

Middleton Tyas and Moulton Village News

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It could be worse!

Wage freezes, pensions out of sight, the economy still scraping along the bottom, not seeing the house in daylight from one week's end to the next. Grim, eh? But at least you don't have to take your own coal! If you think your working conditions are miserable, read on. These are some of the Office Rules preserved from an unknown business by the Scottish Museum of Wool Textiles, Walkerburn. Thanks to Joan Stenson for passing this on.

1. Godliness, Cleanliness and Punctuality are the necessities of a good business.
2. This firm has reduced the hours of works and the clerical staff now only have to be present between the hours of 7am and 6pm on weekdays.
3. Overcoats and topcoats may not be worn in the office but neck scarves and headwear may be worn in inclement weather.
4. A stove is provided for the benefit of Clerical Staff. Coal and wood must be kept in the locker. It is recommended that each member of the Clerical Staff bring four pounds of coal each day during cold weather.
5. No talking is allowed during business hours.
6. Now that the hours of business have been drastically reduced , the partaking of food is allowed between 11.30am and noon but work will not, on any account, cease.
7. Members of the Clerical Staff will provide their own pens. A new sharpener is available, on application to Mr. Rogers.
8. Mr Rogers will nominate a Senior Clerk to be responsible for the cleanliness of the the Main Office and the Private Office and Boys and Juniors will report to him 40 minutes before Morning Prayers and will remain after closing hours for similar work. Brushes, brooms, scrubbers and soap are provided by the owners.
9. The New Increased Weekly Wages are as here detailed.

i. Junior Boys (to 11 Years)	1s 4d
ii. Boys (to 14 years)	2s 1d
iii. Juniors	4s 8d
iv. Junior Clerks	8s 7d
v. Clerks	10s 9d
vi. Senior Clerks (after 15 years with	
vii. the owners)	21s 0d
10. The Owners recognise the generosity of the new Labour Laws but will expect a great rise in output of work to compensate for these near Utopian conditions.

MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP NEWS

Tel: 377198 Open Monday to Friday 8.00 – 5.30, Wednesday 8.00 – 1.00, Saturday 8.30 – 1.00

November will be a down and then definitely up month for the shop. We have to run briefly at fairly low stock levels ready for the annual stock-take but then it's up all the way as we get everything we can think of that you might enjoy for Christmas! New stock will be arriving all the time but this is just a taster to get you going.

We can't help you with the turkey – we haven't room to keep them! But we can certainly help with all the trimmings.

- Redcurrant jelly and Port Sauce
- Cumberland sauce
- Cranberry Sauce

All from Mrs Darlington

Shropshire Spice Company

- Sage and Onion Stuffing
- Cranberry, Orange and Chestnut Stuffing

And for the most delicious roast potatoes ever, we'll be keeping PURE GOOSE FAT all over the festive period.

Thinking ahead, it's not too early to order a ready made Christmas cake from Edwina's - ready marzipanned and iced or just the fruit cake for you to ice in your own way.

If a full-sized Christmas cake is far too much for you but you still enjoy some thing Christmassy at teatime, you might prefer:

Kuchenmeister's Marzipan Stollen

We'll be stocking a 200g stollen, just enough for a few Christmassy treats for the discerning cake-lover!

Planning a party?

If your thinking of a party, then why not order the cooked ham, sausage rolls or sausages, quiches and pies freshly made by Taylor's and ready for you to collect just whenever you want them.

And don't forget we can help with the booze! From a couple of bottles to several cases, we'll be happy to supply everything you want to drink over the Christmas period.

Why not start laying in some Christmas goodies now and take the hassle out of last minute Christmas shopping. Maybe you could start with a few jars of Rendle's delicious pate. Quickly spread on crackers and you have an instant canapé when friends call in for a drink.

Serve with hot toast and a slice of lemon or orange and that's the first course taken care of.

Serve with chunky bread and there's lunch for when you feel you can't face cooking another meal!

- Chicken Liver with Cognac
- Duck Pate with Orange
- Venison Pate with Cognac

If you are sure you can resist opening them before Christmas you could buy some **Whitaker's Mint Cremes or Orange and Lemon Cremes** – but maybe that's too much to ask! Maybe just sample some this month to see if you'd like them? But you'll have to be quick if you want to buy more!

Then there's Florentines, Amaretti biscuits, Shortbread Fingers and, for savoury lovers, **Cartwright and Butler Cheese**

Biscuits

- Gouda Cheese Melts
- Gouda Cheese Twists

You'll really need to keep those under lock and key!

