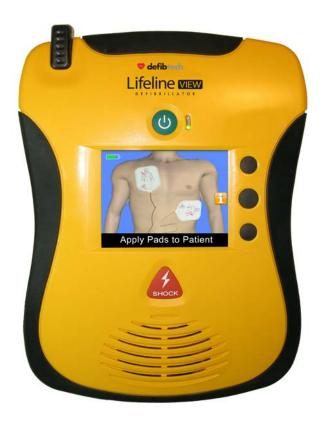
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Not a very Christmassy front page!......

## ......But there's something very important to tell you first

As you have doubtless seen, the defibrillator is now installed outside the Memorial Hall, clearly visible from the road and ready whenever anybody needs it at any hour of the day or night.

Now what do we do? There will be an Awareness Session for everyone who is interested in how to use this vital equipment in the Memorial Hall at 6.30 on Tuesday 6 December. Do please come if you possibly can. You will be most welcome and tea and coffee will be available

After the meeting there will be a briefing session for anybody with an interest in joining the VETS scheme. Whether you have already indicated your interest or you are just thinking about it now, do please stay for this session. If you would like further information, please contact Josephine Collis at "josephinecollis@gmail.com" or on 01325 339948.

As well as that......Happy Christmas Everyone!

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#### MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP NEWS

Tel: 377198 Open Monday to Friday 8.00 – 2.00, Fridays also 5.00 – 7.00, Saturday 8.30 – 1.00

MIDDLETON TYAS POST OFFICE Telephone: 339111

Opening hours: 8.30 – 1.30, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

Is Christmas creeping up on you?
That glorious autumn weather seems to have left us unprepared for Christmas to be coming up so soon.
We've got some good solutions to your food and gift problems though.

We're delighted to be selling lovely Christmas card vouchers for Shine Nails. A £20 voucher buys a pampering manicure and Shellac polish in Kate's Middleton Tyas home salon.

Fantastic news for us is that for every voucher sold, Kate will donate £5 to the Village Shop. Thanks so much Kate

#### How about these for gift ideas?

 Local honey on the comb – a perfect and unusual gift to give your host or include in a hamper of Yorkshire goodies for some lucky person

£6.75 for 340gms

Or a gift pack of Yorkshire beers

Yorkshire Lager Yorkshire Black out Yorkshire Golden

In giftpacks of three or four bottles for the man in your life – well, one of them anyway!

 Richard O'Neill's images of Middleton Tyas on a range of cards, bags, notepads tea towels etc have been selling like hot cakes. It's proving such a great idea that we've added the image of Middleton Tyas in the snow for that Christmassy touch!

Have you made your Christmas cake yet?

Thought not! Why don't you let Edwina do the job for you? All sizes, plain, marzipanned or fully iced. Come and talk to us about what you'd like. Last orders by Monday 12 December.

## And how about ham, pies, chipolata sausages?

Taylor's would be delighted to help you out with all you need in the way of cooked meats and pies from 1lb to 4lb. A whole ham? Pork, Pork and Apple, Pork and Black Pudding pies? Come and talk to us about the whole range. We can make Boxing Day as easy as ..... well, pie! Last orders by Monday 19 December ready

Last orders by Monday 19 December ready to collect on Thursday 22.

# Perfect to go with cold meat, pies and cheese from Mrs Darlington

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|--------------------------|-------|--|
| Real Ale Chutney         | £2.04 |  |
| Ploughman's Pickle       | £2.04 |  |
| Farmer's Pickle          | £2.15 |  |
| Red Onion Pickle         | £2.04 |  |
| Sweet Apple Chutney      | £2.05 |  |
| Spicy Tomato and         |       |  |
| Sticky Onion Chutney     | £2.15 |  |
| Pickled Red Cabbage      | £1.50 |  |
| Baby Onions              |       |  |
| in Balsamic Vinegar      | £2.59 |  |
| and                      | more  |  |

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS. HAVE A SCRUMMY, YUMMY, HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

## News from the parish council

#### Surface Water Management

Since the last Village News Landteam has cleared and repaired the culvert running through Kneeton Park. They have also completed work at the bottom of The Slough as a part of the scheme to divert water into Cow Pasture thereby reducing the volume of water flowing into the Oakfields stream during periods of heavy rainfall.

