MIDDLETON TYAS & MOULTON VILLAGE NEWS

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Claiming Dates:

29 September - 12 for 12.30pm Lunch and flower demonstration NAFAS. Black Bull, Moulton 15 May 2021 Moulton Plant Sale

Editor's Note

f you would like anything in future editions please send to Craig Jones

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The cut off dates for entries into the Village news are:

20th May for June's issue

20th June for Jul & Aug issue

20th Aug for September's issue

20th Sep for Octobers's issue

/illage News editorship - Volunteer

am delighted to say that Christine Bryant has agreed to step in as Village News Editor. I am sure that you will all support her as you have supported me. The email address will remain the same for all entries (see above).

will continue to do the editorship for the time being as Social distancing rules prohibit me from doing a full handover. Watch this space for more details. Starting at 4pm

VE Day 75th Anniversary Celebrations

STAY AT HOME

STREET PARTY!

Friday 8th May 2020

DECORATE YOUR HOUSE RED, WHITE
AND BLUE AND ENJOY A PICNIC
IN YOUR FRONT GARDEN

Let's Stay safe and have some fun

Commemorate the end of WW2 by celebrating with your family, friends and neighbours!



~ FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL ~

We trust you are all keeping safe and well during these uncertain times.

Please remember that the **Village Shop** is still open for business, albeit with slightly reduced hours. Helen and staff are doing a sterling job sourcing goods and making home deliveries to those who need them. Please support this valuable community asset, both now and in the future, to keep it viable.

While the Children's Play Park is closed to everyone until further notice, the **Playing Field** remains open for your daily exercise – please respect social distancing at all times.

The **grass-cutting** contractors will be starting work again shortly, including cutting the playing field. The Parish Council has thought long and hard about the wisdom of allowing the contractors to work at this time but, having reviewed what other Councils are doing, and having taken advice, we have now instructed them to start work to keep the village looking neat and tidy.

There seem to be quite a few little plastic bags lying (or hanging!) around the village, particularly along some of the **dog walking routes**. Please be responsible and take your 'poo bags' home or dispose of in any of the waste bins provided, which are all suitable for dog waste.

As the Parish Council cannot hold meetings at present, we are looking at holding **virtual meetings** as and when necessary. Residents will be invited to join any of these via a notice on the website www.middletontyas.org.uk / The Council / Agendas & Minutes / <date of meeting>.

The **Herbert Protocol** is used by NY Police and can be put in place for anyone who may be vulnerable in the community, particularly those with Alzheimer's or Dementia. Once in place, it helps Police to trace people if they go missing at any time. NY Police have the application forms and full details can be found at https://www.met.police.uk/notices/af/herbert-protocol/

NY Police have also relied on **What3words** and recommend downloading this App to your phones. They suggest residents have a look at it as most of the emergency services are using it. https://what3words.com/

MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP

MON-FRI: 8AM – 1PM SAT: 8.30AM-1PM TEL: 01325 377198 EMAIL: MTVILLAGESHOP@GMAIL.COM

And so it goes on. And so do we, to the best we can. We are managing to stay quite well stocked, thanks to frequent trips to the (frankly useless during this crisis) cash and carry, using new stockists and ordering more regularly from our old ones. If you have asked for something and we haven't had it, don't be afraid to ask again because we might well have gone and got it – we just can't remember who asked. Well, okay, mostly me because my memory has just flung up its hands and run away into the distance...

I have been doing stock lists and sending them out with deliveries. Not everything is covered yet but if you'd like to see some of what we have, let us know. Again, with my memory, I can't remember who has had what list...

Thank you everyone who gave us the lovely Easter cards, the biscuits and eggs and to those who contributed to the a bit last minute packs at Easter for some of our customers. I hope the break wasn't too hard and you managed to be in touch with family and friends. I'm only sorry that we don't have more time to chat when people ring for orders, and that sometimes we sound a bit rushed – as I mention below, we are vying with the card machine for the phone line. I tend to get to about noon with a smile on my face, then it starts to crumble a bit, so sorry if you've been on the receiving end of the crabby version of me. It's nothing personal!

