



Last months picture was of the river Avon at "the stakes" on a very high spring tide.

Mr. Laidler, our Chemist in Modbury, has kindly agreed to advertise in the Newsletter. We ask you to support all the business's we advertise.

Please let Julia Trumble have all contributions for the June Newsletter IN GOOD TIME PLEASE.

RAINFALL 28 March - 2 May 2 7/8 inches.

DARTMOOR

If you have ever walked from Shipley Bridge to the Avon Dam along the Water Boards tarmac road you must have realized this is the only route into Dartmoor for people who do not wish or who are unable to tramp across the open moor. It is an easy route for small children, the handicapped and Elderly people. In fact it is quite easy to push a wheelchair up to the dam. The road is closed to traffic. However, this could all change. Please read the page headed BRENTMOOR HOUSE. If you feel able to sign the petition this is available at CLIFF PATH. BETTER STILL write to THE DEPT. OF THE ENVIRONMENT. This will make a much better impact if you can take the trouble to do this.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next evening meeting will be at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday 12 May, in the W.I. Hall. This meeting will be concerned with resolutions for the Annual General Meeting of the W.I. at the Albert Hall. It will be attended by the V.C.O. Mrs. Jean Dorey and by the link-delegate, from Bowcombe W.I. who will represent Ringmore at the A.G.M. During the summer, there will be no afternoon meetings. Instead, the following visits to local gardens have been planned:-
Saturday 28 May - Lukesland
Wednesday 22 June - Blackpool House
Wednesday 20 July - Buckland Monachoram
All W.I. members and their friends will be welcome. Please give your name to Mrs. Margaret Jenkins before the outing if you wish to come - so that transport can be arranged. Those willing to bring their cars should also let Mrs. Jenkins know.

INTER PARISH QUIZ 26.4.88.

Ringmore visited South Brent on Tuesday 26 April to contest the semi-final of the inter parish quiz. We gave our opponents a keen fight before going down by the score of 107 to 91. South Brent therefore go through to the Final and we wish them well. It is pleasing to record good support from the village which was greatly appreciated by the team.

W.R.W.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING NO.5

You have just overtaken a stopped vehicle on a blind bend, (very carefully and slowly of course!) perhaps broken down. Warn oncoming traffic by flashing your head lights several times. Quite a few people will not appreciate what you mean, but the larger vehicles, buses lorries etc. will understand that there is a problem ahead, around the corner and start to slow down.

You have been halted by an accident or blocked road ahead, on a very dangerous bend. For your own safety it is wise to get out of your car and warn traffic behind and approaching you. Do you feel safe sitting there waiting to be rammed from behind? (This week 19.4.88 a family were devastated while sitting in their broken down car on the hard shoulder of a motorway in pouring rain).

Your correspondant drives large and slow vehicles at times, and is amazed at the number of smaller vehicles that stick very close to his tail; darting out to see around and past his vehicle. If they were to leave a gap of say 20-30 yards, they could see the road ahead of him, even on his nearside (left), and overtake with safety.

Experience tells your correspondant that cars approaching you with sail boards or surf boards, on their roofs are sure to be travelling very fast.

Don't forget that buses awaiting their passengers outside a school may well have children on foot running out between them. Children forget road safety so easily. (In America I am told, you may not overtake a stationary school bus setting down passengers).

Have you noticed the increase in road signs recently? Count the new signs appearing, for example, at Harraton Cross. The man from Devon County Council had difficulty in finding a pole to fix the new signs, telling us where Burgh Island is.

I would much rather be told that I'm approaching one of the most dangerous junctions in Devon.
B.M.

PARISH COUNCIL

As this was the first meeting of the council year a Chairman had to be elected. Due to personal reasons Mr. K. Williams did not wish to be re-elected so it was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed that Mr. Guy Eddy should be Chairman and be accepted. Mr. Williams accepted the post of Vice-Chairman. The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks on behalf of the council for Mr. Williams years of hard work and devotion to the causes of the Parish. Planning: The council have received the following plans for consideration:-

- 1) The installation of a 12ft calor gas tank connected to an underground calor gas supply to service the chalets in the Challaborough Bay Holiday Camp.
- 2) Proposed extension of occupancy of caravans on the Bigbury Bay Holiday Camp from 8 months to 10 months per year.
- 3) Outline drawing of proposed agricultural buildings and silage clamp to be sited in a field off the Cliff Path, from Mr. Perraton of Lower Manor Farm.

