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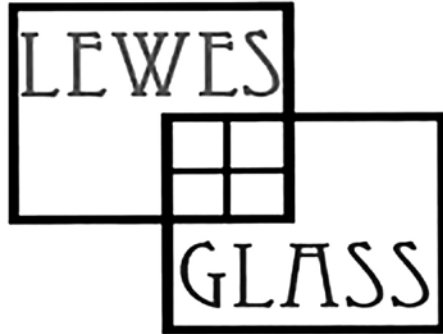
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# LETTER FROM ST MARY'S



Dear Friends

This will be the last 'Letter from St. Mary's' that I will write for a while. From 1 June I have been granted a three-month sabbatical. This isn't a holiday! Every ten years of ministry in a parish a vicar is given the opportunity to apply for an extended development ministerial leave (or sabbatical) during which the three aspects of the time away are:

- To produce something
- To learn something
- To have a break (so it is *somewhat* of a holiday...).

During my sabbatical I hope to produce a novel. I wrote 40,000 words of a novel on my last sabbatical ten years ago and I'm hoping to finish the story this time. I will also be learning the skill of video editing - I have a hobby drone and will take videos of churches and try to make them watchable. At the end of the school year, my wife will join me in our caravan for a longer holiday than usual. I am looking forward to starting this time away from Ringmer but I'm very much looking forward to coming back in September refreshed and renewed in body and spirit.

During my time away the email [vicar@ringmerchurch.org.uk](mailto:vicar@ringmerchurch.org.uk) and phone number 07394 936545 will be monitored and any calls or messages will be looked at and forwarded to receive a response, so please do continue to use these contact methods. I wish you all a blessed summer and I will see you on the other side of my sabbatical.

With every blessing, Revd. David

## CHURCH SERVICES FOR JUNE

### SUNDAY 7 JUNE

10am

6.30pm

### SUNDAY 14 JUNE

10am

### SUNDAY 21 JUNE

10am

6.30pm

### SUNDAY 28 JUNE

10am

### SUNDAY 5 JULY

10am

6.30pm

### TRINITY 1

FirstSunday@10 Service

Eucharist for Ordinary Time

### TRINITY 2

Eucharist for Ordinary Time

### TRINITY 3

Eucharist for Ordinary Time

Evening Prayer with hymns

### TRINITY 4

Eucharist for Ordinary Time with the Ministry of Prayer

### TRINITY 5

FirstSunday@10 Service

Eucharist for Ordinary Time

**A Eucharist Service will be said most Thursdays at 10am in the Lady Chapel**

# ST MARY'S NEWS & EVENTS

*Check [ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information](http://ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information) for more details on everything at St Mary's.*

## REVD DAVID ON SABBATICAL

From 1 June until 31 August, Revd. David will be on sabbatical, which means he will not be in the village. If you wish to speak to someone during this time, please ring his number and someone from our team will get back to you. Our Sunday services will continue as usual but the service at 10am on Thursday mornings will not be a Eucharist but a Morning Service.

## FIRSTSUNDAY@10 SERVICE

The FirstSunday@10 service this month is on 7 June. This is a service very suitable for children of all ages with lots of singing and some easy crafts. We hope to see you there. In the evening at 6.30pm we have a Eucharist service.

## PRAYER VIGIL

On Tuesday 9 June, prayers will be said in the Lady Chapel at 9am for the many needs of the world, the country and our village and church. This is an informal time and prayers can be silent or said aloud. You are welcome to join us.

At our 10am Sunday services each week we pray for the people living in certain areas of our parish: 7 June – Middleham Close, 14 June – Langham Close and Mill View, 21 June – Greenacres Drive and 28 June – Mill Road.

## HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is said in each of the Care Homes in Ringmer during the month – Parris Lawn on 2 June at 11am, Holm Lodge on 30 June at 11.30am and Lime Tree House on 25 June at 11am.

