#### MIDDLETON TYAS & MOULTON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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**FEBRUARY 2021** 

#### **Claiming Dates:**

15 May 2021 (Saturday) - Moulton Plant Sale - Cancelled

#### **Editor's Note:**

Even as we approach February - I would like to wish you all a happy 2021! With the Covid vaccine now being given to people we can hopefully look forwards to a more normal life. And the nights are getting lighter which, for me, always brings a cheerier note.

If you have anything to add to the newsletter please don't forget you can email me (Christine) at mtmvillagenews@hotmail.com. Or phone 01325 377746 or write to 2. Cumberland Gardens. Anecdotes, puzzles and stories are welcome.

As mentioned in the last newsletter (ages ago) if anyone would like any documents printing please contact me to discuss prices. The Village News has an excellent printer available.

The cut off dates for entries into the Village news are: 20th February for the March issue 20th March for the April issue 20th April for the May issue

AND a **huge** thank you to all who have made a donation to the Village News. Further contributions would be very much appreciated and would help to ensure the survival of the newsletter. Cheques or transfer to the Middleton Tyas Village News account at the following:

Sort code: 20-25-29 Account no: 80644390

Thank you.

### Quiz for our younger readers this month please!:

Two parents have six sons including you and each son has one sister. How many people are in the family? *If you are* A very big thank you to that fantastic group of people a *girl just swap things round for a moment!!!* who once again made sure we had a beautiful

Please ask an adult to email, phone or write by 10th February. Correct answers into hat and first 2 out - small prize - usually some chocolate.

P.S. Any adult is welcome to enter - but I will only give prizes to young readers.

The answer to the last puzzle is : The tip is the difference between the £25 and £27. The difference between the £27 and £30 is the three pounds the people took back. Therefore the £1 was not missing - the whole puzzle relied on the wording of the question.

## "They're changing guard at Buckingham Palace...

Well not really, but they are at the Village Hall. We need volunteers (always a scarce resource) for the positions of Secretary and Treasurer which are expected to become vacant in January/ February. Whilst they are important posts, the duties are not onerous: the Secretary's principal job is to take the minutes of the quarterly Management Committee meetings, and the responsibilities of the Treasurer are to balance the books and manage the outgoings which aren't many.

We need the new recruits as soon as possible to 'bed in' before our next AGM in April (Covid permitting). Assistance can be provided to enable a smooth handover.

For further details please contact the Secretary at <a href="mailto:peter.monaghan84@gmail.com">peter.monaghan84@gmail.com</a> or the Treasurer at <a href="mailto:jennyruston@hotmail.co.uk">jennyruston@hotmail.co.uk</a>



#### Appreciative residents wish to say:

A very big thank you to that fantastic group of people who once again made sure we had a beautiful Christmas treee on the Green. It was a wonderful bright spot in a most unusual Christmas and enjoyed so much by so many. **Thank You.** 

**St. Michael & All Angels Church** are delighted to announce there were two happy couples married in December. The Reverend Stewart Ridley conducted a happy and personal wedding ceremony for Rhyan and Claire also Ryan and Charlotte.

#### MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP

MON-FRI: 8AM – 2PM SAT: 8.30AM-1PM TEL: 01325 377198 EMAIL: MTVILLAGESHOP@GMAIL.COM

#### OPEN REACH POST OFFICE

TUES & WEDS - 10AM - NOON

**Well**, now we've trundled/skipped joyfully/slept right through it/stuck a bag over your head and yelled 'lalala' until it all went away (delete as appropriate) into 2021, who knows what this year holds for us. But hopefully things will only get better, all those people who are self-isolating will get their freedom and boldly go where they've never been before. Or to Tesco, wherever.

**As** always, I am ever so grateful, this time in particular for (a) all those who had a go at our Christmas raffle, and for Mary Parvin for making and donating her lovely cake, (2) all the wonderful cards and gifts for staff and volunteers we had at Christmas and thirdly, those staff and volunteers who worked so hard last year. We have at the moment a truly wonderful team who have kept our shop open and stocked.

