``MIDDLETON TYAS & MOULTON VILLAGE NEWS March 2020

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Claiming Dates: 7th Mar 10am - 12 Scones & Tea MH 12th March Parish Council Meeting 21st March 2pm Keep Middleton Tyas Tidy 4th Apr 11am -12:30pm Grand National Bacon butty MH 16th May 2020 - Moulton Plant Sale

Editor's Note

If you would like anything in future editions please send to Craig Jones <u>mtmvillagenews@hotmail.com</u> The cut off dates for entries into the Village news are:

20th March for April's issue 20th April for May's issue

20th May for June's issue

20th June for Jul & Aug Issue

Ore-some Copper Belles WI

This month, we had our AGM to mark the beginning of our third year of the Ore-some Copper Belles WI. Following a fabulous two years, the AGM was an opportunity to give thanks to our members and everyone that has supported us along the way. Our committee members, in particular, do an amazing job developing the varied calendar of events and keeping the group up and running.

Following the AGM, we enjoyed a Swap Shop and had a bit of fun sharing preloved items with new owners as well as doing something positive for the environment.

Next month, join us on 10th March for Stretch and Flex with Val from ActiveLife. We will meet at 7pm in the Middleton Tyas Village Hall. If you intend on joining in with the activity, please bring along an exercise mat.

Memberships are now been taken for 2020. Annual membership of £43 provides access to our full calendar of events. Non-members are also welcome for £5 a session. Follow us on Facebook at Ore-some Copper Belles WI. Contact us on oresomecopperbelles@outlook.com

HELP!

Following our Armistice Anniversary Exhibition in St Andrew's church Moulton in Nov. 2018, did I lend anyone my grandfather's letters from the front and the telegram sent to my grandmother when his troop ship was torpedoed on the way home, which said "missing presumed drowned". His name was Frederick Drake. If anyone has these tucked away please ring me on 377228. Many thanks, Sara.

St Michael's Majors.

The tea this month will be on Thursday 19th, 3-5pm in the Memorial Hall. If anyone would like to hear more about our little group with a view to joining us, please ring Sara on 377228, Jean on 377868 or Liz on 377867 and one of us will come round and chat to you about it.

Moulton Matters

Books in the Moulton Book Stop

The sale of books DVDs and CDs in the bus shelter during January raised £26.87, 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

The Plant Sale will be held on Saturday 16 May. As the weather, hopefully improves, please remember to plant a few extra seeds for the Sale and while cleaning out the shed ready for the season, why not let us have any garden paraphernalia such as pots, tools, feeders, machinery and children's garden toys that you no longer need. Please contact Chris and John: 377328.

Moulton Speed Watch

A number of residents have volunteered and been trained to carry out the speed watch activity. We have now been successful in obtaining a grant from the Richmondshire Area Partnership Fund to purchase the speed gun and signs. You may well have seen the team out and about and more volunteers are most welcome. Please contact John Gentry if you wish to join.

Grass Cutting

There is currently a group of residents who undertake to cut some of the village verges, the Diamond Jubilee Garden and the Church lawn. The more volunteers we have, the less often you would need to do your bit. The mower and strimmer are provided by the MVA. Please contact David Whitehead (whitehead262@clannet.co.uk) if you are able to join the rota.

Church Cleaning:

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

March: Mrs Vaux April: Mr and Mrs Whitehead

Keep Middleton Tyas Tidy!

On Saturday 21st March 2.00 p.m. - Keep Britain Tidy! The Ore-some Copper Belles WI, family, friends and all residents Welcome Meet in Village Hall @ 1.30 p.m. Bring your gloves and a bag and let's get stuck in to tidy our village!

