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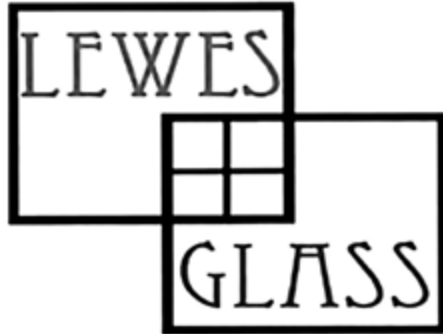
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# LETTER FROM ST MARY'S



Dear Friends

I want to talk about ants! I'm sure you've all seen nature documentaries featuring a colony of ants carrying leaves and food back to their nest. It's an impressive display of teamwork where the colony work together to get resources where they need them. They are an example of what can be achieved with each playing their part to fulfil a greater goal.

A campaign has grown in the past few years, 'No Mow May', which encourages us to leave our gardens unmown for the month to allow wild flowers to grow, to help with the bee population and generally do our bit to reverse the ecological damage done to our precious world. It may not seem worth doing on our own but when each unmown small garden is added to others, a greater difference can be made. We can all see the affects of climate change are no longer confined solely to far away places. Recent Met Office statistics show we had a record amount of rainfall (1.69 m or 5 ft 6 inches) in the 18 months to March 2024. This is the highest level for any 18-month period in England since comparable data began in 1836. We need to do something and your small something combined with my small something and lots of other small somethings can really make a difference. And if you don't believe me – look at the ants!

With every blessing, Revd. David

## MAY CHURCH SERVICES

**SUNDAY 5 MAY**

10am

**THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

FirstSunday@10 / 6.30pm Celtic Eucharist

**THURSDAY 9 MAY**

10am

**ASCENSION DAY**

Eucharist

**SUNDAY 12 MAY**

10am

**THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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**SUNDAY 19 MAY**

10am

**PENTECOST**

Eucharist for Pentecost/ 6.30pm Evensong

**SUNDAY 26 MAY**

10am

**TRINITY SUNDAY**

Eucharist with the Ministry of Healing

There is also a Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel every Thursday at 10am

## WHAT'S ON AT ST MARY'S

For all church services for May, see p2 or [ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information](http://ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information)



**FIRST SUNDAYS@10** Everyone is welcome to come and join us at this family service on Sunday 5 May where we sing familiar songs and there is usually a craft. In the evening at 6.30pm we have a Celtic Eucharist in the Chancel, to which you are also invited.

**PRAYER VIGIL** Please join us at 9am on Tuesday 7 May in the Lady Chapel where prayers will be said for

the needs of the world, the country and our village and church. This is an informal time and prayers can be silent or said aloud.

**ASCENSION DAY** As Thursday 9 May is Ascension Day, the service at 10am will be a Sung Eucharist here at St Mary's.

**OUR STUDY GROUP** This will be held in the Church Room on Thursdays at 4pm (tea from 3.45pm) when we will look at the First Letter of Peter. You are welcome to join us.

**AT OUR 10am SUNDAY SERVICES** each week we pray for the people living in a specific area of Ringmer. This month they are: Church Crescent, Springett Cottages and Corner Green on 5 May, Church Hill, Norlington Fields, Norlington Court and Byron Close on 12 May, Ham Lane and Uckfield Road on 19 May and The Elms and Middleham on 26 May.

**HOLY COMMUNION** will be said at our Ringmer Care Homes during the month – Parris Lawn on 7 May, Lime Tree House on 23 May and Lime Tree House on 28 May.

**ST MARY'S ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING** is on Sunday 12 May at about 11.45am, following the 10am service. Do come along and see what is happening at St Mary's.

### MOTHER'S UNION NEWS

Shirley Squires says: "We were delighted to welcome Ann Winney to our meeting in April when she told us all about Hurst Hedgehog Haven which she runs. It was fascinating. We are not having an official meeting this month, but on 14 May at 10.30am several of us are off to visit the Bluebell Walk at Arlington. Let's hope the weather is kind!"