## BIBLE STUDY COURSE

The next course starts on 4 June for six weeks, when we will continue our study of the Book of Acts. Each week stands alone so you are welcome to join us on any week in the Church

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## ST MARY'S NEWS & EVENTS

### CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING

12 May	David Lambird	"Happy birthday wishes darling, miss you so much"
13 May	Diane Davis	"Much loved and sorely missed"
22 May	Andrew Constable	"Precious memories"

*If you would like to remember a loved one by having the St Mary's church floodlit on a specific evening, please contact Shirley Squires at [ad-squires@talktalk.net](mailto:ad-squires@talktalk.net) or on 01273 752167/07552492354 or at 26 Danforth Way. A donation of £15 would be very gratefully received.*

### ST MARY'S TODDLERS

Continues in the Symons Hall at the Village Hall on Wednesdays between 10.30am and 12pm. We are pleased to welcome parents / carers with pre-school children for a morning of play (children) and chat (adults!), finishing with a couple of songs. Teas and coffees are always available.

### CCTV AT ST MARY'S

Revd. David says: "During the last month, St. Mary's Church has had to install multiple CCTV cameras inside and around the church building. We have had to do this to combat anti-social behaviour, ranging from thoughtless teenagers and their antics to aggressive vandalism and theft. It is a priority that we keep the building open for us all to use and feel comfortable and safe within. You will understand that the cameras will only be accessed if we discover more unwanted behaviour happening around the church. We hope that the presence of these cameras deter those who would want to cause damage and give others a second thought before they undertake silly actions in and around the church. We are committed to keeping your church safe and all the people who use it."



On Tuesday 9 June we are having our annual outing. This year we are visiting Michelham Priory House & Gardens for coffee and lunch and those who want to look round the garden will be able to do so. As part of our 150<sup>th</sup> celebrations, four of our members are going to a special Evensong at St Paul's Cathedral on 10 June.

## COUNT ON NATURE | RINGMER REPAIR CAFE



### COME AND COUNT ON NATURE IN ST MARY'S ECO CHURCHYARDS – SATURDAY 6 JUNE 2.30pm to 5pm

An invitation for everyone to join in a summer afternoon helping to record all of nature in the two churchyards and garden area.

Adults and children will have help and guidance spotting birds wild flowers, butterflies, insects and wildlife, as well as the chance to enjoy refreshments.

This is part of a nationwide week to monitor progress in restoring nature and biodiversity. There are lots of knowledgeable people in the village, plus bring your smart phones with nature app.

Please come and help those wanting to find out more about nature and appreciate how they can help in their own gardens and the village.

### RINGMER REPAIR CAFE

Rosemary Colebourn says: "The next Repair Café is on Saturday 27 June from 10am to 12.30pm. Don't forget to bring all your electrical items, mechanical objects, wooden articles, clothes, textile items, garden equipment, simple bike problems, IT advice and anything else in need of some sort of repair or improvement.

"Our volunteers will do their best to help and advise. There will also be cakes and savouries, coffee and tea while you wait or chat with friends. Any queries to [ringmerrepaircafe@gmail.com](mailto:ringmerrepaircafe@gmail.com) please."





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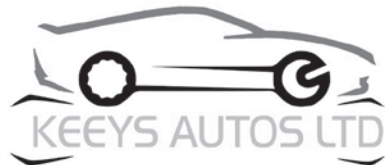
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year when we meet for worship and bible-based teaching. You will find a warm welcome and an opportunity to share fellowship with ordinary people who are learning more about following Jesus.

This month we are studying the book of Philippians, written by Paul to remind the Church that happiness is not reliant upon circumstances. We will also be starting a new series in the evening looking at the accounts of ordinary people in the Bible who did extraordinary things in God's strength.

During the year, we will share lunch on several other occasions and hear from various charities who are bringing relief and hope in difficult situations in the UK and worldwide. On 7 June we will have an update from The Leprosy Mission (reg charity number 1050327) at 2.15 pm. Everyone is welcome to hear what is being done to support people affected by leprosy particularly in Asia and Africa. We are also delighted to confirm that £445.63 was donated at our lunch and Charity talk by Brighter Future International (reg charity number 1186475). Many thanks to everyone for their generosity.

Full details of our teaching for the month ahead and other activities, as well as the charities we support, appear on our website [www.ringmerbaptist.uk](http://www.ringmerbaptist.uk)

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If we can help you in any way, or you would like to talk about Jesus, please get in touch.

### **RINGMER MARKET**

**SATURDAY 27 JUNE 10am to 12pm**

Please support Ringmer Market and your Village Hall. Come and explore our exciting array of local produce and stalls, including freshly baked bread and cakes, a wide range of arts and crafts, fashions, gifts, and much more!

