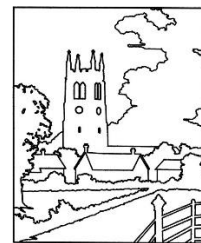




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FUTURE SERVICES

Sunday 12th May Sung Eucharist 9.15am

Sunday 28th May Group Eucharist 10.30am AT DUNSBY

Coffee Morning. Although it was a bit cold outside it was a lovely warm atmosphere inside. We had a raffle for our Hamper which was kindly given to us by **Halls Garage of Morton**, many thanks.

We are fortunate that there is still a good selection of fresh vegetables still available for you to buy and numerous other interesting items. So please come and see us a warm welcome is assured.

Transport always available for Coffee Morning don't hesitate to contact me. We are looking forward to see you **Tuesday 7th May** in the Church - Jonathan 01778 441211 - Sue 01778 440809 - Churchwardens

PCC Annual Parish Church Meeting. Considering how much the Church is an important part of the community it was a little disappointing we did not have more people from the village to come and express their views and ideas. Below are a few extracts from the Churchwarden Report which you may find of interest.

Church Roof. Just to recap briefly what was a £40,000 job developed into £114,000. This has been split into 2 Phases. Thanks to the generosity of local people in giving donations and helping with fund raising plus some more grants Phase 1 has been completed leaving us with a temporary roof and Phase 2 being another £56,000 to find to complete the job. Grant funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund is in the process of being applied for with help from Lincoln Diocese. To succeed with the grant, we must be seen in making the Church more available to the Community. This can be done by possibly having information boards within the Church giving a history of the parish through the centuries. The idea being we are encouraging people near and far to visit. We must also try to have functions so our Coffee Mornings is a good box to be ticked but other activities must be encouraged. Making the Church available for meetings and village organisations to use.

Churchyards. We have had our Annual tidy up this year and also lowered the Yew Trees by the War memorial and the main porch. This has made a real beneficial difference to the immediate areas around the said trees. We also trimmed up the trees in the cemetery. It is our intention to paint the railings at the cemetery when the weather improves. I must convey my thanks to a very hard-working gang of volunteers also to Eric Jessop giving us a place to tip the rubbish, and Shaun Carlton for supplying a Tractor and Trailer. Currently 4 Victorian style street lamps are being installed along the Church path running East To West. Hopefully this will be completed by the middle of May. This project has been implemented by the Parish Council and paid for by generous members of the parish.

We the Church are always looking for people to come and join us to help on our PCC "Many hands make light work" so if you can spare any time please have a chat with us of the possibilities.

St Andrews 200 Club April 2019 Winners

£20(169) Mrs D PINKNEY, £10 (192) Dr BONNIE SMART, £10 (43) Mrs GAYLE HYLAND
£5 (102) Mrs Annete Haris, £10 (121) Mrs HEATHER ROWNTREE
£10 (162) I JOHNSON, £10 (57) Mrs JULIE WISKER

MEN IN SHEDS. A few of us in the village thought that this might be a good idea. The definition of “Men in Sheds” is briefly;

“A place to pursue practical interests at leisure, to practice skills and enjoy making and mending together socially”

It came to our notice that the Portacabin in the playing field may be removed. So, this could be our first project to repair and tidy up. Materials probably being paid for by the Parish Council. Having repaired the cabin this would then become our first meeting place and workshop but also a valuable facility for others to use also. We do hope that there are some members of the Community young and old men or women who think this is a good idea. So, on Saturday May 18th at 10am we are having a Breakfast Barbecue so please come along and discuss the possibilities together with us in Rippingale Playing Field near the Cabin. If you are unavailable but would like to be involved, please give one of us a call to discuss.

Jonathan Newell 441211 - John Tyler 440296 - John Kimbrey 440872

Parish Council News

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Aveland Neighbourhood Plan. I can highlight that progress continues. At a seminar undertaken on 4th April the process for compiling objectives and writing required policies were discussed and scoped. This will inform the drafting of the Neighbourhood Plan. A further meeting is planned for 17th April. Please see the Village website for information. 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.