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### FLOODLIGHTING – APRIL + MAY 2024

<b>24 April</b>	<b>Peter Ball</b>	<b>“Loving thoughts always”</b>
<b>13 May</b>	<b>Bill Small</b>	<b>“In loving memory”</b>
<b>22 May</b>	<b>Andrew D Constable</b>	<b>“Special Happy Birthday memories”</b>

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

### IN MEMORIAM

Sylvia Bone, of Ringmer, passed away peacefully after a short illness at Copper Beech Nursing Home on 9 April 2024 aged 86 years. Much loved Aunt to Dot, Liz, Hilly, Peter, Kath, Ruth and Bridget. Funeral at St Mary's, Ringmer, on Thursday 2 May at 2pm. Family flowers only. Donations may be made to 'St Peter & St James Hospice' or 'Cats Protection (Lewes & Seaford Branch)' by post to Grace - Independent Funeral Directors, The Weald, Broyle Place, Ringmer, BN8 5SD, 01273 813333 or online at [gracefuneraldirectors.co.uk](http://gracefuneraldirectors.co.uk)

### ST MARY'S TODDLERS

Continues on Wednesdays between 10.30am and 12pm in the Symons Hall at the Village Hall. Parents / carers with pre-school children are welcome to come along. Teas and coffees are available. There is no charge but donations for coffee are welcome.



### CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 12 – 18 MAY 2024

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# RINGMER VILLAGE UPDATES



## RINGMER REPAIR CAFÉ – LATEST NEWS

Following the successful meeting attended by 20 from the village, there is real enthusiasm to start a repair café in Ringmer. However, we do need lots more volunteers to come forward across all sorts of roles. This includes people with repair skills in electronics and electrical equipment, IT, graphic design (for our logo and flyer), clothing and textiles, social media among others. Ideally, we need several in each area. If you would like to join an initial group aimed at sourcing funding, suitable venues and related issues, email [rosemarycolebourn@btinternet.com](mailto:rosemarycolebourn@btinternet.com) This is a whole village initiative, so please share with friends, neighbours and family.

## CHEYNEY CROQUET CLUB OPEN DAY

Cheyney Croquet Club of Ringmer is holding an Open Day on Sunday 19 May from 2pm on lawns at Cheyney Field, behind the Scout Hut in Ringmer BN8 5QA. There is a bus stop nearby and parking is normally possible. All welcome. Club sessions otherwise are Saturdays 10am to 12pm or Wednesdays 2pm to 4pm. No equipment needed.



## ST MARY'S ECO TIP FOR MAY – ETHICAL BRAND CERTIFICATION



There's much to consider when searching for ethical brands. Does it pay a fair wage? Are its supply chains as sustainable or as transparent as it claims? An organisation called B Corp can help. B Corp offers certification for companies that meet high standards of social and environmental performance, transparency and accountability.

B Corp takes into account sustainable sourcing, food waste, energy use, how they look after their workers and wider community. So far 300,000 employees working across 150 industries in 77 countries are benefitting from recognition from B Corp. You will find their logo (above left) on products ranging from ice cream and yogurt to ketchup and pet food, plus many others. Look out for it and continue to support these forward thinking innovations. (Information from Waitrose Mag, 03/24)



## CHARITY BARN DANCE – 1 JUNE 2024

Come and join in a charity barn dance to raise funds for Ukrainian hospitals. It's on Saturday 1 June 2024 from 6.30pm to 10pm at Ringmer Village Hall.