In respect of the Scotch Corner MOTO Services works and following some queries and objections raised on the related planning application, a revised report has been produced dealing with some of the issues and, in particular, the rate at which water will be discharged into the village's water courses.

The PC was recently represented by Cllr R Davies and Cllr J Ross at a flood action group meeting attended by interested local residents and chaired by Mr S Hill. NYCC were also represented at the meeting which was positive and constructive in identifying actions to be taken and the concerns and issues to be raised with the relevant local authorities in managing surface water issues in the village.

#### Financial Matters

The Middleton Tyas Parish Council will be requesting an increase of £2000 to our annual precept. This is required to cover the usual essential maintenance items together with additional costs associated with the playing field. Full details of current year income and expenditure and the draft budget for next year are available on the village website.

#### **ERROR**

In last month's Village News I said that there was a defibrillator at the school. This is not in fact the case and I apologise for the error. Ed

#### **Moulton matters**

#### Books in the Bus Shelter

The sale of books and CDs in the bus shelter during October and early November raised £34.50. Thanks to all who have supported the village. Good quality fiction books are always welcome. Please leave them in the bus shelter. All proceeds will go towards Moulton Village Association funds.

#### **Community Defibrillator**

We await the outcome of our application to the Locality Budget at NYCC which will be decided this month.

The Black Bull will be holding a quiz dedicated to the Defibrillator Fund on Sunday 11 December at 7.00 pm. Bring along your team of four, entry £5 per head including supper. We look forward to a fun evening which will help towards a good cause. There will be a raffle so any prize contributions may be made at the Black Bull.

We have received some individual contributions for which we are very grateful. Additional contributions to the Defibrillator Fund can be made at 3 Smithson Close. Cheques should be made payable to 'Moulton Village Association' which will safeguard the monies until we are able to purchase the equipment.

The Moulton Village Association has agreed to make up any shortfall in the fund once we know the outcome of the Locality Budget's application, following the quiz and any further contributions. We hope to have the defibrillator installed at the Black Bull Inn early in the New Year.

#### **Bulb Planting**

An enthusiastic group of residents spent a bracing morning recently planting bulbs around the village to remember the contribution of Marg Nicholson to Moulton. Marg passed away recently after a short illness. For fifteen years, Marg was instrumental in organising most of our events including the Fete on the Garth, numerous 'Royal' occasions and other fund raising activities. 750 bulbs have been planted, funded by the Moulton Village Association. Watch out for a wonderful floral display in the spring.

#### Christmas Tree

The Christmas Tree will be delivered in the first week of December. Thanks to the Moulton Village Association for funding the tree and a big thanks also to Croft Christmas Trees for supporting the village.

#### **Church Cleaning:**

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

December: Jo Spence

January: Mr and Mrs Stephens



#### The Richmondshire Rover

Several months ago our communities were consulted about whether or not we would use a local variant of the Little White Bus which already successfully operates in Hawes and Upper Swaledale.

The 'Richmondshire Rover' comes into operation here on 28 November. Timetables are to be found on village noticeboards and in the Village Shop. Residents of Middleton Tyas and Moulton will be able to visit and return from Barnard Castle on Mondays and Fridays, and Bedale and Ripon on Thursdays, without having to change the bus they are travelling on. If you hold a concessionary pass it won't cost you anything either!

It's not too early to start planning special one-off trips for groups to places of special regional interest. If you would like to know more contact either **Walter Head** - The LWB Operations Manager or **Abbie Rhodes** - The UWCO Manager

Telephone: The UWCO on 01 969 667 400

e-mail: uwco@btconnect.com

The UWCO / LWB Bookings and Enquiry Office is open on Mondays - Fridays between 9.00-5.30 and on Saturdays between 9.00 - 12.30.

