeast 1/4 pint Lukewarm Milk 2 oz Lard 2 oz Sugar 2 oz Mixed Dried Fruit Sugar and Water to Glaze

Cream yeast with a little milk. Leave in warm place until frothy. Add to flour mix with enough of the remaining milk to make a soft dough. Beat well. Cover. Leave in warm place until doubled in size. Roll out dough on well floured board to oblong 1/4" thick. Spread on half lard, sprinkle with half sugar and half fruit. Fold in three, turn to left and roll out again. Cover with rest of lard, fruit and sugar. Fold in three again. Turn and roll out to oblong 1" thick. Place in deep baking tin and leave in warm place until well risen. Score top of cake. Brush with sugar and water glaze. Bake at 220 degrees centigrade for about 30 minutes.

Gillian

RINGMORE CHURCH FETE

This year the Fete will be held on

AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 30th AUGUST STARTING AT 2.30 PM

IF YOU HAVE ANY ITEMS SUITABLE FOR THE NUMEROUS STALLS LISTED BELOW WE WOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD PUT THEM BY IN PREPARATION FOR THE FETE

Cakes, Produce, Bric-A-Brac, Tombola, Books, Raffle, Costume Jewellery, Lucky Dip, Crockery Smashing, Wine bottle Game

MANY THANKS IN ANTICIPATION PHILL ERREIT (810547)

REPORT FROM THE WI

a marvellous talk on Torquay in Bloom Past and Present including pictures of the Rock Gardens in the early 20th Century. With a background in horticulture, Tim explained how he had started the Torbay Palm Farm specialising in cultivating coloured palm trees some 40 years ago before running a garden centre in Paignton for many years. Tim has been Chairman of Torbay in Bloom for the past 12 years and showed slides of the variety of planting schemes over the years. He certainly gave us some ideas for our gardens next year!

AUGUST CURRY & QUIZ NIGHT

For those of you who have missed all the posters and have not bought a ticket, the inaugural Curry & Quiz Night is on <u>Thursday 5th August</u> at 6.30pm. A selection of curries, poppadoms and naan breads will be served, followed by a fiendish quiz devised by Sean and Sharon Jones – you have been warned!



Yummy Cream Teas



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In the field next to Church House Entrance 50p (children 20p) Free car parking

National Trust

Once again we have been having a very hectic month in and around Wembury. With the warm weather followed by the rain the vegetation has started growing like mad and we have to work hard to

ensure all our paths are cut and clear.

On Saturday 10th July we had a fantastic farm cook out event at New Barton farm, promoting our food glorious food campaign which is promoting eating local produce. Over 100 people attended throughout the day. The agenda of the day was a tractor trailer ride, which was followed by a talk on stock judging and then a butchery and cookery demonstration, all meat provided by Moostone meats. As well as this we also had stalls from RSPB, the Chocolate Orchard and free beer samples from the landlord of the Foxhound in Brixton. It was a brilliant event which we hope to repeat next year.

Myself, Simon and Simon's boys enjoyed the Wembury carnival and school fair although some of you may not have recognised us in our fancy dress smurf outfits. We used our new engagement trailer for the first time which makes it easier for us to display our information. Any feedback about the trailer will be gratefully received.

We have had several enquiries regarding where to leave rubbish that people have kindly picked up off Ayrmer beach. Rubbish bags are available in the right hand compartment of the bin situated at the back of the beach. Litter collected can be left in this bin and subsequently picked up by the National Trust team as and when required. Many thanks to anyone who has kindly litter picked the beach.

On the 21st of August we have an allotment cook out event at Wembury allotment starting from 11am till 3pm. During the day chef Richard Mcgeown who was the chef at the New Barton cook out will be rustling up a few recipes using produce from the allotments and local farm shop produce. There will also be activities such as most amusing shaped vegetable competition, sun flower contest, plant and produce stall and a chance to discuss things with members of the allotment association committee and a lunchtime BBQ. Hope to see you there.