Dancing will be accompanied by The Lewes Band with callers Vic Smith and Vladyslava Bondar. There will be a bar, raffle and Ukrainian Food. Tickets are £15 including food {accompanied under 16s go free} and will be available at

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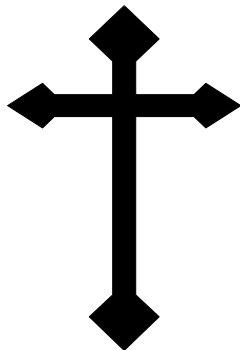
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**Treasurer:** Ken Starnes (as above).

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, also in the Village Hall. Thursday Home Group is at 7.30pm and Tuesday Prayer Meeting is at 10.15am, 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 [ringmerbaptist.co.uk](http://ringmerbaptist.co.uk) for our April Programme and Speakers.

## **Our Preaching Programme & Speakers for May 2024**

Mornings: *The Book of Acts (of the Apostles)*

Evenings: *Jesus' Parables in Luke*

For more details, head to our website as above.

## **RINGMER FOOD BANK OPERATED BY RINGMER BAPTIST CHURCH**

Open from 11am to 12pm every Monday (not Bank Holidays) in the library. For those referred to us by local welfare organisations and churches for emergency aid. Donations of food and finance are gratefully received. All food parcels must be collected. Further details are available from Malcolm Hart (as above).

## **FELLOWSHIP LUNCH**

There is no lunch in May. For 2 June, there will be an informal lunch.

## **PIAN-O-THON**

Thank you to all those who came along to the Village Hall on Saturday 13 April and supported THE PIAN-O-THON! Daphne achieved her challenge of playing over 120 hymns and choruses in five hours, at the end of which, the piano was still standing and her fingers were still intact! There was a lovely community spirit felt by all as people chatted with friends and family, bought cakes, gifts, library books and jigsaws, filled small fence posts with change, enjoyed refreshments and sang (and danced!) to the music. For the third hour, Daphne was joined by John and Richard on keyboards, Joy and Meriel on guitars and Rosemary on violin. People were so generous on the day and online that we raised well over £2,000 for the fence and school equipment for RBC partner village in Eswatini. Praise the Lord!

## WHAT'S ON IN RINGMER



### Come to a **Summer Garden Party**

**Saturday 15th June  
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### **EAST SUSSEX VISION SUPPORT COFFEE MORNING**

East Sussex Vision Support is having a coffee morning. Gill Salisbury says: "Come to our coffee morning on 8 June at the Village Hall from 10am to 12pm and help us raise funds for our monthly group meetings. There will be a raffle and tombola, and plenty of tea, coffee and cake and a chance to sit and chat to friends. Hope to see you there."

### **RINGMER HISTORY GROUP**

The next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Friday 24 May in Ringmer Village Hall, when the speaker will be social historian Louise Peskett. Her talk will describe the development of

Brighton from a decaying 18<sup>th</sup> century fishing village to a city by the sea. (See p31 for a new Past Ringmer regular feature courtesy of Ringmer History Group).

### **MUMS AND LADIES WALKING GROUP RETURNS**

The group is back on Thursday 23 May. Marisa Hayes says: "We'll meet at 7.30pm at the porch of St Marys church to walk for 50 minutes or so with an optional stop for refreshments towards the end!

"We set quite a good pace either along the lane or across the fields so please wear suitable footwear." The group will continue on the fourth Thursday in June and July.



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## VILLAGE NOTICES



### RINGMER PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL UPDATE

It has been a brighter start to this term, and the children are excited to spend more time outside and especially to be allowed back onto the grass areas. Over the holidays we have had improvements made to the playground with a new special 'Betula Island' area, new playground markings, and a brighter, cleaner design. The outdoor classroom built at the end of last year is being used more and we have had a lot of updates to our Nursery garden, including a 'road' that the children can scoot and cycle round. We also have an outdoor 'book shack' that is a mini library for the Nursery children. Thanks to all the volunteers that gave their time to help over the past few weeks.

