

Ringmore Parish Newsletter

April 2017

Edited by David

Deadline for May, 24th April



*It was good to see some late March
sunshine at last after a lot of dull and
misty weather in the area. Photo - David*

RINGMORE DIARY DATES

Tuesday: Table Tennis, Parish Room 8.00 pm

April

- 1 All Hallows, pre Easter clean 10.00 am
- 7 Parish Room Quiz Night 7.00 for 7.30 please note change of date
- 8 WI Coffee Morning in aid of the Triangle Centre
- 11 Parish Council meeting. WI Hall 7.00pm
- 12 Art Class Parish room 2.00pm
- 13 WI Talk, *The Triangle Centre* WI Hall, 7.30pm
- 18 Parish Room AGM - all villagers welcome 10.00 am Parish Room
- 19 Ringmore Historical Society talk - *Whatever Next?* - WI Hall, 7.30pm
- 26 Art Class Parish room 2.00pm
- 27 WI Spring outing and tea. Bowringsleigh Gardens

May

- 1 WI May Fair 2.30 pm
- 11 WI Annual and Resolutions meeting

- 16 Parish Council Meeting 6.45 pm followed by the Parish Council AGM at 7.30 pm WI Hall
- 28 Private Function in the Parish Room 12.00 pm

June

- 8 WI Summer meal for members and partners bring and share. WI Hall 7.00pm

July

- 13 Experiences in Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos WI Hall 7.30pm

Oh, to be in England
Now that April's there
And whoever wakes in England
Sees, some morning, unaware,
That the lowest boughs and the brushwood
sheaf
Round the elm-tree bole are in tiny leaf,
While the chaffinch sings on the orchard
bough
In England - now!

Robert Browning 1812 - 89

From the Editor.....

Welcome to the April edition of the newsletter. By some accounts, its name is derived from the latin word aperit, which means to open. It is considered that April is the month of the growing season and when trees and flowers begin to "open". Whoopee!

There are a number of announcements this month, not least the news that Dane and Hilary are planning to retire when they can find a buyer for their home and business. More details on page 7 but undoubtedly whilst we are all grateful for the efforts they have put into Holywell Stores that has made it indispensable for many in the area we all wish them a long and happy retirement when it comes. Dane tells me that finding a buyer could take some time so he expects them to be running the shop for a while yet!

Last month the Parish council advertised a casual vacancy and I am pleased to advise you that I was co-opted onto the council. I am looking forward to continuing my contribution to the life of the village and would welcome any comments and/or issues you might wish me to raise in future.

In an attempt to learn more about the recent history of the village I have been looking back at old issues of the Newsletter kindly loaned to me by Phill Errett. I will share some gems with you from time to time, not least the following from April 2002, some fifteen years ago. Then it was edited by Geof Dykes and ran to around ten pages. In it was featured the grand re-opening of the WI Hall after some refurbishment work. It is good to see that Mike Wynne Powell was an active photographer even then. For I can reproduce from that newsletter the image he took of the re-opening ceremony. And its lovely to see some familiar (and younger) faces in the line up!



If you have any comments or suggestions to make these will be gratefully received at ringmorenews@gmail.com or by telephone to 811212. David

Ringmore First Aid Responder - In an emergency call 999 then any of us.

Lizzie Andrews	01548 810615	Alan Eaves	01548 810648
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Emily Bohnet	01548 811210	Debbie Mercy	01548 811276

THE DEFIBRILLATOR is at No 8 Crossways (Andi and Emily's) on the right hand side of the wall as you face the front door. There is also one at Challaborough Shop and at Holywell Stores

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The newsletter is edited by David. Please ensure you use the Ringmore News email Below (this has recently changed) and not personal email addresses. If you have any news views, jokes, interesting articles, recipes, book reviews, or something to celebrate or share please send this to: ringmorenews@gmail.com, David 811212

Ringmore Newsletter

Last month there was some confusion over the cost to advertise in the Ringmore newsletter and to avoid any misunderstanding in future I am listing the charges for 2017 for the full variety of advertising options whether you are a commercial advertiser or promoting a village society or village function.

Charges are made for this service to enable a printed version of the newsletter to be published. In recent years the newsletter has been fully funded from advertising and I plan and expect this to continue. Each month's newsletter costs around £130 to print. Not surprisingly, the more pages there are, the more it costs to produce. In addition there are occasional costs for stationery items used in the preparation for the newsletter.

In broad terms, village societies get some free space and then pay for additional space that they want. Regular advertisers (such as the WI) pay a reduced annual rate but are still entitled to some free space. I will always try and accommodate villager requirements as the newsletter is solely produced for the benefit of the readers.

I have listed the various charges below and then added the deadlines for each newsletter to the end of the year. I plan to get printed copies to the distributors by the 1st of each month and have to have a minimum amount of time to compile the newsletter and get it to the printer (who generally needs around three days turnaround time).