Planning permission for a new single storey dwelling on the site of the former garden of 'The Journey's End' above Rocky Path has been refused by the South Hams District Council.

Skip Service. A reminder - the skip will be at Challaborough from the 9th to 13th May and at Ringmore from the 16th to 20th May.

Mirror at St. Ann's Chapel. Does anyone know the whereabouts of the mirror? It seems to have vanished. Mr. Sercombe's help has been requested in the installation of a new one.

Trees.

Bus Shelter Tree. On 16 April, a gloomy, misty day, 25 residents turned out to watch Mrs. Kit Taylor plant a new pink horse chestnut tree beside the bus shelter. In such conditions, and with so many people in the village ill with 'flu', this was very encouraging, and we hope that, with Mrs. Taylor's blessing, the tree will live for a long time and give pleasure to us all.

Armada Oaks. With the kind permission of the owners, seven Armada Oaks have been planted along the Smugglers Path and we hope these too will do well.

Speed Limit. An 8-knot speed limit on the River Avon came into force on 1 May. There is now a designated area for water ski-ing and permits for this should be obtained from the Salcombe Harbour Board.

South Hams District Council. The new Chairman is Mr. Trevor Pennington and the leader is Mr. Geoffrey Roach.

Council News Cont.

Swimming Pool at Challaborough Leisure Centre. Would anyone and everyone who is interested in using the pool during the winter months please write - just a note - to that effect to Mr. Goodchild, S.H.D.C. Follaton House, Totnes.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

A walk on Dartmoor has been arranged for WEDNESDAY 18 MAY. Start 11.00 a.m. at the small car park along the road East of Nattor Farm. Map Ref. 578 674. This is just South of East (100dg.) of Sheepstor village. There are no steep climbs, a good path but a bit rough. The walk can be as long or as short as each person cares to make it. If in doubt about footwear wear wellingtons, especially if it has rained. You will see stone rows, cairns, cists (Bronze Age graves) Bronze Age Village, Rabbit Warrenners House and perhaps a tin mine. Take a packed lunch, waterproofs, and an extra jersey. You are welcome to come along even if you are not a member of the Society.

PART TIME GARDENER/HANDY MAN urgently required at Cross Manor, Ringmore. Tel. 810350.

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JOURNEY'S END INN. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR WELCOME TO THE VILLAGE IN LAST MONTHS ISSUE. OUR INTENTIONS ARE NOT TO CHANGE THE IMAGE OF YOUR INN, APART FROM IMPROVING THE FACILITIES; ESPECIALLY THE TOILETS. IN THE AUTUMN WE PLAN TO OPEN UP THE "LONG ROOM" AGAIN FOR MEALS, AND EXTEND THE MENU TO INCLUDE STEAKS, FISH AND STEAK AND KIDNEY PUDDINGS. IF YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS OR FAVOURITES, PLEASE LET US KNOW AND WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO COMPLY. DICK AND ROSEMARY.


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CHURCH NEWS

The Rector writes : -

The ancient festival of Whit Sunday is somewhat lost to sight in the general calendar today because it no longer commands an automatic bank holiday on the day following - the "Spring Bank Holiday" now falling on the last Monday in May. Nowadays, it is often called "Pentecost" rather than "Whit Sunday", so the familiar title gets even more obscured.

This year, the Sunday is May 22nd and, by whatever name we call it, the day recalls the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the infant Church in Jerusalem, transforming a group of very frightened, and not very clever people into the power-house which took the Christian faith to the world at large. Very early it ranked second only to Easter in importance, becoming a particular occasion for Baptisms (and probably took the name of "Whit" Sunday from the white robes of the baptismal candidates).

Today, it still brings home the essential truth that without the Spirit of God, the Church is powerless and, by the same token, there's no telling what God may do through His Church by His Spirit.

"O God ... take not thy Holy Spirit from us."

ARTHUR DROWLEY

(If I can be of any help, please do not hesitate to contact me on 810565, or look in at the Rectory. If you could avoid Tuesdays, that would help.)



