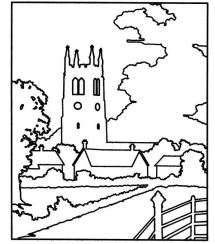




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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Priest in Charge The Revd Dr Lynda Pugh – dr.lynda.pugh@gmail.com
46a High Street, Morton, PE10 0NR Tel: 571841

SUN 6th BCP Eucharist @ 4.00pm
13th Eucharist @ 9.15am
20th NO SERVICE
27th Family Service @ 10.30am

NB: BCP HOLY COMMUNION will be held @ 4.00pm [GMT] and @ 6.00pm [BST]

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

CLEANING OF CHURCH

The PCC are still looking for someone [or people] to volunteer to clean the church. All the necessary cleaning appliances are available, including "Charles" the vacuum cleaner. Anyone interested please contact either of the Churchwardens, Pam Baylis on 440728 or Jonathan Newell on 441211. Thank you.

200 CLUB Winners for February: £200 Rowena Grew [8]
£ 50 Julia Lister [38] Mr/Mrs Headland [155]
£ 50 Jean Parncutt [110] Brian Williams [84]

COFFEE MORNINGS

The February Coffee Morning was well attended and it is very pleasing to see new faces every month. NOW I would like to point out **EVERYBODY** will be assured of a warm welcome, even if you do not attend church. Don't forget that transport* is available, if required. There is usually a wide range of produce for sale which varies with the time of the year. The next Coffee Morning is Tuesday 1st March @ 10.30am.
*Jonathan Newell, Churchwarden 441211

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The APCM of the PCC will be held in the church on Wednesday 6th April @ 7.30pm. Everybody is welcome, but only those whose names are on the Electoral Roll will be allowed to vote on any issues.
Mary Morgan, PCC Secretary & Electoral Roll Officer



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

The Aims and Objectives of Rippingdale Parish Council:-

"To provide services for and manage and maintain the assets of the village of Rippingdale, within the law, and the resources provided by the annual precept and other incomes, taking into account the wishes of the residents and obtaining value for money."

The Parish Council did not meet in February.

PLANNING RESULTS & CURRENT APPLICATIONS:

S15/3435 Erection of dog boarding kennel, extension & conversion of an existing shed to a dog day care centre, Cardyke Farm Cottage, Fen Road, PE10 0TG	No objections raised, SKDC notified accordingly
S15/2984 Application to Vary Condition 2 re S14/3442, 12 High Street,	Concerns regarding change to ridge height and boundary, SKDC notified accordingly.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS:

All meetings are arranged at Village Hall, 7.30p.m., unless otherwise stated.

FULL COUNCIL	WORKING GROUP /COUNCILMEETING	PARISH SURGERY Village Hall, 10.00 – 12.00noon	OTHER MEETINGS/NOTABLE DATES.
		18 th March	n.b. change of date
10 th March	7 th April		

The A15 FOOTPATH to MORTON

In November 2014 the Parish Council contacted LCC about the possibility of building a path/cycleway down the A15 from Rippingale to Morton, to connect with the footpath down to Bourne. The request was to enable people to walk, ride or drive their disability scooters safely to the nearest shops or indeed to catch a bus. Such a pathway would serve not only Rippingale, but Kirby Underwood, Haconby and Stainfield. Apologies that LCC response was not reported previously in the Newsletter. It was a turn-down – too expensive!! I'd love to know how much the improvement to the existing A15 cycleway from Morton to Bourne cost. If only more cyclists would use it! (Cllr Jim Latham.)

THE BULL INN

On MOTHERING SUNDAY [Mother's Day] Sunday 6th March there will be a special Mothers' Day treat with mothers having their Main Meal free [*with full paying adult] when booked in advance on 440054.

VILLAGE WALKS

The March walk will take place on Sunday 20th March, commencing at 10.15am sharp. The starting point is the Car Park of Edenham Village Hall. Please park considerately in the village. Any queries should be raised with Derek Diess on 440063

LOOSE ENDS

Craft/Coffee and chat morning are holding a table Top Sale in Rippingale Village Hall on Sunday 13th March 10.00am – 3.00pm. We are raising funds for MacMillan, so please come along and support us. For more information contact Carol Mason on 441386

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT WI - THE BIG BREAKFAST / CLEAN FOR THE QUEEN.

As part of our celebration of HM the Queen's 90th birthday this year, we are planning an event which involves serving breakfast/brunch to anyone from this and neighbouring villages who would like to join us. Food will be served from 9.00am until 11.30am and the cost will be £5 for a full breakfast and £3 for a children's/small portion. We would like to have an idea of numbers for catering purposes, so if you would like to come along, please let me know on [01778] 440368 or E-mail radwi@btinternet.com We are planning to combine this with an opportunity to help in the "Clean for the Queen" campaign, where communities come together to litter pick in order to tidy up their environment. However, you can do one without doing the other, as you would still be helping to pay for cleaning equipment if you come for breakfast, even if you can't manage the litter picking, and if you don't want breakfast, you will be doing a valuable service for your community by picking litter, which doesn't have to be in Rippingale. If you would like to support this initiative and you can help in any way, please contact me. *Michele Joint [440368]*