Advertising Charges - 2017

Commercial Advertisements

Box Advert – 1/8 of A4 Page – Black & White	£22.00 p.a. (12 Issues) £2.50 per one off advert
Box Advert – ¼ of A4 Page – Black & White	£33.00 p.a. (12 issues) £3.50 per one off advert
Box Advert – ½ of A4 Page – Black & White	£55.00 p.a. (12 issues) £5.50 per one off advert
Box Advert – Full A4 Page – Black & White	£98.00 p.a. (12 issues) £9.50 per one off advert

Parish Announcements

Parish Council – 2 A4 Pages (plus extra pages when needed)	£140.00 p.a.
Parochial Church Council - 1 A4 (1 A4 page free)	£70.00 p.a.
W.I. – ½ page (1/2 page free)	£35.00 p.a.
Other Parish societies – ½ or ¼ page	B&W Free
	1 A4 page B&W £6.00
	Additional ½ or ¼ page £3.50

Parish Announcements in colour

If printed on back of coloured front page:	1 /4 page	£4.00
	1/2 page	£7.50
	1 A4 page	£15.00

If it has to be printed in main body of newsletter	
	1 A4 page £25.00

Copy Deadlines 2017

May	25 th April	June	25 th May
July	25 th June	August	25 th July
September	25 th August	October	25 th September
November	25 th October	December	25 th November
January 2018 22 nd December			

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES & THOUGHT FOR APRIL

Sunday	2 nd 5th in Lent	9 th Palm Sunday	16 th Easter Day	23 rd 2nd of Easter
Aveton Gifford 11.00 am	Family Service	Donkey Parade/Holy Communion by Ext'n	Easter Communion	Sunday Worship
Bigbury 11.00 am	Family Communion	Sunday Worship	Easter Communion	Holy Communion*
Kingston 9.30 am	Family Communion	Sunday Worship	Easter Communion	Village Service
Modbury 8.00 am 9.30 am	Holy Communion	Holy Communion* Family Service	Easter Communion	Sunday Worship
Ringmore 9.30 am	Sunday Worship	Holy Communion*	Easter Communion	Sunday Worship

On 30th April there is a Joint Family Service for all the churches in Bigbury at 10.30 am

* Service in traditional language. The "Village Service" is led by members of the congregation.

There is Holy Communion by Extension at the Korniloff, Bigbury-on-Sea at 2.30 pm on Tuesday 18th April.

Where do you put the cross?



Can you remember standing in the little booth at the local elections, the referendum or even the last general election and voting by putting a cross in the box you chose? For some, the decision was made there and then, right at the last moment; others made up their mind long before or even decided not to vote at all.

It is a different cross which calls for our attention at Easter. A cross found on a green hill far away outside a city wall, two thousand years ago, and yet echoed in every church building

around the world; outlined in daffodils on Prigdon hill, there on each war memorial and countless other places. Have a look and see how many crosses you come across and as you do, think of the decisions you have made. The cross of Jesus faces us with a faith decision; voting for God and his way: Jesus said: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."



As I come up to retirement, I have been thinking about some of the decisions in my life. Sixty five years ago, a cross was traced on my forehead at baptism as a sign of God's calling. Forty years ago, I made the decision of ordination to ministry in the Church of England. Twelve years ago I was faced with the decision to come to Modbury as Team Rector. This year, I am faced with the decision of retirement.

I thank the Lord for his guiding as I have tried to follow and I thank you for encouragement and the fellowship of walking together in faith.

In the decisions that lie ahead, I shall still be thinking of where to put the cross.

Neil Barker

Rector: The Revd Neil Barker (830260: any day except Monday)

Readers: Joyce Howitt (01364 73093), Chris Lally (521587), Michael Tagent (810520)

Website: www.modburyteam.org



Easter Teas

Ringmore W.I. Hall

*Easter Sunday and Monday
16th & 17th April from 3.15 to 5.30 pm*

Hot Cross Buns – Scones

Simnel & other home-made Cakes

Tea, coffee or squash

(unlimited refills!)



A treat for the whole family

Looking back at our March meeting ...

Our March meeting was a little different from normal, in that the speaker arrived on a powerful motorbike equipped with blue flashing light. No, there was no emergency in Ringmore! It was Neil Gardner from Devon Freewheelers who had come to tell us about the work this charity does.

They are a team of 37 volunteers, who deliver vital blood supplies, medication and donor breast milk to hospitals throughout Devon out of hours when the NHS is unable to do so. They provide cover from 5 pm to 6 am every day of the year, on an entirely voluntary basis; they receive no government or NHS funding. Occasionally they go further afield to Bristol and sometimes London – wherever there is a need.

They have an ageing fleet of eleven bikes which they are in the process of replacing, plus two all-terrain vehicles, all of which are maintained to a high standard. Their annual budget is £150,000.

Just think! When we are sitting in the comfort of our warm homes, a Devon Freewheeler biker is out there, in all weathers, delivering blood and medication which could save someone's life. What a dedicated team! As they put it: "Riding for Life".

... and looking forward to our April meeting

... on Thursday 12th April at 8 pm, when we welcome Barbara Smith, a Palliative Care Nurse from The Triangle Centre. She will be giving us an update of the work of the Centre, and we will be presenting her with a cheque from our fund-raising efforts for this, our Charity for the Year.

We look forward to your being with us as we hear more about this valuable work – which some in the village have already experienced.



All Hallows Church, Ringmore

Brian Stark

It was with great sadness to hear that Brian passed away, peacefully at home, on Monday 6th March aged 85 years. In accordance with Brian's wishes there will be a family only private cremation. Brian will be remembered fondly by his friends at All Hallows, along with so many other villagers. His expertise in cleaning the brass will be greatly missed and his sincere reading of the "Role of Honour" at the Remembrance service will be in our thoughts for many years to come. Our thoughts and prayers are with Meribah and family at this sad time.

