

# Middleton Tyas and Moulton Village News

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First of all, thank you very much to all the kind people who have sent donations for the Village News since I mentioned in the January issue that funds were running very low. That was written shortly before Christmas and at that stage I couldn't see how we were going to pay for the issue you are reading now unless there was an injection of cash from somewhere. Cash flow problems, in other words.

Thanks to your support and the support of the Parish Council, we live to fight another day. I anticipate that it will cost about £1700 to bring out the Village News every month in 2016. The Parish Council has raised its grant to £700. If donations continue as they have done for the past few years, I expect them to amount to about £500. Advertising, which is currently pitched just to cover costs, accounts for a further £250. 'Do the Math', as they say

If things go on as they are, that leaves a shortfall of £250. Normally, very conscious of the very many demands on your generosity from causes much more important and pressing in the greater scheme of things than the Village News, I just gently rattle the begging bowl at this time of year. But that's not enough any more. Donations have fallen from a peak of nearly £750 in 2012 to £570 last year. On such a small budget, that's a serious decline. The Village News is delivered every month to 342 households: donations come from about 20% of that number. If you're among the people who have in mind to give something to the Village News but then the thought gets overtaken by other things, please go the extra mile and write the cheque or put some money in an envelope **now**. Cheques should be made payable to 'Middleton Tyas and Moulton Village News'. You are welcome to put an envelope through my door (2 The Green) or leave donations at the Village Shop where they can even supply you with an envelope!

What else can we do to raise money? A couple of years ago some supporters very kindly held a coffee morning specifically in aid of the Village News which raised the amazing sum of £460. That certainly made a difference over the last couple of years, even allowing us to run the occasional front page in full colour. If you and a few friends would be prepared to run a fund-raiser, no matter how great or small, as your way of supporting the Village News and have some fun in doing so, that would be absolutely brilliant.

The other avenue is to increase income from advertising. I don't want to end up with a Village News the size of a telephone directory - and about as interesting - because it's full of advertisements, no matter how financially sound that might be. But, what if the Village News and the Village website were to get together and develop a joint approach to advertising? Now you're talking! Middleton Tyas and Moulton Media Corporation, here we come! It's going to take time but we already have plans and some thoughts about what we can offer prospective advertisers.

What we need most (apart from money – see above!) is somebody with local business knowledge and marketing savvy to join a small team who are going to take this forward. If you think this could be you, or you are even the least bit interested, we would be so pleased to hear from you.

Contact me by telephone on 377311 or email [dianahthomas@gmail.com](mailto:dianahthomas@gmail.com) or Josephine Collis on 339948 or [josephinecollis@gmail.com](mailto:josephinecollis@gmail.com)

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## MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP NEWS

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Telephone: 339111

Opening hours: 8.30 – 1.30, Mondays,  
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### IT'S NEARLY PANCAKE DAY!

Go on, toss 'em 'til they stick on the ceiling! That's really something your children and grandchildren will remember all their lives!

All you need is milk, eggs, flour, sugar and lemon juice. We've got all of those and just to make it easier still we've got lemon juice ready-squeezed.

**JIF LEMON JUICE**  
250mls for just £1

And the eggs are from Hollyacre Farm,  
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Produced by contented  
free-range chucks.

Only £1.35 a box for large ones  
£1.25 for medium, which makes them  
the best value in eggs for miles

**IT'S A MYSTERY.....**

.....Apparently there's a shortage of

**YORKSHIRE GOLD TEA BAGS**

Don't know how that's come about but we have plenty at £3.92 for 80 bags. It's made from a blend of teas from the top ten tea gardens of the world. No wonder it's lots of people's favourite

Also in stock for tea-drinkers.....

.....**TETLEY'S GREEN TEA**  
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If fizzy drinks are more your thing

**FENTIMAN'S**  
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All £1.40 for a 275mls bottle

**GREAT BIG BAGS OF  
KETTLE CRISPS**

£1.39 for 150gms

(It's 50% bigger than a normal big bag)

**NEW FLAVOURS FROM EDWINA**

Edwina's cakes have a dedicated following. Here's two new flavours of loaf cakes that you'll love

**CHERRY AND ALMOND  
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£2.15

**JUS-ROL PASTRY**

The best cook's timesaver ever  
invented!