Remember the gorgeous iced Christmas cake Mary Parvin made for the Christmas raffle for the shop last year? She has offered to do the same again this year, so whenever you're at the counter, treat yourself to a raffle ticket. It could be your lucky year!

News from the parish council

Crime

There have been several incidents of diesel being stolen from vehicles parked in the lay-bys around Scotch Corner. Coping stones from a dry stone wall just outside the village were stolen recently so dressed stone is obviously attractive to thieves. Please be vigilant and report anything suspicious to the police on 101 or Emergency 999.

Parking

The police are again looking into what can be done about the cars parked at the top of the village near Moto Services. Several residents have expressed serious concerns on having to walk on to the road because cars are blocking the footpath. If any one sees a car completely blocking the footpath please call the Police on 101.

Re-cycling

Can you please make sure the lids are firmly on your re-cycling boxes when you put them out especially, in windy weather.

There are composting bins going cheaply at the moment if you think you could re-cycle some of your garden and kitchen waste. There are two sizes of bins on offer, £18 for 220 litre and £20 for 330 litre, including delivery, but they are on limited offer only while stocks last. For more information visit, letstalklessrubbish.com

Dog fouling

Will dog-walkers, when they pick up their dogs' mess and put it in a plastic bag, please put the bag in one of the litter bins or take it home to dispose of. Do not leave it on the grass verge or throw it into the hedgeback, but most importantly PLEASE, PLEASE do not put it in the shop litter bin. This is emptied into the shop's waste bin which is strictly only for shop waste. Thank you.

Street lighting

North Yorkshire County Council is consulting on some streetlights being switched off from midnight to 5am in order to save money and reduce carbon emissions. None of the lights on the main streets will be affected for road safety reasons and there are other exclusion criteria. For more information on the consultation and to view the proposed part-night street lights in our area please go to www.northyorks.gov.uk/streetlighting.

Consultation ends on 6 November.

None of the lights owned by Richmondshire District Council will be affected.

Overgrowing branches

There are some areas in the village where shrubs and bushes are growing over walls and

fences on to the public footpaths, making it difficult for people to walk safely. It is the responsibility of the property owner to keep any vegetation cut back to the property boundary. If this is not done then the council will be asked to carry out the work and the bill will be sent to the property owner.

Communities Opportunities Funding

Grants are available to community groups and organizations to help fund community projects. The Memorial Hall Management Committee is going to apply for a grant to help with the cost of re-furbishing the Hall both inside and out. If anyone has a project in mind or has an idea for one please contact District Councillor Jill McMullon Tel 01325 377 960 or Email jillmcmullon@hotmail.com

Moulton matters

Church Cleaning:

Thanks to all who have volunteered to clean St Andrew's.

November: Mr and Mrs Stephens

December: Jo Spence and Helen Richardson

Bookswaps will resume in Spring 2014. In the meantime, please continue to support 'Books in the Bus Shelter' which will be refreshed regularly.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

The Macmillan Coffee Morning held at St Andrew's Church, Moulton was a great success. The final amount raised was £1095 and will go a long way to helping individuals and families of people facing cancer. Many thanks to everyone who supported and helped with this event.

Sue Jones

School report

Topics

All our pupils have returned to school eager to learn and have all settled in extremely well. We are well into an exciting and fun packed Autumn term, following our stimulating creative curriculum.

Our Juniors are looking at the topic of 'Fairtrade' and our Infants are exploring 'Africa'. This involves the children covering all areas of the curriculum through challenging and fun activities to enhance their discovery and learning experiences.

Trips

We have already seen two year groups enjoy residential trips. A fun-filled residential trip to Robinwood saw our Year 4 children taking part in a variety of exciting activities including the famous piranha pool challenge! An adventure-packed residential trip to Longrigg for our Year 6 pupils saw them involved in challenging team-building activities. A great time was had by all the pupils who attended these trips.

Other trips planned this term include a theatre trip and a visit to Crucial Crew.

Gardening Club HELP REQUIRED

Our school gardening Club is an extremely popular after school activity. However, the lady that has been running it for the past two years has moved away from the area and we would be very interested to hear from any keen gardeners in the local community who would like to support our school staff in the running of this club. Gardening Club meets once a week from 3.15pm-4.15pm to tend the flower and vegetable beds in the school grounds.

If you or someone you know is able to help to allow this valuable and enjoyable project to continue, please contact the school on 01325 377285. Thank you.

Helen Richardson
Parent Governor

News from the Village Shop

At the Open Meeting on 17 October the Secretary reported on the transformation over the last few months, and thanked staff and volunteers for their considerable efforts.

Liz Simpson, who is doing a wonderful job as our new manager, reported on the work she is doing, and her plans for the Christmas period.

