Editor’s Corner

Our Villages are looking wonderful now with the bulbs blooming and the scars of the roadworks drifting into memory. Thank you for all the donations towards the running of the Village news – they are greatly appreciated.

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for their kind letters, cards, phone calls and most of all their continued support during George’s illness and after, thank you to you all From Mary and the family.

Next Parish Council Meeting

Next Parish Council Meeting 10th May Memorial Hall 7:10pm - All members of the public welcome. If you wish to speak at the meeting or have an item included in the agenda please contact the Parish Clerk on 377062 at least 7 days

Looking for Help

Animal Friends of Catterick Garrison is a rehoming group for animals left in their care. There is a huge problem with cats being left behind, lost and unclaimed. The animals are cared for until new homes can be found for them. They desperately need: Grain Free Meat Wood Chip Cat Litter Dry & Wet Food If anyone can help and would like to donate, please can you bring donations to me at 1 The Green, Middleton Tyas. I would like to take your donations during my May Half Term Holiday

Thank You – Millie Fish

St Michael’s Majors.

The tea this month will be on the 18th. Usual travel arrangements apply.

Claiming Dates

Parish Council Meeting 10th May Memorial Hall 7:10pm

Moulton Plant Sale 12th May

Lunch & Flower Arranging – Gilling West Village Hall – 26th June

Art & Crafts group coffee morning in aid of Marie Curie 10 to 12 in the Memorial Hall Saturday 23rd June

Plant Sale 2018

Moulton Matters

May 2018

We look forward to welcoming you to the Plant sale on Saturday May 12th from 1100 to 3.00. Donations of plants of all sorts, both outdoor and indoor may be brought along to St Andrew’s Church on Friday 11th at 6.30 pm or on the day. Why not clear out the potting shed? Let us have your redundant tools, the pots you no longer need and any other garden paraphernalia. Donations of cakes and other produce will also be welcome on the day. Our legendary bacon and/or sausage butties will be available and why not have a go on our fabulous tombola! Please contact Chris or John if you have items to donate to the sale: 01325 377328. Donations of cakes and other produce will be welcome on the day. Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you.

Books in the Bus Shelter

The sale of books, DVDs and CDs in the bus shelter during March raised £43.03. Thanks to all who have supported the village. Good quality fiction books are always welcome. Please leave them in the bus shelter rather than trying to squeeze them into the boxes if they are full. Thanks. All proceeds will go towards Moulton Village Association funds.

Best Kept Village Competition 2018

Moulton has entered The Rotary Club of Richmond Best Kept Village Competition once again. Everyone in the village makes a terrific effort to keep verges, beds and baskets in tip top condition and we have been successful in recent years. Good luck in keeping them in good shape. The judging will take place during the first two weeks of July. We have been complemented in the past on the absence of litter in the village and a big thanks to those who regularly pick up. Some additional litter pickers have recently been obtained from Richmondshire District Council. Sadly the judges will miss seeing the fantastic display of daffodils and crocuses in the tubs around the village. We’ll have plenty of photographs to display for the judges and we trust you have enjoyed them.

Highways Maintenance

Following the recent bad weather, holes on Hall Road, between Plum Tree House and Orchard House and near the church will be repaired. A metal stake off Hall Road will be removed. The flooding from a blocked drain on Back Lane near Kirk Beck has been reported once again.

Local Access Road

The recently constructed local access road is still the responsibility of the motorway contractors. Before it is handed over to NYCC Highways, speed signs will be removed and a litter pick take place.

Village Communications

If any resident would like to receive updates from NYCC, RDC, A112b and other organisations, please contact John Gentry at Garth Cottage and you will be added to the “Bcc” list. If anyone already receiving these communications changes their email address or no longer wishes to receive them, please let John know.

Church Cleaning: Thanks to all who have volunteered to clean St Andrew’s.

May: Mr and Mrs Stephens
June: Jo Spence
Charlie's Column

Being a hound descended from an ancient royal Persian family, I like to ensure that my staff (the biscuit-buyer aka Jenni) are kept in check. Occasionally I agree to perform royal duties, such as visiting members of my public. At this time of year, I often watch over proceedings of the church AGMs, to check that all is being managed efficiently. After all, it is important to ensure the Saluki royal lineage is not in any way impaired by idiot vicars (and we all know who I am talking about, don’t we?)

Speaking of whom, said clerical idiot took me to a wedding rehearsal recently. I suggested that by now the biscuit-buyer should know how to conduct a wedding, but my pleas went unnoticed as she gathered her notes and muttered something about rain, cabin fever, and weather-induced Saluki chaos…. Honestly, you knock over one bookshelf…..