On the subject of our Nursery we have an open day on Saturday 11 May from 10am to 12pm. We take children from the age of two and are very proud of our nurturing and enabling environment and the strong transition that the children have when moving up to our Reception classes. We would love for you and your children to come and see what makes our Nursery so special. Please call 01273 812463 if you would like to attend.



### WILDFLOWER RINGMER

It is such an exciting time if you love wildflowers! Perhaps you have been lucky and spotted a magnificent Early Purple Orchid like this beauty (left) seen in the countryside around Mayfield? Closer to home we have lots to see too. You may have seen verges full of bluebells on the road to Glynde or in patches of woodland around our village. Our wildflower areas are full of promise too. The cowslips and primroses at Sadlers Way Green have been stunning. Red Campions are also in flower and we have lots more to come. Volunteers – with some help from William Townsend – have worked to thin the grass on our Village Green wildflower areas. It is gratifying to see how many

plants are now well established and thriving. We can look forward to a glorious display in the Summer. Is our work all about producing a pretty wildflower display? No, our main aim is to bring more wildflowers into the heart of the village to provide much needed food and shelter for pollinators. In the UK we have lost 97% of wildflower-rich meadows since the 1930s so this type of community action is important. Of course the impact would be much greater if everyone with a garden or any growing space helped too. Please consider joining Plantlife's No Mow May Movement. Let's make Ringmer an oasis for pollinators! Join our group by emailing [ringmerwildflowers@gmail.com](mailto:ringmerwildflowers@gmail.com)



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## RINGMER VILLAGE LIBRARY



This month we have some exciting events planned. On Saturday 4 May at 10:30am there's our fun, free story-time for little ones.

And on Saturday 11 May, we're delighted to host our first 'Sociable Saturday' at the library. This is thanks to funding from Ringmer Parish Council, and we positively encourage people to drop by for a chat and a coffee with cake. You don't need to be a library user, just come and find some friendly company on the second Saturday of each month.

On Thursday 16 May from 3pm to 4.30pm, we are hosting the regular hearing aid maintenance session brought to you by East Sussex Hearing. The week after, on Saturday 25 May at 2:30pm, we're hosting an afternoon treat for lovers of Agatha Christie and Golden Age crime. There will be a talk by authors Sally and Tony Hope about Agatha Christie's skills as a whodunit writer, and plenty of conversation and tea to follow.

Their book *Agatha Christie: Plots, Clues and Misdirections* will be available to buy. It's a free event, but we're happy if you'd like to make a donation to the library. We don't have many seats available, so please book your place by either asking at the library desk or emailing [ringmervillagelibrary@mail.com](mailto:ringmervillagelibrary@mail.com)

Finally, we're giving you advance notice of a special storytime with signing on Saturday 1 June. It's suitable for under 8s and there will be some resources you can take home at the end.

Our opening hours are Tuesday and Thursday 2pm to 5pm and Wednesday and Saturday 10am to 12pm. Friday sessions have now ended, at least for the spring and summer.

We usually run story-time sessions at 2pm on Thursdays, as well as at 10.30am on the first Saturday of the month. There's no need to book, just bring your children at those times and join in the fun.

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## VILLAGE HALL NEWS



Exciting times at the Village Hall. In April, we ran our first family film night, competitive puzzling event and defibrillator training session. The defib training was such a success that we will run it again on 29 June between 3pm and 5pm.

On 18 May, we have another health event – 'Matters of the Heart'. Professor Richard Vincent will speak about heart issues and display antique medical equipment for interest. It's at 7pm in the Alan West Room and space is limited. For

both of these, please book in via [ringmervillagelibrary@gmail.com](mailto:ringmervillagelibrary@gmail.com)

A new Chair was elected at our recent AGM, replacing Alan West (above right) who has been in the position for 28 years. Over the 44 years he has been a trustee, Alan has masterminded several extension projects and given us all the brilliant Village Hall we have today. We owe him so much! Happily, Alan will stay as a trustee, but has handed over the Chair to Marisa Hayes (above left) who joined the committee three years ago. Marisa and family have lived in the village since 1999. She works part-time supporting councils up and down the country with their data standards. In her 'free' time, Marisa is secretary to the Cheyney Trust, a keen bell-ringer and a member of the ministry team at St Mary's.

