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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

Hello to all Middleton Tyas and Moulton Matters readers. Christine Bryant - your new editor here. I expect that you all read in the previous 2 issues that I would be taking over from Craig. I will do my best to carry on with the sterling work that Craig has done over the past 3 years. I am sure that you all will join me in saying 'Thank you Craig for all of your efforts and kindness in getting the newsletter published'. I'll try not to let you down.

For those who don't know me - I moved into the village with my husband Mac and 2 dogs, Lucy and Zola, just over a year ago from Richmond. Some of you will no doubt have seen me training Zola to walk on a loose leash. It's been a year now and I am *just* beginning to get there!

Please don't hesitate to email me

(<u>mtmvillagenews@hotmail.com</u>) if you have anything to add to the newsletter. Anecdotes, puzzles and stories are welcome. See puzzle below:

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

20th Aug for September's issue

20th Sep for Octobers's issue

20th Oct for November's issue

Editor's Puzzle

You are in a room with three light switches on one of the walls. The light switches control 3 x 100W ceiling lights which are in the cellar below the room. There is no way to see into the cellar from the room. You need to know which light switch controls which light in the cellar. You can only leave the room ONCE to go to the cellar to check which switch controls which light. How can you solve your problem?

Please email me the answer. NB – I only want to know how to work it out, not which switch controls which light. First 2 correct answers will get a (very) small prize.



Covid 19 Stop Play 2020

Although we don't, unfortunately anticipate any league cricket this season, work has been continuing to keep the ground, pitch and pavilion in good shape. This virus hasn't stopped the grass growing, moles tunnelling, paint flaking, tiles falling or rodents inhabiting the empty pavilion! Some of the lads have been working on the wicket, repairing fences, catching (well trying to!) moles, clearing guttering, encouraging ancient mowers and roller to carry on working a little longer, repairing the outdoor practice net and freshening up the pavilion.

Hopefully there might be chance of a couple of friendly matches later this summer but in the meantime small numbers are able to get some practice in the repaired net.

As a club we still have financial out goings even though there is no cricket. We have been running a 100 club for many years and this continues to be a good source of raising funds to ensure the survival of this much loved club, which has been part of the village for many years. The 100 club runs from April and for £12 per year you get a chance to win cash prizes each month with March paying out £100 to the winning number. Many residents already have numbers in the draw and we thank you for your continued support.

If anyone would like to buy a number (or two) or you already have one and need to pay, please contact one of the below for details of club account or how to pay. We are going to back-date the draw to April this year, so same chance of winning!

For more information -

Web site —http://middletontyas.play-cricket.com/

Contact details for the club-

Jenn Smith – 07790 078428 –Steve Snowdon – 07717 031741 - Marcus Burnet -07834 455568 - Matt Hutchinson -07498 258293

SCRABBLE CLUB

Thank you to the village's Scrabble group, who have generously donated £159 to the Shop in appreciation of the work we do and have been doing during this crisis. One member said that 'the shop is doing a phenomenal job' and is 'going the extra mile and then some, to give help to people who need it'.

Richard Allen, Chairman (15 points)

MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP

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

OUTREACH POST OFFICE TUES & WEDS 10AM TO NOON

Crazy days continue, although 'back to normal' is peeking cautiously at us from the end of the tunnel. The media is hell bent on filling our heads with the bad stuff: violence, blame, doom and awful gloom – no change there but for a little while at the beginning, it did feel like we were all on the same page, survival. Protecting and looking out for each other. Praising and clapping the good. Now the negatives and the nay sayers have the loudest voices, so I skip those tweets or Facebook posts or articles and listen to too much Adele and Alanis and sing badly along. And I fill my tiny brain with Major Tom and the NHS and the smaller, saner voices of the good and the normal people who are just getting on with it. I'm thankful for those people, and closer to home, the people who have taken the time to stop and appreciate the staff and volunteers in the shop for what they've been doing for this community, and what they will continue doing.