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

Today I achieved twenty minutes of perfect stillness. It wasn't an attempt to tune out my teenager on the first day of half-term, nor was it a new year new me meditative state in which I mantra-d a wish to give up the fags and sweets and swearing at other drivers. Neither was it an attempt to show Mother Nature how nice stillness is. I was at the vets (it's okay, I'm fine), sat opposite a naturally gorgeous young woman with a gorgeous designer cat carrier probably containing some gorgeous designer moggy. Now my cat carrier has seen better days having been mostly around the world on various aeroplanes and is the size of a small house. Fail no 1. Fail no 2 was the fact that I thought no-one would at the vets at that time of the day so I could get away with not changing my painting trousers. Half of Richmond was there. And fail no 3, the reason for the twenty minutes of perfect stillness, was that every time I so much as blinked, the chair I had chosen told the rest of the waiting room that I had had been eating brussel sprouts for every meal since Christmas. I haven't, it was the chair. No, really, it was.

First off, I would like to thank Susan Mahaffy for hosting the talk on the changes being made in Bishop Auckland, the proceeds of which she has generously donated to the Shop. It was very interesting, and although I didn't win anything on the raffle (hrumph), I shall be hot-footing it to Kynren this summer as it looked superb.

From those proceeds, we shall be paying to get the power reconnected in the old Post Office bit, because, da da dun, we have been promised that by the end of March the Outreach service will have begun. Finally. Not quite the four to six weeks Dorothy was told, but hey ho. We are hoping for three hours, twice a week.

We still have places on our 100 Club list, so if you haven't renewed or joined yet and would like to, get yourselves and £24 down to the shop to do so.

We have got ourselves a new toy, namely a self-serve hot drinks machine, purchased from proceeds of the quiz the Hall did for us last November. So next time you're walking pooch and get a bit thirsty, or you've rushed out in the morning without a suitable intake of caffeine, pop in and grab a coffee, or a tea, or a latte or cappuccino, or even a hot chocolate. £1.50 a cup.

New in recently, other than the coffee machine, have been gluten free chocolate chip cookies, chocolate peanuts, gluten free Nairns sour cream and chive pop oats (only 83 cals!), and gluten free beer (Scarborough Fair IPA). All, except for the beer (don't do beer), have been personally tested by yours truly (oh, what I do for that shop) and have been deemed yum. And back my popular demand (well, John), are maltesers.

So things to look out for soon – the Outreach service, our AGM (waiting for the figures from the accountant), our Sweet 16 birthday do, our Easter guess the number of eggs competition, a quiz in the Hall some time late spring and a late night opening event to let you try some of our lovely stock and have a good gander at the rest of what we sell. (And now the rest of the Committee are thinking 'say, what?!)

Finally a reminder that we have a dry cleaning service. Items are collected first thing on Mondays and Thursdays. We also have second hand books and recycled candles. New to our magazine rack are Slimming World and Gardeners World.

Now because I've got a bit of room still, a quick shout out to the Shoulder for the two great meals I've had in there recently. If you haven't tried it yet when its been on the specials board, the stroganoff is fab. The second was the Valentine's meal, even though every time I looked up, Poldark hadn't magically appeared. Ah well. Played darts afterwards. Love darts.

20 20 VISIONS.

Such was the interest in the event , that the Memorial Hall was filled on Friday 7th Feb. To those who attended, or kindly handed in donations, to those who generously supported the Raffle, and to those who gave invaluable help behind the scenes, my sincere thanks. £410 has gone to help in the upkeep of Middleton Tyas Community Shop. Susan.

School News

Well, school has been very busy since we last shared our news with you. Christmas is now a distant memory and we are already at our half term break!

Pre-school have been using the lovely new resources which were kindly funded by The Friends whilst Reception have been busy spotting birds in the 'bird spotting hide'. They were delighted to see a variety of birds including blackbirds and blue tits who also made good use of the bird feeders the children had made and hung up in the playground.

Ahoy me hearties! Year 1 and 2 have had a very exciting few weeks with their pirate topic. The children have been learning about the 7 continents and 5 oceans and will use this new knowledge to plot famous pirate routes around the world! They have also drawn story maps to help them write their own pirate adventure stories!

In Year 3 and 4 the children have continued to read their class novel "The Invention of Hugo Cabret." This resulted in the children exploring the birth of the railway in the UK. They used maps to find the original route of the first train lines, some bits of which are still in use today. The children also looked at George Stephenson and then produced some lovely art work of his world famous invention, The Rocket.

