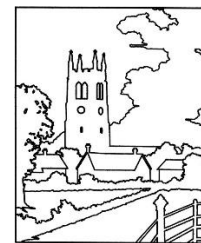




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Rippingale Friendship Club. The first outing in 2023 was a Mystery Trip. Our destination was Norfolk. The first stop was for coffee at Bircham Mill. Our main stop was Wells-Next-the-Sea where there was time to explore and have lunch. The final destination was Swaffam before heading back to Bourne. All those on the trip had a lovely, if somewhat windy day. It was nice to welcome several non-members on board the coach. Anyone is welcome to join us for any of our trips, the more the merrier. Our next trip will be on Monday 12th June 2023, when we are going to Bakewell for their very popular market. We have seats available if you would like to join us, pick up stops are between Bourne and Billingborough, calling at the villages in between. To reserve a seat or for more information please call Audrey on 01529 241358. Everyone is welcome whether you belong to the group or not.

At our regular meetings we have several activities which keep us entertained. You can even try out Curling, which becomes very competitive and results in much laughter. There is always the ever-popular Bingo games, plus our raffle. Come along, you might be lucky.

We assume that most of you will have enjoyed the coverage of the Coronation of King Charles III. We were all afforded a ringside seat and we didn't have to queue for days. In case we hadn't celebrated enough RFC had a special Coronation Tea at our meeting on Wednesday 10th May. Everyone brought an item of food which was shared amongst those attending. We raised a glass (non-alcoholic) to His Majesty.

The June meeting dates are June 7th & 21st and our next outing is to Bakewell on June 12th

Row Gardens Allotment Group. There was a well-attended meeting at Village Hall on Saturday 29th April.

The group are planning an **Open Day for the Rippingale Allotments on Sunday 13th August** to coincide with National Allotment Week (Aug 7th-13th). The main aim of the day, is to promote the benefits of growing your own by making use of land provided for the purpose by the Parish Council, having the opportunity to take a look around the plots and get an idea of what can be achieved. Weather permitting there will be a BBQ, refreshments, veg and cake stands, tombola, activities for children and a scarecrow competition. **The Open Day will take place at the Allotments, Station Street, from 12 noon to 4pm.**

There has never been a better time to turn your hand to growing your own, so if you are feeling the urge to get down and dirty, there are some plots available. You can apply for one by contacting the Parish Council Clerk rippingalepc@gmail.com Tel: **07375 364742**. Annual rent runs from April 1st but it's not too late to get stuck in this year. For those who might feel challenged by the thought of getting started, there is a friendly community of plot holders of all ages and backgrounds - just ask. You might like to join the Allotment Group itself (Contact Secretary Iain Middleton, 07784 783235 for details).

There are plenty of benefits including tasty, seasonal fruit and vegetables, plenty of fresh (if sometimes cold) air and the opportunity to just lean on a spade and chat with old and new friends (the weeds will wait a few minutes!!).

Row Gardens Allotment Group

Rippingale & District WI. Rebecca Main our new President gave a warm welcome to Members at the May meeting, reminding us it was 11 years ago she was leading us. We finally gave a discretionary Vote on the Resolution to be taken to the Annual Meeting in Cardiff, 'Clean Rivers for People and Wildlife'. Sandra Quinsee from Colsterworth WI ran a workshop on the Art of Paper Flower Making, creating much chat and sticky fingers resulting in some wonderful specimens. During the break we enjoyed a gorgeous Coronation themed cake made by Rebecca. Lists were signed for various events including a Coach Trip to David Austin Roses on Wednesday 2nd August. The meeting concluded with raffle and competition results, presentation of birthday cards.

And finally singing the National Anthem. Next month's meeting on June 1st we will welcome Karen Holtom who will take us through Line Dancing. We warmly welcome visitors so come along and give us a try. For more information contact radwi@btinternet.com.



RIPPINGALE FEAST 2023



**Saturday 1st July - The Jubilee Playing Field – come and join in the fun.
Something for everyone!**

Programmes should be with you now with all the information required for competitions and the exciting line up of live music, choirs, dance and judo displays!

Raffle tickets to support the Feast are now on sale, the committee will be coming round with tickets or please contact Lucy on 07826191215 if you would like any delivered at a time to suit you – cash prizes only! Payment by cash or BACS.

Bottle Tombola – we would be grateful for any donations of bottles and jars - (please call Paul on 07759856351 to arrange for collection/delivery)

Book Stall and Bric a Brac – we will be happy to accept donations, so please ring Sue on 07739417270 with any items.

Trade Stalls – We have a few pitches left, so this is the last call for stall holders for 1st July at £15 per pitch! Please contact to Lucy on 07826191215 to reserve.