Also, just to mention that due to structural changes within the Trust the Yealm and Avon team have merged with the Salcombe team to make a South Devon Coast and Countryside team. This means that Simon Garner is now Head ranger for South Devon coast and countryside, with an area which ranges from Wembury in the West to Little Dartmouth in the East. Our office and workshop are now based over at Malborough. The workshop at Scobbiscombe has been vacated but No 3. Scobbiscombe Farm Cottage is still being used for volunteer accommodation.

Please stop and have a chat to the team if you see us out working or if you have any comments about the work of the National Trust. For further information please call Lorna Sherriff on 01548 562344 or email lornasherriff@nationaltrust.org.uk

The Broom Story

Two brooms were hanging in the cupboard and, after a while, they got to know each other so well they decided to get married. One broom was, of course, the bride broom and the other the groom broom. The bride broom looked very beautiful in her white dress. The groom broom was handsome and suave in his tuxedo. The wedding was lovely.

After the wedding, at the wedding dinner, the bride broom leaned over and said the groom broom, "I think I am going to have a little broom!". "IMPOSSIBLE!" said the groom broom!"

Are you ready for this?

"WE HAVEN'T EVEN SWEPT TOGETHER!"

Oh for goodness sake laugh, or at least groan. Life's too short not to enjoy even this silly, little, cute but clean joke!!

WE WILL NEVER FORGET

Michael and I were honoured to have been invited to The Not Forgotten Association garden party at Buckingham Palace on the 8th July by our own John Brunel Cohen, Vice President of this inspiring Association.

The Not Forgotten Association was founded in 1920 and is dedicated to providing leisure and recreation for wounded serving and ex-service men and women with disabilities; organising something to which they can look forward. These immensely brave individuals must not be forgotten. I urge those with access to a computer to take a look at the web site www.nfassociation.org.

The party itself was amazing! The weather was just perfect. For someone who is more used to walking in all weathers wearing jeans and wellies (admittedly in one of the most beautiful landscapes of the British Isles), strolling around Her Majesties' garden donned in posh frock and fascinator was quite surreal. The tea delicacies were scrumptious as was the hospitality. As the Band of the Welsh Guards played, Michael and I sat on chairs under a magnificent tree at the edge of the Palace lake eating — you've guessed it - cucumber sandwiches (with crusts removed).

On a more serious note, we had the honour of meeting some of the very brave Service men and women who have made gallant sacrifices defending our Nation's interests and the freedom of others. Most of you know our son Ben, a Captain serving in the 1st Rifles. Ben has returned twice from tours in Afghanistan, thankfully in one piece. We were both greatly moved by one young man of no more than twenty years of age who had lost both legs from his hips chatting happily with a young lady. Another young Serviceman of similar age with a stance of pride and enormous dignity strolled around chatting with various guests – not extraordinary? His face had been so badly damaged in a bomb blast that it had had to be completely rebuilt. Merely two examples of outstanding fortitude. The whole experience has been inspiring and deeply humbling.

I thank you John for this wonderful opportunity to see firsthand the tremendously important work the Not Forgotten Association does. Whilst I am sure there is not one of us in Ringmore who doesn't pray/wish for world peace, I myself feel deeply indebted to those who have served in the past and continue to serve in present conflicts ensuring our freedom and defending our Nation.

Sandy Hammond

NEWS FROM ALL HALLOWS

The 2 big events for August will be the church fete on 30th and the special Pirates/Piratesses J Team Event in church on August 15 - please see further details elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Friends of Ringmore Church

A concert with wine and cheese is being planned for all Friends – and potential Friends – of Ringmore church; further details will be in the September Newsletter.

Restored and Refreshed

Maybe after a busy summer you would like the idea of being renewed and encouraged in body, soul and spirit: if so you would be very welcome at this weekend course at Kingsbridge Family Church on September 17 – 18. Programmes are available at the church, and I would be very happy to give you further information.

The Village Service

This once monthly Sunday meeting continues to provide a fresh approach to worship. In July we welcomed Gill Miller-Williams who reminded us of the importance of "being" rather than continually "doing". Many thanks to Gill, and to Christopher who led the service.

Rosemary Piercy

His mother should have thrown him away and kept the stork Mae West

I've just heard about his illness. Lets hope it's nothing trivial Ivin S. Cobb

FOUR YEARS ON

Wednesday, 9 August, 2006, was a quintessential summer day, perfect for the afternoon event that began with the gathering of almost a hundred people in the All Hallows churchyard.

