



Ringmore

Parish Newsletter

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A busy newsletter this month, to read as memories of Summer begin to fade. This issue co-incides with the departure of Doreen and Arthur Drowley and they leave with 'Good Wishes' from the village and 'Thanks' for 8 years dedicated service to Ringmore Parish. Arthur's valedictory comments are on page two: the Church Page will continue, in one form or another. Also included are notes on WI, forthcoming events at the JE, activities of the British Legion, items occupying the Parish Council and the continuation of Ken Ward's part in the downfall of Hitler! There is a request from the Ringmore Rascals, information from Neighbourhood Watch and news of a successor to Bacchus Baughan as the 'Rainman'.

Don't forget BONFIRE NIGHT which will be celebrated on Saturday 4th November in the usual place. Now is the time to sort out the rubbish including heavy prunings, unwanted timber and any old wooden legs!

Norman will be collecting nearer the time. The JE will run a bar and there will be hot-dogs available so do not over eat beforehand. Give generously - the evening is only as good as we make it and last year's evening will take some beating. Fingers crossed for the weather.

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October

Dates:- 2nd, 16th & 30th

Challaborough	2.25pm - 2.40pm
Ringmore Church	2.45pm - 3.25pm

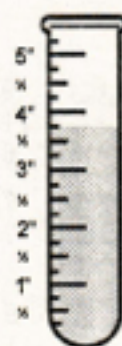
Rainfall 23rd Aug - 24th Sept

The cup hath runneth over so some of the reading is from the saucer.

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The grass is greener, runner beans have been rejuvenated and sad-looking plants have raised their heads once more. The warm weather may have gone but it was a splendid summer!

GOOD NEWS Fiona Batten is the new 'Rainlady'. She will supply the details once she is fully equipped. 'Thank you' Fiona.



If you have news and information for inclusion in the Newsletter, send it to the editors. Every effort will be made to include items submitted but please sign your name; it is inappropriate to make this a forum for anonymous contributions.

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Hullo and farewell !

As one comes to final retirement, I am not sure whether it is entirely accurate to call it 'hanging up one's dog-collar'. However this is my farewell newsletter article and we shall be slipping away after our final Sunday - 15th October.

I am glad to be able to report that the Church House will not be empty for long as my successor has already been appointed.. He is the Rev. Derek Matten and, with his wife Delphine, at present lives in Totnes. Much of Derek's ministry has been exercised abroad - Uganda and Germany over the period 1962-93. Derek and Delphine have three grown-up children and hope to join the Team Ministry here by the beginning of December. May the Lord bless them mightily in their work in this district in the months to come.

The Modbury Team Ministry was formally inaugurated by the Bishop of Plymouth on Monday, 18th September and yours truly was duly licensed as the Honorary Curate for the remaining four weeks of our time with you ! All told, it will have been nearly eight years that we have enjoyed the home and garden here in Ringmore. These have been years we would not have missed, though they have not always been easy years. I regret that my ministry has caused pain to some and failed others - I guess that this side of heaven it must ever be so. By the same token, Doreen and I rejoice over those who have found blessing with us as we have sought to walk and grow in the fellowship of Christ. We have so much to be thankful for.

We move to 65 Warbro Road, Torquay and have a direct view of Torquay United's ground from behind the visitors' goal - let us know if you want to watch a home game !

May the Lord bless you all real good -
and with our love,

Arthur and Doreen

DIARY FOR OCTOBER

<u>SUNDAY 1st</u>	9.00am 1980 Communion at Kingston 11.00am Harvest Family Service at Ringmore 6.00pm Evening Prayer at Bigbury
Tues. 3rd	7.00pm Alpha Course at Aveton Gifford
Thurs. 5th	7.30pm United Church Councils' Meeting at the Church Hall, Ringmore
<u>SUNDAY 8th</u>	9.00am 1980 Communion at Ringmore 11.00am Morning Service & HC at Bigbury 6.00pm Evening Prayer at Kingston
<u>SUNDAY 15th</u>	9.00am 1662 Communion at Bigbury 11.00am Family Service at Kingston 6.00pm Evening Prayer at Ringmore
Friday 20th	7.30pm Farewell at Bigbury Memorial Hall
<u>SUNDAY 22nd</u>	9.00am 1662 Communion at Ringmore 11.00am Family Service at Bigbury 6.00pm Evening Service at Kingston
<u>SUNDAY 29th</u>	3.30pm "Songs of Praise" at Loddiswell (5th Sunday Team Service for the day.)