Refreshments are also available. All are welcome!

# RINGMER WI | HISTORY GROUP | FUNDRAISER



## RINGMER WI UPDATE

Last month we welcomed John Cole, who spoke passionately about some women photographers whom he particularly admires. He selected six, namely Julia Margaret Cameron, Dorothea Lange, Margaret Bourke-White, Diane Arbus, Jane Hope Bown and Lee Miller. They worked from the mid 1800s to 2014, creating stunning images of ordinary people, historical events and famous faces.

Margaret and Lee were both involved in war photography and knew each other in their quest to record the graphic horrors of WW2. Julia persuaded friends to dress up in costumes to create stories through her works and Dorothea was asked by Roosevelt to portray the hardships of American farming families for social change. Diane took photos of those living on the edge of conventional society and was the first to use flash during daylight to create a lightness in her images. Lastly, Jane worked for the *Observer* using no flash at all but managed to capture famous faces in natural poses including Mick Jagger, Samuel Beckett and Queen Elizabeth for her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Our next meeting will be on 2 June when Glyn Harper will tell us the story of two conjoined twins born in 1100 in Biddenden, Kent. All are welcome.

## RINGMER HISTORY GROUP

This month's meeting is at 7.30 pm on Friday 26 June in Ringmer Village Hall, when Ian Kirby will speak to us about 'Chailey Heritage, Past Present and Future'. Ringmer was one of a dozen local parishes that formed the Chailey Poor Law Union in 1834 and the former Chailey parish workhouse out on Chailey Common was initially used to house the Union's adult paupers.

The former Ringmer parish workhouse was used for the Union's school-age children. These old parish workhouses became redundant in 1873, when the Chailey Union built a new, purpose-built, workhouse on the southern end of the common, in East Chilmington parish.

## EAST SUSSEX VISION SUPPORT

Come along to East Sussex Vision Support's fundraising coffee morning on Saturday 6 June from 10am to 12pm in Ringmer Village Hall. All proceeds go towards the group's summer outings and monthly meetings for the local club for sight impaired people. Bring cash and it's £5 for coffee and cake and a refill. See [eastsussexvisionsupport.org](http://eastsussexvisionsupport.org) for more information on the group.





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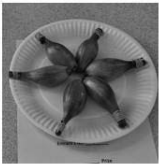
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## RINGMER VILLAGE SHOW

The Ringmer Village Show returns on 11 July at the Village Hall, and we're excited to welcome everyone to this wonderful celebration of village life! The show, of course, features individual entries in horticulture- fruit, vegetables, and flowers, alongside handicrafts, paintings, and photography, showcasing the incredible talent and creativity of our local residents. This year we are also introducing a Community Class with a brand-new trophy for a local group. We have been delighted that the Brownies and Kings Academy have been involved and we hear the Cubs and local care homes will take part this summer, making the show more inclusive than ever.

If you are part of a community group that would like to take part, please do get in touch. It's a day of creativity, fun,

and community a true reflection of what makes Ringmer such a special place. The show relies on the hard work and dedication of the committee, and we are looking for new members to help keep this cherished tradition alive. Committee involvement includes four evening meetings a year and two show days, with plenty of ways to contribute.

Whether you're interested in being an assistant show steward, taking photographs, or helping with tea and cake, your efforts make a real difference. Our committee is positive, friendly and welcoming. Joining us is a fantastic way to get involved in the heart of our community while helping create a day that brings everyone together.

If you are interested, please come to the show to volunteer or email [rhclub1970@gmail.com](mailto:rhclub1970@gmail.com) or go to [ringmerhorticulturalclub.co.uk](http://ringmerhorticulturalclub.co.uk) or our Facebook page [facebook.com/RingmerVillageShow](https://www.facebook.com/RingmerVillageShow)

A heads up for those wishing to enter any classes : the schedule (which you will find on our website or in the Ringmer Library) states that the deadline for entries is Thursday 10 July whereas it should say Thursday 9 July. You just can't get the staff!!



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### COMING UP NEXT...

