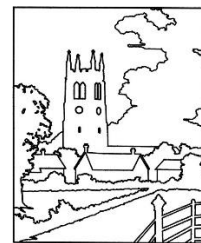




Rippingale News

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WHERE WERE YOU ON 8TH MAY 1945?

The Rippingale VE Day Committee invites contributions from members of the community, (for those old enough to remember), what you were doing on VE Day, 8th May 1945. It may be a special party in a big City or a street party in a rural community. Either way, we would love to hear about it...

If you have that special memory, please contact; Jim Latham on tel; 01778 440075 or e mail;

fenman4648@yahoo.co.uk

All contributions will be written up and displayed with photographs, if available, at the celebration dance in St Andrews Church Rippingale on the big day. Thank You

VE DAY QUIZ NIGHT

Rippingale Village Hall, Saturday 14th December 7.00pm for 7.30pm start
£12.00 per table Max four people per table Book your table at

clm.electronics@btinternet.com

Prizes, Raffle, cash Bar Bring your own nibbles

Nature in and around Rippingale Winter 2019/2020. Hardly a tractor wheel turned in our area from the middle of September throughout the autumn due to the exceptionally wet weather. Yet we have seen some spells of sunshine. In fact, on remembrance Sunday, I watched a Red Admiral butterfly flitting among the gravestones whilst we gathered to remember the fallen.

Winter visitors began to arrive in numbers during October. The thin calls of Redwings, thrushes that breed in Scandinavia could be heard on clearer nights as these birds migrate during the hours of darkness. By day they can be seen devouring the abundant berries of hawthorn and other hedgerow shrubs or maybe feeding on worms and other invertebrates in paddocks. I watched a flock of about 60 birds in Rippingale Fen one morning along with a handful of their much larger cousins; Fieldfares. Continental Blackbirds, Robins, Jays and Goldcrests also augment our resident population of these species.

This morning I watched a female Blackcap in one of our bird baths, We used to think that these warblers were the same birds that nest in our woodlands and gardens but ringing studies have indicated that our birds have continued to migrate south and the birds that winter here probably nested in Germany and further east.

Less welcome in my garden are the Brown Rats that come in from the fields after harvest and the Grey Squirrels that have honed their ability to destroy my bird feeders. We have also been burdened by sleepy wasps which have found a way in to our house from their beautifully constructed nest in our loft.

Look out for raptors such as Merlin, Hen Harriers and Short-eared Owls. All can be seen on our coast but usually a few find their way to our local fens during the winter months.

More nature notes can be found on www.countryeye.org.uk, Ian Misselbrook

Village Walk. This month's walk will take place on Sunday 15th December. The starting point will be the public carpark in Eastgate Sleaford at 10.15am sharp. Any queries please contact me on 01778 440 063 thank you Derek Diess.

Hospital Car Service. As the co-ordinator of this service I am seeking two people to join the team of volunteer drivers. You should be in possession of a full driving licence, have full comprehensive vehicle insurance and if required a valid MOT certificate. If the idea of helping the service to continue appeals to you then please contact me on 01778 440063, I will be happy to answer any questions you may have.
Thank you, Derek Diess.

Brownies. Do you have a daughter aged 5-6 years old? We are looking to open a Rainbow unit in Pointon Express an interest by emailing us at pointonguiding@outlook.com or phoning 01529 241658 Maria Fryer

RIPPINGALE PCC 200 CLUB WINNERS NOVEMBER 2019

£20 Mr C Thompson, £101, £10 Mrs Glynys Petz, £10 Mrs Debbie Morgan, £5 Mr Ian Johnson £5 Mr Michael Bell, £5 Mrs Karen Charlton, £5 Mrs Bryony Harrison.

Rippingale & District WI report for meeting on November 7th. So many members braved the dreadfully wet evening to attend our craft evening. With a slight change to the advertised programme, we all came away with a very festive table decoration. The demonstration was given by Elizabeth Venn from South Lincolnshire Federation, who made the step by step process seem so easy.

After the welcome break for refreshments, our President Jeannie brought us up to date with how the recent fund raiser of the Race Night went. Although it entailed a lot of hard work, mostly by Jeannie herself, we were all thrilled at the huge amount raised for our WI funds. Members had baked and prepared the wonderful buffet on the night, but our grateful thanks also go to the following sponsors: - The Elusive Black Dog Ceilidh Band; Sparkles of Billingborough; A Coupland (Surfacing) Ltd; Nelson M. Green & Sons Ltd; North Shoes Ltd; The Bull Inn Rippingale.

Our programme secretary Gillian advised us that the forthcoming years programme is coming together and should be announced soon, but also asked us for our thoughts on possible outings or theatre trips that we might like to do next year. As some of the committee will be standing down next year, including our President, we have been asked to think about volunteering to join the committee which can be both rewarding and fun.

Birthdays for November were announced along with competition and raffle winners. We were advised of the arrangements for our December meeting when we will be having some entertainment. The competition will be 'something Christmassy beginning with S'

If you would like to make new friends and have an entertaining evening, please come along to our next meeting on December 5th 7.30pm at Rippingale Village Hall.

