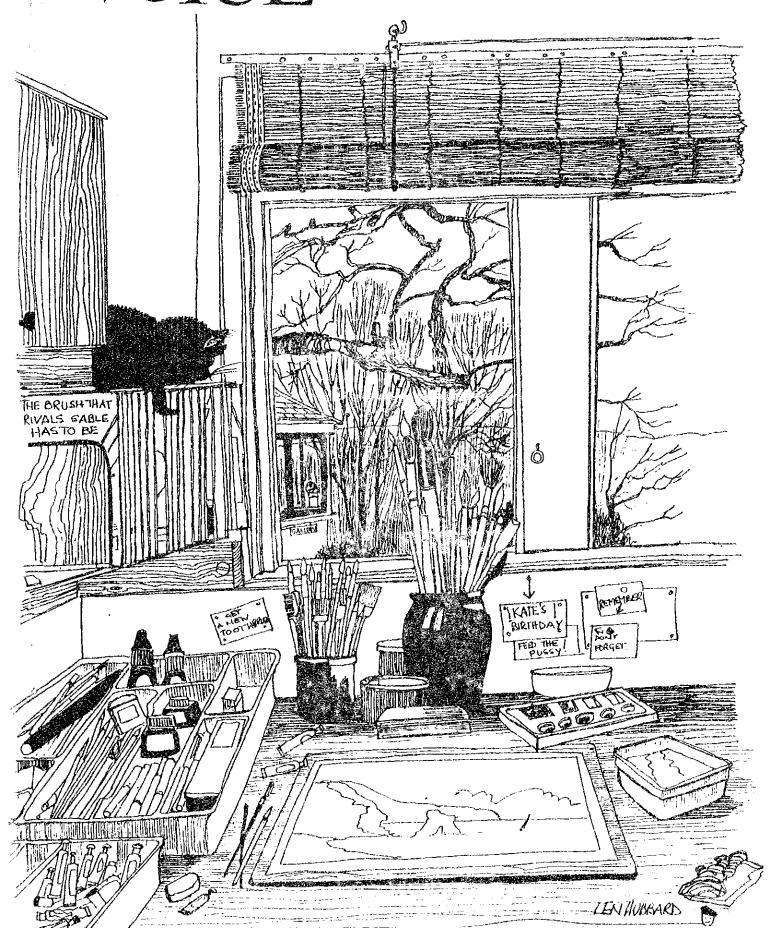
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Its been an exciting job for the new team at VILLAGE VOICE to get out their first solo issue. The fact that you are reading this means we have actually been able to get it printed...something of a milestone and a relief! We hope you will enjoy it.

VILLAGE VOICE has been fortunate to have such capable former producers as Dudley and Lilian Drabble, then Kendall and Penny McDonald. We will try hard to live up to their high standards of excellence, but they will be tough acts to follow. The readers owe them a debt of gratitude.

There are 12 volunteers now involved in the production and preparation of VILLAGE VOICE, which will be printed in the basement at Smeaton (corner of Post Office Lane) thanks to the generosity of Ronnie and Jo Parkin.

VILLAGE VOICE has been well served during the last 13 years by a continuing flow of articles and contributions from Thurlestonians. A village magazine depends heavily on this input from its readers, so please keep it coming. Any articles, reports, news, comments and ideas will be gratefully received - and acknowledged.

We hope that VILLAGE VOICE will be just as eagerly awaited and good to read from cover to cover under the 'new management' as it has always been. Your support and help will make this hope a reality.

Front cover illustration: Inside Len Hubbard's studio

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SHOCKED I WAS, really shocked when one councillor, parish for the use of, asked at a recent meeting - "Do we really want to keep the pump house?". That was the first time I have seen members of the ratepaying class jumping up and down with fury and offering to pay extra for something.

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I have no doubt they meant it and that we will be able to keep our pump house, which, by the way, switched from being a well with a bucket and chain to a pump when they had to bore the well down another three feet after the particularly dry summer of 1885.

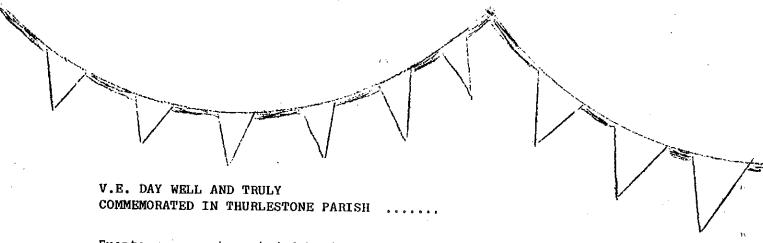
They held a special parish meeting on October 15th that year to discuss the water supplies in the whole parish. Buckland and Bantham were found to be "sufficiently supplied" and Thurlestone, as always, was where the problem was. So they put the pump in.

Pumps had been around the parish for some time before that. The one the Rev. Peregrine Ilbert put into the Rectory grounds is dated 1834. Its not, contrary to popular belief, the one that used to be in the Thurlestone pump house. That disappeared during the war years, or just after, removed so they say by the County or Rural District Council (which adds water-pump theft to their many other failings).

However, when the pump house is restored the pump at present in the new Rectory grounds would be the perfect fit. It will take some doing to prise it away from the Rector. He is already saying that it isn't his to give away and belongs to the Church as does the Rectory, but I reckon he'll crack in the end.

Course the funds for that and for the restoration of the pump house (now known as the Save Our Old Pump Association - SOOPA for short) will have to include something for the restoration of the notice-boards inside. They were created and erected by George Robins of Thurlestone in April 1912. Which makes them historic boards in an historic house.

Mind you, I'm still a bit worried about that councillor wanting to get rid of our pump house. So I've started a list of things some parishioners would like to get rid of instead. Well, there's the hotel, yellow lines, non-rumbling strips, the golf course, wind-surfers, tall buildings, holiday homes, coaches, big lorries, road signs.....Oh, I could go on and on.....couldn't you?



Events were master-minded by Councillor Derrick Yeoman who, earlier this year, was appointed V.E.Day celebration co-ordinator by the Parish Council.

97 children, mostly from Thurlestone School, started the proceedings with a sit-down street teaparty in the safety of a flag-bedecked Parkfield, away from village traffic. Friends of Thurlestone School mums, Jean Yeoman, and others, provided a super tea in the sunshine pr. sandwiches, sausage rolls, cakes, jellies and soft drinks. Hats were worn by all, courtesy of McDonalds Restaurants Ltd. mile di liber

Afterstea Vicky Carpenter gathered together a number of the children who showed off their maypole-dancing skills on the Green. The church bellringers, and visiting friends, rang changes with a sponsored Peace=A-Peal in aid of the Children's Society. Around £200 was raised from this and a collection. The barbecue run by the Thurlestone Hotel, also on the Green, did a roaring trade. 4. * 1...* (1...*)

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Following this, a short trek was made to the beacon site for the lighting, by Councillor Charles Mitchelmore, of our link in the chain of bonfires throughout the land.

"We'll Meet Again" - a singalong in the packed Village Inn - rounded off the day with Joyce Stevens and Philip King providing the musical accompaniment to well-known old favourite songs. 医眼性乳球蛋白 化氯化二甲胺 海维医克尔氏试验

Ithwas interesting to hear that 50 years ago there were two children's teaparties in the parish - one at West Buckland in what was Butcher Moore's orchard, as well as one for the Thurlestone children held in the Seaview area.

