



Ringmore

Parish Newsletter

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What a party! Over 150 villagers from Ringmore and neighbouring parishes gathered to mark THE birthday. Throughout it all, Ringmore's latest octogenarian sat serene, enjoying every moment. In response to Sir Douglas' amusing proposal of the toast, Alice regaled us with an account of her life in the village, sometimes funny, sometimes hilarious. "Of course there were many changes in Ringmore but .. (pause for effect).. I carried on". The afternoon was splendidly organised by Susan Freeman and Ella Dodds. The birthday cake was baked by Ella and iced by Ann Bracey with a musical motif, an edible page of music showing the opening lines of 'Happy Birthday'. There were, of course, a myriad of other bakers, helpers and bottle washers! It was an occasion not to be missed.

What a bonfire! What would we do with our spare combustibles if Guy Fawkes' cunning plan had failed? Another still, dry evening, a cup of mulled wine, the splendid fireworks and the huge conflagration allowed

everyone, including some from far and wide, to enjoy a great evening. Thanks are due to everyone involved.

What a relief! Christmas on Tuvalu has been saved. The last airmail service guaranteeing delivery leaves on 6th December. Don't miss it!

In response to numerous enquiries, the Newsletter is proud to reveal that Andrea Young has been re-united with her radio although now it broadcasts only a blissful silence!

On a sadder note, many of you are already aware that Kit Taylor has been unwell and after a brief period in Derriford she moved to the Savernake Forest Hospital near Marlborough in Wiltshire. There, she is near to her family. When she is able, she might move to a nearby Residential Home, at least for the Winter. The good news is that Kit has not severed her long connection with Ringmore where she has lived since 1964. She hopes to return to the Village to stay for a period when the better weather arrives next year. We share that hope and wish her a speedy restoration to good health.

The discussions regarding the Newsletter have not been concluded but it is hoped that matters will be resolved at the December meeting - see the Parish Council report. If you have a view on this topic, please attend that meeting and let your opinion be known.



Photo: Mike Wynne-Powell

Alice says, "I would like to thank everybody for my lovely Birthday Party. A special 'Thanks' to Susan, Ella, Madeline, Eileen & Ann, and all the young helpers.

It will always be a memorable occasion."

DECEMBER DIARY

- 1st Music Night JE - Gin
- 7th Quiz Night at JE
- 8th DISCO JE
- 11th Mobile Library - ONLY visit this month
- 14th Quiz night at JE
- 15th Art Exhibition begins at JE
- Music Night at JE - George Breakfast
- 17th Ringmore Rascals Party - WI Hall 2.00pm
- Carol Service - All Hallows, Ringmore 6.00pm
- 19th NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
- Parish Council Meeting 7.00pm WI Hall
- 21st Christmas Quiz Night at JE
- 22nd Music Night JE - Fair Play
- Christmas Draw at JE - 9.30
- 28th Quiz Night at JE

DEADLINE
19th December



Mobile Library

December

Dates:- 11th only

St Ann's Chapel

11.40am - 12.00pm

Challaborough

2.25pm - 2.40pm

Ringmore Church

2.45pm - 3.25pm

Kingston Fire Station

3.40pm - 4.30pm

Rainfall

23rd Oct - Nov

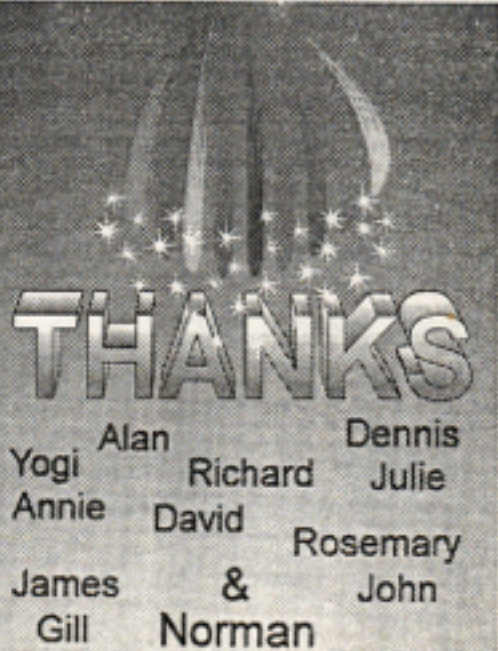
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Fiona Batten

Avg Nov for last 10 years - 5"

High - November 1992 - 8.5"

Low - November 1998 - 2"



Parish Church Page



.....It's rather like a relay race. Each runner has a particular task to fulfil (a blinding start, a solid second stage, or a final dash, for example), but the baton they pass on, and above all the aim in view (to win the race) is the same for them all. Woe betide them if one of them drops the baton or the change-over goes wrong: that means disaster for them all.

