

RIPPINGALE NEWS

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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 3rd NO SERVICE

10th Eucharist @ 9.15am 17th NO SERVICE

24th NO SERVICE

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 March £20 R Main [9]

£10 N Jervis [29] J Leonard [66] £ 5 I Dobney [86] M Jessop [41] C Schiavi [91] P Pugh [197]

DAFFODILS

Will residents please note that the daffodils in the Churchyard AND the High Street have been planted by members of the community and are NOT growing wild. Please leave them for everybody to enjoy.

COFFEE MORNINGS

When I unlocked the church, it was pouring with rain and warmer outside then in, so I was not expecting anything special. It has to be said we have a very loyal band of supporters, new and old, who soon turned out and we were soon warmer inside than out, in more ways than one! Many thanks to you all. As usual, at the next Coffee Morning on **Tuesday 6th April @ 10.30am** we will have the normal "goodies" for sale. Please get in contact if transport is needed and let's hope soon we may be able to sit outside in the sun. *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.

VILLAGE WALKS

The April walk will be on Sunday 17th April @ 10.15am. Meet at Ingoldsby Church. For further information 'phone 07768632189. *Mike Exton*

VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – Calling all young people!

ARE YOU BORED? ARE YOU KEEN TO TRY NEW THINGS? The VHMC would love to hear from YOU! What events would you like to see being held in the Village Hall, specifically aimed at young people? We would like to hear from all of you whether you are only 5 or 15! Don't be shy! Get in touch with either Wendy Gray [440312] wendy7wansford@gmail.com or Dawn Holden [440993] holkeny101@btinternet.com and

TELL US WHAT YOU WANT

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The Aims and Objectives of Rippingale Parish Council:-

"To provide services for and manage and maintain the assets of the village of Rippingale, 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."

COUNCIL VACANCY (No. 1). - MR. SIMON GOODE

The Council was pleased to welcome Mr Simon Goode as a member of the Parish Council with effect 10th March, 2016. Simon and his family have lived in Rippingale since 2005, and councillors look forward to working with him. His background and experience in the financial sector will be particularly valuable to the Parish Council.

(No.2) CLLR MIKE HALLAS.

It was with much regret that the Council received notice of the retirement of Cllr Mike Hallas. All expressed their thanks to the former Chairman who always lead by example and was a committed Council Member Mike has wholeheartedly supported the Council's efforts and work over the years. His wisdom and experience will be greatly missed and his continuing involvement in various on-going projects is appreciated. The very best wishes of the Council to Mike and Cynthia Hallas will be shared by everyone in the village.

Resulting Vacancy:

During the extended period of advertising vacancy No 1, two excellent candidates came forward and Simon Goode was selected to fill the post. At its meeting on 10th March, the Council agreed that, in the absence of an election being called, it will invite the other candidate **Mr Shaun Charlton** to become the co-opted member to fill the vacancy (No 2) created by the retirement of Cllr Mike Hallas. To comply with Regulations the "Notice of Vacancy" was advertised on the Council's notice board and village website on 14th March, the date by which an election may be called is 5th **April, 2016.**

PLANNING RESULTS & CURRENT APPLICATIONS:

There are no new applications to report.

On current development works in the village:-

- 1. Station Street (Old Forge) development near completion and the Parish Council is reporting to LCC to ensure that reinstatement work to Station Street is carried out as agreed at the outset of the development.
- 2. Rear of 12 High Street the Council has agreed the developers' name of "The Old Nursery" for the site.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS:

Annual Parish Meeting 19th May, 2016 – 7.00p.m. at the Village Hall.

The Parish Council intends to use this opportunity to inform residents about a proposed "Aveland Neighbourhood Plan" which will enable residents to have a say in how Rippingale and the surrounding villages develop in the future. At this meeting the Council Chairman makes her Annual Report; and the Council's annual spending and its budget projections are presented.

More details in the May newsletter, but in the meantime make a note of the date on your calendar.

WORKING GROUP	OTHER MEETINGS/NOTABLE DATES.
7 th April	19 th April Annual Parish & Council AGM (7.00p.m.)