Derrick Yeoman was full of praise for all the people who had worked together to make the events of the day possible. The rest of us, who simply went along and enjoyed things, say "thank you" to Derrick and everyone involved for making it a great day for Thurlestone on 8,5.95 in commemoration of a great day for Britain and Europe 50 years ago. -1

> *Particular thanks should be expressed to Peter Hurrell for loaning his truck to transport chairs and tables to and from the Parish Hall and for organising the beacon; Charlie Mitchelmore, Mark Yeoman; Gordon Bromfield for use of the beacon; site; Liz Webb for printing and, with helpers, organising the Peace-A-Peal; Jean Yeoman for the loan of her kitchen; Phil and Doreen Deare; Thurlestone Hotel; Village Inn and many others whose help was invaluable.

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DATE AND ORANGE CAKE

juice and grated rind of 1 orange 8 oz dried dates 8 oz self raising flour 1 tsp ground ginger 1 egg 4 oz chopped walnuts 2 oz caster sugar 2 oz margarine

Add boiling water to orange Julce to make 14 plnt liquid. Add to mixture Sift in flour. Add ground ginger, beaten egg and chopped wathuts Blend margarine, sugar, orange rind and dates

Preheat oven. Bake at 150°/170°C for about 1 hour Put into greased 2 lb loaf tin

SECTION F

- Knitted item weighing not more than 50g.
 - A hand knitted item
- A greetings card, any medium
- Embroidered item using any technique (not a kit)
 - A sewn Item made by hand or machine or both 8
 - Any handicraft Item not included in schedule 102. 5
- A landscape or still life painting in oils or watercolours
 - A portrait any painting or drawing technique
 - A drawing any subject, any medium 104.
- A natural found object, sculptured. Space: must fit onto a 22" x 22" square A colour photograph (unframed)
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- exhibit not to exceed approx. 9" x 11". If possible accompany entry with brief detalls. dated by the entrant. May be framed or if unframed mounted on cardboard. Overall size

- SECTION G Flower Arrangements

 108. An exhibit of not more than five flowers. Space allowed 18" width x 18" depth

 109. An arrangement in a teapot. Space allowed 22" width x 22" depth

 110. An arrangement in a basket of mixed garden flowers. Space allowed 18" width x 18" depth

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- Entrants with highest number of points in each section
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- Best vegetable entry in Section B (Wray cup)
- Highest points overall classes 62 to 64 Roses (Chapman bowt)
 - Winner of class no. 63 one rose bloom (Marshall trophy)
- Winner of class no. 67 flowering fuschia (President's tankard)
 - Winner of class no. 73 Arrangement of Garden Flowers Best exhibit in Children's Section - Senior (White cup)
- Best exhibit in Children's Section Junior (Derrick Yeoman cup)
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- SECTION C Cut flowers & Pot plants 9 mixed Sweetpeas 1 stem Floribunda Rose Rose bloom 6 hybrid tea Roses 3 stems Hydrangea 6 Pansies 3 cactus Dahilas 3 decorative Dahllas 3 Gladioli

SECTION D ~ Children (Original work only, NO KITS) 6 Fuschia heads. Quality and variety to count 1 pot grown Geranium, in flower, pot not to exceed 10" 6 stems flowering Shrubs, 3 distinct kinds 1 pot grown Fuschia (flowering) 1 flowering pot plant, excluding fuchsia & Geranium 6 stems Annuals, 3 distinct kinds 1 follage pot plant stems herbaceous Perennials, 3 distinct kinds pot not to exceed 10"

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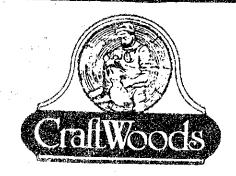
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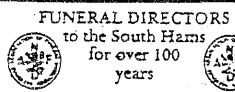
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PROFILE OF MARTYN GROSE

Even though he has spent much time away from Thurlestone, Martyn Grose has remained closely associated with the village and, having retired, has returned to live here.

Martyn was born in 1934 and, with his sister Judy, lived with his parents, Muriel (nee Balkwill) and William Grose at the Swallows. His father was chairman of the family hotel business and both he and Muriel played an active part in local affairs.

During the Second World War the Swallows was requisitioned as accommodation for the RAF and then evacuees, and the family moved to Kingsbridge to live with Martyn's maternal grandmother. Martyn attended the Grammar School and then in 1947 he was sent to Blundell's School, Tiverton. From there, in 1952, he went up to Trinity College, Oxford, to read Chemistry; he rowed for his College, gained a Blue for athletics and played drums in the University Jazz Band.

On coming down from Oxford in 1956 he joined the Royal Navy on a Short: Service Commission. During the following three years he played cricket for the RNCC and United Services, Plymouth, and pursued his growing interest in deep-water sailing.

On leaving the Navy he joined Wiggins Teape, the paper-making company. He was posted in 1963 to the company's new venture in Argentina and in that year, in Buenos Aires, he married Audrey, the younger daughter of Dr.Reginald Anderton who, for many years, was the local GP. By 1973 Martyn had become Managing Director of the company's paper manufacturing business in Argentina but in 1974, due to terrorist activities, the parent company withdrew all expatriates and Martyn was appointed to Wiggins Teape South Africa as Chairman and Chief Executive. In 1978 he, Audrey, and their four children returned to the UK to live in Hindhead where, with a house adjacent to the golf course, they were able to pursue their joint passion for the game.

Martyn was appointed to the Board of Wiggins Teape in 1979 and took over responsibility for all the company's overseas operations in 1980. He held this position until his retirements in 1990 during which time he travelled widely and held a number of public appointments including UK representative on the Paper Industries Advisory Committee to the UN Food and Agricultural Organisation and membership of the CBI Environment Committee.

After 31 years in the paper industry he and Audrey have returned to their roots in Thurlestone and live at the Swallows. He remains a director of the family hotel business and both he and Audrey are long-standing members of the Golf Club. With a boat in Salcombe, he is able to indulge his interest in sailing....when gardening responsibilities permit.

In May 1995 he was elected to the South Hams District Council representing Thurlestone Ward.

All members of Thurlestone Parish Council were returned unopposed. They are: David William Peter Grose, Peter William James Hurrell, Charles Benjamin Mitchelmore, Geoffrey Lionel Stidston, Veronica Pauline White, and Derrick James Yeoman.

"BEWARE THE CHERRY PICKERS!"

This was the message from Police Inspector Patrick. Burglaries and car thefts in Bantham, West Buckland and Thurlestone have increased significantly this year, he said, and once an area becomes known as ripe for picking then others will try their hand. He advised residents to continue their vigilance, and not hesitate to report any suspicious or unusual behaviour.

The increase in crime in our parish was in marked contrast to very significant decreases in other parishes in the Kingsbridge area. Those improvements reflected the benefits of local policing and the better targeting of their, regrettably, reduced police resources. He expected the Thurlestone area to be vulnerable for the next 12-18 months.

THE RUMBLE STRIPS THAT DON'T RUMBLE

Residents and Councillors were united that the strips are not high enough. Drivers just don't notice them, no matter what the car. The old bangers rattle all the time anyway, and the posh cars just glide over undisturbed. The idea of changing the colour of the strips was rejected on a show of hands. The Highways Officer said it costs £500 just to bring contractors on site, so any modifications would be decided upon after the 30mph signs were up and longer-term reactions considered.

PARKED CARS ON DOUBLE YELLOW?

The Inspector was in no doubt the best traffic calming for West Alvington was parked cars! With manpower cut from 3 to 1 he has problems enough policing existing double yellow lines. The Easter weekend had proved that Salcombe must be given priority. He had no resources left for the villages if he was to provide any sort of cover for Modbury, Aveton Gifford and Kingsbridge.

