

# Middleton Tyas and Moulton Village News

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A new year, a new website. The Village Website is formally going live on 1 Jan 2012. Developed by the Parish Council for the village, the new website provides our village with a powerful new means of communication. There is already a lot of information on the website and that will grow over time so, why not visit

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now and see what is already there. Not only that but if you have some ideas for new pages or, features you would like to see or, if you would like to advertise your business on the site then either e-mail [editor@middletontyas.org.uk](mailto:editor@middletontyas.org.uk) or contact Cllr John Ross on 339949.



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Middleton Tyas is a small, thriving village in beautiful North Yorkshire. The village enjoys a tranquil, rural setting and yet it is only a mile or so east of the A1 at Scotch Corner and it is within easy reach of mainline rail and air links. Middleton Tyas has an intriguing past and an active present supported by a strong sense of community. There is a [village hall](#), a [community shop](#), a well supported [church](#), an excellent school, a monthly [village news](#), a welcoming pub [The Shoulder of Mutton](#) and various [clubs and societies](#).

This website, which was set up by the Parish Council in 2011 courtesy of a North Richmondshire Community Partnership grant, is being developed as the focus for village communication. We hope to provide something of value and interest to village residents, ex-residents, potential residents and anyone who wants to know a little bit more about Middleton Tyas. Lest loyal readers of the Village News be concerned, the website is working in conjunction with the Village News and you will find a web version of the current News on this site.

Looking to the future it is unlikely that our website will ever be "finished" for the aim is that it will continually evolve to reflect the life of the village and our use of the internet. There is plenty of scope for the website to develop and if you would like to contribute by suggesting additional pages or information or by providing photographs for the picture gallery then please e-mail [editor@middletontyas.org.uk](mailto:editor@middletontyas.org.uk). In particular, if you would like to develop a short history of the village to be included on the website that would be very welcome.

To learn more about Middleton Tyas and the many opportunities for residents to be involved in village life you are invited to feast on the menu at the side of this page.

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# MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP NEWS

Tel: 377198 Open Monday to Friday 8.00 – 6.00, Saturday 8.30 – 1.00

*Make it your shop and make your voice count.*

## Happy New Year to all our customers!

Strange sort of month, January. It starts off with the party season still in full swing then a mood for thinking about a diet, saving money, using up and making do sets in. We'll try to cover all the bases. It's also the month when we are most likely to get some really hard weather so we have one or two items to warm the cockles of your heart!

Just the thing for a cold winter evening:

### Mr Kipling Puddings

- Sticky Toffee
- Raspberry  
Only £1.75

## Friends calling in for drinks?

Here's an instant canapé. Simply spread toast or savoury biscuits with a selection of our pates.

### PATCHWORK LUXURY PATES

- Stilton and Pear
- Duck Liver with Apricots
- Pheasant with Calvados

### RENDLE'S

- Lobster £4.30
- Salmon with Dill £4.30

## Brandy Butter

We still have a few jars of locally-made Brandy Butter left. Even though the Christmas Pudding is finished, have you tried a spoonful of Brandy Butter popped in to a warm mince pie or spread thinly on a slice of toasted bread of panettone?. (Start the diet tomorrow!)

### WELCOME IN THE NEW YEAR

WOLF BLASS  
Sparkling Pinot Noir/Chardonnay  
£9.99

WOLF BLASS Sparkling Rose  
£9.99

## Given up drinking?

### ROCHESTER ORGANIC HOT TODDY

non-alcoholic - £4.99

### ROCHESTER GINGER

non-alcoholic - £3.99

INNOCENT APPLE £1.00  
ORANGE £1.99

## Transform your leftovers!

### Atkins and Potts Sauces

- Tomato and Basil £3.23
- Wild Mushroom and Tarragon  
£3.23
- Mascarpone and Roast Garlic  
£3.78

## Feeling the need to give the house a good clean?

Look out for our selected price-marked household items from Radox to Flash.