Please note the times of the Outreach Post Office above, which are different from what I said they were going to be in last month's spiel. We were supposed to get an extra hour each day, but the Post Office's computer said 'no'. But there is the possibility that if it's busy enough, they'll give us that extra hour – especially around Christmas.

We have back in stock the Spirit of Swaledale hand sanitisers, after a pleasant (if a bit longer than planned) drive up to Keld to fetch them. These sanitisers go a lot further than gels, and are a handy size for your bag, car, pocket, whatever.

As many of us probably are, I'm looking forward to the pub reopening. I'm sure James and Hana are busy planning and getting ready so I'll send the shop's huge thanks to them now. Both have been a great help and very supportive, and without them we probably wouldn't have been able to get the flour and other things that were almost impossible to get in the beginning. Thanks guys and get the cider cold and the stroganoff ready!

Thanks also to Richard Palmer who built our screen in the shop, which rather usefully fits a bottle of wine neatly underneath. Totally planned that obviously (ahem).

And on the subject of vino, we've been approached by a wine merchant so will soon be stocking some different wines on a trial basis. We will continue carrying the stock we have unless a particular newbie is popular, then we'll make room for it. When I get time I'll get a list typed up of what they have so if you fancy trying some or ordering a case, just let us know. If you do try any of the new ones, please give us an honest opinion after so we know what to get again and also to recommend.

Along with our fairly new Yorkshire cheeses (double, cheddar and red), we are now stocking Wensleydale Creamery's Yorkshire Brie. Flying out of fridges they say...

Finally, because things like this do upset me when my skin is wearing a little thin, and while I appreciate that we are all in a bad place from time to time, I really don't get paid enough to run the shop for anything but the joy of doing it, so if you roll your eyes at me, flap your hands grumpily and stalk away in a huff because I couldn't deal with you right away as there was already a customer in the shop, I hear there are shops in Scorton and Barton. Take your bad mood out on them.

RAFFLE! RAFFLE! RAFFLE!













For £1 a ticket, get the chance to win a Spirit of Swaledale Hedgerow Gin, worth £35.

The Action Fraud National Fraud & Cyber Crime Reporting Centre have alerted the Neighbourhood Watch to criminals exploiting the COVID-19 pandemic to try and get their hands on our money and personal information. As at mid June 2020, Action Fraud had received reports from 2,378 victims of Coronavirus-related scams, with total losses reaching over £7 million.



Here are some simple steps they suggest we can take that will protect us from the most common Coronavirus-related scams:

- 1 Watch out for scam messages Your bank, or other official organisations, won't ask you to share personal information over email or text. If you receive an email you're not quite sure about, forward it to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS): report@phishing.gov.uk
- 2 Shopping online If you're making a purchase from a company or person you don't know and trust, carry out some research first, for example, by checking to see if others have used the site and what their experience was. If you decide to go ahead with the purchase, use a credit card if you have one, other payment providers may not provide the same protection.
- 3 Unsolicited calls and browser pop-ups offering tech support Never install any software, or grant remote access to your computer, as a result of a cold call. Remember, legitimate organisations would never contact you out of the blue to ask for financial details such as your PIN or full banking password.

NHS Test and Trace scams - Contact tracers will only call you from the number 0300 013 5000. Anyone who does not wish to talk over the phone can request the NHS Test and Trace service to send an email or text instead, inviting them to log into the web-based service. All text or emails sent by NHS Test and Trace will ask people to sign into the contact tracing website and will provide you with a unique reference number. Action Fraud advises us to type the web address directly into their browser, followed by the unique reference number we're given, rather than clicking on any link provided in the message.

