

Ringmore Parish Newsletter

May 2017

Edited by David

Deadline for June, 25th May



Members of the churches in the Modbury Benefice gathered in the Mission Hall on Sunday 23rd April to celebrate the Rector Neil Barker's retirement and to wish him and his wife Caroline, well for the future Photo MWP

RINGMORE DIARY DATES

Tuesday: Table Tennis, Parish Room 8.00 pm

May

- 1 WI May Fair 2.30 pm
- 10 Art Class Parish Room 2.00pm
- 11 WI Annual and Resolutions meeting
- 16 Parish Council Meeting 6.30pm followed by the Parish Council AGM at 7.30pm WI Hall
- 24 Art Class Parish Room 2.00pm
- 28 Private Function in the Parish Room 12.00 pm

June

- 6 Parish Room Committee meeting 10.00am
- 7 Art Class Parish Room 2.00pm
- 9 WI Summer meal for members and partners bring and share. WI Hall 7.00pm
- 15 Ringmore Historical Society Summer Outing
- 21 PCC meeting Parish Room 7.30pm

July

- 2 Village Photo, Ayrmer Cove 2.00pm
- 13 Experiences in Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos WI Hall 7.30pm



Glorious spring blossom photographed by Adrian Bull in the garden at Barnford

From the Editor.....

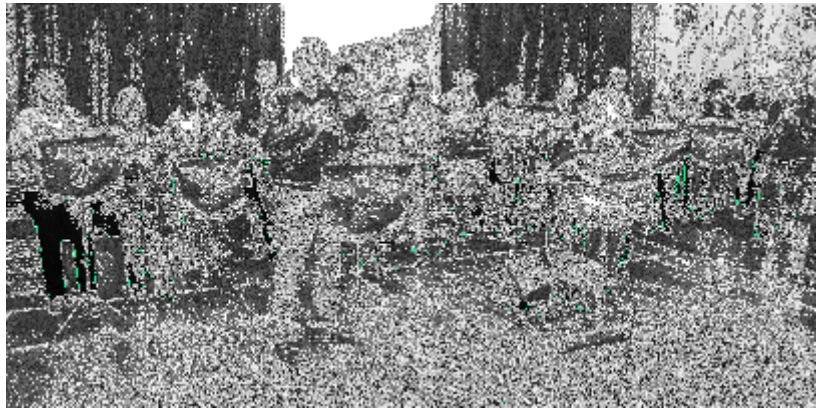
Welcome to the May edition of the newsletter. May is the fifth month of the year in the Gregorian calendar and its predecessor, the Julian calendar. It is named after the Greek goddess, Maia who is also identified with the Roman goddess of fertility, Bona Dea. It is said that this is the month when plants really start to grow.

April proved a particularly dry month with quite low rainfall and a lot of sunshine. This was most welcome after a very dull and damp March. Over the Easter break there was a noticeable increase in visitors to the village and the area and they were most fortunate to have such a long spell of decent weather so early in the season.

Key events this month have included the two Parish Council meetings and the open village meeting in respect of the planning application for a location on the eastern edge of the village. I know that the Council welcomed the involvement of a number of villagers at the meetings.

Also this month we bade farewell to our rector Neil Barker, retiring after twelve years of service to the benefice. Please see the report from Phill in All Hallows News. The local churches now seek a replacement for Neil and Judy Bull will be representing All Hallows, Ringmore in the recruitment process.

So did you know that there was a Modbury Uke'n'Sing Group that meets at The Fisherman's Rest each Monday? I have to confess I didn't! Evidently Neil is a keen player (and many of us know he is a good singer) so here is an image from the party as we bid him farewell and a long and happy retirement.



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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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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SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES & THOUGHT FOR MAY

Sunday	7 th Easter 4	14 th Easter 5	21 st Easter 6	28 th Easter 7
Aveton Gifford 11.00 am	Family Service	Holy Communion	Songs of Praise	Family Communion
Bigbury 11.00 am	Family Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Holy Communion*
Kingston 9.30 am	Family Communion	Sunday Worship	Holy Communion	Village Service
Modbury 9.30 am 6.00 pm	May Fair Service	Family Communion	Family Communion	Sunday Worship Living Room
Ringmore 9.30 am	Sunday Worship	Family Communion & Baptism	Village Service	Family Communion

* 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 23rd May.

Michael Wilkinson writes:

Easter has passed and we look forward to the summer. In the coming weeks we also look forward to other days which have been declared feast days by the church, days we call 'holy days' or on secular terms 'holidays', such as Pentecost or Whit Sunday. On this particular feast we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit, to those of us who claim allegiance to the name of Jesus.

To-day, communities and nations elect leaders, men and women who can order life for all of us; and we finally elect those who will lead us into new opportunities and hopefully a peaceful world. They think through ways they can do this and that benefit our nation. Counting the votes, we learn the majority that will lead us into a new world.

After the war when reconstruction was important, a leader emerged called Aneurin Bevan, who persuaded the nation that we would be better in the future with a National Health Service as a way of improving people's health and wealth.