Your Feast needs YOU – can you spare a few hours to help on Feast Day? If you can spare an hour or more to help ‘man’ a stall or assist in the very popular Tea Tent, it would help us out. We also need **Penalty Shoot Out Volunteers. Please call Kate (07983624580) if you can offer any assistance on the day.**

Vintage Cars Please come and showcase your vehicles at our parade and Feast!
Please join the parade at 11:30 – muster on Wendover Close on 1st July!

ANNUAL FEAST DOG SHOW ‘SCRUFTS’

Friday 30th June at 17:00 on the Jubilee Playing Fields

Registration 17:00 – 17:30

Competitions start at 18:00!

Refreshments and a licenced bar.

Prettiest Pooch, Waggiest Tail, Golden Oldie (dogs 8 years & over), Best Young Handler (children 12 years & under), Best Rescue & Best Owner Look-Alike

Feast Church Service. To mark the end of the Feast celebrations there will be a service in St. Andrew’s Church, Rippingale on Sunday 2nd July at 16.00, where there will be a presentation to the new Rose Royal. All welcome.

Update on Ian Misselbrook’s Sponsored Birdwatch for St Andrew’s Church.

Many thanks to all those of you who have sponsored me and for those of you who have not yet, you still have time! You might remember that there was a choice of three categories of sponsorship; the combined parishes looked after by our vicar, Lincolnshire and lastly the UK. As you can see below, at the time of writing (8th of May) I have exceeded the targets for both the parishes and the county of Lincolnshire, but I still have some way to go to get to the UK target.

Sponsor Area	Target number of species	Number seen by 8 th May
Parishes	70	76
Lincolnshire	120	161
UK	200	178

If you sponsored me for either the parishes or the county, I am happy to receive your donation now, or alternatively I can wait until the end of the year when I finish the count.

Recent highlights in the parishes include a nesting pair of Little Grebes and the expected arrival of summer migrants. The Lincolnshire list includes several national rarities including Blue-winged Teal and Black-winged Stilts. A brief trip to the Scottish Highlands failed to secure many of my target species but I did find Crested Tits and Ring Ouzels for the UK category.

Country Eye. The spring edition of Ian Misselbrook’s Country Eye quarterly nature diary is now on line. Go to www.countryeye.org.uk to view. You can also read his Nature Notes column every four weeks in The Stamford Mercury and other ILIFFE MEDIA publications.”

ST ANDREWS CHURCH RIPPINGALE

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Churchwarden: Steve Warcup 01778 440704 stevegwarcup@gmail.com

Website; www.ringstonegroupchurches.org

Latest News. Mays coffee morning was very well attended. Many thanks to everyone involved. The Coronation Quiz was a great success and well attended. Many thanks go to John K and the FSTAR team. We will keep you up to date with future events.

Next Coffee Morning Tuesday 6th June 2023. On a sad note, St Andrew's is now festival Church. A very hard decision that the PCC had to make, details of what the means to Rippingale are below.

200 Club Winners April 2023.

£30 Dawn Jessop (120) £20 Sue Atkinson (71) £15 C Schiavi (96) James Guest (98)

£10 Janet Lack (153) Nick Williams (56) Mervyn Baylis (181)

St Andrew's Church Rippingale Change to Type 4 Festival

This is to communicate that the PC has made the decision to change the status of St Andrew's Church, Rippingale, from a Type 3 Community Church to a type 4 Festival Church with immediate effect. The definition of a festival church was communicated by Lincoln Diocese as: Nationally and locally defined as Celebration or Festival Churches. Churches which remain as places of worship, but which cannot or do not wish to offer regular worship. They can be used for Festival or Celebration events - occasional services at, say, Harvest and

Christmas. Also places for the spiritual and shared journeys of residents - weddings and funerals.

What are the implications and how will this be applied at Rippingale?

- The Church will remain under the control of the PCC, be part of the Rippingale community and as such we would wish to change as little as possible. We encourage parishioners and villagers to continue to provide valuable support, both financial and physical to enable the Church to remain a key feature of our village and available for activities outlined below.
- The Church will be open during daytime at weekends but will be closed during the rest of the week, this will apply throughout the year.
Coffee Mornings currently held each first Tuesday of the month at 10.15am at the Church
WILL CONTINUE as now.
- The Church will be available for special services such as Weddings, Funerals and Baptisms.
Festival services may be held during the year, these may include: Plough Sunday, Easter, Rippingale Feast Service, Harvest, Remembrance, and Christmas - the type and regularity of services will depend on both the wishes of parishioners and the availability of Clergy/ALMs/ to hold/host the services. Some prayer meetings may be held with no formal church ministers required.
- The Church will continue to hold Fund Raising events such as Quizzes, Feast Stalls, and other Social Events from time to time in order to raise funds primarily for the upkeep and repair and maintenance of the Church Building and Grounds.
- The 200 Club will continue.
- The PCC will continue to be responsible for the Church as it's Trustees and stay in situ and manage the day-to-day requirements of the Church and Churchyard/Cemetery as well as the necessary work related to the Services that we do hold.
- Regular Sunday Church Services such as Evensong and Eucharists will no longer be held at St Andrew's Rippingale except on special occasions as noted above. Parishioners wishing to attend a Sunday Service, including Eucharist, will be able to do so by going to other local churches in the local mission partnership, information on these services will continue to be published via local publications and social media, as now.