Meanwhile in Year 5 and 6 the children have been learning about the Industrial Revolution and how it changed our society. They have also been busy creating bridges out of card, tape and wooden sticks to see which designs were the most secure and could hold the most weight.

We held an African Art Week in school recently. The children made some amazing African masks, clay pots and coloured panels of fabric using felt tip pens to create their own kente cloth. We were also delighted to welcome author and illustrator Liz Million into school. She held a number of workshops with the children, teaching them how to draw cartoon style African animals with some fabulous facial expressions. All the children thoroughly enjoyed these activities and all of the resulting art work was showcased in an open afternoon so that parents could come and admire the children's creations.

Staff and children celebrated Australia Day by coming to school wearing something yellow and green. The donations raised £220.20 and this money will be given to the WWF Australian Wildlife and Nature Recovery Fund following the recent devastating bush fires. The staff were also able to sponsor 5 koalas. Thank you to everyone for your generous donations.

COFFEE MORNING

St Michael & All Angels Church

Please come along on Saturday March 7th 2020 10am till noon To the Memorial Hall For

Homade scones with Jam and Cream Coffee, Tea or Juice

Entrance Fee £3.50, Children £1.50

We look forward to your compnay In aid of church funds





St Michael and All Angels Church Grand National Coffee Morning Proceeds in aid of church funds

Come along and enjoy a chat, coffee/tea and a Bacon Butty

On Saturday 4th April 2020

At 11.00 am until 12.30 pm in the Memorial Hall

Come and have a flutter

Adults £5.00 Children £2.50 We look forward to welcoming you

Freecycle is Here!

The Freecycle Network currently has over 9 million members across the internet in over 5 thousand local groups. It is an entirely non-profit movement of people who are donating and/or receiving things for free in their own area, thus keeping the perfectly good but unwanted out of landfill. Here in Middleton Tyas, we have a few to choose from as we are on the edge of the Richmondshire, Darlington and Northallerton & Thirsk areas. The Richmondshire Group is the newest of the local groups with just 541 members, Darlington is much larger with 9691 Members and Northallerton & Thirsk has 5492 Members. Membership is free, and everything posted is free, legal and appropriate for all ages. To view the items being given away or sought in any group, or to make an offer or wanted request yourself, simply check out the local group(s) below and if you have any questions simply click to "Contact Moderators"

- > groups.freecycle.org/group/RichmondshireUK
- groups.freecycle.org/group/ThirskNorthAllertonUK
- groups.freecycle.org/group/DarlingtonUK





Our Lent Appeal 2020

At this time of year, we regularly appeal to parishioners to consider your Lenten offering, urging you not to give something up but to do something positive.

Every year we get the much-needed response. Thankyou. *Please* help us again this year.

Will you consider inviting an international student to your home, for a one day (daytime only) or for a weekend? Share a meal, conversation and exchange cultural traditions and views of the world. It is so very rewarding for both host and student guest.

Please consider becoming one of our volunteer hosts. We

operate all year round and would very much welcome you to join us. Information can be found on our website: <u>www.hostuk.org</u> Or email us on: <u>info@hostuk.org</u> Or telephone us on: **020 7739 6292**



*If you are unable to host but would like to support this cause please send your donation to the Big Give https://donate.thebiggive.org.uk/donate/a051r000010bYZLAA3 or by cheque to HOST UK Sylvia Adams House 24 The Common Hatfield

Steve the Postman

Is retiring on March 20th. We will miss him, always smiling in all weathers. Would be nice to give him a bit of a send off or a whip round? Any ideas?