The Bible with its record of restored and rescued lives resulted in a way of organising our national wealth in order to bring health and restoration to our nation. The scriptures and the leadership of the church give us a picture of leaders who can lead us into the truth about personal and community life. The leadership that we need is that of the 'Good Shepherd'.

Living in a part of the country which is so rural and by the sea, we share an insight into the kind of leaders we need, such as shepherds and fishermen. The Good Shepherd is always thinking of his sheep and the fisherman of his crew.

Although the churches have lost some of their influence in people's lives, it is essential that we take the interest that Our Lord expressed in His life by showing love and consideration for all; despite the terrors and short comings of the world.

All we need is to pray, that whoever comes to lead our churches in this part of Devon we call the Modbury Mission Community, will be a good shepherd, and that we in turn will put in time and effort for all the members of the communities to which we belong.

With all Good Wishes,

Michael Wilkinson



Ringmore W.I.

**Cream teas
Home made cakes
or just a cuppa!**

Ringmore W.I. Hall

Holiday Sunday & Monday

28th & 29th May

from 3.15 to 5.30 pm



A yummy treat for all the family!

Triangle Centre given £650!

Our "Charity for the Year" in 2017 is the Triangle Cancer Support Centre at South Hams Hospital, with money raised at a Quiz Night in December and the Coffee Morning last month.

Barbara Smith, one of their palliative care nurses came to our April W.I. meeting, and gave us an insight into how they help cancer patients and their families. The unit offers a calm and friendly environment where patients can relax and get help with problems, whether family issues, how to tell children or how to cope with the side effects of treatment.

At the end of her talk, Barbara was presented with a cheque for £650 raised from our fund-raising events for this worth-while cause. We are most grateful to everyone in Ringmore (and beyond!) who helped us raise this magnificent sum.

Calling all W.I. members . . .

Don't forget the

Annual Meeting

which is on Thursday 11th May in the W.I. Hall, starting at 7.30 pm.

Come and vote for your officers and committee!

The annual W.I. Resolutions will also be voted on at this meeting



All Hallows Church, Ringmore

Easter Sunday Service

The Easter day service was very special indeed, with a full church, lots of children, and a wonderful service taken by Rev Ken Bromage, who inspired us all. The church looked stunning, overflowing with flowers arranged by the ladies of the village led, as always, by the inspirational Rosemary Wilson. Afterwards children (and adults) were invited to have a go at ringing the bells and to see how the hymnal works, both of which proved very popular, as did the Easter eggs for the children (and adults)

Church Clean

The pre-Easter church clean took place on Saturday 1st April. Grateful thanks to all who came along to make the church look sparkling clean for Easter. Thanks also to Drina & Frank for providing much welcomed refreshments.

Neil Barker's Retirement

Around 150 people gathered in Modbury Memorial Hall on Sunday evening 23rd April to wish Neil and Caroline a healthy, happy and long retirement following 12 years as our Team Rector of the Modbury Mission Benefice. Neil conducted his last service at, St Georges, Modbury, on Easter Sunday. A mouth watering feast was provided by Sue Chambers and her band of helpers with contributions from all the churches that Neil has ministered to during his time with us.

David Scott the Modbury Town Crier opened the proceedings requesting Neil to say grace. Entertainment was provided initially by a rolling slide show highlighting various aspects of Neil's life over his 12 years with us followed by 15 members of the Ukelele band that Neil started a number of years ago. When we had all eaten of the abundant savoury and sweet delights, washed down with some fine wine, David called us to order again for Neil and Caroline to cut the celebration cake, which had been made by Jackie Tagent.

Adrian Bull gave an excellent speech highlighting Neil's greatly appreciated and dedicated ministry and community work during his time with us. During the cutting and distribution of the cake Neil and Caroline were presented with their retirement gifts. Neil was presented with a Ukelele, which he

had had his eye on for some time, together with £100 garden tokens, mainly for Caroline!!, and a cheque for £1000, (in addition to a cheque directly from Kingston) - a true appreciation of his time with us. Having tuned his new ukulele to his satisfaction Neil joined the band to play some very well known songs. Those assembled joined in the singing with great gusto. A truly lovely evening enjoyed by all - a fitting and fond fare well to Neil and Caroline.

New Team Rector

Following Neil's retirement the search for a New Team Rector for the Modbury Mission Community covering the five churches at Modbury, Averton Gifford, Bigbury, Kingston and Ringmore is in full swing. The post has been advertised following Judy and Gilbert, from All Hallows, along with representatives from the other churches who have been on the team in agreeing the suitable documentation to attract a successor to Neil. Hopefully the advertisement 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.

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.

Phill Errett (810547)



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

Dear Editor

Trump Chump?

It's really worrying when you think you may be a little like Donald Trump - I really love on-line tweeting. But then, fortunately, on 4th April, I was reminded that it's only swallows on the line over the road that make me feel this way. It's great to have them back.

Bird talk

Almost every day I see a mother thrush at the top of our garden gathering food, but scarcely ever hear a daddy thrush singing. Just occasionally at the dawn chorus I hear one across near Scypen or right across towards The Paddock, but almost never one at Barnford. According to the RSPC the females do not search for food exclusively within the male's territory and in any event this can extend to ten or more acres, so that may be why.