# Update on the Village Shop and Post Office make-over

Great progress has been made with the Post Office and Shop makeover. Wilkinsons Landscapes completed the Memorial Garden works in early November, which provides fully compliant wheelchair access and a patio area which will come into full use from Spring next year. The groundworks include a new drainage system that is fully compliant with the new Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) requirements.

The new access door to the shop and Post Office has been installed, and new signage fitted to make both facilities more visible to passers-by. This completes the first phase of the project.

The next phase is to completely refurbish the Post Office, and this work will start on 3 February 2017, and will take a week during which period the Post Office will be closed. (The shop can

provide stamps and give cashback up to £50 on debit cards after a minimum spend of £5) The project has now been fully approved by the Post Office, and the installation contractor selected following a competition to get the best price. Unfortunately, the work cannot start until next February due to the contractor's own work schedule. This is a complex project involving changes to the infrastructure, communications, security and equipment replacement to give us the latest standard of Post Office. If you want to see a recently finished Post Office upgrade, then drop in to the Romanby Post Office next time you are in Northallerton.

In the early Spring we will procure the picnic tables that will be placed in the patio area, where customers will be able to sit out and take refreshments. We will also install a few shrubs in the garden to finish off the landscaping. We are very grateful for the grants received from the Post Office Community Fund, The Big Lottery, and Richmondshire District Council, which cover the entire cost of the programme. We hope that you, our customers, will enjoy these new facilities. Steve Hill

#### **School report**

You can keep up to date with all that is happening at the school by signing up for weekly newsletters that will be emailed to you. Please go to the school web site which is <a href="http://www.ef-mtschools.co.uk">http://www.ef-mtschools.co.uk</a>, then News and then Newsletters and sign up for the weekly newsletter.

You can also keep up to date using the links below:

Blog -www.blog.ef-mtschools.co.uk

Facebook -www.facebook.com/efmtschools

Twitter -<u>www.twitter.com/ef\_mtschools</u>

#### Are you new to the village?

Everybody is very welcome to the Festive Supper on 3 December but the Hall Committee would like to extend an especially warm welcome to anyone who has recently moved in to the village. We have contacted everyone we know of and offered them complimentary tickets for the Festive Supper but if you have slipped through the net do please contact Dorothy in the Post Office and she will make sure you have your complimentary

tickets. We look forward to starting off the Christmas festivities with you then. Memorial Hall Committee

#### **FESTIVE SUPPER**

# **SATURDAY 3 DECEMBER** 7.30 – 10.00

IN THE MEMORIAL HALL

Tickets £10 which includes a HOG ROAST and A CHOICE OF PUDDINGS

WINE BY THE GLASS - £2.50

Tickets available from the Post Office.

There will be a vegetarian option. Please let Dorothy know if you would like to order this or if you have any other dietary requirements.

#### Will you support The Beacon again?

As Christmas is fast approaching it's the time of year when we think of people who are less fortunate than ourselves. For the third year running I am collecting food hampers for veterans who are living in supported accommodation at The Beacon in Catterick Garrison. The Beacon offers supported housing to veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and who have support needs. A friendly, warm, safe supportive base, it offers a beacon of hope to veterans of all ages.

Your support and generosity last year was overwhelming: please be as generous this year. I am looking for any food items that can be classed as pantry items, Christmas goodies (no alcohol, please) toiletries or household cleaning items. Anything that will help to make life a little easier (last year due to a large cash donation I was able to purchase five slow cookers and five cooking utensil bags.)

The Village Shop has kindly offered to be a collection base or alternatively you can deliver direct to me at 1 The Green. Thank you in advance.

Clare Baxter



#### Claiming dates

#### December

Saturday 3 December Festive Supper Tuesday 6 December 6.30 Defibrillator Awareness Session

Thursday 8 December 7.00 Parish Council Meeting

Sunday 11 December 7.00 Defibrillator Quiz, The Black Bull

Tuesday 20 December 7.00 Carols on The Green *May 2017* 

Saturday 6 May Moulton Plant sale All events are in the Memorial Hall unless stated otherwise.

