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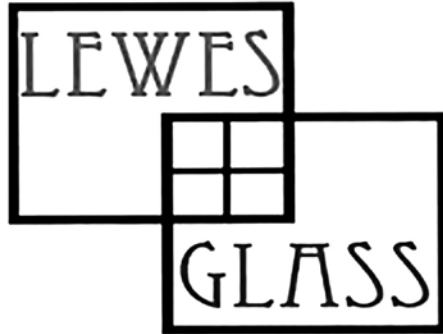
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LETTER FROM ST MARY'S



Dear Friends

"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace and goodwill among all people". This well-known phrase is the song of the angels after telling the shepherds that the Messiah has been born in Bethlehem. It is a staple line in almost every nativity and carol service. Peace, Joy, Happiness are often seen around Christmas traditions and decorations.

As we look around the world right now, we see many examples where Peace, Joy and Happiness are nowhere to be found and where there is very little goodwill among people. We see animosity, distrust, and conflict and we long for peace. We hope for an end to violence and we can easily feel helpless in the face of such deep set mistrust and antagonism.

But the Christmas story also tells of another visit of an angel - to a young woman called Mary. In the message to Mary are the words "... for nothing will be impossible with God." And so we can have hope, even when all seems hopeless. For with God nothing is impossible - even Peace, Joy and Happiness.

In all of this we have our part to play. We should seek peace in our relationships. We should seek to bring joy and happiness with our interactions. We should be people of goodwill. This Christmas, I pray you know Peace, Joy and Happiness in your lives, and I challenge you to spread Peace, Joy and Happiness with your lives.

With every blessing, Revd. David

DECEMBER CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY 3 DEC (ADVENT SUNDAY)	10am: Christingle Service 6.30pm: Eucharist for Advent (Chancel)
SUNDAY 10 DEC	10am: Eucharist 5.30pm: St Mary's Carol Service
SUNDAY 17 DEC	10am: Eucharist 6.30pm: Evensong (Chancel)
SUNDAY 24 DEC (CHRISTMAS EVE)	10am: Eucharist with Ministry of Healing 4pm: Crib Service/ 11.30pm Midnight Mass
CHRISTMAS DAY	10am: Family Celebration Eucharist
SUNDAY 31 DEC	10am: Said Eucharist with Hymns

There is also a Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel every Thursday at 9am

WHAT'S ON AT ST MARY'S

For all church services for December, see p2 or ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information



ORDER OF ST RICHARD - On 30 September at Chichester Cathedral, John Stamper was awarded the order of St Richard. He received a certificate signed by the Bishop and a collarette, which he's wearing in this photo with his wife Anne and the Vicar. The award recognises people for exceptional Christian service in their deanery, parish and local community.

LIGHTS OF LOVE - The annual service is on Saturday 2 December at 4pm in St Mary's and, as usual, will begin with the lighting of the Christmas tree.

FIRST SUNDAYS@10 – Our Christingle Service is on 3 December, when we will make our Christingles and enjoy songs about light. We'd love to see you there. As this Sunday is Advent Sunday, we'll also have a Eucharist at 6.30pm on that day.

ST MARY'S TODDLERS - On Wednesdays 10.30 -12pm in the Symons Hall at the Village Hall. Parents/carers with pre-school children are welcome to come along. Please note, there is no meeting on 27 December.

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CAROLS AND COFFEE – On Thursday 21 December at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Do come along and join in with coffee and mince pies in the interval.

PRAYER VIGIL - On Tuesday 12 December at 9am in the Lady Chapel where prayers are said for the needs of the world, our country, village and church.

SUNDAY PRAYERS – We pray for people in specific areas of Ringmer each month. This month they are North Rd (3/12), Bishops Lane and Close (10/12), Green Close (17/12), Little Paddock (24/12) and Harvard Road (31/12).

HOLY COMMUNION – This is said at Ringmer Care Homes: Parris Lawn on 5 December at 11am, Lime Tree House at 11am on 28 December and also Holm Lodge.