Nuisance Money

I've never thought I was rolling in money, but just occasionally I wonder whether I may be sitting on a pile of money. It's all very well for women: if they have too many 1p and 5p coins it just builds up their shoulder muscles, but for us men this nuisance money can be quite uncomfortable when we sit down. Some time ago I decided to dump it in a charity box in the kitchen when it built up, but from 10th October I may have to be careful what I think of as nuisance money. Can I afford to dump out-of-date £1 coins in a charity box, or is this in fact a good idea? I'm sure no bank would refuse to accept them from a charity.

Adrian Bull



This is the bag of discarded litter that I picked up during my routine Sunday morning stroll to the shop to buy the papers.

I think this might be a record haul which included the usual drinks cans, crisp packets, cigarette packets, sweetie wrappers, single use cartons for drinks and food, plastic drinks bottles and the really treasured find of a whole bag of dirty nappies.

What a sad species we have become, beset with ignorance and indifference. Can you imagine the mindset required to make the effort to travel to this incredibly beautiful area, battling traffic all the way, only to discard your trash out of your vehicle once arrived, thus despoiling that very area you tried so hard to get to?

Everywhere you look nowadays there is litter. Why can't people just take their waste home with them or dispose of it in a proper receptacle. It really makes my heart bleed.

Don't get me started on possible prevention techniques or punishments, I am afraid I shall reserve those thoughts for my ex-military buddies. Meanwhile, rest assured I will continue to litter pick from Houghton to St Ann's Chapel until I get run over by those motorists who seem incapable of giving courtesy to a pedestrian.

Keep smiling.

Mike Campbell.
Houghton Cottage

Ringmore Parish Room Annual Calendar



The theme is 'In and Around Ringmore'
Please submit your photos (JPEG or PDF) on memory
sticks or memory cards to

Robbie Bristow (810738)

At Orchard House

By 31st May 2017

All data sticks will be returned; please label clearly



IN NEED OF SPIRITUAL FUEL? TOP UP HERE



The Filling Station is a new informal way of expressing the Christian faith using local mid-week monthly celebration meetings in a café style setting. In a relaxed and friendly atmosphere with tea, coffee and cake we have a worship time and a speaker. Prayer Ministry is always available. EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

Not a new church denomination but rather interdenominational fellowship hoping to benefit the local church.

SOUTH HAMS FILLING STATION Bigbury Memorial Hall, St. Ann's Chapel, Bigbury, TQ7 4HQ.

Meets on 3rd Thursday most months 7.30-9.30pm. Check: thefillingstation.org.uk

or call: 07522 430036/ 01548 810017. Facebook – SouthHamsFillingStation.

Next Meeting – Thursday 18th May

Keith Powell speaking on "Encountering God Through the Prophetic".



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
Departure from Modbury 1740

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

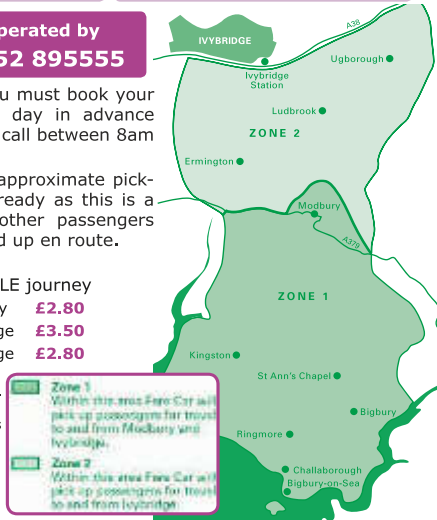
All fares are per SINGLE journey

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.



Serving Kingsbridge from:

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

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

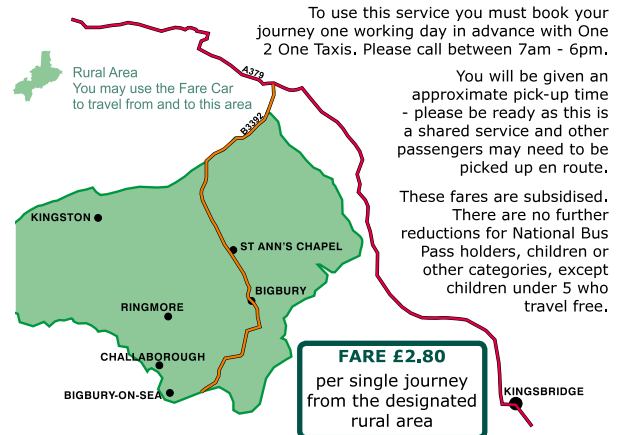
Arrival in Kingsbridge 1030

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).

Two cannibals were eating a clown when one said to the other, 'Does he taste funny to you?'

Tommy Cooper



Rainfall locally, April Actual: 29 mm

10 Year Low: 15 mm (2011) 10 Year High: 96 mm (2008) 10 Year Average: 50 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)



Theft in Ringmore

Between Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th April 2017 from The JE Car park,

The picture below is of a resident's boat currently undergoing renovation.