**APRIL**  
3rd: QUIZ

See left for details.  
6th: BANK HOLIDAY 9-3pm  
17th: FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY  
See left for details.  
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**MAY**  
1st: QUIZ  
4th: BANK HOLIDAY 9-3pm  
15th: FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY  
See left for details.  
25th: BANK HOLIDAY 9-3pm

**JUNE**  
5th: QUIZ  
19th: FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY  
Taking bookings now.  
21st: FATHER'S DAY  
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**APRIL**  
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**JUNE**  
5th: QUIZ  
See above for details.  
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# RINGMER VILLAGE LIBRARY



## RINGMER VILLAGE LIBRARY

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We always have great books and puzzles to borrow as we buy new stock regularly and you can always ask us to get hold of things that aren't on our catalogue. It's easy to join and no ID is necessary. We offer space for a coffee, a chat, to hop online, read or do the communal jigsaw – and it's all free to use. There's also a sale trolley where you can pick up great books for a bargain price – perfect for holiday reading when you don't want to bring back the books!

Last month, a packed hall enjoyed a fun afternoon with Henry Normal and Tim Barlow and a smaller group completed their Creative Writing course with Uckfield author Deborah Jenkins. We will be displaying some extracts from their work in the library in June, so do pop by and see.

### WHAT'S ON AT THE LIBRARY IN JUNE

On 6 June, it's our usual monthly weekend story-time at 10.30am and we will also be taking a table that morning at East Sussex Vision Support's coffee morning between 10am and 12pm in the Village Hall. Do come along to support the event and stock up on some holiday reading and puzzles at great prices.

On 13 June, it's the regular Sociable Saturday - come in for coffee, cake and chat!

Our Hearing Aid maintenance session moved as a one off to the fourth Thursday this month – it's on 25 June from 3pm until 4.30pm.

Funding from Lewes District Council means that we can put on another Kitchen Company course at the Village Hall, which enables a small group of six people to learn some basic cookery skills in five free classes. It's a supportive environment with friendly volunteers to help along the way and all ingredients are paid for. The course this year will be held on the five Wednesday evenings in July. Please email us for more details on [ringmervillagelibrary@gmail.com](mailto:ringmervillagelibrary@gmail.com) if you're interested.

And advance notice of our next author event – Ringmer based novelist Molly Green is back with a talk about her latest book on 25 July at 2.30pm in the Village Hall. It's called *Wartime Secrets at the Mayfair Club*. Tickets will be on sale at the library from mid June at £5, which includes a coffee and cake.

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The role of the Governing Committee is to support and challenge school leaders, help strengthen community links and ensure the school continues to thrive at the heart of village life.

No previous governance experience is required and full training and support will be provided. Experience in areas such as community leadership, public service or health & safety would be welcomed but are not essential.

The commitment includes:

- One evening meeting each term
- Termly visits into school
- Occasional engagement with local community groups and stakeholders.

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Visiting the home is always the best way to see if it's the place for your loved one. Also, keep in mind, you don't have to book a visit. And the assessment can begin before you even step inside. Are the grounds well-maintained? Is long-term parking available for future visits?

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# VILLAGE HALL NEWS & BOOKINGS | SILENT FILM

## VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

At our AGM in April we bid farewell to our past chairman Alan West, to long standing Trustee Neil Thornicroft and to bookings secretary Bren Bonner. All three served the village loyally for decades and will be greatly missed.

The Village Hall committee has just appointed Ben Bouskill as volunteer bookings administrator. He can be contacted at [ringmervh.bookings@gmail.com](mailto:ringmervh.bookings@gmail.com). You can also book online at [ringmervillagehall.chessck.co.uk/](http://ringmervillagehall.chessck.co.uk/) You can also get a booking form at the library. Please complete and return them to the library and allow five days for processing. You may also wish to use the library computer to make a booking online – please enquire at the desk.

For any pressing enquiries please contact [ringmervh.chair@gmail.com](mailto:ringmervh.chair@gmail.com).

## BINGO FUNDRAISER

Bingo caller Graham will be back for an evening of fun on Saturday 20 June. Doors open at 7pm, Eyes Down at 7.30pm for 8 cards with cash prizes throughout.

Bring your own drinks and nibbles for a fun and lively evening. Admission is £15pp with proceeds going to the Village Hall charity and also to support Marisa's fundraising to support some simple projects in a small village in Uganda. She says: "I have the opportunity to spend some time in Kabubbu in August. I hope to work with young women and children there to provide support and learn about their culture. As part of the trip, I would like to raise funds to support some practical projects to leave a lasting legacy".