Final decisions on the contentious double yellows proposed for Bantham are due to be taken at a Council Meeting on May 25th.

THE 'CHANTELOUPE' CANNON

The green by the bus shelter was the preference of the meeting for mounting this magnificen. 3th century cannon, recovered from the seabed near Thurlestone Rock only six years ago. The fascinating story behind it of treasure, storm, shipwreck, murder and Daniel Whiddon's dog is all recounted in Kendall McDonald's book on Thurlestone (pp. 44-45).

PRESERVATION OF THE PUMP HOUSE

VALUE OF EAST

This situation is now looking more optimistic, with Parish Council Chairman Peter Hurrell and Len Hubbard prominent in actively investigating what needs to be done... and how to raise the funds to do it.



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Kate's Kitchen



MARY HAD A LITTLE LAMB - joint or chops! Want to try a different taste to the usual mind sauce or jelly? This recipe for a marinade can be used with any cut of lamb to be received or grilled, even on the barbecue.

- 1 tablespoon red currant jelly
- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar (or red wine and a squeeze of lemon)
- 1 clove of garlic, crushed (more if desired)
- 1 teaspoon each of fresh rosemary and tarragon, finely chopped (half a teaspoon of each if dried)
- 1 teaspoon whole grain mustard; salt and freshly ground pepper

Combine all ingredients thoroughly in a jug or basin. If using chops, remove as much of the fat as possible, place in a shallow dish or tin, pour over the marinade and leave for approx. one hour - or longer for a more intense flavour. Cook in the oven or under a grill, basting occasionally.

When cooked to your liking - some prefer their meat slightly pink - take out chops. Remove any surplus fat and pour a little stock or water into the dish to make a sauce. If you like it a little sweeter add a teaspoon more jelly or, if you like it thicker, use a little arrowroot or cornilour. Adjust seasoning.

Whilst on the subject of cooking, you may be interested to read the following letter to the Editor:

"Responding to the economies letter in the last issue, readers may like to know that Mrs.Irma Musgrove, known as Britain's most thrifty woman, suggests that:

- 1. You eat before you shop as shopping on an empty stomach means you end up buying much more than you need.
- 2. If you feel cold, put on another sweater because it is paid forthe central heating isn't.

A gentleman living in Ottery St.Mary also had economy in mind when he told the Sunday Telegraph recently that he had just returned from shooting his wife's hairdresser, thus saving himself at least £1500 a year!"

CHAMPION JENNY!

Jenny Roberts recently won the Devon County Ladies Golf Championship at Saunton Golf Club to become the first Thurlestone Golf Club holder of the title since the late Betty Orde in 1958.

It was a typically tenacious performance by Jenny and Village Voice offers her many congratulations on a great achievement.

SPY CAMERA SAFE

Neil Girling at the Sloop Inn has been allowed by South Hams Council to keep his security camera. It will be allowed to remain in situ - on top of a pole at the Inn - for the next five years after which time the matter will be reviewed.

The camera was installed on police advice as a deterrent against the rising incidence of vehicle and marine thefts in the area. The planning authorities thought it looked somewhat out of place on a Grade II listed building, but Councillors eventually gave the thumbs up to this crime prevention initiative and things can be left as they are for the time being.

N.S.P.C.C.

Mollie Oswald, Chairman of the Thurlestone branch of this charity, says that the Jumble Sale organised by them raised the record-breaking amount of just over £600 in one and a half hours.

The committee would like to thank all the squirrels who responded to the appeal in VV, the various friends who gave donations or raffle prizes and the local people who just came to 'buy'. She feels a special thanks should go to the uncomplaining husbands of four of the committee members who collected and coped with some very unwieldy objects. Any articles remaining unsold at the end of the afternoon were earmarked for a stall at a car boot sale or donated to the Salvation Army...so nothing was wasted.

EASTER AT THURLESTONE CHURCH

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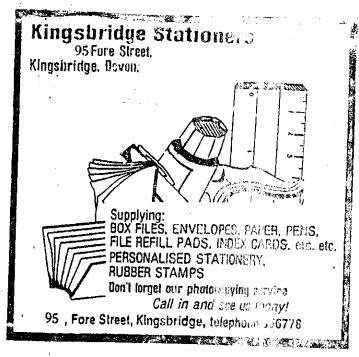
Joan Galloway and Michael Chipman, Churchwardens, report "It was good to see so many at our Service on Good Friday, and I am sure everyone was moved by 'The Vocal Chords' as they led the worship on this very special day in the Christian calendar.

Mrs.Jenny George and Mr.Edward Gigg are old friends who have sung for us on Good Friday for several years, and it was very kind of Mrs.George to bring her choir this year to sing Stainer's Crucifixion, and we would like to thank them all most sincerely.

Easter: Day had good congregations at all three services, and the Churchwardens would like to thank the Rector for all the thought and time he took in the preparation of these services and for making them such a happy start to Easter Day."

UNUSUAL VISITOR

Seen recently on the Delin Bird Watching & Preservation Society's reserve near Thurlestone Rock...a Black-Winged Stilt. An extraordinarily long-legged wading bird, it breeds normally in April and May in Spain, Portugal or other warm places. It was a bit off-course at the Rock, but it brought the bird enthusiasts out in flocks!



YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

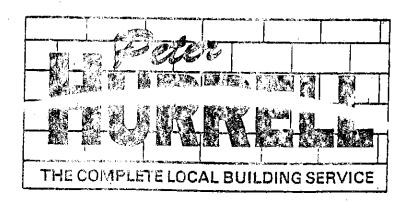
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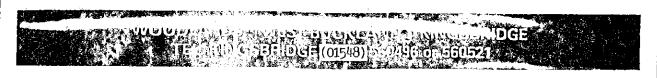
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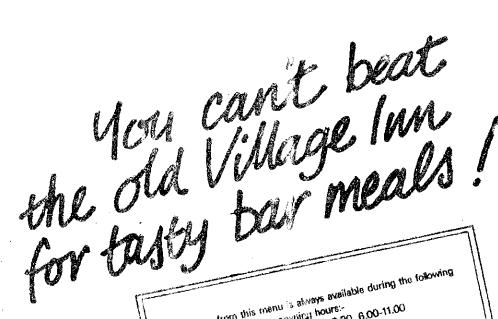
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Reading in Village Voice about the rambles of the Thurlestone Tramps reminds me of a walk I did - in 1940 - which ended up in Devon.

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I had joined the T.A. in 1938, realising that the Nazis, having already seized Czechoslovakia and the Saar, would attack Britain eventually. So come 1st September 1939 I became 'embodied', i.e. a soldier.

We were sent to France in January 1940, the coldest winter in living memory. When the German blitzkrieg began in May 1940 the British army was ordered forward to attack, but had its flanks on right and left compromised when the enemy broke through the French and Belgian defences. So we were ordered to fall back towards the coast to avoid being surrounded.

Thus began my walk, a forced march of some 30 miles, towards Dunkirk. The roads were packed with refugees, on foot, with horses, handcarts, barrows, even French African troops - the Spahis - in white robes, mounted and with lances - offering a superb target for the hordes of dive-bombing Stuka planes which were spitting death and destruction.

I had said au revoir to a kindly French family on whom I had been billeted, near Bethune, for some weeks. My last sighting of grand-mere was of her pushing a handcart, piled up with her belongings. She told me that this was the third time she had had to flee from the Boche — in 1870, 1915, and now 1940. Incidentally, she lived to return as we visited her (she was by then a sprightly nonagenarian) a few years later.

