



## The WIDE way to protect your home

Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, has recently been in the national news promoting the use of CCTV cameras by householders. He commented that police forces need crime scene footage, and that cameras at eye level are often more helpful than overhead cameras in identifying offenders. This has raised concerns in some quarters about privacy issues and the use of facial recognition technology.

It stands to reason that once a crime has been committed, clear CCTV footage can be very useful in helping to identify the offender. However, it is obviously preferable to stop the crime being committed in the first place, and this is where Neighbourhood Watch and Home Watch comes into its own. The 2008 Campbell Systematic Review of the Effectiveness of Neighbourhood Watch shows it as effective in 26% of cases. It's not just about reporting when you've seen something suspicious, but about creating the kind of strong communities where crime is less likely to happen in the first place, and providing people with the most up-to-date advice to help them deter criminals and protect their homes.

So what is the best way to guard against being burgled? As well as a Neighbourhood Watch scheme, which Middleton Tyas already has, you can make sure your home has WIDE which stands for:

- W - Window locks
- I - Interior lights and timer
- D - Double or deadlocks
- E - External lights on sensor

The British Crime Survey (now the Crime Survey for England & Wales) from 1992 - 2012 puts forward the 'WIDE principle' as being the most effective way of reducing burglaries. Used together these measures offer 49 times more burglary protection than if you have no security measures at all. So, whatever your feelings about CCTV outside your home, there is still a lot you can do to keep it safe. *Information provided by North Yorkshire Police*

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## MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP NEWS

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**Easter is nearly upon us and it's time to think about little gifts for special people in your life.** We don't keep much in the way of Easter eggs: it's just not possible to compete with the buying power of the supermarkets (but see below for some examples of where we really do cost less than the big players). But a bone china mug designed by wildlife artist Joanne Kell might make the perfect Easter gift, especially if you fill it with a bag of Cadbury's Mini Chocolate eggs (£1.20 per bag.)

Joanne has also produced a selection of mugs decorated with drawings of different dog breeds so if you have a dog-lover who would love a little present from you, come and see what we've got.

## PRICE COMPARISON

Figures correct as at 20 March

Domestos bleach 750ml  
Our price: **£1** Tesco: **£1.25**

Andrex Classic White x4  
Our price: **£1.99** Tesco: **£2.00**

Kleenex Mansize 110 x 2ply  
Our price: **£1.99** Sainsbury **£2.00**

Pringles 190g  
Our price: **£1.79** Sainsbury: **£2.25**

Cadbury dairy Milk Fruit and Nut/Whole nut  
120g  
Our price **£1.29** Sainsbury: **£1.40**

## Cooking a gammon joint for Easter?

Serve it with **Mrs Darlington's Cumberland Sauce**, which we're offering at half-price, **just 96p**.

## Tunnock's Tea Cakes

Remember them? A crumbly biscuit base with a cushion of soft marshmallow, all coated in milk chocolate and wrapped in red and silver foil.

They have a really following with today's pocket money brigade. If you were a child in the 1950's, join the queue and take an instant trip down Memory Lane for just 25p.

If you want a treat that's right on trend though, **Cadbury's Salted Caramel Crunch Chocolate Fingers** might be more your style. £1.99 a packet and totally irresistible!

## Fancy something really fruity?

And healthy and completely blameless?

## Try Frobisher's Bumbleberry Pure Fruit Juice.

It's a delicious mix of strawberry, raspberry, blackberry and blackcurrant juices and water. That's all. No nasty additives sneaked in. **£1.20 per 250ml bottle**-----

## WINES OF THE MONTH

**HARDY'S SHIRAZ AND CABERNET**  
and  
**HARDY'S SHIRAZ ROSE**

£6.49 a bottle

## News from the parish council

### **Slurry smells**

The next time there is a slurry smell in the village will as many people as possible please ring Richmondshire District Council (01748 829 100) immediately. The sooner RDC knows about it the better.

