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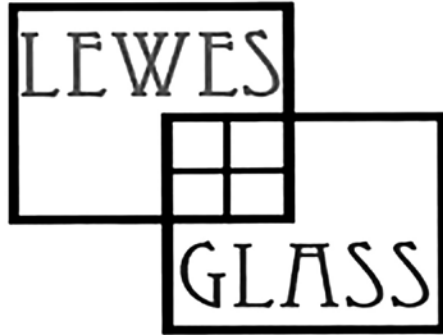
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LETTER FROM ST MARY'S



Dear Friends

September always seems to me to be a time of change. The lazy days of summer are drawing in, the colours of the countryside are becoming autumnal and our thoughts are turning to indoor activities. It is the start of a new school year and we wish pupils and staff a happy and successful time as they face new learning and challenge.

September will be a time of change for us at St. Mary's too, as we welcome Rev'd David back from his sabbatical break. It has been an interesting three months with a variety of clergy leading our worship but from a churchwarden perspective, it will be good to have some stability as we plan for the special services and festivals that are approaching. I don't like to mention the word 'Christmas' but yes, we are beginning to think about another festival weekend on 12 and 13 December. There will hopefully be lots of decorated trees (do get your organisation involved), a mammoth Christmas fair and lots of opportunities to sing carols. But before then, you can be assured of a warm welcome at our open Church afternoon on 12 September for afternoon tea, at Harvest Festival on 4 October and week by week at the services and regular events.

A couple of months ago I mentioned that the organ blower had given up the ghost... well, the good news is that we have a new one! Many thanks to all those who made generous donations to cover the cost of £13,000. So you know what I am talking about, it is in the picture - it lives in the stone building in the churchyard!

With love from St Mary's, **Anne Franklin, Churchwarden**

CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

10am

6.30pm

SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER

10am

SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

10am

6.30pm

SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

10am

TRINITY 14

FirstSunday@10 Service

Celtic Eucharist

TRINITY 15

Eucharist for Ordinary Time

TRINITY 16

Eucharist for Ordinary Time

Evensong

TRINITY 17

Eucharist for Ordinary Time with the Ministry of Prayer

Eucharist will be said on Thursday mornings at 10am in the Lady Chapel

ST MARY'S NEWS & EVENTS

Check ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information for more details on everything at St Mary's.

FIRSTSUNDAY@10 SERVICE

The FirstSunday@10 service this month is on 6 September and will be the usual first Sunday of the month service with lots of singing and some (fairly!) easy crafts.

REVD DAVID IS BACK!

We have been so grateful to our visiting priests for allowing us to continue a weekly Eucharist over the last three months and look forward to welcoming Revd David back with us from 1 September.

PRAYER VIGIL

On Tuesday 8 September, 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: The Broyle on 6 September, Shortgate on 13 September, Green Lane and Harvey's Lane on 20 September and Laughton Road and Half Mile Drove on 27 September.

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is said in each of the Care Homes in Ringmer during the month – Parris Lawn on 1 September at 11am, Lime Tree House on 24 September at 11am and Holm Lodge on 29 September at 11.30am.

ST MARY'S TODDLERS

The group continues in the Symons Hall at the Village Hall on Wednesdays during the school holidays 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 singing a couple of songs. As it is holiday time, we welcome younger siblings to come along. Teas and coffees are always available.

OPEN CHURCH AFTERNOON

Come along to St Mary's on Saturday 12 September between 2.30pm and 4.30pm. There will be afternoon tea, musical interludes, a hamper raffle and eco-church activities.

BIBLE STUDY

The next series starts on Thursday 17 September at 3.45pm in the Church Room, with tea and biscuits from 3.30pm. It will continue for six weeks and is called 'A Psalm for all Seasons', looking at different psalms relating to different periods of our lives. Each week is a stand alone sessions, so come along whenever you can.



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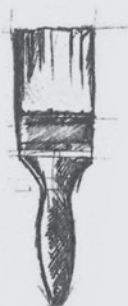
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CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING

22 July	Beryl Kingswood	"The years pass without you, missed every day"
25 September	Keith Hart	"In loving memory"
27 September	Albert & Grace Sheppard	"In loving memory"

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-sasquires@talktalk.net or on 01273 752167/07552492354 or at 26 Danforth Way. A donation of £15 would be very gratefully received.

