

RINGMORE

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Happy New Year

After the colour and excitement of the often something of a 'let-down'. No gone; dull grey skies; pounds of dietary keeping, the Newsletter is a rather than usual but all is not doom and gloom. have gained an hour's daylight and taken a big

festive season, January is bright decorations; loved ones excesses - and those bills! In austere edition with less to report By the end of the month we will step towards Spring.

However, before we leave Christmas behind, there is room to mention the colourful lights around the village which did help to generate the festive spirit, including the illuminated Christmas Tree outside the Church. Well done to everyone who did their bit to brighten the festive period.

The 1996 winners of the Enigma puzzle are the Furry Boys. Well done and thank you to everyone who entered during the year. Let's have more competitors. Most of the '96 entrants would have stood a chance of winning had they entered on a regular basis but only the Furry Boys were consistent and that deservedly paid off. Because they are anonymous there is some difficulty in awarding the prize but as they are obviously clever, perhaps they would like to devise a method by which the transfer can be made to their satisfaction.

Finally, let us look forward to 1997 with the hope that we can enjoy a Happy, Prosperous and above all, Peaceful New Year.

JANUARY DIARY

WEDNESDAYS: Aerobics Church Hall 8.30pm
THURSDAYS: Quiz Night JE 9.00pm

- 9th WI Meeting 7.30pm - Guests welcome at 8.15 to hear talk on Tutankhamun
- 13th South Hams Police Liaison Group Salcombe Guildhall 7.30pm
- 15th Historical Society Open Meeting 7.30pm Church Hall - NB No Aerobics?
- 16th Historical Exhibition in the Church Hall 9.00 am - 4.00pm
- 18th Bring & Buy Sale for Leprosy WI Hall 10.30am - 12.00 noon
- 21st Parish Council Meeting WI Hall 7.00pm

DEADLINE

Monday 25th January

Mobile Library

January
Dates: 6th & 20th
St Ann's Chapel
11.10 - 11.30
Challaborough
1.50 - 2.00
Ringmore Church
2.05 - 2.40
Kingston Fire Station
3.00 - 4.00

Rainfall

25th Nov - 23rd Dec

3 4/5"

Fiona Batten

Total rainfall for 1996 - 38 1/2"
Ave Dec for last 10 years - 4"
High - Dec '94 & '95 - 4"
Low - Dec 1988 - 1 1/4"

Thank You

As we mentioned last month, the success which we enjoyed last year, due to our advertisers and contributors, enabled us to produce the colourful front page which found such favour in the village. As most of you will have deduced, the colour was pre-printed but contrary to a widely held belief, little else happens at the push of a button. We appreciate your encouragement; kind words make the effort worthwhile.

We will continue to maintain standards and, as in '96, when occasionally we slip, we rely on you to let us know.

The Editors

Parish Church of All Hallows, Ringmore



As I sit before the keyboard, I wonder what on earth I should type for this Newsletter. A New Year! Another one? How many more will I experience? And what does "new" mean? After all, the interval between New Year's Eve and New Year's Day is only a split second, and yet we act as if there were an eternity between them. We like to "ring out the old, ring in the new", but often the old has us firmly in its grasp, while the new, as yet, evades ours. Why bother?

Surely it should be easy for Christians, who say they believe in "Jesus Christ the same, yesterday, today and for ever" (*Hebrews 13:8*), to step into a new year almost without even noticing it. Yet neither our life nor God Himself is static. "Behold, I make all things new", says God (*Revelation 21: 5*); and the scientific fact of cell regeneration adds another dimension to this changing process of life. So there is something to depend upon as we enter a new year; and there is development and change all the time.