#### Editor's corner

It's always a scramble to get the January issue of The Village News printed before the printer closes down for Christmas and the New Year! This year I need copy by **14 December latest** at 2 The Green, telephone 377311 or email me on <a href="mailto:dianahthomas@gmail.com">dianahthomas@gmail.com</a>

Merry Christmas to all readers of the Village News!



December's Special Offers from Beautify
By Emily Rose

Gel polish on toes and fingers for just £25

Spray tan £12

Stuck for a good Christmas present idea?

How about a voucher for any beauty

treatments of your choice?

Contact Emily on 07753356731



# Middleton Lodge and The Coach House Upcoming Events....

#### Christmas Season at The Coach House December 2016

Throughout the month of December, we are running a seasonal menu to get you in the mood for Christmas! Available for lunch or dinner

2 courses £20 3 courses £25

#### Coach House Christmas Carols Thursday 15 December from 6pm

Surrounded by cosy fire pits, warming drinks and twinkling lights from the trees, come along for a very special evening of Christmas Carols sung by local school choirs.

Raising money for NECCR

#### New Year's Eve at The Coach House Saturday 31 December

Join us for live music and a carefully curated 6 course menu to help you toast in 2017
£95pp

#### Burns Night Ball Saturday 28 January 2017 from 6.30pm

Dress up in your kilts and cocktail dresses and join us for a champagne reception in the inner hall at Middleton Lodge, before being led by a piper to enjoy a four-course Haggis inspired dinner and a reading of one of Robert Burn's acclaimed poems. Champagne on arrival, 4 course dinner Half a bottle of wine each & Ceilidh band. £55pp

#### **Coach House Vouchers**

The Coach House vouchers make the perfect Christmas gift and are available to buy from our Treatment Rooms shop.

Our gift vouchers are available for the following:
Restaurant Meal
Overnight Stay and Meal
Afternoon Tea
Treatment Rooms
Shooting Lessons
Calendar Events on Middleton Lodge estate

The Treatment Rooms shop is packed full of Christmas goodies, making the perfect Christmas presents. Please feel free to pop by and browse, open seven days a week.

The Coach House restaurant is now open for lunch and dinner 7 days a week For full details 01325 377977 or

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

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#### **Church News**

The musings of a Rectory lurcher As the season's festivities get closer, there is no such thing as peace in this house. My doggy ears ring to sounds of excited yips from Bach. It is with this in mind that the family start to panic slightly when said puppy is out of sight. 'What's he up to?' asks Jenni, aka the biscuit-buyer, with a suspicion usually reserved for telephone sales people and certain funeral directors. 'It's all gone quiet and I can't see him...'.

Five minutes later there was still no sign. The biscuit-buyer decided that bribery was the only way forward and attempted to unearth Bach by shaking the biscuit box vigorously. Sure enough, with the highest pitch yip I've ever heard, Bach sprang out of the box of decorations like a jack-in-the-box attached to a rocket, tinsel-wrapped and glitter-covered. The biscuit-buyer jumped, I hid under the table and the Christmas star was catapulted across the room. This was snatched up in the jaws of Bach who flew off, tail wagging madly, and proceeded to dash round and round the house, still trying to yip through a mouthful of gold tat. Mayhem ensued.

Once the decorations had been rescued and relative peace had been restored, I decided that it was my role to ensure no further trouble happened, and kept a watchful eye. It was some days later that I noticed a Christmas package under the tree was moving. On closer inspection, I found that Bach had chosen the largest parcel he could find and was deftly and remarkably quietly for him, removing the paper.

'Is that yours?' I woofed in his ear. 'Bach rules say that what's mine is mine and what's yours is mine unless what's mine is broken, then you can have it if you really want it. This is mine,' Bach replied. In a fit of pique I replied, 'That is not yours. You need to learn some manners and a bit of patience. When Christmas arrives I'm sure Father Christmas will leave you something if you've been good, which is questionable, and then you will be allowed to unwrap what is yours, and only yours. And by the way, just because it's a big parcel doesn't mean it's better! Love is not measured by size.'

Bach looked rather taken aback. And I felt rather taken aback. Where had those thoughts come from? I'd sounded just like the biscuit-buyer.....