Church Clean

The pre-Easter church clean will take place on **Saturday 1st April at 10.00am**. Anyone who can spare an hour or so that morning to help with the various tasks of sweeping, dusting, polishing and brass cleaning will be most welcome

Neil Barker's Retirement

Neil our Team Rector retires on Easter Sunday where he will be taking his last service at St Georges Modbury. A party has been organised as a farewell for both Neil and Caroline by all the churches in the Team, along with others, at Modbury Memorial Hall on Sunday 23rd April starting with the Grace at 6.30pm. If anyone would like to attend could you please contact Judy or I so that we have an idea of numbers, transport can be arranged if required. Neil's last service at All Hallows will be on Sunday 9th April at 9.30am. All Hallows has arranged a card for all well wishers to sign which will be presented to Neil at the service on the 9th April. A collection will be held locally and then forwarded to be part of a joint collection from all the churches at the party. Please contact me if you wish to sign the card and/or add to the collection. Neil will be greatly missed as he has given us excellent leadership and fellowship over the past 12 years.

Neil's Successor

Judy and Gilbert from All Hallows, have been on the team along with others from the various churches in agreeing the suitable documentation to attract a successor following Neil's retirement. The post was recently advertised and hopefully it will attract a number of applicants for the post. Judy will be the All Hallows representative on the Interview panel which takes place on 16th May. Our thoughts and prayers are with Judy to select a suitable person.

Safeguarding

Judy, Adrian, Gill and I attended an all day "Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk" course in

Plymouth in March organised by the Diocese of Exeter. The aim of the course was to explore practical guidance in the diocesan safeguarding processes, including response to serious safeguarding situations, information recording and the importance of partnership working. We were also taught, among other topics, how to explain the diocesan safeguarding process for responding to serious safeguarding situations and the importance of using appropriate methods of recording and storing safeguarding information.

Rainwater Furniture

A small grant has been obtained towards the refurbishment of the rainwater furniture around the area of the Lady Chapel. This has been the subject of some concern recently as water has been leaking into the church in this area. Andi & Yogi King have been invited to carry out this refurbishment by the end of this year otherwise we shall lose the grant towards the work. Hopefully once this has been completed, and when sufficient funds allow, further rainwater furniture refurbishment can be carried out in areas causing concern

Pancake Day

The Shrove Tuesday Coffee morning was held on 28th February and raised the marvellous sum of £306, £286 for the Devon Air Ambulance and £20 to the Parish Room for use of the hall and equipment. Many thanks to all who helped arrange, donated gifts and supported the coffee morning. It was a pleasure to see other "tossers" making and throwing the pancakes!! It was a lovely occasion and great to see and hear villagers enjoying themselves.

Quinquennial Inspection

The five yearly inspections of the church and graveyard takes place this year. It is hoped that nothing untoward will be found. There are a couple of gravestones that do require attention as they are looking slightly unstable and John Butler has agreed to attend to the problem.

Prayer Chain

From time to time, most of us feel the need for prayer (whether or not we go to church). If anyone has a prayer request, they can phone one of the numbers below and give details of the request (as much or as little detail as they wish). That person will then phone the next person on the list and so on - ensuring at least ten people are praying. These will be Mary Wilson 830280, Gill Tomlin 810028, Sally Errett 810547, Alice Thornton 810284, Judy Bull 810420, Alison Wynne-Powell 810407, Sally Ness 810639, Drina Williams 810405. Rosemary Wilson 810211 & Jenny Williams 810851. Some people have said they are worried about confidentiality when asking for prayer. I can assure them that one of the main conditions of joining the prayer chain is the promise never to discuss the requests apart from the initial information being passed on. However it is always lovely to know that prayers have been answered (and they usually are, but not always when and how we expect!)

Kingsbridge Foodbank

Your support for the Foodbank has been considerable – well done and hopefully we can keep up the good work in 2017. The FOODBANK is here to help people in crisis in and around Kingsbridge. A container is placed in the Church Porch for items to be placed in which will be taken to the Foodbank every Thursday morning. They are currently welcoming donation of all types of non-perishable items (except Baked Beans and Tea), toiletries such as Toothpaste, brushes and toilet rolls and all types of household cleaning materials. Many thanks for your help for our neighbours in need.

Tearfund Lunches

Judy has written - When we recommence Tearfund Lunches in October, we shall have been holding them for 10years, so I thought I would add up how much Ringmore has sent to Tearfund. We have sent £6,232 which is wonderful, an enormous thank you to everyone involved, the helpers and the eaters!!

Phill Errett (810547)

THE FUTURE OF HOLYWELL STORES

To All Our Customers and Friends,

Hilary and I have decided that the time has come for us to retire, for us to achieve this goal we will need to sell our home and shop.

Unfortunately following discussions with our immediate family, we are unable to persuade any of them to take over the business.

Before we place the shop on the open market we wanted to give local people, their relatives and friends the opportunity to purchase the business. If you or anyone you know is interested, please give us a ring or call in for a chat.

We have thoroughly enjoyed our 20+ years at the shop and serving our community, leaving will not be easy, but we must do it sometime and now is a good time for us to look to the future and see what it might bring.