### **Yellow lines**

When the road in Oakfields is re-surfaced the yellow lines will, as agreed by the residents, not be replaced. Residents on School Bank will also be consulted about a change to the yellow lines there in an effort to improve road safety.

### **Drainage**

If anyone has a map or drawings of drainage on their property will they please contact any parish councillor. Contact details are on the village notice boards.

### **Parish council**

If you are interested in joining the Parish Council please ask the Parish Clerk for an application form as soon as possible after 20 March. The Parish Clerk's contact details are shown on village notice boards.

### **Best Kept Village competition**

The Parish Council has again entered the Richmond Rotary Best Kept Village Competition and the judging will take place during the first two weeks of July. If you are just planning what to have in your hanging baskets and planters please would you bear the competition in mind and arrange to have a real splash of colour in early July. Thank you.

### **Parish Council meetings**

Meetings are usually held on the second Thursday of the month, however, the May meeting will be held on **May 21**. The evening will begin with the Annual Meeting at 6.30 at which officers will be appointed. This will be immediately followed by the ordinary meeting at 7.15.

## School report

### **Easter holiday**

The school will be closed from 27 March to 13 April.

### **Active Kids vouchers**

The school is collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. You can drop them off at the school or put them in a collecting box in the post office. Your help with this whether you are a parent,

grandparent or just a supporter of the school will be very much appreciated.

### **Outdoor classroom and performance area**

The school recently celebrated the launch of its wooden outdoor classroom and performance area. The build was made possible by the school PTA who had raised a staggering £20,000 in only two years (2011 – 2014). A further grant from Moto Scotch Corner Services funded the purchase of a story chair, wooden carved mushrooms and wooden benches. In addition the fortnightly quiz nights at the Black Bull have funded six interpretative educational panels.

### **Next steps**

The governing body has sent a letter to all stakeholders outlining the next steps of the proposal to form a two-site federated school. This can be viewed on both school websites. There will be a 'frequently asked questions' document on both websites in due course and the governing body welcomes views from all stakeholders during this process.

### **SIAMS report**

SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) was recently held at the school. In summary, the inspector found that:

- The distinctiveness and effectiveness of Middleton Tyas as a Church of England school are good.
- Christian and moral values are deeply woven in to the life and work of the school and it is an effective and uplifting environment in which children learn and grow.
- Collective worship is imaginatively and expertly planned and is making a strong impression on children

### **New starters**

If you have a child due to start school in September this year you are welcome to visit the school at any time. Just contact the school office on 377285.

### **Middleton Tyas History Group**

The History Group will meet on Thursday, 9 April at 7.30 in the Memorial Hall.

We meet for about an hour, in an informal setting.

Do join us, and help us to collect and preserve evidence of the history of this village.



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# FUNDRAISING IN SUPPORT OF **HELP *for* HEROES**

## BAKE FOR HEROES

**Hi! my name is Heather and I live in Scurragh Lane. As part of the Bake for Heroes event I am holding a Cake Stall in Middleton Tyas Memorial Hall on Wednesday 22 April between 10.00 and 1.00. All produce will be home-made and tea & coffee will be available. The total proceeds from this event will be going to the Help for Heroes Charity.**

**PLEASE COME ALONG SUPPORT ME IN THIS EVENT**

### **Richmondshire Carers Sitting Service**

Do you or someone you know care for a dependant relative or friend? Do you find it difficult to get time to go out to shop, meet friends or just have some time for yourself? If yes then maybe the Sitting Service can help by sending a friendly volunteer to sit with the person you care for so you can have some time for yourself.

For more information please contact: Michelle Cardwell, Outreach Services Manager, St John's Community Centre, telephone 01748 832271.

