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COME AND CELEBRATE THE ROYAL WEDDING! YOU ARE INVITED TO A PARTY AT THE W.I. HALL ON FRIDAY APRIL 29 4.00 – 7.00 PM. BRING A PLATE OR 2 OF FINGER FOOD ENJOY SOME "WEDDING" CAKE AND A GLASS OF BUBBLY. FAMILY GAMES – IF YOU WISH! WIN A PRIZE FOR THE MOST ORIGINAL HI PLEASE SEE ARTICLE INSIDE FOR FULL DET FREE ROYAL WEDDING MUGS FOR CHILD RSVP PLEASE TO CHRISTOPHER & ROSEMARY PIERCY 810253	AILS
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May Fair Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May 2 p.m. in the W.I. Hall

Cakes - plants - bric-a-brac - books - ice creams - raffle

tombola - face painting ... and much more!!

Enjoy a cream tea!

Adults £1 (includes lucky number programme) – Children FREE!

Contributions of cakes, books, bric-a-brac would be appreciated Please contact Sharon (810179), Jackie (810520) or Pat (810214)

Plants! Plants! Plants!

Dozens of plants ready for the garden

Including

Delphiniums (dark blue, light blue, mixed) Doronicum, Gaillardia, Gazania Hebe (selection of colours) Lampranthus, Lupins (mixed), Philadelphus, Rudbeckia, Senecio, Sweet peas, Teucrium

Also bedding plants and tomatoes at the W.I. May Fair

Contact Jackie at Challaborough Cottage or phone her on 810520

Proceeds to Ringmore W.I.

Short Mat Bowls

The last session of the Short Mat Bowls season will be on Monday 18 April

The new season will start on Monday 12 September

MOBILE LIBRARY: Tues 12th & 26th April Kingston Fire Station 10.15-11.00 Ringmore Church 11.10-11.55 Bigbury-on-Sea 12.20-13.05 Bigbury Green

14.00-14.30 Modbury Aylestone Pk 14.45-15.30 ModburyPoundwell Sq. 15.35-16.35



Rainfall by Eleanor and Grace Purdy

Last month: 29mm 10 year average: 80mm 10 year high:

178mm (2008)

The list of trained First Aiders REMEMBER TO ALWAYS RING 999 FIRST

Sandy Hammond 810572 Alon Eaves 810648 Mike Wilson 810211 Debbie Mercy 811276

Emily & Andi King 811210 Karen Purdy Jane Reynolds

810382 811218



CHURCH SERVICES & THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

	Bigbury	Kingston	Ringmore
	11.00 am	9.30 am	9.30 am
3rd April	Family Communion	Family Communion	Family Service
10 th April	Family Service	Family Service	Holy Communion (BCP)
17 th April	Family Service	Holy Communion (CW)	Village Service
20 th April (Wednesday)	Holy Communion at the Korniloff (2.30 pm)		
21st April (Maundy Thursday)	Team Holy Communion in Woodleigh (7.30 pm)		
22 nd April (Good Friday)		Children's Hour (10 am) Meditation (2 pm)	
24# April	Easter Communion	Easter Communion	Easter Communion

Dear Friends,

How did you get on with filling in the 2011 Census?

What did you put down for question 20 – "What is your religion?" I had to spend a bit of time thinking of my answer to question 37 – "At your workplace, what is (was) the main activity of your employer or business?" Hmmm.....let me see.....



What is God's main activity, or the main activity of the church? You may well ask.... In the end I put down "faith" – let me know if you think I should have put down something else.

I am pleased to let you know that we have appointed a new Team Vicar in the Modbury Team. His name is Richard Steven; he's younger than me (by just over two years) and before he was ordained he was a dairy farmer. To find out more, meet him and his wife Alison when they move into the Vicarage at Loddiswell. We hope they will be with us in early summer.

We have our own sort of census this month. There's a form to fill in, but not so many questions. It's the "Electoral roll form" - filling it in is making a statement saying "I belong to the church". If you haven't filled one in during the last couple of years, you are not on it. We love people to belong to the church, to God and together. This month we also hold our annual meetings: see elsewhere in the magazine for dates. These are an opportunity to ask questions about what we have done and where we are heading as a church – all those on the electoral roll can vote.