We will do everything in our power to ensure the shop continues as it is and we will try our very hardest to ensure that any new owners understand the levels of commitment that they will need to make to the local community.

We have no desire to hide anything from you with regards to the shops future, if you want to know what's going on just ask.

Dane & Hilary

holywellstores@msn.com

01548810308

The Ringmore Residents Association

Notice of open meeting

All interested individuals are invited to an open meeting on Wednesday 5th April at 7pm in the WI Hall Ringmore of the above Association.

As previously stated the aim of the association is to represent the views of residents and owners who wish to maintain the character of Ringmore as a thriving rural South Hams village.

ringmoreresidentsassociation@gmail.com



Serving Modbury and Ivybridge from:

Bigbury - Bigbury-on-Sea - Challaborough - Kingston - Ringmore - St Ann's Chapel

Serving Ivybridge from:

Ermington - Ludbrook - Modbury - Ugborough

Journey times - from 26th September 2015 Saturdays only (except Public Holidays)

Arrival in Modbury 1135
outside Pickles hardware store

Arrival in Ivybridge 1205
Leisure Centre (Co-op) and Station

Departure from Modbury 1740

Departure from Ivybridge 1710

**Fare Car 7 is operated by
Ivy Cabs 01752 895555**

To use this service you must book your journey one working day in advance with Ivy Cabs. Please call between 8am and 5pm.

You will be given an approximate pick-up time - please be ready as this is a shared service and other passengers may need to be picked up en route.

Fares

All fares are per SINGLE journey

Zone 1 to/from Modbury **£2.80**

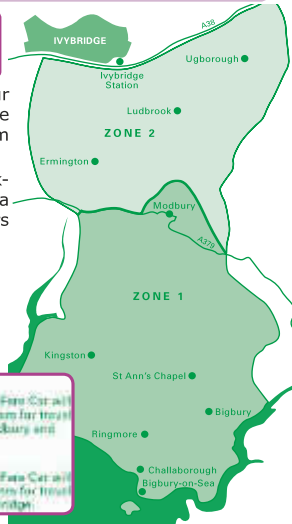
Zone 1 to/from Ivybridge **£3.50**

Zone 2 to/from Ivybridge **£2.80**

These fares are subsidised. There are no further reductions for National Bus Pass holders, children or other categories, except children under 5 who travel free.

Zone 1
Within this area Fare Car will pick up passengers for travel to and from Modbury and Ivybridge.

Zone 2
Within this area Fare Car will pick up passengers for travel to and from Ivybridge.



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Bigbury - Bigbury-on-Sea - Challaborough - Kingston - Ringmore - St Ann's Chapel

Journey times - from 24th February 2016 Wednesdays only (except Public Holidays)

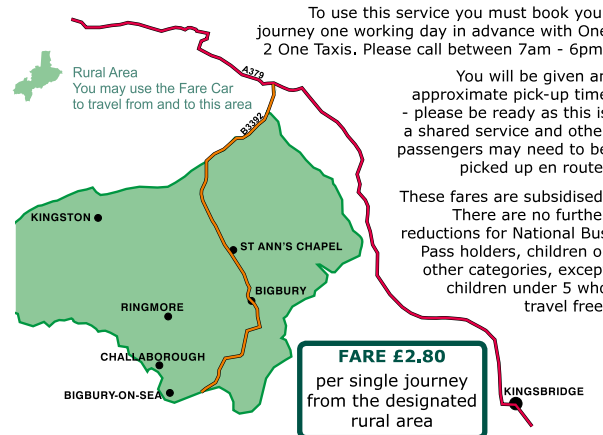
Arrival in Kingsbridge 1030

Departure from Kingsbridge 1230

Drop off/pick up points in Kingsbridge:

Bus Station, Top of Fore St, Morrisons Supermarket, Hospital

**To book Fare Car 17 please call
One 2 One Taxis 07766 406129**



To use this service you must book your journey one working day in advance with One 2 One Taxis. Please call between 7am - 6pm.

You will be given an approximate pick-up time - please be ready as this is a shared service and other passengers may need to be picked up en route.

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Friday Bus Service

Departs Challaborough	09.40
Departs Ringmore	09.56
Arrives Plymouth	10.49
Departs Plymouth	13.30
Arrives Ringmore	14.34
Arrives Challaborough	14.38



Village Transport Scheme

Please remember, if you need a car and driver to get you to hospital or dentist, then phone Sally and Phil Errett on 810547

VILLAGE WHEELCHAIR

A wheelchair is available for people to borrow if the need arises. It is kept in the W.I. Hall, and can be accessed by telephoning either Jackie Tagent (810520) or Sally Errett (810547).

"These are my principles. If you don't like them, I have others." - Groucho Marks



Rainfall locally, March Actual: 94 mm

10 Year Low: 24 mm (2015) 10 Year High: 178 mm (2008) 10 Year Average: 68 mm

Useful websites:

South Hams District Council:

www.southhams.gov.uk

Devon County Council:

www.devon.gov.uk

Report lost property to police:

www.reportMyloss.com

Report highway problems & faults:

[www.devon.gov.uk/road maintenance](http://www.devon.gov.uk/road%20maintenance)



Items amounting to over £35,000 stolen

Police are appealing for witnesses to a high value burglary that took place on a farm in Halwall, Totnes on 26 January 2017.