As I've said to people who have thanked me for keeping the shop going, it isn't really me. If we didn't have the fab team we have at the moment, we wouldn't be able to stay open. Staff and volunteers have been brilliant, stepping up and just getting on with what's needed in this very difficult time. Customers have been patient and are sticking to distancing guidelines when queuing outside without me having to get the chalk out to draw lines or circles, so thank you to you too.

We have had many offers to deliver to people, offers of general help, offers to do shifts and with every offer, I think, what a lovely village I live in. How lucky am I to have ended up here, how lucky I am to work with such kind and thoughtful people and to serve a (mostly) friendly and grateful bunch of customers. We are a tiny shop but through hard work we are managing and how good is it to hear people come in and say 'oh wow, you have flour' or kitchen roll or loo roll or yeast. I am proud of the shop, I am proud of the people who have kept it going. I am proud to be part of this community who have helped and looked out for others. Well done to you all.

RIDAY 8 MAY BANK HOLIDAY

We will be open from 9am to 11am on the VE Day bank holiday so those who are getting regular deliveries of papers will still get them. Please though, unless you are desperate, don't ring and order anything for delivery that day. Our phone and card machine are on the same line so obviously we can't use both at once and staff and volunteers have been working so hard I would like to be able to shut up shop in a timely manner fashion type thing for us to enjoy the rest of the day.

If you'd like to have a delivery on Saturday 9, feel free to ring me at home on the Friday (after noon) and I will take down your order and get it to you on Saturday. 01325 377434. If you get the teenager, speak slowly and in single syllable words to make it easier for him to compute.

Stay safe everyone and we'll see you when we're allowed!

PLEASE KEEP WELL AND STAY SAFE! Ore-some Copper Belles WI

Following our energetic March meeting, a craft get together was planned for April along with the Village Litter Pick but both events were subsequently cancelled. We look forward to welcoming Victoria from the Willow Barn later in the year instead and The Keep Britain Tidy campaign has been rescheduled for 11-27 September. Watch this space for updates on our activity planned during that period.

Meanwhile what have we done?......Following a practice run by committee members, we held our April get together on the usual date (second Tuesday every month) via social media. All participants agreed it was lovely to catch up see each other visually and swop HTB's (Hints, Tips and other Bits) regarding how we are filling our time during 'Lockdown'.

Some of our fabulous members have got involved with knitting hearts for local hospitals. These beautiful hearts are given to families currently separated by Coronavirus from their loved ones. So far, we have sent 18 (representing one for each Ore-some Copper Belle) to York ICU who initially founded the initiative. Another batch is also in production for The Richardson in Barnard Castle (who loved York's idea) and we are about to start knitting for North Tees who are launching their appeal imminently. Thanks to Clare and Joss for starting this project on behalf of Ore-some Copper Belles WI. If you'd also like to join in (both WI and members of our village community), the pattern can be found at

https://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/hearts-28

Joss has ordered WI wool from Hobbycraft so if you need materials, please contact her on 07741019644. When completed, Clare is facilitating collection and delivery - telephone 01325 377168/07900008255

So what happens next?......Our May meeting is still scheduled on Tuesday 12th and we're going to play online Bingo. All members and their families are welcome to join in. It's BYO (beer/wine/soft drinks) and we'll be emailing details of how to get your Bingo Card shortly.

Until then **House!** Only go out for essential items and daily exercise thereby staying safe, protecting the NHS and saving lives. Take care one and all. Follow us on Facebook at Ore-some Copper Belles WI

Contact us at oresomecopperbelles@outlook.com

Moulton Matters

Coronavirus

At this difficult time we are all looking out for our neighbours. If you or anyone you know is in need of support (shopping, prescription collection, a friendly chat or even dog walking), please contact Shirley 377234 or Chris and John 377328. Take care and stay warm and well.

Books in the Moulton Book Stop

The sale of books DVDs, CDs plants, cakes, biscuits and jigsaws in the bus shelter during March raised £135.09, thank you to all our supporters. All books, DVDs and CDs are priced at 50p. Please leave a donation for the plants unless otherwise priced.

Good quality fiction books, plants and any other produce are always welcome. Please leave them on the benches in the bus shelter.

All proceeds will go towards Moulton Village Association funds.