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FLOODLIGHTING – OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER 2023

29 October	Louise Harmer	“Always in our thoughts and prayers”
20 November	David Mitchell	“In loving memory”
23 November	Joan Edythe Newth	“In loving memory”
3 December	Stephen Philip Newth	“In loving memory”
18 December	Margaret Hunt	“Loving memories of our anniversary”
22 December	Margaret Hunt	“Loving thoughtful birthday wishes”
24 December	Allan Levecque	“In loving memory”
24 December	Charles & Ruth Colwell	“In loving memory”
26 December	Arthur Squires	“Always in my heart”

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 sasxyz@talktalk.net or on 01273 752167/07552492354 or at 26 Danforth Way). A donation of £10 is requested.

IN MEMORIAM

The family of Maureen Jarman would like to announce her passing. Maureen sadly died on 25 October 2023 and was committed to the new Ringmer churchyard on 15 November. Maureen lived in Ringmer for 44 years and will be greatly missed by her husband, David Jarman, and granddaughter Caroline Wheelhouse.

SERVICES FOR CHRISTMAS

Our Carol Service is on Sunday 10 December at 5.30pm. On Christmas Eve, as well as our usual Eucharist at 10am, which will include the Ministry of Healing, our Crib Service is at 4pm and Midnight Mass at 11.30pm. Then, on Christmas Day at 10am, we have a Family Celebration Eucharist. We look forward to you joining us at some of these services.

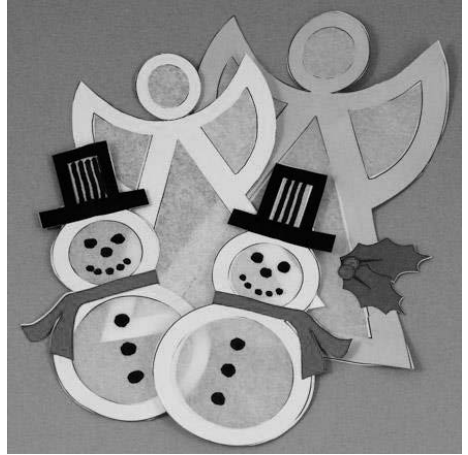
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FUNERAL	15	MAUREEN JARMAN
INTERMENT	2	ANTHONY WHITTINGTON
	6	MARGARET TIDMARSH

VILLAGE NOTICES

ANGELS & SNOWMEN COMPETITION

A call for your very best representation of these popular Christmas characters. Your entries (all ages and all media) will be judged on Saturday 9 December at St Mary's Christmas Fair. Bring them along on the day or get in touch with Marisa (by text) for more details: 07796 145464. There will be prizes!



COFFEE & CAROLS in aid of Cancer Research UK

Thursday 21 December from 7.30pm in Ringmer Village Hall. ALL ages welcome to a singalong to traditional carols and Christmas songs. Hot drinks and mince pies provided, but feel free to bring your own light 'refreshments' too. It's not too late to get involved, if you are part of a music group, get in touch with Marisa. Admission £1 (Under 18s free) with a retiring collection.

LINK TO HOPE SHOEBOX APPEAL

Organiser Sue Clyde says: "Thank you SO much to all who completed shoeboxes, produced gifts to include and donations. Special thanks to Marisa Hayes and the Ringmer Youth Project. The final total was 98 boxes which I delivered. The boxes will soon be on the way to Eastern Europe, bringing hope and joy to many."



Ringmer Youth Project members (pictured left) completed an amazing 22 shoeboxes for the Link to Hope Shoebox Appeal.

Adds Marisa Hayes: "We are grateful to everyone who donated boxes, goodies and cash. We are extremely proud to be sending boxes of joy to families in Eastern Europe."

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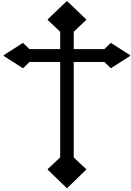
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Treasurer: Ken Starnes (as above).