### *Middleton Tyas Preserves*

It's nearly marmalade time!

**Breakfast Preserve** will be the first one up – a fruity mix of local apples, lemons and grapefruit and it's delicious on toast!

**Grapefruit Marmalade and Lemon Marmalade** will follow this month. Then we'll be on to **Seville Orange Marmalade** as soon as they appear in the shops at the end of January.

## **News from the parish council**

### ***RDC Car Park***

North Yorkshire County Council has agreed to put white marker posts around the edge of both sides of the entrance to the car park in an attempt to prevent parents who drop their children off to go to the school from driving over the grass and spoiling it. We have also asked if NYCC can do the same on the opposite side of the road to stop cars being parked on the narrow strip of grass verge on Five Hills Lane at the entrance to East Hall stables.

### ***High Speed Broadband***

We have now collected some 40 Expression of Interest forms. Many thanks to those of you who have taken the short time needed to

complete a form. The completed forms received describe a great deal of frustration with broadband speeds and there appear to be two main groups affected: 'Social' users feel they waste a lot of time waiting for their computer to respond and business users find it difficult to conduct their business from home. There has been nothing yet from younger people who use the internet for homework, entertainment and social interaction - are you affected? It is very important to collect as many of these forms as possible and if you have not yet completed one it is not too late - if you cannot find the form which came with your Village News do not worry because there are blank forms in the Village Shop or, if you leave you details on 01325 339949, a form will be delivered to your door.

## **MIDDLETON TYAS PARISH COUNCIL**

There is a vacancy for a **PARISH COUNCILLOR** to be co-opted to join the existing team of four.

If you are interested in serving your community, have an interest in local affairs and have some spare time, including attending a monthly evening meeting (usually held on the second Wednesday), please submit a letter stating why you would like to become a Parish Councillor and what qualities you feel you can bring to this position of responsibility.

Expressions of interest addressed to the Parish Council and marked 'Confidential' should be sent as soon as possible to:

Mrs Christine Jones, Parish Clerk  
The Old Chapel, Middleton Tyas, Richmond, DL10 6PP

or e-mailed to [clerk.mtyas@live.co.uk](mailto:clerk.mtyas@live.co.uk)

If you would like to discuss the position before applying, or need further information, please contact any Parish Councillor or the Parish Clerk on 377062.

## **Moulton matters**

### ***Moulton Parish Meeting***

A meeting of the Moulton Parish Meeting will be held on TUESDAY 3 JANUARY at 7.30 in St Andrew's Church. The main item to be discussed will be an application from the Black Bull Inn to extend the time for implementation of the full planning permission to erect a conference centre and cottages. In effect, this is an application to renew the permission given

on 16 March 2009. Your District Councillor, Jill McMullon plans to be present at the meeting.

For those residents new to Moulton, the Parish Meeting is the opportunity to comment on developments within the village. Full plans and environmental surveys together with supporting evidence will be on display.

## Communications

I am increasingly receiving electronic communications from Richmondshire District Council and North Yorkshire CC. I have a number of email addresses for Moulton residents that enable me to pass these on as appropriate. If you would like to be added to the circulation, please send me an email. My address is: [john.gentry1@btinternet.com](mailto:john.gentry1@btinternet.com).

*John Gentry*

*Chairman, Moulton Parish Meeting*

## Less from more

### *Will you help?*

We are the nucleus of a small group given the go-ahead, at a meeting of shareholders of the Village Shop on December 9, to come up with proposals for the operation and management of the village shop from Spring 2012, when the current management team plans to stand down. We are going to report back to shareholders in three months' time.

The shop has been heroically run for some time by a volunteer management team of three, two part-time paid staff, and a very small number of volunteer helpers. Our view is that this imposes unrealistic demands on everyone involved, and the successful long-term future of the shop depends on a much greater engagement with the shop by many more members of the community, contributing as, when and how they feel able.

