



# RIPPINGALE NEWS

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## AUGUST 2012

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### ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

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### SERVICES FOR AUGUST

SUN	5 <sup>th</sup>	Organ Recital [Pat Bleeker, visiting organist from Westminster Presbyterian Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania]	<b>4.00PM</b>
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Eucharist	9.30am
	19 <sup>th</sup>	NO SERVICE	
		<i>[For other Services in the Group see Notice Board]</i>	
	26 <sup>th</sup>	Evensong [BCP]	

<u>200 CLUB</u> – Winners for July	£20	P Warman [169]	
	£10	M Mills [171]	Mrs E Wood RIP [98]
	£ 5	Mrs Headland [142]	Mrs M Stimpson [88]
		Mrs F Balaam [123]	Mrs M Jessop [189]

### 200 CLUB SEASON 2012/13

See attached.

### COFFEE MORNING

The Coffee Morning held on 24<sup>th</sup> July was after the dead line for the Newsletter. A report will be given in the September Newsletter.

### EXTENDED CHURCHYARD

The setting up of a Working Party to clear the Extended Churchyard [High Street] and also the North facing area behind the church, will be discussed at the August meeting of the Parochial Church Council. It would also be appreciated if people putting dead flowers in the bin at the Extended Churchyard could make sure they do not pierce the bin liner and that the refuse is pushed down to the bottom of the bin. SKDC are prepared to empty these bins, but only if they are put in a suitable place and are free from overhang! New bin liners are always available at the site should the current one be full.

### **RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT WI**

At our July meeting our speaker was Kate Sell, talking to us about her mosaic mirrors. Kate gave us a very interesting talk on how she turned a course on stained glass from a project for a hobby into a flourishing business. Back in 2001 she enrolled for evening classes. As her project she wanted to do something a little different to everyone else on the course and she decided on making a mosaic mirror to brighten a dark corner of her garden. She talked us through the process of making her lovely mosaics of all shapes and sizes, passing around samples of the myriad of colours of glass to choose from, and the special tools she uses, the final stage being the grouting at the end. All her items are suitable for the garden, they are weather proof and need no cleaning. Sounds like the perfect gift! No meeting in August as it is our annual outing. This year are going to visit Sandringham. Our September meeting will be on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September, when our speaker will be Jill Collinge on "The Life and Times of a Tour Guide". Everyone is welcome. For further information please contact Rebecca Main, Liz Osborn or Chris West.

### **RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB**

The next meeting is a joint garden visit on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2012 @ 7.00pm, to the homes of Annie Newbigging, Dove Cottage, 43 King Street and Liz Noble, 28 King Street, West Deeping, PE6 9HP, and afterwards at The Red Lion. Please park at The Red Lion which is between the two gardens, or on the village street. *Elizabeth Forman.*

## PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk - Sheila Scholes 440200 –clerk@rpcouncil.co.uk

### RIPPINGALE JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

#### **NB Editorial Error in the July Newsletter.**

The paragraph under this heading should have been noted as from the Chairman of the Parish Council and NOT the Parish Clerk. *My apologies, Editor.*

#### RESOLUTION

At the June meeting of the Parish Council, the following Motion was proposed, seconded and unanimously agreed:

*“That the Council wishes to place on record its sincere thanks to the Chairman and members of the Rippingale Jubilee Committee for providing the village with a memorable Jubilee Celebration, which was enjoyed by villagers of all ages. We are sure that their efforts will have made a lasting contribution to the community spirit of the village, for which they are truly grateful.”*

#### ALLOTMENTS

The Parish Council is considering a request to make a number of allotment plots available to non-Rippingale residents. The suggestion has been made by Row Gardens Allotment Group [RGAG] that up to four plots could be offered – subject to availability and there being no Rippingale residents waiting for plots – to people living the nearby villages. Discussion among Councillors and with RGAG is ongoing and no decision will be taken without full consultation with residents, but the Council would be interested to hear the initial views of residents. Please contact The Clerk [details above] with your comments.