Grass & Hedge Cutting. I would like to thank the many residents who have commenced cutting their road verges adjacent to their properties; thanks also to residents who are trimming their hedges which are adjacent to the public pavement and footpaths. This assists in keeping the Village tidy and also assists the Parish Council in limiting its contract costs and therefore controlling your Precept.

Playing Field Play Equipment. While we progress the play equipment replacement project, we are intending to refurbish the current equipment as much as we can. To this end Councillor Al Vaughan is leading this and would welcome the participation of volunteers to assist him. If you feel you can contribute please contact him via: vaughanlinc@btinternet.com or 01778 440056 / 07966 584568

Dog Walking. Dog walking can be a valuable source of exercise and also enhance social dialogue. However uncontrolled dogs can also cause unease for some people and can worry and injure farm animals. Dogs should not stray onto private fields. I would ask that dog walkers control their dogs and keep to land where dogs are allowed, public footpaths and pavements.

Scams. Scams involve enticing people into unscrupulous ploys which will adversely affect them financially or result in unwanted soliciting of various dubious schemes if for example an e-mail address is mapped. One such scheme may be Nextdoor Rippingale which has been advertised through letters to houses in Rippingale. This seems an unofficial scheme which duplicates various community websites, community Facebook pages and functions. I would not recommend signing up to this or any other unsolicited scheme.

Diary Date – Wednesday 8th May. The Annual Parish & Annual General Meetings will take place on Wednesday 8th May in the Village Hall. Commencing with the Parish Meeting **at 7pm**, this will include the Chairman’s Annual Report on a busy year, an update on various initiatives and hear reports from the local Community Groups and organisations; if you would like your group to be included, please contact the Parish Clerk as soon as possible. At the General Meeting that follows the Council will elect a Chairman and Vice.

We look forward to seeing you. *Mr Chris Charlton, Chairman*

Meetings;

Wednesday 8 May Annual Parish Meeting/Council AGM 7.00PM	Thursday 13 June General Meeting St Andrew's Church	Thursday 11 July General Meeting St Andrew's Church
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Meetings to be held in the Village Hall 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):

None reported in progress

Loose Ends Crafting Group. Our lovely mornings of crafting and laughter continue; the group has grown over the last few months and we are now averaging 14 ladies each week. If you like to knit, crochet, cross stitch or any other craft why not join us? We meet on a Friday in Ripplingale Village Hall 10-1pm a cost of £4 for coffee/tea and cake and any profit after expenses is donated to Dementia UK.
For more information contact Carol 441386

Ripplingale & District Friendship Club. The first of this year's coach trips was a Mystery Trip and what a good day we had, the sun shone as we enjoyed the lovely countryside with a stop at Dobbies Garden Centre for coffee we made our way to Holmfirth in Yorkshire which as you will know is Last of the Summer Wine Country. Shopping and investigating the places we all remember from the series, plus a break for lunch was the order of the day and then a nice ride back with a stop at Blyth services arriving home before dark. A big thank you our driver Alan of A & P Travel for a lovely day out. Our next trip is 14th May and we will be visiting York so if you would like to join us please contact Audrey 01529 241358 pick-up points are Billingborough, Pointon, Ripplingale, Morton and Bourne £16 members and £19 non-members.

Clare's Exercise Class. Exercise classes for Men and Women in Ripplingale Village Hall Wednesday 12-1pm. The exercises have been put together especially for the benefit of mature men and women making it a unique class which does not exist elsewhere and those that attend tell me it's great fun. Among the things we do we incorporate Pilates and Barre work which strengthens and aligns the entire body, giving balance, flexibility and gentle stretching. Barre work delivers a full body workout and because its low impact is great if you are recovering from surgery or an injury.
For more information please contact Clare 01778 423351 or 07890566538

The Ripplingale Beer Festival Committee. (when it was on the playing field) withheld £1000 for an upcoming community project that is no longer viable.
Our last decision, as a committee was to help with funding towards the new play equipment on the playing field and a donation was then given. After speaking with the Parish Council, a further £1000 would help them secure more funding to complete the project. It is therefore intended to give the final monies from the original beer festival to the project unless anyone has any objections before the end of April to Gail Hyland at geh1965@aol.com.

