

Middleton Tyas and Moulton Village News

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Happy Tenth Anniversary!

You must have heard by now that August 2014 marks the tenth anniversary of the opening of the Village Shop. Note 'Village Shop': the Post Office quietly celebrated its tenth anniversary a year ago and, in fact, what was to become the shop had already been serving newspapers along with coffee and biscuits in the Memorial Hall on Saturday mornings for some time before that. It's ten years though since William Hague cut the ribbon and the shop was open for business.

It hasn't all been plain sailing. Getting enough customers through the door has always been a problem as has persuading enough volunteers to help in the shop in any capacity. Opening an M&S Food at Scotch Corner dealt the shop an almost devastating blow but somehow, we have continued to keep afloat, thanks to the support of a lot of people in the village, past and present, regular customers not least. But this isn't the time for thinking about how difficult it all is. We've done it! For ten whole years! So let's celebrate and raise a toast to everybody who has made that achievement possible. And then raise another toast to the next ten years of successful trading.

I do hope that this issue of the Village News reaches you in time for you to decide, if you haven't already done so, to come to the Picnic on the Green at 12.00 on Saturday 30 August to celebrate. Bring a picnic (better still, order your picnic requirements from the shop by Wednesday 27 August) and bring the kids. There will be lots of fun organised for them. Still time to buy raffle tickets, which we hope will fund the whole thing. And finally, if you have helped with the shop in any capacity in the past ten years, do turn up on the Green for a few minutes at 5.00 on Friday 29 August and be in a crowd photograph to celebrate the shop's first ten years.

MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP NEWS

Tel: 377198 Open Monday to Friday 8.00 – 2.00, Saturday 8.30 – 1.00

There's still time to order your picnic for the Shop's 10th Anniversary Picnic on the Green. We need orders by Wednesday 27 August. So hopefully, you still have a day or two to think about it.

While you're sitting down writing your order, why not indulge yourself with some of the new, toasty delicious range of biscuits from Border Biscuits.

- Black Forest Cookies
- Maple Syrup Granola
- Yogurt, Cranberry and Pumpkin Seed Cookies
- Divinely Chocolatey Cookies
- Toffee Apple Crumbles
- Chocolate and Orange Shortbread
- Chocolate and Walnut Brownies
- Red Berry Rascals
- White Chocolate and Pistachio Crumbles
- Strawberry and Cream Melts
£1.93

Scottish Shortbread Fingers £1.85
Cranberry and Orange Shortbread Fingers £1.78

And for those who have to be careful what they eat:

From Farmhouse Biscuits:

Sugar-free Mild Ginger Biscuits £1.55
Sugar-free Oat Crunch Biscuits £1.55
Gluten-free Stem Ginger and Spice Biscuits £1.55

Perhaps by the time you read this we will be complaining about the heat! Maybe not..... in which case you'll be very pleased to see YORKSHIRE PROVENDER Soup In the chiller or freezer cabinets:

- Pea and Spinach with Fresh Mint
- Chicken and Butternut with Lentil and Cumin

- Mediterranean Vegetable with Pulled Pork
- Summer Garden with Pancetta and Avocado

Also new from YORKSHIRE PROVENDER:

CLASSIC CARBONARA SAUCE
£2.39

Perfect with pasta or gnocchi.

Looking for some really yummy savoury biscuits?

Fudge's Stilton Wafers £2.75
Fudge's Rich and Flaky Cheese Melts
£3.25

Fudge's Strong and Spirited Cheese and Multi Peppercorn Flats £2.75

Beware! These are seriously difficult to put down.

Gluten-free but seriously delicious too from Crimble's :

Rosemary and Onion Cheese Crackers
Tomato and Pesto Cheese Crackers
£2.35

ULTIMATE ENGLISH has won quite a fan base this year. The range is even bigger now and, as it's all made in Harrogate, you'll be supporting local industry! How can you refuse?