Journey's End Inn

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BONFIRE NIGHT in Ringmore will be on Saturday 4th November at 7.00pm. Collection boxes for donations towards the FIREWORKS are to be found at the Pub and the PO. Here at the JE there will be a number of opportunities to give painlessly and still have the chance of winning a prize. All contributions are gratefully received and much appreciated by all who attend the display.



We are taking reservations for our NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER (with dancing on the side). If you are expecting to spend the evening with us please ensure that your table is booked.

We will be holding a FESTIVAL of BEEF & BEER here on Friday 27th, Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th October, during which time we shall be offering a selection of 20 REAL ALES and a BEEFY Menu.

OCTOBER DIARY DATES

QUIZ NIGHT: Thursdays 5th - Landlord! 12th - Geof
19th - Andrew 26th - Beccy

LIVE MUSIC: Fridays 6th - GIN 27th - FAIR PLAY

BEEF & BEER: Friday 27th, Saturday 28th, Sunday 29th

Guy Fawkes

The RINGMORE RASCALS, with the help of their Mums, will be making this year's Guy. They need materials and would appreciate any of the following items which you may have.

Hat - pillows - cushions - old tights - straw - canes - shirt - tie - jacket - jumper - gloves/ rubber gloves - beard - glasses - balls for eyes - trousers - socks - shoes/ boots - old cord/string - briefcase/suitcase - pipe

If you can help please contact one of the following ladies:

Belinda Ireland + Rachel Pitt + Jane Reddie + Andrea Stanesby + Pam Wilkins

When the Guy is finished, he will take a seat at the Journey's End and you may take a guess at his name for 20p.

All proceeds to the Bonfire

Ken Ward's Memories of South Devon 1940

from Reg Trant

The Signals we intercepted were often quite strong and I thought that we ought to be able to get a bearing on them. I lashed up a rather crude H aerial and after a few tries got a good bearing. One bearing is not much use to locate the source of the signal, so I asked London for permission to get the BBC Workshop at Start Point to make a pair of aerials. The first answer I got was "Don't be ridiculous, everyone knows that you cannot Direction Find on wavelengths below 190 metres.". The dimension of an aerial is a direct function of the wavelength. When I persisted I was told, "OK. You may ask the BBC and tell them the measurements you require but on no account tell them the wavelength you are using.". This instruction caused much laughter when I went to Start Point but they produced two splendid aerials which, when suitably sited, gave us the required intersecting bearings. When we were sure, we reported the position to Dartmouth. Shortly after, Dartmouth 'phoned back and said, "the destroyer is going out to see if you are right." and, near enough, we were.

To pick up local information we liaised with the Intelligence Officer of the Local Defence Volunteers, a schoolmaster from Stokenham. People soon began to come and tell us their thoughts and worries and bits of information which were passed on to I Corps, Dartmouth. From our hill-top station our sentries started reporting that, at night, a number of lights appeared to the north followed by the approach of a single plane. This persisted so we took compass bearings on the lights and searched the area next day, eventually finding a number of round cans sunk into the ground with traces of burnt out wicks and oil or grease. We handed that one over to the I Corps and the Police. I never heard if they had any success in finding the culprits.

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RINGMORE PARISH COUNCIL

(excerpts from the minutes of September Meeting)

There were six members present, apologies were received from Mrs Tagent.

Clerks Salary

This was discussed in the Clerk's absence. It was agreed that the national structure for clerks' wages would not be followed. A sub-committee would prepare proposals for consideration at the October meeting.

Car Parking at Crossways

This is an SHDC matter in which the Parish Council has attempted to mediate. Mr Beecham, from the District Council, outlined a proposed solution which was discussed at length with members of the public. It would appear that more goodwill is needed between interested parties if a solution is not to be imposed by Totnes.

Traffic Calming Strips

These will be upgraded later in the financial year when finances allow. The Parish Council has offered a contribution towards the cost.

Modbury School

Mrs Carson, a Modbury School Governors, reported on the new classroom. A well-supported sponsored walk raised funds which went towards equipping the new facility.


Skips

The District Council offered to supply a skip in the Autumn or Spring and it was agreed to accept one for March, '96, as most environmentally-friendly, combustible waste will be disposed of on the village bonfire. The SHDC will supply an attendant who will ensure that no unacceptable material eg. tyres, batteries, etc. are placed in the skip. If we require a further skip in the parish, it would cost £100 and would require a voluntary attendant who would have to be trained beforehand!

Next meeting - Tuesday 24th October - 7.00pm WI Hall

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Ringmore Historical Society

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will take place at the WI Hall, Ringmore on Wednesday 8th November at 7.30pm. After the meeting, Mrs Trahair will talk on Sherford Parish and Stanford Manor.