The Friends of St Mary's Jazz Evening



The Little Big Band

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ECO TIP | REPAIR CAFÉ | CLIMATE SUPPORT

ST MARY'S ECO TIP – SHOP LOCAL

Autumn is the season of harvest with an abundance of local produce. Shopping locally is a sustainable choice for many reasons. Not only does it cut food miles and transport costs, but also decreases the use of plastic packaging, makes it easier to choose small quantities, encourages seasonal eating, retains nutrients and vitamins in freshly picked produce and supports local growers and contributes to the local economy.

There are several local farmers' markets and shops that offer delivery of seasonal veg boxes. If you have a glut of apples and tomatoes, you can donate surplus garden produce to the Lewes Fridge (supported by Lewes Climate Hub). Similarly, the 'Too good to go' app for local suppliers can be a good source of surplus produce, including cakes and baked items, at discounted prices.

MOTHER'S UNION

Shirley Squires says: "Eighteen members joined us for a cream tea at 2 Oakmede Way on 11 August in celebration of Mary Sumner Day on 9 August during our 150th anniversary year. The weather was great and everyone enjoyed sitting, eating and chatting. Our thanks to Sue Knight. The next meeting is on Tuesday 8 September at 7.30pm when Kelly from Delphi Flowers is coming to talk to us. You are welcome to come and join us."



RINGMER REPAIR CAFÉ

Do come and find us, as usual, in the Parish Council offices at the rear of Kings Academy Ringmer, off Old School Close. We shall be there on the last Saturday of the month again, which is 26 September from 10am to 12.30pm.

For details of items we will be happy to repair or advise you about go to ringmerrepaircafe.co.uk or email ringmerrepaircafe@gmail.com

RINGMER CLIMATE SUPPORT GROUP

This is the name of the group evolving from the People's Emergency Briefing initiative. Several key initiatives were agreed at the August meeting, including arranging a second viewing of the *People's Emergency Briefing* film in the autumn, encouraging people to sign the petition for parliament to call for a full briefing on the climate emergency on TV. Go to nebriefing.org to find the petition – it needs 100,000 signatures. Our MP, James McCleary has already supported this.

Finally, to form a steering committee from members of the community to run with projects. If you want to join the first meeting of the steering group on Thursday 24 September at 7pm in St Mary's Church room, please email ringmerrepaircafe@gmail.com.



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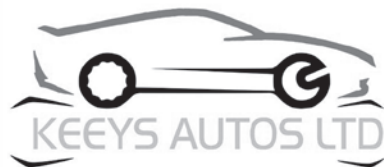
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This month we are continuing our studies in the Psalms to gain a deeper understanding of God and His love for us.

During the year, we will be sharing lunch on several occasions and hearing from various charities who are bringing relief and hope in difficult situations in the UK and worldwide. Our next lunch will be on 6 September when we will hear more about the work of Challenge Ministries (UK reg charity number 1162211). Full details of our teaching for the month ahead and other activities, as well as the charities we support, appear on our website 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.



ST MARY'S TUESDAY ART GROUP EXHIBITION

Our annual Art Exhibition and sale of pictures and cards will be held on Saturday 5 September from 10am until 4pm and on Sunday 6 September from 2pm until 4 pm in the Church Room of St Mary's Church in Ringmer.

Please come and support these local artists who welcome visitors to view their work

and possibly buy something!

There is no entry charge, refreshments are available and we look forward to reading your comments in the Visitor's Book!