A major target is to establish a pool of volunteers willing to serve behind the counter in two-hour blocks of time on a planned rota basis. Support for Saturday mornings and Wednesday afternoons is the paramount need but as, understandably, people are not going to rush to give up the whole of their Saturday mornings every week, we hope that by asking **less from more** people we can meet this need.

If you feel that working behind the counter is not for you, there are plenty of behind the scenes jobs on the admin and stock handling side, among others, where help would be very welcome. What we want is lots of people joining in for short periods and having some fun while they're doing it.

## Picture this: this is one way we can see it working

A pair of friends arrange their rota so they are both working together for their two hour slot this week. One of them is on the till, the other is a pretty mean sandwich maker and in between times will give some shelves a clean and put out that new line in biscuits where people will see them. It's a chance to catch up with each other and they both enjoy chatting with the customers coming in and out.

Outside, a couple of people from the promotions group are lining up on the wall the entries for the best-decorated wellie. It's National Wellie Week and the competition has been a bit of fun when people come in the shop. Next week another group are offering all customers a mini-cream tea when they come in the shop in the afternoons. It's part of the promotion for local strawberries that's next week's special.

We know that there is a tremendous amount of experience, know-how and useful knowledge in this community, which the shop would benefit from tapping into. Obviously we are looking for at least two more people to join a prospective management team but more than that, we are looking for people who will work with us on specific limited projects without necessarily taking a role in the on-going management of the shop. For example, one such small group of people is already looking at how to replace the shop's ageing computer system.

We can't do anything about the fact that the shop itself is small and the immediate community it serves is small. For a secure future in difficult times, the shop needs to be able to punch above its weight by developing the business in new ways.

If you have experience in any aspect of business development, marketing, promotion or retailing and would be willing to join a small task group on addressing specific issues as they emerge, we would love to hear from you.

Similarly, if you would be willing to help in the running of the shop, either in the back room or in the shop itself, in any way at all, for as much or as little time as you like, do please give one of us a ring.

*Sandy Baxter (377291)*

*Diana Thomas (377311)*

*Peter Collis (339948)*



## Product recall

### **Middleton Tyas Preserves**

There has been a problem with one batch of the Blackcurrant Jam we made last summer. The batch in question is No.106, which has proved to have a poor setting and keeping quality. There were only eight jars in this batch and we know about three of them. If you have any of our Blackcurrant Jam still in your larder or refrigerator please check the reverse label on the jar. If it is batch 106 or you bought some Blackcurrant Jam earlier and were not happy with it because it was not a good set or did not keep as you would expect please return it or mention it to the shop where we will be happy to offer you another jar of jam. We're very sorry that there has been a problem and would far rather know and be able to put the problem right than lose your custom

*Diana Thomas  
The Jam Club*



## Operation Piggy Bank

We're overwhelmed with your generosity! We've got some great promises, so many so that we have decided to split the lots and offer a range of them by Silent Auction where you can send in written bids for specific lots and the top bid wins. Thank you so much to everybody who has taken part so far.

Copies of the auction catalogue will be delivered to all houses in our villages by the middle of January and more copies will be available at the village shop. Do please read it. It makes very good reading and there are some very tempting lots there! More than that, do please take part in the Silent Auction and come and support the auction on **Saturday 11 February**. (Got that in your diary?)

Whether or not you are planning to bid it will be a great evening with a magician/illusionist

adding to the entertainment, wine and savouries. So come out of winter hibernation and join the fun. Tickets, price £6, will be on sale in the post office from the beginning of January.

The auction is being run by Friends of the Village Shop and all proceeds are going directly towards buying a new computer system for the shop.

## Going Free

Anyone is welcome to have some china (white cups, plates and saucers with a W.I. logo). Please get in touch with Liz Robinson (tel: 339039) if you would like some. What is left at the end of January will be disposed of.