The Shop Shed raised £55 for North Yorkshire Air Ambulance in November, so thanks (again, see, I told you I was grateful) to those people who donated books, games, puzzles etc and those who bought them. In February we will be collecting for Comic Relief. Jigsaws are particularly popular at the moment so if you have any gathering dust in a cupboard, feel free to donate. If you can't get to the shop, we can always pick them up, all socially distanced and sanitised from head to toe obviously.

**Spring** is on its way, probably, unless that goes with the trend and keeps its distance too. Thoughts (though not mine, hate cleaning) will turn to spring cleaning, so here's a quick list of what we have as its grown since last time I had nowt else to say and listed it. We have dusters, cloths, marigolds, large and medium, brillo pads, washing up pads, Pink Stuff, windowlene, bleach, flash in a bottle, flash bathroom and flash with bleach, Cif, descalers, dishwasher cleaner, Brasso, Silvo, Goldo – and all the usual suspects for cleaning, washing up etc – fairy washing up liquid, dishwasher tabs, salt and rinseaid, Vanish, Comfort, washing tabs + powder, domestos, Mr Sheen, Febreze.

**Talking** of spring, I've done a couple of new candle scents – salted caramel and spring bouquet. These join the popular sandalwood and vanilla, and all the candles are £4.99. If you bring back the used tin and lid after you've enjoyed your candle in whatever way you choose – in the bath, a romantic dinner with your loved one because you really haven't seen enough of him/her/other in the last ten months, getting rid of eau de wet dog - you could have £1 off your next candle.

**February** sees the 100 Club begin a new year so stick hands in wallets for £24 to renew or join. Its our biggest fundraiser and gives monthly prizes of £30, £20 or £10 in vouchers to spend in the shop. We'll take cash, card, cheque, gold bullion, diamonds, we're not fussy.

**Bacon** butties are on the back burner at the mo (but obviously not for too long, else they'd go too crispy). They were proving too popular to risk doing in a lockdown, or indeed when we were in Tier 3, as queues would build up outside sometimes. We'll see what Tier we are in when we are released.

**New** in the food range are a couple of Aagrar Tarka authentic recipe bases – balti and tikka masala. We also sell giant naans, the garlic of which is very popular, and if I could eat them, I would. Perfect for that St Valentine's Day meal with the loved one you have seen every single day since last March. Ha.

#### From the Parish Council ~

The Census for England & Wales will take place on 21st March 2021 – see the briefing from the Office for National Statistics. The Parish Council has been asked to identify any resident who may need additional help with completing the form on the day. These may be those people who need language support, those who will need help to complete, or those lacking digital skills (Census 2021 will be the first digital census). If you feel that you will need some help in completing the Census, please make the Parish Clerk or any Councillor aware now so that we can tell the Census Office about any additional support the village needs on the day.

**Dog waste** – Some of you will have noticed that we have installed a new Dog Waste Bin at the end of Cow Lane which should help walkers in that area to dispose of their bags safely. It is being very well used – thank you! However, there are still issues with dog waste being left around the village – mainly on grass verges. Please – pick up after your dog! You can use one of the many bins provided to dispose of your poo bags, or take them home for safe disposal in your black household waste bin. Thank you.

**Play Park Fundraising Group** – Another plea for additional members for this group who are raising 'match funding' to apply for larger grants to totally refurbish the Play Park. If you wish to discuss what is planned before committing, please speak with Cllr Gordon Davies (377450) or Cllr Miss Leanne Harknett (377321).

**Co-option to the Council** – We still have a vacancy for co-option to the Parish Council. If you would like further information, please contact the Clerk (377062).

