



Rippingale News

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18 PINFOLD CLOSE

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Priest in Charge - Revd G P Williams [Fr Graham 01778 571474]

DECEMBER SERVICES

FRIDAY	2	Church School - Christingle [all welcome]	2.00pm
SUNDAY	4	Evening Prayer	6.00pm
	11	Eucharist	9.30am
FRIDAY	16	Church School Christmas Service/play [all welcome]	2.00pm
SUNDAY	18	Parish Carol Service	6.00pm
SATURDAY	24	Midnight Mass [Canon Brian]	11.30pm
SUNDAY	25	Eucharist of the Day at Hacconby	10.30am

CHURCH CLEANING FOR DECEMBER:

Eva Patrick and Florence Grime

CHURCH FLOWERS:

No flowers in Advent [27 Nov - 23 Dec]

Decoration for Christmas will be Friday 23rd.

200 CLUB WINNERS - November

£20	Miss D Shields (Luton) [55]	
£10	Mr R Wellman [156]	Mr N Adams [23]
£ 5	Mrs E M Willson [185]	Mrs D Gearing [193]
	Mr/Mrs Suddaby [124]	Mr R Vivian [132]

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Annual Memorial Service, held on Sunday 6 November, was well attended. It was a very moving service conducted by Fr Graham, and we were pleased to welcome many parishioners from within the Ringstone in Aveland Group.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

This Service was conducted by Canon Brian Osborn and was also well attended. Our thanks go to Mr Ron Watson who played a lament on the bagpipes at the end of the service after the laying of the wreath. The wreath will be removed from the War Memorial at the beginning of Advent and will be placed in the south aisle of the church, next to the British Legion flag. The Offertory for the Royal British Legion during the service totalled £150 which has been given to the Bourne Branch.

RIPPINGALE METHODIST CAROL SERVICE

The Carol Service will be held this year on Thursday 15 December in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. The new minister at Bourne Church, the Revd Colin Martin, and Richard Bailey will conduct. The Offertory will be in aid of The National Children's Homes and we invite you to stay afterwards for light refreshments and a chat.

RIPPINGALE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Congratulations to Rosetta Atkinson on being awarded the John Barker Trophy for long service in support of Rippingale Village Hall. This Trophy is presented on behalf of the Lincolnshire Community Council, and for which nominations were received from all over the County. The Trophy is presented to the person who is deemed to have made an exceptional contribution, over a number of years, in support of their local village hall. Well done Rosetta.

200 CLUB WINNERS - November

£20	M Atkinson [5]	
£10	A Pearson [56]	J Scholes [44]
£ 5	V Francis [85]	D Waters [8]
	E Floyd [17]	S Charlton [41]

PARISH COUNCIL (Clerk - Sheila Scholes - 440200)

PLANNING

75 Station Street, dwelling and garage. The Parish Council regret that the existing property is to be demolished, but raised no objections to the planned replacement building to the rear of the site.

Poplar Farm, erection of dwelling. The Parish Council raised no objection to the application.

ANNUAL PRECEPT 2006-7

The Parish Council agreed that the Precept be increased from £11,750 to £12,000 for the Financial Year 2006-7. A copy of the proposed Annual Budget 2006-7 is posted on the village website.

DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT 2004

Anyone wishing to receive a copy of this report by Anglian Water Services is asked to contact:

Lynne Edmondson, Scientist - Regulatory Reporting

Anglian Water Services Limited

Henderson House, Lancaster Way

Huntingdon, Cambs PE29 6XQ

WINTER DRIVING

Copies of the LCC "Winter Salting Routes" are available at the Post Office.

"SAVE LINCOLNSHIRE'S AMBULANCES" CAMPAIGN

The Parish Council will respond to UNISON's request to help stop cuts in the country's ambulance services. UNISON Members in Lincolnshire report of staff shortages and delays in responding to emergency calls, and advise that any removal of ambulances will reduce emergency cover and result in potentially life threatening delays.

HOSPITAL CAR SERVICE

It was with great regret that the Parish Council has accepted the resignation [from January 2006] of Roy Beddington as Co-ordinator of the Car Scheme. The Parish Council is most grateful to Roy for all the effort and support he has given to the Service since it began in 1987. We are very pleased that Roy wishes to continue as a Volunteer Driver and hope to announce a replacement Co-ordinator in the near future.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2006

The Parish Council wishes to enter Rippingale in this competition and hopes that residents and groups in the village will wish to support the entry. Further details and proposals to follow.

ROW GARDENS ALLOTMENT GROUP

The Parish Council is pleased that residents are keen to utilise the Allotment Land, originally known in the village as "The Row Gardens". Anyone wishing to join the group is asked to contact the Chairman [Iain Middleton], or the Secretary [John Warman].