Memorial Hall AGM

Is due in April, probably the 23rd though that is to be confirmed. Since Ken left to concentrate on the survival of the Shop, we have been short of a Chairperson, leaving the running to Jenny Ruston, Geoff Smith, Dorothy, Isobel Potts, Angela Yarrow and myself. It's not enough folks, we need help to keep the Hall running. Whilst we do need a Chairperson, extra Management Committee members would be more than welcome. Look out for the formal Notices in due course. PS, you may already know that Ken (Jed) has recently been poorly. We hope that by the time you read this, he will be well on the way to recovery. As someone said recently 'He's Mr Village'

Peter Monaghan

We

have had some terrible weather and our thoughts go out to those affected by flooding. As ever at difficult times we turn to that thought leader – Eeyore..... It never hurts to keep looking for sunshine. & The nicest thing about the rain



Rescue Rucksacks Update

Last night we attended the Neighbourhood Watch Crime Prevention evening, in the Village Hall, selling cakes to raise funds for Rescue Rucksacks

With regards to rucksacks, whilst our Facebook Page is quiet behind the scenes we are still doing what we do best, supporting people who find themselves sleeping rough.

Before Christmas we got together all our supplies of hats, scarves, socks, gloves, toiletries and food items and distributed them to the rough sleepers in Newcastle. It was heartbreaking to hear so many sad stories and felt it was just a drop in the ocean.

We continue working closely with the local police and council and rucksacks are still being distributed.

Once the weather improves and we can get into our storage area we will be making up more rucksacks ready to give, as and where needed.

Thank you for your continued support Lottie & Millie x

Ore-some Copper Belles WI

Make new friends ... Try new things ... Join Ore-some Copper Belles WI.

We are a sociable group of women of all ages who come together to learn new skills and meet like-minded friends.

Meetings are at Middleton Tyas Village Hall starting at 7.00pm

Social Calendar Jan – June 2020

10TH JANUARY - SOCIAL EVENT: COCKTAIL MAKING MASTER CLASS ∂ BLACK BULL

11TH FEBRUARY - AGM AND SWAP SHOP

10TH MARCH - STRETCH & FLEX with VAL from ACTIVELIFE Please bring along an exercise mat.

14TH APRIL - WILLOW SCULPTING with VICTORIA from the WILLOW BARN

12TH MAY - EYES DOWN LOOK IN! A FUN EVENING OF TRADITIONAL BINGO

9TH JUNE - CHEESE TASTING with THE CHEESY GRIN (And maybe a glass or two of wine to accompany!)

Enjoy our calendar of events for £43 annual membership. Non-members are also welcome for £5 a session.

email us: oresomecopperbellesWIDoutlook.com

Find us on 🕂 a Middleton TrasWI

Ringing the changes





Open Everyday of the Week for Lunch, Dinner, Tea, Coffee or a Drink in the baa.... British Pie Week

£11.50

Monday 2nd-Friday 6th March

A Choice of Five Different Pies All Served with Doubled Dipped Chips (except the Fish Pie) and Seasonal Vegetables

Steak and Ale

Chicken and Mushroom

Steak, Pigeon and Black Pudding

East Coast Fish Pie

Game Pie

Thursday 'Steak' Night £20

Enjoy 2 x 6oz Rump Steaks with Double Dipped Ghips and a Red Onion, Tomato, Parmesan and Rocket Salad Or Upgrade to a 8oz Ribeye or a 10oz Sirloin For An Extra £5 Each Option to Have a Bottle of House Wine £10 To book a table, please ring 01325 377 271 or email: jameswilliamson@shoulderofmuttonmiddletontyas.com WWW.shoulderofmuttonmiddletontyas.com







Proud to be in Britains 100 Cosiest Pubs by The Mail on Sunday

Open Everyday of the Week for Lunch, Dinner, Tea, Coffee or a Drink in the baa...

Quiz Night

Wednesday 26th February and Wednesday 25th March British Pie Week

Monday 2nd - Friday 6th March All Six Nations Games Being Shown

St.Patrick's Day

Tuesday 17th March

Mother's Day Sunday 22nd March 2020

Main course £11.95 2 courses £16.95 3 courses £20.95 Thursday 'Steak' Night £20

Enjoy 2 x 6oz Rump Steaks Or Upgrade to a 8oz Ribeye or a 10oz Sirloin For An Extra £5 Each Option to Have a Bottle of House Wine £10

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Crime and Crime Prevention

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Crime Prevention Event in the Memorial Hall and helped make it such a great success. Not only did we formally relaunch the Middleton Tyas Neighbourhood Watch but we also made good progress with some of our initiatives too! Many thanks to everyone who came along.





