



Congratulations to the Historical Society for making such a success of the "Ringmore - A Walk Round the Village". Quite an achievement.

The Rev. Alexander Wood died peacefully at his home in Staverton on 25 August. He was the Rector in Ringmore from 1955 - 1978.

The DESIDERATA was included in last month's Newsletter at the suggestion of Anne Bracey. The copy was loaned by John Bracey.

Rainfall 6 July - 27 August 2" 15/16ths.

#### THE PARISH CHURCH

6 September	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Prebendary Wedgwood
13 September	6.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Rev. Mr. Britton
20 September	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Prebendary Wedgwood
25 September (Friday)	7.00 p.m.	Harvest Service	Rev. Dr. John Taylor (Rural Dean and Vicar of Salcombe)
		Followed by the Harvest Supper.	
27 September	11.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Mr. Ron Edinburgh

Thank you to all who have supported the Hymnsingalongs so valiantly both from Ringmore and from our sister churches. I mentioned the marked absence of visitors this year to Mr. Corbett and he wrote back to say that this happened to him from time to time for no reason that he could think of. He also says that Mrs. Corbett seems to be making a good recovery from her operation and that they are enjoying the country walks around Hereford.

I am glad that our Rural Dean has been able to rearrange his diary so that he can take our Harvest Service this year. We see him "officially" from time to time in the year but it is rarely possible for him to take a service away from his own parish. Please turn up in strength on Friday 25 September at 7.00 p.m. R.C.T.

The Church Fete was a great success and obviously enjoyed by everyone who attended. A Happy Day which made £503 - 44p for Church funds. Thank you to everyone who helped, contributed and supported us on the day.

#### RINGMORE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Our book "Ringmore - A Walk around the village" has got into the semi-final of the Wimpey-Civic Trust competition for the best guide to a town or village walk. Representing Devon and the South West, our book is now pitted against the rest of the British Isles. The final result is to be announced in September. We have now sold 440 copies. The last Heritage Village walk was so successful and well reported on by the participants that we have been asked to organise another one on Tuesday 15 September at 2.30 p.m. from the Church. It helps greatly to have some members of the Society to join the walk. There have been two study visits by EXTRA MURAL COURSES from EXETER UNIVERSITY. A visit to two Devon Longhouses on Dartmoor has been arranged for 19 September (Saturday). Anyone can join the party provided they pay their £1 membership fee beforehand. If you are coming please give your name to Mrs. Warne. The Society's A.G.M. will be on Thursday 29 October. Please put that date in your diary. There will be a special speaker.

633 years ago on 3 August, 1354 the Rural Dean of "Wodeleghe" reported on our church: "The ornaments and altar cloths of the high altar are lost. The Nave is dirty, inadequate and needs rebuilding. The Parishioners are very poor and their means prevent them building: however they are ordered to put the said defects into order before the next visitation under penalty of 40 shillings. Sir Robert\* the Rector had 40 Marks+ for the defects: he has done many good things in his time, making new buildings and repairing old: these are adequate for the living some defects accepted that can be repaired for 2 marks".

\* Sir Robert de Doune our 3rd Rector succeeded by Sir William de Ferrers for whom this report was prepared.

† A "Mark" was a weight of metal equivalent to 128 silver pennies or 13/4d at that time. G.C

ERME & AVON FLOWER CLUB invite anyone interested to a coffee evening at Bigbury Memorial Hall on Tuesday 29 September at 7.30 p.m. There will be a short demonstration and a chance to chat and see what we do.

W.I.

The President and Committee would like to thank everyone concerned in making our annual Fete a happy and rewarding afternoon. The Final total after expenses was £503. It is with regret that our planned trip on the River Tamar has been cancelled due to the lack of support from members.

There will now be a normal monthly meeting on Thursday 11 September in the W.I. Hall at 7.30 p.m. Our speaker will be Eileen Noakes who will talk on "Physical and Emotional Health". After refreshments a piece of Poole Pottery will be presented to Mrs. Naomi Warne who was the winner of the "Guess the time of Arrival" competition. There will also be a chance to see Photographs of Pam and Stan setting off on their walk and of the children in the concert held in June.

AUNE CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION.

The River Avon Estuary Byelaws, were approved by the Secretary of State and came into force on the 22 July 1987. It is hoped that everyone will respect the Byelaws now that the water skiers have been allocated an area on the river and respect the speed limit elsewhere. This is in the interest of all users of the river. The Association would like to thank everyone who showed interest and support over the years that it has taken to get the Byelaws approved.

FREE TREE SCHEME

If anyone still wishes to order trees (see last months Newsletter). Please do so within the next few days.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The next meeting of the Royal British Legion (men's Section) will be held at the Sedgewell Sands Cafe, Bigbury-on-Sea on Friday 4 September 1987 at 7.30 p.m. New members are always welcome. The Legion exists to assist all men and women who have served at any time in any branch of the Services; their widows and dependants, in all their difficulties, in pension matters, in the relief of distress, in finding employment and in re-establishing them on their return to civilian life.

The function of the branches is to raise funds to carry out this work. Anyone who has served in Her Majesty's Navy, Army and Air Force or any Auxiliary Forces is entitled to be a member, and if there is any ex-serviceman in the Parish who is not a member and would like to be one please come along. The October meeting will be held on Friday 2 October at a venue not yet decided. The November meeting will be held on Friday 6 November at the Journey's End Inn, Ringmore, at 7.30 p.m. The meeting will be followed by an auction of memorabilia arranged by the landlord of the Journey's End. The proceeds of the auction will be shared between the R.B.L. and the R.N.L.I. Last year the R.B.L. benefited by £50 from a similar event. Items for auction would be much appreciated. Watch out for posters about this event. On Saturday 7 November a coffee morning will be held at Sedgewell Sands Cafe, Bigbury-on-Sea, in aid of the R.B.L. Raffle prizes are being sought after for this event. Posters will give further details nearer the date. On Sunday 8 November the Remembrance Service will be held at the Parish Church Ringmore at 10.50 a.m.

G.P.E.

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ADVERTISEMENTS

RINGMORE POST OFFICE STORES. AS FROM 1 SEPTEMBER THE TRADING NAME OF THE SHOP WILL BE CHANGED TO "RINGMORE COUNTRY FAYRE" TO REFLECT THE RANGE OF PRODUCTS STOCKED. WITH EFFECT FROM SUNDAY 6 SEPTEMBER UNTIL EASTER 1988 THE SHOP WILL BE CLOSED ON SUNDAYS.

RINGMORE POST OFFICE STORES cont.

MONDAY	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	2 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
TUESDAY	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	2 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	CLOSED
THURSDAY	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	2 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
FRIDAY	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	2 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
SATURDAY	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	CLOSED
SUNDAY	CLOSED	CLOSED

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WILD FLOWERS OF ENGLAND

## The Dog Rose

Wild roses, summer-sprawled, tangle the spinneys, commons and country hedges. From white through pearl to deeper blushing pink they arch and trail, scenting the air with delicate fragrance. "Dog" was a prefix once used to denote an inferior or worthless plant, but maybe it was in this instance, more happily derived from the old English *dagge*, meaning a dagger. Certainly the roots of Dog roses were said to be useful for treating dog bites. Another old name was "Cat-neps", referring perhaps to the vicious, back-curved thorns, like a cat's claws — who would gather these flowers or, later, the goblet-shaped scarlet hips, with their bounty of Vitamin-C, must wear stout gloves to avoid scratched and bleeding fingers.

K. BRENDA MAGER