- Double packs of Caramel Fudge and Tarte au Citron Coconut Ice or Clotted Cream Fudge and Rhubarb Coconut Ice. £2.99
- All Butter Fudge £2.49
- Honeycomb Nuggets £2.49
- Salted Cashew Crunch £2.49

BRYMOR ICE CREAM

As well as all the other delicious flavours we also stock 1L cartons of Diabetic Vanilla £4.90
Diabetic Vanilla and Strawberry £5.95

News from the parish council

Mobile coverage

Following on from the success of getting High Speed Broadband for the village we are now trying to get better mobile coverage for those parts of the village where it is very poor. We have had no response so far from the mobile companies despite numerous e-mails, letters, phone calls and meetings with our MP. There is talk of a government-backed nationwide scheme to improve the signal in those places where it is not good. There are ways everyone can help:

- if you live in an area where the signal is poor contact your operator and complain even if you already have done so in the past
- it will not do any harm if people who live in an area with good reception complain about the areas with a poor signal.

If we keep pestering and badgering them you never know, they might start taking an interest.

Tour de France

Many thanks to the schoolchildren and their teachers for the wonderful Grand Depart letters

and little jerseys they put on the Hall railings, also to Andrea Clayton for the bunting around the Hall, to Susan and Norman Mahaffy for decorating the fingerpost on the Green and to John Ross for the yellow bike. Well done to you all.

Best kept village

We came second this year after being judged for a second time so well done to everyone for keeping their gardens, hedges, grass verges, and footpaths neat and tidy. There is always next year. Meanwhile, congratulations to everyone in Moulton who were winners this year.

Overhanging branches

We have been getting comments from residents about roads and footpaths being obstructed by overhanging foliage from trees, bushes and shrubs. It is up to the property-owner to make sure any foliage overhanging onto public footpaths and roads is cut back to their boundary to make sure there is no danger to pedestrians and road users.

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 meeting (held on second Thursday evening), 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

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

Best Kept Village Competition

Congratulation to Moulton, winners of the Richmond Rotary Club, Best Kept Village Competition 2014. Thanks to all who made a tremendous effort to make our village look attractive and tidy, especially all the work that went into improving the appearance of the Village Green.

Ownership of the Village Green

At a recent Parish Meeting it was agreed that we will investigate the potential to transfer the ownership of the Village Green areas to the Parish Meeting. A Parish Meeting will be arranged in September once we have facts and figures from Richmondshire District Council. The meeting will be well publicised to all residents.

Bookswap

The Bookswap held on Saturday 28 June £82.00. Thanks to all who attended and helped on the day. The next **Bookswap** will be held on Saturday 11 October from 10.00 to 12 noon. Come along and stock up on your reading and enjoy homemade cakes and tea or coffee. A further £32.50 has been raised from Books in the Bus Shelter since June.

If you have any good quality fiction books to donate, we will be grateful to receive them. Bring them along to the Bookswap or leave them in the bus shelter. Thanks. All proceeds will go towards Moulton Village Association funds.

Church Cleaning:

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

September: Mrs Atkinson and Mrs Vaux
October: Mr and Mrs Whitehead

For those of you planning ahead, please note that **Moulton Plant Sale will be on 9 May 2015**

Agricultural activities in and around Middleton Tyas

AWSM Farming Ltd are working alongside Middleton Tyas estate on their farming operation. It has been brought to our attention that there are concerns within the village relating to agricultural vehicles in the village and odours from slurry spreading.

Agricultural vehicles

In the village

Recently there have been problems with agricultural vehicles speeding and shedding their loads in the in the village. We apologise for any of our employees who were part of this problem and for any inconvenience caused. We have taken measures to prevent further issues. We would however like to point out that many other farms are accessed through the village that are nothing to do with us.

Odours from slurry spreading

Several weeks ago we injected some slurry into grassland close to the village and unfortunately the odour from this was unpleasant and hung around for some time. Again we apologise for this and any distress it may have caused.

To stop this happening in the future we will no longer be using this technique on fields close to the village. We have also invested in some new equipment that enables us to immediately incorporate the slurry into the soil when working on arable fields. This significantly reduces the odour problem.