#### -- STAY HOME - TAKE CARE -- KEEP SAFE AND WELL --

**CENSUS 2021** will provide a snapshot of modern society Households across North Yorkshire will soon be asked to take part in Census 2021. The census is a once-in-a- decade survey that gives us the most accurate estimate of all the people and house- holds in England and Wales. It has been carried out every decade since 1801, with the exception of 1941. It will be the first run predominantly online, with households receiving a letter with a unique access code, allowing them to complete the questionnaire on their computers, phones or tablets. "A successful census will ensure everyone from local government to charities can put services and funding in the places where they are most needed," Iain Bell, deputy national statistician at the Office for National Statistics, said. "This could mean things like doctors' surgeries, schools and new transport routes. That's why it is so important everyone takes part and we have made it easier for people to do so online on any device, with help and paper questionnaires for those that need them."

**Census day will be on 21<sup>st</sup> March**, but households across the country will receive letters with online codes allowing them to take part from early March. The census will include questions about your sex, age, work, health, education, household size and ethnicity. For the first time, there will be a question asking people whether they have served in the armed forces, as well as voluntary questions for those aged 16 and over on sexual orientation and gender identity. Results will be available within 12 months, although personal records will be locked away for 100 years, kept safe for future generations.

#### Will I be able to get help filling in my census questionnaire?

There'll be plenty of help available for Census 2021. We'll be providing online help on our website, a dedicated contact centre and help to take part online at our Census Support Centres. We'll also be offering support and guidance in a range of different languages and accessible formats. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.census.gov.uk">www.census.gov.uk</a>



# RICHMONDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

#### **PRESS RELEASE**

WEIGHT LOSS SCHEME GOES VIRTUAL

A weight management service which has helped more than 100 people in its first year has gone virtual.

The 'Choose to Lose' scheme run by Richmondshire District Council is offering on line classes and groups so members are join the programme without the worry of travelling to classes, missing class times, and finding a group that suits lifestyle and commitments.

And success will not be interrupted by any changes to lockdown and tier restrictions during the journey to improve health.

The free of charge programme is for adults with a BMI above 25 who are in need of support to implement a healthier lifestyle. Funded by North Yorkshire County Council Public Health — and launched last spring - it is made up of a 12 week structured weight management programme plus a 12 week maintenance programme for those who achieve 5% weight loss in their first 12 weeks.

The virtual service will provide both aspects of the programme as well as access to a Weight Loss Advisor, online live classes, chat groups and Facebook open and closed groups.

To register interest contact Jo-Anne Scott on 01748 901045 or

jo-anne.scott@richmondshire.gov.uk;

This service is free to anyone who meets the following criteria:

- aged 18 years or over
- BMI (Body Mass Index) equal to or greater than 30 or 25 with other health conditions
- resident or registered with a GP practice in North Yorkshire
- working for an organisation based in North Yorkshire

To calculate BMI visit: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/LiveWell/loseweight/Pages/BodyMassIndex.aspx">https://www.nhs.uk/LiveWell/loseweight/Pages/BodyMassIndex.aspx</a>
Use QR Code on right.

For more information on the service throughout North Yorkshire visit <a href="https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/healthy-weight-and-eating-well">https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/healthy-weight-and-eating-well</a>

Use QR Code on right.

#### MORE INFORMATION

Aly Thompson (communications officer) on 01748 901019

January 4, 2021

#### **Food Bank Initiative**

The current members of Richmondshire Food Action Group are asking for help with a food poverty intiaitive which they are setting up for those in need within Richmondshire. There are 2 food banks in the area - Storehouse which operates out of the Influence Church, Richmond and a FoodShare initiative run by Angie Dale in Colburn. However, this is not enough. There is a need for multiple food bank services offering a range of different options (including home delivery if possible) to tackle the growing food poverty in our society.

Hambleton Foodshare have a working model and have been established for approx. 8 years. The aim is to work with them to learn from them and create a similar service. Their mission statement is outlined on their website:

https://www.hambletonfoodshare.org.uk



The group is currenly gathering evidence to support their project by contacting statutory and voluntary agencies within Richmondhsire. Due to the large area with the widely spread communities and the current Covid situation, the hoped for additional services may be crucial.