## We Can Dance

Very many thanks to everyone who supported in any way the 'Fabulous Fifties' lunch last month. We raised £2,243.

*Yvonne Nicholson*

## Children's Society

Weather permitting, I will be collecting the Children's Society boxes during the second week in January. Thank you for your continued support for this very worthy cause.

*E Croft*

*Middleton Tyas and Moulton*

## Coffee Morning and Craft Sale

Please make a note in your diaries for the Coffee Morning on Saturday 4 February when lots of craft items will be on sale too. Proceeds are in aid of much-needed funds for Mutake School, Harare, Zimbabwe. A fun Quiz on the theme of 'Love', is also part of the fund-raising effort. Sheets are £1 and are still available in the post office and village shop.

*Susan Mahaffy*

## Time to re-furbish?

A bit too early to turn to thoughts of Spring but once the party season is over and the lengthening hours of day light shine unkindly on your walls and furnishings, you tend to start thinking about re-decorating. Maybe a total make-over doesn't quite fit the spirit of the times but here's one way you can give your home a new look and feel you are doing the environmentally responsible thing.

Nikki Thompson, who was brought up in Middleton Tyas and whose parents, Carole and Norman Holmes still live here, has started up

her own company, Peppercorn House, recycling, re-inventing and re-vamping interesting pieces of furniture. Why not do your bit for the planet and go for the ultimate 'green' option by buying a piece that has been recreated with minimal impact on our environment. Nikki has an eclectic mix of stunning furniture and accessories. Have a look on her website, [www.peppercornhouse.com](http://www.peppercornhouse.com), or visit her showroom at the Grange, 41 Hurworth Road, Hurworth Place. She is open Monday – Friday 10.00 – 4.30 and Saturdays by appointment. Telephone 10325 401778 or 07961 967070.

## Bus timetable

Richmond - Darlington						
Monday to Saturday (not Bank Holidays)						
Service No	X34	X34	X34	X34	X34	34A
Richmond, Market Place	0735	0935	1135	1335	1535	---
Brompton-on-Swale, River Lane	0745	0945	1145	1345	1545	---
Catterick, The Angel	0750	0950	1150	1350	1550	---
Catterick, Mame Barracks	0752	0952	1152	1352	1552	1705
Scorton, The White Hall	0802	1002	1202	1402	---	---
Moulton, Moulton Village	0807	1007	1207	1407	---	---
Middleton Tyas, Shoulder of Mutton	0812	1012	1212	1412	---	---
Scotch Corner	0814	1014	1214	1414	---	---
Darlington, Tubwell Row	0829	1029	1229	1429	---	1735

  

Darlington - Richmond							
Monday to Saturday (not Bank Holidays)							
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Darlington, Vicarage Road	---	---	---	---	---	1620	---
Darlington, Tubwell Row	0835	1035	1235	1435	1625	1625	1740
Scotch Corner	0850	1050	1250	1450	1640	1640	1755
Middleton Tyas, Shoulder Of Mutton	0853	1053	1253	1453	1643	1643	1758
Moulton, Village	0858	1058	1258	1458	1648	1648	1803
Scorton, The Green	0903	1103	1303	1503	1653	1653	1808
Catterick, Mame Barracks	0913	1113	1313	1513	1703	1703	1818
Catterick, The Angel	0915	1115	1315	1515	---	---	1820
Brompton-on-Swale, River Lane	0920	1120	1320	1520	---	---	1825
Richmond, Market Place	0930	1130	1330	1531	---	---	1836

NOTES:  
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 NSch Runs during school holidays except Bank Holidays

## Don't forget

The new number for non-emergency calls to the police is **101**, a service which is being rolled out nationally. The current non-emergency number 0845 60 60 24 7 will continue to be in place and will be gradually be phased out. **999** is still the number for emergency calls.