A warm welcome and a joyful time of fellowship awaits all who join us at our services to worship the Lord Jesus Christ and to hear what God is saying. Sunday Morning services are at 10.30am in the Village Hall, and over Zoom. Please contact Malcolm Hart for the code and password details. Evening Services are at 6pm.

Thursday Home Group is at 7.30pm and Tuesday Prayer Meeting is at 10.30am, both in the Library. Communion is usually every second Sunday morning and fourth Sunday evening. For pastoral or other needs, contact Neil Thornicroft and head to our website for our Programme and Speakers for December 2023,

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FAITH EXPLORED - Every Friday at 10am – 11am in the library

All welcome to learn more about the Christian faith over a coffee. Contact Neil Thornicroft.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Enjoy your favourite carols and share the good news of Christmas on Sunday 17 December at 6pm in the Village Hall.

CHRISTMAS DAY PRAISE at 10.30am.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHESS No formal lunch in December.

WHAT'S ON IN RINGMER

CHRISTMAS CAROL SINGING

John Stamper will be leading us this year in our carol singing outside Ringmer shops on Saturday 23 Dec in aid of St Peter & St James Hospice. We will be singing from 10am for about an hour and all are welcome to join us. Do come if you can, if only for some of the time - carol sheets will be provided! Any queries, contact John Payne on 01273 812501.



BIG THANKS FROM ST MARY'S ECO TEAM

Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to the Eco Extravaganza event on 27 October, not least to nearly 350 Ringmer residents who showed their concern about the climate crisis by coming on the day. Where shall we go from here? In the short term, please join in and support

any of the groups locally already committed to improving our impact on the environment. In the medium term watch this space and the Ringmer Village Facebook page as we look at feedback and take on board views on a Ringmer Repair Cafe, more informative talks and discussions about the environment, clothes swaps, retro-fitting homes and more. Pictured above: Emily O'Brien opening the event, with members of St Mary's Eco Team and attendees.

RINGMER MOTHERS UNION

Shirley Squires says: "We had a fun time at our November meeting, making snowmen out of long white socks! This was thanks to Rosemary Norris who organised everything for us. We are not meeting again now until the New Year on 9 January. As this will be the first meeting of a new year we start with a Eucharist, kindly led by Revd David. Then on 16 January, thanks to Deirdre, members are meeting for a post-Christmas Bring & Share lunch."



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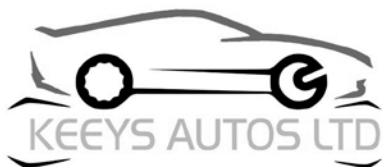
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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE UPDATE

Our November speaker was Beth Power, an embroidery and textile artist who specialises in textile landscape pieces called 'Stitchscapes'. This was followed by our AGM. We next meet on Tuesday 5 December, when Rob from Symposium Wine Emporium will present a selection of wines suitable for Christmas. Our Christmas lunch is at the Anchor on Thursday 14 December. Anyone who needs a lift to the Village Hall can contact Ross Meers on 07723 423245/rossjmeers@yahoo.co.uk

RINGMER HISTORY GROUP NEXT MEETING

The group's Christmas meeting is scheduled for 7.30pm on Friday 8 December in the Village Hall, when there will be three short talks from Linda Grange, Hilary Smith and John Kay, all on the theme 'The Darker Side of Ringmer'. In the interval, expect mulled wine and mince pies and the evening will be financed by the usual giant raffle. We wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a successful 2024.

RINGMER HORTICULTURAL & HOME PRODUCE CLUB

Thanks to everyone who came to the AGM in November. Guest speaker Geoff Stonebanks from "Driftwood" in Seaford gave a talk on his famous garden and thanks to the raffle we raised £58 for The British Legion. Schedules for the Spring and Summer shows are available at ringmerhorticulturalclub.co.uk and at the library. We look forward to seeing your entries for garden produce, plants, cookery, crafts, photography and art at the Spring Show on the 30 March 2024.

