

We hope that you like the "New Look" Newsletter. Roger Race has kindly offered to produce the Newsletter on his Xerox copier. There are some regrets of a personal nature. We shall miss those cliff walks at the dead of night, to see Marion in Bigbury, who has been such a help in duplicating our newsletter. Thanks for the memory, anyway; the price of progress!!

From 2 June to 14 July 6 3/8 inches of rain fell in Ringsmore.

Anne Lambell would like to thank all those that helped, came and gave so generously at her Coffee morning on 14 August. She is delighted to say that £92 was raised for the CHILDRENS WARD at Exeter Hospital.

Parish Council.

Footpaths: A sign is to be placed near the gate at Toby's Point, pointing out the dangers caused by cliff subsidence along the coastal path.

Further attempts are to be made to prevent the flooding of the Smugglers Bridle Path.

Road Mirror at St. Ann's Chapel: In response to the Council's request for a mirror to be placed at St. Ann's Chapel, the Area Engineer has said that such mirrors are considered only when justified by the accident record. In the past five years there have been only two recorded accidents at St. Ann's Chapel, both of which, fortunately, involved only damage to property. Nevertheless, as there is little prospect of any alternative improvement to visibility at this cross roads, a special case is to be presented to the Department of Transport.

Notice Board: The Parochial Church Council is not in favour of the siting of a Council Notice Board alongside the Church wall. The Parish Council therefore hopes to erect its new notice board on the outside wall of the bus shelter.

Signpost at Bull Horn Cross: The attention of Bigbury Parish Council is to be drawn to the absence of a direction sign to Ringsmore, at Bull Horn Cross.

Rural Transport: Three representatives of the Parish Council attended a meeting, in Modbury, to consider the possibility of initiating a Community Bus Scheme - similar to the Harbourne Shuttle. It was generally felt that there would, at present, be insufficient interest for such a scheme to operate successfully in the villages surrounding Modbury.

Rubbish Skip - Challaborough: In response to a complaint about the inadequacy of the present skip, it was decided to ask for a second skip to be placed near the slipway, during the holiday season.

Ivybridge Community College: It has been decided to nominate the Clerk, Mrs. S. Davis, to the Adult Education Advisory Committee of Ivybridge Community College. The Council would also like to nominate a representative to the Youth and Community Education Committee (Executive) of the College. Anyone interested in participating in the work of this Committee should give their name to a member of the Parish Council.

Straw and Stubble Burning: Copies of the 1986 Byelaws relating to the burning of straw, stubble and crop residues, have been deposited with the Clerk, Mrs. S. Davis, and may be consulted by application to her. Among other provisions, the byelaws make it illegal to burn straw or stubble on any Saturday, Sunday or Bank Holiday; within 15 metres of any tree trunk or hedgerow; or within 25 metres of any residential building. No ash or carbonised residues must remain on the ground for more than 36 hours after the commencement of burning.

Pollution: Several complaints have been received about the excessive smell from Lower Manor Farm, in the mornings and late afternoons, and about the possibility that the stream is being polluted. These are being investigated.

National Trust - Snape's Point

The National Trust Warden has offered to conduct a party from Ringsmore village round Snape's Point - in the afternoon of Wednesday 1 October. Everyone is welcome to come along, whether National Trust members or not. Do come, and see the newly acquired National Trust beauty spot, on the Kingsbridge estuary - for which so many people in the village helped us to raise funds, on 21 June! Will those who would like to come please let us know and we will organise transport. N. Hilton A. Bennett

THE PARISH CHURCH

The sun shone. The crowds came. There was a delightful atmosphere, and the people who had done a lot of hard work behind the scenes felt it was all tremendously worthwhile. Our very grateful thanks to all who contributed to the resounding success of our GARDEN FETE. With all expenses paid, we netted £410 for our Church funds.

YOU'VE NEARLY MISSED IT! We have had a delightful season of Hymnsingalong with people coming to us from all parts of the country, plus one or two overseas visitors. The LAST ONE FOR THIS YEAR is in Ringmore Church at 8 p.m. on SUNDAY 7 SEPTEMBER. HARVEST THANKSGIVING. We are looking forward to the usual joyful celebrations with a Service in Church at 7 p.m., followed by a sumptuous HARVEST SUPPER on FRIDAY 26 SEPTEMBER. Posters will give details as soon as they are available. In the meantime, do keep the date free. Harvests at the other two churches are: Bigbury 19 September and Kingston 3 October.