Loose Ends Crafting Group. Well by the time you read this we will be winding down for 2019, we are having a felting workshop on Friday 6th and our last day will be Friday 13th December when we will as usual have our Christmas bring and share and receive our secret Santa gifts. We have had a good year several new members who have become regulars, lots of fun and new things learnt and skills exchanged. If you fancy joining us in 2020 we resume on Friday 10th January 10am – 1pm I can be contacted on 441386. All that's left for me to do is wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a healthy and joyful New Year.
Carol

Rippingale and District Friendship Club. Our last meeting for 2019 is on Wednesday 4th December and we return on Wednesday 12th February at 2pm in Rippingale village hall so if you are over 50 and would like to make some new friends why not join us. We meet fortnightly on a Wednesday and enjoy various quizzes and games, we also enjoy several coach trips to both town, country and seaside which are open to non-members, using A & P Coaches who pick up at Billingborough, Pointon, Rippingale, Morton and Bourne. For more information please contact Audrey 01529 241358 or pop in to meet us when we return in February. All that is left for me to do is to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year. Audrey

Clare's Exercise Class. Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas and to let you know we finish for this year on Wednesday 18th December and return on January 8th at 12 noon in Rippingale village hall. We hope to welcome new members to our unique class which focuses on exercises set to music to help keep the more mature men and women flexible and is suitable for anyone with arthritis or recovering from surgery in need of gentle stretching exercises. For more information contact Clare 423351

Parish Council News

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Rippingale and Dowsby Neighbourhood Plan. Work by the Steering Group has seen the completion of the drafting of the policies, to form the basis of the Plan. These are with the Consultant for review. They are backed up by supporting maps and necessary discipline assessments. Consultation meetings with residents and interested groups commenced with a presentation to the Business Breakfast club on 21 November. Funding has been received to complete the Plan's implementation process. The Plan, when 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 or contact Mike Hallas, the Project Manager, via mike.hallas@btinternet.com.

Points of Contact. I have had queries regarding a number of issues concerning fly tipping, street lighting and flooding. The County Council have responsibility for highway issues and drain blockage; most street lighting concerning us is the responsibility of the District Council, as is fly tipping. These issues, and others, can be reported via the County and District Councils' portals. These are:

Lincolnshire County Council: <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/transport-and-roads>

South Kesteven County Council: <http://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=8953>

Theft. The Police have informed us of a number of incidents which have seen the theft locally of attractive articles from cars, sheds and outbuildings. You are advised not to leave such articles in cars and to place articles in buildings etc which are fully secure at all times.

Parish Councillor contact details and responsibilities

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

Vice Chairman: Cllr Simon Goode 440990/07774 327466 or simongoode@ymail.com: Finance Supervisor: Representative, Police Forum

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 Steve Warcup 440704 or stevegwarcup@gmail.com: Liaison Feast Organising Committee: Liaison, Rippingale Parochial Church Council (PCC)

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

Mr Chris Charlton, Chairman

Meetings

Tuesday 10 December 2019* General Meeting Village Hall	Thursday 16 January 2020* Precept and Budget Approval Village Hall at 7.00pm	Thursday 13 February 2020 General Meeting Village Hall
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***changed dates**

Meetings to be held at 7.30pm 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):

S19/1414 Application for lawful development certificate for erection of single storey rear extension to 15 Pinfold Close – approved
S19/1527 Application for the erection of timber framed garage/store at 10 East Street – approved
S19/1782 Application for a single storey extension at Chaff Houses, High Street – pending
S19/1920 Application for outline planning to erect a single storey dwelling to the rear of 22 High Street - pending

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FUTURE SERVICES

SUNDAY DECEMBER 13TH 9.15AM SUNG EUCHARIST
SUNDAY DECEMBER 22ND 4PM CHRISTINGLE
TUESDAY DECEMBER 24TH 11.30PM MIDNIGHT MASS
SUNDAY JANUARY 12TH 9.15AM SUNG EUCHARIST
SUNDAY JANUARY 19TH 10.30AM PLOUGH SUNDAY GROUP SERVICE

HALLOWEEN/CHRISTINGLE. On Halloween night over 40 well-mannered children visited us for “trick or treat”. How lovely it would be to see these children and parents at the Christingle Service on Sunday 22nd December at 4pm (Collection goes to the Children Society)

COFFEE MORNING. Rippingale never ceases to amaze me (perhaps it's me) but this last coffee morning the weather was wet and gloomy, and I was not expecting too many people. I think we may have had a record turnout and although it was gloomy outside inside it was the complete opposite. The vegetables continue to be first class and if there are any particular vegetables you want for Christmas let me know. We were missing our regular staff so a very big thank you to everybody that helped to fill the gap considering how busy we were. Didn't they do well!

Next Coffee Morning Tuesday 3rd December 10.30am with a hint of Christmas

Everybody is very welcome. Transport problem contact Jonathan 441211

Please note that there will be **NO** Coffee Morning in January our first one of 2020 will be *Tuesday 4th February*

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY. The weather was kind, so we were able to all stand around the War Memorial without getting wet or too cold. Many thanks to all of you who contributed to the event in making it so special, for young and people of more senior years. The service was led by Paul Hardingham many thanks to him and also Stanley Watson who played the last post on his trumpet. It was great to have such a good turnout and as a result we were able to give the British Legion £331.00

CHANCEL ROOF. It is now a year since we had our temporary roof put on. This will only last another year so hopefully by then we will have enough funds to finish the job off (£57,000) We are still trying to get grants as well as doing our own fund raising. We are very fortunate because from time to time individuals inject money into our Roof Fund and we are truly very grateful. By the time you read this letter we will have our Bottled Beer (**RESTORATION**) available to buy in readiness for Christmas. This has very kindly been organised by John & Louise Smith of the Bull. All profits are going to the roof and can be ordered or collected from the Bull or speak to any of us involved with the Church. Its brewed locally by the Hopshackle Brewery in Market Deeping. This beer is a Barley Wine easy drinking and very “more-ish” We will be contacting the Local Press and more as we don't know of any other Churches which have done the same thing. (Jonathan Newell & Sue Atkinson Churchwardens)

Please submit entries by the 16th of the month to the Editor: Jamie Petch at rippingalenews@hotmail.com or via 0780809 4317

Items for the Village Website: Please mark your email 'Website' and send to See
Parishes.Lincolnshire@gov.uk/Rippingale for T&Cs