It was parked upon a boat trailer towards the rear of the car park.

On Wednesday it was there but Thursday the boat was discovered in the middle of the car park and the trailer stolen.

It is thought that two or possibly three people would have needed to lift the boat from the trailer in order to remove it.

Did anyone see anything? Any sightings of anyone tampering in the car park during this period or vehicles towing an empty trailer? Any knowledge whatsoever please contact me.

Perhaps someone thought that this was going to scrap?

If someone perhaps has 'borrowed' the trailer the loser would prefer to have it returned as opposed to prosecuting. If you wish to contact me anonymously drop me a note.



Boat Watch – Devon and Cornwall Police Alert

It is the time of year we typically see an increase in reported marine crime and I request you remain vigilant and report any suspicious, unusual activity or marine crimes which may occur.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of Project Kraken and request you keep us updated with any information which may be of use to us.

Project Kraken - a joint initiative now being delivered by the NCA, Border Force and police forces - aims to increase public reporting and strengthen the general maritime industry's response to the threats.

We want you to report any unusual or suspicious

behaviour in these and other maritime environments. No matter how trivial it may seem; if it looks out of the ordinary, we want to know about it.

Whether you work in the maritime industries, are a keen sailor, or are just walking along the coast, your local knowledge and your experience of the maritime world means you are well placed to spot anything unusual.

By working together we can help to prevent terrorists and organised criminals posing a threat to your neighbours, your pastimes, your businesses and your livelihoods.

They will exploit any opening they find.

How you can help

We want you to report any unusual or suspicious activity near the coastline and in maritime environments.

This could include, among others:

- Boats with names or identification numbers painted out, altered or erased.
- People or packages landed or disembarked from boats in unusual locations and transferred into waiting vehicles. Why are they suspicious? Note times, locations, descriptions of vessels, persons, including boat names, sail numbers, hull colours or other distinctive markings. If vehicles are seen note make, registration, colour and nationality.
- Boats moving late at night or early in the morning in suspicious circumstances, showing little or no navigational lighting or signalling to persons or vehicles ashore.
- Boats which may be overloaded, appear low in the water, contain people who do not appear to be able to handle the vessel or are inadequately dressed for the prevailing weather conditions.
- Boats containing people who appear to be engaged in unusual boat handling techniques such as recovering swimmers or divers from the water.
- Rigid inflatable boats moving at unusual times or seen in unusual locations and fitted with extra fuel tanks.
- Suspicious requests to buy or store large amounts of fuel, satellite navigational equipment, gas bottles, chemicals, uniforms or badges.
- Suspicious or unfamiliar persons seen in marinas or coastal areas carrying tools, paying attention to or taking photographs of vessels with high value items such as engines and electronic navigational equipment.
- Suspicious persons who ask questions about security procedures or who are observed filming/taking photographs/making notes or

drawing diagrams of: military/police/security facilities, vulnerable public areas such as bridges, tourist attractions, shopping, restaurant or passenger processing, embarkation/disembarkation routes at cruise ship, ferry terminals or docking facilities.

- Suspicious persons seen to abandon a vehicle onboard a ferry and walk ashore or who leave a vehicle in an unusual position in areas of high volume public or passenger access.
- Suspicious vessels observed entering maritime restricted areas or seen in close proximity to large cargo or passenger vessels whilst underway or at anchor.
- Suspicious persons seeking unusual instruction on the water such as diving, hiring powerboats, inflatable RHIBS or yachts. Who are they and where are they from? Obtain as much information as possible.
- Crew who show signs of nervousness or a lack of awareness of maritime protocols and customs.
- Vessels showing signs of unusual modification or minor damage.
- Increased activity at isolated coastal locations or at unusual times of the day.
- Any attempts to signal to vessels offshore or guide them into an unusual landfall.
- Strange patterns of payment, such as large amounts of cash.

What should you do?

If you see unusual or suspicious activity, report it to your local police on 101, or anonymously to [Crimestoppers](http://www.crimestoppers.co.uk) on 0800 555 111 and quote 'Project Kraken'.

Record as much information as you can - the

smallest detail could be significant. Do not take direct action against any individuals or groups.

If it is an emergency or you require immediate Police attendance, call 999



Burglaries in area!

See Police warning below.

Recently, two residential burglaries occurred at Aveton Gifford whilst the owners were asleep upstairs.

A car which was stolen from one of the burglaries has been recovered close by.

Scenes of Crimes Officers are currently investigating both properties and other detailed investigations are taking place.

We would like to stress that although this is a disturbing incident, it is also very very rare.

We are doing all we can to catch the offenders and will be conducting pro-active stop checks in the area to prevent and detect crimes.

Please ensure that your property is left secure at all times and ensure the locks on your doors and windows are adequate. Security lights, CCTV cameras and other crime prevention tools can be purchased from any good DIY retailer and are very reasonably priced.

Please ensure that you keep an eye on elderly or vulnerable neighbours too.