**SHORT CRUST PASTRY  
PUFF PASTRY**

£1.75 for 500gms

Jus-Rol Pastry is just one of the treasures you'll find tucked away in the freezer in the passageway.

Brymor icecreams, juicy prawns, Carrick's fishcakes, pizzas. You're bound to find something for those days when you just don't know what to give them to eat.

## **News from the parish council**

### ***Federation of Eppleby Forcett and Middleton Tyas Primary Schools Consultation***

A consultation is currently being undertaken about a proposal for the above federation of schools to increase the age range of its pupils from 4-11 to 2-11. If you already have a pre-school age child or you are planning a family and have not received a consultation form you may wish to contact the secretary at the school to request one.

### ***Charges for the play park and playing field***

Following the transfer of the ownership of the playing field and play park on 7 December, the Parish Council has decided that the following charges will apply to organisations using the facilities:

- £20 per half day for the playing field area
- £5 per day for the play park

An agreement has already been signed with a local football club which will contribute £300 per year towards the upkeep of the area.

Individual Middleton Tyas residents will not be charged and the Parish Council may exercise its discretion to waive the charge for village organisations. Clearly the priority is to maintain and develop these facilities for the benefit of the community and the Parish Council is now evaluating a number of proposals.

### ***Is Your Mobile Phone Signal Good Enough?***

1. Good mobile phone coverage is obviously important these days and the Government has declared its intent to improve UK coverage for those areas (mainly rural or semi-rural, of course) where service is unsatisfactory. A recent Darlington and Stockton Times article referred to OFCOM's mobile 'phone coverage map and the opportunity it presents for people to report the actual service they enjoy (endure?) compared with what the map shows. You can access the OFCOM site through this link:

[www.ofcom.org.uk/mobile-coverage](http://www.ofcom.org.uk/mobile-coverage)

When you have entered your postcode and details of your mobile phone provider you will see a section at the bottom of the page where you can leave your feedback on the accuracy of the map.

2. The other thing we can do is to write to our MP. You may remember that we approached

William Hague on this matter two years ago when it was hoped that the arrival of 4G and the Government's Mobile Infrastructure Project (MIP) would make a difference. In fact we were not included in the MIP but it would seem that 4G has been of some help – but has it been enough?

3. If the Council is to write to our MP again it would help if we had supporting evidence and so if you are dissatisfied with your mobile phone coverage please use the OFCOM website but also drop an e-mail to [clerk.mtyas@live.co.uk](mailto:clerk.mtyas@live.co.uk) or write to the Parish Clerk giving details of your postcode, your mobile phone operator and the levels of service you receive indoors and outdoors. **Please do this now so that we can get the ball rolling again.**

## **Moulton matters**

### ***Moulton Plant Sale***

The Plant Sale will be held on Saturday 7 May at St Andrew's Church. As you start to sow seeds for your own garden, why not add a few extra for the Plant Sale. There will be plants, shrubs, garden ornaments and much, much more. If you have any redundant garden paraphernalia to donate, please contact Chris and John, 377328.

### ***Highways and Village Green***

Whilst some repairs have been carried out to Hall Road, a large number of potholes remain and these have been reported. The Green has once again been churned up along Hall Road and this has been reported to the District Council.

### ***Dog fouling***

There have been further incidents of dog fouling in the village. This has been reported to RDC and under their new campaign, Dog Wardens visited the area concerned on 8 January. Dog owners, please pick it up.

### ***Books in the bus shelter***

The sale of plants, produce, books and folders in the bus shelter during 2015 raised £300.44. Thanks to all who have supported the village during the year. Good quality fiction books are always welcome. Please leave them in the bus shelter. All proceeds will go towards Moulton Village Association funds.

### ***Church Cleaning:***

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

February: Mr and Mrs Nicholson

March: Mrs Atkinson and Mrs Vaux

## Village Shop News

### **Village Shop AGM**

The AGM will be held in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday 23rd February at 7p.m. All are welcome, and, after the formal meeting, there will be an open discussion on the way forward for the shop. Please support this important meeting that reviews performance over the last financial year and the strategy for the way ahead.

