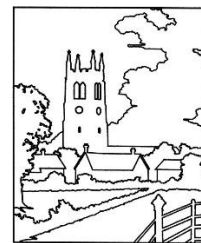




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RAF 100 Celebrations 100th Anniversary of the Royal Air Force

As stated in the April Newsletter, a RAF 100 Anniversary Dinner will be held at The Bull on 5 May at 7.00 for 7.30pm. This will be a formal dinner, full details of which, including the menu, can be obtained from The Bull. Posters will be placed around the village. The cost of the three-course dinner, including coffee and a pre and post -dinner drink will be £25. It is hoped that many of those village residents with current or previous connections to the RAF will be able to take this opportunity to celebrate its great achievements. We still have some places on the coach to the Shuttleworth Air Display on 6 May, and reservations can be made with John Smith at The Bull (01778 440054)

Rippingale & District WI

It was good to see so many at our recent meeting. After some brief Business our annual meeting opened with an interesting review from our secretary of the speakers, outings and entertainment we had experienced over the past year. From darts to detective talking on art forgery and Ten Pin Bowling to Blue Badge Guide talks on royalty and some amazing topics in between! We have enjoyed some excellent educational trips and tasty lunches and tea's at local restaurants over the all organised by members. The financial report was presented and adopted, and our retiring president of three years gave her report. Michelle reminisced that she was now our longest continuous serving WI member having joined over 20 years ago and how she has valued every one of the friendships made over that time. She thanked her retirement committee for all their hard work and the assistance she had been given during her office as president. Annual awards were presented to the winners of our monthly competitions and to the winner of our highest individual dart score. During a break we were able to view an archive display of the 80 years that Rippingale and District have been in existence. A beautiful silk screen that had been embroidered by members was greatly admired as were many photographs that previous presidents had thoughtfully put into books. Also on view were the range of Institute and Federation events available for members to attend including two forthcoming Craft Club afternoons, a group Social Evening of pub games at Stamford, a Lincolnshire Ladies Lunch at Burghley Park Golf Club and details of the Make Bake and Show Schedule to be held in October. As the meeting drew to a close, a new committee was formed a new president Hilary Magill elected. Our next meeting will be on the 3rd of May 2018 when we will be discussing the WI Resolution for this year and enjoying some social time together with a shared supper. Visitors are always given a warm welcome to our meetings. For further information please contact Hilary on 01778 440360 or email radwi@btinternet.com

Rippingale Litter Pick – 20th May at 10am on the Village Green

Robyn, the current Rippingale Rose Queen, would like to invite everyone to help in a litter pick. Please come along and help clean up our village! Meet on Sunday, 20th May at 10am on the Village Green. Bags and equipment will be kindly provided by District Councillor, Dr Peter Moseley. All welcome.

The Open Gardens

Open Gardens Saturday 2nd June 2pm to 5pm & Sunday 3rd June 11am to 4.30pm

I am pleased to report that there will be at least 8 gardens open on the above dates with teas at the church and Station Street. The entry will be £3.00 per adult and children under 16 free but they must be accompanied by an adult. Whoever is on the committee of the allotments can they contact me on 440499 if they will be willing to open the allotments on those dates.

Chris Bladon

Village Walk

The may village walk will be on Thursday May 17th start at 7:00pm meet at Culverthorpe lakes car park. Any further information 07768 632189 Mike Exton

Parish Council News

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Councillor Farewell

Sadly, busy work commitments have meant that Bev Machin has resigned from the Parish Council. Throughout her tenure, Bev has been an active Member as Councillor, Chairman and latterly Vice Chairman, and fulfilled a liaison role with the Feast Organising Committee. I'm sure you will join the Council, in thanking Bev for her contribution to the Council and Rippingale community and wish her well for the future.

Councillor Vacancy

Bev's resignation means that there is now a councillor vacancy. An election to fill the vacancy will be held on receipt of a request in writing from any ten Rippingale local government electors to the South Kesteven District Council Returning Officer by 4 May. If no such request is made the vacancy will be filled through co-option by the Parish Council. The full vacancy Notice is published on the website and Noticeboard.

Verge & Roadside Grass Cutting

Lincolnshire County Council (LCC) has confirmed that it will be carrying out 2 verge cuts at the entrances to the Village during the 2018 season, which are due to take place in mid-late May and October. As with last season, the Parish Council is again asking you to maintain the verges adjacent to your property. To help ensure residents stay safe whilst maintaining these areas, the County Council has issued the following advice:

- pick a quiet time when there is less traffic
- wear a high-vis jacket and face oncoming traffic when at the edge of the road
- check for utility covers, hidden holes and loose stones
- stop mowing when people are passing
- do not cut grass when it's wet, if it's raining or visibility is poor
- do not use strimmers
- if the site is sloping: mow across with a push mower & up and down if using a ride-on mower
- dispose of any grass cuttings in an appropriate manner.