We would like to have a good relationship with the local community and although we have a job to do we want to ensure this is done safely and without causing a nuisance. If anybody has any questions or would like to discuss the above further please contact Adam Metcalfe on 01833 627207.

Adam Metcalfe
AWSM farming Ltd.

Call for Shop volunteers

We are very fortunate to have a faithful band of volunteers who commit to serving in the shop. However, we still have insufficient volunteers to cover all opening hours without difficulty, and this places an added burden on the shop managers. If you can help as a volunteer, please contact any member of the management committee or Liz Simpson in the shop.

Shop treasurer

Sandy Baxter has been the Village Shop Treasurer for the past 2 years, but will stand down at the next AGM in February 2015. Sandy has done an outstanding job in managing the accounts, and it is vital that we find a suitable replacement well in advance of the next AGM.

Accounting or bookkeeping experience would, of course, be an advantage, but is not essential. Someone with an interest in working with figures and happy using a computer will be ideal, as training will be given. Ideally, we are looking for a new Treasurer to start the handover/takeover process in November 2014, which is the start of our new financial year. If you are interested to learn more about this vital role, please contact me on 377700 or Sandy Baxter on 377291.

Steve Hill

Chair

Middleton Tyas Community Shop

The Middleton Tyas People's History Society

This new society has got off to a good start with all sorts of contacts, pictures, press cuttings and so on coming in. Work has started on scanning pictures and documents and in talking to people who have known the village over much of their lifetime and who, perhaps, have handed-on stories and recollections from before that. The first challenge will be to upgrade the village website so that the data coming in can be stored in an interesting and accessible way.

The next meeting will be on Thursday 7 September at 7.30 in the Memorial Hall. Despite the rather portentous name, meetings are very informal. Whether you have lived here all your life or have only just arrived but are interested in the history of the village do come along... have a chat, a glass of wine, and share your ideas. From anecdotes, newspaper cuttings, family documents etc, we can build up a fuller picture for future generations to enjoy. For more information contact Liz Croft on 377867.

100th Anniversary of the Great War.

Thank you to everyone who attended the service in the Memorial Gardens on Sunday 3rd August. A special thank you to Daphne Carter for conducting the service, and to all who donated the delicious cakes, which we thoroughly enjoyed after the service. £26 was received in donations and this has been given to the British Legion.

Barbara Oram

Your chance to do something 'Special'

North Yorkshire Police is recruiting for volunteer police officers, known as 'Specials', who can use their skills and local knowledge to enhance the service provided by North Yorkshire Police. Special Constables work on the front-line, providing a vital link between local people and the police service. They play a crucial role in fighting crime and making our county safer.

North Yorkshire Police is looking for people from a variety of backgrounds, age-groups and walks of life, who could commit four hours per week to helping their community. Full training is given. If you are interested, please visit www.nypspecials.com for more information or to complete a short Expression of Interest Form.

The deadline for Expressions of Interest is 29 August 2014 but if you are reading this too late, don't worry. North Yorkshire Police will be recruiting again in the New Year.

We Can Dance

We are very pleased to report that £3766.67 was raised at the Midsummer Music concert at the Georgian Theatre Royal Richmond on the 7 June and that £1715 was raised at the Ladies' Ascot Day at Crathorne Hall Yarm on the 19 June. Many thanks to everyone who gave their support.

Seal Appeal

Two young Middleton Tyas residents, Lucy and Lottie Fish, have taken to heart a recent appeal by Scarborough Sae Life and Marine Sanctuary. They are collecting any old towels you no longer need for use in the care of orphaned seals. The sanctuary gets through more towels in a season than the average holiday hotel so all offers will be gratefully received. If you drop off your towels at the Village Shop, Lucy and Lottie will collect.