RINGMER WI UPDATE

Last month Pete Allen spoke with great enthusiasm and knowledge about the history of British TV crime fighters. We were taken down memory lane with photos of dramas and actors through the decades since TV began. Sherlock Holmes was one of the earliest, first on radio and then in silent movies before the TV screen. In 1937 Francis L Sullivan played the first Hercule Poirot and in 1956 the first Miss Marple was played by Gracie Fields. In the '50s the BBC dramatised real crimes and then *Dixon of Dock Green* began the first of 450 episodes lasting 21 years. Then came *Z Cars*, *The Bill*, *Bergerac*, *Vera*, *The Sweeney*, *Morse*, *Crown Court* and many more. The latest trend, which is set to continue, is the emergence of strong female characters as well as the continuing remake of older crime dramas bringing them more up to date. The top five longest running shows are *Agatha Christie's Poirot* with David Suchet - 24 years, *The Bill* - 26 years, *Taggart* - 27 years, *Midsomer Murders* - 28 years and *Silent Witness* - 30 years. Crime dramas are the most popular genre with 42 having been shown so far this year, 14 have begun since the World Cup! Pete was an excellent presenter and members and visitors greatly enjoyed the evening. Our next meeting is on Tuesday 1 September when Wendy Agate will talk about the history of St Peter and St James Hospice, the work they do and how they will continue for generations to come. Visitors are most welcome.



RINGMER MARKET

Ringmer Market is back on Saturday 26 September from 10am to 12pm. Please come along and support Ringmer Market and your Village Hall. Explore the 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 to have a browse.

RINGMER HISTORY GROUP

Ringmer History Group's September meeting will be at 7.30pm on Friday 25 September in Ringmer Village Hall when 20th-century historian Stewart Angell [pictured right] will speak to us about 'Cold War Sussex'. Stewart is a founder member of the Sussex Military History Society as well as of the underground exploration group Subterranea Britannica and Council for British Archaeology South East. All are welcome.





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21st: TACO NIGHT
See left for details.
26th: INTERNATIONAL DOG DAY
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31st: BANK HOLIDAY
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SEPTEMBER

4th: PIZZA NIGHT
See left for details.
18th: MOROCCAN NIGHT
See left for details.

OCTOBER

8th: PAINT CLUB
See left for details.

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS

AUGUST

7th: PIZZA NIGHT
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21st: TACO NIGHT
Tacos by Taco Look At Me Now from 5-9pm.
Live Cover Music by Little Kingdom Duo from 5.45pm.
Full Bar available.

SEPTEMBER

4th: PIZZA NIGHT
Pizza by Siena Pizza Co. from 5-9pm.
Full Bar available.
18th: MOROCCAN NIGHT
Moroccan by Kabak from 5-9pm.
Live Irish Music by Ceol na Mara from 5.45pm.
Full Bar available.

OCTOBER

8th: PAINT CLUB
Paint Club from 7-9pm.
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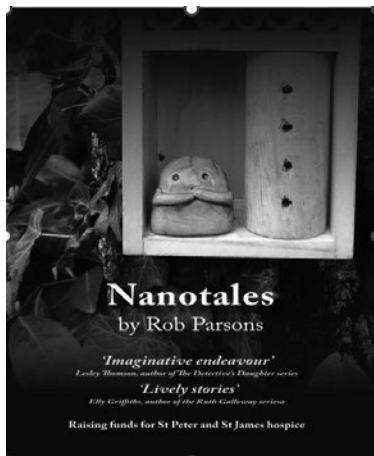


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The Village Library is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 2pm and 5pm and Wednesdays and Saturdays between 10am and 12pm. Every Thursday at 2pm, we run a free half hour story-time. It's a great way to get children into books!

We've had a busy August, with lots of children signed up for the Summer Reading Challenge and also our inaugural August Book Challenge for over 11s and adults, and we ran a couple of Book and Craft events too.

In September, we have our monthly Saturday story-time, this time with some Makaton signing at 10.30am on 5 September and our sociable Saturday between 10am and 12pm on 12 September. Our Hearing Aid maintenance session is on 17 September from 3pm until 4.30pm.



