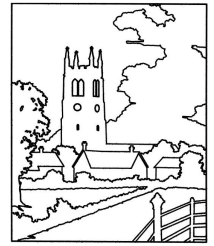




RIPPINGDALE NEWS

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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Priest in Charge The Revd Dr Lynda Pugh - 46a High Street, Morton, PE10 0NR Tel: [01778] 571841
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Please see the church notice board for this month's services.

Coffee Morning - St Andrews Church Rippingdale Tuesday 4th April 2017: We are still missing Lorna but she is a lot better and managed to see her first game of cricket on the first day of the season! Heating is now complete and we are very grateful to the Gibbons family for their generosity in giving all the money collected from Valerie Manderson funeral to go towards the heating a big thank you. We had a very encouraging attendance with hot cross scones and the usual home made goodies to go with the coffee. A big thank you to Janet Ashworth for giving us knitted Chicks with an Easter Egg inside which were all sold with funds going to the Church. No two coffee mornings are ever the same always lots of different items to purchase whether its fresh local vegetables, cakes, jams, pickles, pies you can never tell. This all makes our mornings so good with a lovely atmosphere and we are very grateful to all who attend especially the helpers and look forward to meeting fresh faces. A warm welcome is assured. So please come and see us old or new on Tuesday 2nd May 2017 10.15 onwards. If transport is a problem don't hesitate to contact me.

Church now unlocked during the day.

Church Flowers A big thank you to all our flower ladies in making the Church look so beautiful for Easter. At the moment there are some weekends not covered so if you could put some flowers in St Andrews please put your name and Telephone number on the rota at the rear of the Church no expertise required.

Church Quiz Saturday 13th May 2017 in the Village Hall 7.30 start. £8 per head with Ploughman's. Teams of up to 6 per table but please come along as we can make up teams on the night. This is being conducted by new Question Masters and I am assured that even I may be able to answer the questions. Tickets available from Katrina Agnew 01778 440251 or myself and any PCC member.

Devotional Service Good Friday Well attended with people commenting what a moving atmosphere was created. Thank you Margret Barton. Family Service Easter Sunday It's seeing all these families attending makes all the hard work so worthwhile with lessons read by Robyn and Merryn with the Easter Candle lit by Caspar Baldock. We had our Egg Hunt with nobody going away empty handed! Thank you Anthony, Frank and Marijke

Jonathan Newell (Churchwarden) 01778 441211

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS: Clerk – Michelle Free; clerk@rpcouncil.co.uk
Stamford House 4 Blasson Way, Billingborough Lincolnshire NG34 0NL

Message for Dog Owners. There are many responsible dog owners in our village but unfortunately a few are letting the side down. Yet again we have had to remind some owners that **Dogs are NOT permitted on the Jubilee Playing Field.** This is a community space that should be safe (and clean) for children and residents to use. There are many footpaths that provide 'cut through' access across the village; you do not need to make a shortcut through the Playing Field with your dog. Please remember that it is against the law for a dog to be out of control ANYWHERE (including public places and private property). A dog can be considered out of control if it makes someone worried that it might injure them. Please be respectful of other residents and remember that not everyone likes dogs. The Road Traffic Act 1988 states that anyone who causes or permits a dog to be on a designated road without the dog being on a lead is guilty of an offence. Please ensure that your dog is on a lead when being walked around the village roads and pavements.
Dog owners remember: **Keep your dogs on the lead, off the playing field and pick up the poo!**
Residents, please report the offenders to the Parish Clerk, SKDC or the Bourne & Neighbourhood Policing Team as required, and help stop the minority spoiling our village for the majority.

Message for Parents. Some children have been caught playing on top of the storage container in the Jubilee Playing Field. This is dangerous practice and could result in serious injury. This antisocial behaviour has been reported to the Police and must stop.