Arthur and Doreen have done their part, and the baton has been passed to Delphine and me. We have a different task to perform, that of going on where the Drowleys left off, and we are different people, because when God makes any one of us he throws away the mould.

So please be patient with us as we settle in to share in the Team Ministry. We want our home to be one where all are welcome guests, and we look forward to sharing with you in learning to be the people of God in Ringmore. Let's start by sharing together in worship this Advent and Christmas.

Due to the fact that Christmas Eve this year falls on a Sunday, there are some alterations to the regular pattern this month. We'll get back to normal (we hope!) in January. Our services in December are:

Friday December 1	7.30 p.m.	Service of Licensing in Kingston
Sunday December 3	9 a.m.	Kingston (Holy Communion, ASB)
	11 a.m.	Ringmore (Family Service)
	6 p.m.	Bigbury (Evening Service, BCP)
Sunday December 10	9 a.m.	Ringmore (Holy Communion, ASB)
	11 a.m.	Bigbury (Morning Prayer & Holy Communion, BCP)
	6 p.m.	Kingston (Evening Service, BCP)
Sunday December 17	9 a.m.	Bigbury (Holy Communion, ASB)
	11 a.m.	Kingston (Family Service)
	6 p.m.	Ringmore (Carol Service)
Wednesday December 20	7.30 p.m.	Kingston (Carol Service)
Christmas Eve	9 a.m.	Kingston (Holy Communion, BCP)
	11 a.m.	Bigbury (Carol Service)
	4 p.m.	Kingston (Carols round the Crib)
	11.30 p.m.	Ringmore (Midnight Communion, BCP)
Christmas Day	9 a.m.	Bigbury (Holy Communion, BCP, said)
	10.30 a.m.	Kingston (Family Service)
Sunday December 31	3.30 p.m.	United Team Service in Aveton Gifford
	11.30 p.m.	Kingston (Watchnight Service) with the bells at midnight
Sunday January 7, 1996	9 a.m.	Kingston (Holy Communion, BCP)
	11 a.m.	Ringmore (Christingle Service)
	6 p.m.	Bigbury (Evening Service, BCP)

Delphine and I hope to move from Totnes to Ringmore on Thursday December 7. Please contact the Team Rector, John Cole, (830260) or Michael Tagent (810520) if you have any queries before that date.

Journey's End Journal

We would like to endorse the sentiments on the front page and thank everyone who helped make Bonfire Night such a great success.

The Easton Art Group is holding a Christmas Exhibition of their work from 15th December to 14th January. A donation from all sales will be made to St Luke's Hospice. This is a good opportunity to buy an original gift and give to charity. please pop in any time during opening hours.

We are having a disco of 60's and 70's music on Friday 8th December, starting at 8.30pm - get in the mood for Christmas!

Our New Year's Eve Dinner is fully booked but, of course, the bar will be open and we hope you will pop in for a dance and a drink.

The December programme is as follows:

Friday 1st	Music Night - GIN
Friday 8th	DISCO
Friday 15th	Art Exhibition commences
	Music Night - GEORGE BREAKFAST
Thursday 21st	Christmas Quiz
Friday 22nd	Christmas Draw - 9.30pm
	Music Night - FAIR PLAY
Sunday 24th	Christmas Eve - Mulled Wine and Mince Pies
Monday 25th	Christmas Day - Open 12.30 - 2.00pm ONLY
Tuesday 26th	Boxing Day - Normal Hours
Sunday 31st	New Year's Eve



**Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year from
James and Gillian**



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New Year

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WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY

Ringmore WI held their Annual General Meeting for 1995 on 9th November: this was well attended. A new President was elected, Mrs Jackie Tagent, and we wish her well for the coming year! Warm thanks are due to Pam Wood, retiring Joint Presidents, for their sterling acknowledge members loyalty when many in continuing.



After the business of the meeting was enjoyed a small party to mark the 80th Birthday of Alice Mason, a former President and still a Committee Member, who attended WI Meetings as a child with her Mother, a founder member of Ringmore WI, in 1924. We are very proud of her record of loyalty.

Our Christmas Party will be on Thursday 13th December at the JE.