Plants in Moulton

Even though the Plant Sale has had to be cancelled this year, plants and cuttings are thankfully still growing and folks are leaving surplus stock in the bus shelter. We know there will be sweet peas, geraniums, cosmos and more tomatoes once the weather is warmer and more settled. Thanks to all who have left plants in the bus shelter. Do call in if you are passing on your daily exercise.

Events in 2020

You may well have received the flyer for the events that were planned by the Moulton Village Association for this year. The details are also on the noticeboards. We will of course let you know by email and flyer when these can resume.

Moulton Communications

We have a circulation by email (Bcc) to over 50 residents in Moulton. If you are not receiving these or perhaps are new to the village, please contact the Parish Meeting and you will be added to the list: moultonparishmeeting@yahoo.com.

Church Cleaning:

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

May: Mr and Mrs Stephens.

June: Chris Bladen and Julia Stephenson



NEWS FROM THE CHURCH

As I write this, the sun is shining, the birds are on the feeders, and it's hard to believe that the world has been turned upside down.... except that it is Sunday morning, and I would normally be getting ready to go to church to share in an act of worship with you.

But all is not lost - the church building may be closed, but the churchyard is open. I know I'm not the only one who has spent time in recent weeks just sitting and contemplating in that beautiful setting.

Martin Idale and Viv Waugh are putting together a weekly service which we can follow in our own own homes, so that we can be 'separately together'. At least sixty people have signed up to receiving the service. If you would like a copy, either by email each week, or popped through your door as a paper copy, please let me know and it will be sorted. There is also a Sunday Worship service on BBC Radio 4 at 8.10 in the morning (early, but who's to see your dressing gown and mug of tea), or there is a service on BBC 1 at 10am.

We miss our Sunday Fellowship, but we are making the most of all the opportunities to reach out to those who are finding this so difficult; as Bishop Nick says we have to opportunity to be 'the church dispersed, not the church contained.'

Please take care, please stay safe.

As always, if you need the services of a priest, please let me know and I will put you in touch with somebody. Liz Croft

01325 377867 elizabeth.croft213@btinternet.com

Polite Notice

We live close to Scotch Corner Services. Our daughter's a nurse on a Covid 19 ward and when she returns home after a 13 hrs shift and 90min round trip, she parks on the roadside. On Wednesday night she parked her car on the road facing down to the village and when after a day off she returned to it Friday morning her passenger wing mirror was bent backwards. She has an NHS letter in her windscreen at the moment, this is quite clearly displayed.

Fortunately this time there was no damage to the car! We have had this done to cars visiting our property and have seen it done to others cars in the short time we have lived in the village. We hope that this polite notice may just stop this from happening again.



We are lucky to have excellent community support in Middleton Tyas with lots of genuine offers of help within the village but sadly there is also some Covid-19 related fraudulent activity about, such as a shopping voucher scam and fundraising for PPE for the NHS and carers.

If you know anyone who may have been affected you can contact North Yorkshire Police Fraud Awareness by telephoning 07741 173197 or by going to their Facebook page and booking an appointment.

Middleton Tyas Neighbourhood Watch is keeping its Facebook page updated and you can contact us there or email us at neighbourhoodwatch@middletontyas.org.uk. If you see anything suspicious please still report it immediately via 101 or if at the time you believe a crime is taking place call 999.

Just a thought.....

We live in a time without parallel, each day we hear news that is concerning and see images that are alien to us. Yet, I can think of nowhere else I would rather face the challenges set before us all. We live in a beautiful village, full of life, hope and trust. But more than this, we have access to the great countryside on our doorstep and a shop that provides for us all. We have a vibrant supportive community that is going out of the way to help all in need. It is so moving to look at those clapping for key workers; we need to clap those that are helping in our little village: neighbours dropping a pint off, delivering papers, taking people to get medical care and so much more.......

"Don't underestimate the value of Doing Nothing, of just going along, listening to all the things you can't hear, and not bothering."

- A.A. Milne

"What day is it?" asked Pooh.
"It's today," squeaked Piglet.
"My favourite day," said Pooh."

- A.A. Milne

The time we have been gifted has made our village more beautiful than ever, with glorious gardens and fresh paint everywhere. When this is all a memory, the community we have strengthened and the time taken to help each other will remain.