MIDDLETON TYAS & MOULTON VILLAGE NEWS NO 503 SEPTEMBER 2019 Moulton Matters

Claiming Dates:

8th September 9:30 Harvest Festival 8th October Lunch and Flower Demonstration with Val Guest - Nafas demonstrator 16th May 2020 - Moulton Plant Sale 2020

Editors Note

If you would like anything in future editions please send to: Craig Jones mtmvillagenews@hotmail.com

> St Michael and All Angels Church Middleton Tyas. invite you to

<mark>"Autumn Odyssey"</mark> at The Black Bull Moulton.

A flower demonstration by Val Guest Area Demonstrator NAFAS Florist and Teacher on Tuesday 8^h October 2019 Lunch with a glass of wine 12 for 12.30 pm followed by a flower demonstration. Tickets £29 available from Middleton Tyas Post Office Diana 01325 377641 Jean 01325 377868 Isobel 01325 377025

CHURCH CLEANING

We now have a new vacuum cleaner in the church, which is located in the same place in the kitchen with the same cover. Any queries, please call 377700 Thanks, Muriel.

HARVEST FESTIVAL Please join us in church on Sunday, 8th September at (:30 to help us give thanks for The Harvest, and all those whose hard work made it happen.



Best Kept Village Competition 2019

Congratulations to Moulton on winning the Rotary Club of Richmond Yorkshire Best Kept Village Competition this year. Judging took place during the first two weeks of July and a presentation to residents took place on the Village Green in August. After two visits Moulton scored a terrific 99% - well done to everyone who contributed to this wonderful result. A Parish Meeting will be held on 12 September at which ideas on how to use the prize of £400 will be discussed.

Books in the Moulton Book Stop

The sale of books, produce, DVDs and CDs in the bus shelter during June and July raised £55.50, thank you to all our supporters. All books, DVDs and CDs are priced at 50p.

Good quality fiction books are always welcome. Please leave them on the benches in the bus shelter. All proceeds will go towards Moulton Village Association funds.

Plant Sale 2020

Following the change to the early May Bank Holiday (Friday 8 May), the Plant Sale will now be held on Saturday 16 May and not, Saturday 9 May.

Community Speed Watch

The North Yorkshire Police through its Road Safety Task Group has confirmed Moulton is suitable for a Community Speed Watch. Volunteers will be trained and equipment provided. We have a small number of residents who have already put themselves forward, however, to make the scheme work effectively, more volunteers are required. Please contact John Gentry if you wish to join the scheme.

Lorries through Moulton

We are promised a report from the Highways Improvement Manager and hopefully this will be available for the Parish Meeting on 12 September.

Church Cleaning:

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

September: Mrs S Vaux October Mr & Mrs Whitehead

MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP MON-FRI: 8AM – 2PM FRI EVE: 5PM-7PM SAT: 8.30AM-1PM TEL: 01325 377198 EMAIL: MTVILLAGESHOP@GMAIL.COM

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WELL here comes September, coming at us in a rush of sorting out school uniforms while mentally counting down the hours til you can kick your beloved offspring out the car/front door - or just generally kick them. Not allowed obviously, but after a billion week holiday, the thought is almost as good. I shall try not to send mine to the bus stop a day early this year and just hope that the second mortgage school trousers I ordered still fit after he's managed to grow two inches since May – which given the lack of vitamin D he's had, is a miracle in itself.

Leaves start to fall off trees, the weeds on my patio start to turn brown and you have to remind yourself that yes, that was summer that just happened, honest guvnor, its on the calendar as such.

TWO big thank yous this month, because I am an ever so grateful person. The first is to all those lovely people who came to our Summer Supper to celebrate the shop turning 15. 15! Almost all growed up. Fundraising has always been a part of running the shop and events like this make a big difference – so we're going to do it again next year. In amongst that thank you is a huge thanks to the people who helped me out before, during and after.

The second is to Dorothy, monthly quiz mistress at the Shoulder, who ran July's quiz for the shop, and raised £200. And obviously everyone who came.

AS older residents who used the shop regularly get replaced by younger people who work full-time or who have got used to ordering on-line, it gets harder to keep the shop going. This year has also seen much less passing trade and a lack of builders working locally given the wet weather, and we will be struggling to finish the financial year (end of October) on a profit. I appealed on the shop Facebook page at the beginning of July for people to think of us when they are writing their shopping lists and I'm now appealing via this page. July and August have seen a lot of large expenditures, on the back of running at a loss already. After my FB appeal takings did step up, so thank you to those you took note!

If you haven't been in in a long time, don't worry – we won't faint if you walk through the door. We may feel a little woozy but we promise not to let on.

