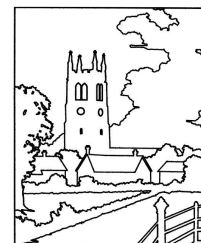




# RIPPINGALE NEWS

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## FEBRUARY 2017

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### ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

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SUN 5<sup>th</sup> BCP Eucharist @ 4.00pm

12<sup>th</sup> Eucharist @ 9.15am

19<sup>th</sup> *NO SERVICE*

26<sup>th</sup> *NO SERVICE*

MARCH 5<sup>th</sup> BCP Eucharist @ 4.00pm.

*ALWAYS CHECK THE NOTICE BOARD FOR ANY CHANGES.*

**COFFEE MORNING** – Next one is **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February** in the Church @ 10.30am See you there!

**CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS** - Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December

This Service was conducted by The Revd Paul Hardingham, to whom we are all very grateful. It is so good to start Christmas and finish the old year on a high note. As Churchwardens, to see so many old and new faces [62] makes all our hard work over the past 12 months very worthwhile. We thank you all for making this a special occasion and look forward to 2017 with a "spring in our feet".

**GROUP PLOUGH SUNDAY SERVICE [15<sup>th</sup> January]**

Outside it was a typical January day. Cold, wet and miserable, but inside the atmosphere was warm [new heaters soon] and happy. Hymns were sung with enthusiasm with help from Morton Choir, and professionally accompanied by Marijke Harris on the organ. A horse-drawn plough in the church to be Blessed, with a modern tractor and plough outside. Many thanks to Steven Burt and Ben Atkinson. This was a lovely Service conducted by The Revd Dr Lynda Pugh and Frank Wyer. After the Service hot soup and nibbles were provided to warm us all up. Many thanks to all who made this possible. Last but not least, many thanks to all of you who supported us in making this annual event such an important occasion in the Church calendar. *Jonathan Newell, C/warden*

**ST ANDREW'S 200 CLUB – Winners for January:**

£20 Brian Williams [84]

£10 P Baylis [166] T Gibbons [148]

£ 5 M Eaglestone [28] M Exton [165] H Rowntree [121] J Lydon [106]

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### VILLAGERS HEAD TO NEPAL

"Kerung Village" in the high Himalaya is the destination for two Rippingale locals, as next month they head to Nepal to take vital financial aid to the region. The village, which sits approximately 160 miles East of Katmandu on the route to Mount Everest, was hit by the 2015 earthquake and much remains uninhabitable, including the village school. The total re-building costs for the whole school amounts to £40,000 and this first step is to try and raise £4,000 to begin the long task. Joe Main and John Kimbrey of Millers Close have been liaising with representatives of the village since last year. They depart on 6<sup>th</sup> March for just under 2 weeks work on the school and they will be labouring along with locals and builders from the surrounding area, taking valuable funds with them to purchase materials. No Nepalese aid is available from the Government so any money raised in the UK will be used to start the long re-build process. ALL MONEY RAISED will go direct to the project and ALL personal costs for flights and living are being covered by themselves. They will be sending a daily Blog whilst they are away, so all can read of their progress. **Donations are most welcome by Cheque, Cash or Internet Banking or, indeed by the "go fund me" Web Site.**

**Account details: J Kimbrey**

**Bank Sort Code: 40-40-35**

**A/c No: 31531166**

*Thank you.*

**GRASS & HEDGE CUTTING.** As briefed last month, both Lincolnshire County Council and South Kesteven District Council are largely reducing their funding contributions to a number of local services in order to meet their targeted savings. We now understand what this means in terms of our grass and hedge cutting. Both the frequency of cuts and the annual contribution we receive for these services have been reduced, quite significantly in some places. For example, LCC previously funded 3 ‘safety cuts’ to the first 1m of road verges and junction corners per year, this has been reduced to 2. Also, the ‘amenity cuts’, such as the Dovecote common area, were funded for 7 cuts per year but have now been reduced to zero! Historically, we have committed additional funds to this money to enable a number of key areas in the village to be cut fortnightly, or more. The Parish Council’s funding for this forthcoming financial year was approved at the January Council Meeting (figures and decisions not known at the time of writing this). Careful consideration was given in preparing the Budget and proposed Precept figure, to try and balance the desire to keep the village looking neat and tidy, against the increasing costs, whilst also being mindful of funding our other commitments and projects. In preparation for letting a grass and hedge cutting contract next year, we aim to use 2017 to trial and assess the best frequency of grass and hedge cutting in the different areas, so your patience during this time would be appreciated. Given our unpredictable climate, and the effect that this has on growing rates, this is not going to be an easy task – if anyone has a working crystal ball, please let us know!

