



RIPPINGALE NEWS

AUGUST 2004
(Editorial: Mary Morgan)

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH Priest in Charge - Revd G P Williams [Fr Graham]

SUNDAY SERVICES

August 1	Evening Prayer	6.00pm
8	Eucharist	9.30am
15	<i>NO SERVICE AT ST ANDREW'S</i> <i>[See Noticeboard for other Services in the Group]</i>	
22	Eucharist.	6.00pm
29	GROUP SERVICE -Hacconby	10.30am

CHURCH FLOWERS: W/beg 7th Mr B Shields
14/21 Mrs J Cook
28th Mrs F Balaam

CHURCH CLEANING: Neil and Mary Morgan

At The Feast on 3 July, two people came forward to support the Church. Mrs Alyson Jones offered to be Treasurer and she has now been co-opted onto the PCC and appointed as such. Mrs Chris Bladon, who already serves on the PCC, offered to oversee the Flower Rota. We thank these two ladies and look forward to working with them for the benefit of the Church.

200 CLUB **Winners - July**

£20	Mr P Wood	
£10	Mr/Mrs Collins	Mr C Petz
£ 5	Dr j Parry	Mr T Elliott
	Mr R Horton	Mr P Searson

Next month it will be 1 x £200 and 4 x £50. Subscriptions are due during August, so your friendly collectors will call, on you to collect your money. Subscriptions are payable as follows: .
Yearly - £13 Half-yearly - £6.50 OR Quarterly - £3.25
Cheques should be made payable to "St Andrew's 200 Club".

NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY

The Harvest Supper will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 2 October. We will NOT be having a Hog Roast this year, so watch out for further details. .

MESSAGES,

From Audrey Coddington:

I would like to say how very impressed and delighted I was to see the Cemetery [extended churchyard in the High Street], looking so neat and tidy when I went to attend my late husband's and family's grave. A big THANK YOU to the person[s] involved.

From Steve and Barbara Henderson:

Thank you so much for your kind wishes, gifts, cards and flowers over the death of Gladys Burgess. We were overwhelmed by your support.

STANDING ROOM ONLY

St Andrew's Church was filled to capacity for Bob Balaam's funeral on 13 July. Bob passed away suddenly at Peterborough District Hospital on 30 June, after a long illness spanning nearly three decades. Faith., Justine, Naomi, Charlotte and families wish to thank everyone for their overwhelming sympathy and support at this extremely difficult time. Justine

PARISH COUNCIL (Clerk - Sheila Scholes)

PLANNING

The Parish Council, in conjunction with the Village Design Committee, has expressed strong objections to SKDC decisions taken re 75 Station Street. [*Replacement dwelling and double garage*]. And 4 Wendover Close [*Erection of dwelling*]. No reply has been received from The District Council and the Parish Council will continue to press for its views on behalf of the village, to be taken into consideration.

SKATEBOARD RAMP

The Council Meeting In July was attended by Master Harry Adams, who presented a Signed Petition asking that the Parish Council retain the skateboard facility. Mr Andrew Bellamy also attended the meeting and volunteered to arrange for the relocation of the Skateboard, at cost of materials only. It was agreed that, subject to confirmation, the work, if carried out by the parish, is approved by Rospa, Insurers etc; the relocation will proceed. Several Councillors volunteered their help and Cllr Phil Read will oversee the Project, with assistance from John Scholes. Work will begin mid-August and any other expertise/offers of help will be most welcome. Please contact Cllr Read.

RIPPINGALE WEBSITE

Interest has been expressed and a Working Group set up. Please contact Cllr Sankey If you wish to be involved at dsankey@ctc.uk.com

STANDING ORDERS

In compliance with The Audit Commission requirements, the Standing Orders of Rippingale Parish Council were adopted on 8 July. A copy of these is available from the Clerk and will soon be on the website.

MEETINGS

Although there is no meeting of the Parish Council during August, the Clerk will make Councillors aware of any matters requiring their attention.

NEXT MEETING Thursday 9 September 2004 at 7.30pm In the Village Hall

VILLAGE DESIGN COMMITTEE

PLANNING

75 Station Street Objection made but permission granted by SKDC. [This might be 75a]

4 Wendover Close Objection made but permission granted by SKDC.

The Cottage, Dowsby Road No objection made.

As a result of recent planning decisions handed down by the SKDC and which appear to be contrary to the Local Plan, we are seeking clarification as to the principles that are applied in making these decisions, as we are not satisfied at the way in which these are considered by SKDC.

VILLAGE SIGNS

After some delay, village signs have now been put up at the High Street and Station Street entrances to the village. In 2002, the VDC asked residents what projects they would like undertaken; with village signs and new litter bins receiving most votes. Together with the Parish Council, we approached SKDC's Contracts Department and six new litter bins were in place by the end of 2003. For the signs, five designs were considered with clarity and simplicity in mind. Several events, including the 2003 Village Feast, were used to put on displays so that we could canvass opinions from residents and include them in the decision-making process. It was decided that a sign should be put up at each of the four entrances to the village. We ensured full funding for the signs by the end of 2003 following a very successful auction in November which raised over

£870. We also secured a £500 grant from Lincs Community Council, a £100 donation from the Parish Council and some very favourable quotes for the work needed. The committee's sincere thanks are especially due to the following residents: Simon and Michelle Joint, owners of Viking Signs in Grantham, who waived the artwork and set-up costs for the printing of the signs, Mr Bernie Cocton, who donated two posts and Mr Roy Newsome who erected the posts free of charge. Our thanks to all residents who have been kind enough to comment on the displays and for those who have helped us during the past year with fundraising. We are awaiting delivery of the last two posts and hope to have them in place by the end of August.