Marisa is joining volunteers from The Quicken Trust – an Eastbourne-based charity – active in Kabubbu for over 25 years. Please book the bingo night in advance and bring friends.

Email [marisa@happymouflon.com](mailto:marisa@happymouflon.com) and search her name on JustGiving to find her page or scan this QR code.



## SILENT FILM SHOWING AT RINGMER VILLAGE HALL

Don't miss a showing of Charlie Chaplin's *The Gold Run*, a 1925 American silent comedy. The film also stars Chaplin in his Little Tramp persona. One of his most famous films, it has a cameo in which Chaplin cooks and eats his own boots.

With live piano accompaniment from Mike Hatchard this film makes for a great evening of nostalgia, mirth and sophistication. You are welcome to bring your own refreshments. Catch it on Friday 12 June at 7.30pm in Ringmer Village Hall.

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# RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL



## PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

At the Annual Statutory meeting on 5 May, Cllr Gordon Sims was elected chair and Cllr John Whitlock as vice-chair for the ensuing year. Full details of the committee memberships and other areas of responsibility and interest are on the Parish Council website. During the last financial year, the Council awarded over £9k in grants to the following groups and organisations: Ringmer PTA (Year 6 - PATINA 'Moving on Parade'), Air Ambulance Charity Kent Surrey Sussex (contribution to the operating costs of HEMS), Love our Ouse (to purchase kits and monitor water quality at Glynde Reach), Ringmer Dramatic Society (for backstage Comms), St. Peter and St James Hospice (to support operating costs), The Almond Field (match funding for fencing to allow sheep grazing and a wet life pond), Ringmer Village Hall (a noticeboard) and Bonfire and Carols on the Green (for event insurance).

## JUBILEE GARDENS

The Parish Council works with Goldcliff Garden Centre to re-stock the flower beds. The small bed next to the Wheelhouse and the adjacent large bed provided a colourful display and work was started on the final bed but has recently stopped because of the lack of rain. If any resident would like to help with the planting and routine maintenance of the Jubilee Gardens please contact the Clerk on 01273 813242 or by email at [clerk@ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk)

## THE ALMOND FIELD

The Almond Field is a popular venue for a quiet walk for residents. The biodiversity of the native plants is increasing and will result in a more diverse population of invertebrates and birds. Access to the field is from the public footpath in the New Cemetery. At the request of the family and as the area is a designated SDNPA Call for Nature Site, dogs are not allowed in the field. The ground is very uneven so please take care. Two rustic benches are positioned in the field. A small group of volunteers from Wildflower Ringmer are supporting the work of the council to further increase the biodiversity of the field. If any resident would like to be involved with working in the Almond Field please contact the Clerk on 01273 813242 or by email at [clerk@ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk)

## PICNIC ON THE GREEN

Following last year's popular event, the Parish Council is hosting another event on Bank Holiday Monday 31 August from 12.30pm to 5pm. Come along for an afternoon of fun, including music, dancing, a dog show, children's activities / entertainment and stalls run by local groups / organisations. Bring a picnic or buy food from the outlets on site - confirmed so far are the WI tea and cake stall, Ye Olde Spud Shoppe + Downsview Ice Cream. The Cricket Club bar will also be open. This is a free event, although food, drinks, and some stallholder activities may carry a small charge.

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## THE ANCHOR CELEBRATION | RAGE



### A SUMMER CELEBRATION AT THE ANCHOR

To say a massive thank you to the Ringmer community for the incredible support since Greg and Carla took over, you are warmly invited to a celebration on Saturday 25 July.

The lineup in the pub garden includes:

- Afternoon: A live magician to entertain all ages.
- Late Afternoon: A live DJ to carry the party into the night.
- Evening: Great live music to soak up the summer atmosphere.

Whether you are a longtime regular or a new neighbour, Greg, Carla, and the team would love to see you. Come along, bring your friends and family, and let's raise a toast to the journey so far!

### RINGMER AGAINST GREENFIELD EXPLOITATION

Thanks to the team for organising and recording a successful Day of Action on Saturday 18 April - in sync with other neighbours under the same or greater threat than Ringmer. Another thanks to all who appeared in support. Watch highlights in the video on <https://youtu.be/FJlyClpuRzA>

As yet, there's nothing new to report on the Neighbourhood Plan. The Howells Bank Farm application was heard at the last Public Accounts Committee (PAC) meeting. After much well-argued opposition, the decision was deferred pending further submissions by the developer. RAGE will try to keep you informed.