A number of motor cross bikes and equipment were stolen from a workshop, amounting to approximately £35,000.

The public are being asked to look out for anyone trying to sell these items. Details of bikes are outlined in the following list:

Bikes:

Honda CRF250X, KTM 450SXF/13 with special barrel and small pro

KTM 450SXF/13 with special barrel and small pro-black & orange wheels, all black plastic,

Husqvarna FC450/16

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Yamaha YZ125/2006

Kawasaki KX450F

GasGas 300

Bike kit:

X1 pair Don Joy knee braces

X2 Pair of POD K700 knee braces

661 knee pads

Leatt GPX 4.5 neck brace

Forcefield body amour

Evs rev 4 roost guard

Thor sentinel XP body armour

Thor Sentinal XP body armour- black

Other equipment was also take which consisted of kit bags, helmets and goggles, gloves, boots, and bike spares.

Police are appealing for witnesses and urging anyone who saw or heard anything suspicious in the area at the time of the offence to contact them.

Officers are particularly keen to hear from anyone who may have been offered this equipment for sale or seen anyone in possession of these items.

Make nuisance calls a thing of the past with the new BT Call Protect

BT Call Protect is a call diverting service to prevent nuisance calls and is available for free to all existing and new BT home landline customers.

The service is the first of its kind in the UK and it could see up to 30 million nuisance calls a week (half of these coming from personal accident claims and PPI companies alone) automatically diverted before they reach customers.

To activate the free service call 0800 389 1572 from your BT landline or sign up via BT's Call Protect webpage: www.bt.com/callprotect

Once you sign up, it can take up to 24 hours for Call Protect to start working.

Hark, I hear a robin calling!
List, the wind is from the south!
And the orchard-bloom is falling
Sweet as kisses on the mouth.

In the dreamy vale of beeches
Fair and faint is woven mist,
And the river's orient reaches
Are the palest amethyst.

Every limpid brook is singing
Of the lure of April days;
Every piney glen is ringing
With the maddest roundelays.



Come and let us seek together
Springtime lore of daffodils,
Giving to the golden weather
Greeting on the sun-warm hills.

Ours shall be the moonrise stealing
Through the birches ivory-white;
Ours shall be the mystic healing
Of the velvet-footed night.

Ours shall be the gypsy winding
Of the path with violets blue,
Ours at last the wizard finding
Of the land where dreams come true.



Letters to the Editor - write to ringmorenews@gmail.com .

Dear Editor

Chrissy Wright phoned me about the greater spotted woodpeckers. She is a bit of a bird expert and won the bird spotting competition at the Pancake Extravaganza a few years ago (although I've never seen her 'twitch'). Apparently green woodpeckers do not tap to claim territory, they yaffle instead and the lesser spotted woodpecker inhabits more remote woodland, rather than a village like Ringmore (remote as we may sometimes feel).

Chrissy has had a family of greater spotted woodpeckers on her bird feeder through the winter. The male has a red collar and the juvenile a red head, which distinguish them from the female. But that's the news from Marwell. What's the news from Ringmore?

Adrian Bull

Dear Editor,

My name is Hallie and I am 4 years old. I live at The Sycamores, just up from the church in Ringmore.

I have seen the woodpecker in my garden. Mummy looked it up and it was a male Great Spotted Woodpecker.

I now have a bird book and have seen lots of different birds in my garden including a red legged partridge and a pheasant that comes to visit every day.

Hallie Worden

Thanks for your letter Hallie, it is lovely to receive your wildlife news!

Dear Editor

For the past two or three years we have enjoyed the magnificent sound of song thrushes at the top of the village, with one often on an apple tree in Barnford's garden competing with another across at Skypen, as well as another further down the village, but this year we seem to have reverted to the pattern of earlier years, when we heard them early in the year, but not beyond about the middle of March. What a terrible loss.

A few years ago I sometimes saw a sparrow hawk just across the road, which may have accounted for it then, but I haven't seen one this year. Female sparrow hawks prey on blackbirds and thrushes and birds of that size, but the males on blue tits etc.

But just this morning I saw a thrush on the lawn. So what has happened to the singing? Where has it gone? They're easy to spot because: 'they sing their song thrice o'er, lest you should think they never could recapture that first fine careless rapture' (quoted from memory, not using Google, so somebody will no doubt correct me, but I insist that it is thrice not twice!

Adrian Bull

Dear Sir

A number of years ago, John Elliott (when he was house-for-duties vicar here) was told of a visitor to the church who was the grandson of a former Eddystone lighthouse keeper. He said that his grandfather had told him that in winter he could see the All Hallows west window from the lighthouse when the church was lit for evensong and he used to engage with the church service as if he was there himself.

It would be nice to record this in the Ringmore Historical Society archives, so if you were the person who told John about it, or if you happen to know more about it than my third-hand recollections, do please let us know.

Likewise, if you have any other gems like this from the past, do please let us know.