Easter is coming – a celebration at the end of the Lenten fast ; Christians rejoice that my employer came to visit this world and faced death which could not hold him. Many will be using the Easter greeting and response that Christians have been using for centuries.

> Alleluijah! He is risen! He is risen indeed! Allelujah!

Neil Barker - Team Rector

Team Rector: The Revd Neil Barker (830260: Not available on Mondays) Team Reader: Michael Tagent (810520) The Rank Organisation had plans for the Holiday Camp at Challaborough. This year Bourne Leisure will have plans.

The Ringmore Kid's Club met on the first Saturday of the month for games, a sing-song, videos and squash & biscuits. 10 Years Age

Some people had been seen walking the Footpaths in defiance of the closure notice due to spread of Foot & Mouth disease. Everyone has their own threshold relating to what or who they would report to the authorities and each had to make a judgment. What if that one person is carrying the disease? The annual spring beach clean had been planned for the end of the month. The problem being that legally no one could reach the beach, other than from the seaward side!

NEWS FROM ALL HALLOWS APRIL 2011

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Annual Parish Meeting followed by Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm. On the 13th April 2011 at All Hallows Church, Ringmore, Nominations for Church Warden are requested prior to the meeting. There are also vacancies on the District Church Council (Ringmore) if anyone would wish to join our friendly band of helpers. We are also desperately seeking a secretary. It would be helpful if any Parishioner wishes to put up for nomination of any of the posts or wishes to raise any matters at the meeting would forward them to Phill Errett (810547) by the 3rd April.

Calling all Cleaners!

A reminder of the Easter clean-up on Saturday April 2nd from 10.00 am. Join us for a morning that is satisfying and good fun. If possible please bring your own cleaning equipment. We look forward to seeing you.

Easter Flowers (Please see separate notice)

Answers to prayer!

Sally would like to thank everyone for their support as she approached the day of her eye operation. She was aware that prayers were being said to wish her well. No-one could have been more surprised than Sally when she was asked to read the sight chart in the hospital on the morning of her operation only to find that she could read to the bottom row! The Consultant asked Sally if she was the same lady he had seen 6 weeks previously because he was extremely surprised at the result of the eye test. He said how very fortunate she was that "her body was suddenly healing her eye." Sally's reply was: "Beware the power of prayer!"

On a rather less dramatic note, I found that during 5 intensive weeks of helping to look after our latest grandchild in Vancouver (plus 2 active little girls of 3 and 4), I always had strength enough for each day. This continued on my return home when I was plunged immediately into a week of teaching. Like Sally, others were praying for me, and I have no doubt that this was another answer to prayer.

Have you had prayers answered? Do let us know, whether you are part of the church or not.

Have you a favourite hymn, song, or prayer?

If so, do let us know and we would love to include it in a service. We will let you know which Sunday it will be, so that if you wish you can come to hear it.

Pancake Day

Many thanks to all who helped to make this such a festive occasion, especially to Adrian for his highly competent one-man pancake production. Mike Wynne-Powell produced a fiendish quiz on advertising symbols, which added to the fun. £218 was raised for Tearfund, as well as a small donation to the Parish Room.

Appointment of a new Team Vicar

Sadly the chosen candidate decided after all not to take up the offer of this position, but we remain in good heart as the Modbury Team leaders decide on the next step.

An enormous thank you to all who either helped or came to this winter's Tearfund Lunches. We raised £493 to send to Tearfund to help bring material and spiritual transformation to poor communities across the world. Thank you again,

Judy Bull, Alison Wynne-Powell, and Drina Williams.



MARCH MEETING

"A CASE OF DELIRIUM OR DO MEN PREFER BLONDES?"

Not what you think! We are talking BEER! James Parkin was our speaker this month, revealing the process of brewing Belgian Beers. Ingredients: grain, water, hops, yeast. Stages: malting, boiling, mashing, fermentation. Put them together and some delicious and excellent beers are created. Very light lager for summer drinking to full bodied and fruity flavours to be quaffed with meat, fish, curries etc. James brought a selection of beers for us to sample. The whole evening was very jolly and enjoyed by all, including a few non-beer lovers! There was a good selection of different flavours to suit all tastes.

