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Three bits of good news



Is it just me or is it really quite difficult to embark upon this New Year with a sense of optimism? There seem to be so many awful things happening internationally which we are powerless to help or prevent and nationally we seem to be sliding in to a period of ugly aggressiveness, intolerance and unwillingness to countenance any point of view other than currently entrenched attitudes. Ah well.

Closer to home though, here's two items of news on the credit side. First one is more of a reminder than actual news. Yipee! The A1M upgrade will be finished this spring/early summer! The army of cones will have marched off somewhere else and we will be able to go out without wondering which road will be closed this time and drive or walk around Scotch Corner without feeling we are taking our lives in our hands. We shan't know ourselves!

Even closer to home it seems that, in the view of the police and the parish council, the recent tampering with the newly installed defibrillator outside the Memorial Hall was a case of irresponsible mischief, not malicious vandalism. Nothing was stolen and all the items in the pack were intact so there was no damage done. The vigilance of residents who very speedily reported that something was amiss was especially gratifying. Let's hope that this is just an unfortunate one-off incident. It would be possible to have a locked cabinet but that means introducing a system for accessing the code to unlock it, which all takes time in a situation in which every minute is precious.

Please continue to keep an eye on the defibrillator whenever you are passing and, if you think it has been tampered with (remember if the pack is not there it may bebecause it's in use) contact the police on 101 or any member of the parish council.

And the third piece of good news? Well, it's nothing new but I always find it very cheering to remember that 19 January is the day on which the Northern Hemisphere starts to incline towards the sun so that from then on the days start to get warmer as well as lighter and spring is on the way.

ALL GOOD WISHES FOR A HAPPY AND PEACEFUL 2017

MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP NEWS

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MIDDLETON TYAS POST OFFICE

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If you're still looking for a little gift for anybody with a Middleton Tyas connection, the range of goods with Richard O'Neill's stylish image of the village in winter or summer is selling like hot cakes! Since last month we have added aprons and mouse-mats to the options.

•	Postcards	70p	
•	Cards with envelopes £2.		
•	Tea towel	£6.50	
•	Mouse mat	£4.00	
•	Apron	£12.99	
•	Shoppers	£4.55	

Still partying?

Then here's some good, non-alcoholic grown-up ideas for the drivers among your guests.

- Belvoir Spiced Winter Berry Cordial Just add 8 parts of hot water to one part of cordial
- Belvoir Elderflower Cordial £4.69
- Belvoir Original Lemonade £2.99
- Fentiman's Mandarin and Seville **Orange Jigger**

With added speedwell, juniper and ginger £1.45 for 275ml

Let them eat cheese!

We've laid in supplies of some special cheeses to offer your guests in the post-Christmas period:

- Yorkshire Blue
- Highland Brie
- Roquefort Vernieres

- **Paysan Breton Brie**
- Wensleydale and Apricots
- Wallace and Gromit Wenslevdale

There's something for everybody there!

If it's January it's time for Seville Oranges!

But if you don't feel like making your own marmalade, we've got the next best thing

From Tiptree by Wilkin and Son

- 'Old Times' Orange
- Orange and Tangerine
- 'Tawny' Orange
- Three Fruits

Or how about:

- Mrs Darlington's Orange and Whisky
- Mercer's of Yorkshire English **Breakfast**

Prices range from £2.10 to £2.45

Feeling thoroughly cooked out?

How about trying our frozen ready meals? They already have quite a following of hungry customers! Each pack serves one healthy appetite, two at a pinch.

•	Irish Stew	£2.95
•	Dorset Sausage Bake	£2.53
•	Beef Stew with Parsley	Dumplings
		o £3.49
•	Beef and Ale Pie	£3.83
•	Beef Casserole	£3.48
•	Lancashire Hot Pot	£3.18
•	Macaroni Cheese	£2.53

How to make leftovers into something special

A 250g jar of Mrs Darlington's Hollandaise Sauce (£3.29) will turn some cold ham and a poached egg into Eggs Benedict or transform the tail end of smoked salmon or the last of the turkey into something Cinderella special!

News from the parish council

Surface Water Management

Since the last Village News the work at the foot of the Slough to divert water into cow pasture during heavy rainfall has been completed. There was a meeting on 14 Dec to consider the revisions needed to the design of works to divert water from higher up the Slough into Cow Pasture; these revisions are necessary because of the discovery of a large culvert where the works are planned. Other ongoing work initiated by Landteam and in consultation with the PC and others involves the development of plans to address issues at Scotch Corner and behind Kneeton Park.