On 25th May the German High Command told the world that "The ring around the British, French and Belgian armies has been definitely closed". We had other ideas and marched on to the coast, passing mile after mile of abandoned military equipment. Death in all its ghastly guises was everywhere ... swollen horses, thrice life-size, bloated corpses and limbs. The stench of a burning town, black with petrol dumps ablaze, pervaded the air.

Eventually, about 4 a.m. - after our 30 mile 'walk' - we came across the dunes to the beach of Dunkirk, and were overjoyed to see the masts of countless ships, thinking "We'll soon be aboard". Alas, when dawn broke we saw that every ship had been sunk, only the masts were above water. The Germans were shelling the beaches incessantly, and there were frequent air-raids with bombs raining down on us.

After three days on the beach, with no rations, we were ordered to go down to the water's edge and wade out to a small boat which took us to a Dutch coaster the 'Frisco'. Full - and over - to the gunwhales we sailed north-east along the Belgian coast and were shelled by German shore batteries...but not hit. A Nazi plane fired a torpedo at us but it passed astern. Eventually we arrived at, and were marooned on the Goodwin Sands for several hours until the tide rose.

We put into Margate but were ordered out by Military Police with drawn revolvers as the port was clogged up. So off we sailed again, quite famished and exhausted, and put into Dover. We were escorted to a waiting train and given loaves of bread and cheese by the lovely ladies of the W.V.S. Our train steamed westwards into the setting sun and we were dropped off at North Road station in Plymouth.

Nightly aid-raids began shortly after we arrived, usually with Teutonic precision at 21.20hrs., and I watched the Plymouth I knew disappear into heaps of rubble. So dangerous was the bombing that we were moved to Peter Shilton's late home - the Argyle FC ground at Home Park. The very next night our previous billet, the Ballard Institute, got a direct hit-from a bomb and collapsed, Kobe-like, into dust.

Once again I had survived and more importantly learned to love Devon and its people.

FROM THE SOUTH MILTON 'WEATHER WAG' Jan Turner

I think that 'the weather' is probably the most frequently mentioned topic in casual conversation. Almost everyone will mention it at some time during a day to someone. If our weather were not so variable no doubt it would get only cursory attention. Perhaps it is for this reason that I have always found 'the weather' an absorbing interest. Maybe too my childhood at Shute Farm, where my father battled with the vagaries of daily weather, has influenced me.

When I retired from teaching I promised myself that I would take a more serious and detailed interest in the pattern of weather experienced at Beach Cottage. This I have been fortunate to be able to achieve with a little help from technology and friends.

You may be interested in a short summary of the statistics that I built up during 1994:

RAINFALL. Total for year: 1113.46mm (43.87"). Wettest month: February 154.9mm (6.1"). Highest rainfall in 24 hours: January 4th/5th 24.44mm (.96"). Driest month: June 22.82mm (.89")

WIND. Winds from a westerly direction blew on 213 days of the year - 58.4% Winds from an easterly direction blew on 124 days of the year - 33.9%. The cothers: 26 were south, 2 north. The strongest gust was recorded on Thursday January 27th = 86mph

TEMPERATURE: August was the hottest month with an average temperature of 18.96°C (64.4°F). Despite this there was considerable rainfall - 88.8mm (3.5"). 64.05mm (2.52") fell on 7 of the 31 days. High temperatures in summertime often produce heavy rainfall in short burst/thunderstorms.

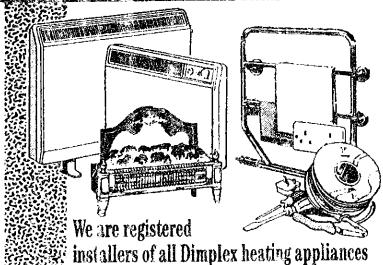
Turning to 1995, these are the facts and figures for my weather observations for the first quarter of the year. I shall try to produce these every three months if it proves possible (it may not, as VV is every other month!). So here goes:

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	TOTAL 95	TOTAL 94
Rainfall					
No. of days rain	137.2mm 26/31	112.95mm 25/28	61.85mm 21/31	312mm	342mm
Heaviest days rain	17.69mm on 23rd	12.99mm on 12th	15.04mm cn 28th		
Temp.	}				
Average for month	9.618°C	10.43°C	9,0°C	Average for 3 months	
Highest temp. Lowest temp.	13.2°C on 5th -1.1°C on 3rd	15°C on 9th 1.4°C on 26th	17.8°C on 23rd 0.2°C on 4th	9.68°C	9.49°C
<u>Wind</u>	On 24/31	On 24/28	On 19/31		
Direction	days westerly	days	days		
Speed	Highest gust	westerly	westerly	,	
No.days calm	80mph 21/22nd	80mph 16/17th	66mph 1/2nd		
(below 5mph)	5	6	13		

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battle in 1789 to the battle in 1789 to the battle. The loss of access to the Continent, especially the South of France, meant that many wealthy Britons sought their holidays at home; others who owned property in France cut their losses when the guillotine started to deprive them of their friends. Thus, for 26 years Europo was closed for foreign domicile and holiday-making. Promoters in Devon lost no time in advertising the benefits of sea air and bathing in the mild climate and beautiful surroundings of South Devon.

In view of the difficulty in manoeuvering sailing ships in and out of Plymo Sound before the breakwater was completed in 1840, naval f es were frequently muste ed in the sheltered Tor Bay. That soon to an influx of naval wives and families into the little township of Torquay. The local landowners built attractive small houses for them and in the following years supervised the laying down of pleasant homes with gardens in tree-lined streets. As a result, to become the best planned of any of the resorts. At the same time Sidmouth. Teignmouth and Dawlish, having embarked on modest building programmed analted their guests. To their surprise, they soon found themselves confronted by members of the nobility and gentry, some from dispant parts of the land. The proprietor of the Globe Inn at Teignmouth one day opened his door to find "seven carriages with coronets" awaiting him. The same town, in 1794, was visited by "the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire and 15 other nobles"; the Duke had come a long way from his home at Chatsworthy, Derbyshire. Sidmouth enjoyed similar patronage. How did these simple publicant react? Your Devonian is as quick as the next man strecognising a good thing when he sees it, but he does not like to be rushed. Doubtless they disposed their charges equitably in the accommodation available, in their own time. In the following weeks and months their exprences und suitably embelliched, must have been recounted many times.

This influx of free-spending visitors convinced the owners of the resorts that they should expand. With more and more newcomers choosing the winter months, because of the mild weather. Devon becamethe first county to offer year round facilities and entertainment which, at wirst, comprised cand games and tea parties. Torquay showed the way,

Yet the proprietors had problems to resolve. Summer visitors, especially those with memories of Bath and the Continent looked for elaborate facilities; young people wanted fun. Increasingly the elderly and infirm needed to be considered, particularly those who lived in style and stayed throughout the winter months. There were those who were ill, seeking a climatic remedy; tuberculosis was rife and many succumbed, their gravestones in churchyards showing tragically that most of them died in early adult life.

With most of the resorts doubling their population in the Napoleonic age, the general feeling was that an attempt should be made to provide amenities similar to those of the inland spas, for fear of losing the custom of the many new fashionable arrivals who were accustomed to them. Remarkably, most of the resorts managed to achieve their expensive objectives.