### Pop-in Coffee Shop

Every Thursday morning 9.00 – 1.00 in the Memorial Hall

After a break for the Christmas period the Pop-In Coffee Shop is on the go again.

- Somewhere to meet place to chat with friends or make new ones.
- The cheapest cup of coffee for miles around, a biscuit thrown in for good measure, and free juice for the children.
- A **free** 'Over to You' table for you to promote your own products or ideas or raise awareness of issues which affect us all.
- A **free** Buy, Sell, Swap board
- Special Offers of products stocked in the Village
- **FREE WIFI**

Help us to make the Pop-In shop a continuing success. Call Gordon Davies on 377450 if you would like to help out.

## **HELP!**

Your Village Shop needs you!

We need more volunteers to help run the shop – if you can spare a couple of hours a week, you would be welcomed with open arms and provided with all the necessary training. Contact Liz or Helen in the shop if you would like to join the team.

We would also like to strengthen the Management Committee with more members, and we need people who would like to help with shaping the strategy aimed at attracting more customers and increasing turnover in the face of stiff competition. Contact any member of the Management Committee if you would like to help.

### **100 Club Draw**

The 100 Club runs for one year from February each year, and now is the time to renew your membership for 2016. The cost is £2 per month

per number, payable in a single payment of £24. We accept cash, cheque or cards. Three prizes of shop vouchers paid each month; £30, £20, and £10. Vouchers can be redeemed on any product sold in the shop and there is no time limit on when they must be redeemed. You have to be in to win it!

## **The Beacon Christmas Appeal**

Lucy, Lottie, Millie and I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone in the village who supported our Christmas Appeal for The Beacon in Catterick Garrison

Your support was amazing and with the addition of a generous financial donation from Halls Autos in Brompton on Swale we were able to donate so much.

Over the Christmas period 29 veterans, men and women, were helped by your generous donations. Thank you again

*Clare Baxter*

## **Memorial Hall closure**

Memorial Hall will be closed for the weekend from pm Friday 12 – am to Monday 15 February and the furniture removed to allow for the floor to be cleaned and sealed, completing the recent re-furbishment.

## **The Middleton Tyas People's History Society**

The next meeting will be on Thursday 4 February at 7.30 in the Memorial Hall.

### **Claiming dates**

#### **February**

Thursday 11 February 7.00 Parish Council meeting

Tuesday 23 February 7.00 Village Shop AGM

#### **March**

Thursday 10 March 7.00 Parish Council meeting

Saturday 12 March 10.00 – 12.00 Coffee and Bagels

#### **April**

Saturday 9 April 10.30 – 12.30 Bacon Butty Morning

#### **May**

Saturday 7 May Moulton Plant sale, Moulton

*All events are in the Memorial Hal unless stated otherwise*

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| Gel Polish                   | £15.00 | Underarm          | £10.00 |
| Gel Removal                  | £5.00  | Forearm           | £7.50  |
| Acrylic Removal              | £5.00  | Lip/Chin          | £5.00  |
| File & Polish                | £8.00  | Eyebrows          | £5.00  |
| Manicure                     | £22.00 |                   |        |
| Pedicure                     | £22.00 |                   |        |
| Gel Polish on top of acrylic | £5.00  |                   |        |

| Eye Treatments |        | Spray Tanning |        |
|----------------|--------|---------------|--------|
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| Eyebrow Tint   | £5.00  | Full Body     | £15.00 |
| Eyelash Perm   | £25.00 |               |        |

\*Patch test required 48 hours prior to treatment for tinting/perming\*

Contact Emily 07753356731

## Editor's corner

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

## Church News

*A Lenten reflection written by Charlie, the Vicar's lurcher*

'It's the extra winter coat that does it', Ty (the silly saluki) muttered in response to the biscuit-buyer's (aka Jenni) latest accusation. Having just returned from a couple of miles wandering, or should I say jogging due to the temperature, he was somewhat puffed. 'Just as well all the doggy chocs have been eaten isn't it Ty?' 'Speak for yourself' he said, 'I may still have some buried in a hidden and inventive hiding place'. I couldn't help but snigger: Ty was definitely 'filling out'.