#### PLANNING

Nothing to report.

#### ANCIENT MONUMENTS/ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS

The Parish Council has recently received a List of Entries document “ref Rippingale Running Dike & Long Drove” [sic] This list includes land containing “Historic Environmental Remains” in Long Drove/Fen Road. Cllr Jim Latham would be pleased to receive any local knowledge on these portions of land.

#### RIPPING-ALE BEER FESTIVAL 2012

The Parish Council is pleased to agree use of the Jubilee Playing Field for the Annual Beer Festival and wishes the organisers every success with the event – and good weather too!

#### RIPPINGALE ADULT FOOTBALL CLUB

Plans are in hand to set up a Rippingale [Adult] Football Club. If the Club [name not yet known!] is formed, the Parish Council has agreed to permit use of the Playing Field and Amenities under a Hiring Agreement for the period of 12 months commencing September 2012.

#### WET WEATHER !!

Cllr Barry Flatters [and Shirley] are thanked for their efforts in monitoring flood conditions during the recent/current and on-going wet weather. The area adjacent the Dovecote bungalows is a known “trouble spot” and thanks to those living nearby who keep an eye on these properties [and have sandbags at the ready]. The grass cutting is being done as and when possible, and resiting the container on the playing field cannot be done until conditions underfoot/wheel improve. Your patience is appreciated.

#### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**OPEN OFFICE:** FRIDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> August @ The Bull Inn, 10.00am – 12noon.

**OPEN FORUM & PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:** THURSDAY 9<sup>th</sup> August 2012, The Village Hall @ 7.30pm onwards.

#### **VILLAGE WALKS**

There will be no Village Walk in August. The next Walk will be in September, details of which will be published in the September Newsletter. *Mike Exton*

#### **HM DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS**

This is very much the “Swan Song” for the Rippingale Diamond Jubilee Events Committee, signing off with a big “Goodbye” and a final “Thank you” to everyone. It’s difficult to believe that the Committee was formed nearly a year ago, in August last year and suddenly, it’s all over – but, hopefully, not forgotten. All that is left to be done is our final report to the August meeting of the Parish Council. Meanwhile, there are some spare copies of the Village Commemorative Tabloid News sheets, as circulated a few days before the event and these are available from Jim Latham.

#### **THE CHEEKY MONKEYS MUMS & TODDLERS PLAYGROUP**

The Group is having a stall on Bourne Market on 9<sup>th</sup> August to advertise the Group and to fundraise. We are having a Tombola, so would be very grateful for any kind donations for the stall. We would also like to thank Wherry & Sons for their kind donation of a cheque for the Playgroup – it is very appreciated and is much needed. We would also like to thank everyone else who has given us so much support over the time we have been running which is 3 years in September. We are in the Village Hall every Tuesday morning at 10.00am – 11.30am, even in the school holidays, so please come and join us. Refreshments are included. £1.50 a session. Thank you to one and all. You can contact Wendy or Julie or Val.

## RIPPING-ALE BEER FESTIVAL

Everything is going to plan for our 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Beer Festival. The talent contest will now no longer take place, due to lack of entries, but hope that next year we will do something special on the Saturday afternoon. We have some of the bands in place with Eddie Lunn commencing proceedings on Friday with Boston band The Strelluies ... Saturday has Market Deeping band HalftimeradioTV and our regular show stopping Grumpy Old Men. We will have 20 real ales, 6 ciders, lager, wine and soft drinks. We are hoping to involve local groups in fund raising activities. This is our penultimate message and would like to reiterate that anyone with free time on August Bank Holiday Monday [26<sup>th</sup>] around midday, will be welcome to come and help us put up the tents in return for some refreshments. [More hands make light work!]. I hope our last update next month will give you an idea of what we have in store for a, hopefully, sunny and enjoyable weekend in our lovely village. We are still open to ideas, talent and volunteers. *Please contact Andrew and Gail Hyland – Members of the Ripping-Ale Beer Festival Committee.*