PARISH ROOM INFORMATION

Ringmore Parish Room Committee:-

Chair	Mr Keith Bedborough	810263
Secretary	Mr Bob White	810121
Treasurer	Mr Michael Tagent	810520
Members	Mrs Mary Bedborough	
	Mrs Yvonne Turpin	
	Mrs Ann Bracey	
	Mr Christopher Piercy	

New email address:

Ringmore-Parish-Room@hotmail.com

To book the Parish Room please contact the secretary

Bigbury Golf Club



Welcome Liz and Howard Turner

The Dinner Service.com @ the 19th

Now Open seven days per week including a special traditional Sunday roast (with vegetarian alternative!)

Book direct on 01548 810557 option 3

Main course @ £8.95 - desserts @ £3.95

Large groups can be accommodated

Social Memberships available just £16.00

Bigbury Memorial Hall

Calendar of Events May 2017

<u>Day & Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Contact name</u>	<u>Tel. no</u>
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

*N.B. * Jill's classes will be stopping in May and re-starting at the end of September. Her last class for this Spring/Summer will be on Thursday 18th May.*

May Events:

Thursday 18th May: Filling Station.

Bank Holiday Monday 29th May: 2.00pm Bazaar jointly with St Lawrence – see posters for more details.

Future events:

Friday 9th June: Rob Barratt - Poems and Songs – 7.30pm. Tickets £6; children £3. See posters for further details

Wine tasting: Date to be confirmed

Thursday 13th July: 7.00pm Memorial Hall AGM

50:100 Club (Promoted by Dane Vanstone). Tickets (£3 for the three monthly draws from May 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 April were Mike Poynter (£20); Jo Halford (£10) and Jill Cook (£5).



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:



2nd May ~ Kevin Grenfell's Giants of Jazz

www.aveton-gifford.co.uk/facilities/kingsbridge-jazz-club





National Trust

Didn't we have some glorious weather in April. The Ringmore community orchard has had its first cut of the season and is looking smart. The trees are just coming into blossom and the whole orchard is looking vibrant and colourful, well worth a walk (even up the steep hill) to see the trees in bloom and the bluebells through the woods.

Our wonderful admin volunteer Jane Reynolds has decided to stop volunteering with us after 8½ years. Jane has been great at helping us with our admin in our office and stuck with us in the office move from Kingston over to Malborough helping to keep our office in shape. We will miss her help greatly but on the positive we will see her when she is out and about at Ringmore and still helping us and the local community with beach cleaning and other tasks around Ringmore.

Our team is getting prepared for the mammoth task of path cutting which will be starting in the next couple of weeks. We have over 40 miles of path we have to maintain and keep clear and this takes a lot of our time in the summer months as unfortunately one cut of the path is just not enough. Most paths will require at least 2 cuts some even more. Please make sure the machine operator sees you before trying to pass and keep dogs on a lead when passing. Thank you for your cooperation.

EVENTS – for further information on events go to www.nationaltrust.org.uk/events

1st May – Canoe and Cake river Tour (Salcombe Estuary, Kingsbridge), 9am – 12noon.

With the local expertise of Singing Paddles to guide you through this incredible area, you'll safely paddle the river and learn all about the nature around you. We will take in the views and points of interest along the way, before stopping for tea and cake at a secret spot. Adult £30, Child 6 years and over (must be accompanied by an adult) £15. Call [07754426633](tel:07754426633) Bookings made directly with David Halsall of Singing Paddles.

Sunday 28th May – Canoe Safari (Salcombe Estuary, Kingsbridge), 9am – 11am

With beautiful views and places of interest to explore, you'll be guided along this special and protected area by Singing Paddles on the lookout for wildlife. This is a great way to discover a unique viewpoint of the river without disturbing nature. Adult £25, child £10. Call [07754426633](tel:07754426633) Bookings made directly with David Halsall of Singing Paddles.

Sunday 11th June – Open Farm Sunday, Scobbiscombe Farm, Kingston. 11am – 2pm

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. Scobbiscombe Farm will be opening its doors to the public for family fun and learning all about life on a farm. This is a working farm and may be muddy. Bring layers and waterproofs or sun hats depending on the weather. Pack a picnic to enjoy, too. This event is Free and no booking needed.

For further information regarding the work of the South Devon National Trust team please call Lorna Sherriff on 01548 562344 or email lorna.sherriff@nationaltrust.org.uk

Lorna Sherriff
Area Ranger

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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.



Every Cloud has A silver lining!

It's a fact that we all take everyday convenience for granted in this modern rush and tear life so, it will come as no surprise that when we woke up in Houghton on Saturday 22nd April with little to no fresh water supply we all felt immediately "inconvenienced" and a cloud descended upon the day.

A quick internet search found the correct reporting number at SW Water and within 2 minutes the fault was reported and investigative workforce dispatched and all before 08:30 in the morning. Before the engineers arrived "Perry" of Houghton Cottage, had already carried out some detecting himself and discovered a major leakage across the Ringmore/Challaborough freeway which was lifting the road and causing a veritable river to cascade into "Tuckers" field.

We soon gathered as a little band of excited on lookers watching the infant "Ringmore River" grow in size and urgency. This experience was short-lived though as we were forced to retire due to speeding vehicles nearly running us over and soaking us as they went about their frenetic journey's from somewhere to somewhere.