LOCAL AUTHOR EVENT

We're also looking forward to welcoming local author Rob Parsons, who has lived in Ringmer for more than 40 years. He's recently written a book of short stories *Nanotales*, which is raising funds for St Peter and St James Hospice. He will be coming to speak in the Alan West Room at Ringmer Village Hall on 19 September at 2.30pm. Rob will talk about living with cancer (gutty), the writing process (hair-raising) and the contents of the book (mostly fantasy, often daft.) Rob lost his daughter Sarah to cancer in 2022 and the family had a lot of support from the hospice. This book (which he will happily sign at the event) repays a small part of the debt Rob and his family owe to St Peter and St James. Tickets for the event will be on sale at the library from mid-August onwards for a £2

donation to include refreshments. Book a ticket at the library desk or email ringmervillagelibrary@mail.com

Coming up on 10 October, we have a lunchtime book and jigsaw sale at which we'll serve home-made soup between 12pm and 2pm.

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In September there are two contrasting talks. On the 3 September, we will open with mosaic artist and Town Mayor for Peacehaven Aimee Harman to hear of her work on The Orient Express. And on the 24 September, we will be joined by Colin Packham of St John Ambulance, England's First Aid Charity giving medical cover and ambulance services to major events and local communities. For more information call Gill or Graham Stapley on 01273 812976.



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IN MEMORIAM – FLOR GRINDLEY

A Thanksgiving Service to celebrate the life of Flor Grindley will be held on Friday 4 September at 2pm at the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Church Hill, Ringmer, Lewes BN8 5JX, followed by refreshments in the Jack Hart Hall in Ringmer Village Hall.

All are welcome, but, to assist catering the event properly, Flor's son, David, would be grateful if attendees could confirm via dgrind16@gmail.com.

RINGMER BARN DANCING

We will be dancing again on 16 September - you will be most welcome. Dancing starts at 8pm until 10pm and it's £6 (cash only). No need to bring a partner, we have plenty of very friendly people to dance with. Keep fit, enjoy the live music and laugh when it all goes wrong.

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A Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) is a document that allows you to be included in important decisions involving the medical care and finances of your family member when they no longer have capacity to do so themselves.

Why is it important to set up an LPA?

You can only be registered as an LPA for a donor while your loved one **has mental capacity**. So, it is best to have one set up as soon as possible.

If an LPA is not set up for your loved one and they lose their mental capacity, you will not be able to legally represent them. Then, the only way to act on their behalf is to go through a lengthy and expensive process which involves going to court to become a deputy. So, get this sorted while you can. An LPA is the easiest way to ensure you will be involved in managing their affairs and their care with us if they ever lose mental capacity.

What does an LPA allow you to do?

There are two types: finances & property, and health & welfare. One or two people can be assigned to manage these.

An LPA can be enacted while someone still has mental capacity. For instance, they may be able to handle their care but might get a little confused when it comes to managing their finances. If they have already appointed someone as an LPA over their finances, they can call on this person to make financial decisions for them.

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VILLAGE HALL | TIDDLERS & TODDLERS | HUB

NEWS FROM RINGMER VILLAGE HALL - RINGMER HUB

Don't forget that we are running another Ringmer Hub event at Ringmer Village Hall on 3 October between 10am and 1pm. The Ringmer Hub is the village societies fair, where visitors will find loads of groups and available to share information on activities they undertake and how you can join. It's very friendly and informal and a great way to find out more about what goes on in our busy village. It's great if you've just moved here, have a bit of spare time or just want to make new friends. At the time of writing, we have 24 groups taking part, with activities such as fitness classes, educational and social groups, both churches and lots of volunteering opportunities. Entry is free and refreshments will be available, provided by the Ringmer Tiddlers and Toddlers group.

A poster for the Ringmer Tiddlers & Toddlers event. The top features a decorative border with a castle, a dinosaur, a car, and a teddy bear. The title 'Ringmer Tiddlers & Toddlers' is prominently displayed. Below it, the text 'Starts again' is followed by the date 'Monday 7th Sept 2026' and the location 'Ringmer Village Hall'. The time '9.30 -11.30 (term time only)' and the cost '£3.50 per family (inc. snack and hot drink)' are listed. It also mentions 'For parents, grandparents & carers' and 'All welcome, just turn up! Play, craft, singing, chat'. At the bottom, the email 'email: Ringmertiddlers@gmail.com' and a Facebook icon with the text 'Ringmer Tiddlers and Toddlers' are provided. The background of the poster shows a landscape with trees and a rainbow.