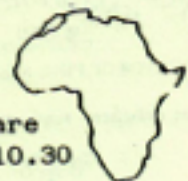
SUNDAY SERVICES INTO JUNE

<u>Sundays</u>	<u>The 9.00am Communion</u>	<u>The 11.00am Family Service</u>	<u>The 6.00pm Evening Service</u>
<u>May 8th</u> (Easter 5)	<u>Ringmore</u>	Bigbury	Kingston (Communion)
<u>May 15th</u> (Sun. after Ascension)	8.00am Bigbury	Kingston	Deanery Evensong at South Milton
<u>May 22nd</u> (Whit-Sunday)	<u>Ringmore</u>	Bigbury (Morning Prayer & Communion)	Kingston
<u>May 29th</u> (Trinity Sunday)	8.00am Bigbury	Kingston (Morning Prayer & Communion)	<u>Ringmore</u>
<u>June 5th</u> (Trinity 1)	Kingston	<u>Ringmore</u>	Bigbury
<u>June 12th</u> (Trinity 2)	<u>Ringmore</u>	Bigbury	Kingston (Communion)

SUPPORT FOR A THIRD WORLD COUNTRY

Jonathan Atkinson, an engineer from Kingston, has recently gone out to West Africa to help in water projects; under the auspices of the United Nations Association International Services, Jonathan's work is financed by Christian Aid, and we are taking the opportunity of a GARDEN COFFEE MORNING & SALE from 10.30 on TUESDAY, MAY 17 to have a part in his support.

Stalls will include Plants, Produce and Bakery, and the event is to be at Middle Manor, the home of Lt.Col. & Mrs. Grimshaw. We often see fearful poverty on our television screens - here is a chance to share a little of our riches with those whose need is so great!



BRENTMOOR HOUSE, SOUTH BRENT, DEVON

The whole of Brent Moor (2,764 acres) was sold by the Water Board two years ago to a private developer.

Most of the area is common land, where development activities are restricted by the rights of the commoners and by the right of access of the public. There are other areas where the buyer owns the freehold. These include the wooded enclosure of 9 acres about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile above the car park at Shipley Bridge - the site of Brentmoor House, demolished over 20 years ago.

Planning applications to develop this site and build a large house, cottage and outbuildings on the old foundations of the former house were refused by South Brent Parish Council and by the Dartmoor National Park Committee last year.

The purchaser appealed to the Department of the Environment. In his appeal, he described his intention to develop the horticultural potential of the estate and to build up the market value by engaging in agriculture, farming, fish rearing, forestry and game bird rearing.

The site has recently changed hands again and is now owned by a Brighton solicitor, Mr Anthony Seymour. He, in turn, is taking the original application to appeal and has indicated an interest in deer farming.

We believe that the building operations and proposed commercial activities would ruin the peaceful enjoyment of the public in this beautiful valley. Buildings in the wooded enclosure would be an intrusion into the wild country of this spectacular river bend. Forestry operations in the freehold areas would lead to fencing and might interfere with public access to the reservoir at the Avon Dam. Commercial gamebird rearing and shooting parties on the moor would interfere with the public's enjoyment of their right of access to the common land.

The road up to the Avon Dam is a unique facility, much used by families, young and old, as well as by many disabled visitors. The traffic along the road up to and past the house site, to service these operations, would be a danger and disturbance to picnic parties and walkers on what is now a public footpath.

Many of those who use the area have written to the Department of the Environment to express their concern and five and a half thousand signatures have so far been collected on a petition opposing the development. Because of the strength of public opinion, there is to be a Public Inquiry on June 21st and 22nd.

If you would like to join the people of South Brent and their Parish Council in their support of the National Park's opposition to these developments, please write to:

THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT,
ROOM 13 / 09,
TOLLGATE HOUSE,
HOULTON STREET,
BRISTOL BS2 9DJ.

Quote reference: R1126/A/8884001 + 83401

Avril Chapman, Chairman, South Brent Parish Council



BRITAIN'S HIGHEST WAR MEMORIAL. On the top of BEN NEVIS.

LEMON MOUSSE

This recipe is a wonderful "standby" since it can be made with any fruit juice, (with strong flavour), or even crushed and sieved soft fruit, i.e. raspberries, strawberries etc. and most important, can be made as a last moment effort.

For 8 people:-

- 4 eggs
- 6 oz castor sugar
- 1 lemon
- 1 Desertspoon gelatine

Beat egg yolks and sugar until white and creamy - add juice and rind - beat egg whites until very stiff. (Add a pinch of salt to whites, helps) and fold in immediately after adding gelatine, melted in little water. Pour into a mould, bowl or glasses. (It sets very quickly) and put into fridge. It is very simple to halve the above quantities and gives 4 good portions.

J.E.B.

Among the many buds proclaiming May
Decking the fields in holiday array,
Striving who shall surpass in braverie;
Mark the faire flowering of the hawthorne tree
Who finely clothed in a robe of white,
Fills full the wanton eye with Mays delight.

Chaucer.