The NHS Test and Trace service will never:

- ❖ ask you to dial a premium rate number to speak to them (for example, those starting 09 or 087)
- ask you to make any form of payment or purchase a product or any kind
- ask for any details about your bank account
- ask for your social media identities or login details, or those of your contacts
- * ask you for any passwords or PINs, or ask you to set up any passwords or PINs over the phone
- ask you to access any website that does not belong to the government or NHS
- ask you to download any software to your PC or ask you to hand over control of your PC, smartphone or tablet to anyone else

North Yorkshire Police, via their Community Messaging system, have also advised that they have seen the first phishing email relating to the Test & Trace service. Notably, the fake email refers to the service as 'track and trace'. The email advises the recipient that they have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for coronavirus. They are instructed to click on a link in order to find out who that person is and are warned that if they fail to do so within 24 hours, legal action may be taken. The email address from which this message is sent is alert@nhs-trackandtrace233-gov.com. Please also be aware that some people have also been contacted by someone claiming to be from the Test and Trace service then asking for £500 for a test to be administered. Please remember that tracers will only ever contact a person by phone and NEVER in person and that the service is free.

North Yorkshire Police have seen a rise in "number spoofing" which is a method by which fraudsters use easily accessible software to make any number they dial from appear on the recipient's phone as any number they choose. Such examples of spoofed calls they have had reported are individuals claiming to be from the victim's bank informing them their account has been compromised and they need to transfer funds, or a call claiming to be from the Police or HMRC informing them there is an outstanding tax bill and a warrant has been issued for that person's arrest. Often these types of calls can be used to gain personal information such as account logon details, PIN numbers and passwords. It is important that we are aware of this type of fraud and there are some simple steps we can take to protect ourselves.

Don't assume just because the number displayed looks like our bank or other official organisation, that it is them calling. The advice is if we have any doubt whatsoever then we are to terminate the call and using another phone, call the organisation in question. For example if our 'bank' contacts us on our mobile and

we are suspicious, we are to terminate the call, and using the phone number on our statement or Customer Services number listed on the bank's website, call them back on our landline. Fraudsters will often tell us to call your bank to check if the call is genuine but will not clear the line so when we call our bank we would in fact still be speaking to the fraudsters. Ask the caller for their name and a way to verify they are an employee of the place they are calling from.

For instance a first name and a staff ID, or a first and surname. Any employee of a legitimate company will be willing to provide these details, if the caller refuses or becomes confrontational be very suspicious. It is very easy for fraudsters to fake a contact telephone number, it is very unlikely they will have accurate staff names and details. If the caller claims to be from the police, ask for the officer's 'collar number' and then call the police back using a different phone. If the caller is genuine they will not mind you checking their identity. Remember:

- Your bank will NEVER ask you to move money to a safe account.
- ❖ Your bank will NEVER tell you about staff members who are under suspicion of investigation of fraud.
- The police will NEVER ask you to pay a fine over the phone

If the caller is asking you to pay a fine, transfer money or verify personal information – STOP and terminate the call. This is most definitely a fraud and needs to be reported to the police on 101. You can purchase a call blocking device or a new phone with a built in call blocking if you would like or you could contact your phone provider to discuss what call blocking services they offer. If you ever feel worried that a call, email or text is not from the person it claims to be from then delete it or terminate the call immediately and call the police on 101. If you would like to receive up to date information directly to your email address then please do sign up to North Yorkshire Community Messaging (NYCM) which is managed by North Yorkshire Police. The official website is www.nycm.co.uk which will allow you to sign into your account to change your delivery method preference or locations of interest. It also contains a FAQs section, which may assist with any queries you have. North Yorkshire Police will only ever link you to secure web-sites they trust and only send you attachments where they believe it is absolutely necessary.

If you think you have been a victim of fraud, please report it to Action Fraud at www.actionfraud.police.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040. Please continue to report suspicious incidents through 101 but if you believe a crime is taking place call 999 immediately. You can email generalenquiries@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk for non-urgent enquiries or you can contact our local police Mark Wood, Helen Sutherland and Helenor Gwatkin. If you would like to contact Middleton Tyas Neighbourhood Watch please feel free to message us on our Facebook page or email us at neighbourhoodwatch@middletontyas.org.uk

And finally a new phishing campaign has emerged claiming to offer recipients the chance to win a £1,000 Amazon gift card. The subject reads: "On the occasion of overcoming the coronavirus, Amazon gives you the gift of victory." The sender name is spoofed to read 'contact@amazon.com. The recipient is instructed to click on a link in order to apply. The link has been identified as malware. It is common for such scams offering free vouchers to ask for a person's bank details.

