

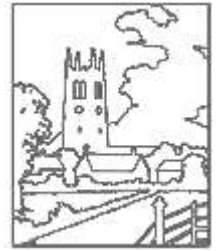


RIPPINGALE NEWS

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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

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46a High Street, Morton, PE10 0NR

SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	4 th	Eucharist [BCP]	6.00pm
SUNDAY	11 th	<i>Service of Remembrance</i> in church <i>Followed by Act of Remembrance</i> at the War Memorial	10.30am
SUNDAY	18 th	NO SERVICE <i>[Check Notice board for other Services in the Group]</i>	
SUNDAY	25 th	Evensong [BCP]	6.00pm
SUNDAY	2nd	December Eucharist [BCP]	6.00pm

HARVEST SERVICE [14th October]

Thank you to all the people who decorated the church for this occasion. It looked really splendid and after the Service many people enjoyed some lovely refreshments. Thank you also to our guest speaker, The Revd Dr Richard Davy who is the Chaplain at Nottingham Trent University who gave a very interesting address. **THE CHURCH IS NOW CLOSED DURING THE DAY UNTIL EASTER.** See *** on Page 3.

COFFEE MORNINGS

These will be held in the church EVERY first Tuesday in the month. Next one Tuesday 6th November @ 10.30am.

200 CLUB Thank you so much for your support. The 200 Club is now **full**, meaning that the church will receive £1,000. Thank you also to our Collectors who have collected the Subscriptions.

WINNERS – September	£20	Rowena Grew [8]	
	£10	The Revd Creasey [110]	Pat Page [149]
	£ 5	Louise Dady [178]	Mr/Mrs A Wood [67]
		Bill Parry [159]	P Boyes [108]

FLOODLIGHTING

You will have read in the Newsletter that the church is floodlit every evening. Now the nights are getting darker it will be timed to come on at 7.00pm and off at 11.00pm. This is not only to enhance the church as the focal part of the village but also for security reasons. It has been suggested that villagers might like to contribute towards the cost in memory of a loved one, celebration of marriages, births, birthdays etc.

Anyone wishing to do this should send/give the money to the Church Secretary, Mary Morgan, 18 Pinfold Close, Rippingale, PE10 0TB with a note saying who/what it is for. All donations will be published in the Newsletter, announcing the Sponsor.

WORKING PARTY **CALLING ALL VILLAGERS**

The PCC would like your help in tidying up the area on the North of the church and the Extended Churchyard in the High Street on Saturday 10th November. Volunteers are asked to come "armed" with their scythes, shears, strimmers etc @ 10.00am. Meet at the church. Whether you are a churchgoer or not, it makes no difference. It is our village church and is a Grade I Listed building!

RINGSTONE PLAYERS

Present "*Peter Pan*" based on the novel by J.M.Barrie. Music & Lyrics by Piers Chater-Robinson. Friday 11th January 2013 @ 7.30pm, Saturday 12th January 2013 @ 2.30pm and 7.30pm at Edenham Village Hall. Tickets: £10, Children [12 yrs and under] £5. Available 26th November 2012 onwards from "Spice of Life" Health Food shop in the Burghley Centre, Bourne.

VILLAGE WALKS

Sunday 18th November @ 10.15pm. Meet at Scottlethorpe, turn left off the Bourne/Edenham road at Edenham, down Scottlethorpe lane. Keep going until you see someone [it's a dead-end!]. *Mike Exton*

PIGEON SHOOTING

There is a person in the village who has racing pigeons. If they find out that any of their pigeons have been shot then they have the right to report this to the RPRA and the Police. If any pigeon is found with a ring, or anything on their leg, they would be grateful if you would contact them so that they can try to help, and also find out the pigeons' owners. *Name and address supplied.* Please contact the Editor if you can help on 440897 or mary-morgan@sky.com

RIPPING & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

The Club met in the Village Hall on Wednesday 10th October 2012 for a talk on the subject "Growing Giant and Perfect Vegetables for Showing" given by Clive Bevan of Wellingborough. Clive is aptly named the Guru of the giant vegetable scene. He has virtually grown every plant imaginable with great success and unselfishly given his time and knowledge to thousands of growers. These include and Prince of Wales, through visits to Highgrove; journeys to advise the Chinese Government in China; The King of Malaysia in extensive visits to the country; closer to home, Jimmy White and many, many other keen enthusiasts. Only last week he reached a wide audience through an appearance on the Alan Titchmarsh Show. His talk was inspirational, informative and generous in advice for all vegetable growers and gardeners in general and it was certainly one of the most enjoyable talks the Club has had in recent times. The next meeting is on Wednesday 14th November @ 7.30pm in the Village Hall when Jo Bennison will talk on the subject "Progression in Peonies". Please note Jo will be bringing Peonies for sale. These can be viewed on her web site www.bennisonpeonies.co.uk prior to the talk. New members are always assured of a warm welcome. *Elizabeth Forman*

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT WI

Our October meeting was very lively indeed! The subject was "Zumba with Michaela". Most members had heard of Zumba, few [if any] had actually done any. Michaela soon put an end to our ignorance with her energy and example, and had most members on their feet Zumba-ing as if to the manner born! Everyone had fun, whether as spectators or participants. Next month our meeting will be held on Thursday 1st November. This time it will be an "Open Meeting" which will be open to anyone who would like to join us for the evening. Members or not, male, female ... anyone. The entry charge for non-members, which will include refreshments, will be £3.00. Our Speaker will be Sue Cadman of the Roly Poly Girls with her talk entitled "Roly on the Road – Tour Dates". We have heard her before with a different talk, and know that she is very entertaining and funny. So, do come along! 1st November, Rippingale Village Hall @ 7.30pm. For further information please contact Rebecca Main, Liz Osborn, or Chris West.