Neither LCC nor the Parish Council cannot accept any liability for issues which occur, but you may have personal liability cover as part of your personal insurance policies. Overgrown grass and hedges can be reported to LCC via www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/faultreporting; please be aware LCC will only take action if the issue poses a risk to public safety.

Rippingale News – Publication Frequency

The Council considered the frequency of the publication of the Newsletter 'Rippingale News' at last month's Council Meeting; thank you to those residents who shared their comments with us. The Council voted unanimously to retain the Newsletter's publication on a monthly basis but to review this in 6 months.

Diary Date – 10 May

The Annual Parish & Annual General Meetings will take place on 10 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 the Play Equipment project 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, and sign off the Accounts for the 2017/18 Financial Year. We look forward to seeing you.

Cllr Chris Charlton, Chairman

Next Council Meeting:

Annual Parish Meeting & Annual General Meeting – Thursday 10 May in the Village Hall at 7pm
The Meetings will run consecutively, commencing with the Annual Parish Meeting. Please refer to the Noticeboard and website for the Agenda details and any changes.

Village Hall 200 Club (Big) Draw Winners April 2018

£20 C Gray (64)

£10 R Mason (25), W Gray (19)

£5 A Flatters (120), C Boyfield (7), S Gray (121), N Morgan (191)

St Andrew's Church News

Your Wardens: Pam Bayliss 01778 440728 & Jonathan Newell 01778 441211

Future Services and Functions

Sunday 13th May Sung Eucharist 9.15am

Sunday 20th May Morning Prayer/Family 10.30am

Sunday 10th June Sung Eucharist 9.15am

200 Club Winners April 2018

£20 No 180 Mrs B Holdershaw

£10 No 189 Mrs D Pinkney. £10 No 107 M Berry

£5 No 22 Mrs J Parncutt. £5 No 95 Natasha Drayton. £5 No 70 Miss L Simpson. £5 No 120 Mrs D Jessop

Tuesday 1st May St Andrews Church Coffee Morning 10.30am

Anyone wishing to do flowers please put your name on the rota at rear of Church.

April Coffee Morning Tuesday 1st May 10.30am

Even though the weather was a bit cold, people had a spring in their step which created a good atmosphere. This was helped by all the produce available to buy including plants for your gardens. As I have mentioned before we normally have a few surprises for sale at our mornings as well as our normal Fresh Vegetables, Cakes, Jams, all homemade. We are very grateful to people that give us these items to sell it really makes our morning.

Looking positive, May's Coffee Morning will have an even better selection in vegetables and who knows what surprises are in store. Don't forget, any transport problems please contact Jonathan 441211. We recently had a talk in the Church by Prof Carenza Lewis (Ex Ch4 presenter of Time Team) on Medieval History locally. This was an extremely informative evening and the presentation was first class. I am sure we all learnt a lot and hope she may come and see us again. The Church are all very grateful for all the help encountered to make this such a good evening and the Roof Fund continues to prosper many thanks. Our Easter Sunday, Family Service was a very special event due to everybody who attended. We had a good selection of Hymns some very good readers (Robyn and Caspar) followed by our annual Easter Egg Hunt. During the service we all prayed among other important thoughts that this year all the Easter Eggs would be found, and it worked. Thank you to all the Flower Ladies for making the Church look bright and attractive.

As you are probably aware the Bull organizes a quiz on Sunday evenings. Now part of the format there is a Jackpot and if this does not get won there is a roll over to the next time. Now this has happened a number of times but recently it was won to the value of £642. The winners of this Jackpot were Peter Mosley and Karl Dallimore who very kindly donated it to the Roof Fund. This is a prime example, and there are many more within the Rippingale Community which makes this village so special and I am proud to be part of this as with many others. Many thanks to Peter and Karl and to many others who have donated money to our Roof Fund

Talking of Roof Fund, we had our Grand Ceilidh at the village hall (Sat 14 April) where a Group of professional musicians got together for nothing calling themselves the Stan Drew's Roof Raisers. This was an exceptional evening great fun and enjoyed by everybody. Although the final figure at this moment in time is not confirmed we hope to be over £800. Many thanks to Chris & Glyns Petz for instigating the idea and seeing it through, also to all the people behind the scenes in making it a success, and last but not least to those who came. I bet there were some stiff limbs on Sunday!!

