



# Rippingale News

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## FEBRUARY 2008

[Editorial: Mary Morgan]  
18 Pinfold Close

### ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Priest in Charge – Revd G P Williams [Fr Graham 01778 571474]

#### SUNDAY SERVICES

3	Eucharist	6.00pm
10	Eucharist	9.30am
17	NO SERVICE AT ST ANDREW'S [See Notice board for other Services in the Group]	
24	Evening Prayer	6.00pm

FLOWERS: W/b 3<sup>rd</sup> Mrs M Whiten  
No flowers during Lent, which begins on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>.

EASTER LILIES: The church will be decorated for Easter. Anyone who would like to contribute to the cost of lilies in memory of a loved one, are welcome to do so at a cost of £2.50 per stem. All donations, together with the full name of those to be remembered should be sent to: Mrs Christine Bladon

10 Wendover Close, Rippingale, PE10 0TQ

The names of those to be remembered will be read out at the Service.

CLEANING: Neil & Mary Morgan

GIFT DAY [November 2007] Thanks to your generosity, donations amounted to £649, which will rise to £801 when Gift Aid Tax is repaid to us. Thank you for your support.

PLOUGH SUNDAY The PCC were delighted to welcome members from the Ringstone in Aveland Group of Parishes at their Plough Sunday Service, together with local members of the agricultural community. Children were invited to attend with their "farm" toys, and a splendid array of tractors and combine harvesters were on display. The children were in awe of the full sized tractor with plough attached, which was parked outside the church entrance. The Revd David Creasey presided and it was wonderful to see the church so full.

200 CLUB WINNERS	JANUARY	£20	Mrs D Gearing [193]	
		£10	Mr Boyes [59]	L Hibbins [148]
		£ 5	J Warman [167]	C Petz [7]
			K Millis [115]	T P Gibbons [125]

It's not too late to register for the next six months. Remember, February will be the BIG draw of £200 and 4 x £50. Contact Alyson Jones or Mary Morgan. For just £6.50 for the half year, you could be a winner.

### METHODIST CAROL SERVICE

This was held in the Village Hall in December. A lovely evening of carols, readings and other items with enthusiastic singing from about 90 people, raised £257 for National Children's Homes. Refreshments were provided and served by generous friends, bringing a happy evening to an end. Thanks to everyone for their company and support.

**PARISH COUNCIL [Clerk – Sheila Scholes – 440200]**

CO-OPTED PARISH COUNCILLORS

The Parish Council is pleased to welcome two new Members:

Mr Mike Hallas

84 Station Street, Ripplingale

And

Dr Peter Moseley

9 East Street, Ripplingale

07855 428648

ANNUAL PRECEPT 2008-9

The Parish Council will request a precept of £15,000 for the coming year. This represents a charge of £44.06 for the Band E Equivalents on which the precept is based. A copy of the Parish Council's Budget 2008-9 is available on the web-site.

POLICE MATTERS

The Parish Council has lodged a complaint regarding police visits made in error to a property in Dovecote, Ripplingale.

BICYCLES ON PAVEMENTS

A complaint has been received about riders – adults as well as children – riding bikes on pavements. Please don't! It is inconsiderate and dangerous to pedestrians.

IMPROVING ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN THE HOME

SKDC has passed on details of advice for heating/insulation measures available by contacting, in the first instance, Julie Hanson [01476] 406376

[ceef@southkesteven.gov.uk](mailto:ceef@southkesteven.gov.uk)

PLANNING

137 Station Street [rear], residential development – Dr P King. Appeal dismissed 12/11/07

163 Station Street erection of double garage. No objection raised.

Barn Farm - Change of use, agricultural land to equine paddock and stables. No objection raised.

NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL Thursday 21 February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Members of the public are always welcome.

**RIPPINGALE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

**200 CLUB WINNERS – JANUARY**

£20	Gary Gray [170]	
£10	Sally Simons [62]	Phil Read [185]
£ 5	David Bates [119]	D Davis [150]
	J G Lowe [73]	Barry Flatters [139]

The VHMC would like to confirm that they have not been approached to supply Post Office Outreach services at the Village Hall and no member has agreed to supply such a facility, as this would totally undermine the excellent job the Friends of Ripplingale Post Office group are trying to achieve.