In taking the Chair, Marisa recognises the expertise and commitment from fellow trustees who maintain our accounts and communications as well as routine maintenance and project management. She says: "The future of the community asset can only be secured by teamwork. I am very grateful to all who contribute to the success of the charity from bookings to caretaking and to all our users who respect the facilities." Marisa wants to highlight a few things to hall users.

1. There will be some further upheaval this summer as we work to refurbish the hall after the flood. Affected users will be notified shortly about changes to existing bookings and we thank you for your understanding.
2. Users are required to hold their own public liability insurance. It would be good to review the booking conditions which are available on our website if you are uncertain of the terms. <https://ringmervillagehall.chessck.co.uk/TermsandConditionsofHire>
3. Users of the hall are invited to attend the regular Advisory Committee. The next committee takes place on Monday 24 June at 7pm.
4. The Management Committee have invested in a Cinema licence and we encourage our users to take advantage of this for your own fundraising. Approx 4,000 films are available under this licence, ranging from cartoons to classics. Please get in touch with Marisa for more information, her details are shown under the church contacts list.

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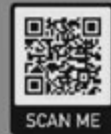
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# NEWS FROM RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL



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## **SWIMMING POOL**

We have been told that the swimming pool will not open before September. While this is disappointing, we have no control over the project.

## **FINGERPOST FIELD – SKATE PARK AND PLAY PARK**

The construction of the new skate park is awaiting ESCC to authorise construction of the access from the B2192. Construction of the new playground will begin in June and is expected to take four weeks.

## **JUBILEE GARDENS**

The Parish Council are working with Goldcliff Garden Centre to restock the two flower beds that have been rather neglected. Preparing the larger flower bed for planting has started. If any resident would like to help with the planting and routine maintenance of the Jubilee Gardens please contact the Clerk on 01273 813242.

## **THE ALMOND FIELD**

The Almond Field will be open to residents from 1 May. Access 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 to please take care. Over time the council will be supporting work to increase the biodiversity of the field. If any resident would like to be involved with working in the Almond Field please contact the Clerk.

## **POLICE REPORT**

Each month we receive a report from our PCSO. It is disturbing to read that incidents of illegal or unruly behaviour occur so frequently. If you are a victim of, or witness, such behaviour or have information that may help apprehend the culprits, please telephone 101.

## **PICNIC ON THE GREEN**

Following last year's popular event, the Parish Council is organising another on Monday 25 August between 12.30pm and 5pm. Keep the date free.

## **LEWES DISTRICT COUNCILLOR UPDATE**

**Lewes District Councillor Emily O'Brien gives an update on various village matters.**

### **GOOD NEWS ON DOG FOULING**

Following concerns raised by residents and a similar query from Ringmer Parish Council, it was clarified that dog fouling is no longer a byelaw. The whole of Lewes District is, however, covered by a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) for dog fouling, which means we could serve a fixed penalty notice on someone for not picking up. The problem is, of course, catching the perpetrators.

I am pleased to confirm that Lewes District Council's Neighbourhood First Team have agreed to provide extra signage and patrols for Ringmer to help tackle the problem.

### **HGV ACTION**

Following the petition and protest in Ringmer, I'm pleased to say that East Sussex County Council have confirmed they have started work on a freight strategy, to include a desktop policy review. Early work began in February and ESCC will carry out further engagement on the preliminary draft for stakeholders. Once started, the consultation will be publicised at [consultation.eastsussex.gov.uk](http://consultation.eastsussex.gov.uk)

### **WATER QUALITY**

At an all-party parliamentary group meeting, I secured a commitment from Natural England to sharing the Lewes Brookes SSSI action plan (following the deterioration shown in the assessment completed last April). This includes actions for Southern Water and to more transparent sharing of action plans going forward.