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LEWES FLOWER CLUB

The club next meets on Thursday 10 September from 12.30pm at Beechwood Community Hall, Cooksbridge BN7 3QG. The demonstrator will be Ellouise Hasler-Stott who will present on 'Autumn Leaves'. Visitors are welcome at a cost of £7, to include a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits. This will then be followed by a flower demonstration and a flower raffle.

AN EVENING WITH MIKE HATCHARD

Back from the Edinburgh Festival where his Assembly Room show *Ludwig: Unfinished Business* sold out, attracting consistent five and four star reviews, Mike Hatchard presents a show of sublime music intermingled with comedy, anecdotes and unique improvisation. Come

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Work on rejuvenating the Jubilee Gardens beds has been stopped by the extremely hot spells that we have been experiencing. The two rejuvenated beds have given a colourful, pollinator friendly, display for much of the summer and work will continue on the final bed in the autumn. Volunteers are always welcome to help with the routine maintenance of the beds. If you have a couple of hours a month to offer and are interested in helping, please contact the Clerk, 01273 813242.

IMPROVING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT IN RINGMER

Work has continued throughout the summer on the Almond Field, maintaining the paths and clearing unwanted bramble and blackthorn. Residents are continuing to enjoy the peaceful atmosphere, wildflowers and numerous butterflies and other invertebrates when they visit. Due to the dry conditions the path is very uneven in parts so please be careful. Two previously unseen species have flowered this summer, viper's-bugloss and toadflax. Wildflower Ringmer have been busy cutting and clearing the wildflower areas on the Village Green. The summer has seen colourful displays on the Green, in the Wheel House and around the Memorial Bench. If you have a couple of hours a month to offer and are interested in helping with these projects, please contact the Clerk on 01273 813242.

SHOPPING PRECINCT REJUVENATION

Tender documents were sent out to potential contractors and were due back in August. More information will be circulated when we have it.

RINGMER VILLAGE GREEN POND PROJECT

In late 2025, the Parish Council commissioned a baseline survey of the pond to support better management of the pond and its habitat. By the time this newsletter goes to press, The Conservation Volunteers will have completed the first stage of work - removing bamboo and Portuguese laurel around the pond and coppicing small groups of trees on the north bank to encourage regeneration. The cut material has been stacked into habitat piles. If you missed the chance to take part in this first stage, there will be further opportunities as the project develops. If you are interested, please contact us at admin@ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk and we will get in touch when the next stage is being planned.

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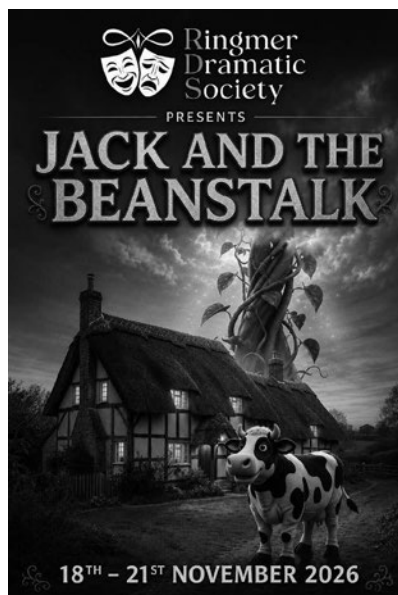
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RAGE | RINGMER DRAMATIC SOCIETY



Ringmer Against Greenfield Exploitation

At the deferred hearing of LW/25/0391 Land North of Turnpike Farm on 5 August, the Planning Applications Committee decided under the new rules that they were minded to refuse the application and refer it to the Secretary of State. Thanks to all who lobbied beforehand and spoke on the day. That's not the end of it by any means – we'll keep you advised as soon as anything is known. The previous application, that for Howell's Bank Farm, was approved. The next step for the successful applicant is to sell the site to a third party to develop and build and for us to try to make the site less attractive to any possible interested parties. A number of community action groups are moving towards a more coordinated mass protest against wholesale greenfield development in villages close to Ringmer. You may have seen the poster on the fence opposite the Olde Post Office Mews bus stop. We repeat the note from last month about planning authorities elsewhere enforcing decisions about lack of infrastructure, particularly regarding sewage disposal and developments exceeding capacity: no facilities means a stop to building. We hope that similar resolve can be introduced here. The Ringmer Hub is on 3 October from 10am to 1pm – we look forward to seeing you there! Are you familiar with Wordpress or Mailerlite and could you help us run the RAGE website? Email info@ringmergreenfields.org to get involved