The occasion, organised by the Ringmore Historical Society, was a celebration of Ringmore's large and handsome yew tree. The plan was to measure the tree by a method laid down by arboreal experts and to use the results to calculate its age. We knew already, from its considerable girth and spread, that this was a very old yew. The interest was in trying to find an answer to the question: Just how long has it been here?

Many pairs of hands were needed to make sure our measurements were accurate, and so the young of the parish were enlisted to hold strings firmly in place, stretch tapes without kinking them, and make careful chalk marks. Then, in strict accordance with the official directions, calculations were made to establish an approximate age for the tree. We had been advised that, in addition to careful measurements, prevailing weather conditions may be taken into account, since the exposed position of the All Hallows yew means that it is probably older than its measurements alone suggest. Another factor that can be included in estimates is that many old yews appear to 'rest' for long periods of time and then resume growth. This stop-and-start pattern has been established by analysis of the growth rings of many ancient yews.

We decided that we would keep to the most modest results in our calculations, measuring in the narrowest rather than the broadest permitted places; and we resolved also that we would not add any years to allow for slow growth resulting from weather conditions or a possible time of 'rest'. When the calculations were completed, checked and re-checked, we were able to announce that on 9 August, 2006, the All Hallows yew had a girth of 13 feet and 5 inches and was at least 520 years old. Our celebration concluded with refreshments as we basked in the warm evening sunshine.

In due course our calculations were sent to the Woodland Trust, and the tree was given registration as an Ancient Yew. Some weeks later, a single tip of about three inches was taken from a branch of the tree and planted in a pot of compost. This tiny cutting has slowly rooted itself and is now, after four years, clearly showing some healthy growth. In another ten years it may be ready to be planted in open ground.

In five hundred years

The All Hallows English Yew is due to be measured again in August 2011 to see if any perceptible growth has taken place in the past five years. We hope to have another party, on another sunny summer afternoon.

Di Collinson



THE YEW CUTTING NOW HAS FOUR GOOD 'BRANCHES'

RINGMORE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

He has Van Gogh's ear for music Billy Wilder

I've had a perfectly wonderful evening but this wasn't it Groucho Marx

MOONWALK

On 31st July I am taking part in the Moonwalk. We leave Plymouth Argyle Football Ground at Midnight on 31st July to walk 13 miles around the City. Many thanks to those who have already sponsored me. All donations will be given to St. Luke's Hospice and any more contributions will be gratefully received. The Newsletter goes to press before the 31st but, by the time you read this, I should have completed the walk. Full report next month.

Julie Linzell (810634)

CONGRATULATIONS TO DANE THE IRONMAN

12 HOURS 18 MINUTES 18 SECONDS SWIM 3.8 KM 1:05:11 BIKE 180 KM 6:06:31 RUN 42.2 KM 4:56:42

As most of you are aware, on 25th July 2010 my Dad, Dane Vanstone, took part in The Ironman Switzerland Challenge and I am pleased to say that he completed the event in 12 hours, 18 minutes and 18 seconds, 2 hours better than expected.

On behalf of my Dad I would like to say a massive thank you to everyone for all their support and sponsorship. He is very grateful. The final amount of all the sponsorship is yet to be confirmed.

Kyrie

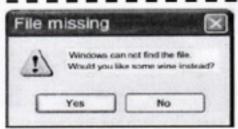
What an amazing achievement Dane. Many congratulations from us all.

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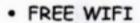
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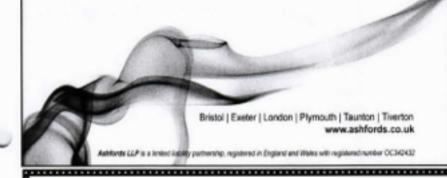
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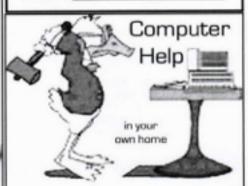
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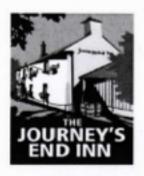
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