## Claiming dates

### January

Wednesday 11 January 7.00 Parish Council meeting

### February

Saturday 4 February Coffee Morning and Craft Sale

Saturday 11 February 7.00 for 7.30 Operation Piggybank Auction of Promises

## June

Saturday 2 and Sunday 3 June Diamond Jubilee Village Gala.

*All events are in the Memorial Hall unless otherwise stated.*

## Editor's corner

It's that time of year again. I know there are so many totally worthwhile demands on your generosity but please would you also remember supporting the Village News among your New Year resolutions. Production costs have gone up considerably in the past year, partly because we more frequently run to 10 pages as well as the fact that, inevitably, printing costs have gone up. Every £ helps! Cash though my letterbox is welcome as are cheques made out to Middleton Tyas Village News.

The Village News will now be appearing on the village website starting with this month's issue. If you would prefer to read it on the website and no longer want paper copy delivered to your door please let me know. Please give me your full postal address so I can advise the distributor for your patch. However, there's no pressure. If you are happy to have 'the green sheets' coming through your letterbox every month, then we're happy to make sure you continue to get them.

Copy for the February issue (February already!? It'll soon be spring!) by 20 January, to 2 The Green, (same place as all the donations!) or telephone me on 377311 or e-mail me at [dianahthomas@gmail.com](mailto:dianahthomas@gmail.com). Happy New Year to all our readers.

## Letter from Rev David Lewis 1812 and 2012:

One of the most dramatic pieces of music in the classical repertoire must be Tchaikovsky's overture 'The Year 1812'. It was commissioned in 1880 for the consecration of the Cathedral of Christ the Redeemer, which had been built in Moscow to commemorate the defeat of Napoleon in 1812. Clearly the public would expect something powerfully patriotic, and Tchaikovsky was not going to disappoint them. He intended the first performance to be in the large square outside the cathedral, with a huge orchestra supplemented by real artillery firing in the background.

The result was certainly loud enough. In fact the 1812 begins quietly, with a sombre traditional hymn-tune depicting the peaceful Russians waiting for the advance of the enormous French army. Then the music grows restless: Napoleon's power is proclaimed by horns and trumpets before a Russian folk dance begins to encourage the peasants. The Battle of Borodino has the *Marseillaise* competing against the Russian music as percussion instruments clash with each other. Napoleon reaches Moscow but is then forced to withdraw, and the opening hymn-tune returns, (reinforced at the original performance by the bells of the Cathedral). This leads to the victorious climax – the Russian National Anthem complete with cannon!

And what of Napoleon? Sometimes life throws up characters that are arrogant, pretentious or overbearing. Most of us instinctively like to see such people cut down to size. Napoleon invaded Russia with an army of half-a-million men. He came back a few months later with barely 20,000. Today 'Napoleon's retreat from Moscow' is synonymous with disaster and humiliation on a grand scale.

So that was the Year 1812. What about the Year 2012? It's impossible to predict the future, though we can be pretty confident that we are going to hear an almighty amount of fuss about the Olympic Games this year. And as far as our local churches go it is clear that there will be a lot of hard work: we have got at least three dozen weddings booked in the East Richmond benefice during 2012 plus a Confirmation Service with 19 candidates.

In January the post of Team Rector will be advertised nationally, with the hope that interviews can take place early in March. So there might be a new incumbent in place by the late summer or the autumn. But nothing is certain and there are no guarantees - just ask Napoleon about that!  
*David Lewis*

### **St Michael's Majors**

The tea this month will be on Thursday 19 January, 3.0 – 5.00. It will be held at a venue in Moulton! (That should keep you guessing!). The usual travel arrangements apply.  
*Sara Vaux*

## **SERVICE FOR ALL** **8 January 2012**

The service held on the 9 October in St Michael and All Angels was a great success and attracted a number of families with active participation by the children who attended. Building on that success, a 'Service for All, ' will be held on 8 January to celebrate the Epiphany and the Adoration of the Magi. The children will again be actively participating in the service, and refreshments will be served afterwards.