Play Park

Unfortunately, the Play Park is to remain closed until the spring. There are ongoing works which need to be completed and inspected before the Park is deemed safe enough to be reopened.

Defibrillator News

On Tuesday, 6 December a Defibrillator Awareness session was held in the Memorial Hall for residents. The trainer was excellent and took those attending through the various stages of CPR and the use of equipment designed to give a casualty the best possible chance of surviving. This included the use of the defibrillator and more besides, e.g. how to deal with choking casualties, how the heart works, why we need to use CPD and how to make it as easy as possible to give help in various circumstances. Thirty one residents attended and have fed back that the session was very useful and informative. The PC is sure that more residents would also find this session useful, but as additional sessions have to be paid for, would like to be sure of that before setting up another session. If you would like to undertake this training in the future, please could you contact me on josephinecollis@icloud.com so that a list of interested residents can be created? If enough names are forthcoming, then a further session will be held which will be open to all. Please drop me an email. You never know - you might save a life.

Slippery surfaces in Middleton Tyas

It has been reported that there is a build up of leaves in the Village, making walking on pavements hazardous. This is of serious concern, particularly in areas such as along School Bank and towards the church. Both the NYCC and the RDC will help us clear the areas and we are working with them on this. It is

recognised that the issue is of immediate urgency.

Little White Bus service

A representative from the Little White Bus Company will be coming to speak at the next parish council meeting on 12 January. Do please come and hear what they have to say and to express your concerns, suggestions and questions.

Moulton matters

Books in the Bus Shelter

The sale of books and CDs in the bus shelter during November and October and early December raised £37.75. 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 are pleased to announce that following the quiz at the Black Bull which raised £360.20, we have sufficient funds to order the defibrillator. The equipment will be delivered before the end of the year and we plan to have it installed early in the New Year. An awareness session will be organised at the Black Bull in due course which will be advertised throughout the village.

Thanks to all who have made an individual contribution, to Richmondshire District Council and also Michael Heseltine's Locality Budget. A big thank you also goes to the Black Bull for hosting the quiz – a fun evening with generous prizes for the winners and runners up.

Christmas Tree

Thanks to Croft Christmas Trees for supplying a wonderful Christmas tree for the Green. A jolly band of volunteers put the tree up in the rain and thanks also to Mrs and Mrs Stephens for providing the electricity.

Richmondshire Rover bus service

The Richmondshire Rover is now running services from Moulton to Barnard Castle on Mondays and Fridays and to Ripon via Bedale on Thursdays. The timetable is on display in the bus shelter.

Plant Sale 2017

The Plant sale will be held on Saturday 6 May. This may seem a little early, however, those



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

Burns Night Ball Saturday 28th January 2017 from 6.30am

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

Middleton Lodge Supper Club Saturday 11th February from 7pm

The Middleton Lodge Supper club is swinging its doors open once again for another delicious experience.

Perrier-Jouet Champagne on arrival, five course Dinner, Bed & Breakfast £300 for a suite at the main house (based on 2 sharing) £270 for a premium room at the main house (based on 2 sharing)

Valentine's Date Night at The Coach House Tuesday 14th February - Tables available from 6pm-9pm

Gareth Rayner's set menu has been specially designed with the romantic evening in mind. Five-course set menu and Perrier-jouet Champagne on arrival £60pp

Coach House Vouchers

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

The Treatment Rooms

are open 6 days a week (closed on Tuesdays)

We offer a range of treatments including manicures (including Shellac), pedicures, waxing and eyebrow tinting.

"We love" the back & shoulder de-stress massage (£35) and REN bespoke facial! See our latest Voya offer valid in January & February on our website

The Coach House restaurant is open for lunch and dinner 7 days a week

For full details of all our events and offers please visit www.middletonlodge.co.uk/offers-andevents/ 01325 377977 planting seeds in the new year, please add a few extra for us! Thank you.

Church Cleaning:

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

January: Mr and Mrs Stephens February Mrs Osbaldeston

Dog walking and footpaths

Middleton Tyas is lucky to have the benefit of a network of excellent footpaths located to the south and east of the village. If you would like to obtain copies of the routes, these are available at the Shoulder of Mutton.

To reduce disturbance to wildlife, can all the walkers from the village please ensure that they follow the designated footpath routes. This particularly applies to the farmed area to the rear of the Moto Service Area, the nearby woods, farmland and margins to the north of both Kneeton Park and Village Farm, where there appears to have been walkers crossing the ditch to access the farmland. For the avoidance of doubt, please note that there are no designated footpaths in any of these areas.