RIPPINGALE OIL CONSORTIUM

Fuel Delivery Comparison Prices – price in pence per litre EXC VAT

Chandlers ROC	57.80	5000+litres	Delivered	5 th October 2012
Chandlers [Web]	58.59	2000	Quote	"
Boiler Juice	59.34	1000	"	"
Fuel Fighter	59.45	1000	"	"
Home Fuels Direct	59.20	1000	"	"
Direct Oil	59.87	1000	"	"
Value Oil	66.10	1000	"	"

For up-to-date local comparison and deliveries go to www.RippingaleVillage.co.uk/oil and follow the links.
John Warman

RIPPINGALE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

<u>200 CLUB</u>	Winners for September	£20	Bryony Harrison [28]	
		£10	Christine Lambert [31]	Margaret Broadway [83]
		£ 5	Sheila Scholes [45]	Sylvia Stewart [64]
			Chris Wootton [194]	Debbie Davison [150]
	Winners for October	£20	Sylvia Stewart [64]	
		£10	Marian Murfett [173]	Trevor Larnar [163]
		£ 5	David Goodacre [156]	Anita Carter [79]
			Rosemary MacDonald [176]	Janet McNeill [60]

CHRISTMAS MFAIR

Sunday 18th November – 2.00pm – 5.00pm

Stalls will include gifts, cards and craft, as well as the usual Tombola and Raffle. The WI will be kindly providing the refreshments for the afternoon. To book a table, please call 440160 or 440121, also if you have a donation for the Tombola or Raffle.

CHILDREN'S CINEMA CLUB

"Top Cat" will be shown on Thursday 29th November. Doors open @ 6.00pm, film starts 6.30pm. Free entry. Refreshments are available to purchase.

***** CLOSURE OF CHURCH *****

The church will now be closed during the day until Easter. Anyone wishing to visit the church should contact the Churchwarden, Mrs Pam Baylis, 28 High Street, Rippingale.

ST ANDREW'S GIFT DAY

St Andrew's Day is Friday 30th November. Hopefully, enclosed with your Newsletter is a blue envelope for your Gift. If you are a taxpayer and are willing to complete the front of the envelope, then St Andrew's can claim back the tax. The church will be open on Saturday 1st December between 10.00am and 12 noon when your gift will be warmly welcomed. They can also be delivered to the following addresses: 28 High Street 42 High Street 11 Doctors Lane Highlands Farm, Middle Street 18 Pinfold Close or 116 Station Street Alternatively, they can be taken to the Coffee Morning to be held in the church on Tuesday 4th December @ 10.30am. *Thank you for your anticipated support. The PCC*

AND FINALLY

A lad comes home from school and excitedly tells his dad that he had a part in the school play and he was playing a man who had been married for 25 years. The dad says, "Never mind son, maybe next year you'll get a speaking part"!

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR – GROUP MAGAZINE

Although my copy deadlines are always the 15th of the month, copy for the Group Magazine which covers all the other parishes in the Group, ie Kirkby Underwood, Morton, Hacconby and Dunsby changes over the next few months. To make sure your news gets into the Group Magazine, please send your entries to me as soon as possible. The Group Magazine for December will include the first two weeks in January, so any New Year's news of forthcoming events etc will be included. The Deadline copy for January and the whole of February is 3rd January.



**DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER:
THURSDAY 15th NOVEMBER 2012
Items for the Group Magazine ASAP
You can email at:
mary-morgan@sky.com**

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RIPPINGALE PARISH COUNCIL NEWS NOVEMBER, 2012

1. THE FUTURE OF RIPPINGALE SURGERY.



9th October, 2012.

"... I would like to formally advise you of the outcome of the recent Lincolnshire Primary Care Trust (PCT) Board meeting to discuss the future of the branch surgery in Rippingale.

The Board considered all the points raised by both the Practice and the Parish Council in arriving at a decision. The Practice made reference to some potential clinical concerns which the Board considered it could not ignore. The Board therefore decided it would reluctantly accept the Practice's request to close the branch subject to six months' notice.

The Board acknowledged the difficulties some patients may have in accessing services once the surgery closes. The Board therefore would like to make funding available to the Parish Council to assist in the costs of transport for these patients, such as volunteer car schemes. We would like the Parish Council to advise the PCT of the likely yearly costs. I know this is not the decision you would have hoped for, however, Lincolnshire PCT has a duty to ensure that patient safety is our first consideration.