SKDC Local Plan to 2036. As you know, South Kesteven District Council is preparing a new Local Plan, which will set out the policies which will guide development throughout the district. The plan will also identify land which is suitable for housing, employment and other uses over the period until 2036. This plan will replace the three documents which currently form our development plan. There are a number of stages involved in devising the Local Plan, with the last one being the Sites and Settlements Survey last summer, which published a map showing proposed areas for development as with planning permission, or either less or more constrained. The areas in Rippingale were all identified as 'more constrained for development'. Based on the responses to this survey, and other work, SKDC are in the process of council will produce a **draft local plan for public consultation** on the **22 May 2017**. The consultation will run for six weeks, **closing at 5pm on 3 July**. The documents will be available to view online at www.southkesteven.gov.uk and at a number of road shows across the district, including: Bourne on Thursday 25th May in the Market from 10am to 3pm then at the Corn Exchange from 5pm to 7.30pm; then in Grantham on Saturday 10th June 10am to 2pm in the Market and Friday 23rd June in the Isaac Newton/Morrisons Shopping Centre from 10am to 4pm.

Lincolnshire Alerts. This a website and email system run by Lincolnshire Police that keeps you up-to-date on what is happening in your local area. This includes local crimes, any scams, road closure notices, events such as Police open offices and free security making workshops. To sign up, all you need to do is go to www.lincolnshirealert.co.uk, enter your postcode and select the areas you would like to receive notifications for. Alternatively you can phone **01522 558 399**. **Links to any key messages pertinent to Rippingale are also placed on the village website.**

Annual Meeting & AGM. On the 18th of this month we will hold our AGM and Annual Meeting. For anyone who hasn't been before, the Chairman's report will round up what has been a very busy and changeable year, and set the priorities for the coming year. The councillor roles for the coming year will be allocated and there will be a short agenda of essential routine business, including the approval of the FY2016/17 Accounts.

This will be my last as Chairman as I am handing over the reins to one of the other councillors, who will be elected at the meeting. We have a strong Council and I look forward to supporting the next Chairman in taking the Parish Council forward.

Following the meeting, your councillors will be on hand to hear your views and ideas for the village, and would welcome your feedback. The kettle will be on so we hope to see you there.

Cllr Bev Machin, Chairman

Planning Applications - Pending & Decisions

S17/0326 – Change of use (shop and dwelling to dwelling). Post Office, 5 Middle Street, Rippingale	Refused
S17/0289 – Retention of Portacabin and storage container. JPF, Pinfold Close, Rippingale	Approved

Forthcoming Council Public Meetings

- **Thursday 27th July & Thursday 28th September**

Unless otherwise stated, Council Meetings commence at 7.30pm in the Rippingale Village Hall.

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 and follow the links .

Nb: Once again Chandlers quoted 'Express Delivery' prices in their 'quote' email instead of 'routine' delivery prices giving a misleading price comparison.

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

Chandlers ROC	39.05	500+ ltrs	Delivered	5 April 2017
Chandlers (Web)	41.99	2000	Quote	5 April 2017
Boiler Juice	38.00	1000	Quote	5 April 2017
Fuel Fighter	39.50	1000	Quote	5 April 2017
Home Fuels Direct	39.99	1000	Quote	5 April 2017
Direct Oil	41.25	1000	Quote	5 April 2017
Value Oils	39.00	1000	Quote	5 April 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 PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP

By the time you read this, the photography group will have had their first field trip, to Lincoln. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 10th May, 7:30pm in the Bull Inn's meeting room. For more information about the group, please phone or email Phil Rippingale on 440204 – philrippingale@btinternet.com or Phil Palmer on 07492 741139 - pjpracer@hotmail.com

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RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Our recent visit was to Swines' Meadow Nursery, Market Deeping, PE6 8LQ run by Colin and Karen Ward. The weather was inclement but the visit was enjoyed by all who attended. Colin gave a most informative talk of the plants in the woodland garden, all hardy to our climate but rare and unusual. The Nursery was open and many bought plants seen on that evening. Excellent refreshments were served by Karen in the lecture room and Colin extended his talk, to include plant health and after care. Members extolled his advice from experience, of the products recommended. We are so lucky to have a gem of a Nursery right on our door step.