School report

It has been a busy end of term at the Federation. Year 5 had a terrific day at Beamish and the Christmas Fair raised over £2000 for school funds.

The Early Years setting at Eppleby Forcett performed early in December and the Key Stage 1 nativity play 'Baubles' took place at Middleton Tyas. The choir sang at Middleton Lodge and at The Black Bull friendship lunch. The term was rounded off with the Carol Service at St Michaels's and Christmas jumper day in aid of Save the Children.

Parents of children who are 3 or 4 and are due to start Primary School next September are welcome have a look around at both Eppleby Forcett and Middleton Tyas before making a decision. Choices have to be made by 15 January 2017.

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 http://www.ef-mtschools.co.uk, then News and then Newsletters and sign up for the weekly Newsletter.

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

Blog - www.blog.ef-mtschools.co.uk
Facebook - www.facebook.com/efmtschools
Twitter - www.twitter.com/ef_mtschools

Thank you

The Art and Crafts Group would like to thank everybody who supported the Coffee Morning for Medecins sans Frontieres on 26 November or who gave donations. £ 262 was raised through this event and was sent, along with £100 from the Scrabble Group to MSF . St Michael and All Angels Church generously gave all of their annual charitable donation to this cause. MSF have acknowledged receipt from these sources of donations, along with those from other individual donors, expressing their grateful thanks to all who contributed.



For the woman who has everything this Christmas...

Gift Vouchers are now available in Middleton
Tyas Community Village Shop for Shine Nails
and because the shop is such a valuable
community resource, with every voucher sold
Shine Nails will donate £5 towards shop funds.

A voucher costs £20 (our standard manicure & colour price) and each lucky lady will be treated to a full manicure and a colour of *CND Shellac* in the comfort of my home salon in Middleton Tyas. *CND Shellac* is a high end product that makes your natural nails look fantastic for up to 14 days.

Significantly more durable than a regular nail varnish and more elegant than gel, *CND Shellac* won't chip, smudge or scuff, making it the perfect complement to a busy lifestyle.

Christmas bookings are still available but going fast so call for an appointment.

www.shine-nails.co.uk

Www.shine-nails.co.uk
Tel: 07803 612372

...relax and enjoy the experience, not just the results...

Advertising your business

Local business owners who advertise in the Village News have been reporting back very favourably on the response they get from potential customers.

At current special rate for businesses based in the parish of £20 full a full page, half or quarter pages pro rata per month for businesses within the parish it is highly cost-effective. Businesses based outside the parish are charged double this rate. Ring the Editor to discuss what would work for you.

Did you know you can also advertise on the Middleton Tyas village website, middletontyas.org.uk, with either a full page or half page advertisement or a link to your own website? You supply the pdf and we'll take care of the rest. Please note that advertisements on the website will appear for a full year Rates are:

Full page for a business within the parish £55
Half page for a business within the parish £27.50
Full page for a business outside the parish £75
Half page for a business outside the parish 37.50

Contact Councillor Josephine Collis josephinecollis@gmail.com or Christine Jones, Parish Clerk, clerk.mtyas@live.co.uk, to discuss your requirements for advertising on middletontyas.org.uk.

There is currently a 10% discount on website charges for customers who advertise both in the Village News and on middletontyas.org.

Claiming dates

January

Thursday 12 January 7.00 Parish Council meeting

May 2017

Saturday 6 May Moulton Plant sale

Editor's corner

Copy for the February issue by 20 January please to me at 2 The Green, telephone 377311 or email me on dianahthomas@gmail.com.

It's that time of year again! I hate to ask you when there are so many people at home and abroad in desperate need of financial help but please, if you are even mildly pleased to see a copy of the Village News come through your letter box each month, think about making a donation to make sure it continues. Without your individual support it just wouldn't happen.

It wouldn't happen either without the team of distributors who put it through your letter boxes every month. But for this amazing network of 15 people (not counting helpful spouses and families!) who actually get it to delivered to you it would all be a waste of effort. So very many thanks to all of them. We couldn't manage without you! Nor could we manage without all the regular contributors. Thank you so much, especially for going to great lengths to get your copy in way ahead of time so that this issue could be printed before the Christmas shut-down.

Church News

A letter from Rev Jenni Lane

Dear All

Charlie says that it's much too cold for his paws to type, and so you're stuck with me.