Sea baths were an important amenity, to provide the ritual 'taking of the waters', as at inland spas, seawater bath houses were erected at Exmouth, Teignmouth, Dawlish and Seaton, usually in prestigious positions on the sea front. Hot sea water baths were included for invalids. The baths were often owned by doctors, as a source of income.

A promenade along the waterfront was essential. It needed to be flat with a gravel surface, to attract invalids, so that on fine summer evenings it would, hopefully, draw a 'grand assemblage of gentul and fashionable company'. It was about the only amenity that was be without one.

Assembly rooms were needed for indoor entertainment. At first, inns were enlarged, but they were inadequate. Some impressive structures were built, that at Teignmouth being "large, handsome and commodious... space enough for one hundred couples to dance at once". Balls were held weekly and card games were played every evening.

Competing with the assembly rooms were elegant circulating libraries which were patronised, especially on rainy days, by visitors who often kept them supplied with books for which they had no further use. They had profitable shops for literature and trinkets.

Several resorts opened small theatres, but they nearly all failed because they could afford only second-rate companies, which did not satisfy their audiences.

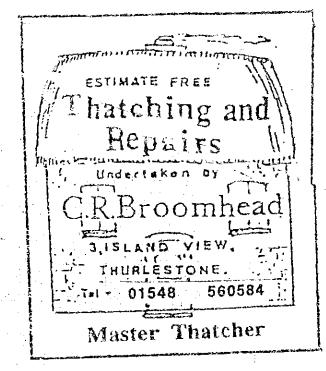
Fine country houses nearby were open to visitors, some to the grounds only and some also to the houses, a distinction which often reflected the credentials of the visitors.

In N. Devon, remote little resorts were still handicapped by the state of the roads with their climging mud, deep ruts, bounders & steep hibls. They received a few visitors from nearby, but Barnstaple and trip to Ilfracombe, Lynton, Lynmouth & Instow found few amenities and harsher weather than in the southern resorts. Yet their cheapness by the common swarm! Ilfracombe started to build good boarding houses, with reliable bathing machines for the summer visitors.

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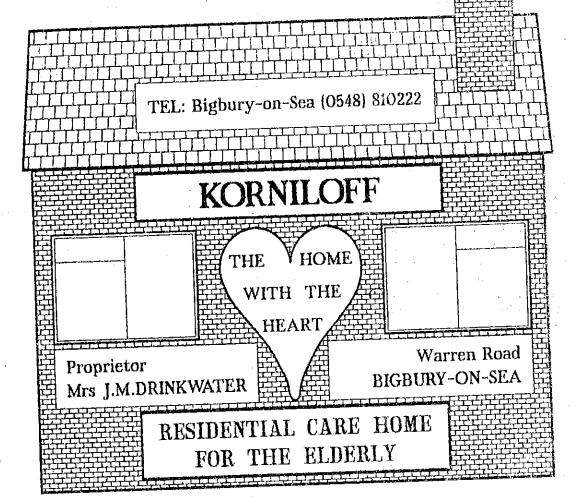
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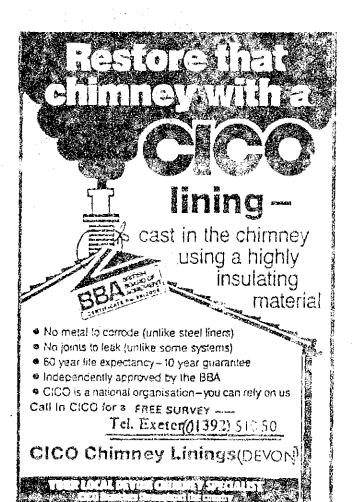
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This year has not involved any major work to the fabric of the Hall but, as I mentioned last year, the exterior walls were painted with microporous paint to reduce damp penetration, and other general repairs and maintenance have been carried out.

In 1995 the windows will be double-glazed. We have had the good fortune to receive a gift of secondary double-glazing frames from Williams Holdings ple and are greatly indebted to Tony Luddington and his son for arranging this. The committee anticipate financing the expense of the glass and the fitting of the actual frames this summer. Hopefully the Hall will be a warmer place this winter with the new secondary glazing and the additional heat from the recently-repaired radiator.

After much consideration the committee decided to apply for a Public Entertainments Licence. It was felt this would benefit the village and hopefully increase bookings for the Hall. All necessary steps were taken to make the application, which included having plans of the building drawn up by local architect John Norris; having an electrical inspection to obtain a certificate of compliance with the necessary safety standards; having the Hall inspected by the Fire Authority which resulted in the purchase of new fire extinguishers (the existing being 30 years old); the South Hams Council representative also inspected and was impressed by the excellent condition of the Hall. The Licence should be granted this month.

On the fund-raising front, the Autumn Fair held in October 1994 raised slightly more than the previous year (£448 as against £423). Again we have been fortunate in receiving generous donations which totalled £237. The results from the Fair were rather disappointing as it, is our main fund-raising event. The Bowls Club were unable to man a stall but donated a handsome new clock. The Football Club was neither seen nor heard from! I would like to thank the stalwarts who ran their stalls so willingly and without whom there would be no Fair or funds for the Hall. Let us try and top the £500 mark this year!* I am sure we can.

Special thanks are due to the WI, who raised £150 for the roof with their Jumble Sale - an excellent effort, well done! A big thank you to Len Hubbard for holding a most interesting and enlightening exhibition at the beginning of April. This raised, including a donation, £335 towards new fire doors, which we shall have to install in due course. Thanks to Veronic White for her help in organising and running the raffle at this event and to all those generous people who donated such splendid prizes.

Len is a man of many parts and without his very considerable assistance the Hall would be a poorer place. Once again he was responsible for the excellent Christmas decorations and supervisisng the children in their task. He also took over the responsibility for Hall maintenance in Bob Drummond's absence for some three months. We are indebted to him in more ways than one and the committee do thank him sincerely.

We thank Penny and Kendall McDonald for the support they have given the Parish Hall over the years through Village Voice, and wish Pat Macdonald and the new team every success.

You may be aware that Joan Mackenzie and Bob Drummond have resigned from the committee.

Joan Lane, our Bookings Secretary, has done a magnificent job once again. Few peope realise the amount of time she gives to the Hall, the problems she encounters and the oil she pours on troubled waters. Dorothy Stone has again been a most efficient Secretary and great help to me. Many thanks.

Our excellent caretakers, Mr.& Mrs.Hunt, keep the Hall beautifully - this is evident from the many compliments received frommembers of the public. We are very grateful to them. Lastly, thank you to all the committee members who give their support and time throughout the year...and to the residents for their continued support.

TRAMPS' PROGRESS

On March 15th a baker's dozen of trampers, plus two dogs, set off optimistically from the Mothecombe car park despite an unfriendly-looking black cloud which rapidly fulfilled its promise and caused a general donning of waterproofs. Whereupon the sun came out and shope brightly on us as we walked westwards along the cliffs enjoying the glorious views.

Turning inland we unwittingly trespassed on private property. However, the lady who came to meet us realised at a glance that vandalism was not our pastime and when she found that she had a passing acquaintance with two of our group she graciously forgave us and gave us permission to go that way again. Along lanes and across fields we reached Holbeton for substantial snacks at the Mildmay Colours. Reinforced, we made our way through the Flete estate (permission sought and granted) along the estuary back to the carpark, about eight miles in all.

Leader: Pam Brewster

Seventeen walkers, and four dogs arrived for the walk on April 4th when there was no threat of bad weather. We met at Lee Mill and after sorting out the new road works we picked up the footpath and headed north up the Yealm valley.