Several reports have been received about door to door sales persons in our villages, including here in Middleton Tyas. They often purport to be reformed offenders trying to make an honest living, offering home improvements or selling various items at a reduced price. The Police advise that you do not purchase anything from these individuals and call the Police via 101. The Police have applied to the Trading Standards Department of North Yorkshire County Council on our behalf to apply for the village of Middleton Tyas to become a "No Cold Calling Zone" and we will let you know when we have news.

We have seen an increase in the number of burglaries in the district, predominantly in outbuildings, sheds and at unoccupied properties where renovation work is being undertaken. A works vehicle was stolen from a water treatment plant in Middleton Tyas. Where possible, assess your security measures on these types of buildings to ensure they are adequate for the items you are storing, the type of building you are using and that they are in full working order. Here are a few simple measures to protect your home and buildings from burglars:

Lock your doors and windows every time you leave the house, even when you're just out in the garden, remembering to double-lock UPVC doors (lift handle and turn key)

Hide all keys, including car keys, out of sight and away from the letterbox (remember a device could be used to hook keys through the letterbox)

Install a visual burglar alarm (as part of a suite of prevention measures – a burglar alarm on its own will not prevent entry to your home)

Consider installing CCTV to cover your property and put up a sign to declare that you have CCTV for your neighbours and potential intruders to see.

Install good outside lighting and make sure your security lights are in working order

Get a trusted neighbour to keep an eye on your property

Leave radios or lights in your house on a timer to make the property appear occupied

Make sure the fences around your garden are in good condition, especially rear fencing and ensure side gates are locked

Remove valuables from view of ground floor windows and store any high value items (i.e. jewellery, passports) in a properly secured safe or bank vault

Secure bikes at home by locking them to an immovable object inside a locked shed or garage Keep ladders and tools stored away; don't leave them outside where they could be used to break in Improve natural surveillance at the front of your property i.e. trim high hedges

Get your property marked and registered with our free Dot Peen property marking system

Consider joining the local Neighbourhood Watch scheme

For more home security advice visit northyorkshire.police.uk/homesecurity

There is going to be a Police Dot Peen Property Marking Event at the Gatherley Road Equestrian Centre for Equestrian Tack and Trailers one Saturday in the near future, full details to be published soon. Dot Peen Property Marking is suitable for use on farm equipment, bikes, saddles, electronic devices, tools and much more. Dot peen marking involves using a tungsten carbide-tipped pin to indent an object with dots to create a visible, permanent unique number. The unique number will be entered onto the national Immobilise

property register database, vastly increasing the chances that it will be reunited with its owner if it is lost or stolen.

If you would like any further information on the event at the Equestrian Centre you can contact Clare Constantine on 07711 967573 or drop her an email at mrsconstantine1608@outlook.com. If you would like any further information about security marking for any personal or household property, by Dot Peen Marking or

UV Pen, please do not hesitate to contact me at the Neighbourhood Watch and we can arrange for a community property marking event here in the village.

North Yorkshire Police are still appealing for witnesses and information about a criminal damage incident that occurred in Middleton Tyas. It happened on Middleton Tyas Lane at 5.30am on Saturday 18 January 2020 when a male approached a driveway and caused damage to a parked Citroen Berlingo panel van by throwing a metal bar at the windscreen. The suspect was wearing a bobble hat and outdoor style clothing. They are requesting the public's assistance to help establish the full circumstances surrounding the incident and in particular, if anyone saw anyone acting suspiciously in the area. Anyone with information that could assist the investigation is asked to contact North Yorkshire Police on 101, select option 2, and ask for Michael Smith. You can also email michael.smith0006@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk. If you wish to remain anonymous, you can pass information to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. Please quote the North Yorkshire Police reference number 1220009803

When reporting crimes or anything suspicious please give as much information as possible. This will help identify individuals at the time or help identify them at a later date. Here is a list of the things for you to make a note of as the more information that is available the better:

- What do they look like hair colour and style, skin colour, height, their sex, any tattoos or scars?
- What are they wearing shoes, clothing, hats or head wear?
- Are they carrying anything? bags, firearms, tools.
- How many individuals are present? including any animals e.g. dogs.