The Turnpike Farm application will come up for decision sometime soon. Under new rules, the size of the application means that LDC are legally unable to refuse it. If they want to, it goes to the Planning Minister for the decision, which means opposition must be comprehensive from every possible quarter – RAGE will do its best to advise and keep you informed.

If you haven't yet got your SAVE RINGMER FROM OVERDEVELOPMENT placard, you can still collect one from Howells Bank Cottage at the top of Broyle Lane – just help yourself.

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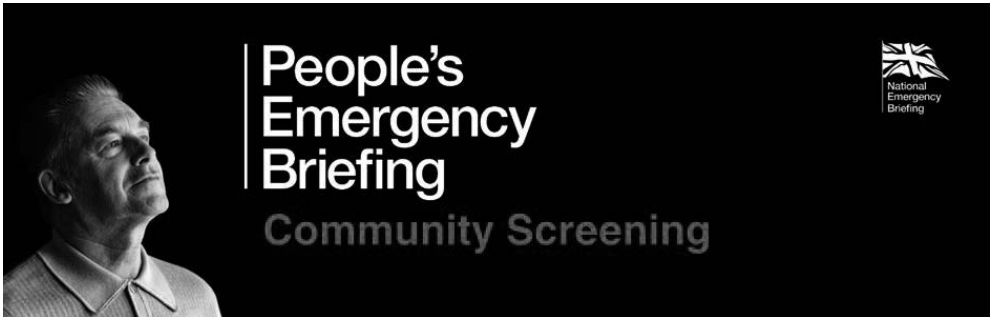
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## PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY BRIEFING | ART SHOW



### RINGMER'S PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY BRIEFING EVENT 13 JUNE 2026 | RINGMER VILLAGE HALL | 5pm to 7pm

By now we hope that you will have seen posters up around the village, on the Village Facebook page, picked up a flier and read the main article in last month's Magazine, about this important evening event. It is one of more than 800 similar screenings taking place this summer. Organised by local communities, the screenings aim to provide public information about the climate crisis. It is a non-political meeting showing a 50 minute film (16+ age guidance) outlining the challenges facing this country to build resilience and recognise ways of making vital changes. The evening will provide opportunities for feedback and ways of playing a part in existing groups focussed on restoring the local environmental and meeting community needs.

The event is free but please reserve a ticket online at [ringmerparishchurch.org.uk](http://ringmerparishchurch.org.uk). Scroll down the home page to the Eco Church page, click on People's Emergency Briefing and the live link is within the information and a trailer for the film. We hope that a very wide cross section of Ringmer residents will attend, so please encourage your active friends and neighbours. Call 07552487694 if you have any questions.

On behalf of members of Ringmer Eco Church Team, Ringmer Repair Cafe and many individuals helping to organise this event.



### LEWES DISTRICT ART CLUB EXHIBITION

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## **THE PET STORE, RINGMER**



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This month's photograph, from Ringmer History Group, shows a mock-Tudor house, built in the late 1890s in a paddock at the edge of the village, was called first St George's Villa, later The Oaks and finally Oakmede. Another similar house, built in the same paddock at the same time, survives as a care home, Holm Lodge. After standing derelict for some years, Oakmede was demolished in the 1970s and replaced by Oakmede Way.

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**Bowls Club:** Rinks: Cheyney Green. Sec: Pauline Lloyd on 01273 812470.

**Cheyney Croquet Club:** Sue Tompsett 01273813810

**Cricket Club:** Village Green. Secretary: D Bush on 01273 812522.

**Dramatic Society:** 01273 812795, mark.croasdale@live.com

**East Sussex Community Choir:** Monday 7.30 to 9pm term time only at Trinity StJohn's Sub Castro, Lewes. Mary Burke 01273 475885 or burke.mf@gmail.com

**Evergreen Club:** 55+ social club, meets most Thursdays at the Village Hall at 2pm. For details ring Gill or Graham Stapley 01273 812976.