Easy walking gave us plenty of time to appreciate those first signs that winter was over - new lambs and a variety of spring flowers. We continued north under the impressive Slaceviaduct to Lutton where we stopped, primarily to admire the view across Hanger Down. The dogs decided that they required liquid refreshment so, to save them embarrassment, we joined them and what better place to stop and enjoy a pint? However, persistent interest by the pub dog towards one of our delicate four-legged ladies necessitated a speedy departure!

We continued north to Heddon Moor where we stopped for lunch. In the afternoon it was downhill all the way via Sparkwell and Venton to Lee Mill where our eight mile walk, which was both relaxing and enjoyable, ended.

Leaders: Roy and Margery Travis

On April 8th guests and other commitments reduced the number walking to eleven plus a dog. The day was perfect for walking, bright sunshine with a coolish north-westerly. The walk was over local footpaths which over half those present had not done before.

We started at Thurlestone, thence to West Buckland, North Upton, Worthy, Huxton Cross, Whitley Farm, South Milton, South Huish, across to the coastal path and home, a total distance approaching ten miles.

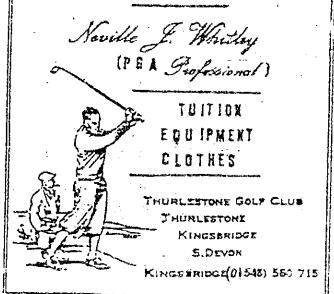
A deterioration in the weather was forecast for the afternoon, so we decided to maintain a fair pace - no stopping to bury the dead. Lunch was taken early on the slopes above South Milton but a chilly wind on our backs encouraged us to continue after 20 minutes. A detour round the ruined church at South Huish was decided upon and voted a well-worthwhile visit, particularly as most of us hadn't visited it before. Throughout the walk every valley we looked down seemed to have the Eddystone Light at the end of it, which prompted a suggestion that in the dim and distant past when we could walk to France without getting our feet wet, that all the water draining down these valleys finished up joining a river close to Eddystone. (What have the experts got to say?)

We all managed to reach home before the first of the afternoon arrived - at least the forecasters were proved correct.

Leaders: Sally & Derek Yeoman

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Next on the list is our resolutions meeting in May, at which two resolutions will be discussed and voted on prior to the National Federation meeting at Blackpool. These are concerned with the labelling of food and the issuing of identity cards. Then there will be a guided walk round historic Modbury on May 16, a visit to Devon County Show to enter exhibits, and an outing to Forde Abbey and Gardens in Dorset on June 6th.

On June 3rd the whole of Devon's coastal footpaths are being walked in sections by Devon WI members as part of the national 'Best Foot Forward' campaign. As well as contributing walkers, Thurlestone will provide teas for the footsore and thirsty on this section of the walk. Val Brown has kindly offered her garden and home for the purpose.

This year Devon Rederation of WI's is celebrating its 75th anniversary. There are many special events planned and one is currently taking place. A DFWI banner is travelling round the county, being conveyed to each of Devon's 340 WI's over a period of just 250 days. Its journey between villages will use as many different methods as members can dream up and the competition is fierce. Rowing, riding, bicycling, roller-blading, relay-racing, dog-carting and a trip by vintage Bugatti have already taken place. The banner will eventually reach Thurlestone from South Milton on July 13th, we then have to take it to Churchstow. There has been much head-scratching and racking of brains as to how we will travel the road between here and Churchstow. BE WARNED - IF YOU ARE TRAVELLING INTO OR OUT OF THURLESTONE THAT MORNING, WATCH OUT FOR THE W.I.

Before then, Rosemary Rothery will talk at our June meeting on "Dance, Exercise & Movement", which seems a most appropriate subject in view of all our activities. Visitors are always welcome to come to any of our events. It was nice in May to welcome, again, two visitors who belong to a WI in Kent.

BARKS SYMPATHY FOR HEARING DOGS

Elsewhere in Village Voice you'll find full details of "Barks Sympathy for Hearing Dogs". Its a whimsical title to describe a light-hearted evening with a serious intent - to raise money (that dreaded word) to support Hearing Dogs for the Deaf.

Last year All Saints Fellowship donated £500 from their summer cream teas to Hearing Dogs for the Deaf, a gift which is greatly appreciated for as no charge is made to the deaf people who receive Hearing Dogs such generosity is vital to the cocktail of dedication, experience and sheer hard work that changes puppies or rescued dogs (some of them with horrifying backgrounds) into 'listening ears' as the Americans put it....dogs who can alert their owners to the sounds of clock or fire alarm, oven pingers, telephones and to most things untoward.

The dogs give their owners confidence in public places for their official yellow jackets and leads explain to everyone that their owners are not stupid, simply deaf, and once that is realised most people will summon up that extra patience and inbuilt kindness which is needed to make contact. Its amazing, too, how many strangers, particularly those with dogs of their own, will stop to greet a Hearing Dog owner and pause to chat as best they

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THURLESTONE & SOUTH MILTON HORTICULTURAL SHOW

ARE YOUR LETTUCES LUSCIOUS, your fuchsias phenomenal, your embroidery exceptional? If so, we would LOVE to see them at our Show on Saturday August 6th at Thurlestone Parish Hall. To set you thinking about what you can produce here is a list of classes.

Vegetables. 4 white kidney potatoes; 4 coloured kidney potatoes; 4 round white potatoes; 4 round coloured potatoes; 8 shallots; 8 runner beans; 8 French beans; 3 onions from seed; 3 onions from sets; 8 pods peas; 3 stump carrots; 3 long or interm. carrots; 3 globe beets; 2 lettuces; 3 courgettes; 6 tomatoes; parsley; 2 marrows; 2 cabbages; 3 leeks; soft fruit; herbs; 2 any other veg; collection veg.

Cut Flowers & Pot Plants 3 dec.dahlias; 3 cactus dahlias; 3 glads; 3 sweetpeas; 6 pansies; 6 ht roses; rose bloom; floribunda rose; hydrangeas; flowering pot plant; foliage pot plant; pot geranium; pot fuschias; anuals; perennials; shrubs; fuchsia heads

Children (5/8) Posy; clown's face on plate; 3 veg; model space vehicle; gingerbread men; 3 veg.

(9/15) Sewing; collage; pic. of seashore; veg. elephant; 3 veg. Cookery Marmalade; rasp. jam; other jam; jelly; lemon curd; chutney; bread; scones; pasty; date & orange cake; Victoria sandwich; child's lunchbox Handicrafts. Item from not more than 50g. wool; hand-knitting; greetings card; something new from something old; embroidery; any other handicraft not on schedule; landscape or still life painting; portrait; drawing; sculptured natural object; colour photo; best preserved photo from the family album taking prior to WW2. Section of the sectio

IN RESPONSE TO POPULAR DEMAND, WE ARE DELIGHTED TO RE-INTRODUCE A FLOWER ARRANGING SECTION:

> Exhibit of not more than 5 flowers Arrangement in a teapot Arrangement of mixed garden flowers in a basket

The foregoing is of course just a brief outline of the classes. Detailed requirements and entry forms are in the official schedules which will be in Thurlestone P.O. and S.Milton P.O. very soon now.

IF YOU HAVE NOT GOT ANYTHING YOU CAN ENTER.... PLEASE THINK HARD BEFORE YOU SAY YOU HAVEN'T - COME ALONG AND HAVE A LOOK AT THE SHOW. IT OPENS AT 2.30 AND ITS ALWAYS A TREAT.