A FAREWELL

So-long, farewell, auf wiedersehen, adieu!! As the song in The Sound of Music says. Janet, Adrian, Rachel and Rebecca Jones (The Old Ale House) would like to say thank you to everyone in the village who has helped to make their 8 years here so happy. We are very sad to leave the area but Adrian's work has taken him to Southampton which is just a little too far to travel every day. We take many happy memories with us and wish everyone in the village health, happiness and God's blessing. Janet.

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2004

Despite squally weather and the loss of a tent, the Feast was well attended and it was a lovely time to meet old friends and to meet new arrivals in the village. The Rose Queen, Sophie Fraiser, with her attendants, Iona Jackson, Annabelle Potts and Sophie Lorraine Cross, looked splendid, so pretty and regal. ! The Feast was opened by the retiring Rose Queen, Nicole Maslin, The organisers wish to thank everyone who helped in any way, the help was very much appreciated, as this was their first attempt with only a short time to make arrangements. People were very kind, helpful and generous. The wonderful sum of £1230 was raised for Village Hall funds.

THE LUCKY PROGRAMME NUMBER WAS 261 - *PLEASE CHECK YOUR NUMBER.*

RIPPINGALE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

200 Club Winners - July	£20	M Lock	
	£10	M Atkinson	J Yallop
	£ 5	M Patrick	D Diess
		A Chubaluk	S Gray

Next Draw Wednesday 4 August 8.00pm. All Welcome

HIRING CHARGES

The following new charges for the hire of the Village Hall will come into force on 1 August 2004. They will apply to all bookings received on or after that date.

<i>PRIVATE</i>	All day rate [0900/2400]	£100.00
<i>FUNCTIONS</i>	From 4pm [1600/2400]	60.00
<i>CHILDRENS' PARTIES</i>		25.00
Fundraising for Village Organisations:		
Evening Functions	[1600/2400]	£ 40.00
Coffee Mornings etc		15.00
Meetings by Village Organisations:		
<i>School functions</i>	<i>Negotiable</i>	
<i>Evening classes</i>	£8 per hour	
Business Use	<i>Negotiable</i>	
Tables/Chairs for use other than In the Village Hall: ***		
<i>Tables 50p</i>		
<i>Chairs 25p</i>		

A Grant of £1500 has been received from the the Grant Aid Scheme towards the purchase of new chairs and tables. The Committee has ordered 90 new chairs and 6 new tables, which should arrive by the end of July.

*** NOTE only **old** tables and chairs will be available for such hirings.

The Village Hall Management Committee wish to congratulate Jane Doncaster, Amy Doncaster, Becky Clarke and Claire Clarke, on organising a very successful Feast. This was one at very short notice and required a great deal of time and effort on their part. **Well done**
Mike Hallas, Secretary of the Village Hall Committee

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

What a delight Phil Bowler was at our July meeting! Helped by his son, he showed us slides of his wildlife garden and the butterflies that are attracted to this little haven in the Fens, and amused us with his sense of humour. We decided on reflection we would have an afternoon visit some time next summer when, hopefully, the weather will be more pleasant than it has been so far this year. The weather certainly wasn't very kind to us for our barbecue, but we all enjoyed it anyway. Thanks to all who attended, we made about £220. The day of the Feast wasn't much better either, the high wind and several very heavy showers didn't dampen our spirits though, in fact the rain drove people into the marquee for shelter where hopefully they bought tea and cakes. Many thanks to all the helpers and providers of produce. Thanks to all your hard work we handed over £150. The trip to Toilethorpe to see "Love's Labours Lost" fared much better however, the sun even managed to shine a little for our picnic and the performance and costumes, as usual, were stunning. As we haven't had enough people want to go on our trip to Holdenby House, there has been a change of plan. We are going to have a supper tour of Grlmsthorpe Castle instead, 5 August but at 6pm in the evening at £25 per person for a guided tour and a three-course meal. Please let me know on 440368 as soon as you can if you want to go to this and you haven't already booked. There is no meeting in August, so that next is 2 September when two representatives of Geo.Adams will be talking to us about pork products, and the competition is for a pig! [Not a real one] Visitors are always very welcome. *Michele/e Joint*

BROADBAND COMES TO RIPPINGALE

BT confirm this will be on 6 July 2005.

PILLOW THOUGHTS

Please remember In your prayers all who are sick, lonely, anxious or bereaved, especially those known to us:

Miss M. Durham Mr D Waters Gareth Mayhew Barbara Hodson John Phillips

AND family and friends of the most recently departed, Mrs Gladys Burgess and Mr Bob Salaam.

AND FINALLY:

Some more enlightening sayings by children about their fathers.

Fathers always get grey hair before mothers.

Most dads never clear up after themselves.

Fathers always take very good care of their shiny cars, and seem to think that their wives will scratch them.

My father finds faults about my mother's driving constantly. Go left, go right, you're driving is too fast and too slow. But when he is driving he does the same things himself.

Dad is the person who goes out to fix the car, but in the end it has to be taken to a garage. One of my dad's main pleasures is his cricket. He plays in a local village team all through the summer. He has the most stylish miss I've ever seen.

When anything goes wrong, Dad is completely unbiased and blames me.

A dad is someone who says he will do something some time, but the time never comes.

DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 20 AUGUST 2004

18 Pinfold Close