I'm lost in my thoughts (I hope you aren't!), so I'll just add a thought which Dag Hammarskjöld, one time General Secretary of the UN, entered in his diary on a New Year's Day not long before his mysterious death in a plane crash in 1961: "To the past: Thanks. To the future: Yes"

And to start the New year:

January 5	9 a.m.	Kingston	(Holy Communion, ASB)
	11 a.m.	Ringmore	(The Eleven O'Clock Service)
	6 p.m.	Bigbury	(Evening Prayer, BCP)
January 12	9 a.m.	Ringmore	(Holy Communion, ASB)
	11 a.m.	Bigbury	(Christingle Service)
	6 p.m.	Kingston	(Evening Prayer, BCP)
January 16	7 30 p.m.	"Seeing the Bible Whole" Seminar Evening in the Memorial Hall, Aveton Gifford	
January 19	9 a.m.	Bigbury	(Holy Communion, BCP)
	11 a.m.	Kingston	(The Eleven O'Clock Service)
	6 p.m.	Ringmore	(Evening Prayer, BCP)
January 26	9 a.m.	Ringmore	(Holy Communion, BCP)
	11 a.m.	Bigbury	(The Eleven O'Clock Communion)
	6 p.m.	Kingston	(Evening Prayer, ASB)
January 30	7 30 p.m.	"Seeing the Bible Whole" Seminar Evening in the Memorial Hall, Aveton Gifford	

Journey's End Journal

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

to everyone

from

James, Gillian and all the Staff

There will be a full programme of Music Nights, Food Features, Beer Festivals, Exhibitions and Quiz Nights in 1997. We look forward to welcoming you all to the events of your choice.



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Mon - Sat 11.30am - 3.00pm & 6.00pm - 11.00pm
Sun Noon - 10.30pm

Last time for ordering food
Lunch 2.00pm Dinner 9.00pm

Leprosy Appeal

There are more than 2 million people suffering from Leprosy and an estimated 4 million others who have disabilities as a result of the disease. For the foreseeable future, there will be more than 500,000 new patients diagnosed each year and 100,000 of these will be children. Every minute of every day, one more person is found to have Leprosy and some of these will already be severely disabled.

Working with LEPROSY, Blue Peter viewers will be helping to provide a solution

Please support our Bring and Buy Sale. Donations of saleable items such as cakes, videos, cassettes, books, toys, biscuits, sweets, unwanted Christmas presents, even Objet d'art and Craft items will be gratefully received.

The Children of Ringmore present

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**Saturday 18th January - 10.30am - 12.00 noon
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Ringmore Historical Society

The Society will be holding an open meeting in the Church Hall, at 7.30pm, on Wednesday 15th January. The subject is the History of Ringmore. The exhibition material used in the Cookworthy Museum during the Summer of 1995 will be the focus of the evening, supplemented by copies of documents and maps relating to different aspects of Ringmore's history. Everyone is welcome. There will be the usual refreshments and the cost of entry remains unchanged - members 30p and non-members 60p.

On the following day, Thursday 16th, the exhibition will be on display from 9.00am - 4.00pm. Entry will be free and there will be a member of the RHS Committee present to assist as far as possible. For anyone who would like a quick, condensed introduction to the history of the village, this is an opportunity not to be missed. The committee hopes that the day-long exhibit will enable many people to attend who are unable to attend other meetings of the Society.

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RINGMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting: 16th December 1996. Present: All members of the Parish Council, 6 members of the public, Mr R Anstey, District Councillor and WPC F. Fallah.

Police

The police request us to be vigilant concerning strangers acting suspiciously, particularly with regards to local Post Offices or to anyone you don't know asking for a lift in your car. In case of emergency, call 999 or for non-emergencies call 0990 777 444 and ask to be put through to the Help Desk or Kingsbridge Police Station.

Ayrmer Cove

The beach has been cleaned up once again in time for Christmas. 'Thank you' to Adrian and the willing band of volunteers.

District Council

Mr Anstey informed us about the proposed new development on the Warren at Bigbury-on-Sea. If all goes to plan, there will be a block of about 28 flats replacing the old buildings, a new toilet block, a shop and a small leisure complex.