#### **ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR.**

Overall, Rippingale is lucky to have a well behaved populous who respect both the property and people within it. This makes it more important to nip any anti-social behaviour ‘in the bud’ before it escalates. If you witness anything untoward, you may think that it is just an isolated ‘one-off’ but if everyone turned a blind eye to one incident the peace and tranquility of Rippingale as we know it would become a thing of the past. The people best placed to look out for any growing trends are our Bourne & Billingborough Policing Team. So please take the time to report it. You can call them free on 101 or email [bourne.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk](mailto:bourne.npt@lincs.pnn.police.uk).

#### **SKDC SITES & SETTLEMENTS CONSULTATION**

Last July, SKDC published a Sites and Settlements Consultation and invited comments on land which has been promoted for potential future housing or employment development. The “Sites and Settlements” work is part of the early stages of preparing a new Local Plan for the district which will guide development and growth over the next 20 years (to 2036). The Sites and Settlements Consultation was published to give the local community an opportunity to view and comment on sites that had been promoted for future development potential. This also included the Council’s initial consideration of sites potential suitability for future development. The Parish Council response was one of around 500. The comments will be used in SKDC policies to guide future development across the district and throughout the plan period and highlight what matters to local residents and business communities. The summary report and more information can be found at [southkesteven.gov.uk/sitesandsettlements](http://southkesteven.gov.uk/sitesandsettlements). The DRAFT Local Plan is due to be published in Spring.

#### **NATIONAL CITIZEN SERVICE**

**Are you aged 16 or 17 and looking for a challenge to make a difference in your community?**

The National Citizen Service (NCS) is a scheme for young people to meet new friends, gain new skills and get involved in planning and delivering a local Social Action Project. If you would like to know more about NCS, check out their website: [www.ncsyas.co.uk](http://www.ncsyas.co.uk)

*Cllr Bev Machin, Chairman*

#### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS & DECISIONS**

S16/2511 Section 73 application to vary Conditions 5 (roof tiles), 7 (ecology recommendations) & 10 (building retention) of planning approval for S16/1641 Barn Conversion, 14 High Street, Rippingale.	Approved Conditionally
S16/2021 Erection of single storey rear extension: 15 High Street, Rippingale.	Not Yet Determined Pending Consideration

#### **FORTHCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS:**

- **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March, commencing at 7.30pm.**
- **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May Annual Parish Meeting & AGM, commencing at 7.00pm.**

Unless otherwise stated, Council Meetings are held in the Rippingale Village Hall. A full list of the Meeting Dates for 2017 can be found on the Notice board and Rippingale Village Website.

## FAITH BALAAM RIP

Justine, Naomi, Charlotte and family would like to thank all friends and neighbours for their support at this difficult time. Faith loved living in Rippingale and being part of the congregation at St Andrew's, and would have been so very touched at all the beautiful messages and cards receive. *Justine*

**NB** For those people unable to attend the Funeral, on the back of the Service booklet it said, "if desired, donations are for St Andrew's Church, Rippingale and may be placed in the Church plate or given to Faith's daughters."

Proving how Faith touched everyone's heart who knew her, the Church plate collected the magnificent sum of £468.

## ST ANDREW'S GIFT AID

The envelopes delivered with the December Newsletter have been returned to the Treasurer and the super amount of £520 has been received for the Church.

## RIPPINGALE OIL CONSORTIUM

**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.** For up-to-date local comparisons and deliveries go to [www.RippingaleVillage.co.uk/oil](http://www.RippingaleVillage.co.uk/oil) and follow the links .

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

<b>Chandlers ROC</b>	<b>43.85</b>	500+ ltrs	Delivered	11 Jan 2017
Chandlers (Web)	47.49	2000	Quote	11 Jan 2017
Boiler Juice	<b>43.60</b>	1000	Quote	11 Jan 2017
Fuel Fighter	<b>43.30</b>	1000	Quote	11 Jan 2017
Home Fuels Direct	44.30	1000	Quote	11 Jan 2017
Direct Oil	45.50	1000	Quote	11 Jan 2017
Value Oils	<b>42.50</b>	1000	Quote	11 Jan 2017

### Useful telephone numbers:

Chandlers Oil - 08456 20 20 10

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

Mole Fuel Solutions - 01603 734 110



## RIPPINGALE FEAST COMMITTEE – SOCIAL EVENTS

We are looking at various options for social events, in the lead-up to the Feast.

We are open to suggestions from village residents; if you have a good idea for an event that the community would enjoy, please contact Phil on 01778 440204 or Janet on 01778 440406.

### RIPPINGALE FEAST 2017 GRAND DRAW – Winners

The first prize of £100, to a Mr Pick, remains unclaimed. – we would appreciate any information on his whereabouts.

A complete list of all prize winners can be found on the village website, or can be supplied on request.

### RIPPINGALE FEAST 2017

After some deliberation, we have decided not to run a Beer Festival in conjunction with the Feast.

This will allow us to focus properly on the successful running of the Feast.

