

Positive thoughts about the summer weather. It's been very good for grass! The farmers have got enough silage to see their herds through the winter with perhaps some to spare. This spring their barns were completely empty after two dry summers. Another "good summer" could have caused problems. Cabbages and root crops have enjoyed themselves and there will be lots of lovely cauliflowers about in the village this winter. If our native trees have suffered over the last two years they have been given a chance to recover and of course "our weather" is why we have such a green and pleasant land. A bonus No one has been heard saying "isn't it hot?"

LORNA HEATHCOTE would like to apologise to everyone to whom she didn't have the time or the opportunity to say goodbye personally. Also to thank friends and neighbours for their many offers of help and for all their good wishes.

DIGBURY PLAYERS. A Jumble Sale in aid of the above will be held in the Memorial Hall St. Ann's Chapel on Saturday 5 October at 2 p.m. Jumble please to Jean Hearnden - Digbury 389 or Jenny Kitcher - Digbury 621.

#### PARISH COUNCIL

Trees. The Council has ordered 162 tree saplings from the Devon County Council. These should be available in the first week of December. It is hoped that a Man-power Services Commission team will help with at least some of the planting, but the Parish Council would be extremely grateful if anyone in the village would volunteer to help. It would be even better if some people would undertake not only to plant a few of the tree saplings but to look after them for a year or two i.e. to see that they do not become choked with weeds or die from lack of water. If you are willing to help, please contact Mrs. Arlene Bennett (Tel. 398) who will discuss with you which site you should plant and will let you know when the trees arrive.

Cuckworthy Museum. The Council has made a grant of £10 to the Cuckworthy Museum at Kingsbridge.

Governors of Modbury School. The Parish Council has nominated Mrs. Mann and Mrs. St. Aubin for the two vacancies. However it seems likely that the vacancies will be filled by Modbury and Kingston, who have more children attending the school.

"Piper Lifeline" Emergency Alarm Communicator. South Hams District Council has asked us to draw attention to their 24 hour alarm system for elderly or disabled people who live alone. This can now be installed anywhere in the South Hams, provided that the house has an exclusive telephone line, with one 13 amp plug socket nearby.

The total cost of the necessary equipment is £333 - 50 and there is an annual servicing charge of £20. Alternatively the system may be rented and maintained for an inclusive cost of £4 per week. In addition there is a weekly charge of £1.73 to be paid to the Central Control Centre.

By pressing one button on a pendant - to be worn constantly - the user is put in touch with the Central Control, who will summon any necessary help. Details may be obtained from the Parish Council.

Grant Aid for Recreational, Social and Cultural Organisations. Local organisations with recreational, social or cultural objectives can apply now for grant aid in 1985-86. Forms and conditions may be obtained from Follaton House.

Adult Education Classes. Classes in Keep Fit, Art and Flower Arranging are to be held in Aveton Gifford next winter and Ringmore residents have been invited to join. Details from the Parish Council.

Challaborough Beach. The Parish Council has been pleased to note the improvement in the cleanliness of Challaborough Beach, due to the work of the cleaner employed by the two camps and Beachdown Chalets.

On Tuesday 6 August the Rev. Alexander Wood, formerly for many years Rector of Ringmore, where he was much loved, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination by officiating at Holy Eucharist at St. Matthew's Church, Landscope. The Church was filled by old and new friends from Ringmore, Kingston, Staverton and Landscope. The Vicar of Staverton and Landscope made us all feel welcome. The Rural Dean of Totnes read the lesson; and the Bishop of Plymouth preached an inspiring sermon based on the Transfiguration. He also gave the blessing at the end of the service.

Afterwards lavish refreshments were served in the Church Hall, and there was a beautiful and delicious celebration cake baked by a lady of Landscope. Our former Rector made a very touching speech. All of us able to attend were most moved by this as by the whole occasion.