Remember, trust your instincts and if it sounds too good to be true, it is!!!

(I can vouch for the bank scam – it happened to us. My husband phoned the bank after becoming suspicious of a call, to be told the scammers were trying to rob him as they spoke. A lucky escape – **EDITOR**)



ORE-SOME COPPER BELLES WI

Who would have thought, three months ago, that we'd be performing hand reflexology on ourselves, in the comfort of our own homes? Well, thanks to Kathy of Ginger Tree (based at Aske Stables, Gilling West) and the wonders of modern technology, that's exactly what we did, on the evening of Tuesday 9th June.

Reflexology is a type of massage that involves applying different amounts of pressure to specific parts of the feet or hands. It's based on the theory that these are connected to certain organs and body systems.

Suitably prepped with essential oils, etc. (and some wearing pyjamas!), we began with a little relaxation, followed by warm up massaging of the fingers, hands and arms. Kathy then taught us the correct massage techniques, before guiding us through each part of the hand and how it links to parts of the body and its organs.

At the end of the hour we were all nicely chilled, had the softest hands since the Fairy liquid advert and had, at our disposal, the possibility to help ourselves with aches and pains. So if, for example, we suffer from headaches, we might benefit from massaging the tips of our thumbs or index finger.

Many thanks to Kathy and let's hope she'll be able to welcome clients old and new, to her salon, before too long.

Our next meeting on Tuesday 14th July (7:15pm) will again be online for some Mindfulness with Kate Airey. We will send out details nearer the time by email and WhatsApp to all our members. If you are not a member and think you would like to join in then please get in contact with us at oresomecopperbelles@outlook.com. New members are always welcome.

The Shoulder of Mutton

Take Away/Delivery Menu Tuesday-Saturday 4.30pm-8.30pm 10% Off for Collection

DELIVERY service is ONLY for people who are vulnerable & self isolating

Confit Duck Leg

14.50

With Creamy Mash, Seasonal Vegetables and Orange Sauce OR With Chinese Pancakes, Cucumber, Spring Onion and Hoisin Sauce

Chicken Schnitzel

12.00

Caper Butter and Double Dipped Chunky Chips with Seasonal Vegetables

Chicken Wrapped in Bacon

12.50

With Double Dipped Chunky Chips, Blue Cheese Sauce with Seasonal Vegetables

Our Famous Deep Filled Beef and Ale Pie 13.50 with Double Dipped Chunky Chips and Seasonal Vegetables (Freshly Baked, Please Allow an Extra 25mins)

Curry of The Day(G)

13.25

Homemade curry, Served with Rice, Poppadoms, Raita and Mango Chutney

Fresh Beer Battered Haddock

In Local Ale Batter, Double Dipped Chunky Chips, Mushy Peas and Tartare Sauce

6oz Yorkshire Steak Burger 12.95

100% Steak Burger, Chargrilled with Bacon, Lettuce and Tomato and Yorkshire Blue Cheese or Cheddar in a Toasted Bun with Fries

Steak Stroganoff

13.95

12.95

with Rice or Chips and Seasonal Vegetables

Thai Vegetable Curry (V)

12.95

Served with Rice and Prawn Crackers

Children's Menu 7.95

Fish and Chips

or

Homemade Chicken Nuggets, Fries and Beans

Please Ask About Our Daily Specials and Desserts

Orders by Telephone only on 01325 377271

ODD JOB HELP & CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES.

Hello, I am Max, I lived in the village and I am now back in Middleton Tyas staying with my parents until the Autumn. I am available for grass cutting, painting fences, sheds, general clearing or tidying of garages and sheds, putting flat packs together or temporary summer work of any kind, I have previous pub work experience too. I am a Teaching Assistant and Actor and could organise some fun or educational activities for your children for a reasonable fee.