CINEMA CLUB

"RATATOUILLE" Wednesday 27 February. Doors open at 6.30pm, film starts at 7.00pm. Admission is FREE with the usual refreshments available to purchase. Parents do not need to stay with the children as they will be supervised.

ADULT CINEMA CLUB

The FIRST ADULT Cinema Club will commence on Tuesday 11 March with the showing of the Ealing comedy "Passport to Pimlico". Doors will open at 7.30pm with the show starting at 7.45pm. Admission is FREE, so come along and have an enjoyable evening. If this is successful, it will be the start of many more shows. A licensed bar will also be available.

**L-I-V-E-S FIRST RESPONDERS**

LIVES will be holding an Open Evening in the Village Hall on Tuesday 18 March for villagers to come along and learn *Basic Life Support*. You never know when you may need to use it. Further details to follow in the March Newsletter.

**WANTED WANTED WANTED WANTED**

A Newsletter distributor for East Street. Florence Grime has been doing it for some time, but now feels she would like a rest. Please contact me. *Editor*

### **RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB**

There was no meeting in January. The next meeting will be a talk by Cliff Curtis on "Snowdrops and Hellebores" on Wednesday 13 February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. New members are always welcome.

### **RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

The first meeting of the year on 3 January was "Members' Night". Four members, Anne, Pamela, Rachael and Beryl arranged the night. A few games of Beetle were played, followed by a talk by Anne on running a Bed & Breakfast. Then a lovely array of food and fruit punch was served. A game of Pictionary followed, then the competitions. All members that attended had a very good night. The next meeting will be on 7 February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. This will be a talk and demonstration on Tai Chi by Lesley King. New members welcome.

### **UK SMOOTH NIGHT**

Pete and Charlie Moseley, from East Street, are considering the feasibility of having Dance Night in the Village Hall, once a month. A chance to have fun, meet new people and learn to jive. The style is Smooth Jive, and is a bit like the dancing you will see on Strictly Dance Fever, but a little less energetic. It is a modern partner dance [although you don't have to come with a partner at all, as everybody gets to dance with each other] which can be adapted for almost any event. It's specifically designed to be easy to learn, and is great fun. We've put a form in the Village Shop for people who would be interested in coming along to write their names. Nothing serious, just to give us an idea if it would be financially feasible. If we get enough support, we will look to run a class once a month. For more information check out [www.uk-smooth.co.uk](http://www.uk-smooth.co.uk) or call Pete or Charlie on 440240

### **"PINOCCHIO"**

This production, which took place at the Village Hall on Tuesday 8 January, was staged by the NTC Touring Theatre Company from Northumberland. The Company used an adaptation by the nationally acclaimed playwright, Mike Kenny. The four cast members and the stage manager, who all worked hard and well, deserved a larger audience. Those who attended were treated to a thoroughly professional, colourful and entertaining performance. *Derek Diess*

**YET AGAIN!** A letter received from a resident.

*"I went out for my walk today and found, yet again, that some pet owner had allowed his/her dog to s\*\*t on the pavement in East Street. I use the old fashioned English word here, rather than the "politically correct" "dog mess", used these days to lessen its overall impact.) It may be of no use at all in preventing this antisocial behaviour but I would like very much for you to reiterate this message in the parish newsletter. Whoever is the culprit may be making the kind of world they want for themselves, but the rest of the villagers may not see things in quite the same light! It seems to be another case of NIMBY – preferably in someone else's !!!*

### **AND FINALLY**

A police patrol car pulled over a Morris Minor crawling along the A12. The officer asked the little old lady at the wheel why she was going so slowly. "It said 12mph on the last sign," she replied. "No, Madam, that is the road number - the speed limit is 70mph." the officer explained. Then he noticed the lady passenger, ashen-faced and cowering in the front seat. "Are you all right, missus?" he asked. "Not really," she replied. "We've just come off the A140."

### **DEADLINE FOR MARCH 2008 NEWSLETTER**

**FRIDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2008**

Items for the Newsletter **MUST** be in by the above date, otherwise I cannot guarantee they will be included.