• Are they in a vehicle – what is the registration number, the make, model and colour of the vehicle? Any unique markings, writing or even damage on the vehicle.

• What are they doing? – as detailed an account as possible.

And finally, for this month, we are still looking to arrange Police / Neighbourhood Watch Drop In Sessions at the Memorial Hall here in the village. The plan is to arrange them on various dates and times so people can just pop along and see their local Police Officer to discuss anything of interest or concern. In the meantime, you can always contact either of our local Police Officers, PC 1908 Mark Wood and PCSO 5073 Helen Sutherland, regarding any non-urgent issues or incidents. For urgent enquiries call 101 so an officer can be allocated to pick this up if Mark or Helen are unavailable and always 999 for any emergencies or crimes in progress.

Middleton Tyas Neighbourhood Watch is online. Our details are on the Village Website middletontyas.org.uk, on facebook.com/middletontyasneighbourhoodwatch, on the Neighbourhood Watch Network Website ourwatch.org.uk/scheme/50373/middleton-tyas-neighbourhood-watch/ and you can email us at neighbourhoodwatch@middletontyas.org.uk

CHURCH SERVICE MARCH 2020

Would you please note that in the absence of a priest, we may have to change some service times and content. We aim to make sure that there are services here each Sunday. Please bear with,

and try to support the retired visiting clergy who are doing their best to cover the whole of the seven churches. Thankyou

Sunday 1st.March	First Sunday of Lent	Middleton Tyas
9.30 Holy Communion		Rev. L. Ashton
Family Service		
Sidesmen	Mrs. S. Vaux	Miss M Brown
Reader	Mrs A. Rea	
Readings	Romans 5 12-19 P95	Matthew 4, 1-11 P 96
Sunday 8th March	Second Sunday of Lent	Middleton Tyas
9.30 Morning Prayer		Mt. H. Swanston
Sidesmen	Mrs. P Swanston	Mrs J Nimmins
Reader	Mr. A. Hindhaugh	
Readings	Genesis 12, 1-4a P97	John 3, 1-17 P 99
Sunday 8th March 4	Second Sunday of Lent	Moulton
PM		
Holy Communion		Rev. L. Ashton
Sunday 15th March	Third Sunday of Lent	Middleton Tyas
**11.00AM Holy		Rev. L. Ashton
Communion CW (T)		
Sidesmen	Mrs S. Hill	Mrs M. Hill
Reader	Mrs. V. Thomas	
Readings	Romans 5, 1-11 P103	John 4, 5-42 P 104
Sunday 22nd March	Mothering Sunday	Middleton Tyas
9.30 Morning Prayer CW		Mrs. E. Croft
Sidesmen	Mrs. S. Mahaffy	Mrs J. Fogarty
Reader	ТВА	
Reading	Colossians 3, 12-17 P115	
Sunday 29th March 10.30 Joint Service at Croft Rev. L. Ashton		

• Please note: 4PM SERVICE

** Please Note 11 AM SERVICE

If you need the services of a vicar, please contact me, Liz Croft, and I will do my best to put you in touch with the most appropriate person. We haven't had any applicants for the post, so this mixture of times and venues may go for some time.

01325 377867 elizabeth.croft213@btinternet.com

Church Flowers.

We don't have flowers in church during Lent but will be in touch next month about Easter Flowers. **Church Cleaning**:

2-9 Mar Mrs Mahaffy & Mrs Donnison 16-23 Mar Mrs Brookes & Mrs Potts 30Mar to 6 Apr Mrs Baxter & Mrs Gentry