On a more serious note, the impending menace to gardeners of ARTIOPOSTHIA TRIANGULATA - or New Zealand flatworm - was the subject of discussion in the House of Lords recently. "Tread on it or pour something hot and salty on it" was how Junior Agriculture Minister Earl Howe advised the Upper House to deal with matters. Lord Aberdare was, however, sceptical about this advice relayed from the Ministry's scientists "Are you sure it is effective to stamp on a worm that is already flat?" he asked. What do VV readers think?

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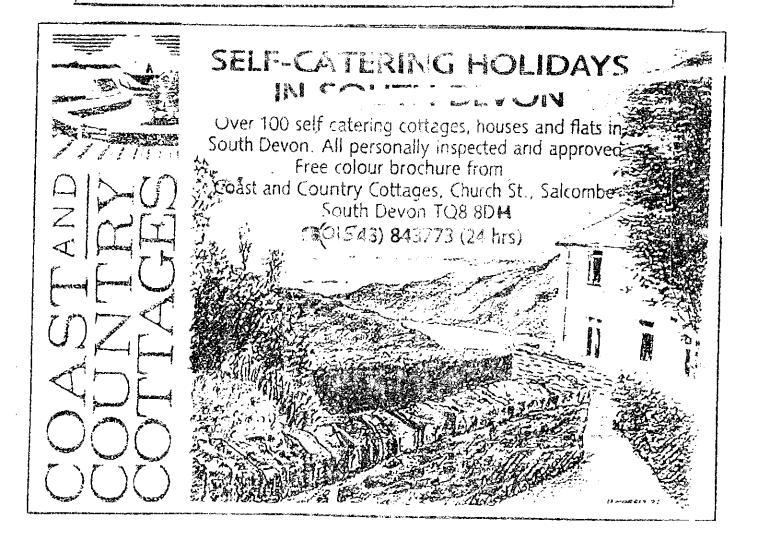
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The answers to the clues can be made up by combining 3 sets of 3 letters in the grid. When complete, 3 sets of 3 letters should remain. Combine these letters to find another 9 letter word.

1. A herb

9. A European capital

10. English county

2. A painter 3. A drink

11. Kind of shark

4. A famous battle 12. A vegetable

5. A breed of dog 13. A table game

6. A science

14. A fruit

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7. A naval officer 15. ?

8. A dance

WORD SEARCH NO.2

In this grid are the names of 25 sorts of dog. They are forward, backward, Up, down, or diagonal.

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Lynton and Lynmouth were accessible only with difficulty over the moor, yet they attracted members of the Romantic Movement, which derived its inspiration from nature. They were visited by Samuel Coleridge Taylor, who planned the Ancient Mariner there, and his friend William Wordsworth, who was enchanted by the place. Southey followed, noting that "the roads to it on all sides are impassable to a coach". Shelley took his bride there for the summer, during which he wrote Queen Mab. They found the accommodation primitive, but the staff of the public house, The Crown, was "civil and attentive".

At this time, the North Devon coast attracted few visitors, the inhabitants being preoccupied with agriculture and fishing.

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may. It all helps to break down the wall of silence, or in some cases internal cacophany, against which the deaf have to struggle so that the isolation and constant awareness of their own disability do not become overwhelming.

Barks Sympathy sounds fun and "refreshments included" is an honest statement unlike so many advertisements which build in whater it is into the price of goods and then claim it is a FREE ADDED BONUS!

Please come on August 14, to enjoy yourselves, to applaud your local artistes to whom we owe so much, and to help make this another wonder Thurlestone effort for Hearing Dogs - notonly monetarily but as a way of showing your support for a very practical and hund-working charley which, like everyone else, needs all the encouragement and help it can get.

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PETROL TYRES

ANY BRIGHT IDEAS FOR A HOLIDAY?

As quite a lot of the residents of Thurlestone are retired and so are able to holiday fairly frequently, I thought we might exchange ideas in Village Voice for interesting trips.

Last year we wanted to visit southern Spain and see Cordoba, Granada and other historic parts. The NADFAS magazine advertised a cottage to rent in Costa Mijas which we decided would be a good base, but I groaned inwardly when my husband said he would like to drive down. I am very glad we did though!

Via Brittany Ferries and the Paradors we travelled down the west side of Spain, near the Portugese border, and returned on the middle route. We covered only about 150 miles a day and all the Paradors, which were booked in advance, were in interesting and historic places.

For instance in Cacares it was an old palace in the ancient part of the city. At 5.30pm on a Friday night the nearby church was packed out and, as far as we could make out, it wasn't any particular saint's day. Could it have been a meeting of the local WI in the bar of the Parador? There was a table set for them in the dining room but they had not sat down to eat by the time we left at 11.30pm!

The countryside was wild and mountainous and we saw many birds of prey such as eagles and vultures. At Carmona, the Parador stood on high, overlooking the Andalusian plain. The light on it was wondrous to behold.

Our cottage was delightfully set in a large garden with a swimming pool for our use and was just on the edge of Fuengirola. We left the car in the guarded underground carpark and took buses or trains (very cheap) on our various sight-seeing trips.

Our homeward drive was through the Sierra Nevadas, Chinchon (Parador in a converted monastery), round Madrid - a rather hairy ride - and safely back to Plymouth. How good to have such a short car journey home to Thurlestone when we disembarked.

R.M.

THE CHOST

The ghost of Clanacombe 'twas said When I was just a newly-wed Haunted the place in which I dwelt. Now I'm a level-headed Celt; I don't believe in ghosts you see, It takes a lot to frighten me. But listen now to what I say, It happened one bright summer's day; My cottage garden needed care. The weeds were sprouting everywhere. I fetched the tools that I preferred, And then a novel thought occurred I would make flat the ground which sloped Down to the stream and then I hoped: We could more comfortably sit In deck-chairs there. For picnics it Would make an ideal spot and so I started on the job, but Ch! Such hard work I had never known, I could not do it on my own. I paused to wipe the sweat away, When suddenly the sunny day Turned icy cold. Then I could see

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Biddy my dog backing to me The hairs upon her back upright, Her mouth drawn back a ghastly sight, Making a mewing growling sound You've never heard such, I'11 be bound, She gazing in a fearful fright At something just six feet in height And facing her; but as for the Nothing was there for me to see? I have not been My blood ran cold! My world blacked out! I wakened to a neighbour's shout And there was Biddy by the gate, and there was Biddy by the gate, and the same and A different dog than that of late, With head hung low her tail wagged slow; I don't suppose she'll ever know 4 The fright she gave me. As for me Accepting her apology, Or so it seemed. 'Twas not her fault, It brought my gardening to a halt. I rapidly filled in the hole. Had I disturbed some ancient soul? I'll never know and who's to say. Its left me puzzled to this day.

HILDA R.DAVIES

HAVE YOU EVER VISITED YOUR LOCAL MUSEUM?

One of the best of small muscums of rural life is to be found here, right on our own doorstep. Have you ever visited it? I am talking about the COOKWORTHY MUSEUM in Kingsbridge, and if you haven't yet visited it, you do not know what you are missing. Its a wonderful way to entertain visiting relatives and friends too!

Take an hour or so and call in some time to what is acknowledged in the museum world to be a fine example of "small is beautiful". Here you will find a wonderful array of artefacts and costumes from the days when life in the South Hams was lived at a more leisurely pace. The displays are set out imaginatively and evocatively from the fashions and working implements of the past to a full Edwardian pharmacy, well-furnished Victorian kitchen, large farm gallery in a walled garden, toys and dollshouse.