Planning

There were no objections to the planning application for the building of six housing units within the boundaries of Higher Manor Farm.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st January 1997.

Thelma Mann

Children's Carols and Party

Thank you to Sue and Adrian Muller for providing mulled wine and mince pies after a particularly cold night carol singing around the village on the Saturday evening before Christmas, which was most appreciated.

After the carol singing, sixteen village children enjoyed games, food, a visit from Father Christmas and Dave's minstrel playing at the 1996 Christmas Party. **Thank You** to the WI for their donation to party funds, to Mr & Mrs Collinson for donating the real Christmas Tree and decorations, to the Parochial Church Council for the use of the hall and especially to Father Christmas who entertained us all.

Yvonne Sheppard

Plymouth Museum and Art Gallery

The City of Plymouth Museum and Art Gallery is providing lots of local interest in the Winter season, free of charge. On now are the following exhibitions:

Women Artists in Cornwall to 18th January 1997 - paintings by accomplished women artists
South Crofty to 22nd February 1997 - an atmospheric and vibrant new series of paintings by Kurt Jackson, recording the works of Cornwall's last operating tin mine.

The City and the Sea to Spring 1998 - the story of Sutton Harbour and The Hoe, including a five-metre long model of the Golden Hinde.

Drake Circus, Plymouth

Tuesday to Friday 10.00am to 5.30pm

Saturday and Bank Holiday Mondays 10.00am to 5.00pm

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Inter-Parish Quiz

The draw for the Inter-Parish Quiz has been made and Ringmore was provisionally drawn against Bigbury. Unfortunately Bigbury did not enter a team; consequently Ringmore has a bye into the second round. This means that we are not guaranteed a home game as this and subsequent rounds are not played on the home and away basis.

The second round is not scheduled until March so there will be a wait before we know our opponents. Watch out for posters nearer the time for information regarding the date and venue.

Colin Jackson, Ringmore's new Team Captain has gathered a useful number of willing participants from which to make up the team and in due course he will inform those who are needed for the first match. There will be the usual impassioned plea for moral support and if we are at home, for catering support as well.



December solution

There were four responses to end the 1996 competition of which the Furry Boys are clear winners. The Beginners and Zero matched the solution while Yog-Sothoth and the Furry Boys missed by a whisker! Their confusion lay with words AXIN (an extract from Mexican Cochineal) and FIVE which they entered as AFIX and VINE. AFIX does not appear even in the Compact OED with only one F. The overall result is not affected but if anyone can confirm the spelling, it would be interesting.

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January

A relatively simple Magic Square to start the New Year. Put the numbers 1 - 25 into the grid to form a Magic Square in which the horizontal and vertical lines total 65. All odd numbers must be in the shaded section.

Remember, you have to be in it to win it! Good Luck for 1997

TEN YEARS AGO . . .

The Newsletter was almost self-supporting thanks to the advertisers.

The stream to Ayrmer Cove was polluted by silage and slurry.

The mysterious Erme and Avon Flower Club announced a programme of monthly meetings.

In the Inter-Parish Quiz, Ringmore's opponents withdrew giving us a bye into the second round - see note on Inter-Parish Quiz

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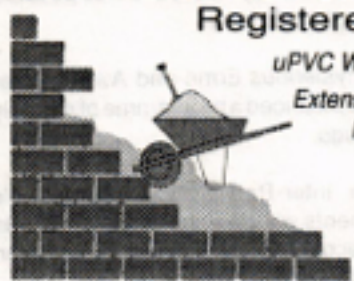
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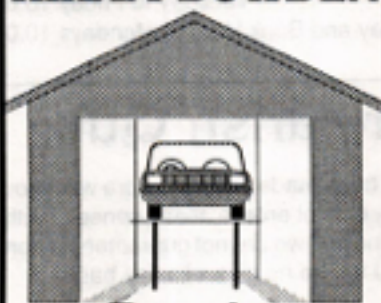
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