The final £100 will also be handed over for a celebration of some sort for the official opening of the park i.e. a teddy bears picnic or similar.

This will then complete the accounts for the beer festival and the account will be closed. All accounts are then available for inspection and the Parish Council will hold the final statement of the account.

Kind regards Andrew and Gail Hyland

Roving Supper Club. Roving Supper Clubs have sprung up in many villages over the past decade and some go back many years. They are a great way to meet likeminded people and socialise in small groups on an occasional basis. I intend to develop one in Rippingale and ask for expressions of interest from all interested parties, (singles or couples) within the village boundary.

The format would mean all those who sign up would be expected at some stage, to provide a single course, of a three-course meal for up to 6 people, (yourselves included) within your own home, before moving on to eat other courses at hosts around the village. The evening would culminate in a gathering of everyone at the village hall for cheese & biscuits with coffee and lively conversation. Fees would obviously apply; however projected costs are not prohibitive and indicate a contribution of around £15 per head would be necessary. I plan the first Roving Supper to be during the Autumn, date TBC.

If this is something you might be interested in joining, please contact me at the following e mail address: john.kimbrey@gmail.com or drop me a note at 16 Millers Close. I can then see if there is enough interest to proceed. Full detail of the whole concept would be sent by return.

April 2019 Meeting Report for Rippingale & District WI. This meeting was our AGM. Our Vice President presided over the meeting as current President was unable to attend due to her relocation.

To begin, Chris gave her report on the Federation Meeting in March at Springfield's in Spalding. She reported that after 'an unusual' rendition of Jerusalem they listened to various speakers & reports in the morning. Some people took advantage of the location to enjoy a little retail therapy during the lunch break! 'Eddie the Eagle' was the guest speaker for the afternoon, he gave a most interesting talk about his early life and his difficult, but determined, path to represent Gt Britain in the Ski Jump in the Winter Olympics at Calgary.

Next, minutes were read & reports were given of all the various activities our WI achieved over the past year. Lots of good speakers, even some spontaneous ones, when a speaker didn't turn up on the night! We have had darts matches, group sports evenings which our WI won, a walking group just starting out, and a successful cinema group to name but a few. To raise funds, we hosted a very successful quiz (with food of course) which many other WI's supported. Committee members and other helpers then received a personal thank you gift from Hilary, our outgoing President, to show her appreciation for all the support she had received over the year. Overall winners of the competitions were then presented with trophies and a floral gift each.

It was then time to select our new President. Formalities completed, Jeannie was duly elected as President with our grateful thanks for filling this role, to be ably assisted by her new committee.

Please note, our next meeting will be on the 9th May due to local elections taking place the previous week. We will be discussing the Resolutions for this year.

Rippingale Village Feast – FEAST DAY – SATURDAY 6th JULY

This is a public notification, required by Lincolnshire C.C Highways Department.

We have applied to close Rippingale High Street, from the Bull entrance, to the junction with East Street and Middle Street, between the hours of 10.00am and 5.00pm on Feast Day, Saturday 6th July 2019.

This is to ensure safe passage of pedestrians between the grounds of the Bull Inn and St. Andrew's Church, where various attractions will be quartered.

The parking space on the closed road will be used to display Classic Cars; however, access will be maintained for emergency vehicles.

If you have any concerns, or wish to discuss this closure, please call John Smith at the Bull Inn, on 01778 440054, or Phil Rippingale on 01778 440204.

Village Walk. Our walk this month will take place on Sunday 19th May. It will start at 10.15am sharp and our starting point this month is our own village green.

Any queries please contact Derek Diess on 01778 440063

*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
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