Wishing you all the best for a very happy Christmas and blessed New Year, from Charlie, Samson, Dodger and Bach (and Jenni) xx

#### Turkey and Trifle

A huge thank you to everyone who helped and supported the Turkey & Trifle. It was lovely to see old and new people on Saturday and children. We raised £270 which includes some kind donations for Church funds.

Diana Donnison

#### Church Flowers.

We don't have flowers in church during Advent but please could all arrangers join in to make the church beautiful for Christmas at 10am on Tuesday 17 Dec. Many thanks. Sara

#### St Michael's Majors

Remember that the Christmas Party is early this month! It's on Thursday 8 December, 3.00-5.00 in the Memorial Hall. No need to bring a raffle prize to the party, just come and enjoy yourselves! The usual travel arrangements apply-----

## Carols on the Green

# Tuesday 20 December 7.00



Please join us to sing Carols on the Green

Followed by Mulled Wine and Mince Pies in the Memorial Hall.

St. Michael & All Angels Church

St Michael and All Angels Church

Please join us for an

### ADVENT CAROL SERVICE

on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm in church



Everybody Welcome

Join in the carols, listen to children singing, and hear some readings.

#### **Church services - December**

| Sunday 4 December                | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent               | Middleton Tyas                    |
|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| 3pm An Advent Carol Service-     | a service of carols and reading                | gs Lay Led                        |
| Sidesmen                         | Mrs. M. Hill                                   | Mr. S. Hill                       |
| There will be no morning servi   | ce at Middleton Tyas. Holy Con                 | nmunion 8am Croft, 9.30am Cleasby |
| Sunday 11 December               | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent               | Middleton Tyas                    |
| 9.30 Morning Prayer (CW)         |  | Mr. A. Hindhaugh                  |
| Sidesmen                         | Mrs. S. Baxter                                 | Mrs. S. Mahaffy                   |
| Reader                           | Mrs. V. Thomas                                 |                                   |
| Readings                         | Isaiah 35, 1-10 P 7                            | James 5, 7-10 P9                  |
| Sunday 13 December               | 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Sunday of Advent             | Moulton                           |
| 6pm Evening Prayer BCP           |  | Mr. M. Idale                      |
| Readings                         | Isaiah 35, 1-10 P7                             | James 5, 7-10 P9                  |
| Sunday 18 December               | 4 <sup>th</sup> . Sunday of Advent             | Middleton Tyas                    |
| Holy Communion CW(T)             |  | Rev. J. Lane                      |
| Sidesmen                         | Mrs. P. Aitken                                 | Mr. R. Aitken                     |
| Reader                           | Mrs. E. Croft                                  |                                   |
| Readings                         | Romans 1, 1-7 P12                              | Matthew 1, 18-25 P12              |
| Saturday, 24 December.           | Christmas  Eve                                 |                                   |
| 4.00 Crib Service                | Middleton Tyas                                 | Rev. J. Lane                      |
| 6.00 Carol Service               | Moulton  | Rev. J. Lane                      |
| Sunday, 25. December             | Christmas Day                                  |                                   |
| 9.30 Holy Communion CW(T)        | Middleton Tyas                                 | Rev. J. Lane                      |
| Sidesmen                         | Mrs. P. Swanston                               | Mrs. M. Brown                     |
| Reader                           | Mrs. M. Hill                                   |                                   |
| Readings                         | Hebrews 1, 1-4 P 21                            | John 1, 1-14 P22                  |
| Sunday 1. January 2017           |  |                                   |
| 10.30 Holy Communion CW          | A JOINT SERVICE AT GREAT SMEATON Rev. D. Lewis |                                   |
| There will not be a service at M | liddleton Tyas.                                |                                   |

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

#### Cleaning Rota

W/B Dec 5 Mrs Whittle and Mrs Aitken
Dec 12 and 19 Mrs Hill and Mrs Nimmins
Dec 26 Mrs I Stead and Mrs Wood

If anyone needs the services of a priest, please contact Rev J Lane on 01325 377918