**Fitness circuits:** Every Wed during term time from 6pm to 6.50pm in the KAR school gym. Contact Sally on 07733305345/sallynorris47@hotmail.com

**Lewes & District Art Club:** Tuesdays 2-4pm in Village Hall. Mavis Stanley 01273814359 or Angela Howard 01273 813097

**Lewes & District Probus:** Geoff Fitch on 07484721582, geoffrey@gmx.com.

**Lewes Daytime Music: House of Friendship, School Hill:** Choir Mon 2-3pm. Ukulele beg. Wed 9.30am Inter: 10.30am Adv: 11.30am Beat Parkinson's choir every Friday 11-12 at Cliffe Hall, Lewes Debra Skeen 07710 548724

**Lewes Social Group of East Sussex Vision Support** meets monthly, every second Monday. Local contact Gill Salisbury, 07463 073385.

**Library:** Village Hall, 07934 046392 or ringmervillagelibrary@gmail.com

**Line Dancing:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday in one of the halls at the Village Hall. Contact Chester Funnell on 07519818112 or chester.h.funnell@gmail.com

**Memory Moments Café:** (for people with dementia & family/carers) – Village Hall, Thursday 10am to 12pm. Call Kate for more information on 07708 014313.

**Mothers' Union:** Christine Smith, 01273 814993, christineesmith@me.com or Shirley Squires 01273 752167.

**Ringmer Community Speedwatch Group** Ray Eggleton 01273 812962 or r.eggleton@sky.com

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**Pilates:** Village Hall Thursday evening and Friday morning. Contact Louise McAllen, 07841 397550 or [louisemcallenfitness@gmail.com](mailto:louisemcallenfitness@gmail.com)

**Exercise Classes:** Village Hall, Fri 9.30-10.30am. Wendy on 07980 307002.

**Ringmer AFC:** [RingmerAFC@outlook.com](mailto:RingmerAFC@outlook.com).

**Ringmer Baptist Church:** Neil Thornicroft 01825 750283.

**Ringmer Good Neighbours Scheme:** 07340 118758 between 10am and 4pm.

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**Ringmer History Study Group:** John Kay, 01273 813388.

**Ringmer Horticultural & Home Produce Club:** [rhclub1970@gmail.com](mailto:rhclub1970@gmail.com)

**Ringmer Primary & Nursery School:** Please contact the school office on 01273

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**Ringmer Ramblers:** Fortnightly walks on Sunday at 10 am (about 5 miles) and more challenging monthly walks on Saturday mornings. Full programme available. Contact John Horton at [john\\_horton0@talk21.com](mailto:john_horton0@talk21.com)

**Ringmer Rovers Junior Football Club:** Football training for players aged 4-16 at Kings Academy Ringmer. Contact the secretary Catherine Kelly on [secretary@ringmerrovers.org.uk](mailto:secretary@ringmerrovers.org.uk) for more information.

**Ringmer Short Mat Bowls:** The Bowls Pavilion, Cheyney Green. Mon 2-4.30 pm, Tues 7-10.15pm, Wed 10 am-12.30 pm. Pat Escott 01273 813295.

**Ringmer Stoolball Club** - Played on the Village Green from May until September. Juniors on Wednesday & Seniors on Thursday evenings. Contact Bethan Nancarrow and 07708 001925

**Ringmer Table Tennis Club:** Day and evening sessions in the Scout Hut. Contact Membership Secretary Jo Miller on 01273 812840 for more details.

**Ringmer Tiddlers & Toddlers:** Village Hall, Mon 9.30am-11.30am. Debbie Pellett on 07930 907116 or email [ringmertiddlers@gmail.com](mailto:ringmertiddlers@gmail.com)

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**1<sup>st</sup> Ringmer Scout Group:** Scout HQ, The Green, Group Lead volunteers Rachel Winney & Daniel Willetts. Book at [bookings@1stringmer.org](mailto:bookings@1stringmer.org) Scout Troop: Tuesday 7-8.30pm. Cub Pack: Thursday 6-7.15pm. Beavers: Thursday 5-6pm. Enquiries: [scouting@1stringmer.org](mailto:scouting@1stringmer.org)

**St Mary's Wednesday Art Group:** 10-12pm Church Room. New members welcome contact Kath Evans on 01273 812617.

**St John Ambulance - Ringmer Cadet Unit:** Village Hall, CADETS 10-18 years meet 6pm - 8pm contact Daniel at [Daniel.Willetts1@sja.org.uk](mailto:Daniel.Willetts1@sja.org.uk)

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