POINTON BADEN-POWELL SCOUT GROUP

We are a small group of Beavers, Wolf Cubs and Scouts who meet at St Gilberts School on West Road in Pointon, on either Monday or Wednesday evenings. We follow a varied programme of activities which are based around traditional Scouting activities. For Beavers, these include craft activities, nature quests, visits to the Fire Station or talks by Bee Keepers and our local PCSO. Wolf Cubs work hard to undertake at least one badge each term and cover many diverse topics, including building bug houses for winter, wildlife conservation, helping at home and improving their artistic talents. Scouts spend a great deal of their time outside lighting fires, taking night hikes, navigating and tying themselves in knots. For further information please contact: Carolyn Greig – 440929.

RIPPINGALE OIL CONSORTIUM - CHANDLERS STILL NOT QUITE THE CHEAPEST

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 place an 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.

NB: Again Chandlers have not been the cheapest on comparison [please check out our website], but again only by a little. We have compared the Consortium delivery price against the 1000ltr delivery price of competitors since January 2012. This gave a good comparison as many members order more than 1000ltrs, plus getting the rate for 500ltrs plus is a bonus. Up until May 2015 Chandlers had always been the cheapest. Also note that the comparative prices given by Chandlers in their March quote were for premium delivery NOT next week delivery which was lower!

Members are strongly advised to check for better quotes when ordering – especially if they are ordering about 1000ltrs or more. Useful numbers are shown below.

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

Chandlers ROC	29.45	500+ ltrs	Delivered	21 March 2016
Chandlers [Web]	30.49	2000	Quote	u
Boiler Juice	29.40	1000	u	u
Fuel Fighter	29.50	1000	u	u
Home Fuels Direct	28.92	1000	u	u
Direct Oil	30.80	1000	u	u
Value Oils	33.00	1000	u	u

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

Useful Telephone numbers:

Chandlers Oil	-	08456 202 010	Boiler Juice	-	0800 321 3275
Fuel Fighter	-	Online only	Home Fuels Direct	-	01642 700 725
Direct Oil	-	01666 511 245	Value Oils	-	09058 890 100
Lindsey Fuel	-	01507 609 359	Rutland Oil	-	01780 782 848

LOOSE ENDS

A big THANK YOU to everyone who supported our first Table Top Sale in the Village Hall on Sunday 13th March. We had a fantastic day and raised the sum of £190.70 for our chosen charity, MacMillan Cancer Support. We are planning another one for October, date to be confirmed, where refreshments will be "hot". Anyone wanting a table please contact me as I have already a list up and running!! There will be 22 tables available at a cost of £5 each, plus a donation of a raffle prize please. For more information or to join my list, please E-mail carol.mason1951.com or ring 441386. Thank you all once again for your support.

THE RIPPINGALE PAINTING GROUP

After four years, the Rippingale Painting Group is in danger of closing down, due a lack of numbers. The quality of the group's work, as seen at our last exhibition, was proof as to what anyone can do with a little tuition. We are a friendly group, and would like to see more people from our village and nearby villages joining us. Anyone, young or old, will be most welcome. So, if you would like to learn how to use watercolour paints, and have your own work hung on your wall, please come along on a Wednesday night, 6.30pm until 8.30pm in the Village Hall. Your first attendance is free so that if it isn't your "cup of tea", then you haven't lost anything. We hope to see some new faces soon. *Graham Ashworth*

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

The Club resumed meetings in the Village Hall on Wednesday 9th March with a well attended talk given by Pam Tatam of Hall Farm, Harpswell, Gainsborough, entitled "Focal Points". Pam examined a number of means to achieve focal points to focus attention in a garden. She used, as examples, images taken from her own splendid and imaginative three acre garden and introduced the Club to a number of other gardens which thrilled and delighted the audience. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 13th April in the Village Hall, Rippingale, PE10 0TA @ 7.30pm when a talk will be given by Dr Andrew Ward of Norwell Nurseries and Gardens, entitled "Thoughts on a newly researched species". Andrew is a truly excellent speaker with a phenomenal knowledge. He runs a nursery specialising in rare and unusual herbaceous perennials and alpines and will bring pre-ordered plants with him on the night. His catalogue with hundreds of photographs and in-depth descriptions can be found at www.norwellnurseries.co.uk