The retort amused me even more: 'No you haven't, Dodger and Charlie found those ages ago'. Ty's face was a picture. 'What?!' The look of alarm that crossed his snout was a picture as he dashed off to the garden, scabbled under the

oak tree, to find to his horror that the biscuit-buyer was right.

'Anyway Ty', the biscuit-buyer yelled, 'It's Lent soon.' 'Well that's ok then' replied Ty. 'Someone may lend me some more doggy chocs – and this time I will be more careful over my hiding place.'

Ty being Ty then wandered back into the house and looked expectantly at the door waiting, he said, for things to be leant. 'No, Ty' said the biscuit-buyer in a rather more exasperated tone than usual, 'Lent, not leant. Lent is a time when it's traditional to give up something we really enjoy. This helps us to focus on the deprivation undertaken by Jesus in the desert and prepares us for Easter: it is a test of self-discipline.' 'Well, I don't have any doggy chocs now do I, so that shouldn't be too difficult', Ty grumbled. 'Anyway, what can I give up?'

'Well, Ty, why don't you focus on giving, rather than giving up? For example, although some people try to abstain from chocolate, which is a good discipline,' she looked at the chunky saluki rather pointedly, 'alternatively you could carry on eating chocolate, but put a dog choc or two in a tin every time you have one. Then give this to somedog who needs it. Or, you could send a tin of dog food to your friend at the Dog's Trust'. .... And on she went.

I think Ty secretly suspected the biscuit-buyer to be the truthful bearer of bad tidings, but he still continued to sit by the front door in the hope that someone would accidentally lend him some doggy chocs. 'Dear God,' he prayed, 'if you send me doggy chocs, I'll abstain from eating them until no-one's looking.' At that moment a large padded envelope fell through the letterbox and hit him on the head. 'Aha, God truly answers prayer', he said, looking smug. 'Oh jolly good,' came a voice, 'that'll be the Lent book I ordered.'

### **Spring Raffle**

There is a Spring Raffle in the Village Shop to raise money for St Michael's Church. The prize is £25 in shop vouchers kindly donated by a customer. Tickets are £1 each and the draw will be made at the end of March.

### **Turkey and Trifle**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Turkey and Trifle event on 21 November, it was lovely to see so many people there. The event raised £328.70 for Church Funds. Many thanks.

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

The tea this month will be on Thursday 18 February, 3.00 – 5.00. The usual travel arrangements apply.

*Sara Vaux*

### **Church Flowers.**

There is only one Sunday in February before Ash Wednesday after which there are no flowers in church until Easter when I hope as many flower arrangers as possible will meet to decorate the church. News of that date and time will be in the March issue of the Village News.

The Flower Rota (at the back of church) is still looking very blank! Please could you all fill in a couple of weeks or more when you are next in church. Many thanks.

*Sara Vaux*

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



### **Coffee & Bagel and a selection of Danish Pastries**

in aid of Church funds.

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

on

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

**10-00 am until 12-00 noon.**

In the

Memorial Hall

Entrance £3-50 Adults

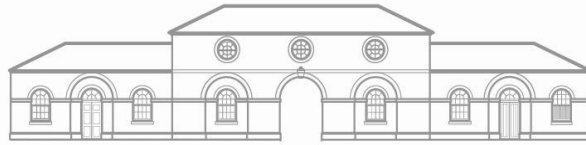
£1-75 Children

This includes coffee, tea or squash  
and a Bagel or Danish Pastry.

Raffle

We look forward to seeing you.

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## THE COACH HOUSE

at

MIDDLETON LODGE

Please see full details of all our events at

<http://www.middletonlodge.co.uk/offers-and-events/events/>

Telephone 01325 377977

### **The Cellar Door Supper Club at Middleton Lodge**

**Saturday 13 February**

Prosecco on arrival

Canapés, Amuse Bouche

4 course dinner, live music with David Ball

Tables from 7pm-9pm, £75pp

DB&B packages available

### **Valentines Night at The Coach House**

**Sunday 14 February**

Glass of Prosecco on arrival,

3 course dinner designed by Gareth Rayner

Coffee & Petit Fours

Tables from 7pm-9pm, £49.50pp

DB&B packages available

### **Open Viewings Day at Middleton Lodge**

**Sunday 13 March 1.00 – 3.00**

See the house and marquee dressed for a wedding and meet a handful of key suppliers.