Dartington Rural Archives are holding a Town Visit to Dartmouth on Saturday 7th October. Anyone who is interested should contact Mrs Ray Freeman on Dartmouth 83381

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SOMERSET APPLE PUDDING (serves 4)

1lb cooking apples, peeled and diced
3oz butter
¼ pint milk
2oz plain flour
2 eggs
3 tablesp sugar

Melt the butter in a saucepan, and gently fry the diced apples for about 3 minutes in the butter until thoroughly coated but still retaining their shape.

Mix the flour and eggs together in a bowl. Add the milk and sugar and mix well. Combine the apples and batter mixture and pour into a shallow, greased 9" round dish or tin and bake at gas 5/375F/180C for approx.20-25 minutes. Remove dish from oven and dredge the top with demerara sugar. Brown under the grill or return to the oven until golden. Serve hot with thin cream or crème fraîche.

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Hours of opening

Monday, Tuesday	9.0 a.m. - 1.0 p.m.
Thursday, Friday	& 2.30 - 5.0 p.m.
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WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

Our September meeting was very well attended when members and guests enjoyed an interesting talk by Guy Eddy on his Far East Flying Experiences.

WI Promotions Fortnight, 'Today's Woman Working for Tomorrow's World'. The WI is one of the largest and most influential women's organisations in the UK and I would like to mention the benefits of being a member:-

time to be yourself - friendship - find new interests - hear good speakers - opportunities to try new activities - to gain an understanding of everyday issues - chance to learn new skills - involvement in the local community - own magazine 'Home & Country' - able to attend Denman College

Please come along to one of our meetings and learn more about the WI and being a member - there is no age limit!

October 12th Meeting: Hopefully we will have a speaker talking on the experiences of being a Vet - watch our posters for more news!

Margaret Wood, Joint President

Ken Ward's memories continued . . .

Socially, Capt. Beer had occasional Sunday Morning Drinks at his home, Widdicombe House, where we met many locals. I also remember longchats with Bossy Phelps (ex Kings Barge Master) who dwelt at Torcross and with Denis O'Neil of Beesands, a singer who lived there with his wife and two small children. One day there had been an ENSA show somewhere inland. In the evening, Denis was in the Inn with Jack Buchanan who asked my Corporal if they had enjoyed the show. When told that they had all been on duty so could not attend, JB and Denis proceeded to give an impromptu performance there and then.

. . . final instalment next month.

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Rob Batten	680
Anthony Chell	547
Ken Dan c/o Jim Freeman	638
Ann Lambell	530
Thelma Mann	673
Brian McCabe	538
Jamie Pitt	304
Frank Ricketts	572
Tracy Rimmer	823
Barbara Taylor	366
Frank Williams	621

Royal British Legion

The next meeting of the Men's Branch will be the Annual General Meeting which will be held at the Journey's End Inn on Wednesday 11th October 1995 at 7.30pm. Members are asked to attend and new members will always be welcome.

The main dates for this year's Poppy Appeal are as follows:

1st Nov	House-to-house collection can start
10th Nov	Auction at the Journey's End
11th Nov	Coffee morning - Sedgewell Sands, Bigbury-on-Sea at 10.30 am
12th Nov	Remembrance Service at Ringmore Church 10.45am.

Guy Eddy Poppy Appeal Organiser

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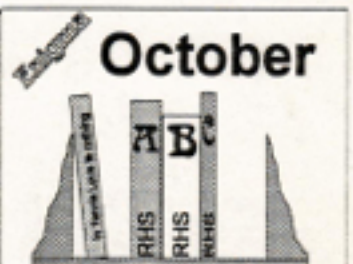
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Volumes A, B & C of the History of Ringmore have been on the shelf for some time. A grub has eaten its way from page one in Vol A to the last page in Vol C. The pages are two inches thick in Vol A, 3 inches in Vol B and 1 inch in Vol C. Each volume is hardbacked, front and back covers totalling 1/4 inch, in addition, Vol A has a 1/2 inch thick fold-out map at the back. How long is the tunnel eaten by the grub?

September

HIGH	LAND	LUBBER
HOUSE	HOLD	ALL
STERN	FAST	NET
CROSS	WIND	JAMMER
FLAG	SHIP	WRIGHT
SWAN	KING	PIN
PLEA	SING	LET
OVER	HANG	OVER
SLIP	ROAD	WORKS
LUMBER	JACK	ASS
FUR	LONG	SHOT
DOOR	KNOB	BLED

The Matchman made a welcome return to competition and was successful along with all other entrants:- Doreen (no alternatives this month!), TDG, Yog-sothoth and The Furry Boys. Well done!