This would be socially distanced and outside at your home and I adhere to any government guidance of course. My DBS clearance can be shown to you. Message me if I can help in anyway.

Mobile 07592352526- call or text in office hours please.

E Mail <u>mg.ferguson12@gmail.com</u> at anytime. BIG THANKS, Max

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, games, sticks, mats and jigsaws in the bus shelter during May raised £642.12, thank you to all our supporters – another record month. Thanks again to those who have generously left plants and to our bakers – Sara Richardson and Chris Wiper Gentry who have continued a daily supply of cakes. 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 and Produce in Moulton

Thanks again to all who have left plants and cuttings in the Bus Shelter, these have been selling well. As we move on to produce being ready to harvest, if you have surplus items, please bring them along or drop them off at Garth Cottage. Do call at the Bus Shelter if you are passing on your daily exercise.

Dog Fouling

Once again in the last month, residents have noticed an increase in dog mess, especially at Low Gatherley and on Hall Road between the village Green and Moulton Hall. Please pick up after your dog – thank you.

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.

July: Mr and Mrs Gentry August: Mrs Osbaldeston

News from the Parish Council

Some residents may have missed our news in the **June edition**, although it was included in the digital version on our village website. Here is what you missed...

Another 30-ish days ticked off the calendar and we are still in lockdown, albeit with relaxation of some regulations since 13 May. Some of you may have returned to work and this includes our Handyman, Mike Ramsey, who is back keeping the village neat and tidy. A public note of appreciation to Mike for all the work he does in his usual cheerful and helpful manner. The Village Shop is still open and well stocked, delivering to those who cannot get out and about. Please give them your support.

The Children's Play Park is still closed until further notice. The Playing Field remains open for your 'as much as you like' daily exercise – please continue to respect social distancing at all times. The conditions

around use of the playing field say that it must be retained and protected for use as 'a community leisure facility' at all times. However, there has been a suggestion that the School may find it helpful to have access to this large green space during the early transition months of getting fully open again. Under the School's requirement to comply with child protection legislation, this would mean that during any times when the school was given access to the playing field, it would be necessary for the playing field to be closed to the public. This could be for specific hours during term-time weeks (i.e. play times, after lunch) and the restricted hours would be clearly posted at the field entrance gates. If any resident has a view about this temporary change of use conditions, either for or against, please contact the Parish Clerk (clerk.mtyas@live.co.uk, 377062) as soon as possible to enable the Parish Council to make a decision. Your comments will be confidential. It is your playing field but, in these unusual circumstances, it would be good to offer to help the School in this way.

The 'Best Kept Village Comp 2020' has been cancelled. Notwithstanding that bit of news, we would like to thank you for helping with the following...

- -- Please remember to cut back your own shrubs and trees which overhang the public footpath, or NYCC will be asked to do it, and they will charge you!
- -- Please do not drive, park or store goods on any grass verges, or on the village Green (which has legal protection). It costs 20% of our budget to have them cut and any damage just costs us (i.e. you) more, and looks unsightly.
- -- Someone has been throwing several dog poo bags into a private garden (why would you?!). Please be thoughtful and responsible and take all your litter home or dispose of it in any of the waste bins provided around the village, which most of you do.

And last but not least a message from our Chairman, Cllr Gordon Davies -

THANK YOU - to all the unsung heroes of our village:

- The Village Shop to Helen and all the volunteers in keeping us all going, obtaining scarce supplies that the supermarkets ran out of, providing call and collect groceries and a delivery service for the vulnerable and self isolating. Thank you.
- The Shoulder of Mutton to James and Hana for providing a new takeaway service and a free delivery service for those who need it. Thank you.
- **To our villagers** young and old for making our village gardens and paths look so neat and tidy, those who keep an eye on their neighbours who may need help, and those who have shown their appreciation for the emergency service providers each Thursday evening