The next meeting is on 10 May, 2017 at 6.30p.m. to the home of Ms Faulconbridge, 5 Burton Lane, Whatton in the Vale, NG13 9EQ. The charge for the meeting is £5 to include refreshments. *Elizabeth Forman, Club Secretary*

The Club is having a Plant Sale & Open Gardens at 8 & 10 Wendover Close on Sunday 21st May @ 11.00am – 4.00pm. Refreshments available and entrance to garden £2.00. *Chris Bladon*

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RIPPINGALE & DISTRICT WI

This month we had a terrific sing-a-long with the Bourne ladies choir called The Tuneless Choir, with wonderful leaders Linda and Kenny. We were provided with song sheets and we sang a total of eight "Very Tuneful" songs finishing with a wonderful rendition of Jerusalem. Our regular meeting followed with our "smallest piece of jewellery" competition and raffle, correspondence and general notices. During our refreshments time we were able to see on a tablet screen the Digital Storytelling of the activities Rippingale & District WI participate in throughout a year and what the WI is all about. This 2 minute video was entered in the Elizabeth Bell Trophy, a national competition and did unbelievably well coming fourth out of all our members entries.

As our April meeting is our AGM we elected three new committee members and President Michele was voted in for another year. We were all so very happy she chose to stay in the role she has carried out so well. Along with the Treasurer's Report, the Secretary's and President Michele's Report, our Vice President gave a very informative report on her attendance at the Spring Council 2017 Meeting, held at Springfields, Spalding in March.

Events for our diaries: Craft Club, Tues 18th April, charm bracelets, -Tues. 16th May, box cards, Rippingale Village Hall 2.00 - 4.00pm, - Can Farming survive Brexit? Wed. 5th July, - Screddington Community Centre. 10.00am - 3.30pm - Quiz evening, Fri. 7th July, Quadring. 7.30pm - Willoughby Group Meeting, Tues. 10th Oct. "Rippingale, The Home of the Archers"

Please note, Next meeting will be on Thursday 11th May (due to Elections) at 7.30pm in Rippingale Village Hall. The topic; "Resolutions", with supper.

For further information please contact President Michele Joint on 01778 440368 or e-mail radwi@btinternet.com

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RIPPINGALE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The club members and friends enjoyed a trip to the beautiful city of Ely with it's magnificent cathedral and pretty river frontage, shops of all descriptions and a good market too. We all came back with bargains of some sort! The meetings for May are on 10th and 24th and our coach trip is on Wednesday 17th which is a Mystery Tour at a cost of £16 members and £19 non members there maybe an extra charge but as its a mystery tour I have no idea what for! Pick up points are Billingborough, Pointon, Rippingale, Morton and Bourne. To book or for more details about the club please contact Audrey on 01529 241358. New members are very welcome. *Carol Mason*

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LOOSE ENDS

As you will remember we held a Table Top Sale on Sunday April 2nd, I just wanted to say a big thank you to everyone who helped and everyone who came to buy. We had a lovely day and raised over £270 for our charity Motor Neurons Disease. Our next event is on Sunday 21st May 10-2pm in Rippingale Village Hall this event is for handmade crafts only so come along and see what our local crafter's are making and pick up a wonderful handmade gift for a special person or why not treat yourself! As usual there will be a raffle and refreshments available. At the time of writing there are only 2 tables left to book so if your quick you might get one. Please contact Carol 441386 for details. *Carol Mason*

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RIPPINGALE VILLAGE HALL

Rippingale Village Hall "200" Club - The Management Committee would like to say a very big thank you to all who have continued to support the above.

Our meeting scheduled for April is not until the end of the month at which time we will carry out both the April and May draws. Ballroom Dancing - we look forward to welcoming newcomers who would like to learn to ballroom dance on a Monday evening 7 - 8.30 p.m.

Lighting - all the lights in the hall have now been changed to LEDs, less maintenance, brighter lights more cost effective. *Wendy Gray, Chairman*

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VILLAGE WALKS.