Do you have time to spare, a few hours a week, or fortnight or month? Would you like to make a

real difference here in your local community by supporting a Carer? Want to find out more then

please contact: Linda Curran, Volunteering and Information Officer, Volunteering Richmondshire, Richmond Community and Voluntary Action, Telephone 01748 822335

### **Mobile Police Office**

If you want to speak to a member of your local Safer Neighbourhood Team on any issue regarding quality of life, crime prevention or simply want to air your views on things happening in your area, you are welcome to come to any of

the following surgeries when the Mobile Police Office will be in the area shown below.

<b>9 May</b>	<b>11.30</b>	<b>Moulton</b>
<b>4 July</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>Dalton on Tees</b>
<b>5 September</b>	<b>1.45</b>	<b>Croft</b>
<b>7 November</b>	<b>2.30</b>	<b>Middleton Tyas</b>

## Drawings for a Village Newsletter

Readers who have admired the drawings which John Davies has often provided for the front page of the Village News over the past thirteen years will be pleased to hear that John has now produced *Drawings for a Village Newsletter*, a book of 23 of the best drawings of aspects of our two villages. If you would like a copy, price £6, please contact John on 377343 or email him on [jdavies343@btinternet.com](mailto:jdavies343@btinternet.com).

## What a relief!



Thanks to all who pitied red nosed 'Dorothy' that very cold Friday 13 March, and donated the heart warming sum of £143 to Comic Relief.

'Dorothy' adds a special thank you to her long suffering, very dear, very own Wizard of Oz, who works tirelessly behind the scenes, but who dreads to think what mad idea the witch might come up with next.

*Susan*

## ZUMBA!

BRING A TASTE OF ZUMBA into your life! The Memorial Hall is the place. 11.30 – 12.30 on Thursdays beginning 16 April is the time. (That gives you time to come in for a coffee and a natter at the Pop-in Coffee Café before we start.)

Zumba is a dance fitness class (very well disguised though!), and uses music whose influences are from Latin America and Europe. The class will appeal to everyone really. You do not need any previous experience or knowledge of any form of dance to take part. Its main focus is 'movement to music' and it's designed to be a fun session.

Andrea will be there in the cafe early for those who want to come and register then but booking is advisory as places will be on a first come, first served basis. Anyone wanting to book a place or find out more about the class, please contact Andrea on 07971 642027.

## Georgian Theatre Royal

If you love the theatre, enjoy meeting new people and would like to take advantage of a range of exclusive offers and benefits at one of the UK's most historically important arts venues then why not become a Friend of The Georgian Theatre Royal in Richmond? Benefits include ticket discounts on selected shows, priority bookings, quarterly newsletters and exclusive invitations to pre-show and post-show events, theatre talks and a wide variety of social occasions.

You will also be supporting a venue that occupies a unique place in theatrical history. Built in 1788 by Samuel Butler, The Georgian Theatre Royal is Britain's oldest working theatre in its original form. The small scale and intimate atmosphere gives it a special quality that captivates performers and audiences alike and in recent years it has attracted top actors and musicians including Julian Lloyd Webber, Sir Thomas Allen, John Cleese and Edward Fox.

But this is also a place that sits at the heart of its local community. As well as an exciting year-round programme that includes high-quality drama, dance, children's theatre, opera and comedy to suit a wide range of tastes, the Theatre runs free events such as a monthly book club and a popular poetry and pints evening. Over 180 students are involved in its award-winning youth theatre, marriage ceremonies are regularly held on its historic stage and each year thousands of people take guided tours of the building and visit the fascinating Theatre museum.

If you would like to become involved with this vibrant community, as well as helping to ensure that it continues to be around for future

generations to enjoy, then please join us as one of our valued Friends. Annual subscriptions start at only £25 for a single and £40 for a joint membership and the benefits are endless.