We have received a kind letter from the Rev. Wood thanking his old Ringmore friends who sent him a gift to mark the occasion and asked that, since he could not reply to each one of us individually, his "humble thanks" be conveyed by our monthly Ringmore Parish Newsletter.

M.C.M.



## THE PARISH CHURCH

HARVEST THANKSGIVING. The wettest summer for a good many years has NOT brought us to the great straits of famine and death experienced by the people of Ethiopia and other parts of Africa. So let us stop grumbling, and realise that we have cause for thanksgiving. If you have not died of starvation before 20 SEPTEMBER I hope you will join us as we praise God for His bounty far beyond anything we could ever deserve.

FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 7 p.m. Harvest Service in Church.  
8 p.m. Harvest Supper in the Church Hall.

SUNDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 11 a.m. Harvest Service.

Other Harvests - Bigbury 13 and 15 September.

Kingston 4 and 6 October.

THANKYOU to all who supported our Garden Fete on 21 August. Proceeds for our Church funds amounted to £300+. We are grateful to all who worked so hard and gave so generously.

## CHURCH SERVICES AT RINGMORE:

September	1	9 a.m.	Holy Communion with hymns.
	8	6 p.m.	Evening Prayer.
	15	9 a.m.	Holy Communion.
	22	11 a.m.	Harvest Service.
	29	6 p.m.	Evening Prayer and Holy Communion.
October	6	9 a.m.	Holy Communion with hymns.

## Events elsewhere in the Diocese:

September 4. Institution of the Rev. Peter Robinson to Blackawton and Stoke Fleming.  
October 12. Enthronement of the Right Rev. Geoffrey Hewlett Thompson as the next Bishop of Exeter.

INTER PARISH QUIZ. It has been agreed that Ringmore should enter a team in the Inter-Parish Quiz. The team manager will be Mrs. Rosemary Tate of Cross Park. Quiz experts are asked to make themselves known to Mrs. Tate on Bigbury 238 - it could provide a few evenings entertainment this winter.

PARISH EMERGENCY TEAM OPEN DAY. The Parish Emergency Team will be holding their annual exercise on Sat. 28 Sept. 1985. The day will begin in the Church Hall at 11.30 a.m. by showing how the Hall can be quickly turned into an Emergency Rest Centre. Coffee will be available. The W.I. Hall will be open from 11.45 a.m. onwards, where an emergency meal will be prepared for up to 70 people. As last year, this will be prepared in the open air using a Soyer boiler and Trench Cookers. The meal will be available at 12.15 approx. and it is anticipated the cost will be about 80p adults 60p children. Tickets will be on sale in the Post Office from Sat. 14 Sept. There will be posters to look at and members of St. Johns Ambulance from Plymouth will be in attendance. They hope to bring an ambulance with them which members of the public will be able to inspect.

W.I. NEWS. Our thanks to everyone who contributed in any way to the success of the fete on 7 August. The proceeds amounted to £461 - 58p - a magnificent effort. An interesting programme is being planned for the Autumn and Winter, starting with a MYSTERY TRIP on THURSDAY 12 SEPTEMBER LEAVING RINGMORE 8.30 a.m. RETURNING 5 p.m. COST £5.85 including a CREAM TEA. It is advisable to bring a packed lunch. Anyone interested in joining us for an exciting day out please contact Suzanne. Bigbury 217. There are still a few seats available.

RINGMORE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Please remember Cttee meeting at 7.30 p.m. at Middle Manor on Wed. 11 Sept. AGM and Open Meeting on Thurs. 17 October.

BRITISH LEGION. Meets at Jack Smiths Cafe, Sedgewell, Bigbury on Sea at 7.30 Fri 6 Sep.

WOMEN'S SECTION. First meeting at Ringmore W.I. Hall 7.15 Monday 7 October.

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## ADVERTISEMENTS

### RINGMORE POST OFFICE STORES. WINTER OPENING TIMES

8.30 a.m. - 5.45 p.m.

Wed. 8.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

Sat. 8.30 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

Sun. 9.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.

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