To help take this project forward the group has 4 questions:

- 1. Would you (or members of your Parish or Town Council) like to be involved?
- 2. Do you feel there is a need for this service in your parish or area? If so, do you have any evidence of need?
- 3. Do you know of anyone else who would like to volunteer and help?
- 4. Are you involved in a similar project or have your own service/project?

The next meeting is scheduled at the end of January so any answers by then would be much appreciated. Please respond to Arwen Webb arwen@peggotty.net or phone: 07882 968113.

Message from Editor - You will see several web addresses as you read your issue. I am thrilled to be able to add a QR code - if you have a QR reader on your phone, scan the code to go to the website.

I would love to know if you find them helpful please.

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#### RELIEF

With our movements most probably still restricted in March, it's unlikely that that old Comic who 'normally' hangs out near the Memorial Hall on the morning of RED interesting hearing how he uses boxing as a medium to NOSE DAY will receive as many kind donations to this worthy Charity as she has been delighted to receive and apply to other areas of their life. Very kindly, David has send off in previous years.

She still intends to be there on the morning of FRIDAY **19th MARCH**, complete with pottie to spend your penny in (hopefully more), but meanwhile is planning to come up with a QUIZ, ready by mid February, giving quizzers a month in which to complete it. The winning entry will be announced that morning (details of dates etc are on quiz As always, if you are not a member yet but would like to sheet).

Quiz sheets - £1, will be available in our Community Shop from early Feb - you might want to buy several, to hand to friends and family in these dispiriting days of Covid? If necessary it could be delivered to your house, should you live in the village. Or you could just pick up as many copies as you'd like from the gutter! Batty Woman, Rowangarth, Smithgutter Lane. 77600.

#### A Plea from a Distressed Resident

One of our residents has had a number of incidents of dog fouling on her front drive. The property is off the main roads and therefore anyone walking the dog on a the drive as a toilet.

PLEASE can whoever owns the dog take care to watch where it goes and clean up after it.

#### ORE-SOME COPPER BELLES WI

Happy New Year to everyone.

Our December meeting was very different to previous years but what a great evening it was. Murder was on the Menu for the Ore-some Copper Belles at our online Christmas get together. Everyone got fully into character for our murder mystery party donning some very impressive outfits and showing off our thespian skills. Despite many interrogations of several likely suspects and discovering all of the clues, the murderer managed to walk free! So beware.... The Murder Mystery party was provided by Tall Tales Mysteries and it was a great alternative social event; something a little different which worked quite well online. For more details, visit their website at www.talltalesmysteries.com or use QR code

I am sure we are all in need of a bit of Following in the new year, January's meeting supported those of us with resolutions to get fit. David Hesse, who runs 32:fitness, took us through our paces with a Boxercise/Metafit workout including boxing moves and exercises like high knees, planks and the dreaded burpees (alternatives were also provided!). David also works at River Tees Academies supporting young people to develop themselves through boxing and fitness. It was teach young people self-discipline which they can then offered free sessions to the Ore-some Copper Belles throughout lockdown; time to develop my self-discipline!

> Our next meeting is our virtual AGM and social. Join us on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February at 7:00pm on Zoom. Joining details will be provided in the WhatsApp group.

> join then please get in contact with us at oresomecopperbelles@outlook.com. New members are always welcome.



IT is the start of a new year and a new decade, who knows where we will be in 10 years time, but for now thanks to the inclement winter weather, we are experiencing less cold callers.

Unfortunately there has still been some poaching but if we see anything suspicious we need to contact our local Police on 101 or 999 if we believe it is still taking place.

lead would need to walk onto the drive to allow the use of With local lockdowns and stay at home orders, more life is taking place online and with it, more online scams with more variants than coronavirus. As 20% of UK citizens have been a victim of cybercrime ... New Year, new cybercrime prevention. The UK Cyberhood Watch Toolkit and Downloadable Guides can be downloaded at www.avast.com/uk-cyberhood and "Staying Safe from Romance Fraud" can be downloaded from the Thames Valley Police website.