Anyway, the SW water team soon arrived and through various amounts of sucking through teeth and shrugging of shoulders quickly announced that the road would "Need to be opened up and of course closed". (I love the English language). The actual excavation and repair works were conducted relatively quickly, largely fuelled by cups of tea made from hand delivered bottled water courtesy of SW Water.

Later in the day as the team pulled away they informed us that there would be no chance of road repair until "at least Monday". So, this is where our "Silver Lining" materialised out of the said "Cloud".

Oh, Joy of Joys the road closed all weekend.

Unless you live along this road you will not appreciate the difference that this made to us. It meant that for the first time we could sit in the Sun, enjoying peace and tranquillity. It meant that the birdsong could be heard, the air was clean and buzzing with the sound of a myriad insects. All so different from the normal incessant noise of engines, car radios and tyres on tarmac.

The people of Houghton could venture out of the front of their houses without fear of death or injury from cars, vans, lorries, tractors, motorbikes etc. etc. and just pass the time of day casually in a quiet country lane.

The joy goes on, the dark hours was silent except for the Tawney Owls and that strange hum of some far-off machinery (too early for crickets). Sleep was undisturbed by traffic thundering past the bedroom window at break neck speed right through the night.

Oh, the Sunday morning walk to get the papers, Sunny, peaceful, safe and litter free. Some of you may have been adversely affected by the diversion route and it may have spoilt your weekend but, console yourselves with the knowledge that as soon as the road was re-opened it was business as usual, your life, once again peaceful whilst ours is blighted by the ridiculous volume of traffic now using the route down into Challaborough.

Once again, the mindless, arrogant and inconsiderate reign supreme, the carefree safe feeling will have disappeared and the sounds of nature will again be buried by mankind's unfinished symphony.

Mike Campbell
Holdings



Sunday 2nd JULY 2017 - A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The photo of the Ringmore villagers (above) was taken in back 2005 down at Ayrmer Cove. A more recent photo was taken in the Parish Room in 2009 (I think). Since then, there have been many changes to the village population and The Ringmore Historical Society would like to have a photographic record of Ringmore Villagers in 2017.

We have selected Sunday 2nd July at around 12.00pm and to be followed by a village picnic for those who would like to participate. I would now be grateful if villagers who require transport down to Ayrmer Cove contact me at ringmorenews@gmail.com or by phone on 811212. We are arranging with the National Trust for transport down to the beach for all those that need a helping hand.

Naturally we will be delighted to get as many villagers as possible to the beach on the day for the photo!



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STATEMENT OF PERSONS NOMINATED

Devon County Council

Election of a County Councillor

The following is a statement of the persons nominated for election as a County Councillor for
Salcombe Electoral Division

Name of Candidate	Home Address	Description (if any)	Name of Proposer (*), Seconder (**) and Assentors		Reason why no longer nominated*
GILBERT Rufus	Washbrook Farm, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1NN	The Conservative Party Candidate	Cohen David M * Knowles Michael J ** Harrison Jonathan P A Harrison Jane V Moore Madeline J	Moore Robert J Jones Diana J Fretton Robert H Holland Martin H Mathys Jonathan	
GREEN John	70 Court Road, Newton Ferrers, Devon, PL8 1DA	Green Party	Carter Clive M * Barnes Diana L ** Ley Yvette R Blackler Elizabeth J Luscombe Jayne M	Hanbury Nicholas J Aylward Charlotte J Kettle Mervyn J Grainger Valerie J Grainger John M	
HUNTLEY Elizabeth Dawn	Cleveland, Warren Road, Bigbury-on-Sea, Kingsbridge, TQ7 4AZ	Liberal Democrat	Dell Bryan * Payne John ** Reeves Terence J Newbery Christina L Fox Emma L	Golby Becky Bell Alan Fricker Steven Hannaford Douglas G Mingo Alice E	
TRIGGER David	4 California Cross, Modbury, Devon, PL21 0SG	Labour Party	Harvey John * Harvey Jennifer S ** Ballatti Angela M Keel Barry A Scott David P	Gascoyne Nicola S Furlong Paul F Furlong Felicity G Davies Jan Parnell Brian R	

The persons above, where no entry is made in the last column, have been and stand validly nominated.

- We have the County Council elections on Thursday 4th May. Our polling station is open from 7.00am until 10.00pm. The Polling station is the WI Hall in the village
- Our District Councillor for Charterlands - Beth Huntley, is a candidate for the County Council (see notice above) and has advised me that she intends to carry on as District Councillor for Charterlands whether or not she is successful on May 4th in the county elections. There are three other County Council candidates listed above.
- The general Election has been announced for Thursday 8th June. Voting will take place in the WI Hall
- I will include a full candidate list in the June Newsletter
- If you have registered to vote in the local elections on 4th May you do not need to register again for the general election
- If you have not yet registered to vote and you wish to, visit www.gov.uk/register-to-vote. The last day to register is 22nd May
- You can request a proxy or postal vote for the general election. An application form can be downloaded from www.yourvotematters.co.uk
- General election polling cards will be sent out around 10th May

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 11 APRIL 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 John Reynolds	JR	
	Cllr David Vincent	DV	
	County Cllr Richard Hosking	RH	
Apologies	District Cllr Beth Huntley	EH	
	Cllr Jeremy Deverson	JD	
	Cllr Tracy Heneghan	TH	
	Peter Javes		Clerk

Members of the public present: 10

48/17 PARKDEAN

Steve Radford of Parkdean addressed the meeting to let councillors know about activity on the site. All were welcome to join in the Parkdean Fund Day and enter the soap box derby.

