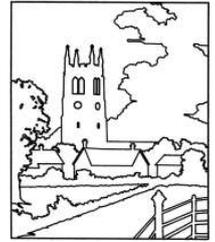




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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

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SUN	5 th	BCP Sung Eucharist	6.00pm
	12 th	GROUP PLOUGH SUNDAY *****	10.30am
	19 th	NO SERVICE @ ST ANDREW'S	
		<i>[Check Notice board in the High Street for other Services in the Group]</i>	
	26 th	BCP Evensong	6.00pm
FEBRUARY			
SUN	2 nd	BCP Eucharist	6.00pm
	9 th	Eucharist	9.15am

At the Plough Sunday Service children are welcome to bring their "agriculture" toys and join in with the Blessing of the Plough for the forthcoming year.

ALWAYS CHECK THE NOTICE BOARD IN THE HIGH STREET FOR ANY CHANGES.

COFFEE MORNINGS

Our Coffee Morning on 3rd December was very well supported. The assembled gathering enjoyed good company and excellent refreshments provided by Lorna Webb and Eric Jessop. Our "Bring & Buy" produce flew off the tables with many visitors seen leaving the Church weighed down with home baked goodies, Christmas decorations and locally brown produce. We raised a wonderful £75 for Church funds. Our sincere thanks to everyone who contributed.

Once again, our Christingle Service was enjoyed by children and adults together. The Rose Queen, Neave Warcup gave the Christingles to the congregation who danced around the Church singing the words of a Carol to the tune of "Show me the way to Amarillo". A truly memorable Service. *Pam Baylis, Churchwarden.*

<u>200 CLUB</u>	Winners:	November	£20	Billie MacClaren [162]	
			£10	"Cheeky Monkeys" [95] <i>[Wendy Headland]</i>	Mr A Wood [103]
			£ 5	Chris Bladon [63] P McGuinness [65]	Neil Jervis [29] Miss H Jessop [188]
		December	£20	Neil Morgan [72]	
			£10	T Floyd [14]	Mrs J Stubbley [46]
			£ 5	C Thompson [4] Mr/Mrs R Ayres [199]	J Warman [167] Chris Schiavi [96]

RIPPINGALE OIL CONSORTIUM

In the December Newsletter we told you how Chandlers reneged on their agreement to do an Oil Consortium delivery in December and how we had found a company to step into the gap and provide Rippingale Oil Consortium with a second string to its bow. Unfortunately, HomeFuels Direct did not grasp that the point of a buying group was to get a competitive price for the oil delivered. This has left us back at square one. I will not venture any more information now as we have to meet the 15th December deadline for the Newsletter and things may well change dramatically before publication, as they did last month. All known members with E-mail have been brought up to date, plus those without E-mail that had elected to try HomeFuels Direct. This episode has also flushed out a number of members who had not given their details to us, so if you are registered with Chandlers but have never received any information from the local committee, please make contact so that we can add you to the list. E-mail ROC@RippingaleVillage.co.uk

Vacancy for a Parish Councillor.

The Parish Council regrets to report that Dr. Peter King has announced his retirement as a Parish Councillor. His retirement will create a vacancy for a Co-opted Member of the Council. Please check the village notice board and website for details and dates of the "Casual Vacancy" process that must be followed to fill the position. In the meantime, if anyone would like to make their interest in filling the position known, please contact Sheila Scholes, Clerk (440200)

Annual Precept Request: April 2014 – March 2015.

The Open Meeting held on 21st November offering an opportunity to discuss the Council's future spending plans and Precept request was poorly attended. On 28th November, the Council resolved to maintain the current year's budget and request a Precept of £17,600 for the 2014/5. Changes in Central Government support funding to District Councils will impact on Parish Councils in the following year, and an estimated shortfall of £200 will need to be found from parish funds.

Rippingale War Memorial Restoration

This recommend project is being set up by Lincolnshire County Council. It is planned that our War Memorial will be restored and rededicated during the 100 year anniversary of World War I, and that local history, artefacts and knowledge can be gathered together and preserved for future generations to appreciate. Please contact Jim Latham if you are interested in taking part in this important and engrossing local project.

LINCOLNSHIRE REMEMBRANCE: MEMORIES AND MEMORIALS

Are you interested in commemoration of periods of conflict in Lincolnshire, including the First World War?

Would you like to learn more about the impact of conflict on the communities and landscape of Lincolnshire?

Would you like to volunteer to get involved in a new project to record and research Lincolnshire's war memorials, or contribute your knowledge?

If your answer is 'yes' then we would very much like to hear from you.

