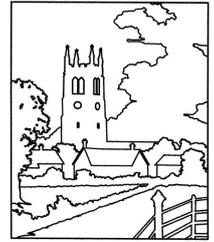




RIPPINGDALE NEWS

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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

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SUN	2 nd	BCP Eucharist	6.00pm
	9 th	Remembrance Service followed by Act of Remembrance	10.15am
	16 th	NO SERVICE AT ST ANDREW'S	
		<i>[Check Notice board in the High Street for other Services in the Group]</i>	
	23 rd	Family Service	10.30am
SAT	29th	***GIFT DAY - in the Church	10 00am until 12 noon
SUN	30 th	Advent Service	6.00pm

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

*****GIFT DAY**

Rippingdale has an absolutely beautiful Church dedicated to St Andrew. It has stood in our village for many centuries as a place of worship and celebration. When a marriage is planned, we want to make vows in the presence of God; when there is another happy event, we want to bring our children for baptism; and when we lose a loved one, we want a fitting and dignified funeral service to commit them into the loving arms of God. Various services are well attended, such as, Remembrance Day, Christmas Carols and/or Midnight Mass – and it is always wonderful to see many people coming into our village Church. Gift Day is **your** opportunity to support our lovely Church and ensure that it remains a vital part of our village life for many years to come. SO, please give what you can. You will find that there is an envelope provided for your donation and it can be brought to Church on Saturday 29th November, between 10.00am and 12 noon, or you can contact one of the Churchwardens: Pam or Jonathan. Thank you very much for your support.
The Revd Dr Lynda Pugh, Priest in Charge

COFFEE MORNING: The next one is to be held on Tuesday 4th November @ 10.30am in the church.

200 CLUB	WINNERS for September	£20	Mary Morgan [200] <i>Yippee!</i>	
		£10	Mrs A Jones [144]	Mrs S Hibbins [148]
		£ 5	Mrs M Jessop [34]	Mrs B Machin [112]
			Mr/Mrs M Hallas [168]	Mrs B Thompson [27]
	WINNERS for October	£20	Mrs C Mayhew [60]	
		£10	Mrs B Harrison [64]	Mr E Jessop [164]
		£ 5	Mrs D Gearing [193]	Mr/Mrs J Newell [73]
			Mr/Mrs I Burrell [152]	Mrs G Hyland [43]

On behalf of the PCC, thank you so much to the willing volunteers who collected the Subscriptions.

VILLAGE WALKS

The next walk will take place on Sunday 16th November. Meet at Edenham Village Hall Car Park for a 10.15am start [Derek Diess on 440063]

COUNTRY EYE – NOW Ten years old

When, in The Bull Inn one Sunday afternoon in October 2004, Ian Misselbrook volunteered to produce a wildlife article for the Rippingdale Website. His idea was welcomed and “Country Eye – Autumn 2004” was published the following month. Ten years and 45 diaries later “Country Eye – Autumn 2014” has been published and Country Eye has its own website, which has a large following and is read all over the world. You will find the latest diary with all the others at www.CountryEye.org.uk. Do pay a visit.



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS: Clerk - Sheila Scholes, 440200; clerk@rpcouncil.co.uk

Planning Applications and Decisions:

1. (1848) Demolition of Outbuildings and erection of 2xDwellings with detached garages and provision of garage to existing dwelling, 71 Station Street, Rippingale. Approved, 18.09.14.
2. (1747) Change of use from Doctor's Surgery (D1) to Dwelling house (C3) and insertion of 2 roof lights. Approved, 18.09.14.
3. (2711) Side, front & rear extensions, 12 High Street, Rippingale. No objections raised, SKDC advised accordingly.

Lincs. Community Speed Watch Initiative.

Residents' views are invited please: The village has the opportunity to purchase vehicle speed monitoring equipment for the village. The suggestion from Lincs. Road Safety Partnership (Lincs County Council and Lincs Police) is that communities purchase Speed Indication Devices (S.I.Ds) to re-enforce residential speed limits. These are battery-powered warning signs that are attached to lamp posts which can be moved from location to location.

In 2009 the Parish Council carried out a S.I.D. exercise in the village, which concluded that a speeding problem exists, is largely related to non-residents, and that the presence of a S.I.D does "noticeably slow vehicles down, both approaching and moving away from the device". ***A copy of the Council's data analysis and Chairman's Report (2009) has been put on the village website for reference.***

The Parish Council today agrees that there are particular problems early morning and evening with (especially) trade vans entering and leaving the village and that the existing 30mph limit at village entrances and East Street – Middle Street junction are generally disregarded.