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT WI

We celebrated our 78th birthday in February, and welcomed two visitors and two new members to our meeting, when the Speaker was Rippingale's own Jim Latham whose talk about the wonderful women of the past who were connected to Rippingale and the surrounding area was fascinating. After coffee and cake, members were reminded about forthcoming events and outings: the Soup & Roll lunch, visits to Toletorpe, Bury St Edmund's, the recycling centre at Caythorpe, Woburn Abbey and Bletchley Park in the summer. Members were also asked to participate in the Clean for the Queen and Big Breakfast initiative on 5th March. The next meeting is on 3rd March when one of our own members, Amanda Clare, will be talking to us about her poetry. Visitors are always very welcome, and for further information, please contact Michele Joint on 440368 or E-mail radwi@btinternet.com

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

The Gardening Club resumes meetings after the winter recess, on 9th March @ 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Rippingale, PE10 0TA. The Speaker for the evening is Pam Tatam who will talk on the subject "Focal Points". Pam is well known in the gardening world and is a knowledgeable Speaker who for very many years ran a highly successful nursery, specialising in hardy perennials at Harpswell, just north of Lincoln. Old and new members are assured of a warm welcome. *Elizabeth Forman, Club Secretary*

RIPPINGALE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

BOOKINGS: Wendy Gray on 441312

200 CLUB – WINNERS

DECEMBER [2015]	£20	Mike Exton [197]	
	£10	Simon Goode [170]	Lyn Overton [187]
	£ 5	Roy Coutts [14]	Joan Wells [161]
		Brian Preston [121]	Penny Wiseman [50]
JANUARY [2016]	£20	Mary Morgan [183]	
	£10	Richard Shuttleworth [8]	Marie Whiten [154]
	£ 5	Stan Elsmore [59]	Margaret Ayres [71]
		Richard Crech [52]	Linda Sankey [13]
FEBRUARY	£200	Steve Warcup [132]	
	£50	Joan Cook [75]	Audrey Brewin [3]
		Ken Cotton [76]	Annette Harris [93]

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2016 – MILLER MAGIC Dance night – SAT 19 MARCH – 7:30pm

Back by popular demand, the Sleaford Concert Band, as their alter-egos, Miller Magic, recreating the fantastic sound and swing of the 1940's Glenn Miller Band in Rippingale Village Hall, at 7:30pm on Saturday 19th March, another great fundraiser for the 2016 Street Party. Tickets will cost £12.50 per person; the cost includes a wonderful buffet meal. * Tickets are now on sale and demand will be high, so make sure you book yours early, by calling Mike Hallas on 440804.

* If you have special dietary requirements, let us know well in advance, when booking your tickets.

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2016 – Wine Tasting & Cheese

This event will be held on Friday 22nd April. It was necessary to restrict the numbers to 36 and accordingly, we have to announce that the event is now fully SOLD OUT. We apologise to anyone who has missed out. It is possible, due to the popularity of the event, that we may run another at some future point.

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2016 – THE ROSE QUEEN

You will now be aware that we are breaking with tradition this year and accepting applications from any woman or girl, resident in the village now, or in their youth, 90 or under, who would like to be the 2016 Rippingale Rose Queen.. If you missed out on being the Rose Queen in your youth, then this may be your chance! Application forms can be downloaded from the village website or call Chris Petz on 440444 for a copy.

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2016 – STREET CHAMPIONS

We are delighted to report that, so far, we have a team of 24 Street Champions.

We will all be meeting up on Sunday 20th March so that we can all get to know each other.

We are keen to have at least one champion in every street, so we are looking for a volunteer or volunteers for both Middle and East Street. You will be the contact and information point for your street, and will help the Committee liaise with residents. If you would like to volunteer, find out more, or just attend the Champions meeting, to see what's going on, please call Megan on 440434, or Janet on 07725 993794, for a chat; no pressure, no expectations.

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2016 – STREET PARTY

We hope that most residents are now aware of the date, time, location & reason for the Street party! When we decided to hold a Street Party, we knew that the date would be busy, with similar events in this region, and that any equipment or attractions we wanted would need to be booked quickly. Getting enough tables was a priority and we have planned on the basis of 400 people attending. We will try to ensure that we have some spare capacity if it is needed.

The closure of the relevant section of High Street, on the 12th June only, has been applied for.

In the event of bad weather, cover will be provided on the Bull Inn's garden area.

Please note that the Street Party is open to village residents, plus visiting family, or friends, only.

We will be advising all residents of their Street Champion's name and contact details in due course; they will help us by letting us know how many people will be attending from their area and they will be able to assist you with your specific requirements, such as transport, if necessary. All the children's' entertainments are booked; we hope to have some items of interest for adults as well. We have received great news; we will have a flypast of 2 Spitfires!!! The sound of them flying up and down High Street should be something to remember so let's all hope that the weather gods are smiling on us. Don't forget to check the Village website for more details.

FINALLY

I heard on the Radio recently that spiders have 48 knees. Hands up if you could do with a couple!

DEADLINE FOR APRIL 2016 NEWSLETTER TUESDAY 15TH MARCH 2016

Any items for the Group Magazine "*Village Life*"

As soon as possible please

mary-morgan@sky.com

Items for the Rippingale Village Website – please go to www.rippingalevillage.co.uk/contact or follow any of the "Contact Us" links in the website and use the "Email" link.

Please state if you want personal data, like telephone numbers or E-mail addresses shown]