FAREWELL. We were sorry to wish "Goodbye" to the Coles-Gale family who linked up with us and shared in our Church life during their stay at "Smugglers", with Rebecca joining the choir, and her young brother almost keeping awake for his Baptism. The last we heard, they were all travelling from Hawaii to Hong Kong. May God be with them on their travels - and maybe bring them back to us again eventually.

CHURCH SERVICES:

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| 7 September | 9 a.m. | Holy Communion with hymns. |
| 14 September | 6 p.m. | Evening Prayer. |
| 21 September | 9 a.m. | Holy Communion. |
| 28 September | 11 a.m. | Morning Prayer. |

At the other Churches:-

| | <u>Bigbury</u> | <u>Kingston</u> |
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| 7 September | 11 a.m. | 6 p.m. |
| 14 September | 8 a.m. | 11 a.m. |
| 21 September | 11 a.m. | 6 p.m. |
| 28 September | 6 p.m. | 9 a.m. |

FAVOURITE HYMNS. (1)

What makes a hymn a "favourite"? Sometimes the reason is very personal - a line or a few words proved helpful at some crisis-point. Sometimes it is the "occasion" which makes the hymn important for us, such as a domestic association ("We sang it at our wedding") or a national event (the hymns we sing on Remembrance Sunday always speak to the hearts of Service and Ex-Service men and women). And who could have foreseen that when Princess Elizabeth (as she then was) chose "The Lord's my Shepherd" - to the tune "Crimond" - for her Marriage Service, she was setting a trend which literally thousands of brides have followed in succeeding years?

And there is a reminder that it can be the TUNE which makes a hymn popular. Sometimes we say that a hymn has been "spoilt" for us because it was sung to an unfamiliar tune. On the other hand we only need to hear some tunes and immediately the opening line of the hymn (sometimes ONLY the opening line!) springs to mind. For example, you would have little difficulty identifying the following hymns if you heard the tune, but how far through the hymns can you get before you are stuck for the words? - When I survey. O Love that wilt not let me go. Lead kindly light. The King of Love. We love the place O God. There is a green hill. Sun of my soul.

Discovering the background to a hymn - perhaps something about the person who was inspired to write it - can often make it "light up" for us, just as the psalms of David still speak with power and relevance to people today because they were the product of David's own colourful but very human life with all its ups and downs.

Not that ALL hymns are inspiring by any means. Some older hymns can only be described as sentimental trash - but I am not going to be foolish enough to mention the ones I think fall into that category in case they include your favourite! A lot of modern hymns (so called) are equally pathetic. Some are sheer clap-trap as well as dreadful poetry. Some are no more than protest songs about the needs of the third world, and with no element of real worship in them at all. Others are just as prosaic as anything to be found in Queen Victoria's hit parade.

In almost every "Chart" that is published, the hymn that comes out on top is "The old rugged Cross". It is not my "number one", even though the words - and the tune - and one or two "occasions" in my life - have made it special for me; and I DO like hymns which focus on the Cross. If Calvary had not happened, God would still have been worthy of praise and worship but we would have been in no position to offer it.

Having said that, my own Number One Hymn does not include the word "Cross" at all. What that hymn is, and why it means so much to me, I will tell you next time. It is a well-known one, and it may be your favourite too.

Parish Emergency Team Open Day

The Parish Emergency Team will be holding their annual exercise on Saturday 4 October 1986.

The day will begin in the Church Hall at 11.15 a.m. by showing how the Hall can be quickly converted into an Emergency Rest Centre. Coffee will be served.

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 in previous years this will be prepared in the open using a Soyer Cooker and Trench Cookers. The meal will be available at 12.15 approx and the cost will be 80p adults 50p children. Tickets will be available from the Post Office from Sat. 20 Sept. 1986 onwards. This year in order to help keep the cost down ticket buyers are asked to bring a knife, fork and spoon.

It is hoped that some members of the Red Cross will be in attendance.

Following the Chernobyl disaster the Central Electricity Generating Board have made a short film about the safety aspects of Nuclear Energy which we hope to be able to show.

It should be an interesting and thought provoking day and if you hav'nt been before well worth a look, even if you don't want to take a chance and eat with us. I can assure the nervous that we hav'nt lost a customer yet. Watch the posters from 20 September onwards.