Designer Cashmere Sale

Judy Brown will be selling Designer Cashmere
In the Memorial Hall
Thursday 6 November
1.00– 6.00

NARNIA CHARITY BALL

Cocktails
7.30 - 8.00

Black Tie

Friday 28 November 2014

MIDDLETON LODGE, MIDDLETON TYAS
RICHMOND DL10 6NJ

We Can Dance
(Registered Charity Number 1136698)

Email Patricia: patriciabegley4@gmail.com
Or text Sarah Burke on 07768985056

Sleighs 1.00am

Tickets £60

Ring pulls appeal



Even better than recycling! Can you spare a moment to pull off the ring pulls from empty drinks cans and peel off the plastic labels from bottles you are about to recycle? There are two plastic pots in the Post Office just waiting to receive them for onward transmission to the Philippines Community Fund. This was originally set up to enable and educate people who live by scavenging on dumps and cemeteries in Tondo in the Philippines. Ring

pulls and labels provide the raw material for conversion into these very stylish bags which are proving so successful that the makers now need all the ring pulls and labels they can get. It costs you nothing but a moment's thought as you do your recycling but it will make a big difference to people working their way out of abject poverty.

Laterlife Challenge

Have you done something new since you retired? Started a new hobby or interest, joined a club or planned an event or trip? The Laterlife Challenge is looking for entries from the over 60's to demonstrate how people are making the most of their retirement years. There are some great prizes and also the knowledge that your story may help inspire others who are finding their senior years lonely or difficult. Chief judge is Blue Peter's Valerie Singleton. Find out more by visiting:

www.laterlife.com/challenge. Last year there were several entries from Yorkshire but so far this year there have been none. Maybe you are too busy enjoying your current challenge? Might be worth checking out the website though.

Remembering tiny lives

Susanna Pell (viol player) will hold one of her informal 'Coffee, Cake and Music' events in St Agatha's church, Easby on Sunday 21 September from 10.30am – 1.00pm. People are welcome to come in and out as they please, buy a cup of coffee and a piece of cake and enjoy Susanna's playing while they enjoy their drink, read the paper, knit a bit or even chat quietly. They are asked to put a suitably sized donation into one of the buckets as they leave. The proceeds will be shared between SANDS (the Stillborn and Neonatal Deaths Society) and St Agatha's. SANDS provides support for families who have lost a baby at a late stage in pregnancy or in the first four weeks of life, and funds research into the causes of such loss. The United Kingdom has one of the highest such mortality rates in the developed world (about 17 babies per day) and the situation has remained almost static for twenty years.

Then at 6.00pm that day there will be an Evensong with a visiting choir. During the service there will be a time when anyone who wishes can come up to the chancel and light a candle and/or add a name label for a lost baby to a 'tree'. Anyone is welcome to attend whether or not they have been touched by such a loss (it's amazing how many people have) and the collection will, once again, be shared between the church and SANDS.

Claiming dates

Events are in the Memorial Hall unless shown otherwise.

September

Thursday 7 September 7.30 MT People's History Society

Thursday 14 September, 6.30 Parish Council Meeting

October

Thursday 9 October 6.30 Parish Council Meeting
Saturday 11 October 12.00 – 2.00 Autumn Warmer
Saturday 11 October 10.00 – 12.00 Bookswap St Andrew's Church, Moulton

Sunday 12 October 6.00 – 7.00 Harvest Celebration
St Andrew's Church, Moulton

Editor's corner

Copy for the October issue by 20 September please to me at 2 The Green, telephone 377311 or email me on dianahtomas@gmail.com.

Church News

A warm welcome to Rev Jenni Lane who is now living in the Rectory, Kneeton Park and is obviously ruled by her dogs!



A pastoral letter from Middleton Tyas Rectory, written by Byron.

Dear all,

Having arrived in this beautiful part of the world in June, I felt it was time to introduce myself and the lesser members of the Rectory pack. My name is Byron: the Honourable Lord Byron II to be precise, but I answer to my more informal name.

I bring with me my staff: Keats, (who thinks he's in charge but isn't), and Dodger, (who's anyone's for a sausage), and of course my human butler Jenni, aka the biscuit-buyer. The biscuit-buyer is only here to serve my needs. I have tried telling her this, but she says that as Priest-in-Charge she's here for everyone in Barton, Cleasby, Croft, Eryholme, Middleton Tyas and Moulton, and Manfield. I did express a concern that I didn't think my basket was big enough, but she ignored me.