July roundup

As lockdown measures slowly start to be relaxed and we are venturing out to greet family and friends we have missed so much, please stay mindful of the social distancing guidelines. We have received reports from concerned residents about several 'parties' that appear to ignore the guidelines. We have all made huge efforts and sacrifices to keep ourselves and other village residents safe; it will all go to waste if we ignore the guidelines now. For the latest up-to-date information go to <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing

The Parish Council makes history! The Parish Council held its first ever virtual meeting on the 11th June 2020 via the powers of Zoom. The Coronavirus Act 2020 received Royal Assent on 27 March. It gave power for the Secretary of State to make regulations for the holding of remote meetings for local authorities. The Regulations are now published and came into force on 4th April 2020 for a specified period of time until May next year. The meeting proceeded without any technical glitches and some of our furry friends wanted a piece of the camera action too! At the meeting our Chairman for the last two years, Councillor Gordon Davies, resigned and Councillor Samantha Perks was elected to be the incoming Chairman. Gordon has been instrumental in setting up the

Community Speed Watch scheme and taking the lead for the Play Park refurbishment project. We thank Gordon for all of his hard work and dedication. Gordon is gladly staying with the Parish Council in his new role as Vice-chairman. The Council will continue to convene via Zoom until the Village Hall re-opens. Our next meeting is Thursday 9th July at 7pm prompt. The meeting is open to all residents. If you would like to attend please contact the Parish Clerk for the joining details clerk@mtyas@live.co.uk 01325 377062.

CHURCH NEWS - WE ARE OPEN ON SUNDAY MORNINGS!

Following the government and diocesan guidelines, we are now opening the church on a Sunday morning from 9am to 11am for private prayer. There will be somebody there for the whole two hours. There will also be copies of the service sheets prepared by Viv Waugh and Martin Idale, with the readings for each Sunday. Do feel free to pop in for as little or as long as you want - it's your church. It's sometimes good to sit and be still away from everything else that is happening in these difficult times. It's also good to be near (but not too near!) to other people and feel their presence.

The area is fully sanitised, and gel, gloves etc are available for all.

By the time you read this, advice may have changed again. Hopefully we will soon be told when we can have some form of service again.

As this is a newsletter for two months, I have listed below the relevant readings for July and August. If I get any news I can contact as many of you as possible, but please keep an eye out for notices on the church door, and you can phone or e-mail me.

The Melsonby group of churches are being led by their vicar in some Zoom services on a Sunday morning, and you are welcome to join in. If you would like further information, please contact Vanessa Thomas on 01325 377906 and she will tell you how to join in.

What's available for our children? No St. Michael's Club for the foreseeable future, I'm afraid, but if you go on the link below, there is an activity page for each Sunday for children- readings, things to think about, activities etc. Give it a go! I think it's a good resource.

https://www.leeds.anglican.org/children-youth/faith-at-home

There's a lot of good stuff happening around our villages. We need to keep supporting each other, whatever our beliefs, in the hope that we will come out of this stronger than before.

Main readings for Sundays in July and August.

5th July	Genesis 24, verses 34-38, 42-49, 58-end	Matthew 11, verses 16-19, 25-end
12th July	Genesis 25, verses 19-end	Matthew 13, verses 1-9, 18-23
19th July	Genesis 28, verses 10-19a	Matthew 13, verses 24-30, 36-43
26th July	Genesis 29, verses 15-28	Matthew 13, verses 31-33, 44-52
2nd August	Genesis 32, verses 22-31	Matthew 14, verses 13-21
9th August	Genesis 37, verses 1-4, 12-28	Matthew 14, verses 22-33
16th August	Genesis 45, verses 1-15	Matthew 15, verses 10-28
23rd August	Exodus 1 verse 8 – Chapter 2 verse10	Matthew 16, 13-20
30th August	Exodus 3, verses 1-15	Matthew 16, verses 21-end

If you require the services of a vicar, please contact Liz Croft on 01325 377867 or elizabeth.croft213@btinternet.com and I will put you in touch with someone.