RINGMER DRAMATIC SOCIETY

Rehearsals are now well underway for Ringmer Dramatic Society's 2026 pantomime, *Jack and the Beanstalk*, and excitement is already beginning to build as we prepare to bring this much-loved fairy tale to the stage in November. The cast are busy learning lines, songs and routines, but a successful pantomime needs far more than the people you see on stage – and we need your help!

Could you help backstage? We are looking for volunteers to join our backstage team, with lots of different roles available. Whether you fancy helping with scenery, props, costumes, scene changes, stage crew or simply lending an extra pair of hands during rehearsals and production week, we would love to hear from you.

No previous theatre experience is necessary. It is a great opportunity to meet people, learn something new and become part of a friendly local group while helping to bring one of Ringmer's much-loved community

productions to life.

Rehearsals currently take place on Wednesdays and Fridays from 7pm to 10pm and the production runs from Wednesday 18 to Saturday 21 November 2026. If you have ever wondered what goes on behind the scenes of a pantomime, now is the perfect opportunity to get involved. There really is a role for everyone, and we would be delighted to welcome some new faces to the Ringmer Dramatic Society family – email Mike O'Rourke at mikejorourke@aol.com to get involved.

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Lewes District Councillor Emily O'Brien says: "As local councillors, Johnny, Lucy and I were shocked and saddened at the rail derailment at Landport on the North edge of Lewes. There were amazing efforts by local Lewes councillors and residents to help people after the crash, including providing practical and emotional support at the Landport Community Hub. The District Council is liaising closely with Network Rail on the recovery effort, including ensuring that any damage to the nature project at Landport Brooks (which is council owned) is minimised. Our thoughts

and best wishes are with those recovering from their injuries.

"In more local news we recently joined residents on Church Hill in Ringmer [pictured above], calling for East Sussex County Council (ESCC) to restrict HGVs through Ringmer Conservation area. We gathered outside the St Mary's church to highlight the impacts of HGVs in this part of the village, which include road subsidence, continued damage to road, pavement and kerbstones and dangers for local residents and pedestrians. It's an unclassified road and we believe it should not be used for freight, yet every day we see HGVs using this as a cut-through to the A26 and in fact the official signage encourage this. We have even seen HGVs getting stuck. We have highlighted the problems and the protest in the local newspaper and written to ESCC regarding the ongoing issues with increasing HGV traffic and requesting the county council urgently review signage, and examine the potential for weight and speed restrictions on Church Hill, which is at the historic core of the Village and which we believe is an accident waiting to happen.

"Looking at the various policies we also discovered that the long awaited 'freight strategy', which we have been campaigning on since 2022 with a petition and a public protest on Ringmer Village Green, has been issued and is basically refusing any change of approach, basically that all A and B roads are 'fair game' for HGVs – which was disappointing to say the least. We have asked the county council some searching questions about this approach which is devastating for places like Ringmer.

"I continue to follow up residents issues relating to housing, and as ever, planning has been a crucial concern. I submitted a statement to the recent planning committee meeting regarding the Turnpike Lane development and was pleased the committee rejected this development – though under new rules, this local decision is now in the hands of government, so we are waiting to hear whether it will be overturned."

SPECIAL FEATURE | RINGMER'S ENGINEERS



RINGMER'S REMARKABLE ENGINEERS

Written by Meriel Vincent with thanks to Mike Howell

St Mary's Church organ has recently needed to replace its blower motor. This resides in the small, flint building at the edge of the old churchyard. The original blower motor was saved from being scrapped in about 1969 by Arthur W. H. Howell.