The biscuit-buyer assured me that I would receive

extra dog biscuits if I put paw to pen, and as I am obviously the most intelligent member of the family, it makes sense that I should try to translate the biscuit-buyer's mumblings into reasonable ramblings. I immediately started to bargain for an increase in my biscuit allowance to kick-start the old doggy brain cells into action. Surely all my hard work should not go unrewarded? The one who buys the dog biscuits suggested that she may be open to persuasion as long as I was prepared to share this allowance with Keats and Dodger – share! What! 'I don't think so,' I said.

The biscuit-buyer ignored me and asked to me to convey her heartfelt thanks and gratitude to everyone who has been so kind in welcoming us into the communities: in fact she has stated that I am a very lucky doggy indeed to have found myself amongst so many kind people. And in this respect, I whole-heartedly agree with her. My talents have already been recognized by the children of Middleton Tyas school and I have been adored and greeted by many friends in Croft and Eryholme. Unfortunately the biscuit-buyer won't take me everywhere with her, but I hope to meet many new friends in the future.

And so, many, many thanks to you all for your kindness.

With love,

Byron, Keats, Dodger and the biscuit-buyer.

Petrol strimmer wanted

Does anyone have a spare petrol strimmer in working order (preferably not too heavy) which we could use to help us keep the churchyard tidy. If you think you could help, please contact Liz Croft on 377867.

St Michael's Majors

This month's tea will be held on Thursday 18 September, 3.00 – 5.00 in the Memorial Hall. The usual travel arrangements apply.



AUTUMN WARMER

Come and join us in the Memorial Hall on Saturday 11th October 12.00 to 2.00 pm
Enjoy some home-made soup and crusty bread,
tea or coffee and biscuits. Book stall.
£ 4.00pp children £2.00, in aid of Church funds
We look forward to greeting new and old friends.

Village Praise Harvest Celebration

St Andrew's Church
Moulton
Sunday 12 October, 6.00 – 7.00

We invite you to join us as we sing some popular hymns and hear a selection of readings
An opportunity to meet others.

Light refreshments will be served at the end.

All welcome

Church services – September

Sunday 7th September	12 th . After Trinity	Middleton Tyas
9.30 am Holy Communion CW (T)	Rev. J. Lane	
Sidesmen	Mr. S. Hill	Mrs. M. Hill
Reader	Mrs. S. Vaux	
Readings	Romans 13, 8-14 P 316	Matthew 18, 15-20 P317
Sunday 14th September	13 th . After Trinity	Middleton Tyas
9.30am. Morning Prayer BCP	Mrs. D. Carter	
Sidesmen	Mrs. M. Sheridan	Mrs. J. Nimmins
Reader	Mrs. E. Davies	
Readings	Romans 14, 1-12 P322	Matthew 18, 21-35 P323
6pm. Holy Communion CW BCP	St. Andrew's Moulton	
Readings	Romans 14, 1-12 P322	Matthew 18, 21-35 P323
Saturday 20th September	Wedding 1.00pm	
Sunday 21st September	Festival of St. Matthew	Rev. J. Lane
9.30am Holy Communion CW (T)		
Sidesmen	Mrs. S. Baxter	Mrs. S. Mahaffy
Reader	Mrs. C. Harvey	
Readings	2 Corinthians 4, 1-6 P1012	Matthew 9, 9-13 P1014
Sunday 28th September	15 th After Trinity	Middleton Tyas
9.30am. Harvest Festival		
Sidesmen	Miss M. Brown and School Children	
Readers	Young people from the parish	
Readings	To be announced on the day	

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

Cleaning Rota

W/B Sept 1

Sept 8 and 15

Sept 22 and 29

Mrs Jen Smith and Mrs Weightman

Mrs Laycock and Mrs Mahaffy

MrsThompson and Mrs Potts

Flower Rota

Sara Vaux is in charge of flowers this month.

If anyone needs the services of a priest, please contact Rev J Lane on 01325 377918 or jennilane2013@btinternet.com