Naomi Warne




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Julie Linzell for the toys
and to the
Ladies of the WI
for their donation to our
Christmas Party

Listen out, we may be Carol singing
Ringmore Rascals & Mums



The Ringmore Rascals (and parents) party will be in the WI Hall on Sunday 17th at 2.00pm. There will be games, Dave the Magician, songs with music and (if the kids are good) Father Christmas will be dropping in to enjoy plenty of party food and refreshments.

Young or old, if you would like to come along, please contact Jane on 810707 before Saturday 9th so we can provide for everyone.



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Excerpts from the minutes of the November Meeting

Roger Anstey spoke about AGENDA 21 which concerns all our futures with respect to the environment and quality of life. Seminars, to be held in the South Hams at various locations, will carry on through January & February and everyone with an interest in the future is urged to attend one.

Daniel McCarthy gave a very interesting, informative and light-hearted talk about 'Driving Speeds Down in Devon'. Apparently the biggest problem is not young hooligans on the road but ordinary people, like you and me, who don't realise the fact that they are driving at a speed which endangers others. Not many people get knocked down by a car doing 80 mph. Most are killed or injured by cars doing less than 40! Speeding needs to be dealt with at a local level and the Council agreed to look at the setting up of a local action group to improve the problems we have.

The Council is to look at local road signing with a view to directing visitors away from problem parking spots and towards such places as the new National Trust Car Park. Also the road designation of those such as Rocky Path is to be checked upon.

A Freephone number for the National Rivers Authority is now available for problems or complaints:- 0800 80 70 60

Donations of £35 towards the fireworks and £5 towards the Inter-Parish Quiz were agreed. Thanks are due to all those involved in the organisation of these events.

The Newsletter proposals were postponed until the December meeting due to personal problems intervening to prevent a pre-meeting discussion with the editors.

Devon 2011 was discussed with views being many and varied due to the all-encompassing nature of the plan. Two proposals were passed by the Council, to be relayed to County Hall. One was that there should be no new town built within the South Hams and the other that there be no low-cost housing development in the Parish, unless the need should become apparent. The need is not apparent as low-cost housing in Kingston has had trouble finding enough residents.

Next Meeting 19th December - come and air your views
Rob Batten



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This is to wish all in the neighbourhood a Very Happy Christmas 1995 and New Year 1996 and to say a Very Special 'Thank You' to those below for their particular help and kindnesses to me in 1995, which I have very much appreciated:

Ringmore:

Miss Coleman-Mills, Mr Jim Freeman,
Mrs Ivy Cullum, Mrs Jo Gander,
Mr Ken Light, The Eddy's, The Brunskill's
The Trant's, The (F) Williams,
Mr Steve Freeman, Mr & Mrs K Dann
Mrs N Warne, Mrs Bennet, Miss Walton,
Ringmore PO, Mr Sheppard,
Mrs Kit Taylor, Miss M Trueman

Kingston: Mr P Kingdom

Modbury:

Mr David Laidler & Staff at Modbury
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Happy Christmas 1995
and
New Year 1996



Barbara Drabble, Ringmore 1995

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TEN YEARS AGO

The Parish Council paid 86% of the cost of producing the Newlster but that was only £15.31!

The British Legion Poppy Appeal raised £712.05p. There was a reference to a certain Miss Katherine Sanderson who sold Poppies at Harrods in 1921, the year of the first Poppy Appeal. Miss Sanderson is better known to us as Kit Taylor!

The Ringmore Historical Society reported its first meeting.....

The Parish Emergency Team was seeking recruits. *What happened to the team?*



**Julie Denis
Ty & Zak**

wish all



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December

This is the final poser of the year. The Matchman leads Doreen by a whisker and had the 'tate entrants' joined the race earlier, they would be challenging!

The 36 squares must be split into four identical shapes, each shape containing the same 9 letters, which spell a topical word.

M	H	I	S	H	S
S	C	T	C	S	A
R	S	R	A	I	C
S	M	A	R	T	R
I	C	T	M	M	S
A	T	H	I	S	H

November

All rows, columns & diagonals total 65.

17	24	1	8	15
23	5	7	14	16
4	6	13	20	22
10	12	19	21	3
11	18	25	2	9

Are you brilliant or are the puzzles too simple? TDF, The Furry Boys, Yog-sothoth and The Matchman all returned correct solutions. One lap to go - Good Luck everyone.



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Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 1995

As we draw to the end of 1995 it has been a most remarkable year for our local Royal British Legion. Following on from the VE and VJ Anniversary celebrations, I reminded you that the ordinary work of the Legion had to carry on and that was why the annual Poppy Appeal was so important. I must admit that I wondered whether the National Lottery would have an effect on our collections. I'm happy to say that I was proved to be totally wrong to even consider the possibility. Last year's record total of £1870 was completely shattered with an incredible total of £2220. The following shows the breakdown of how this figure was achieved.