For further information, please contact us on 01748 823710 or email: [gtrfriends@gmail.com](mailto:gtrfriends@gmail.com). More details and a Friends' application form can also be found in the 'Support Us' section of the Theatre website: [www.georgiantheatreroyal.co.uk](http://www.georgiantheatreroyal.co.uk)

## Claiming dates

### **April**

Thursday 9 April 6.30 Parish Council meeting  
Saturday 11 April, 10.30 – 12.00 Bacon Butty and Coffee Morning

### **May**

Saturday 16 May Summer fair MT Primary School  
Thursday 21 May 6.30 Parish Council meeting  
Saturday 23 May Bookswap, Moulton

### **June**

Wednesday 24 June Summer Luncheon with flower demonstration, Middleton Lodge Coach House

### **July**

Thursday 2 July Summer Fund-Raising Ball MT Primary School Middleton Lodge  
*Events are in the Memorial Hall unless shown otherwise.*

## Editor's corner

Copy for the May issue please by 20 April to 2 The Green or telephone 377311 or email me at [dianahthomas@gmail.com](mailto:dianahthomas@gmail.com).

## Church news

### ***The thoughts of the Vicar's lurcher***

Now anyone who knows dogs, knows that a dog's nose is the way to inner joy and harmony, and those who know that a dog's nose is such, will also know that a dog can allow his nose to run away with him. And in knowing this, maybe those who do know this should have more sense, other than just the smelling one. But in my household, those who think they are in the know underestimated my nose.

The sun was shining, and the lure of woodland was too much for any of us to ignore, so off we went to a familiar haunt to enjoy God's creation in all its glory. There was a carpet of snowdrops along the side of a clear rippling stream, and lots and lots of different scents,

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and mud, and an over-excited Dodger, being egged on by an equally over-excited Ty, and sticks, and other dogs, and lots and lots of different scents, and acres of trees, and did I mention the lots and lots of different scents? Pure doggy heaven.

Part of the trip was, on the part of the biscuit-buyer aka Jenni, to persuade Ty that the words 'Ty here', actually mean 'Ty come here and stop ignoring me'. Armed with cheese, the biscuit-buyer was working hard to drill these two words and the appropriate response into the saluki's skull. I had to admit that there were times when she was quite successful, and I had to feel a slight pride as I dashed up and over the hill as the words 'Oh, if only you were like Byron and didn't ignore me' drifted across the air as I galloped off with an enticing scent in my nose. 'What a clever dog I am', I thought, 'to be used as an example of doggy obedience'. ....What was that smell. Rabbit, squirrel, wait a minute.....fox! That's got to be fox! 'Yippee!'

Up the hill between the trees, through the mud, over the logs, where was that fox? I could smell it... I was going to find it! And it was at that moment I found out something else. I had no idea where I was. The surroundings were different. There was no sign of the biscuit-buyer, or Dodger, or even Ty and he's usually a couple of paces behind. I was on my own and lost. No familiar sounds and even the smell I thought I smelt was no longer appealing.

A sense of panic came over me. I careered this way and that, winding in and out of trees, trying to find my way back to where the family were. And then, just as thoughts of a long, dark night in a cold wood started to flit across my mind, I heard a familiar voice. 'Byron..... Byron!' The biscuit-buyer! I was saved. I ran towards the voice, flew down the hill and flung myself at her in sheer joy at having been found. 'Byron' she said, 'Jesus said: My sheep hear my voice. I know them and they follow me..... You on the other hand are the epitome of humankind – you ignore the voice because you think you know better. I still love you though you handsome mutt. And just what have you been rolling in.....?'

*Byron*

### **Shades of Shimla**

The **Shades of Shimla** evening on February 27 raised £302 for St. Michael and All Angels' Church Building Fund. Thanks to all who

supported it, and a special thank you to Juliet, Michael, Alan and Martin for all their help that evening.

*Susan and Norman*

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



### **BACON BUTTY & COFFEE MORNING**

in aid of Church funds.