Well, to cut a long story short, we found ourselves with a rather excited bride-to-be and a nervous young man (posing as ‘groom in headlights’): the biscuit-buyer decided to lighten the meeting with a joke which went thus:

During the wedding rehearsal, the groom approached the vicar with an unusual offer.

"Look, I'll give you £100 if you'll change the wedding vows. When you get to me and the part where I'm to promise to 'love, honour and obey' and 'forsaking all others, be faithful to her forever,' I'd appreciate it if you'd just leave that part out." He passed the clergyman the cash and walked away satisfied. On the day of the wedding, the bride and groom reached the part of the ceremony where the vows are exchanged. The vicar looked the groom in the eye and said: "Will you promise to prostrate yourself before her, obey her every command and wish, serve her breakfast in bed every morning of your life and swear eternally before God and your lovely wife that you will not ever even look at another woman, as long as you both shall live?" The groom gulped and looked around, and said in a tiny voice, "Yes."

The groom leaned toward the vicar and hissed, "I thought we had a deal." The vicar put the £100 into his hand, glanced at the bride, and whispered back, "She made me a much better offer."

There was a stunned silence. ‘Don’t give up the day job’, I muttered, as the biscuit-buyer grinned, looking pleased with herself and the young couple tried to decide if it would be safer to run and spend the wedding money on an all-expenses paid holiday in Barbados.

Later that evening I questioned why the biscuit-buyer had decided to attempt the addition of humour. ‘It’s a happy month for weddings’, she replied. ‘Prince Harry marries Meghan Markle this month. Not only are we celebrating a Royal wedding, but also the joy it will give to the many who benefit from the 7 charities which the couple have chosen to support. They’ve chosen causes which reflect their shared values by asking for charitable donations rather than gifts….. I’m sure your invitation is in the post’, she snorted.

‘And the humour?……’, I enquired, rather acidly.

Well Greg Pollowitz tweeted: Prince Harry's kids will be Americans. What if one grows up to be president and is in line for the throne at the same time? Brits are playing long-ball here, but it's a smart move. They want America back and this is how they'll do it.

And if he can use humour, why can’t I?
Spring has sprung, at last, and the daffs on the green and elsewhere in the village (including the ones I planted – it’s a miracle!) are looking fabulous. Jed has been busy in the Memorial Garden and this week we had our first customers having sandwiches and cuppas in it. Long may the nice weather continue to bring people to sit outside, enjoy the garden and spend lots of money in the shop!

After four and a half years at the helm, our Chairman Steve Hill has stepped down. Among the many changes he brought about were the new door, the refurbished Post Office and the revamp of the Memorial Garden, all paid for by grants. The members of the Committee, staff and volunteers would all like to give Steve a big thanks for his hard work and his time.

So, we are on the hunt for a new Chairman. The Committee at the moment stands at four plus a paid Treasurer. Jed has been on the Committee for many years, I’ve been Secretary for over four, Laura has done two years and Rhonda is our relative newbie.

1. The Chair of the Middleton Tyas Village Shop is responsible to the shareholders for:
   - Ensuring the business is run in accordance with the Cooperatives Model Rules and following best practice in terms of Corporate Governance.
   - Leading the Management Committee in providing strategic direction for the business.
   - Ensuring that accounting is carried out with propriety and regularity.

2. Since the shop is run as a business for the benefit of the community, its aim is to break even financially. Income is collected largely from sales, but also from donations and fundraising events, and the chair has a key role in ensuring that, collectively, these activities balance the books at the end of each year.

My view as Manager (thought I’d get that in!), is that Liz and I need time now to get back on with getting the stock right. This will be the first financial year in a few years that there won’t be any grants coming in and getting spent, so at the end of it we will get a much better picture of how we are doing in trading terms. It’s a never ending task keeping up with what is selling and what isn’t, deciding what to buy, what to stop buying, and trying to read people’s minds…

If you have any interest in knowing more about what’s involved, please contact me in any of the following ways:
Phone – 01325 377434 (home), 01325 377198 (shop), email: helfoulds@yahoo.com.sg. Or just pop into the shop…

The sugar tax came into effect on 6 April, meaning that some of our soft drinks will be going up in price as we replace stock. Any drink with 5-8g of added sugar per 100ml gets a 16p hike per litre, above 8g per 100ml gets a 24p hike per litre. The makers of Coca Cola have refused to change the recipe of their coke classic, so that’s at least one price rise we’ll see. Other companies are changing formulations to reduce sugar and thereby avoid the tax, so it’s just a case of wait and see what drinks we sell will be affected. But, as with the rest of our stock, we remain committed to selling at Recommended Retail Price. Eee, it’ll be crème eggs next.