The annual Auction was held on Friday 10th November at 9pm at the Journey's End Inn, by kind permission of James and Gillian Parkin. Under the persuasive hammer of Rob Batten, a remarkable £705 was realised for the Poppy Appeal. Many and varied were the items sold, including a number of pledges and two pictures painted by a local artist. Valuable assistance was rendered by Fiona, doing the book-keeping and Stan, David and Reg doing the humping and heaving. To add to this, the whisky raffle realised £93. A remarkable night.

On Saturday morning, 11th November, the Coffee Morning was held at Sedgewell Sands, Bigbury-on-Sea, by kind permission of Mr & Mrs Jack Smith. The weather was unfriendly but people turned out in great numbers and a record £360 was raised. A feature of the event was the re-introduction of the 2 minute silence at 11.00am, which was appreciated by those present. A big 'Thank you' to all the helpers.

On Sunday morning, 12th November, the Remembrance Service was held at Ringmore Church and conducted by Mr Michael Tagent. In his sermon he reminded us that we should not only remember those who gave their lives but think about how and why these sacrifices came about. A splendid service realised a further £138 for the Appeal.

On Monday evening 13th November, the last event, the Whist Drive, was held at Ringmore WI Hall and was organised by the Ladies Branch. A further £50 plus £20.50 for wreaths was raised for the Poppy Appeal.


The Ringmore WI gave a donation of £10 to the Appeal.

Meantime, from the beginning of November, our collectors had been out and about the three parishes knocking on doors and together with static boxes in pubs, clubs and shops, they raised a further £842, once again a record.

This has been another wonderful effort by a very dedicated team. However I must point out that the team is fairly mature to say the least and we are inevitably losing some of our older members. No less than five stalwarts of earlier years have passed away this year. To carry on the good work we need new members to help us. If you are interested why not have a chat with a member near you.

Thank you all once again for your wonderful support

Guy Eddy, Poppy Appeal Organiser



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and a Happy & Prosperous New Year.

Should any of you be thinking of a last minute package deal, I now update all the holidays available from the major tour operators (Thomsons, Airtours, etc.) on a daily basis - if it isn't showing on my computer screen, it probably isn't there, so don't believe everything you see on Teletext! My world-wide discounted scheduled fares are still competitive with any others you might see and, don't forget I can also do European rail travel.

My thanks to everyone for your support during 1995

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Joan Baughan

A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS

& A PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE IN RINGMORE

Many thanks to our indispensable Contributors, large & small, who keep us on our toes with last-minute items!

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The Editors

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DECEMBER NEWS



A very merry Christmas to all our customers, young and older!
We hope the festive season is a good one for you.

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AN INVITATION TO 'NOT-TOO-LATE NIGHT SHOPPING

We should like to invite all our regular customers to come and enjoy a glass of mulled wine with us any time between 6pm and 8.30pm on Friday, 8th December.

And if you are taking your first (or a rare) opportunity to sample the delights of the shop, you are most welcome to do your 'late night' shopping and partake of a glass of mulled wine as well!

OPENING TIMES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

but please note the changes during Christmas week:

POST OFFICE

Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday 9am - 1pm

SHOP

Monday	8am - 1pm
Tuesday	8am - 1pm
Wednesday	Closed all day
Thursday	8am - 1pm
Friday	8am - 1pm and 4pm - 6pm
Saturday	8am - 1pm and 4pm - 6pm
Sunday	9am - 12 noon

**Remember that on Friday 8th December the shop will be open from 8am - 1pm and 6pm - 8.30pm (see details above)*

** Christmas Week:*

Sunday 24th 9am - 12 noon

The Shop and Post Office will be closed Monday 25th

Tuesday 26th

Wednesday 27th

then open Thursday 28th

Friday 29th

Saturday 30th

(9am to 1pm only)

Sunday 31st 9am - 12 noon

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Please remember to pick up a leaflet from the shop ready to order your fruit, veg, nuts, bread, mince pies and dairy produce for Christmas

Last but not least - our special offer of 5% discount on any 12 bottles of wine will continue until the end of the year so take advantage of it now whilst stocks last! Free delivery of course.

The January shop news leaflet will be packed with information, details of sale items and special offers.

Collect your 'January shop news' at the shop counter anytime from 2nd January 1996.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