Adrian Bull

Please send any comments to Adrian or directly to ringmorenews@gmail.com

Bigbury Memorial Hall

Calendar of Events April 2017

Day & Time	Activity	Contact name	Tel. no
Mon. 9.15 – 10.00	Body Boost	Jill Gubbins	810651
10.05 – 11.05	Pilates	Jill Gubbins	810651
19.00 – 20.15	Yoga	Fi Baker	07880498914
Tues. 17.30 - 19.30	Youth Club	Louise Pitt	07786860440
Wed. 9.30 – 11.45	South Hams Shrimps	Beccy Phelan	811179/ 07789111200
Thurs. 9.15 – 10.00	Body Strength	Jill Gubbins	810651
10.05 – 11.05	Pilates	Jill Gubbins	810651
11.15 – noon	Strong & Steady (plus tea & chat)	Jill Gubbins	810651
13.00 – 15.00	*Seniors Computing Club	Phil Shea	810628/ 07777 665872

- *Phil's Computing Classes have stopped for the summer but will restart in September.

April Events:

Thursday 20th April: Filling Station.

Future events:

Bank Holiday Monday 29th May: Bazaar jointly with St Lawrence

Friday 9th June: Rob Barratt Poems and Songs – see posters

Wine tasting: Date to be confirmed

50:100 Club (Promoted by Dane Vanstone). Tickets (£4 for the four monthly draws from April until July 2017) are available from Holywell Stores. Buy now for your chance to win. 50% of the money goes in prizes and 50% to the Memorial Hall. Prize winners for March were Pam Wilcox (£20); Jane Tucker (£10) and John Tucker (£5).

LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS

COME AND CELEBRATE ST GEORGES DAY!



A LIVELY EVENING CELEBRATING ALL
THAT IS BRITISH
UNION FLAG SUPPLIED
FEATURING

LAND OF HOPE AND GLORY
RULE BRITANNIA
JERUSALEM

BRING YOUR OWN FOOD DRINK AND SINGING VOICES!

TICKETS £4.00 PER PERSON FROM HOLYWELL STORES AND
KEITH AND MARY TEL 810263

REAGMORE PARISH ROOM

7.30 PM

22ND APRIL 2017



JAZZ AT THE FISHERMAN'S AVETON GIFFORD

"Kingsbridge Jazz Club" is now firmly established at **The Fisherman's Rest** on the first Tuesday of the month, starting at 7.30pm (doors open 6.30). It has become a unique venue, much loved by the many top Jazz Bands who perform there.

We have professional and international musicians who play not only in the UK but around Europe and as far afield as New Orleans - some indeed have been granted the freedom of The City of New Orleans.

Come along and enjoy the high standard of live music that you would normally only expect to experience at a large city venue.
Bands for the next 2 months are as follows:

4th April ~ The John Maddocks Jazzmen

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Wow, March has just flown by and Easter is almost here. During April our team will start on our path cutting regime as the vegetation is growing well in this warmer weather. With over 40 miles of paths to be cut each year (and many paths needing more than one cut) this is a huge task for our team and our volunteers. If there is a path on National Trust land that is in urgent need of cutting then please do let us know.

Thank you to anyone who came and helped at the Ayrmer cove beach clean on Saturday March 25th. The cove is looking lovely and thank you to everyone who looks after this cove throughout the year.

We have a new Volunteer countryside Ranger started with our team, Leslie Shough. He has recently finished a Countryside Management degree and will be working with us for the next 6 months to gain the practical experience he requires to get his first paid employment role in the countryside conservation sector. If you see him out on site working with our team then please do say hi.

EVENTS

Wembury Spring Fun day – 1st April, 11am – 4pm at Wembury beach - The National Trust Rangers and Wardens from the Devon Wildlife Trust will be kicking off the Easter holidays with some fun on the beach. You can look forward to stream dipping, rockpooling, bug hunting, kite making and other craft activities.

Big day out on the farm – 30th April, 13.00 – 17.00 at East Soar Outdoor Experience, near Salcombe. - You can explore a real farm and meet the animals in a day filled with activities. National Trust rangers and the South Devon AONB team are going to have lots of fun lined up for you, including a farm trail, bug hunts, bird walks, children's activities and meeting the farm animals, too. There will be refreshments in the Walker's Cafe, and a BBQ with Holsome Park Quality Meats and more. Free event and booking not needed.

Scobbiscombe Open Farm Sunday (Kingston) – 11th June, 11.00 – 14.00. Scobbiscombe Farm will be opening its doors to the public for family fun and learning all about life on a working farm. There are farm animals to see, a farm trail to explore, and '50 things to do before you're 11¾' activities - so much to look forward to on Open Farm Sunday. Dogs on leads are welcome.

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SOUTH HAMS RECYCLING SACKS - can now be collected from Holywell Stores who are acting as a collection point on behalf of South Hams DC.

Visit to MVV Environment Incinerator Devonport



You'll remember the January newsletter article written by Mike Campbell about the waste disposal facility in Devonport. Mike offered an invitation for villagers to visit the processing plant for a guided tour and true to his word, Mike hosted villagers on 23rd February and 23rd March.

It was fascinating to learn how our non-recyclable waste is now being processed by MVV Environment in Devonport. There is a constant stream of lorries from all over the county arriving at the depot to unload our rubbish. Once there it is tipped into a holding bay and then massive crane claws collect it and mix it with previous deliveries before dropping it into the feed trough to the incinerator. This is a huge furnace and it is burning at a constant 850 degrees centigrade with a myriad of sensors operating to maintain that temperature.

Essentially the plant acts as a huge boiler that is fuelled by the waste, the heat energy turns water into steam. Steam is fed through a turbine which in turn operates a generator producing electricity powering the plant and exporting the excess to the Devonport dockyard. Moreover, steam is bled from the first stage of the turbine once it has done its useful work to be used for heating within the dockyard.