Feast planning is going well and we are busy looking for more attractions to provide a good afternoon's entertainment.

Weather permitting, there will be a flypast by the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight.

Our current Rose Queen, Annabelle Louise, is a finalist in the Miss World, Natural Beauty Competition, which will be judged in April 2017. Look out for her fundraising efforts; she hopes for support and backing from the village.

Annabelle's term of office will end with the 2017 Feast. In 2017, the post is open to any young lady, 18 or under.

Details on how to apply will be published in due course.

Don't forget; put Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July in your diaries. Much more news to follow!

If you would like to volunteer as a helper, please contact Phil on 01778 440204 or Janet on 01778 440406.

## **RIPPINGALE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

NEW WEBSITE: [www.Rippingalevillagehall.org](http://www.Rippingalevillagehall.org) It features pictures, lists facilities, contains booking details, rates and calendar. It also has information about regular groups and upcoming public events and functions, as well as the Committee's focus and PDF downloadable Minutes from the Committee meetings. We have also created a Rippingale Village Hall Facebook group which we hope to keep people updated with activities and Hall news through : [www.facebook.com/groups/Rippingalevillagehall](http://www.facebook.com/groups/Rippingalevillagehall) As a key community asset we're keen to see the Hall's continued use for Village groups and events. If you are hosting a public event and would like it featured on the website, please get in touch! [Info@Rippingalevillagehall.org](mailto:Info@Rippingalevillagehall.org)

HALL RENOVATION: We're also delighted to announce that the Village Hall floor has been renovated! Damaged areas have been repaired, the whole Hall sanded and treated with a hard wearing polyurethane lacquer. It means that the old dusty rough floor has been transformed. No risk of splinters and grubby knees for toddlers. Easier to keep clean and it ensures many more years before full floor replacement is needed. It look fabulous and gives the Hall a dose of love it has needed for some time.

COMMITTEE: The Village Hall is a charitable institution run as a non-profit organisation by a voluntary Management Committee. If you are interested in becoming a Committee member, think you can offer any help to keep the Hall running as smoothly as possible or have any comments or constructive feedback regarding the Hall please let in touch through the website contact form [info@rippingalevillagehall.org](mailto:info@rippingalevillagehall.org) or call the Chairperson on 441312.

THANK YOU to everyone who supports the Village Hall. Please consider using it for private functions – it's through your support that we can continue to offer this amazing space for our community.

200 CLUB – Winners for January:

£20	R Knibbs [87]			
£10	P Palmer [27]	D Suddaby [21]		
£ 5	P Palmer [78]	C Boyfield [7]	Mr/Mrs Wisker [133]	D Bates [119]

## **BALLROOM DANCING**

If anyone is interested in learning Ballroom Dancing, please let Wendy know on 441312 or E-mail [wendy7wansford@gmail.com](mailto:wendy7wansford@gmail.com)

## **VILLAGE WALKS**

The February Village Walk will take place on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February starting @ 10.15am. Meet in Irnham in front of The Griffin pub. There will be a Sausage & Mash supper or Veggie option, on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February @ 7.00pm in The Bull. We will need numbers, please telephone 077686 32189. *Mike Exton*

## **RIPPINGALE PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP**

We held our inaugural meeting on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January and will now hold meetings in The Bull Inn @ 7.30pm on the second Wednesday in the month. If you would like to know more, please 'phone or E-mail Phil Rippingale on 440204 – [philrippingale@btinternet.com](mailto:philrippingale@btinternet.com) or Phil Palmer on 07492 741139 – [pjpracer@hotmail.com](mailto:pjpracer@hotmail.com) for further details.

## **RIPPINGALE FRIENDSHIP CLUB**

To round off the end of 2016 we all enjoyed a coach trip to Skipton Christmas Market. Lots of shopping and a nice lunch made it a good day for all, including those who took a canal trip! Our Annual Christmas meal took place at the Hare & Hounds in Hacconby and thanks to Derrick and Mary we had a very enjoyable time. We now have a brand new programme for 2017 starting on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February from 1.30pm – 4.30pm. Soup and a roll £1.50.

**FOR ADVERTISING IN THIS NEWSLETTER** Please go to: [bevm@warnersgroup.co.uk](mailto:bevm@warnersgroup.co.uk)

## **AND FINALLY**

Notice seen on a church Notice Board: *If you would like to speak with God, come inside. If you wish to meet him then text whilst driving.*

## **DEADLINE FOR MARCH 2017 NEWSLETTER – WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2017**

Any items for the Group Magazine "Village Life" as soon as possible please [mary-morgan@Sky.com](mailto:mary-morgan@Sky.com)

**Items for the Rippingale Village Website – please go to [www.rippingalevillage.co.uk](http://www.rippingalevillage.co.uk) or follow any of the "Contact Us" links in the website and use the "Email" link.  
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