Arthur was born in 1918 at Clay Hill. He was a pupil at Ringmer School and a member of the church choir. As a boy he was asked to call in to the church on his way home from school every afternoon and stoke up the coke boiler – unthinkable now! His only absence from Ringmer was for six years from 1939 -1945 when he served with the Royal Airforce in Palestine, Egypt, Jordan and Italy on 44 R.S.U. (Repair and Salvage Unit) in the Western Desert, 48 Squadron, Coastal Command and 43 Squadron, working on Hurricanes, Spitfires, Tomahawks and Baltimores. He once built a Hurricane from a bare air frame resting on oil drums - every aircraft was vital. During his service abroad he had several narrow escapes.

For many years, he laid the wreath on Remembrance Sunday in Ringmer for the Royal Airforces Association. Arthur was a motor engineer with Ringmer Motor Works from 1933 until 1967. He then started his own motor maintenance business and ran evening classes on car maintenance for ladies in Ringmer, Lewes and Brighton. I believe there are Ringmer residents who still remember attending these classes.

In addition to this, he was a Glyndebourne lighting engineer and operator from 1946 until 1990, and a glider pilot with Southdown Gliding Club. It was Arthur who founded the present site for East Sussex Gliding Club in Ringmer.

Amid all this, he continued to maintain the beautiful, heavy-engineering organ blower motor for his church for 40 years until 2010. Arthur lived to the grand old age of just one month short of 102.

His son, Michael Howell, trained as a mechanic as well as a teacher. He taught at Holy Cross School Uckfield for 26 years. He assisted his father to maintain St Mary's organ blower and took over this responsibility himself from 2010 until 2024. Michael continues to live in Ringmer, and to collect and restore vintage tractors.

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RINGMER PAST | MAGAZINE CONTACTS



RINGMER PAST

This month's photograph, from Ringmer History Group, is a Victorian photograph showing the building that housed the Ringmer Charity School at Ringmer Green, together with its schoolteacher's cottage. The Charity School was established by two ladies from Broyle Place in the 1690s and was given this new site, taken from the Village Green, in 1778. It later became the Ringmer National (Church of

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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

1st Ringmer Guides: Please visit www.girlguiding.org.uk or email 1stringmerguides@gmail.com

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Parish Council: Call 01273 813242/ 07565 704342 or email clerk@ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk. Website: ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk

Pilates: Village Hall Thursday evening and Friday morning. Contact Louise McAllen, 07841 397550 or louisemcallenfitness@gmail.com

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

Ringmer AFC: RingmerAFC@outlook.com.

Ringmer Baptist Church: Neil Thornicroft 01825 750283.

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

Providing medical lifts, shopping etc. New volunteers welcome.

Ringmer History Study Group: John Kay, 01273 813388.

Ringmer Horticultural & Home Produce Club: rhclub1970@gmail.com

Ringmer Primary & Nursery School: Please contact the school office on 01273 812463 or via email at office@ringmerprimary.school

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

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 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. Email ringmertiddlers@gmail.com

Ringmer Footpath Clearance Group : Marilyn Linehan on 01273 812345 or marilyn@linehan.com

Ringmer u3a: Retired/semi-retired people study a variety of subjects, Info from the Chair Sarah Boot-Handford on 07962 109779.

Ringmer WI: Village Hall, 1st Tues in month, 7.30 pm. Call Judith Cox on 07971 659557 or email judithcox228@gmail.com

1st Ringmer Scout Group: Scout HQ, The Green, Group Lead volunteers Rachel Winney & Daniel Willetts. Book at bookings@1stringmer.org Scout Troop: Tuesday 7-8.30pm. Cub Pack: Thursday 6-7.15pm. Beavers: Thursday 5-6pm. Enquiries: 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

St Pancras R.C. Church: High Street, Lewes. Sunday: Mass at 9 am Latin Mass: 12.30pm. Parish Priest: Fr Jonathan Martin 01273 473309.

Village Hall Bookings: Email ringmervh.bookings@gmail.com or book online ringmervillagehall.chessck.co.uk/OnlineBookingRequestandDiary or booking forms available at the library.

Yoga Class in the Village Hall: Tuesdays 1.30-2.45pm. Contact Sara McGowan on 07947 865876 or email: saramcgowan@yahoo.co.uk



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