Don't forget our next meeting on 14TH. APRIL when Ann and John BRACEY will be taking us on a travel discovery of THAILAND and CAM-BODIA starting at 7.50pm in the WI Hall after short the "business" for members (7.30pm).

During the Easter weekend we will be serving "CREAM TEAS" in the WI HALL from 3.15 to 5.30 pm. We welcome all visitors to our village!

Annual Summer Fete

It has been mentioned to me during the past couple of years that it is a shame that during the evening following the afternoon Fete that the marquee is left dormant and wouldn't it be a good idea if we had an evening Barn Dance or similar event. I agree that this is a very good idea but it is not possible to organise the Fete and also the "evening do". However if somebody else would like to organise an evening "do" to round off the day then please let Phill know on 810547 I mention this now to allow time for some thought about the organisation by anyone interested prior to the Fete meeting that will be called in early June.

A Big Thank You

Could we thank everyone who sent us best wishes and gave us so much support whilst I have been unwell. It was very much appreciated by both of us and really made a difference in that it truly lifted our spirits when so many people made so much effort.

I am glad to say that I am now back on the road to recovery which may be slow, require me to do what I am told and be patient -- still some hurdles to clear there then!

Thank you all once again

Barry Keel and Angela Ballatti.

Audio Visual Evening Friday May 20th

An opportunity for all to see projected what our local paparazzi, Mike Wynne Powell, has photographed in and around Ringmore, plus other entertainment in sound and vision. There will also be a chance to view Ringmorians when they were younger and try to guess their identity!

The event will be held in Ringmore Parish Room on Friday May 20th starting at 7.30pm. The entrance price of £5 will include a glass of wine and nibbles. This has always in the past proved a very popular and entertaining evening. Tickets will be available from Holywell Stores, Phill (810547) or Mike (810407). Proceeds from the evening will be split between All Hallows and the Shoe Box Appeal.

APOLOGIES

Stan and Pam put an item in last month's newsletter about their friendship with John and June Milne-Smith. Unfortunately, in moving things around to fit in a last minute entry, their name got lost from the bottom of the article. Many apologies. Gillian

RINGMORE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY 22ND MARCH 2011 WI HALL 7.00PM

PRESENT Chairman M. Hammond

Cllrs J. Deverson S. Hitchmough B. Lambell J. Parkin J. Reynolds B. Carson Clerk M. Wood 3 Members of the public

APOLOGIES W. Mumford

May election forms were given to each councillor which have to be returned by the 4th April 12.00noon. Any parishioners wishing to stand for election can contact the Clerk or South Hams District Council.

DECLARATION OF PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS - None

OPEN SESSION

Mr. R. Wood expressed his concern on the two planning applications for Beachdown Bungalows. He stated that the new buildings were twice the size of the old chalets with three times more bathrooms and was concerned about the increase in traffic and also whether the sewerage pumping station at Challaborough could cope.

Mrs. Rosemary Piercy informed the Council of her proposals for a Parish party for the Royal Wedding on the 29th April. It was the intention to use the WI Hall and garden where a marquee will be erected. The idea is to have decorations, balloons, tables and chairs and games etc. Parishioners will be asked to bring their own food and drinks which can be shared if they wished. A free glass of champagne will be given.

Mrs. Piercy suggested that a commemorative mug be given to each child in the parish. Parish Council discussed this and it was agreed that £400 will be set aside to cover the costs.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING - Signed as correct.

MATTERS ARISING

Darkie Lane - Cllr. Deverson had received no reply to his e-mail to Peter Guy - he will contact him again. Avglen Fell Hedge - Item to be removed from the agenda.

Kachelo Wall - No response from the owners/agent has been received and because the wall is in a dangerous state the clerk was asked to write to the Building Inspector at South Hams District Council for his opinion. Permissive footpath to St. Ann's Chapel – A copy of the recent permissive path agreement has been received for parish records. Work to create the footpath will begin shortly for completion in April. Grit Bins – Nothing to report at present

Pot holes outside the telephone box - Cllr. Carson will investigate who is responsible for the repairs. Rock Armour Coastal Defence Challaborough - This item is due to be discussed by the SHDC planning committee on the 20th April

B.CARSON

Mr. Carson informed the council that South Hams had two areas under consideration for the building of houses for local people; some of these would be affordable. At the moment discussions are being held regarding access roads in the St.Ann's Chapel area.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

The Chairman asked Cllr.Lambell to have a look at the fence posts alongside Toby's footpath as they appear to be leaning into the path and if necessary contact the National Trust.