You are invited to drop in for a chat and relax with New and Old Friends

on  
**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2015**  
**10-30 am until 12-30 pm.**

In the  
Memorial Hall  
Entrance £3-50 Adults  
£1-75 Children

This includes coffee, tea or squash  
and a Bacon Butty.  
Raffle

We look forward to welcoming you.

### **Church Flowers.**

As there will be no service at St. [Michael's](#) on Easter Day we will not be having a working party to decorate the church this year. Jean Nimmins will be in charge of flowers for the rest of April 377868.

### **Cleaning rota for April**

30 March	Mrs Thompson and Mrs Potts
6&13 April	Mrs Baxter and Mrs Gentry 20
&27 April	Mrs Hill, Mrs Brooke and Mrs Nimmins

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

The tea this month will be on Thursday 17 April in the Memorial Hall 3.00 -5.00. The usual travel arrangements apply. If you think St Michael's Majors is something you would like to join in with, new members are always very welcome. Please ring Sara on 377228, Jean on 377868, Liz on 377867 or Pauline on 377137.

*St Michael and All Angels Church*

*invite you to a*

*“Summer Sizzle”*

*A flower demonstration by*

*Val Guest*

*Area demonstrator for Northumberland and  
Durham of NAFAS*

*at The Coach House,  
Middleton Lodge, Middleton Tyas.*

*On Wednesday 24 June*

*at 11.30 for coffee, Lunch with a glass of wine  
at 12.30.*

*followed by a flower demonstration.*

*Tickets £25 available from Middleton Tyas Post  
Office, Diana Donnison Tel 377641 or Pauline  
Aitken tel 377137*



**CHURCH SERVICES – April 2015**  
**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER ON CHANGES TO SERVICE TIMES AND VENUES THIS MONTH**

<b>Wednesday 1 April 7pm</b>	Holy Week	Croft
<b>Hoy Communion</b>		Rev . J. Lane
<b>Thursday 2 April 7pm.</b>	Maundy Thursday	Barton
<b>Holy Communion</b>		Rev. J. Lane
<b>Friday 3 April 2pm</b>	Good Friday	Middleton Tyas
<b>A one hour service of meditation</b>		Rev J. Lane
<b>Sunday April</b>	<b>There will not be a service at either Middleton Tyas or Moulton on Easter Day. There will be alternative services as follows:</b>	
<b>Holy Communion 9.30</b>	Cleasby	Rev. J. Lane
<b>Holy Communion 11.00</b>	Croft	Rev. J. Lane
<b>Sunday 12 April 9.30</b>	Second Sunday of Easter	Middleton Tyas
<b>Morning Prayer CW</b>		Mr. H. Swanston
Sidesmen	Mrs. M. Sheridan	Mrs. J. Nimmins
Reader	Mrs. E. Davies	
Readings	Acts 4, 32-35                      P488	John 20, 19-31                      P489
<b>There will not be an evening service at Moulton on Sunday 12 April.</b>		
<b>Sunday 19 April</b>	Third Sunday of Easter	Middleton Tyas
<b>9.30 Holy Communion CW</b>		Rev. J. Lane
Sidesmen	Mrs. P. Aitken	Mr. R. Aitken
Reader	Mrs. E. Croft	
Readings	Acts 3, 12-19                      P491	Luke 24, 36b-48                      P493
<b>Sunday 26 April</b>	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Middleton Tyas
<b>9.30 Morning Prayer CW</b>		Mr. M. Idale
Sidesmen	Dr. N. Weightman	Mrs. L. Weightman
Reader	Mrs. M. Hill	
Readings	Acts 4, 5-12                      P494	John 10, 11-18                      P496

All readings are as detailed in the Revised Common Lectionary unless otherwise shown.  
 If anyone needs the services of a priest, please contact Rev. J. Lane on 01325 377918 or e-mail [jennilane2013@btinternet.com](mailto:jennilane2013@btinternet.com)

Jean Nimmins is in charge of flowers this month. For the cleaning rota, please see page 7