Parish Council News

Chairman – Cllr Chris Charlton; chairmanrpc4@gmail.com 07908 540683

Parish Clerk (General enquiries) – Laura Davies: rippingalepc@gmail.com 07375 364742

Website – <http://parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/Rippingale>

Retiring Parish Councillors. Alan Vaughan and Kim Palmer have for various understandable personal reasons decided to leave the Parish Council. We thank them both for their great contributions to the work of the Council and wish them well for the future.

Vacancy for Parish Councillors. This are two vacancies for Parish Councillors by co-option. This role is stimulating and fulfilling. We are seeking volunteers with a wide variety of skills and background. If you are interested in contributing to supporting the Village, and would like greater information, please contact me. 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.

Hospital Car Service. The HCS relies on volunteer drivers to effectively run the system and transport patients to their medical appointments. For various reasons the HCS now requires replacement volunteer drivers to efficiently administer the service. Drivers, who need to be properly insured, are fully recompensed with a 65p a mile allowance. If you have the spare time and wish to volunteer for this very worthwhile support role, please contact the scheme administrator, Chris Ross, on 07806 327362.

Referendum on Rippingale Neighbourhood Plan 2023-2036. Hearteningly the Neighbourhood Plan to influence village housing development has recently passed its Village referendum by a large margin, 249 for and 27 against. SKDC should now commence using the Plan as part of the process to assess planning applications in the Village.

Grass cutting. The growing season for grass has commenced and the Parish Council has placed its annual contract for cutting the public areas. Residents who have in the past cut the verges without a public pavement in front of their properties are asked to undertake this task again this year.

Springwells Medical Practice – Medical Equipment Fund (Registered Charity). This fund is looking for Ambassadors for each Village the Practice supports, to assist in fundraising and disseminating information regarding events, health matters etc. The Ambassadors would set up a support team in each Village to further this. If you are interested in volunteering, please call 07881 415924.

Allotments. The Parish Council maintains a number of allotments near the entrance to the Village off Station Street. These are available for rent to Rippingale residents only, at a reasonable cost. Please contact the Parish Clerk for more detail.

New Pavilion for the Playing Field. The Parish Council with the Jubilee Playing Field Trust, is taking forward a project to provide a new Pavilion. This will result in a purpose-built facility to support sports and village events, plus allowing the Feast to have a centre. We have commenced fundraising with some success and continue to apply to grant making bodies to raise funds.

Easyfundraising. This platform is available to support the Jubilee Playing Field Trust.

Once you access this platform by feeding the following address into your browser you can purchase 7,000 brands who will donate to the Trust **free of charge to you** at various rates when you use easyfundraising to shop with them.

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/rippingale-jubilee-playing-field-trust/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_source=social&utm_medium=facebook&utm_content=rm-gs-f1

You can download their App from Apple or Google Play stores.

Please support the Pavilion project through this **free** fundraising site.

Parish Councillor contact details and responsibilities:

Chairman: Cllr Chris Charlton 440986/07908 540683 or chairmanrpc4@gmail.com. Welcome Pack: Rippingale News & Council Newsletter: Finance: Grant applications.

Cllr Jamie Petch 440497/07808 094317. Parochial Church Council Liaison.

Cllr Kate Manley 07850 493261. Feast Organising Committee. Accessibility. Police Liaison.

Cllr Ian Bruce 07392407742. Contracts supervision.

Cllr Barry Ross 07740151601 / 01778440996. Allotments Liaison. Jubilee Playing Field and equipment.

Meetings:

General Meeting Tuesday 13 th June 2023	General Meeting Tuesday 11 th July 2023	General Meeting Tuesday 8 th August 2023
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Meetings to be held in the Village Hall at **7.00 pm** unless otherwise stated. Please 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):

S23/0507 - Outline application for the erection of up to 6 dwellings and associated access and infrastructure, off 30 East Street (All matters reserved) (Re-submission of application S22/2273) – **pending**.

S22/2196 – Application to alter conditions for use of building to enable staff sleeping accommodation at the Willows, 74 Station Street - **rejected**.

S22/1853 – Erection of a new detached building and extension to existing care home at the Willows, 74 Station Street (resubmission of S20/1103) – **pending**.

*Please submit entries by the 14th of the month to the Editor: Jamie Petch at rippingalenews@hotmail.com
Items for the Village Website: Please mark your email 'Website' and send to rippingale.pariah.lincolnshire.gov.uk for T&Cs*