He explained that he had been talking to suppliers to try and persuade them to use smaller delivery vehicles. He invited any parishioner seeing an oversize HGV on the road to Challaborough to contact him with details. He apologized for the road closure which was due to the installation of fibre optic for broadband.

The public toilets at Challaborough had been kept open all winter because Parkdean had taken over the cleaning from SHDC. It was hoped to repeat this for winter 2017-18. Parkdean would be paying for a lifeguard service at Challaborough and new life saving equipment.

Parkdean was well aware of the inconvenience caused on the roads by moving caravans on and off site and it was hoped always to minimize the problem by arranging such movements for late evenings or early mornings.

Warning signs would be placed on the cliff and cliff path about venturing too close to the edge.

Parkdean offered to undertake any maintenance of parish facilities around the village.

On a question from a councillor Steve Radford explained that the number of homes on the site was below the license limit.

A parishioner asked if site users could be persuaded to adopt a one way system entering and leaving the site, that is, to enter the site from the Ringmore end and leave by turning left towards Bigbury. Steve Radford offered to take advice on this matter and if approved put signs at the exit to the site.

Michael Tagent would supply a new parish map for the shop notice-board.

49/17 OPEN SESSION –

Minutes as yet un-approved

49.1 Accuracy of minutes Michael Hammond complained that the November 2016 minutes of the parish council were inaccurate because they did not reflect a discussion about neighbourhood plans (NP). The Chair apologised and explained that councillors had attended a seminar about NP and had been deterred by the amount of work entailed which was felt at the time to be beyond the resources of the PC. See minute 61/17 below for more information about NP.

49.2 Transparency Code: Michael Hammond complained that the PC was not complying with the Transparency Code (TC). The Clerk responded that the TC related primarily to the obligation of small parish councils to post certain defined information to a parish website. The Clerk was well aware of the obligation and had been in discussion with the Devon Association of Local Councils (DALC) and had attended a training course on this subject and a grant had been applied for to buy the necessary equipment and software. That application had been successful and the equipment had been ordered. Councillors still needed to decide on the choice of website designer (see minute 60/17 below). DALC was fully satisfied with Ringmore's progress in this matter and the recent audit had confirmed that the PC was

satisfactorily compliant with the TC at this stage.

50/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

BL re Minute 54.3 below.

51/17 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 14 March 2017 were accepted as a correct record

Proposed: Cllr John Reynolds Seconded: Cllr Brian Lambell

Resolution **carried unanimously**.

The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

Minutes as yet un-approved

52/17 MATTERS ARISING

Dog Fouling: Following minute 41/17 SHDC had placed around the parish a number of posters about dog fouling.

53/17 DAAT NIGHT LANDING SITE

Two potential night landing sites had now been offered by a landowner and been inspected by DAAT. DAAT would return to Ringmore to carry out a further review and discussion with the landowner. Steve Comley had made enquires of Western Power about supplying electricity to the site from their shed nearby.

54/17 PLANNING

54.1 3925/16/HHO Ivy Cottage, TQ7 4HL Replacement timber entrance gate and low stone wall to boundary with highway.

The householder was present at the meeting and explained the reason for the application, being to try and prevent traffic from colliding with his property.

RESOLUTION to support provided that the proposed wall was no higher than the existing and built of local stone.

Resolution **carried unanimously**.

54.2 0552/17/HHO Middle Manor, Ringmore, TQ7 4HL: Demolition of existing garage and construction of two bay timber framed garage with home office /studio above
RESOLUTION A query was raised regarding the need for an acceptable site management plan being agreed to control vehicular traffic to site during construction it was agreed that no transport plan was required as this sited as it had adequate parking facilities for delivery lorries
Resolution **carried unanimously**.

54.3 0669/17/OPA SX 653 459 Land south of Westbury Ringmore, TQ7 4HN Outline application with some matters reserved for residential development of up to 10 no. dwellings with 50% affordable housing
Decision deferred until after the open parish consultation on 18 April 2017
It was noted that SHDC had also advertised this application as a Bigbury matter.
BHagreed to take this up with SHDC and the Bigbury clerk.

BH

55/17 FINANCE

Bank balances as at 31 March 2017

Minutes as yet un-approved £
8,015.16

Payments to be paid electronically:-

DALC	subscription 2017-18	58.10
SHDC	Payroll service 2016-17	120.00
Peter Javes	Administration	83.27

TOTAL **261.37**

Thus cash now available **7,753.79**

56/17 CHURCHYARD GRANT

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.