Jonathan Newell, Churchwarden

The Bull Inn

Starting Tuesday 1st May at The Bull Inn (and every Tuesday) Woodstone Pizzas will be making available their selection of quality pizzas from 6pm to 9pm. Eat in or take away

Ripping-Tales Book Club

Interested in reading and making new friends, then come along to The Bull at 7pm on Wednesday 16th May and join our new Book Club. Everyone welcome. Will meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Clare's Exercise Class

On Wednesdays 12-1pm in Rippingale Village Hall, Clare leads a class of more mature ladies and gents who want to keep flexible and fit into their older years! The exercises are ballet based but don't let that put you off there is no need to wear a tutu although very soft or ballet shoes are needed to enable full benefit from the exercise routine. Set to beautiful music the exercises are suitable for anyone with joint problems due to their gentle nature and will help you to lose weight and become more flexible. Please come and give them a try, you will be made very welcome. Please ring Clare 01778 423351

Rippingale Friendship Club

Sadly, our planned trip to Doncaster Market on March 27th had to be cancelled due to lack of numbers. I imagine the cold and wet weather put people off. Our next trip which is filling up nicely is a Mystery Trip on May 23rd to book your seat please contact Audrey on 01529 241358 the cost of all our trips remains at Members £16 non-members £19 and pick up points are Billingborough, Pointon, Rippingale, Morton and Bourne. Our meeting on April 4th welcomed new member Sarah and hot cross buns were enjoyed by us all followed by an Easter themed quiz and our usual games of Bingo. Don't forget our Royal Wedding celebration on 16th May dressing up in your wedding outfits or red white and blue is an option if you want to get in the mood! A charge of £3 will be made for the celebration tea. Our meeting on 30th May is an ordinary club day, in June our meetings are 13th at which we will be enjoying a cream tea extra cost £2 and 27th June. New members welcome.

Audrey Brewin

Loose Ends

First of all a massive thank you to all those who supported our recent event Cuppa Tea for Dementia. We made a huge £240 thank you to everyone who came on the day and everyone who donated tins and gifts. Thank you to the ladies who helped I couldn't have done it without you! Also thank you to Donna and Neale who came to entertain us your singing was superb we loved it. I am still raising funds for Dementia UK in memory of my lovely Mum who passed away in December 2017. On May 19th we are holding a Spring Table Top Sale from 1-4pm in Rippingale Village Hall I do hope you will come and support us (I know it's the Royal Wedding) I have booked lots of lovely stalls for all you bargain hunters and we will be having a raffle and of course delicious refreshments and for those who wish to raise a toast to the Royal couple, the bar will be open! For more information please ring Carol 441386

Carol Mason

Rippingale Village Feast 2018 Feast Fundraiser – THE GREAT PRETENDERS

The Great Pretenders are a four-piece cover Band based in Bourne, well-known in this area and beyond. They play covers of songs by Artists such as the Beatles, David Bowie, U2, Queen, Oasis, The Jam, and many more! They will be appearing Live at Rippingale Village Hall on Saturday 12th May. The evening starts at 8.00pm, doors open at 7.30. The ticket price is £10.00, and this includes a very good hot meal. There is also a licensed bar and our usual very-high-standard Raffle! It will be a great night and a Splendid Time is Guaranteed for All! For tickets, please call Denny Toomey on 01778 440438 or dennyandden@hotmail.co.uk Alternatively, contact The Bull Inn on 01778 440054 or smithjohn7210@aol.com. Tickets can be purchased over the Bar.

Rippingale Village Feast – FEAST DAY – SATURDAY 7th 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 7th July 2018. 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 Phil Rippingale or John Smith on the details below. Feast Day planning is now well-advanced and it will be with us in a few short months. Beautiful weather has been ordered; won't it be lovely to feel the sun on our backs again after a rather long, cold winter? There will be a flypast by aircraft from the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight; more details to follow, as we get them. Displays of Classic Cars and vintage vehicles, preceded by a parade around the village. All the usual fun and games, stalls, rides, Music, teas and cakes, plus more to be announced soon. We are also on the search for the 2018-19 Rose Queen. Our current Rose Queen, Robyn Baldock, has had a great time during her reign, being invited to a number of Village events. The requirement is that girls should be under the age of 12 and resident in the Village. They can be nominated by themselves or someone else. An application form is available from Phil Rippingale on 01778 440204 or email philrippingale@btinternet.com. We would love to hear from you if you would like to run a stall or fundraiser for your Charity or good cause **OR** if you are willing to help out, either on the day, or before the event, **OR** if you are interested in entering a vehicle into the Parade and Classic/Vintage vehicle display. In the first instance, please contact John Smith at the Bull Inn on 01778 440054 or smithjohn7210@aol.com

A wife complains to her husband: "Just look at that couple down the road, how lovely they are. He keeps holding her hand, kissing her, holding the door for her, why can't you do the same?"

The husband: "Are you mad? I barely know that woman!"

June 2018 Newsletter – Deadline for Submissions is Thursday 14th May

Please submit entries to the Editor: Mike Bronze at bronzeservices@live.com or via 07971 447528

Items for the Village Website: Please mark your email 'Website' and send to RippingalePC@Gmail.com

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