RINGMER YOUTH CAFE

The group will be open on Friday 8 December 6-8pm in the Alan West Room of the Village Hall. It's run by volunteers, all with DBS checks. If you would like to help out once every 4-6 weeks, we want to hear from you at ringmeryp@outlook.com. The Youth Café will open again in January for all in school years 8+, with wi-fi, games, Nintendo Wii, pool, table tennis available. We run a tuck shop with hot and cold drinks. It's supported by St Mary's church but it's NOT church – it's simply a safe warm space for young people to be together on a Friday evening.

LAUGHTON GREENWOOD FAMILY TREE PLANTING DAY

On Sunday 3 December, Laughton Greenwood is running a tree planting day, from 10am to 4pm. There are 210 trees to plant and it promises to be a great event for all the family. Dress warmly and comfortably and bring a packed lunch and drinks. Booking isn't essential but it's useful to know how many children are expected for planning craft activities. It's a free event, book at ticketsource.co.uk/laughton-greenwood and the address is Park Lane, Laughton, BN8 6JH,

RINGMER LIBRARY + VILLAGE HALL NEWS



First of all, we'd like to share our Christmas opening hours. It's a happy time for many but for some it can be lonely or sad. We know that the library is a great place to come for a change of scene, so we're minimising our closed sessions over the festive period and will only be shut on: 24, 25 and 26 December. All other sessions are unchanged. If your Christmas stocking doesn't contain books, we'll see you right!

From November until March inclusive, opening hours are Tuesday, Thursday AND FRIDAY 2 to 5pm and Wednesday and Saturday 10 to 12pm. We offer a good range of books and jigsaws, with new stock being every month as well as a book sale trolley. We also sell Christmas cards by a local artist for £5 per pack – proceeds go into Village Hall funds. This month, watch out for these special dates:

- Saturday 2 December - children's storytime at 10:30 am
- Saturday 2 December – in the Village Hall at 2:15pm, we welcome local author Denise Barnes who will talk about how she researches her historical novels under her pen names Molly Green and Fenella Forster. She'll be signing her new book, *Wartime Wishes at Bletchley Park*. It's a free event and tickets are at the library desk. If you don't have a ticket, come along to the Village Hall in the afternoon and we'll try to fit you in if we can. There will be tea/coffee and mince pies to enjoy at what promises to be an enjoyable event.
- Thursday 21 December - 3-4:30pm Hearing Aid Maintenance session.

Thanks to the intrepid souls who braved the atrocious weather to come to our coffee morning and book sale on 18 November – our fundraising team was delighted to raise just over £200, all of which goes to support our library.

CONTACT: Call 07934 046392, email ringmervillagelibrary@gmail.com, follow on Twitter @SaveRingmerLibr or on Facebook/RingmerVillageLibrary.

RINGMER VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

In 2023, we've again improved facilities at the hall, and want to thank everyone for their support during this process. The trustees continue to try to make the Village Hall a welcoming and safe space at the heart of the community. You can help us by buying our Christmas cards at the Library. They feature a painting of the Village Hall in the snow and are designed by Sid Richards, a local artist.

There are lots of festive events booked in at the Hall - the WI Christmas coffee morning, St Mary's Church fair, the carol service and the Baptist Church lunch on Christmas Day, to name just a few. Do support the groups working hard on these events. We wish you all the best for Christmas and the New Year.

RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL

Full Parish Council meetings are held monthly usually on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. These meetings incorporate planning.

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VILLAGE UPDATES



Ringmer Against Greenfield Exploitation

Thakeham's appeal has been upheld and a "public consultation event" for Thakeham 2 has already been held. Feedback shows that the

consultation questionnaire is rejected unless you respond to the tick-box questions. It's best to wait for the full application before submitting comments. RAGE will alert you when dates are published. The next stage of the draft Local Plan is in progress. LDC have produced a report covering both new policies and also potential site allocations. There will be another required public consultation, scheduled to run from 29 November 2023 to 8 February 2024, with results in June 2024. The document will also include links to the site assessments, which need to be reviewed. Note that these are not final, may change and can be challenged. The new policies are also vital as they determine how applications will be assessed and include for example a new policy about water quality. Any help gratefully received! RAGE will update you when these are available but it is important that you respond to the consultations and we will try and summarise the main points and the potential impact on Ringmer.