Viewings strictly by appointment only

Please call reception to reserve your place.

### **Dinner Party Cookery School at Middleton Lodge**

**Thursday 17 March 9.30 - 4.30**

Come along and learn how to prepare a delicious dinner party menu. Coffee and pastries on arrival, 4 hour cookery school workshop followed by three course lunch including 2 glasses of Prosecco . £110pp

### **Charity Ball for the Children's Heart Unit Fund**

**Friday 18 March**

Raising money for the Children's Heart Unit Fund and to

celebrate the life of Anabelle Rose

Prosecco on arrival

Three Course Dinner

Entertainment and live music

DB&B packages available

£50pp

### **Easter Family Fun Day at The Coach House**

**Friday 25 March**

Easter egg woodland trail, Easter arts and crafts,

Easter garden making, egg decoration

11.00 - 3.30

Please contact reception to register your place

Entry £8.50pp or £25 for a family of four

### **The Coach House Vouchers**

Treat someone with an unforgettable experience at our Georgian country estate, dinner and night away at The Coach House, a champagne afternoon tea, a relaxing facial or massage in The Treatment Rooms or take part in a traditional shooting day  
Please call our reception team for further information

## Church services – February

|   |                          |                  |
|---|--------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Sunday 7 February</b>                                | Next before Lent         | Middleton Tyas   |
| <b>9.30 am. FAMILY SERVICE including Holy Communion</b> |                          | Rev . J. Lane    |
| Sidesmen  | Mrs. L. Weightman        | Dr. N. Weightman |
| Reader  | Mrs. P. Swanston         |                  |
| Readings  | 2, Corinthians 3: 12-4.2 | Luke 9: 28-36    |
| <b>REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE AFTER THIS SERVICE.</b>       |                          |                  |
|   |                          |                  |
| <b>Sunday 14. February</b>                              | First Sunday of Lent     | Middleton Tyas   |
| <b>9.30am Morning Prayer CW</b>                         |                          | Mrs. E. Croft    |
| Sidesmen  | Mrs. S. Mahaffy          | Miss. M. Brown   |
| Reader  | Mrs. M. Hill             |                  |
| Readings  | Deuteronomy 26: 1-11     | Luke 4: 1-13     |
|   |                          |                  |
| <b>Sunday 14 February</b>                               | First Sunday of Lent     | Moulton          |
| <b>6pm Holy Communion BCP</b>                           |                          | Rev. J. Lane     |
| Readings  | Romans 10: 8b-13         | Luke 4: 1-13     |
|   |                          |                  |
| <b>Sunday 21 February</b>                               | Second Sunday of Lent    | Rev. J. Lane     |
| <b>9.30am Holy Communion CW (T)</b>                     |                          |                  |
| Sidesmen  | Mrs. D. Donnison         | Mrs. S. Baxter   |
| Reader  | Mrs. S. Vaux             |                  |
| Readings  | Philippians 3: 17-4.1    | Luke 13: 31-35   |
|   |                          |                  |
| <b>Sunday 28 February</b>                               |                          |                  |
| <b>9.30am Morning Prayer ( CW)</b>                      |                          | Mr. M. Idale     |
| Sidesmen  | Mrs. M. Sheridan         | Mrs. J. Nimmins  |
| Reader  | Mrs. E. Croft            |                  |
| Readings  | Isaiah 55: 1-9           | Luke 13: 1-9     |
|   |                          |                  |

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)

**WE ARE TRYING TO HOLD MORE FAMILY SERVICES. PLEASE WATCH OUT FOR FAMILY SERVICES ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF *MOST* MONTHS, FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS. DO TRY TO JOIN US !**

Cleaning Rota:

w/b Feb 1

Feb 8 and 15

Feb 22 and 29

Mrs McKibbin, Mrs Vaux and Mrs Benson

Mrs Croft and Mrs Hall

Mrs Jen smith and Mrs Weightman



