



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]

SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY

Sunday	4	Evening Prayer	6.00pm
	11	Eucharist	9.30am
	18	NO SERVICE AT ST ANDREW'S	
		<i>See noticeboard for details of Services in the Group</i>	
	25	Eucharist	6.00pm

CHURCH CLEANING: Neil and Mary Morgan

CHURCH FLOWERS: Mrs Goodacre, Mrs Watson and Mrs Bladon

IN MEMORY

The PCC were saddened to hear of the death of Shirley Wyer. Shirley played the organ at the morning Eucharist for many years and she will be sorely missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with Frank and his family.

BRASS BAND CONCERT

This raised over £1000 and £303 was kindly donated to the church Fabric Fund. Thank you to John and Betty MacMillan for their generosity. *See elsewhere for their report on the event.*

INTERIOR REDECORATION

A Petition for Faculty has been applied for and once the expiry date for display of the Public Notice has passed, unless there are any objections, a Faculty will be awarded and work will commence in the Spring.

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

A new Church Electoral Roll is to be drawn up this year and those people already on it will be contacted by the Electoral Roll Officer. Anyone who is not on the Roll and would like to be, please contact Mary Morgan on 440897. Membership allows voting at the Annual Meeting, which will be held on Wednesday 18 April 2007.

200 CLUB - WINNERS FOR DECEMBER

Drawn by Gwen Moody at The Bull Inn

£20	Mr R Stimpson [128]	
£10	Mrs I Vivian [20]	Mrs I Dobney [86]
£ 5	Mr/Mrs Rippingale [93]	Mrs M Pullen [91]
	Mr V Billett [198]	Mrs C Mayhew [60]

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

My apologies for not mentioning this in the December Newsletter. £130.50p was collected for the Royal British Legion. [Ed]

METHODIST CAROL SERVICE

Although it was a cold and frosty night, we all warmed to the 2006 Carol Service in the Village Hall. With carols, readings, poems and a gypsy carol played and sung by Neil and Dean on guitar and violin, a good evening, rounded off with refreshments provided and served by generous friends. £185 was raised for National Children's Homes and my thanks to everyone for their support.
John Phillips

PARISH COUNCIL (Clerk - Sheila Scholes - 440200)

VACANCY FOR PARISH COUNCILLOR

The Parish Council is still looking to Co-opt another member, pending the Council Elections in May. Do please contact The Clerk if you are interested in serving as a member of the Parish Council.

PLANNING

Yew Tree Farm, 70 Station Street, garage, garden store and gym. Planning permission granted 22 December 2006.

RUBBISH COLLECTION, PINFOLD CLOSE

Thanks to all who made their views known to the Parish Council. Comments regarding the "Green Waste" collection will be passed on to SKDC Waste Services. It is hoped that car parking problems on football match days can be resolved by co-operation with the Football Club and Pinfold Close residents.

ROAD CLOSURE B1177

The Council is aware of the damage to road verges being caused by additional traffic through East Street and exits to the A15 and is requesting LCC Highways to reinstate the roadsides when the Closure ends. A recent site meeting was held with LCC Highways Manager and other maintenance problems in the village are reported and in hand with the County Council.

DOG WASTE

Complaints have again been received regarding dog waste - in particular on the footpath to the rear of Linnet Close. Whilst the Council is investigating purchase of Dog Waste bins, and cost of emptying them, it is believed that if all dog walkers cleaned up after their pets and disposed of the waste at home, this problem would be resolved. Your co-operation in this matter is URGENTLY REQUESTED.

SKDC PLAY LEADERSHIP SCHEME 2007

The District Council is inviting established groups to participate in the Summer Play Scheme. Full details of what is entailed and help given by SKDC can be obtained from the Clerk.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 8 February 2007 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Members of the public are always welcome.

HOSPITAL CAR SCHEME

This voluntary service needs a few extra drivers, as several stalwarts have resigned after serving many years. If you would like to join the team or need to know more, please contact Derek Diess [440063] who will be happy to answer any questions. Persons wishing to be considered must have a full UK licence **AND** be in possession of fully comprehensive insurance. Reasonable expenses are claimed from both the "patient" and the Parish Council.

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

There was no meeting in January. The next meeting is on Wednesday 14 February 2007 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, when Harry Leach will give a talk on "Growing Veg".

WOMEN'S INSTITUE

The January meeting was "Members' Night". This was organised by Dorothy, Barbara, Beryl and Lesley. They introduced Donna who teaches Line Dancing. Six members gave a demonstration, then everyone was invited to join in and do two dances. This was followed by refreshments, then a quiz to round off the night.

LINE DANCING FOR BEGINNERS

Thursday mornings - Ripplingale Village Hall. Cost £5. No experience necessary, no partner required, helps keep your body and mind fit, make new friends and have a good time. *No stiletto type heeled shoes allowed.* For further information call Donna.