By the end of last year the plant had processed over 360,000 tons of rubbish that would otherwise have gone to landfill!

During the visit we saw the whole process from the delivery of the waste through to the incineration. It provided a fascinating insight into modern waste management processes and was enjoyed by all. Mike is keen to accommodate anyone who was unable to attend either of the last visits but would still like to go. You can contact him at mike.campbell@mvvuk.co.uk.

And just to prove how much thought goes in to the presentation of the newsletter.....

SPRING CLEAN HOUSEHOLD WASTE CONTAINER - SATURDAY 8th APRIL



The Parish Council has organised a skip to be available to Parishioners for the disposal of unwanted household items and garden waste.

The service will be available at Challaborough from 10.30am until 12.00 mid day, and at the Ringmore bus stop from 10.00am until 16.00pm.

South Hams Containers personnel will be on duty to assist.

Ringmore Parish Council

Challaborough Lime Kiln



In this image of a post card from 1915, you can just make out the entrance to the Lime Kiln - circled.

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Men cleaning the beach, the smell of newly mown grass, the distant throbbing of the laundry (oh and the early morning wakeup call of the large delivery lorries) - a new season begins at Challaborough.

Like it or loathe it, the caravan park, now owned by Park Resorts, has played a major part in the life of Challaborough since the sixties and even before that campers would pitch their tents there.

Over the years it has provided employment, a clean Blue Flag beach, and much needed restaurant and bar facilities for locals and holidaymakers alike.

As the staff and caravan owners look forward to the 2017 season, it seemed a good time to look back at Challaborough past with its rich history of fishing and quicklime manufacturing.

The history of fishing in the area has already been covered in this newsletter - a fascinating tale of a vibrant industry involving mainly pilchards but also mackerel, mullet, lobsters and crab.

Challaborough's other industry was centred around the lime kiln which is now on the Park site near the beach road, one of several in the area. These lime kilns were generally built between 1700 and 1850 and operated until the early 20th century. They were constructed to convert limestone to quicklime by burning it. This was then used for mortar, plaster and lime wash but mostly as a dressing on fields to reduce the acidity of the soil.

In the 18th and 19th centuries, fuel in the form of coal or culm was brought by sea from South Wales and North East England to Plymouth and Torquay. Limestone was quarried and the two commodities were brought to the various lime kilns and burnt at 800 to 900 degrees centigrade.

They eventually went out of use due to improvements in transport such as railways which enabled coal to be carried to large industrial kilns in limestone quarries.

Most of the kilns in South Devon are likely to have gone out of use by World War I.

Thanks to Pat Dolby for this article

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 14 FEBRUARY 2017
IN THE W.I. HALL, RINGMORE AT 7.00 PM**

Present	Cllr Jenny Williams	JW	In the Chair
	Cllr Andrew King	AK	
	Cllr Brian Lambell	BL	
	Cllr Jeremy Deverson	JD	
	Cllr Tracy Heneghan	TH	
	Cllr John Reynolds	JR	
	County Cllr Richard Hosking	RH	
In attendance	District Cllr Beth Huntley	EH	
	Rufus Gilbert	RG	
	Peter Javes		Clerk

Members of the public present: 4

28/17 INTRODUCTION OF PROSPECTIVE COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Rufus Gilbert, Conservative Party candidate for the election to be held on 4 May 2017, addressed the meeting. He explained that due to boundary changes there would be changes in county councillor representation for parish councils. County Cllr Richard Hosking would now be representing a constituency that did not include Ringmore. RG had been selected by the Conservative Party to stand for the constituency that would include Ringmore.

29/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

Minutes as yet un-approved

30/17 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 7 February 2017 were accepted as a correct record

Proposed: Cllr Brian Lambell Seconded: Cllr Andrew King

Resolution **carried unanimously**. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

31/17 COUNCILLOR CASUAL VACANCY

Following the resignation of Cllr Sarah Hitchmough a casual vacancy for one councillor existed and three people had put themselves forward as interested in becoming councillors until the next election. Each candidate addressed the meeting and gave details of their background and potential contribution to the parish council. JW thanked the candidates for their interest and commented that there was a vacancy for only one councillor but all candidates would be welcome to help the PC and the parish in whatever way they could.

Following the candidates' address the meeting went into closed session for the PC to co-opt a councillor and

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT David Vincent be co-opted onto the council.

Proposed: Cllr Jeremy Deverson Seconded: Cllr Tracy Heneghan

Resolution **carried unanimously**.

32/17 DAAT NIGHT LANDING SITE

A letter had been sent to the owners of potential night landing sites. The response had been disappointing with only one potential landowner showing any interest. TH agreed to try and get more information from other site owners.

33/17 FINANCE

Bank balances as at 28 February 2017

Payments to be paid electronically:-

£
8,241.60

Peter Javes	Administration	92.07
Ringmore Newsletter	Neighbourhood watch page in newsletter	65.00
Orchard Link	Subscription	12.00
TOTAL		<u>169.07</u>

Thus cash now available and carried forward to 2017-18

8,072.53

It was noted that the sum of £400 had been included in the budget as a grant for churchyard maintenance and this could be paid in the new financial year after 1 April 2017.