## ROW GARDENS ALLOTMENTS [RGAG]

We will be holding a "Party on the Plot" on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August, 1.00pm – 5.00pm at the Allotments, Station Street [North end] to support the National Allotment Week. There will be various activities during the afternoon, including a "Best Scarecrow Competition" which is open to everyone, not just Plot Holders. Anyone inside or outside the village can make a Scarecrow and bring it along on the day. There will be a prize for the best Child's Scarecrow and the best Adult one. There will also be a children's Treasure Hunt, BBQ, Tea room with Home made cakes, Jams and Chutneys and a Vegetable Stall. We have put aside a small plot for the Cheeky Monkeys Playgroup which the Allotment Group are funding so they Cheeky Monkeys can learn how to grow Vegetables. ALLOTMENT GROUND IS SLOWLY BEING LOST TO DEVELOPERS FOR HOUSE BUILDING. OUR AIM AND THE AIM OF THE NATIONAL ALLOTMENT SOCIETY IS TO BRING ABOUT AWARENESS TO EVERYONE, AND HOPEFULLY SAVE OUR RIGHT TO "GROW OUR OWN". Please come along for the Fun Day out. For further details Contact Graham or Eva. If you would like to put your name down on the Waiting List for a Plot, contact Angela [Rippingale residents only].

The Allotments Group will be holding their Annual Table Top Sale in Rippingale Village Hall on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August 1.00pm – 4.00pm. Doors open at 12.30pm for setting up. Tables will cost the usual £3.00 each and can be booked by 'phoning either Graham or Trevor. Tables are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment. The usual fantastic Raffle along with our equally fantastic Tombola will be there and, of course, the Vegetable stall that was such a great favourite of everyone last year. Tea, Coffee and Home made cakes will be available again to buy and try on the premises or you can purchase a part or whole cake to take home. Last year we raised £200 for LIVES. This year we are raising funds for HOME START, a local charity for local people. Please come along to either sell you own items or to take a look and maybe purchase some bargains while raising much needed funds for a local cause.

## RIPPINGALE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

<u>200 CLUB</u> – Winners for July	£20	Toni King [24]	
	£10	Roy Coutts [14]	Brenda Lambert [141]
	£ 5	Margaret Broadway [83]	Chris Tarrant [49]
		Mr/Mrs Leonard [122]	Andrew Flatters [120]

## CHILDREN'S FILM CLUB

"A Monster in Paris" will be shown on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August. Doors open @ 6.00pm. Film starts @ 6.30pm. Refreshments available. Free entry.

## RIPPINGALE OIL CONSORTIUM [ROC]

Fuel Delivery Comparison Prices – price in pence per litre EXCLUDING VAT				
<b>Chandlers ROC</b>	51.90	500+litres	Delivered	18 July 2012
Chandlers [Web]	53.74	2000	Quote	18 July 2012
Boiler Juice	52.64	1000	Quote	18 July 2012
Fuel Fighter	53.05	1000	Quote	18 July 2012
Home Fuels Direct	54.49	1000	Quote	18 July 2012
Direct Oil	54.65	1000	Quote	18 July 2012
Value Oil	52.75	1000	Quote	18 July 2012

Chandlers are still keeping ahead of the competition.

For up-to-date local comparisons, go to [www.RippingaleVillage.co.uk/oil](http://www.RippingaleVillage.co.uk/oil) and follow the link.