PLANNING

Application No.05/0622/11/F Demolition of existing 4 chalet dwellings and replacement with 4 dwellings Beachdown and Application No. 05/0623/11/F demolition of reception building and garage, erection of one residential dwelling Beachdown – Parish Council discussed these two planning applications and were concerned about the over development of this site so they strongly objected to the plans.

Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992 - Regulation 3 - Below ground slurry store with filling and access ramps Highlands Farm Kingston - no objection.

FINANCE

Cheques agreed and signed

Clerks' salary and expenses

£500 grant from SHDC for the Parish Room roof.

£50 donation to Modbury Caring

The Chairman raised the question of a Contract of Employment for the Clerk which will be discussed with her at a future date.

A 3% salary increase was agreed for the Clerk commencing April 2011.

The Clerk was asked to write to SHDC asking why a 1.2% increase is being shown on the Council Tax Bill considering our precept has not increased for the last three years.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Rocky Path - Cllr .Parkin raised concern from a parishioner regarding the large vehicles which are now using the Rocky Path Lane, resulting in them getting stuck.

It was asked if Council would consider putting a sign stating 'not suitable for large vehicles' A vote was taken and this was agreed - the Chairman will contact Mr. Mumford. Item to be added to the April Agenda.

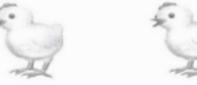
Annual Meeting 19th April - speakers and refreshments - 7.30pm start all are welcome. Parish Council Meeting to start at 6.45pm

Parish skips confirmed 16th April Ringmore 30th April Challaborough - from 10.00am to 4.00pm with full supervision.

NEXT MEETING 1971 APRIL 6.45PM START







Ringmore Parish Council

Make a difference to your community and become a Councillor. The Dead-line is noon on Monday 4th April 2011 for the nomination papers for Parish Councillors to be delivered to the Returning Officer at Totnes.

Nomination packs are available from either the Clerk Tel 810265 or the Returning Officer Tel 01803 861234

SUPPORT YOUR COUNCIL

Ringmore Parish Council Annual Meeting

19th April 2011 at 7.30 p.m.

Speakers: S.H.D.C. Emergency Planning Officer Peter Dale Bryan Carson S.H.D.C. Charterlands Councillor Simon Garner National Trust Rachel Ward Police Beat Manager Kingsbridge Steve Radford Manager Park Dean

This is your opportunity to ask question Please come Light refreshments will be available

As I Get Older (Be Warned)

Stay clear of the lady with the grey curls and wrinkles on her forehead

My walking stick is not blunt or worn out, it is experienced My hair is grey because I dyed it

My frown is a facelift gone wrong

My music opinion is that pop is not music, it is noise My silence is my music

My bed is not where I sleep; it is my retirement place I warn you I may change a bit

And, when you break my gold plate, I may throw a fit But who needs next when now is still there

Who needs old when youth is close by

As now I can play and sip coffee with other Mums Now I can squeeze into the jeans your Dad got me last year

Soon you can have leopard skin bra that holds mine up

I have no more the care of how I look

I will now wear cream, no denim

I won't care less about the World after eight

From me you won't hear a word

I will get up at seven to check on the tomatoes

But until then let's run and leap

While I still have some energy to keep.

Written by Elysha Radford when aged 11 years after reading the poem :

Warning, When I am Old I Shall Wear Purple by Jenny Joseph

News from the National Trust Article written by volunteer ranger Katy Holvey



As the countryside is slowly edging towards Spring, the National Trust Ranger team have been out and about auditing all of our fingerposts, way markers, omega signs and benches. This is important work as it means that we have a record of exactly what estate

furniture we have along our footpaths and means that we can keep everything in good repair.