> If you would like to get in touch please feel free to email us at neighbourhoodwatch@middletontyas.org.uk or find us on Facebook.

Keep well. Keep safe. Hands Face Space. For more information go to gov.uk/coronavirus



#### **Moulton Matters**

#### Coronavirus

Once again 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, cakes, gifts, games and jigsaws in the bus shelter during December raised £265.08, thank you to all our supporters. All books, DVDs and CDs are priced at 50p.

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.

2020 has been a very successful year for sales in the Bus Shelter which has enabled the Moulton Village Association to make contributions to St Andrew's Church and selected charities as well as ensuring maintenance of the Diamond Jubilee Garden, the planting of the tubs and window boxes and generally keeping the village tidy. In addition, a wonderful Christmas Tree was bought for the Green which cheered the village and thanks to Kim and Rayna for the use of their electricity.

Sadly, all events were cancelled and we keep everything crossed and hope we will be able to hold activities this year.

#### **Moulton Plant Sale**

As the situation regarding social events is uncertain and considering the amount of work involved in preparation for the Plant Sale and after much thought and discussion it has been decided to cancel the Plant Sale in May this year. It is still hoped that we may be able to hold some kind of event – time will tell.

#### **Moulton Paper Box**

If you are new to the village you may not be aware that there is an arrangement for newspapers to be delivered to the paper box outside the old Wesleyan Chapel, Monday to Saturday, from where you can collect your paper. If you would like to have a paper delivered to the box, please place you order at Scorton Post Office telling them you would like to join the arrangement for Moulton. You then make the payment once an account is received in your newspaper. At present, a volunteer brings the papers to Moulton. In the past we have had a rota in which residents who receive a paper take it in turn to collect from Scorton.

Deryck Bladen has made two boxes in the past and a new one is waiting to make its appearance once the weather improves, funded by residents who use this facility and the MVA. Thank you Deryck.

#### **Moulton Communications**

We have a circulation by email (Bcc) to over 70 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: <a href="mailto:moultonparishmeeting@yahoo.com">moultonparishmeeting@yahoo.com</a>.

#### Church Cleaning:

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

February: Shirley Osbaldeston

March: Sara Vaux

#### **Claiming Dates:**

Moulton Plant Sale: Saturday 15 May 2021 is now CANCELLED

#### CHURCH OPENING IN FEBRUARY

Sadly, we have taken the decision to cancel services until further notice, in order to keep everyone safe. Our church building will be open for private prayer every Sunday, 9.30 - 10.30. Reverend Lesley Ashton is providing us with a complete service which you can receive by email from me, and there will be copies in church for anyone popping in on a Sunday morning. Martin Idale and Viv Waugh are also still providing a service sheet, which I can email to you, so we have some good reading material to keep us focussed. It's a long tunnel, but the light is getting brighter, and I am sure that sometime soon we will be able to come together again, to share in services, and to SING together!

If you would like service sheets emailed to you, or you would like a copy through your letter box, please let me know by Friday of each week in February.

Liz Croft 01325 377867 <u>elizabeth.croft213@btinternet.com</u>

#### CHRISTMAS TREE ON THE GREEN...... REMEMBER?

It seems ages ago, but what a cheering sight to see the tree on the green, provided by the Village Hall Committee, and expertly erected and lit by Isabel, John and 'the gang'. Many thanks.

On Tuesday 22nd, quite a few hardy souls came and sang carols, socially distanced, singing through masks, steamed up specs, and it was great to be able to have one of traditional village activities (although sadly without the mulled wine and mince pies.)

A collection bucket was strategically placed by the tree, and I am delighted to say that I was able to send a cheque for £75 to the Salvation Army Christmas Appeal. More thanks!

Liz C.

#### **Church Cleaning Rota:**

Jan18 - 25 Mrs. Vaux, Mrs. Nimmins Feb 1 - 8 Mrs. Croft, Mrs. Hall

Feb 15 - 22 Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Weightman

Mrs. Potts and Mrs. Brooks will clean the brasses.