Royal British Legion

The next meeting of the mens section of the British Legion will be at the Sedgewell Sands Cafe, Bigbury-on-Sea at 7.30 p.m. on Friday 5 September 1986.

Ringmore Historical Society

The Society is planning a visit to Cotehele on Sunday 4 October 1986. Would anyone interested in this excursion please contact Fiona Batten (Bigbury-on-Sea 810679 - evenings) as soon as possible. If there are sufficient numbers interested it may be feasible to hire a coach for the day.

If anyone has any ideas or suggestions to contribute towards the societys' winter programme please contact Fiona on the above number.

The A.G.M. will be held on Thursday 16 October 1986, 7.30 p.m. in the W.I. Hall.

St. Luke's Hospice, Plymouth.

As St. Luke's is the Ringmore W.I. Charity of the year, it seemed a good opportunity to highlight its work in our Newsletter.

A hospice is a place of special welcome and care for people with a terminal disease for whom the intensive and often exhausting tempo of modern hospital is no longer appropriate. The emphasis of treatment is upon the relief of pain and distress and the provision of skilled medical and nursing care in a homely and friendly environment.

St. Luke's was founded in 1982 and its Medical Director is Dr. Sheila Cassidy whose childhood home was in Bigbury. The hospice is based in a four bedroomed detached house in Plymstock and has ten beds. Some patients come for respite care and then go home again, others come to spend their last few weeks or months at St. Luke's. The staff's guiding philosophy for each patient is to enhance their quality of life by physical relief of their symptoms and emotional support of themselves and their families.

With the help of three Macmillan Nursing sisters, St. Luke's cares for over 100 patients in the community at any one time. The Macmillan sisters are experienced SRNs who work closely with the patient's GP.

A major feature of St. Luke's is its "voluntary" nature. It is a registered charity entirely reliant on the public for its continued well-being. Also many of those who work for St. Luke's do so voluntarily, encompassing a spectrum from GPs to schoolchildren.

The exciting news of 1986 is that construction work has started on a new hospice building at Thru Chapel. The site is stunning giving sweeping views across the sound to the city. The building will accommodate 20 in-patients and provide space for modern medical and nursing facilities, as well as a day room, guest room and day centre. This last will be a boon in enabling patients living at

home to have a day out and receive the medical assistance they require, as well as giving their families some much-needed time off. To be able to extend the hospice service in this way is an exciting but costly challenge. £600,000 is the target to be met for the building and equipment. £75 per patient per day gives an idea of the running costs. A major fund-raising drive is under way and hopes are high.

Mary St. Aubyn

Ringmore W.I.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking everyone who helped make Ringmore W.I.'s fete a great success. Our final total after expenses was a record £617. Thanks to all the helpers, and those who donated gifts and produce for our stalls.

Suzanne Race (President)

Mystery Trip

Please book now for the mystery trip on Thursday 11 September. Coach leaves Ringmore at 9.30 a.m. Arrives back at approx. 5 p.m. Cost £6.15 to include a cream tea. Our trip last year was a great success and thoroughly enjoyed by all, so hurry and book now with Suzanne at the Post Office.

WHITE COTTON LAWN NIGHTDRESSES. Made in Ringmore, and individually hand printed with leaf or flower designs. (S.M.L. and made to your length). Each one different £17.50. Further details from Cross Park, Ringmore. Tel. 810238.

ADVERTISEMENTS

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| MONDAY | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. | 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. |
| TUESDAY | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. | 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. |
| WEDNESDAY | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. | CLOSED |
| THURSDAY | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. | 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. |
| FRIDAY | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. | 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. |
| SATURDAY | 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. | CLOSED |
| SUNDAY | 9 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. | |

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Bringing meadows bathed in dew
Misty mornings, fresh and cool
And Rimey cobwebs by the pool.

Hazel nuts within the copse,
Hounds and huntsmen after fox,
Mushrooms growing on the hill
Grain, fresh grinding at the mill.

Mellow hours with falling leaves
Fields of wheat in golden sheaves
Rosy apples on the bough
Acres turning 'neath the plough.

Harvest moon a-riding high
Woodsmoke hanging in the sky,
Swallows nests beneath the eaves
Empty now except for leaves.

Joyce Dunkley