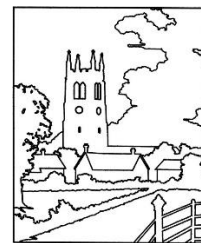




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We will keep you posted by notices and social media etc
Subject to us not falling victim to this virus and if you feel the Church/Rev Neil Bullen, Jonathan or Sue can help please do not hesitate to contact even if it's just to have a chat.
If you Google The Ringstone in Aveland Group of Parishes there are numerous links which will help you keep up to speed and even join us for services on line.

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Village Hall Comedy Night - Ali James. As we had to cancel 28th March this has now provisionally been rescheduled for Saturday 3rd October 2020 - hopefully by then we may be able to go out again and enjoy ourselves.

Village Hall 200 Club. Hopefully once we are able to go out, I will call round to collect subs - thank you to those of you who have already paid. Once all monies are in, we will arrange draw(s) i.e. draw April/May. Thank you to those who have already paid.

Allotment Group. For allotment holders that have still to pay their subs would be grateful if you would put subs in envelope and post through my letterbox (13 Dovecote). If you wish to pay online details are (Barclays Bank, Sort Code 20-80-78, Account No. 10790273). Thank you to those who have already paid.

Village Walks. Please note that no monthly Sunday walk will be arranged until further notice, kind regards
Derek Diess – 01778 440063

Clare's Exercise Class. Once Lockdown is lifted, I am going to be offering exercise classes on a Tuesday evening 7-8pm in Rippingale Village Hall at the cost of £1 for those who are struggling financially due to the coronavirus and have been unable to exercise. Please let others know about this class. If you are interested, please give me a call. This will enable me to see how many want to take up this offer when the village hall reopens. Tel. Clare - 01778 423351

VE Day – Ticket Refunds. It is appreciated that during the current isolation period it is difficult to visit members of the VE Day committee to obtain your cash refund. Please be assured that your ticket is proof of your eligibility and will be valid until 1st July 2020. If the pandemic extends beyond this date, the refund date will be adjusted accordingly.

For those people who can arrange to visit, at a sensible distance, please call either; Chris Petz on - 440444 or John Kimbrey on - 440873 respectively. Please ensure you present your tickets.
Thank you, John Kimbrey Committee Chairman

Nature Notes During Lockdown. Communing with nature brings a great source of comfort and can significantly contribute to maintaining your mental wellbeing during these difficult times. If you are lucky enough to be allowed to leave your home, then Rippingale affords some fabulous walks on which our beautiful countryside and abundant wildlife can be enjoyed, more of which later.

If you are completely locked down, then you will be amazed by how much wildlife you can find in your garden. We have a relatively large garden managed (or mismanaged some would argue!) to enhance its wildlife value. It has been wonderful seeing spring unfold in the garden with native plants such as Lesser Celandine and Early Dog Violet flowering throughout March and many other species appearing in April. We have planted some native wildflowers too and Primroses, Cowslips and Snakes-head Fritillary complement the cultivated plants in our borders.

Like many birders I am now keeping a lockdown bird list of those seen in and over the garden. This has now passed forty species including the first Chiffchaff on the 20th of March and regular sightings of Buzzards, Red Kites and even Ravens overhead.

The sunny weather has brought out the butterflies which include the stunning yellow Brimstones as well as up to four tiny Holly Blues at any one time. Bees are also in evidence with Buff-tailed Bumblebees and Red Mason Bees observed.

Our ponds are also hosting wildlife and one designated for wildlife only was boiling with spawning frogs in March. They are now tadpoles and have been joined by Smooth Newts and other aquatic species. Whilst weeding the pond, I came across the nymph of a Southern Hawker Dragonfly fully two inches long! I also found some Toad spawn in our fishpond.

If you can get out for your daily exercise, then walks are available in all directions from Rippingale. Now that Messers Dorrington have kindly, temporarily opened the old railway track between Rippingale Station and Dunsby Gatehouse there is a lovely circular walk available to all, taking in the top end of our fens as well as rolling pastures off Doctors Lane.

More on local wildlife can be found on www.countryeye.org.uk or you can find my photographs on Facebook or follow me on twitter @IPMisselbrook.

