

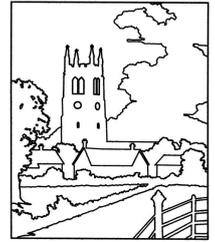


RIPPINGDALE NEWS

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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

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SUN	6 th	BCP Sung Eucharist	6.00pm
	13 th	Sung Eucharist	9.15am
Good Friday			
	18 th	Devotional Good Friday Service	10.00am
SUN	20 th	Sung Eucharist	9.15am
	27 th	St George's Day Parade	2.00pm
APRIL 6th			
		BCP Sung Eucharist	6.00pm

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

CHURCH FLOWERS

The church will be decorated for Easter on Friday 18th April, after the Service of Devotion at 10.00am.

CHURCHWARDEN'S NOTES

Last month, a dedicated team of volunteers, comprising Mr/Mrs Hilton, Mr Hilton's brother, Phil Rippingdale, Adam Neumann and Robert Jessop set to work to clear the Churchyard of wood, ivy and weeds. What a tremendous effort! Our sincere thanks to everyone involved. Our Coffee Mornings continue to be well supported and, in spite of moving the day to Thursday to avoid clashing with Shrove Tuesday, we enjoyed coffee, homemade cakes and plenty of fresh produce on sale. For April we return, and continue on the first Tuesday of the month. The next date for your diary is Tuesday 1st April @ 10/10.30am.

<u>200 CLUB</u>	Winners for March:	£20	D Sankey [51]	
		£10	A Wood [103]	E Jessop [74]
		£ 5	C Enderby [129]	Mr Boyce [59]
		5	Mr Newcomb [104]	D Carbine-Evans [157]

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Thank you to all who subscribed to the second part of the year, and also to those people who took the chance to join the 200 Club. The 200 Club is now FULL.

VACANCY

St Andrew's Church still has a vacancy for a Secretary. The current holder, after 15 years, has decided not to stand for re-election at the Annual Meeting in March. Out-of-pocket expenses will be covered. Ideally, anyone interested [male or female] should have access to a computer/word processor, preferably with Email facilities. Contact Mary Morgan in the first instant on 440897 or mary-morgan@sky.com for further information.

VILLAGE WALKS

The next one will be on Thursday 17th April @ 7.00pm. Meet at Rippingdale Village Green. For further information 'phone [01778] 440063.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING7.00p.m. 8th MAY, 2014

Councillors would really like residents to attend this meeting.

Following a small amount of "Official Business", village organisations make their reports and then the meeting is open to the Public. Holding this meeting is a legal duty of the Council.

Someone recently said that perhaps the meetings are poorly attended because everyone is happy with all that the Council does! As Clerk, I know that is not the case, so if you would like a public opportunity to make your views known to the Council, 8th May is your opportunity to do so. Refreshments are available from 6.45p.m.

If you aren't able to be there, please contact me with your apologies and any points you would like to have raised.

BILLINGBOROUGH SURGERY TRANSPORT SERVICE:

Councillors Mike Hallas and Jim Latham met with representatives of NHS Lincolnshire and Call Connect on 4th March to discuss financial assistance for a Call Connect service to Billingborough surgery. The talks were constructive, but highlighted several practical problems which need resolution. We await a decision from NHS Lincolnshire which we expect within the next two weeks on the financial assistance. We are confident that a service will be provided but the frequency, type of service and the starting date will have to be decided when the NHS decision is known.

EMERGENCY FLOOD HELP VOLUNTEERS.

It would be appreciated if residents could think again as to whether they can offer their help to the local community in the event of a flood or other emergency situation. There was a very poor response to the request for help made in last month's newsletter. Please contact the Clerk (440200 / clerk@rpcouncil.co.uk) if you are able to help out in an emergency situation.

PLANNING

(0117) Remove & install 33kV overhead power line, Dowsby – Bourne. No objections from SKDC, Central Networks East Notice 10th March, 2014.

NEXT MEETINGS:

OPEN OFFICE Friday 2nd May, 10.00 – 12.00, The Bull Inn.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING Thursday, 8th May, 2014, 7.00p.m., Village Hall.

FULL COUNCIL MEETING (A.G.M.) Thursday 15th May, 2014, 7.30p.m. Village Hall.
7.30p.m. Public Forum/Question Time, 7.45p.m. Parish Council Meeting.

ALLOTMENTS

If you have ever thought of growing your own fruit and veg, then come and join us at the Rippingale Row Garden Allotments. We are a friendly bunch. All you need to do is contact me and I will put your name on the waiting list. Plots are limited, so don't leave it too long before putting your name down.

Angela Adams

"OPEN GARDENS" SATURDAY 12th April, 1.00pm to 5.00pm & SUNDAY 13th 10.00am to 4.30pm.

Just to remind everyone that eleven gardens will be open in aid of the Garden Club and our Playing Field facilities. Please support our local community, it will be much appreciated and, of course, you will be made most welcome. *Chris Bladon*

PROWLERS

Recently, in Rippingale, someone tried to open a door of a bungalow at 1.00am, in complete darkness. Fortunately, the door was securely locked and no harm was done. This event serves to emphasise that we need to be vigilant at all times. Maybe an external light could be advisable too in some cases.