Sandra Baxter shared details of the finances, which show that the shop is financially stable, due to a mixture of trading, which we hope will increase still further, and donations, without which the shop would not survive.

There was general discussion, especially about how we might encourage more trade in the afternoons, and tempt those who live in the village but have not been in the shop for some time to return and see the changes.

Finally, it was announced that Steve Hill had accepted co-option as a director, and he has subsequently been elected as Chair.

Peter Collis
Secretary

Service of Remembrance

There will be a short service held at the Memorial Hall Plaque on Monday 11th November in remembrance of those villagers who fought for our freedom. Will those wishing to attend please meet at the Memorial Hall at 10.50 am. The service will commence at 10.55, finish about 11.15 and include two minutes silence at 11.00. A small cross of poppies will be laid on behalf of the village.

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Thank you, Shoulder of Mutton

The Memorial Hall Management Committee would like to thank Fran and Kevin from the Shoulder of Mutton for organising the Charity Fashion Show and auction on Tuesday 15th October in aid of Middleton Tyas and Ravensworth Village Halls. The committee is extremely grateful to you both and to all your staff for the endeavours you took in making the night such a great success.

£775 was raised for the Memorial Hall.

Thank You!

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Scrabble Club

The Scrabble Club meets on the first Monday of the month at 7.00 for a very informal and friendly couple of games of Scrabble. Anybody from complete beginner to lifelong player is very welcome. If you would like to give it a try please ring Susan on 377600 for the date and venue of the next meeting.

Neighbourhood Watch

Another scam

Following on from the editorial in last month's issue about 'the thief on the phone, the police want to alert everybody to another plausible-sounding scam, this time supposedly involving the NHS. A North Yorkshire Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator received a telephone call from female with an Indian accent and number withheld claiming to be speaking on behalf of the NHS and requesting to clarify recipient's private details. The co-ordinator did not divulge any details and has since been in contact with the local surgery and the local PCT, neither of

whom are aware of such an NHS request and are passing the report further up the chain.

On this occasion it was only (only!) personal information which was being asked for but the person called did exactly the right thing. Do not divulge any personal information and end the conversation immediately.

Mobile Police Office

The Mobile Police Office will be in Middleton Tyas once a month, outside the Memorial Hall, generally on the last Saturday of the month, from 12.15 to 12.45. This is a chance to come along and speak to PC John Wilbor and PCSO Gavin Dobson regarding any quality of life issues, crime prevention, or simply to air your views about things that are happening in the village.

Dates:

30 November

28 December

Claiming dates

Events are in the Memorial Hall unless shown otherwise.

November

Saturday 2 November , 2.00 , St Peter's Church, Croft ,All Souls Service

Saturday 9 November 9.30 – 1.00 MT Primary School, St Michael's Church Christmas Fayre

Sunday 10 November, 9.30, Service of Remembrance St Michael's Church

Monday 11 November 10.50 Memorial Hall Service of Remembrance

Thursday 14 November 7.00 Parish Council Meeting

Editor's corner

Copy for the December issue please by 20 November to 2 The Green, tel 377311 or e-mail me at dianahthomas @gmail.com.

Church News

Who is coming and going

Grace Caldwell has been appointed to Village Seeds Project as our children's and youth worker. The appointment has been funded for three years with Grace working thirty hours per week. The funding is jointly from some of the team parishes but also from the Methodist and Anglican Churches in Hurworth.

No applications were received from the recent advertisement for a priest for the new benefice of Barton, Cleasby, Croft, Eryholme, Manfield and Middleton Tyas with Moulton. When the

post is filled the intention is that he/she will at the Vicarage in Middleton Tyas. The Vicarage in Barton will be sold.

Bishop John will retire in January with Bishop James taking on a 'caretaker' role until Easter. He will then become our area Bishop.

Letter from Grace Caldwell

I spent this morning at a school harvest festival, having dashed gratefully in from the cold and wind outside! It reminded me just how close to winter we are - there may even have been snow by the time you read this, and you will likely be preparing for bonfire night, with all its fireworks and fun. And yet it's also bulb planting time, tucking them up before the ground freezes, so that in the early spring we will have gardens full of colour.

Having arrived into the villages seed project in September, the first month has felt a bit like planting bulbs..... A lot of digging to find out what's beneath the surface, then carefully starting to plant. Working out what will go where, hoping that these small, sometimes bland seeming things - an assembly here, a conversation there - will blossom into mighty trees that will bear fruit for God's Kingdom. When you ask me what I've done this month, I've visited schools, I've run activities, I've started a lunch club, I'm setting up a toddler group in Barton, none of it is spectacular 'fireworks' activities but, like bulbs planted deep in good soil, we pray these things will begin to grow deep roots into our communities, the presence of God infiltrating every area of our villages, so that come Harvest Time we have a wonderful crop of people making steps on their journey of faith. Please pray that this work will grow, and develop, and pray about how you could be practically involved in this work, maybe through helping out at a messy church, or making tea at the toddler group?