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE BULL INN

Thanks to Sue and Eben and their staff at The Bull Inn. Once again, they came up trumps for the wonderful party they put on for us senior citizens on 20 December. Everyone enjoyed a great festive meal. A big THANK YOU from us all. *Lucy Francis*

FAREWELL FAREWELL

Billie and Ken Lett, who have left the village, would like to say goodbye to various friends and acquaintances who have made their 20 year stay in Ripplingale such an enjoyable one. Best wishes for the future to all of them.

GERRY WARD

Janet and her family wish to thank friends and neighbours for their support, words of comfort and cards during Gerry's recent illness. He died peacefully at home on 20 December 2006. She would also like to thank members of the Bowling Club, Dr Webster and his staff, Doreen Griffiths, the District Nurses, Carers, the MacMillan Nurse and Claire and Michael at the Post Office for their sympathy, help and encouragement. It has all meant a great deal.

RIPPINGALE C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Tuesday 27 February: Lent Service at St Andrew's Church at 2.00pm. The PTFA will be serving refreshments after the service. All welcome.

Tuesday 27 February: The PTFA are holding their AGM at 7.00pm in the School. Parents, friends and supporters of the School are most welcome to attend.

CHARITY CONCERT HITS ALL THE RIGHT NOTES

A Concert of Christmas music was held in the beautiful St Andrew's church and the magnificent sum of £1000 was raised during the evening. The cash is a major boost for charity and has been divided between the church Fabric Fund, LIVES First Responders and the Village Hall Maintenance Fund. Over one hundred music lovers turned out to support the Concert and, indeed were not disappointed. The excellent Stamford Brass with their rendition of Christmas music and quality of playing and presentation was brilliant. A magical night of music indeed. Simon Page gave his usual wonderful organ recital and it was well received by a very appreciative audience. Even the cold weather could not deter a large turnout of knowledgeable music lovers. A special thanks was given by Master of Ceremonies, Mrs Phyllis Cotton, to everyone who helped make the evening a great success. Mrs Alyson Jones and Mary Morgan for expertly handling the Raffle, Phil Read for all his hard work and to the PCC for the use of the church. To the sponsors, the Trade Contractors Burns Society of London, Sue Atkinson at The Bull Inn and everyone who helped make the evening a great success.
John and Betty MacMillan

L.I.V.E.S - A message from Nigel Adams, First Responder Development Officer

Thank you for John and Betty MacMillan for the £303 donation from profits raised at the Brass Band Concert. I know that they have a superb team of helpers behind them, so our thanks to all of them as well. A superb evening was had by all who attended. The running costs of the individual groups per annum is currently £1800, that includes oxygen and replacing equipment used at call outs, so all donations are always gratefully welcome. However, with the money that has been donated to LIVES on this occasion, instead of using it for runnings costs, I would like to purchase a Pulse-Oximeter for the group. This is a valuable piece of equipment used for monitoring a patient's pulse and oxygen levels in the blood. I am currently trying to raise funds to buy another complete kit, including a Defibrillator, so most donations are going towards that. But I feel that, on this occasion, it would be money well spent and let you all know that we have bought a valuable asset with the donation. Once again, many thanks to you all.

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

KIDS' CINEMA CLUB

The following films will be showing at the Village Hall:

Wednesday 28 February BARNYARD
Wednesday 28 March THE ANT BULLY
Doors open at 6.30pm Show starts at 7.00pm

Admission is FREE. Everyone welcome. Parents do not need to stay as children will be supervised. Refreshments also available.

200 CLUB WINNERS FOR JANUARY: £20 S Flatters [165]
 £10 Fiona Harris [123] Anne Stanton [69]
 £ 5 Brenda Lambert [141] Heather Gadsby [15]
 Barry Flatters [139] Ernie Goodair [57]

WANTED WANTED

Actors and Actresses for the newly formed Drama Group "The Ringstone Players". Also, anyone willing to help backstage with props, costumes, sets, lighting, sound or as stage hand, prompt etc. Please contact Pam Harle

EDITORIAL COMMENT

You may or not know that I also submit news of Rippingale to the Group Parish News, which is circulated to the other four parishes within the Ringstone in Aveland Group, ie Dunsby, Morton, Kirkby Underwood and Hacconby. The Editor of the Group Parish News has decided that her final date for receiving contributions will be 17th of the month [the exception being February when it will be 15th for the March issue]. I think this is a sensible decision and I am proposing to do the same. SO, starting next month [February] all copy for the March issue of the Rippingale Newsletter must be with me by the 15th of the month, in order that I may submit the Rippingale entry. I am sure you realise that it takes quite a time to type, print and circulate the Newsletter and so your support will be appreciated. JUST REMEMBER - 15TH OF VERY MONTH. Thank you.

AND FINALLY

A BAD SIGN

Cyclists in Penarth, near Cardiff, were perturbed when roadwork signs in Welsh told them, "Your bladder disease has returned."

A computer translation, with confusion between the words "cyclists" and "cystitis", was being blamed for the mistake. The signs should have told riders to "get off their bikes"!

DEADLINE FOR MARCH 2007
NEWSLETTER
THURSDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2007

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