And I’ve just about room to say thanks to everyone who entered our Guess the Eggs competition and to tell you there were 105 eggs in the basket.

Helen
Join us for our monthly event series...

THURSDAY 17th MAY 2018
AROUND THE WORLD DINNER – ITALIAN NIGHT
As our around the world dinner series continues join us for a fantastic three course Italian dinner with a glass of Prosecco on arrival.
From 7pm, £25 per person
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THURSDAY 7th JUNE 2018
LIFE & SOUL FASHION SHOW
Join Shelly from Life & Soul Clothing for our fashion show. Your chance to buy what the models are wearing.
From 7pm with a glass of wine on arrival, the fashion show will commence at 7.30pm
Pre booking required, proceeds will be donated to St Teresa Hospice. £5.00 per person
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SUNDAY 17th JUNE 2018
FATHER’S DAY
Enjoy Father’s day in delightful surroundings with a delicious Black Bull Sunday lunch.
2 courses £24.95, 3 courses £28.95

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WHAT'S ON: SPRING - SUMMER 2018

GARDEN TOURS
in THE KITCHEN GARDEN

Sat 2 Jun  
Join our Head Gardener Andrew Webb for a tour of the Kitchen Garden. Each tour will last 30-45 mins and will start on the hour between 11am-3pm. Please book in advance.

Free

FATHER'S DAY LUNCH
at THE COACH HOUSE

Sun 17 Jun  
Spoil your Dad to a hearty Sunday Roast at The Coach House. We'll even treat him to a beer on us. Two courses £28 and three courses £35.

12-4pm

BOTANICAL DRAWING WORKSHOP
WITH AMY DOVER
in THE FIG HOUSE

Sun 24 Jun  
Spend the day with Northern based Illustrator, Amy Dover, as she teaches the art of botanical drawing, explores cyanotype printing and different illustration methods.

£45pp

THREE INCH FOOLS PRESENTS
A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM
in THE KITCHEN GARDEN

Thur 28 Jun  
Join us in The Kitchen Garden for an open air Theatre performance of this musical take on an Shakespearian classic.

£14pp*

*(£14 for adults, £8 under 18 years, free for under 10, concession (60 plus) £10.
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WHAT’S ON: SPRING - SUMMER 2018

SUMMER LAVENDER FLORISTRY WORKSHOP
in THE KITCHEN GARDEN

Sun 15 Jul
Set in our Kitchen Garden join Kirsty from The Wilde for a floral workshop, focused on this seasonal flower.

£35pp

CHILDREN’S WILDERNESS DAY
in THE KITCHEN GARDEN

Fri 10 Aug
This August, all those budding Bear Grylls will have the chance to visit the estate and learn some more valuable wilderness survival skills.

£30pc

CHILDREN’S OPEN AIR THEATRE:
THE RAILWAY CHILDREN
in THE KITCHEN GARDEN

Wed 15 Aug
This summer’s children open air performance will be based on The Railway Children by Edith Nesbit. Set in our Kitchen Garden go back in time with this literary classic.

£16pp*

SUMMER FILM SERIES
at THE COACH HOUSE

Aug - Sept
Yorkshire’s most beautiful open-air cinema returns, dust off your low back chairs and choose the films you’d like to watch under the moonlight. Full cinema list online.

£6pp

*(£16 Adults, £11 child and over 60’s, £49 for a family of four)

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What’s on From April

Giant Games in the Beer Garden
Jenga, Connect 4, Dominoes, Chess and Beer Garden Quoits

Tuesday ‘Turf’ Night £20
The Turf Board to Share Between 2 With 2 Pints of Bitter

Wednesday ‘Curry Club’ Night £10.50
A Choice of 4 Curries, Rice, Dips and Naan Bread.

Thursday ‘Steak’ Night £25
Enjoy 2 x 6oz Rump Steaks with Double Dipped Chips, Grilled Mushrooms and Tomato with a Bottle of House Wine.
Upgrade to Steak and Prosecco For £30
Or Upgrade to a 8oz Ribeye or a 10oz Sirloin For An Extra £5 Each

Friday ‘Fizz’ Night

To book a table, please ring 01325 377 271 or email: jameswilliamson@shoulderofmuttonmiddletontyas.com
New Menu Coming Soon.......
**CHURCH SERVICES – MAY 2018**

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

Cleaning Rota: 30th Apr & 7th May Mrs Cook & Mrs Millar. 14th May & 21st May Mrs Simpson & Mrs Alsop 28th May Mrs Aitken & Mrs Fogarty

Flower Rota: Liz Croft