## BIRD FEEDERS – Nick Williams

More and more people are feeding birds in their garden throughout the year. If you do, then please be vigilant about keeping your feeders, bird tables and baths clean, especially at this time of the year. Late Summer and early Autumn is the time when certain birds are particularly susceptible to a disease called trichomonosis. Greenfinches are particularly susceptible but other finches and House Sparrows can also contract it. They appear drowsy and are easily approached. The disease eventually stops them from being able to swallow and they may sit on your bird bath and attempt to drink a lot. If you do see sick or dead

birds in your garden then it is best to stop feeding and also to leave the bird bath dry for a week or so. Whatever, you should definitely clean everything every few days at this time of the year and every week or so the rest of the year. I soak my two feeders in boiling water and also use boiling water to clean the bird bath, but we have still had three sick Greenfinches – two of them died on the patio – during the last couple of weeks. Please help to stop the spread of this awful disease. Thanks. *Nick Williams*  
*birdmanandbird@hotmail.com* OR [www.nickwilliams.eu](http://www.nickwilliams.eu)

#### **AND FINALLY**

A chap in seriously injured in a car accident and he is rushed to the nearest hospital by Air Ambulance. The hospital is run by Nuns. Having got him into a bed and treated his injuries he eventually awoke to find a Nun sitting by his bed with a clipboard. She asked him how he was going to pay for his treatment.

*"Do you have health insurance?"* she asked.

He replied in a raspy voice, *"No health insurance."*

The Nun asked, *"Do you have money in the bank?"*

He replied, *"No money in the bank."*

*"Do you have a relative who could help you with the payments?"* asked the Nun, getting more and more irritated.

He said, *"I've only a spinster sister and she is a Nun."*

The Nun became even more agitated and announced loudly, *"Nuns are not spinsters! Nuns are married to God."*

The patient replied, *"Perfect. Send the bill to my brother-in-law."*

#### **NOTE FROM EDITOR**

Thank you so much to everybody who has put A4 envelopes through my door. I really do appreciate it, but you can ease off now as I have plenty. *Mary Morgan*

## **DEADLINE FOR SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2012**

**Items for the Group Magazine ASAP**

**Preferably E-mail me at  
mary-morgan@sky.com**

**MWM**

**ST ANDREW'S CHURCH APPEAL**

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**TO: All Residents**

St Andrew's Church is desperate for money. We spent over £10,000 on the roof repairs following the attempted theft of lead. The Insurance Company put a "cap" on all lead theft so we only received £5,000. We also have bills to pay for electricity, water and gas for the heaters. Nobody wants to attend a Service in church with no lighting and as far as the floodlighting is concerned this is adjusted according to the GMT/BST so they don't come on at the wrong time and they are our security. Water charges are quite reasonable but it is still necessary to have water for the flowers in the church and also for refreshments. There are ways of "giving" to this Grade I Listed building, apart from Donations, although they are always gratefully accepted.

You will have read in the Rippingale Newsletters that St Andrew's run a 200 Club. Ideally it should have 200 members, each paying £13 a year. The Subscription year runs from 1<sup>st</sup> September until 31<sup>st</sup> August. In February and August it pays out 1 x £200 and 4 x £50. The other months are 1 x £20, 2 x £10 and 4 x £5. Those residents/members who subscribed to the 2011/12 Season will be approached to renew their Membership. For those new to the village, who would like to join, OR members who would like extra numbers [there is no limit] please contact the Church Secretary, as follows:

Mrs Mary Morgan  
18 Pinfold Close  
Rippingale PE10 OTB

OR fill in the form below. I look forward to hearing from you.

*Mary Morgan, Secretary to the Parochial Church Council [PCC]*

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TO: Mary Morgan  
18 Pinfold Close

*Please delete as necessary:*

I/We would like to join St Andrew's 200 Club for year 2012/2013.

YES / NO

I/We did not renew our Subscription for 2011/2012 but would like to re-register our membership.

YES/NO

I/We are newcomers to Rippingale and would like to join.

YES/NO

NAME[S] .....

Cash accepted

ADDRESS .....

Cheques payable to:

TEL NO: .....

St Andrew's Rippingale PCC  
200 Club

E-mail .....

MONEY ENCLOSED CASH £ ..... CHEQUE £ .....

*Thank you for your support.*  
ST ANDREW'S PCC