It is vitally important that the church embraces all ages in its services of worship, as the children are the future of the church community. **All** ages are welcome, and so please do come along and join in this special event in the church's calendar.

## **COFFEE MORNING.**

### **St Michael and All Angels**

Invite you to drop in for a chat and relax  
on  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2012  
9 - 30 until Noon  
In the  
Memorial Hall  
Entrance £2.00 with free top up.  
Includes coffee, tea or squash and biscuits.

Book Stall

We look forward to your company.

### ***Wedding Bells.***

St. Michael and All Angels' Church are looking for someone to ring the church bells at weddings. Our regular bell ringer would be happy to give full training. It would be useful to be able to call upon a couple of people to share the wedding services and to cover holiday periods. If this appeals to you please contact, Diana 377641 or Howard 377619

### ***Thank You***

We are writing to thank everyone who has helped and supported St. Michael and St. Andrews during the last twelve months. Our readers, sidesmen, flower arrangers, intercessors, cleaners, choir and our daily church-opening lady; the Social Committee and by no means least all of you who come and worship and support our many fund raising events. The PCC join Howard and myself in wishing you and your families a joyful and peaceful New Year and invite you to join us again in 2012. Thank you all for the support you give to us.  
*Howard and Diana.*

## Church Services

	<b>Sunday 1st January 2012 Naming of Jesus</b>			
10.30 am	Holy Communion		Appleton Wiske	Ven. S. Golding
10.30 am	Holy Communion		Barton	Rev. D. Lewis
	<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January Epiphany</b>			
9.30 am.	Service for All		Middleton Tyas	Rev. G. Spedding
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer ( BCP )		Moulton	Rev. G. Spedding
	<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2<sup>nd</sup> of Epiphany</b>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion		Middleton Tyas	Rev. D. Lewis
	<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 3<sup>rd</sup> of Epiphany</b>			
9.30 am	Morning Prayer ( CW )		Middleton Tyas	Mrs H. Haydock
	<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January 4<sup>th</sup> of Epiphany</b>			
10.30 am	United Benefice Service of Holy Communion		Middleton Tyas	Rev. D. Lewis
	<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February 3rd before Lent</b>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion		Middleton Tyas	Rev. D. Lewis

Date	Sidesmen	Reading	Reader
8 January 2012	Mr . S. Hill Mrs M. Hill	TBA	The Three Wise Men Toby Holdstock
15 January 2012	Miss M.Brown Mrs J. Nimmins	Revelation John	5 : 1 – 10 p. 417 1 : 43 – end p. 418
22 January 2012	Mr.W.A.C.Hindhaugh Mrs. S. Mahaffy	Genesis John	14 : 17 – 20 p.421 2 : 1 - 11 p.423
29 January 2012	Mr. R. Aitken Mrs.P. Aitken	Revelation Mark	12 : 1 – 5a p.426 1 : 21 - 28 p.427
5 February 2012	Dr.N.C.Weightman Mrs. L. Weightman	1 Corinthians Mark	9 : 16 - 23 p. 430 1 : 29 - 39 p. 430

All readings are as detailed in the Revised Common Lectionary unless otherwise shown.  
Please note there is no service at Middleton Tyas on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012.  
You will be very welcome to attend the Services at Appleton Wiske or Barton at 10.30am.

### **Cleaning rota**

January 2 & 9 Mrs I Stead and Mrs Wood  
January 16 & 23 Mrs Craggs, Mrs White and Mrs Begley  
January 30 and February 6 Mrs Frost, Mrs McKibbin and Mrs Vaux

Sara Vaux and Liz Croft are in charge of flowers this month.

If anyone needs the services of a priest, **please contact Revd. David Lewis on 01609 881205 or email [davidlewis648@btinternet.com](mailto:davidlewis648@btinternet.com)**