The Boklok hearing has been deferred to 9 January 2024 due to staff/consultant availability - venue to be confirmed. This appeal relates to the refused application for 70 properties at Lower Lodge Farm adjacent to the recently allowed appeal from Ashill-Regen for 53 properties and north of the existing Round House Road development. The Orchards extension of eight market properties (LW/21/0667) on a greenfield site at Lower Clayhill has come back to life after two years absence but has been amended to eight custom build properties. Any comments you made then will have to be repeated now to carry any weight. The Parish Council at its last meeting agreed unanimously to recommend refusal. Join us at ringmergreenfields.org to find out more on all the above.

RINGMER PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Term 2 started well and despite the weather which has done its best to rearrange some of our plans the children have had a stunning start! We have had children dressed as vikings, visiting Glyndebourne, and a very successful Maths week. Our school attended the village Remembrance parade and the annual fireworks.

Looking forward, we have Christmas lunch, nativities and plays, jumper days, carols at the Church and a panto to help celebrate the festive season. The singing practice is a joy to listen to.

If you would like to come and have a tour of the school our next open morning is on Thursday 11 January at 9.30am. Please contact the school on 01273 812463 to book your place

RINGMER EVENTS + UPDATES



RINGMER DRAMATIC SOCIETY SPRING PRODUCTION MARCH 2024 - "GOOD GRIEF"

The next production from Ringmer Dramatic Society is *Good Grief* (see picture for details). If you fancy getting involved here are the key audition dates for the diary. Both of these will take place at Ringmer Village Hall.

- 6 December - Script read through,
- 13 December – Auditions,

Anyone who would like to take part in this or any other future production should contact the Ringmer Dramatic Society via Facebook or email at ringmerdramatic@outlook.com

RINGMER EVERGREEN CLUB

On Friday 8 December at 2pm, St Mary's Church have kindly invited us and the whole community to attend and take part in a Service of carols and poems prepared and performed by Ringmer Primary School. This will be followed by refreshments served by the Evergreen Club in the Church Room.

We are very grateful to Daphne Starnes who composed quizzes and a club song for the celebration of our Diamond Anniversary in September. Now we look forward to her returning on Thursday 21 December to lead our carols singing.

On Thursday 18 January at 2.00pm we are hosting a further Open Day to take part in New Age Kurling, the activity which welcomes all levels of ability. Our AGM will be held on Thursday 8 February at 2pm when we will discuss our plans for coach trips, talks and other events during the forthcoming year.



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NEWS FROM RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL

SKATE PARK UPDATE

The work on the new skate park is set to start on 28 February 2024 and is expected to take around 12 weeks to complete.

SWIMMING POOL UPDATE

No further information this month, the anticipated opening of the pool is set for Spring 2024.

IMPROVING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT IN RINGMER

In accordance with the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 and the Environment Act 2021, the Parish Council has agreed a Biodiversity Statement which gives a brief description of the biodiversity of the parish at the present time. Wildflower Ringmer have increased the size of the existing wildflower beds in the Pump House and have cut a new bed behind the Memorial Bench on the Village Green. Work continues in The Almond Field with the planting of native wild flower species. Work on removing diseased ash trees was delayed due to the recent storms. Now is the time for planting spring flowering corms and bulbs, crocuses and alliums are the only species that support the early season pollinators.

BECOME A PARISH COUNCILLOR

We have four vacancies for any residents who may be interested in becoming a Parish Councillor. Younger residents of the village are particularly underrepresented on the council. Please contact the Clerk for more information.

CHRISTMAS TREE ON THE GREEN

The Parish Council would like to thank The Anchor Inn for providing the Christmas tree and lights on the Village Green.