You may have already seen the new memorial bench situated down Ayrmer Path. This bench was donated in memory of Adrian Muller who sadly passed away last year. Adrian was always willing to volunteer his time and experience in looking after the Ringmore area, and caring for the footpaths. I hope you will all enjoy the bench and the stunning view down through the valley.

The National Trust has been helping out with the half term holiday by running a family orienteering event at

Bolberry. On Tuesday 22 February interested families arrived at Bolberry for an afternoon spent learning how to use a map and compass. These skills were then tested out by following an orienteering course along the coast where participants had to find 15 markers, each of which had a letter on. The letters spelt out 'Enjoy South Devon', advice which the National Trust hopes people will follow!

On Saturday 2 April the National Trust will be holding a beach clean at Ayrmer Cove. The event will run from 10am and we hope that many people will get involved to help keep their local beach clean and tidy. Removing rubbish is important for wildlife and the coastal habitat, but also means that the beach looks and feels clean and attractive. The day at Ayrmer Cove will be part of a Mass Beach Clean, a National Trust South West regional event which will be attempting to tidy up beaches between Saturday 2 and Sunday 10 April. The Mass Beach Clean event started in 2008 and in 2010 28 sites across Devon and Cornwall took part. We are hoping to make this year another

success, so if you'd like to get involved just turn up at Ayrmer Cove at 10am on Saturday 2 April and get stuck in!

The Countryside Art Exhibition took place on Friday 18 and Saturday 19 March in Kingsbridge Market Hall. The artwork submitted was of a very high standard and included pictures from Wembury, Malborough, Kingsbridge and Stokenham Schools. We were very happy with the number of people that visited the exhibition and everyone seemed to enjoy it. Members of the public were able to choose their favourite pieces and the winners will be

receiving walking sticks and flowers.

Get Involved with one of our events:

Ayrmer Cove Beach Clean: Saturday 2 April 10am

Come and help the National Trust to keep our beaches clean. Everyone welcome.

Paddle power - Canoe adventure: Friday 22 April 9-4.30pm

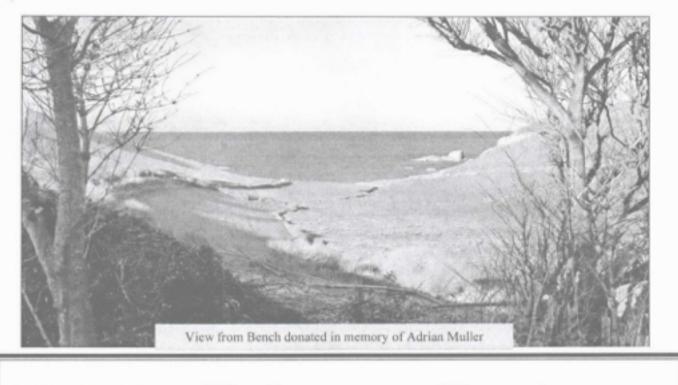
Join the National Trust ranger team for a paddle downstream in a Canadian canoe from Kingsbridge to Salcombe. Explore the shallow creeks and hidden beaches along the way and discover more about the history and wildlife of this beautiful area. The trip includes various stops with short walks and picnic spot. Finishing at Mill Bay and a lift back to the starting point at Kingsbridge. Lunch included. Suitable for more experienced paddlers 8 years +. Adult £50 Child £35

Lets go fly a kite-Toddler toddle: Friday 29 April 11.30-2pm

Discover beautiful bugs on land and different types of birds in the sky at Bolberry. Round the day off by making a kite and enjoying a picnic.

Under Fives £5 (Accompanying adults Free)

Booking is essential for all these events. For more information and to book a place please contact south.devon@nationaltrust.org.uk or telephone 01752 346585.



Enjoy an Easter Cream Tea

in

Ringmore W.I. Hall

Good Friday to Bank Holiday Monday 22nd to 25th April

3.15 to 5.30 pm



A treat for the whole family

Village Car Scheme

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We are very pleased to announce that The Village Car Scheme has had a good response to its request for drivers. The scheme is now up and running!