RIPPINGALE ALLOTMENTS – OPEN DAY – 1st MAY 2016 – 12noon – 4pm

Come along for a look around the plots, have a chat, as well as trying out a slice of lovely homemade cake and a cup of tea or coffee. We will also have the BBQ lit for a Banger or Burger, if you prefer. This year we will be having a garden related Tombola with lots of prizes, so come and try your luck. We are planning on having various activities both for the adults and children. This will include Pot & Pebble Painting, a Photo's I-spy and our usual Find the Veg competition. The Parish Council have kindly donated a plot to be used for a **CHILDREN'S PUMPKIN GROWING PATCH** so if your child would like to grow their own Pumpkin ready for Halloween, let me know so we can have a plant ready and labelled for them to plant. E-mail angelaadams684@btinternet.com or Tel: 07799 876734. Please let me know asap as we will need to get planting the seeds ready for the Open Day. We are also planning on having our usual Vegetable & Plant stall, so come and pick up a bargain. I have booked the fine weather, so please put the date in your diary for a lovely afternoon. *Angela Adams*

RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT WI

At the March meeting the speaker was our very own member Amanda Clare who shared her eclectic mix of poems written over many years that reflected many experiences and emotions. During the business, the President read a letter of thanks from Cumberland & Cumbria WI Federation for the thoughts and donations sent to help the WI Flood Victims and their families. Knitting members were asked to make Twiddlemitts to support care of Dementia Patients while in hospital. There are two dates for Defibrillator Training in May. More trips have been arranged to a local Recycling Plant. A Wildflower Meadow & Garden Visit which encourages Bees, Bury St Edmunds and the Houses of Parliament. The AGM will be held at the April meeting followed by a Sausage Tasting Competition and a Quiz. For further details, please contact the President, Michele Joint on 440368 or E-mail radwi@btinternet.com

FINALLY

DEADLINE FOR MAY 2016 NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 15TH APRIL 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]



RIPPINGALE FEAST 2016 - February Quiz Roundup

Many thanks to all those who attended; we had an excellent quiz night; plenty of teams, great questions, a really friendly atmosphere and lots of laughs. The quiz was extremely well-organised, for which many thanks go to Megan Mann and Janet McNeill.

It was so successful that we are hoping to run another quiz in September; watch this space!!

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2016 - Wine Tasting & Cheese

This event is SOLD OUT. Due to the popularity of the event, we may run another in the future.

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2016 - THE ROSE QUEEEN

Application forms are now available if you would like to apply to be the 2016 Rippingale Rose Queen. We are inviting applications from any woman or girl, resident in the village now, or in their youth, 90 or under. 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 01778 440444 for a copy.

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2016 - STREET CHAMPIONS

By the time the newsletter goes to press, the team of Street Champions will have all got together for the first time. In due course, we will be publishing a list of Street Champions by area, so you will then find out who your champion is. As ever, we are still keen to hear from anyone who would like to represent all or part of their street, especially in High Street and Middle 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 find out more, please call Megan on 01778 440434, or Janet on 07725 993794, for a chat; no pressure, no expectations.

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2016 - STREET PARTY - CAKE ALERT!!

The Queen's Street Party is on the horizon, and, as part of the party day celebrations, a cake is an essential element. This is where we need some of you super cooks out there to share your talents!

Glenys Petz is masterminding the tasty treat of the celebration cake and needs help with cup cakes so, if you can volunteer to produce a dozen (or more) cup cakes, please contact Glenys on 01778 440444 or email GLENYSPETZ@AOL.COM

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2016 - STREET PARTY

We hope that most residents are now aware of the date, time, location & reason for the Street party! We will be sending out invitations to all households, via the network of Street Champions; residents will be advised of their Street Champion's name and contact details in due course.

We have planned on the basis of 400 people attending but will endeavour to ensure that we have some spare capacity if it is needed.

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

The Street Party is open to village residents, plus visiting family, or friends, only.

Children's entertainments will include a Punch and Judy show, a clown, roundabouts and rides, and face painting. we hope to have some displays and items of interest for adults as well.

We hope to hear soon about precise timing for the flypast by two Spitfires of the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight. We think that the sound of them roaring up the High Street, with the noise reverberating off the church and buildings, will be quite something!!

Let's all hope that the weather gods are smiling on us. Don't forget to check the Village website for the latest news and details.