THE CHRISTMAS POST IS BACK

The Christmas Post, which Commercial Square Bonfire Society deliver each year in Lewes, Kingston and Ringmer, is happening again this year. Drop your cards to one of our drop off points (Lew Howard & Son Butchers, Ringmer Library, The Anchor or 'Pegasus', Broyle Paddock, Ringmer). Cost is 25p per card and we will deliver for you. Cut off date is Wednesday 13 December and all

cards will be delivered after this date..

VILLAGE NEWS + UPDATES



Emily O'Brien is a local Lewes District Council member & Prospective Parliamentary Candidate as well as the Green Party Food, Agriculture & Rural Welfare Spokesperson. She says: "I was delighted to attend the Ringmer Eco Extravaganza and honoured to cut the ribbon and judge the craft competition.

"I recently attended a very constructive meeting with Ringmer PC representatives and the LDC head of planning where we agreed some helpful joint approaches to managing the burden of appeals. As ever, huge thanks to the RPC representatives who put in such effort on such a long and thankless task.

"In my cabinet role it has been a busy time. Firstly with regard to the local plan 'preferred options' public consultation. Do respond as this is a key time to influence two aspects. Firstly the policies. There are some very strong environmentally focussed planning policies suggested, which I really am hoping people will support. Secondly, it's very important that the council gets Ringmer's views on both how and where housing growth should be located. Please note this is NOT a draft local plan - sites that are on this draft and graded amber are still being assessed technically. However, if you have views on them it is really important they are heard as part of the consultation. Please see the council's website to find out more about the consultation and how you can respond.

"Johnny, Lucy and I will be taking a few days to spend with family over the Christmas period, so best to phone rather than email for any very urgent issues that can't wait for their return. Meanwhile we wish everyone a very peaceful and happy festive season."



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Bowls Club: Rinks: Cheyney Green. Sec: Martin Sargent.

Cheyney Croquet Club: Sue Tompsett 01273813810

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

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

East Sussex Community Choir: Monday 7.30 to 9pm term time only at Lewes Town Hall. Mary Burke 01273 475885 or email burke.mf@gmail.com

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

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 10.30am. Inter: 11am Debra Skeen 01273 476469.

Lewes Social Group of East Sussex Vision Support meets monthly, every second Monday. Local contact Gill Salisbury 01273 812145.

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

Memory Moments Café: (for people with dementia & their family/carers) - Scout Hut, Thursday 9.30 – 12.30. 01273 494300 or info@knowdementia.co.uk

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

RADAR Community Speed Watch Group Ray Eggleton 01273 812962.

1st Ringmer Guides: Scout Hut, Wed 7pm fifthlewesbrownies@hotmail.com

1st Ringmer Rainbow Guides: Scout Hut, Wed 5pm. Jennie Barnes 01825 769938, fifthlewesbrownies@hotmail.com.

3rd Ringmer Brownies: Village Hall, Tues 5 pm Teresa Sutton 01273 814992, RingmerBrownies@outlook.com

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 Neighbour Scheme: 07340 118758 between 10 and 11 am or 3 and 4 pm or email ringmergoodneighbours@gmail.com

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 Jim Elsam 01273 812335, jim@htega.com

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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 Stephanie Lambert 01273 812295.

Ringmer Table Tennis Club: We welcome players at all levels for our daytime and evening sessions in the Scout Hut. Please contact our Membership Secretary Jo Miller on 01273 812840 for more details.

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

Scout Group - 1st Ringmer: Scout HQ, The Green. Group Scout Ldr & HQ Bookings: John Saunders 01273 812681. Scout Troop: Tuesday, 7 - 8.30 pm. Leader John Saunders Cub Pack: Thursday, 6 – 7.15 pm. Leader Jamie Faben 07960 272053 Beavers: Thursday 5 - 6 pm. Leader Claire Bouskill, contact beaversinringmer@gmail.com

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