



Rippingale News

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**[EDITORIAL: MARY MORGAN]
18 PINFOLD CLOSE**

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH Priest in Charge - Revd G P Williams [Fr Graham 01778 571474]

APRIL SERVICES

SUN	2	Evening Prayer	6.00pm
	9	Palm Sunday Eucharist	9.30am
FRI	14	Good Friday - Morning Prayer	10.00am
SUN	16	Easter Day Eucharist	10.30am
	23	Eucharist	6.00pm
	30	Group Service at Kirkby Underwood	10.30am

THE CHURCH WILL BE DECORATED FOR EASTER in the morning of Saturday 15 April.

CHURCH CLEANING FOR APRIL: Eva Patrick and Florence Grime
CHURCH FLOWERS: w/b 23 & 30 Mrs H Goodacre

We were delighted to welcome children from the school to our Lenten Lunch on 8 March, and £60 was raised for the children's chosen charity, which was LIVES. Thank you to all who attended.

200 CLUB - Winners March	£20	Miss D Shields (Luton) [55]	
	£10	Mr/Mrs Millis [76]	Mrs C Gardner [114]
	£ 5	Mrs Taylor [84]	Mrs L Hall [42]
		Mr H Flatters [11]	Mr D Sankey [51]

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

This will be held on Wednesday 19 April 2006 in the church. All those on the Church Electoral Roll* are entitled to vote on any decisions taken during the meeting.

* The Electoral Roll will be placed on the noticeboard *inside* the church before Easter.

MUSICAL EVENING to be held in the church on Saturday 6 May at 7.30pm. See below.

RIPPINGALE POST OFFICE AND STORE

We have at last been given dates for the store refit. The Post Office and Store will CLOSE AT 6.00pm on MONDAY 3 APRIL AND RE-OPEN ON TUESDAY 11 APRIL - just in time for Easter! (The trading hours will be as before). During this period we have to ask all our customers to use the neighbouring Post Offices in Billingborough, Morton and Bourne for their immediate needs. Specifically, in relation to benefits and pensions, unfortunately the DWP will not facilitate the advance drawing of money during the week prior to the shop's closure. We apologise for the inconvenience that this may cause and would ask friends/neighbours of those most affected to assist where they can. Regarding newspapers, home deliveries will continue without interruption. Reserved papers at the counter will be placed outside on the racks during the week of the closure. Please advise if you would like us to arrange similar. Thank you to everyone for making us feel so welcome and we look forward to your continuing and valued support. *Claire and Mike Moles*

MUSICAL EVENING

There will be a musical evening, with refreshments, in St Andrew's Church, Rippingale, on Saturday 6 May 2006 at 7.30pm. The music will be provided by "Easterly Winds" wind quintet. This quintet is very well known in South Lincolnshire and play a wide variety of music, from Handel to Gershwin. All proceeds from the evening will go to St Andrew's Church Fabric Fund. For more details please contact Betty MacMillan or Phil Read.

PARISH COUNCIL (Clerk - Sheila Scholes - 440200)

PLANNING

1 Miller's Close, conservatory extension. Planning Permission granted.

27 East Street [adjacent], erection of dwelling. Planning Permission granted.

Barn Farm, Station Street, alterations, extensions and conversions. Planning Permission granted.

75 Station Street [amended plans], erection of dwelling and garage. No representation to be made.

Thorn Cottage, 42 High Street, extension. No representation to be made.

7 Wendover Close, extensions and alterations. No representation to be made.

WAR MEMORIAL

Although this is the responsibility of the Parish Council, because it stands in the churchyard, a Faculty has to be obtained from the Diocese. Application for a Faculty has been made, but it is unlikely that work will start before Easter.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 13 April 2006 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Members of the public are always welcome to attend.

RIPPINGALE AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

This month we had a slight variation from the programme, and instead of giving their talk on succulents Neville and Shirley Bell gave a presentation on 'Mediterranean Style Gardening in the UK'. The presentation took the form of a competition with prizes for the winners, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the 32 members present.

Volunteers were found to 'man' a plant stall at the proposed Rippingale Village Feast this year, and late entries for the Rippingale Open Gardens were taken.

Our next meeting is a talk by Ian Stewart on "Variegated Plants for the Garden" at 7.30pm, Wednesday 12 April in the village hall, followed later in the month with the "Rippingale Open Gardens" on Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 April.

The full programme of events can be seen at www.rippingalevillage.co.uk/GardeningClub.htm

RIPPINGALE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

SCARECROW COMPETITION

The Village Hall Management Committee have decided to hold a Scarecrow Competition, once again, in conjunction with the village Open Gardens on 22/23 April. Like last year, no set themes are envisaged, so it is "open house" to use your imagination to create something special. The purpose is to create additional interest, especially for the children, during the Open Gardens. Substantial prizes will be awarded for the best entries. Full details and application forms can be obtained from Mike Hallas at 84 Station Street or from the Post Office.

200 CLUB WINNERS - March	£20	Gary Grey [170]	
	£10	Nancy Needham [115]	Michael Exton [197]
	£ 5	John Broadway [82]	M Ayres [71]
		Liz Flatters [162]	David Suddaby [21]

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Some of the members of Rippingale WI had to work for their supper at our March monthly meeting. Our speaker was Ann Barnes, a very sought after speaker, who told us about the history of Tudor Flower Arranging. Three members were instructed on how to make a "Tussie Mussie". This was a type of Nosegary to ward off evil smells. She also did an arrangement of flowers, fruit and vegetables for a Tudor Wedding. The flower arrangement was put into the raffle, and won by Alyson Jones, who kindly donated it for the "Chocolate Lunch" which was held in the Village Hall on the following day. Some members from Rippingale WI attended, and heard about the making of chocolate, and of course, having samples! Future events were discussed later, which included a trip to Peterborough to see 42nd Street, a trip to Toilethorpe to see The Recruiting Officer, and a visit to Belvoir Castle in August. Members would also like to form a Book Club. And exercises to music were discussed, which would be done during the refreshment break. Our next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting, when we will be looking for new committee members. Ann Harvey, WI Advisor, will be coming to give a short talk and afterwards we will be trying our hands at "Call my Bluff". We would be pleased to welcome new members. Come along and join in!

AND FINALLY

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted it on the apple tray:

"Take only ONE - God is watching."

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note, *"Take all you want. God is watching the apples."*

DEADLINE FOR MAY 2006 NEWSLETTER
FRIDAY 21 APRIL 2006
ITEMS FOR THE RINGSTONE IN AVELAND NEWS ASAP PLEASE
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