As another New Year dawns we strive to put past, present and future into the arms of God. Someone much wiser than myself wrote:

I am the New Year. I am your unspoiled page in the book of time.

I am your next chance in the art of living.

I am your opportunity to put into practice what you have learnt during the last twelve months.

All that you sought and didn't find is hidden in me, waiting for you to search it but with more determination.

All the good that you tried for but didn't achieve is mine to grant when you have fewer conflicting desires.

All that you dreamed but didn't dare to do, all that you hoped but didn't will, all that faith that you claimed but did not have – these slumber lightly, waiting to be awakened by the touch of a strong purpose.

I am your opportunity to renew your allegiance with Him who said 'Behold, I make all things new.'

And so, dear Lord, grant to us;

A few friends who understand us and remain our friends;

A work to do which has real value, without which the world would be the poorer;

A mind unafraid to travel, even though the trail be not blazed;

An understanding heart;

A sense of humour:

Time for quiet, silent meditation;

A feeling of the presence of God; The patience to wait for the coming of these things, with the wisdom to recognize them when they come.

Amen

May God grant you a happy, blessed and peaceful New Year.

Jenni

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

-SOPHIE'S STORY

Quite a few people in the village have Children's Society collecting boxes. These are collected just once a year, in January, the loose change counted and sent away to help the Sophie's of this world.

Things went wrong for Sophie when she was four, with her home life becoming increasingly intolerable. At sixteen she left home, slept rough, was 'befriended', and after police intervention she was referred to the Children's Society. A project worker helped her to fight through her problems and she is now on the way to a better life.

"When you're in that kind of situation you trick yourself into believing that everything is going to be okay. I was extremely lucky to find the Children's Society when I did. I was just on the brink of becoming someone who no one could save me from."

Last year over 18,000 children's lives were improved by the Children's Society's frontline services. If you'd like a box to put on the shelf for your annoying five pence pieces and loose change, please contact:

Liz Croft 377867

Thank you

St Michael's Majors

Thanks to all helpers for all their hard work for the Christmas party. Everyone seemed to have had a good time.

The tea in January will be on Thursday 19 January 3.00 – 5.00. The usual time, place and travel arrangements will apply.

Church Flowers

If anyone would like to take charge of flowers this month, I should be very grateful. If not I will try and do them!

Sara

Church cleaning rota

w/b 2 Jan Mrs I Stead and Mrs Wood 9 and 16 Jan Mrs White and Mrs Begley 23 and 30 Jan Mrs McKibbin, Mrs Vaux and

Mrs Benson

Church services - January

Sunday 1 at January	2nd Sunday of Christman		
Sunday 1st January	2 nd Sunday of Christmas	Middleton Tyas	
There will not be a service at N	•		
10.30 Holy Communion	A joint service with the Wiske Benefice at EAST COWTON (not Great Smeaton as printed in the December news). Rev. David Lewis will lead the service.		
Sunday 8 th January	Epiphany Sunday		
	lorning Prayer with Epiphany Ca	arols led by E. Croft	
Sidesmen	Dr. N. Weightman	Mrs. L. Weightman	
Reader	TBA		
Readings	Isaiah 60, 1-6 P 33	Matthew 2, 1-12 P 36	
Sunday 8 th . January		Moulton	
6PM Holy Communion BCP		Rev. J. Lane	
Readings	Ephesians 3, 1-12 P 35	Matthew 2, 1-12 P36	
Sunday 15 ^h . January	2 nd . Sunday of Epiphany	Middleton Tyas	
9.30am Holy Communion CW (T)		Rev. J. Lane	
Sidesmen	Mrs. P. Aitken	Mr. R. Aitken	
Reader	Mrs. S. Vaux		
Readings	Acts 10, 34-43 P 38	Matthew 3, 13-17 P 39	
Sunday 22 ^h . January	3 rd . Sunday of Epiphany	Middleton Tyas	
9.30am Morning Prayer CW		Mr. M. Idale	
Sidesmen	Miss M Brown	Mrs. M. Parker	
Reader	Mr. R. Congreve		
Readings	Isaiah 9, 1-4 P 44	Matthew 4, 12-23 P 46	
Sunday 29th. January 10.30 Holy Communion CW	4 th . Sunday of Epiphany	Middleton Tyas	
Sidesmen			
Reader	Mrs. M. Hill		
Readings	1 Corinthians 1, 18-31 P 48	John 2, 1-11 P 53	
This is a joint service with the	other churches from the East De	re Street Benefice (Our new name!)	

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

Please see page 8 for details of the cleaning rota and flowers for this month.