The cost of purchasing a suitable SID could be up to £2,000, and the suggestion that local villages jointly buy and share equipment has been disregarded. This is a substantial sum and your views as to whether it is something you would wish to see money spent on is required. What has been agreed so far is that ***provisionally***, the sum of £2,000 will be included in the Council's Budget, pending residents' views. It is emphasised that this would be an ***additional*** item of expenditure, and will result in an increased Precept.

Should it be decided that the village will purchase the system, it will also be necessary to make a commitment to make full use of the equipment, and to maintain it in good working order. If this is something you think you would like to be involved in, again please let the Council know.

Reminder that the Open Public Meeting to discuss next year's budget is on 20th November, 7.30p.m., The Village Hall.

Other Police Matters:



[Our Local Community Police Beat Manager and Support Officers are offering a FREE Security Marking Session for tools, household items, laptops, etc](#)

SATURDAY, 22nd NOVEMBER,
09.30a.m. – 2.00p.m.

THE VILLAGE HALL & FORECOURT.
COFFEE & TEA SUPPLIED!

Over the past few months, there has been a spate of local burglaries, some involving Rippingale. Items have been taken from sheds, the allotment site and "opportunistic" thefts from homes and have been linked to door – to- door salesmen and bogus tradesmen. The police estimate that for every incident they investigate, there are up to six more, which go unreported.

On 22nd November you can take advantage of security marking to make your desirable possessions identifiable. Just bring along items you would like marked – and get advice on making your property (including sheds) secure. The police attending will also be able to give specific advice on an individual basis. Another service on offer is "IMMOBTAG" tagging for bicycles. There is a charge of £6.00 for this service – a small price to pay for security of a valuable cycle!

Do support this initiative – we appreciate the support we receive from our local police officers and want to play a part in making their work effective. It is also an opportunity to find out about local crime and the work the police carry out on our behalf.

If you have difficulty in getting yourself/items to the Village Hall, please let the Clerk know and we will try to make arrangements to help you.

Dogs Fouling – Thank You!

The newsletter sometimes needs to remind dog owners to clean up after their pets, and the Parish and District Council takes the problem of dog fouling seriously. Following recent complaints relating to one particular action the District Council Environmental Action Team recently carried out surveillance visits with the aim to "either educate or issue Fixed Penalty Notices". Following these visits, SKDC reported that ALL dog walkers in this locality had been observed to be cleaning up after their dogs, and no FPNs had been necessary. Thank you to those responsible owners.

New footpath/cycleway project (Cllr J. Latham)

After a discussion at the last meeting, the Council decided to make a formal application to Lincolnshire County Council for a new project which could have a major impact on the lives of people in this village, not to mention those in Kirkby Underwood, Haconby and Stainfield. It is suggested that a footpath/cycleway be created along the east side of the A15 from Rippingale to Morton, where it would connect to the existing footpath /cycleway down to Bourne.

Bourne is our closest town where medical services, supermarkets, shops, market, schools, library and other Council services, are based. Rippingale has none of these amenities and a bus into Bourne one day a week – Thursdays. A significant number of people would like to walk, cycle or ride their disability scooters to use Bourne town centre facilities, or indeed those available in Morton itself. At the moment they cannot do so – the A15 from Rippingale to Morton is heavily used by motor traffic and one of the most dangerous stretches for pedestrians and cyclists.

It is believed that there is more than enough spare roadside land to build such a facility on its eastern side, from the road edge to the boundary hedge, from the southern junction of Rippingale High Street with the A15, also making use of the substantial lay-by just north of Morton.

When you reach Morton itself, everything becomes very narrow, nevertheless we would like to explore possibilities and involve the three other villages.

We do not believe it would be a particularly expensive project but the benefits to local people could far outweigh that anyway.

Lincolnshire Libraries:

Following earlier consultation, Rippingale continues to receive a monthly mobile library visit. LCC has now begun an additional period of consultation on the future of the County's libraries. The Council is inviting people to put forward alternative proposals for how a comprehensive and efficient library service can be provided within the Council's reduced budget.

A questionnaire and additional information are available: www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/librariesconsultation.

DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS:

Open Office 7th November, 10.00a.m., The Bull Inn.
Open Precept Meeting 20th November, 7.30p.m., Village Hall
Full Council Meeting 11th December, 7.30p.m., Village Hall.