To find out more, contact Cathryn Pike at Lincolnshire County Council on 01522 554959 or cathryn.pike@lincolnshire.gov.uk

[The project is funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, the Armed Forces Community Covenant grant programme and Lincolnshire County Council.](#)



Community
Covenant



Traffic

Accident

Five members of the village Cribbage team were involved in an accident on 25th October, and four were taken to hospital. The Parish Council is pleased to report that all are now at home and are recovering well and would like to share the sentiments expressed by one of those involved:-

"... I was very pleasantly surprised at the amount of "get well" cards, visits and contact that I received from people in the village, and it was a real eye-opener that not only are we fortunate enough to live in a small village, but also able to feel the warmth and concern shown by fellow villagers. It engenders a real team spirit. ..."

Parish Council Meeting Dates 2014.

FULL COUNCIL MEETING	RESERVED FOR WORKING GROUP or FULL COUNCIL MEETING IF REQUIRED.	PARISH "OPEN OFFICE" THE BULL,, 10.00 – 12.00noon
2 nd January	13 th February	7 th March
13 th March	10 th April	2 nd May
8 th May (Annual Parish Mtg)		
15 th May (Parish Council AGM)	12 th June	4 th July
10 th July	14 th August	5 th September
11 th September	9 th October	7 th November
13 th November		5 th December
20 th November (Open Precept)	11 th December, 2014	

Lincolnshire Police Alerts have included:-

- ❖ Burglary, **Graby**, 29th November. Silver & jewellery stolen. Report any suspicions to the police on Tel. 101, incident 549, 29th November refers.

Date of next Parish Council Meeting is 2nd January, 2014, following Public Open Forum (7.30p.m.) - All are welcome to attend.

VILLAGE WALKS

The next one will be on Sunday 19th January. Meet at Morton Church/Village Green @ 10.15am. We hope to have a Sausage & Mash supper in February. Details in the February Newsletter. For further details Contact: Derek Diess or Del. [Mike Exton is in hospital and we wish him a speedy recovery]

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

The Club met in the Village Hall on Wednesday 11th December for a Christmas celebration. The Committee were greatly cheered by the effort made by Club Members who provided delicious canapés and a wonderful array of Raffle prizes. The evening began with a talk by one of our members, Jackie Searl, on a subject dear to her heart and entitled "A Personal View of Japanese Landscapes". Jackie and her husband, Chris, had embarked on an extensive tour of Japan, tailor made to their requirements. With Chris on the "mouse", they evidenced exciting images through power point presentation, of a depth of real interest in their subject. Jackie gave a most enthralling talk with real passion for Japanese garden history and design. Photographs followed of atmospheric and dramatic gardens with cloud pruned trees and shrubs, lakes, waterfalls, brooks, bridges, mossy banks, bamboo fencing, chrysanthemum bonsai ... never-ending images to excite and inspire. The overwhelming legacy of attention to detail in every aspect of the Japanese people, to garden to an exceptional high standard, was the overriding impression left on us all. The Club is to visit Jackie's own Japanese inspired garden in July 2014. The Raffle was drawn by Rippingale Village Rose Queen, Neave Warcup, who was beautifully attired in her pretty long dress and tiara. We now begin our Winter recess. The Club does not meet in January and February. The first meeting of the 2014 will be on Wednesday 12th March, when Steve Hickman of Doncaster will talk on "Propagation. Elizabeth Forman

RIPPINGALE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>200 CLUB</u>	Winners:	November	£20	Chris Wootton [145]	
			£10	S MacLean [159]	Joan Cook [75]
			£ 5	John Warman [40]	Rose Doncaster [19]
		December		Phil Rippingale [123]	John Scholes [49]
			£20	Pat Taylor [47]	
		£ 10	Cynthia Hallas [86]	Eric Page [77]	
		£ 5	Brian Hutchison [34]	Brian Preston [12]	
			Janice Diess [12]	Angela Keen [39]	

LINCS POLICE ALERT

In last month's news under the Parish Council, it was reported that two sheep had been injured in a field in Doctors' Lane. Dawn Jessop thanks those residents who have helped her to find the culprit.

Rippingale Village Feast 2014

Date for your diary Sunday January 19th, come and join the fun with our "Winter Warmer Quiz" at the Village Hall. Doors open at 7pm to start at 7.30pm. Tables of up to four people, Licenced bar, please feel free to bring your own nibbles. Look forward to seeing you all.

Further details contact Chris Petz on 440444

AND FINALLY

FOR THOSE WHO LOVE THE PHILOSOPHY OF AMBIGUITY, AS WELL AS THE IDIOSYNCRASIES OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE ...

Why do shops have signs, "Guide Dogs Only"? The dogs can't read and their owners are blind!

Why are there signs say, "Disabled Toilets"? The toilets are not disabled, so it should read "Toilets for the Disabled". Likewise with Parking Bays. The Bays are not disabled so it should read "Parking for the Disabled".



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WEDNESDAY 15th JANUARY 2014
Items for the Group Magazine ASAP
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