I've also secured a commitment from OFWAT and Southeast Water to hold a consultation event with Lewes District Council in autumn around their proposal to extract water from the river Ouse to fill their proposed new Arlington Reservoir scheduled for 2050 - when the existing stress on the River Ouse is likely to be exacerbated by increased climate pressures.

Along with council officers and the Ouse and Adur Rivers Trust, in my Cabinet role I took Southern Water representatives on a tour of our partnership projects including the Scout Hut, Cheyney Field attenuation ponds, the Scout Hut and Kings Academy where there are rain gardens added to the downpipes. I was pleased that at the meeting Southern Water confirmed they intend to invest in similar natural flood management solutions in many of the areas which I've been highlighting, including around £2.8 million targeted at Ringmer. Obviously this is only part of the solution, and I'll continue to hold them to account on storm overflows, but gratifying none the less to see the problems being acknowledged.



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## RINGMER PAST TIMES



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hotel. After housing Canadian soldiers during World War II, the house became a hotel, variously known as the Ringmer Inn, Crow's Nest and Classic Inn, before its demolition in 1998. The blocks of flats called St Martins and St Anthonys, Harrisons Lane, were built on its extensive gardens and tennis court.

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**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](mailto:geoffrey@gmx.com).

**Lewes Daytime Music: House of Friendship, School Hill:** Choir Mon 2-3pm. Ukulele beg. Wed 10am. Inter: 11am Sing to Beat Parkinson's choir every Friday 11-12 at Cliffe Hall, Lewes Debra Skeen 01273 476469.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:info@knowdementia.co.uk)

**Mothers' Union:** Christine Smith, 01273 814993, [christineesmith@me.com](mailto:christineesmith@me.com) or Shirley Squires 01273 752167.

**RADAR** Community Speed Watch Group Ray Eggleton 01273 812962.

**1<sup>st</sup> Ringmer Guides:** Scout Hut, Wed 7pm [fifthlewesbrownies@hotmail.com](mailto:fifthlewesbrownies@hotmail.com)

**1<sup>st</sup> Ringmer Rainbow Guides:** Scout Hut, Wed 5pm. Jennie Barnes 01825 769938, [fifthlewesbrownies@hotmail.com](mailto:fifthlewesbrownies@hotmail.com).

**3<sup>rd</sup> Ringmer Brownies:** Village Hall, Tues 5 pm Teresa Sutton 01273 814992, [RingmerBrownies@outlook.com](mailto:RingmerBrownies@outlook.com)

**Parish Council:** Call 01273 813242/ 07565 704342 or email [clerk@ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk). Website: [ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk)

**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 Neighbour Scheme:** 07340 118758 between 10 and 11 am or 3 and 4 pm or email [ringmergoodneighbours@gmail.com](mailto:ringmergoodneighbours@gmail.com)

**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 812463 or via email at [office@ringmerprimary.school](mailto: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@hteqa.com](mailto:jim@hteqa.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:** 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.

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

**Ringmer Footpath Clearance Group :** Marilyn Linehan on 01273 812345 or [marilyn@linehan.com](mailto: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, 1<sup>st</sup> Tues in month, 7.30 pm. Call Judith Cox on 07971 659557 or email [judithcox228@gmail.com](mailto:judithcox228@gmail.com)

**Scout Group - 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:beaversinringmer@gmail.com)

**St John Ambulance - Ringmer Cadet Unit:** Village Hall, CADETS 10-18 years meet 6pm - 8pm contact Daniel at [Daniel.Willemts1@sja.org.uk](mailto:Daniel.Willemts1@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:** Administrator: Bren Bonner 01273 813303/ 07739 400408 or email bookings to [ringmervh.bren@gmail.com](mailto:ringmervh.bren@gmail.com)

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

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