Grace

VSP@dacym.co.uk

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Thank you

Thank you to everyone who helped and supported the Autumn Warmer last month. We made the grand total of £348.00. Marvellous!
Diana Donnison

St Michael's Majors

There will be no tea this month but the Christmas Party will be held on the second

Thursday in December which is the 12th.
Please put this date in your diaries.

A message from HOST

Could you make the world a friendlier place by offering an invitation to an international student at a UK university, for just a day, a weekend, or three days at Christmas? Young adults from many countries would love to have a homely break and discover the real life of this country. HOST is a well-established charity which takes care in linking students with volunteer hosts. www.hostuk.org or call Anne Ramsden 01484 654994.

All Souls' Service

For the parishes of Croft, Eryholme and Middleton Tyas with Moulton

A service of song and prayer to remember all who have died. All are welcome to light a candle in memory of loved ones.

Service to be held at St Peter's Church, Croft on Saturday 2 November at 7.00pm.

St. Michael and All Angels' Church.

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Christmas Fayre

To be Held at Middleton Tyas Primary School

Saturday 9th November 9.30am – 1.00pm

**Come and get into the Christmas Spirit!
Make a start on your Christmas Shopping
And support the Church at the same time.**

East Richmond Team Ministry

A Service of Remembrance

For those who died in two World Wars and other conflicts

9.30 am

Sunday 10th November 2013
St Michael & All Angels Church
Middleton Tyas

2013 Village Calendar.

Monthly calendar with donated photographs of scenes in and around the village.

**Calendars will be available from the Village Shop,
or Pauline Aitken on 377137**

Price £4-50p each.

Proceeds towards St Michael and All Angels Church funds.

Church Services

1.30 pm	Saturday 2nd November	Wedding	Middleton Tyas	Ven. S. Golding		
7.00 pm.	Saturday 2nd November	All Souls Day	Croft	Rev. D. Lewis		
9.30 am	Sunday 3rd November	4th before Advent	Middleton Tyas	Rev. L. Thorius		
	Holy Communion (CW)					
Sidesmen	Mrs. C. Harvey	Reader	Mr. S. Hill	2 Thessalonians	1 : 1 – 12	p.929
	Mrs. E. Croft			Luke	19 : 1 - 10	p.930
9.30 am.	Sunday 10th November	Remembrance Day	Middleton Tyas	Rev. D. Lewis		
	Remembrance Service					
Sidesmen	Miss M. Brown	Reader	Mr. R. Congreve	John	15 : 9 - 17	Bible
	Mrs. D. Carter					
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)		Moulton	Mr. H. Swanston		
9.30 am	Sunday 17th November	2nd before Advent	Middleton Tyas	Rev. L. Thorius		
	Holy Communion (CW)					
Sidesmen	MrWACHindhaugh	Reader	Mrs. E. Davies	2 Thessalonians	3 : 6 – 13	p.942
	Mrs. S. Mahaffy			Luke	21 : 5 - 19	p.942
9.30 am	Sunday 24th November	Christ the King	Middleton Tyas	Mr. M. Idale		
	Morning Prayer (CW)					
Sidesmen	Mrs. M. Sheridan	Reader	Mr.WACHindhaugh	Jeremiah	23 : 1 – 6	p. 944
	Mrs. J. Nimmins			Luke	23 : 33 – 43	p. 947
9.30 am	Sunday 1st December	1st Advent	Middleton Tyas	Rev.L.Thorius		
	Holy Communion (CW)					
Sidesmen	Mrs. S. Vaux	Reader	Mr. M. Hill	Romans	13 : 11 - 14	p.02
	Mrs. M. Parker			Matthews	24 : 36 - 44	p.02

You will be very welcome at all these services.

Please note our Joint All Souls Service with Croft and Eryholme is on Saturday, 2nd November at St. Peter's Church, Croft at 7.00 pm.

All readings are as detailed in the Revised Common Lectionary unless otherwise shown.

Cleaning rota

w/b 4 and 11 November Mrs Jen Smith and Mrs Weightman
18 and 25 November Mrs Simpson and Mrs Alsop

Flowers

Jean Nimmins will be in charge of flowers until Advent when we do not have any flowers in the church.

If anyone needs the services of a priest, please contact Revd. David Lewis on 01609 881205 or email davidlewis648@btinternet.com