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT the budgeted churchyard grant of £400 for the year 2017-18 be paid. Resolution **carried unanimously**

57/17 INTERNAL AUDIT

Local Council Administrative Services had carried out the internal audit for 2016-17 financial year and had signed the Annual Return with no adverse comment.

58/17 ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS

58.1 The annual return for the year ended 31 March 2017 had been submitted to the internal auditor. It was noted that the internal auditor had found the accounts to be satisfactory and had signed Section 4, the annual internal audit report to Ringmore Parish Council.

RESOLUTION THAT the annual return for the year ended 31 March 2017 be adopted and that the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer be and are hereby authorised to sign Section 1, annual governance statement.

Resolution **carried unanimously**

58.2 RESOLUTION THAT the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer be and are hereby authorised to sign Section 2, accounting statements.

Resolution **carried unanimously**

The Clerk was authorised to submit the annual return to the external auditor.

59/17 CLERK'S PAY

RESOLUTION THAT the clerk's pay be increased to £9.743 per hour from 1 April 2017 in accordance with the National Association of Local Councils agreement and that the Clerk be permitted to claim £9 per month working from home allowance.

Resolution **carried unanimously**

60/17 TRANSPARENCY CODE

The Clerk reported that the grant application had been successful and funds would be available shortly. The recommended hardware had been ordered. DV would investigate proposed suppliers of the necessary website.

Minutes as yet un-approved

61/17 RINGMORE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Richard Baker explained the idea behind the formation of the new Ringmore Residents' Association which was to work with the PC to produce a Neighbourhood Plan (NP) with a steering committee formed from residents and councillors. The first step would be to form that committee and then agree the area to be covered by the NP and register it with SHDC. RB was invited to send the documentation he had to the PC. It was noted that preparation and implementation of an NP would be a major task and involve much work for all involved.

62/17 APPLE PRESSING EQUIPMENT

JR had finalised the equipment needed for October delivery and would now process the order.

63/17 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

RH reported that care workers travelling time to attend patients at home in rural areas is paid. Anybody interested in providing at home care was invited to contact DCC.

Comments about the co-operation of staff at the new Ivybridge recycling centre had been passed to the management.

This meeting would be the last one to be attended by RH and the meeting thanked him for his contribution to Ringmore's affairs.

64/17 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

BH reported on the Joint Local Plan which allocated new housing to parishes by a points system. It would seem that the plan demanded 900 more houses than would appear to be justified or needed.

The SHDC had lost any e-mail traffic Friday 31 March for ten days, anybody who had sent an e-mail over this period should send it again if they have not had a response.

65/17 TRAFFIC THROUGH THE VILLAGE

See minute 48/17 above.

66/17 MODBURY CARING

Michael Tagent made a presentation to the meeting about the work of Modbury Caring which provided a hospital transport and befriending service to patients of the Modbury Health Centre. The PC was invited to consider making a grant towards the cost of providing this service. This would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

67/17 ENVIRONMENTAL

Deferred to next meeting

68/17 PARISH SKIP

A date still needed to be confirmed for October.

69/17 PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP

The grant for 2017-18 had been received.

70/17 COUNCILLOR TRAINING

The clerk would obtain details of arranging a training session locally to include for councillors in adjoining parishes to avoid the need to travel to Exeter

71/17 MEETINGS ATTENDED

Clerk with the auditor.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 16 May 2017 at 6.30pm to be followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm

An open Parish consultation meeting was held on Tuesday 18th April to enable parishioners to comment on planning application **0669/17/OPA SX 653 459 Land south of Westbury Ringmore, TQ7 4HN**.

Following this meeting, an extraordinary Parish Council meeting was held on Tuesday 25th April to formally discuss the application.

At the time of going to press with the May edition of the newsletter the minutes of the latter meeting were not available to be included. These will be posted on the village notice board when ready and included in the June edition of the Ringmore Newsletter.

Earlier in the month, Bigbury Parish Council were asked to comment on this application.

This was discussed at the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 12th April with the following outcome:

The Council unanimously agreed to submit the following recommendation – NEUTRAL to proposal on the basis that although there was support for a small scale growth including affordable housing (in the area) the Council felt it was a decision for Ringmore Parish Council to make.

Claudia Roden's Moroccan Orange cake

Ingredients

- 2 Oranges (medium sized)
- 6 Eggs
- 250g (8.8 oz) Ground almonds
- 250g (8.8 oz) Sugar
- 1 tsp Baking powder
- 1 Splodge of butter and sprinkling of flour for the cake tin

Wash and boil the oranges unpeeled, in water to cover for 1 1/2 hours or until they are very soft. Let them cool, then cut them open, remove the pips and turn them into a puree in a food processor. Beat the eggs in a large bowl. Add all the other ingredients, mix thoroughly and pour into a buttered and floured cake tin with a removable base if possible.

Bake in a preheated moderately hot 190°C oven for about 1 hour. If it is still very wet leave it in the oven for a little longer. Cool in the tin before turning out.

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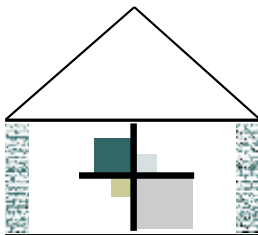
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