Minutes as yet un-approved

34/17 APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR

The clerk had signed a contract with Local Council Administrative Services to carry out the internal audit for 2016-17 financial years.

35/17 TRANSPARENCY CODE

The Clerk reported that it was now a legal requirement to post council affairs on a dedicated website. Accordingly a grant application had been submitted via the Devon Association of Local Councils (DALC) for a laptop, scanner, and website and associated software etc. It was believed that the application had been successful and funds would be available shortly. DALC had prepared a list of recommended equipment and website providers. Councillors would be offered a demonstration before any commitment was made.

36/17 APPLE PRESSING EQUIPMENT

JR finalise the equipment needed for October delivery. JR would try and organise a group of volunteers for an apple picking and pressing work party on the weekend of 14 and 15 October 2017. A further grant of £200 had been secured from DCC and thus the total cost of such equipment would now be covered by grant monies.

JR

37/17 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

RH reported that the DCC budget had been finalised for 2017/18 and Council Tax would be increased by 4.99%. There would still be deficit of about £14m in 2017/18 and it was hoped to manage this deficit by drawing on reserves.

RH also spoke about school funding locally which attracted £290 less per pupil than the rest of the country. Some small rural schools had more money in next year's budget but overall the imbalance remained.

JW asked RH about funding for care workers attending patients at home in rural areas because it seemed that their pay did not allow for traveling time between remote locations. RH would investigate and report back.

38/17 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

The meeting congratulated BH on her election success.

BH reported on the adoption of the Joint Local Plan which allocated new housing to parishes by a points system. Ringmore had attracted 18.5 points which meant that a minimum of the houses should be built in the parish in the next 20 years. AN parishioner could make representations before 26 April by e-mailing strategic.plans@swdevon.go.uk

Minutes as yet un-approved

A meeting to explain the plan would be held in Modbury Memorial Hall on 23 March between 3 and 7pm.

SHDC had now launched a new website.

SHDC had now abandoned the plan to form a limited liability company to run its operations.

39/17 TRAFFIC THROUGH THE VILLAGE

RH commented that he was still in discussion with the Neighbourhood Highways Officer regarding the question of heavy vehicles travelling through the village.

40/17 ENVIRONMENTAL

A schedule of grass cutting and strimming work need to be prepared and the Clerk would try and obtain from the person who currently carried out the work on a paid basis.

Ayrmer beach would be cleaned by volunteer labour on 25 March between 10 and 12. All welcome. Litter pickers and bags provided.

41/17 DOG FOULING

It was noted that dog fouling was becoming problematic, especially people not placing full bags in the bins provide or taking the home for proper disposal. The Clerk would ask SHDC for more signs about dog fouling to be put round the parish.

Clerk

42/17 PARISH SKIP

The spring skip had been arranged for 8 April. A date still needed to be confirmed for October.

JR

43/17 PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP

JR had completed the necessary annual returns to PPP for 2017-18. It was proposed to buy as hedge trimmer for use around the parish.

44/17 RINGMORE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

It was noted that a Ringmore Residents' Association (RRA) was being formed and it could be contacted at: ringmoreresidentsassociation@gmail.com

The PC is keen to meet the RRA with a view to establishing a working relationship between the PC and the RRA.

45/17 COUNCILLOR TRAINING

The meeting discussed setting up a training session locally for councillors in adjoining parishes to avoid the need to travel to Exeter

Clerk

46/17 MEETINGS ATTENDED

Clerk to DALC re Transparency Code and funding for website etc.

47/17 MATTERS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

- Parish Council targets: e.g. play park
- Parish website
- Annual parish meeting 16 May 2017
- Dog fouling

Minutes as yet un-approved

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 11 April 2017 at 7.00pm





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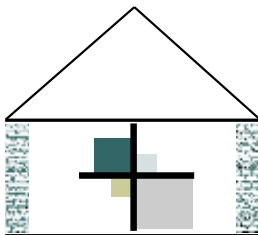
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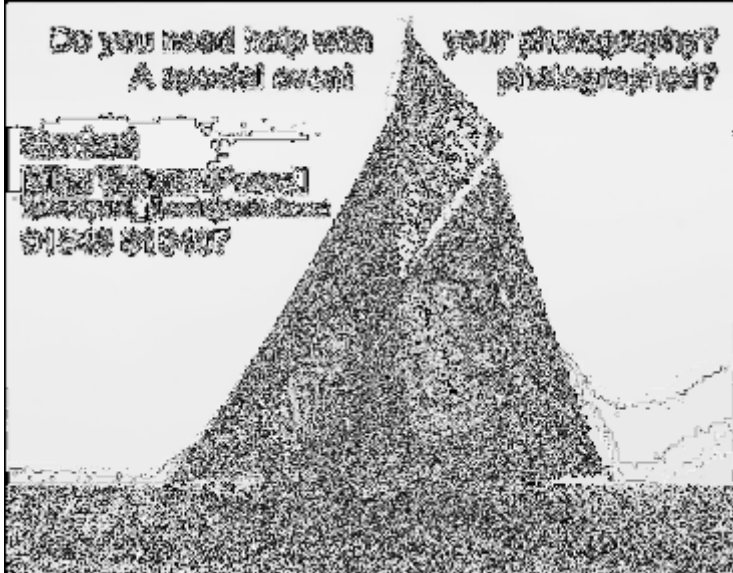
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