FROM CHRIS BLADON

A big "thank you" to all those kind people who attended my Coffee Morning on 26th September in aid of MacMillan Nurses. The princely sum of £107 was raised and we have had an acknowledgment of this from MacMillan.

VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**Christmas Fair**

The 2014 Christmas Fair is on Sunday 30th November 1 – 4pm in the Village Hall. There will be lots of stalls for you to buy all your Christmas presents, as well as raffles and tombolas with plenty of prizes on offer. The Bar will be open and there will be mince pies and refreshments for all. Father Christmas will be flying in on his sleigh to say hello to the children and he has a present for everyone who comes to see him [at no cost to the grownups!] Please come along and support our Village Hall for this fun packed afternoon.

New Year's Eve Party

Tickets are available now! Don't miss out on this opportunity see Benjamin Buble and The Grumpy Old Men perform live music all night. There is a hot and cold buffet and a glass of champagne included in the entry price. Family discounts are available. Please call Angela on 440121 or Wendy on 441312 for more information.

200 CLUB WINNERS – October £20 Helen Langman [67]
£10 Marion Murfet [173] Donna Andrew [189]
£ 5 Kate Lock [25] Audrey Gray [126]
Louise Doncaster [18] Steve Hall [61]

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

The Club met for the first meeting on the new programme on Wednesday 8th October in the Village Hall to hear Ken Rawson speak on the subject "The Gravel Garden – Why and How". Ken is a Garden Designer from Easton-on-the hill and has been in the business of designing gardens for 28 years. He began his talk with reasons why a gravel garden is highly suitable from the point of view that it prevents weeds by acting as a mulch, to prevent evaporation and because it is right on trend. It also solves the problem of what to do with poor stony free draining soil, a cheaper alternative to paving; it looks good because it is clean and tidy. Ken went on to extol a multitude of virtues discussing how to achieve a highly desirable, low maintenance garden through a power point presentation of numerous gardens with, before and after. scenario. The well attended meeting prompted much lively discussion and was enjoyed by all. Ken ended the meeting with a physical discussion of a large number of plants he had brought along to emphasise alternative groupings and placements in an overall scheme. Many people bought plants to go away with and get started. The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall @ 7.30pm on Wednesday 12th November, when Colin Ward of Swine's Meadow Nursery, Market Deeping will give a talk entitle "Colin's Plants of the Moment". There will be plants for sale. *Elizabeth Forman*

RIPPINGALE OIL CONSORTIUM

Oil price comparisons are usually posted on the village website the same day that Chandlers publish them, sometimes [but not always] within minutes of them being sent out. Chandlers E-mail 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 next delivery.

Fuel Delivery Comparison Prices – price in pence per litre EXCLUDING VAT:

Chandlers ROC	48.49	500 + ltrs	Delivered	7 October 2014
Chandlers [Web]	51.99	2000	Quote	“
Boiler Juice	48.79	1000	“	“
Fire Fighter	48.85	1000	“	“
Home Fuels Direct	49.29	1000	“	“
Direct Oil	49.25	1000	“	“
Value Oils	55.00	1000	“	“

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

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

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

CRAFT FAYRE

Saturday 29th November 11am – 3.00pm St Andrew's Church, Horbling. Cake stall/refreshments for sale, children's competition to design and make a tree decoration, Mulled wine, Mince pies and raffle. Proceeds towards improvement to the church. For a table at £10, contact Geraldine.

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT WI

Six members were welcomed at the October meeting. Lincolnshire South Federation Choir gave a rendition of songs prior to the County Heats in Ilkley. Zoe Tant demonstrated the art of making Christmas cards using stamps. Then members were able to make their own. An appeal was made for someone to take over the Poppy Appeal collection in Rippingale during 25th October – 8th November. Posters were being delivered to local Doctors' Surgery regarding Organ Donations. The November meeting will be "Jewels in the Crown" by Crown Jewellers. For further information, please contact Rebecca [440411 or E-mail at rebeccamain1@yahoo.co.uk

ENVELOPES

Thank you SO MUCH for all those people who gave me envelopes. I'm now "knee-deep" in them. One person [name not known] gave me a box of 100! How wonderful is that? It just shows me the power of the Newsletter. I think I'll be OK for a little while yet !! *Mary Morgan, Editor*

AND FINALLY

The good thing about being retired is that you can go to sleep before you go to bed!

DEADLINE FOR THE DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

SATURDAY 15th NOVEMBER 2014

Any items for the Group Magazine "Village Life"

As soon as possible please

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