Don Southgate

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

The Club resumed meetings this Spring with a talk on "Propagation" given by Steve Hickman, known to many as the "Agapanthus Man". He discussed the main areas of propagation – stem cuttings, root cuttings, division, tissue culture and seed sowing. He demonstrated with a range of material, with tips given for everyone to take away to try for themselves. The meeting was well supported and the Chairman was able to welcome several new members to the Club. The next meeting is on Wednesday 9th April @ 7.30pm in the Village Hall, when Dave Newman will talk on the subject "Small scale Vegetable growing". *Elizabeth Forman*

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT WI

We hope that we are all better communicators after listening to Nancy Appleyard explaining the muddles and misunderstandings when meeting and talking to people, and also the philosophy behind the art. Visitors and members were given a warm welcome by the President at this March meeting. The competition was the best "one line joke" which ladies entered enthusiastically. Members ticked the many things on the "To do" list which included, places to see, gardens, theatres, quizzes, Indian Food Demonstration with lunch, the Great Food day to be held in May @ Hubberts Bridge and Crime Scene Investigation @ The Forensic Science Dept., Lincoln University. The April meeting is the AGM and the Speaker will be from Action for Hearing Loss. We are a lively group and extend a welcome to visitors. For further details contact Rebecca Main [President]

RIPPINGALE OIL CONSORTIUM

Oil price comparisons are usually posted on the village website the same day Chandlers publish them, sometimes within minutes of them being sent [but not guaranteed as John W does go out sometimes!] Chandlers Email out to subscribing customers the delivery price a day or so before the start of the group deliveries, and the Members who have placed an order with Chandlers can cancel and order with a cheaper supplier if they wish, providing they contact Chandlers straight away, so do go on line and check before your next delivery.

Fuel Delivery Comparison Prices – in pence per litre EXCLUDING VAT.

Chandlers ROC	53.29	500+ litres	Delivered	5 March 2014
Chandlers [Web]	54.00	2000	Quote	"
Boiler Juice	55.87	1000	"	"
Fuel Fighter	55.80	1000	"	"
Home Fuels Direct	54.30	1000	"	"
Direct Oil	54.25	1000	"	"
Value Oils	64.60	1000	"	"

For up to date local comparisons and deliveries, go to www.RippingaleVillage.co.uk/oil and follow the links.

Useful telephone numbers:

Chandler Oil	0845 20 20 10
Boiler Juice	0800 321 3275
Fuel Fighter	Onlin only
Home Fuels Direct	01642 700 725
Direct Oil	01666 511 245
Value Oils	09058 890 100

WANTED – WOLD CUB LEADER

Do you have a spare hour and a half on a Wednesday evening? We, at the 1st Pointon, are a group of Baden-Powell Scouts [a traditional Scouting organisation] based at Pointon School, who are in need of a uniformed leader to help run the Wolf Cub meetings. We have approximately 30 children in the Wolf Cub section, aged from 8 – 10. We also have Beavers and a Scout section. We have a fantastic group of kids, leaders and helpers, who all work together to give the local children a wonderful Scouting experience. You can be assured of a rewarding and enjoyable experience. For an idea of what we get up to, please visit our Website at www.1stpointon.or.uk If you are interested please call Steve Warcup. Finally, if you can think of any friends or family who you think might be interested, please do pass this on to them. *Nick Merricks, Group Secretary*

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2014

Two "Lead up" events for this year's Feast have passed. The sell-out concert with Flossie Mallaviale was a great success and the Winter Warmer Quiz attracted a record number of entrants. The next even is the first **Car Boot Sale** to be held on the Playing Field on **Sunday 6th April**. Pitches are admitted onto the field at 12.00 midday and the sale starts at 1.00pm. You can book a pitch for £5 by contacting Chas Mayhew.

Admission for buyers is free and there will be a BBQ and Teas available.

An Evening of Mystery and Magic – Saturday 31st May

Tickets are £10 [Adults], £5 [Children of Primary School age] for £25 for a Family ticket [2 Adults and 2 children]. The price includes a Fish & Chips Supper. Doors open at 7.00pm and food is served at 7.30pm. There will be a Table Quiz and "Close up table hopper" illusionists in the first half of the evening. After the break there will be a professional stage show! There is a licensed bar. Buy tickets from Chris Petz [440444 or Email chrispetz@aol.com

Rose Queen 2014

Nominations for the 2014 Rose Queen are now welcome. Applicants must live in the parish of Rippingale and be between the ages of 6 and 12 years on 31st August 2014. Application forms can be downloaded from the Rippingale Website or the Rippingale Feast Facebook page. You can also pick up a form from the Village Shop. **Closing Date is 31st May.** There is more to happen before the actual Feast weekend but, for the present, remember that Feast Weekend is Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th July.

AND FINALLY

"The £2.99 Special" A couple went for breakfast at a restaurant where the "Seniors' Special" was two eggs, bacon, hash browns and toast for £2.99. *"That sounds good"*, said the woman, *"but I don't want the eggs.."*. *"OK"*, said her husband and they went in. The waitress approached and asked them for their order. *"I'll have the "Special"*, said the man. *"And so will I"*, said his wife, *"But I don't want any eggs"*. The waitress said, *"Then I'll have to charge you £3.49 because you're ordering a la carte"*. *"You mean I'd have to pay for not taking the eggs?"* *"Yes"*, said the Waitress. *"I'll have the Special then"*, said the woman. *"How would you like your eggs"*, the Waitress asked. *"Raw and in their shells please"*, replied the woman. She took the two eggs home and baked a cake with them.

MORAL: Don't mess with Seniors!



**DEADLINE FOR MAY NEWSLETTER
TUESDAY 15TH APRIL 2014**

Items for the Group Magazine ASAP

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