SINCE the retirement of two Marys from our cake collection list, we are down to four collectors. If you would have the time on a Thursday, about 11.30-12ish, every few weeks, please have a think of whether you could help. All it involves is getting into Richmond, collecting the cakes from Edwina's and bringing them back to the shop while resisting the urge to stop in a quiet layby with a big fork... We would be happy to show you the ropes the first time.

AND just enough room to squeeze in two items available from the shop and PO. If you have a need for salad, but not a lot, we can prepare a portion of any or all of the following: lettuce, tomato, cucumber and red onion. All that, a tub and our tender loving chopping, for a pound. The second is a multi-store gift card available from the Post Office, which can be spent in oodles of different shops, from John Lewis to Halfords, Gap to Empire Cinemas. Make Dorothy happy and buy this great gift from her!



Ore-some Copper Belles WI

It's been a busy summer for the Oresome Copper Belles WI. Our village fete tent at Bark in the Park was a great success. Thanks to everyone who helped out beforehand and on the day. We couldn't do it without you.

Then as the holiday season began, we got to have a taste of Spain right on our doorstep. Beverley from 'Spanish Tutoring by Beverley' gave us a lesson on Spanish culture. We learned some Spanish (helpful for those of us who were scheduled a trip out to Spain later in the summer) and tasted authentic Spanish cuisine. As the Sangria flowed, Beverley told us about her time living in Spain and we all shared our holiday stories. It was a fun tutoring session and the food and drink were delicious. If anyone fancies learning Spanish or having a tapas evening of their own, you can find Beverley on Facebook.

In August, it was time for something a little different when Ore-some Copper Belles WI became CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. Angela and Dione, real Crime Scene Investigators, explained about their careers. Beginning with the police and now as airline accident investigators, they introduced us to the reality of being investigative scientists within the different roles. Fascinated by it all, we delved deeper and deeper interrogating them to find out more. We then became Crime Scene Investigators ourselves as we learned the process of taking fingerprints and had a crime of our own to solve. Thanks to all our additional quests who attended. It was a popular event and we all had a great time.

Join us next month for a social evening -Tuesday 10th September at 7pm in the Middleton Tyas Village Hall. Come along for drinks, nibbles and a good chat.

Follow us on Facebook at Ore-some Copper Belles WI. Contact us on oresomecopperbelles@outlook.com

Moulton Pop-up Choir

Last year we were approached by the Black Bull asking if there was a choir in the village which would be prepared to sing some carols in the restaurant one evening shortly before Christmas. As it happens, there wasn't, although several villagers did sing with other choirs.

Ever up for a challenge, the Chair of the Parish Meeting, John Gentry, asked residents if there might be any interest in forming a pop-up choir to sing at the Black Bull. In the end, 12 singers came together and sang a medley of traditional carols together with several Christmas old favourites like Jingle Bells (complete with jingles!) and the Twelve Days of Christmas complete with audience participation which was great fun! We all really enjoyed the evening, and we raised over £200 for Herriot Hospice.

Feedback from the Bull was very positive, and we have been asked to perform again this Christmas, at 8pm on 23 December. The format is for two slots of about 20 minutes each, separated by an interval to allow for lubrication of the vocal chords!

It would be lovely to see some new faces. Even if you have no singing experience, we can promise you that it will be great fun! Several who sang last year had never sung in a choir before, and all of them are coming back for a second season! It is all very light hearted and we don't take ourselves too seriously. However, we will be having some rehearsals, on Tuesday evenings at 7pm for about an hour, starting on 26 November.

If you are interested, or would like to find out more before committing, please contact John (377328). Whilst we already have one or two singers from Middleton Tyas, it would be nice to see some more so don't feel you have to be a resident of Moulton to take part. All are welcome!

St. Michael's Majors.

The tea this month will be on Thursday 19th, usual time, place and travel arrangements apply. Look forward to seeing you all again

"I drink Champagne when I'm happy and when I'm sad. Sometimes I drink it when I'm alone. When I have company I consider it obligatory. I trifle with it if I'm not hungry and drink it when I am. Otherwise, I never touch it -- unless I'm thirsty." — Lily Bollinger House of Bollinger Champagne

A thought for oft difficult times

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Church Cleaning Cleaning Rota - September 2nd to 9th Mrs Mahaffy & Mrs Donnison. 16th to 23rd Mrs Brookes & Mrs Potts 30th Sep to 7th Oct Mrs Baxter & Mrs Gentry.

Church Flowers.

Harvest Festival will be on September 8th. I am afraid I won't be able to help with flowers for this service but Muriel Hill is taking over for me. She will be doing flowers in church on Thursday 5th at 10am. Muriel would be grateful for any help and asked me to suggest that if anyone can help, could you bring your own flowers and greenery for one vase please.

Jean Nimmins and Rosemary Barron are in charge of flowers for the rest of the month, Thank you, Sara