COUNCIL MEETING 2006

Dates to be finalised. There is no meeting in December.

ROW GARDENS ALLOTMENTS GROUP

The newly formed Row Gardens Allotments Group will shortly be marking out and setting up the field and will be constructing a small parking area just inside the entrance. If anyone has any suitable rubble which they would like to donate to the allotments, please contact either Iain Middleton or John Warman. If you would like to register for an allotment and join the waiting list, please contact either Iain or John for further details.

RIPPINGALE AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

The second of this season's meeting was held on Wednesday 9 November at Rippingale Village Hall. Members were told about the availability of allotments in Rippingale and asked to contact the Gardening Club Secretary, John Warman if they were interested in getting on the waiting list. The meeting was asked for ideas for next year's talks, and it was suggested that growing vegetables could be included. Chairman, Cliff Curtis, introduced Harold Leach who gave an interesting talk and slide show on "The Mixed Boarder", which was enjoyed by the 38 members present. The next meeting is on Wednesday 14 December which will be a talk by Hazel Kaye entitled "Lilies, Poppies and Peas". This will be our Christmas meeting so members are invited to bring along some nibbles [not too many mince pies please] and enjoy a glass of wine or a cup of tea after the talk. New members are always welcome.

RIPPINGALE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

REMINDER Friday 2 December Christingle Service in the church at 2.00pm

Friday 16 December Christmas Production in the church at 2.00pm

Everyone is welcome to attend these events

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We were entertained with a tour of London's Palaces by Kevin Harrison at our October meeting. We heard about some Palaces that we knew and many that we didn't and much about the happenings in them. We thoroughly enjoyed our trip to The Key Theatre to hear The Sid Lawrence Band. Members had enjoyed the Group Meeting in Bourne and a visit to Morton WI. Cynthia Hallas and Alyson Jones enjoyed their visit to Denman College for a Bridget Jones Dance Weekend, and will no doubt give us the details in December. The WI Christmas Dinner at The Bull will be very well supported with approximately 30 members attending. A lunch is to be arranged at Stamford College in the Spring. Daffodils were planted near the entrance to the village and should look lovely in the Spring. Our next meeting will be Helen Farrant - The Pampered Chef. We are looking for new members to join us, please come along and give us a try!

RIPPINGALE BURNS' SOCIETY

Burns' Supper - Village Hall - Saturday 21 January 2006

STOP PRESS!! ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR [Village Hall Management Committee]

The Fair was held on Sunday 20 November and was a great success raising over £300 for Village Hall funds. There was a good selection of stalls selling a wide variety of items, including a "Guess the cake weight" which was won jointly by Mr Whiten of Wendover Close and Mrs Sproat of Peterborough, who each received a cake. A big thank you to everyone who helped organise the event, both before, during and after. A special thank you to the WI ladies who supplied most of the cakes and also worked hard all afternoon supplying tea and coffee to the many visitors. THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT. *Angela Adams*

L-I-V-E-S FIRST RESPONDERS Thank you to everyone who donated money to us at the Fair. We raised £56 for funds. For those who don't know about us, we are called out to emergencies to deal with all incidents until the ambulance arrives. *Nigel Adams*

RIPPINGALE SENIOR CITIZENS' ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY 2005 - THE BULL INN

Sue, Ebon and their staff, with the support of The Bull Committee, invite all Senior Citizens to a Christmas party on Wednesday 7 December at 3.30pm AT THE BULL. For catering purposes, please complete the form at the end of this Newsletter and return it to either The Bull Inn OR The Post Office by Saturday 3 December.

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PILLOW THOUGHTS

Please remember in your prayers: Miss M Durham Gareth Mayhew Christina Woodyer AND relatives and friends of Elizabeth [Betty] Batt, who died on Friday 28 October at The Yew Tree Residential Home in Dowsby.

AND FINALLY:

About Christmas last year, a teacher asked her tiny tots, "Why does God love us all so much?" It was not an easy question. Those small children wrinkled their brows and thought hard. Suddenly one little hand was up, and in an eager voice a small boy said, "Because, miss, God has only one of each of us!" Could you give a better reply?

ON THAT NOTE I WISH EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU A HAPPY AND PEACEFUL CHRISTMAS Mary Morgan

DEADLINE FOR JANUARY 2006 NEWSLETTER
FRIDAY 16 DECEMBER 2005

ITEMS FOR THE RINGSTONE IN AVELAND NEWS ASAP PLEASE

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RIPPINGALE SENIOR CITIZENS' ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY 2005

I/We would like to attend the Christmas Party, to be held at The Bull Inn on Wednesday 7 December at 3.30pm.

NAME[s] Total:

SIGNED:

PLEASE RETURN FORM TO EITHER THE BULL INN OR THE POST OFFICE by Sat 3rd Dec