... "

(Signed) Adrian Audis,
Senior Contracts Manager.

The following reply has been sent (18th October, 2012) on behalf of the Parish Council:-



... We are concerned that, despite your original acceptance of the results of the consultation and our representations to you, you have chosen to accept what would appear to be tenuous arguments about clinical concerns.

Some such arguments were put by the New Springwells Practice at the start of our campaign and we were able to show that they had no real foundation, and that any concerns could easily be overcome. The inconvenience and dangers to patients will be considerably higher as a result of your decision. However, as we intend to continue our efforts at a higher level, we would appreciate, at the earliest

possible date, full details of the so-called "clinical concerns" on which your decision was based. The Parish Council will consider your offer to fund additional transport costs, should we finally have to accept closure of the surgery. However, you must appreciate that cost is not the only consideration, in that the required increase in the frequency of journeys under our hospital car scheme will place a totally unacceptable burden on the drivers. We are also concerned that the future of the LPCT is in doubt and we would need assurances that such funding would continue should the LPCT cease to exist. We would ask for an early meeting with you on this issue, for representatives of The Parish Council and the Rippingale Surgery Closure Action Group. Finally, we would appreciate being informed as soon as the six months notice is given by The New Springwells Practice.

...
J.M.Hallas, Chairman,
Rippingale Parish Council

As a matter of urgency, The Parish Council needs to consider future options and it is proposed that its proposals will be presented to residents at an

OPEN MEETING 22nd NOVEMBER, 2012, 7.30p.m.
The Village Hall.

This date had been previously agreed to present the Council's Budget for the forthcoming year, and it has been decided that the Rippingale Surgery issue should precede discussion on Finance.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

COMPLAINTS TO THE COUNCIL:

Before each Council meeting, members of the public have an opportunity to raise issues of concern, complaints and compliments. Unfortunately the majority of items raised are the Complaints, and those currently being reported are:

1. CYCLING ON THE PAVEMENTS – AGAIN!

Continuing reports of children AND adults riding bikes on the pavements and dashing headlong onto Station Middle Streets. This is both dangerous and anti-social – please desist!

2. DOG FOULING – AGAIN!

Residents are becoming very angry about the dog mess on pavements around the village. Photographic evidence of those owners who do not clean up after their dogs can be sent to the Clerk (in confidence) who will pass them on to SKDC. The District Council has Enforcement/Fixed Penalty powers to deal with identified offenders.

Some people clean up the mess and then throw the bags into the hedgerows – plastic bags CAN be put

into the black litter bins around the village, for disposal by SKDC.

It is reported that some dogs are regularly walked by “minders” rather than their owners – please pass on the clean up message to whoever walks your dog in your absence.

3. FLY POSTING – AGAIN!

Would organisers of events PLEASE remove the posters and fliers which they put up around the village. Details of inappropriate posters/advertising should be reported to the Clerk.

**3. FINANCES MEETING,
22nd NOVEMBER, 2012,
7.30p.m., THE VILLAGE HALL.*
* Following discussion on Rippingale Surgery**

Councillors met in October to prepare the Council’s budget. The Precept has been held at £15,750 for several years – and will be reviewed for the forthcoming year. It is likely that the Council will need to draw on reserves to fulfil the current year’s obligations. Residents are invited to attend the Open Meeting to examine the Council’s proposed budget. Refreshments will be served.

5. COMMUNITY CHEST

In recent years, the Parish Council has been unable to offer financial support to local organisations/projects, as it would wish. The Council is extremely grateful therefore to **Wherry & Sons Ltd** who have offered to sponsor a “**Community Chest**” for the village. £250 will be available to local organisations to aid a project of benefit to the local community. The scheme will be administered and allocated by the Parish Council at its discretion, in accordance with the Parish Council Grant Aid Policy. It is intended that the money will be used for schemes which would not otherwise be funded, and can be used to fund one or several projects. The fund will be allocated and used on an annual basis, and is available during the current financial year.

A copy of the Council “Grants Policy” and an application form can be obtained from the Clerk, or the village website (www.rippingalevillage.co.uk).

6. PLANNING

1. (2170) 2 x 15m high Wind Turbines, Old Pump Cottage, Fen Road, DOWSBY.

The application is to be considered by SKDC Full Planning Committee. Parish Councillors’ objections to the number of Wind Turbine applications has been forwarded to SKDC.

2. (2028) Retention of Retaining Wall & Gate Piers, Orchard House, 29 East Street, PE10 0SS. Permission granted, 27.09.12

3. (1931) Crown Thinning, lifting of Oak Tree, 9 Wendover Close. Approved 19.09.2012.

Sheila Scholes,
Clerk to Rippingale Parish Council
October 2012.
clerk@rpcouncil.co.uk
(01778) 440200

2012 Meeting Dates:

OPEN OFFICE – The Bull, 10.00 – 12.00

7th December

PARISH COUNCIL – Village Hall, 7.30p.m.

8th November

22nd November (Public Meeting – Rippingale Surgery & Precept)

20th December.