We would ask any villager who needs a lift to and from opticians, dentists, hospital appointment at the Derriford, the Royal Eye Infirmary or Kingsbridge to phone us on 810547 and we will arrange for someone to take them to and from their appointment. If we are not answering the phone please leave a message and we will call you back. If any would-be drivers missed the article in last month's Ringmore Newsletter asking for volunteer drivers we would be pleased to hear from you. The scheme is open, as a volunteer driver or passenger, to any villager not just members of the Royal British Legion Phill and Sally Errett

RINGMORE ROYAL WEDDING CELEBRATION

FRIDAY APRIL 29: 4-7 PM

AT THE W.I. HALL



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Everyone is warmly invited to join in a Ringmore Parish party; just bring a picnic with a plate or 2 of food to share, (or eat all of it yourself) plus all the extras you would like such as tea or coffee, (hot water will be supplied), wine, plates, mugs, cutlery, glasses and napkins. We have ordered good weather, so all being well we will eat outside in the WI grounds.

There will be bubbly and a special village cake to enjoy, with some family games, so just turn up with food /drink, and enjoy the party with everyone else! Dress up or down as you like; there will be a prize for The Most Original HAT. (To be made at the party)

Any village societies who would like to have a small stand and/or organise a family game do let us know.

Please let us know if you have children of 16 or under who would like a free Royal Wedding mug. (You will need to live in the Parish)

Also do please let us know if you are coming so that we can provide enough tables and chairs.

We would be very grateful indeed for the following help:

- 1. Thursday 28 April 2.00-4.00 pm: collecting tables and chairs
- 2. Thursday 28th April 6.30-7.30: erecting Dane's marquee
- 3. Thursday 28 April time tba: hanging bunting
- 4. Friday 29, 9.00 am: putting out and decorating tables
- 5. Friday 29, 2.00 pm: last minute decorations (balloons etc)
- Saturday 30th 9.00 am returning chairs and tables.
 Please let us know how you will be able to help.

A very big thank you to the Parish Council for generously providing funding for this party. Looking forward to another memorable Ringmore occasion!

Christopher and Rosemary Piercy Tel: 810253 – email: candrpiercy@btinternet.com

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HAVE YOU EVER HAD TO DIAL 999 FOR AN AMBULANCE?

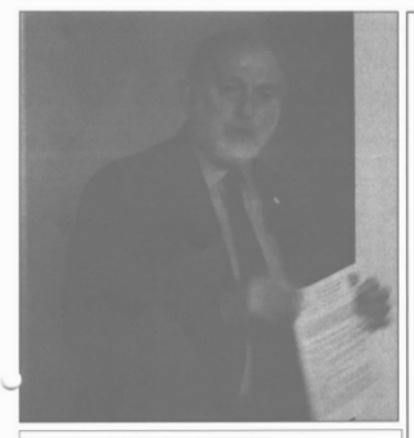
Your grandchildren are visiting. One of them is choking on a sweet. Do you know what to do? Your parents have come for the weekend. Your Dad has a 'funny turn'; a stroke maybe? A heart attack perhaps? Do you know symptoms to look for?

Do you know enough about Basic Life Support to save a loved one....or a friend?

Help me, to help you, to help them.

If you would like to join me for a free 2 hour Basic Life Support evening in May please email me hammondsandy@hotmail.co.uk or phone 810572 - venue and date will be decided according to response.

Sandy Hammond - acting with the support and under the umbrella of the South West Ambulance Authority



A REMINDER OF MAGNIFICENCE....

Commander Charles Crichton OBE gave a highly illuminating and entertaining talk to the Ringmore Historical Society on 16 March. Very few of his audience had previously been aware of the great size and architectural splendour of the Royal Naval Dockyard at Devonport, or had fully realized its supreme importance through many centuries as the sustaining source of the great ships of the Royal Navy.

This dockyard at Devonport has consistently excelled in enterprise, innovation, quality, and sheer resourcefulness unashamedly the best as well as the biggest of its kind, and a noble icon of a tradition that commands our pride. Yet for many of us who frequent Plymouth chiefly to shop or work or seek entertainment, the great city of ships and tall docks at the far end of Devon remains largely unknown and unappreciated.