The museum has a superb collection of old local photographs and copies of some are available to sell by pre-paid order. Some research enquiries may also be answered from a computer database for a fee.

Housed in what was the old Kingsbridge Grammar School building, the museum is a charity and all income from the admission fees goes towards its upkeep. You might like to support the various fund-raising events which are being held to benefit the museum, such as

CRAFT DAYS on the second and fourth Fridays in July and August, 10.30/4.30 pm.

COFFEE MORNING in Kingsbridge Market Hall on June 9th COFFEE MORNING at New Mill, Loddiswell on July 11th

SPECIAL DAY at the Museum on August 17th

CAR BOOT SALE on Kingsbridge Quay on September 3rd

AN EVENING IN SOUTH AFRICA on October 6th

AUCTION at West Alvington village hall on October 14th

BRIDGE DRIVE at West Alvington village hall on November 2nd

CHRISTMAS FAIR at Kingsbridge Market Hall on December 8th

If you would like to contribute to these events or have further details of them, a phone call to Sheila Parker (560330) is your next step.

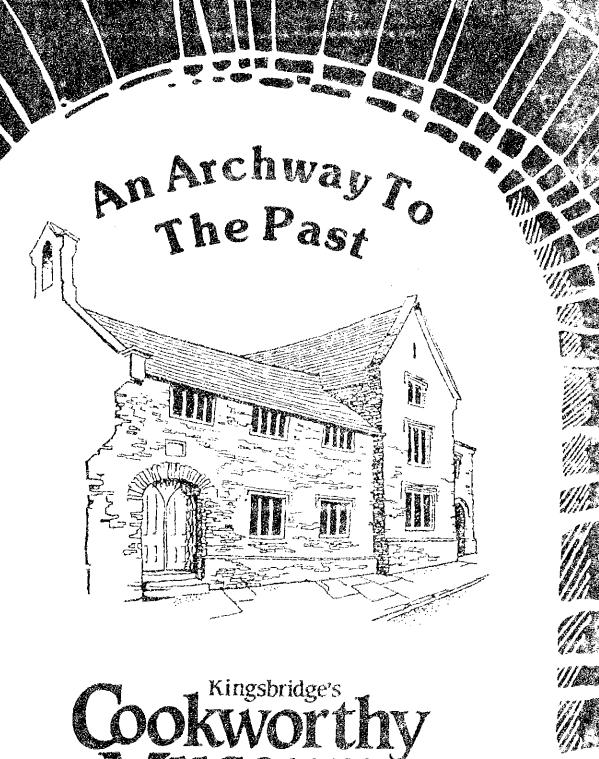
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THE TROUBLE WITH FASHION
FEATURED VILLAGE: RINGMORE

'WEATHER WAG' (cont'd. from p.11)

The two years 1994 and 1995 are not too different as yet, perhaps May will be better this year. However, last year at this time it was 'good growing weather'. Wet and warm, it just stopped in time to do some harvesting of silage and work the gardens in June. However, the lack of daffodils generally has been attributed to the very wet May when the next year's buds set. It was just too waterlogged for too long. This year it has been much more favourable and we look forward to next year with optimism. Next time: Some weather phenomena explained (or attempted!).

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RUTH JORDAN HAS SENT ALONG THE FOLLOWING CLIPPINGS:

DARK THOUGHTS from the Rutland & Stamford Mercury in an ad.

"Caring male seeks lady to spoil. Interests include horse riding, squash, night sin or out."

TUMMY TUM TUM from a report in the North Devon Gazette "The concert by the Devon & Corset Regiment Band raised more than £300."

NOT SO DUSTY in an ad. in the Enfield Independent "Newly decorated bedsit in quite clean house."

ALL BECOMES CLEER in the Daily Telegraph when they quote from a school report "The marked improvement in William's handwriting this term has revealed his inability to spell."

JUST THE TONIC. Someone in Bakewell, Derbyshire, has been offered free home-call check-ups for 75 year olds by his local

health centre. At the foot of its letter is a tear-off strip "Yes, I would like to take advantage of Nurse Jackson for an

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Bridge Answers

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Thur. 8th	W.I. 2.30 Parish Hall - Dance, Exercise & Movement
Sat.17th	TRAMP WALK - a trial Saturday walk
Tues.20th	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - Parish Hall, 7.30 pm
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Sat.1st	CONSERVATIVE COFFEE MORNING - Thurlestone Hotel, 10.30 am
Wed.5th	TRAMP WALK - Bow Creek/Ashprington
Thur.13th	W.I. 2.30 Parish Hall - Cookery dem. Savoury Party Fare
Fri.14th	S.HAMS HOSPITAL LEAGUE OF FRIENDS - coffee morning, Parish Hall
Wed.19th	TRAMP WALK - Newbridge area
Sat.22nd	CHURCH FETE - Rectory garden, 2.30 pm
Tues.25th	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - Parish Hall 7.30 pm
AUGUST	
Wed. 2nd	TRAMP WALK - Down Thomas area (W. of the Yealm)
Sat.5th	HORTICULTURAL SHOW - Parish Hall, 2.30 pm
Mon.14th	BARKS SYMPATHY FOR HEARING DOGS, 7.30 pm Parish Hall (details
Wed.16th	MID SIED TYPE TY AT A S A S A S A S A S A S A S A S A S
Tues.22nd	
SEPTEMBER	BARBECUE on Thurlestone village green, 6 p.m.
Wed. 6th	MIDAMO MATERIA O LA MI
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Tues. 12th	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - Parish Hall, 7.30 pm
Thur,14th	W.I. 2.30 Parish Hall - Chemicals in the environment
Wed. 20th	TRAMP WALK - Moors (Six Stepping Stones)
Fri, 22nd	The point in the part of the point of the po
Tues. 26th	BOUTIQUE 144 FASHION SHOW, Kings Arms - details next issue or
	for Macmillan Nurses ring 852064
OCTOBER	
Wed.11th	TRAMP WALK - Colonel Jones' Path (Dartmouth area)
Thur,12th	W.I. 2.30 Parish Hall - Growing up in the thirties
Thur.12th	BRIDGE EVENING, Thurlestone Hotel - for Macmillan Nurses (560070 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - Parish Hall 7 30 pm for details)
Tues.24th	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - Parish Hall, 7.30 pm for details)
Thur.25th	CONSERVATIVE BRIDGE EVENING, 6.30 pm Thurlestone Hotel
NOVEMBER	
Wed.8th	TRAMP WALK - Malborough/South Milton
Thur.9th	W.I. 2.30 pm Annual Meeting
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DECEMBER	
Sat, 2nd	CONSERVATIVES CHRISTMAS BAZAAR, Parish Hall, 10.30 am
Tues.5th	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - Parish Hall, 7.30 pm
₩e¢l.<6th	TRAMP WALK - Christmas Lunch - details later
Thur 14th	W.I. 2.30 pm Parish Hall - Rev.John Delve THE STORY OF
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JANUARY	CHRISTMAS CAROLS
25th	BRIDGE EVENING, Thurlestone Hotel, for Army Benevolent Fund -
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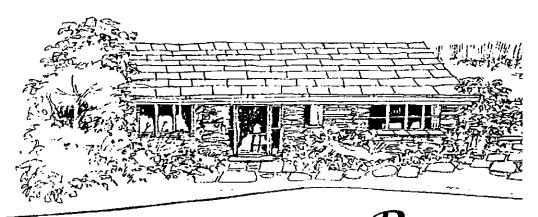
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