This month's walk will take place on Thursday 18th May. It will start from The Hare & Hounds at 7.00pm sharp. If you park in the pub car park, please park next to the fence at the far end from the entrance. This will be the third attempt to experience this walk – the two previous attempts were rained off. Here's hoping. For any queries, please contact Derek Diess on 440063.

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RIPPINGALE PAINTING GROUP

If there is anyone in our village or the surrounding villages that would like to learn to use watercolours, and to paint in watercolours, then please come along to our friendly group and join up to be a part of it. We get together on Tuesday evenings from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. We have a midway refreshment break with tea or coffee and proper home baked cakes. So.....if you feel tempted then just come along and bring your paints etc. If you would like to hear a bit more about us, then ring Graham on 440662. We look forward to seeing you.

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RIPPINGALE FEAST EVENT – A GENUINE BAVARIAN MOCKTOBERFEST – SATURDAY 17 JUNE

Have you got your tickets yet, for this Bavarian extravaganza? Don't delay as they will go quickly. We expect a fantastic night with lots of fun! The fashion police will turn a blind eye if you want to wear Lederhosen... This is a Bavarian-style Oktoberfest, with music provided by an excellent Oompah band, Keller Kapella. It's on Saturday 17th June at the Village Hall and doors open 7:30 for an 8:00pm start. Tickets are £10 per person and the price includes a German-themed buffet. To order tickets, please contact either Phil Rippingale on 01778 440204 or Chris Petz on 01778 440444.

RIPPINGALE FEAST 2017 – SATURDAY 1ST JULY

Not long to go now!! During May, you will receive a Feast flyer, with details of the W.I. Feast competitions, an application form for the 2017 Rose Queen and details of other Feast Day Competitions, activities and events. We are busy making contact with owners of classic cars and other interesting vehicles for the opening Parade. In addition to the W.I. competitions, we will have tug-of-war and egg-catching events, slow bicycle races, Fancy Dress and decorated bike competitions. We have a marching band, The Spalding Marching Ambassadors, attending, who will also be in the parade! As mentioned last month, weather permitting, we will have, from the Battle of Britain Memorial flight, a Spitfire, a Hurricane AND the Lancaster! There will be a good selection of food and drink available during the afternoon. We are asking for volunteers on our Marquee erection days, which are Tuesday June 27th, 2:00pm onwards, and Wednesday 28th June, all day, with bacon butties served at midday! We also really want to hear from anyone who can lend a hand for an hour or two on Feast afternoon, so if you're happy to volunteer for light duties, please contact Phil on 01778 440204 or Janet on 01778 440406.

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GET TO KNOW YOUR VILLAGE

Join a special Bull Inn Walk on Tuesday May 9 at 1pm led by landlord John Smith for about 4 km. We'll go right from the pub, then left down Middle Street, turning right at the T-junction onto Station Street, all the way down, over the B1177, to the railway station. Then it's reverse tracks, back up Station Street, then turning left on to East Street, opposite the old Doctor's surgery, following round the bend, then left again on Doctor's lane, round the corner, to turn right onto the signposted footpath, back to East Street and back up the the pub, where soup and sandwiches will be served. Jim Latham will be pausing occasionally to briefly tell the histories of our PoW camp, our old Butter Cross, the old village water pump, the Dovecot, a PoW ghost story, the railway station, our Roman Canal and our forgotten Antarctic hero, with copies of photos, maps and documents. Come and join us

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AND FINALLY

At the time of writing Mary has had a fall but is now home from hospital. I am replacing her 'And Finally' funny with this paragraph wishing her well and a speedy recovery as I'm sure we all do.

Apologies to anyone or any group that has sent in an article for publication and it has not appeared. We have had to retrieve what we can and have put this addition of the newsletter together with what we can find. Some entries may have got missed. – John Warman, editor on Mary's behalf.

DEADLINE FOR JUNE 2017 NEWSLETTER – MONDAY 15th MAY 2017

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 or follow any of the "Contact Us" links in the website and use the "Email" link.
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