Commander Crichton served for 47 years in the Royal Navy. Since 1997 he has been involved in the management of Plymouth Navy Days, the Plymouth Naval Base Museum and, since 2009, has been Project Officer for Plymouth Armed Forces Week

 We will be decorating All Hallows Church for Easter on Saturday 23rd April from 10.00 a.m. All those able to assist please collect together suitable flowers and come along. I will be in the Church to help, encourage and provide refreshments from 10.00 a.m - 2.00 p.m. I look forward to seeing all of you then.
 Rosemary Wilson (810211)

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APRIL 1st-7th HOP (U) CHALET GIRL (12A) RANGO (PG) LINCOLN LAWYER (15) TBC SUBMARINE (15) TBC

> APRIL 8th-14th RIO() HOP(U) THE EAGLE (12A) BIUTIFUL (15) CHALET GIRL (12A)

APRIL 15th-21st RIO() HOP (U) WINNIE THE POOH () FASTER (15) TBC LIMITLESS (15)TBC YOU WILL MEET A TALL DARK STRANGER (12A)TBC

APRIL 22nd-28th ARTHUR () TBC RIO() WINNIE THE POOH () HANNA () TBC AND ANOTHER FILM TO BE CONFIRMED

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THE GREAT HYDROLOGIST

Ringmore parish should be massively proud of William Santo Crimp. He was born in Ringmore in 1854 and brought up there.

His father farmed 150 acres or thereabouts from Lower Farm (now Lower Manor). William was described as a 'sickly' child who was not therefore allowed to go to school but educated on his own. At the age of

seventeen he designed a public water supply for Modbury. It is said that traces are still in existence. He worked briefly for an agricultural engineer in Modbury but was obviously fascinated with 'public' water and sewerage works and their implications for public health.

A short article can only summarise his career. 1875: hydro-geological surveys in Surrey and work on the sewerage scheme at Melton Mowbray. Later he took over the Croydon scheme and in 1881 was appointed Engineer to the Wimbledon Local Board. He completed improvements to the sewage farm but was

convinced that the fumes emanating from grilles and the farm were intrinsically linked to Public Health and it was in Wimbledon that he made his great breakthrough by installing vent 'columns' to the sewerage

systems. Thus, the noxious and often harmful fumes escaped into the atmosphere some height above street level rather than being released through the grilles.

These 'Wimbledon Pipes' became an urban feature often bearing municipal coats of arms as a tribute to the new 'invention'. There are five surviving in Wimbledon in municipal splendour and there are some at

Tunbridge Wells and elsewhere. These authorities seem proud to have them. Not long ago the 'Western Morning News' featured one at Bovey Tracey! And there is a poor sad one in Rectory Lane, Ringmore : one of three installed in the 1930s which neither our Water Board nor its agents are interested in preserving.

Beginning in 1894, William designed schemes as a consulting engineer for Woking, Ilford and Gillingham, and for larger cities: Glasgow, Cardiff and Bristol. He also designed a drainage scheme for Bombay, visited India in 1899 and convinced city authorities there that they must reform or drastic consequences would

follow. He was a prolific writer on sewerage problems such as the pollution of rivers and outflows to the sea. His last

major work was on the main drainage of London and the purification of the Thames. He is held in high regard by the Institute of Civil Engineers of which body he may have been a founding member. He was honoured by a Fellowship.

William Santo Crimp died in Kensington of pneumonia in 1901, aged 47. Perhaps after all he was a 'sickly child'. A text book he wrote is still in use today. What might have achieved had he lived longer?

Dennis Collinson, Ringmore Historical Society

If lawyers are disbarred and clergymen defrocked, doesn't it follow that:	The safest way to double your money is to fold it over once and put it in your pocket
electricians will be delighted musicians will be denoted cowboys will be deranged	A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour
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bulldozer operators will be degraded organ donors will be delivered software engineers will be detested	Digging for facts is a better mental exercise than jumping to conclusions
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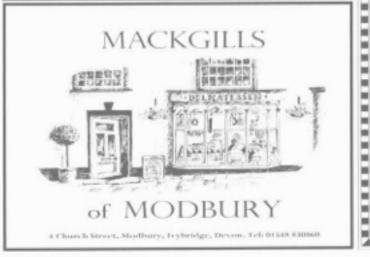
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