Ian Misselbrook

Parish Council News

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Coronavirus Support. Rippingale Parish Council is supporting the operation of a Village Coronavirus Support Group, who are affiliated to Lincolnshire County Council and South Kesteven District Council support networks. This group of local volunteers has commenced assisting vulnerable and elderly residents who are self-isolating due to COVID-19. This help includes picking up supplies, posting mail, collecting prescriptions, gardening and assistance with pets. The volunteers are also there for a friendly phone call. If you need help or support please contact the volunteer co-ordinators on: 07856986251 and leave your name, address and phone number so one of the volunteers can call you back. Alternatively email: suemcharlton@gmail.com, erica.j.fl@gmail.com and katelewis162@hotmail.co.uk. Additional financial and material support may also be available via Lincolnshire Resilience Forum, via www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/coronavirus or 01522 782189.

Rippingale and Dowsby Neighbourhood Plan. Work on the Plan has been suspended subject to the progress combatting the Coronavirus pandemic. The Plan remains under consideration by the Parish Councils; once this is concluded then the next stage is for the completed Plan to be reviewed by South Kesteven District Council. The local referendum on its adoption will probably be delayed, pending new guidance from central government. The Plan, if adopted, will be the local document on which future planning applications will be considered and should guide development proposals. If you wish to contribute to this process in anyway, please contact me.

Grass cutting. Our grass cutting contractor has commenced his duties, on Parish designated areas, such as the playing field and village green. This will remain subject to his availability during these testing times. Thank you to all residents who have a verge in front of their properties outside their boundaries and have commenced cutting them.

Vacancy for a Parish Councillor. There is currently a vacancy for a Parish Councillor. If you are interested in making a difference in YOUR village, and would like greater information, please contact any Councillor or the Clerk. To be eligible, you must be over 18, on the electoral role and have lived or worked within 3 miles of the parish for at least 12 months.

Parish Councillor contact details and responsibilities

Chairman: Cllr Chris Charlton 440986/07908 540683 or chairmanrpc@gmail.com: Welcome Pack; Rippingale News & Council Newsletter; Funding & Grant Applications; Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Shaun Charlton 07802 170801 or shaun.charlton4@btinternet.com: Liaison, Row Gardens Allotments, Village Contracts; Key Holder: Jubilee Playing Field Portacabin

Cllr Erica Field-Lucas 440738/07907 017722 or erica.fl@hotmail.co.uk : Liaison, Village Hall Management Committee; Liaison, Row Gardens Allotments; Defibrillator Maintenance

Cllr Alan Vaughan 440056/07966 584568 or vaughanlinc@btinternet.com: Jubilee Playing Field Maintenance; Jubilee Playing Field Equipment Project

Cllr Peter Moseley 07855 428648 or pete@cwi-technical.co.uk: Flood Warden & Emergency Plan Coordinator; Environmental.

Mr Chris Charlton, Chairman

Meetings

Meetings are currently suspended although an online meeting procedure is being investigated.	Thursday 14 May 2020 Annual Parish Meeting and Council AGM Village Hall	Thursday 11 June 2020 General Meeting St Andrew's Church
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Meetings to be held at **7.00 pm** unless otherwise stated.

See the Council Noticeboard and Website for the Agenda and details of any changes.

Latest Planning Applications (view at www.southkesteven.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=8170):

<p>S19/1868 Application for retention of the Portacabin at the Jubilee Playing Field – pending</p> <p>S19/1993 Application for the erection of a single-storey and two-storey extension to the existing dwelling, erection of a new detached double garage and garden outbuilding at Glebe House, Barn Farm, Station Street- pending</p>
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Garden bonfires, the rules. Following several complaints, I think it opportune to highlight the following. There are no laws against having a bonfire, but there are laws for the nuisance they can cause. You cannot get rid of household waste if it will cause pollution or harm people's health. This includes burning it. This is especially relevant during the Coronavirus pandemic when people's breathing could be affected. You could be fined if you light a fire and allow the smoke to drift across the road and become a danger to traffic. Our District Council can issue an 'abatement notice' if a neighbour's bonfire is causing a nuisance. A bonfire must happen frequently to be considered a nuisance; there is an avenue to highlight concerns to South Kesteven District Council via <http://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=11228> A fine up to £5,000 can be issued if the rules of the notice are not followed.

Please submit entries by the 14th of the month to the Editor: Jamie Petch at rippingalenevents@hotmail.com
Items for the Village Website: Please mark your email 'Website' and send to
SeeParishes.Lincolnshire@gov.uk/Rippingale for T&Cs