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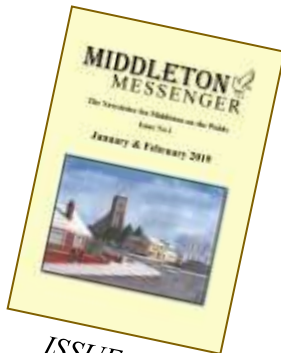


JULY 2023

NEXT COPY DATE

14th July

July is a busy month in the village with the Produce Show on Saturday 15th so please note that the Charity Coffee Morning will be on the following Saturday - 22nd..



ISSUE 1

You may have noticed that the cover has turned gold as we are celebrating the 50th issue of The Middleton Messenger. Doesn't time fly

This month's cover picture of the green was taken in July 2014 - another from my archives.

Lyn

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Please send in your contributions by the end of each copy date. If I don't acknowledge them please get in touch to make sure they have arrived.

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EDITORIAL



Summer's here and the time is right for ... barbeques, lazing in the garden with a cold one, and heading to the coast. On the other hand, it's also the time for having a bit of a moan about, in no particular order, the heat, non-stop grass cutting, and the continuous flow of caravans and motorhomes going to and from Bridlington.

Now, while cloudless skies and soaring temperatures make most of us feel better, the dry spell we've been having lately is causing the odd problem. Many of you will have experienced the dust bowl that was Front Street when the road was resurfaced. It was impossible to escape the clouds of dust, especially when a big lorry was passing through and it certainly gave the cars parked there a good coating. An hour or two of rain would have solved that problem. A decent shower would also have washed away the sap falling from my sycamores. It hasn't previously been too much of an issue but, this year, every flat surface has a sticky coating. Garden furniture, flagstones and, most annoyingly, the gravel on our drive. It sticks to the soles of your shoes and to car tyres; I think half of the pebbles we did have are now scattered throughout the village!

Still, let's hope that the good weather we're having is a foretaste of a long, hot summer. Life is too short to worry about such trifles. I'm more than happy to suffer these minor inconveniences if it means I can spend the next three or four months in shorts and t-shirts. I might even keep on top of the grass cutting this summer, as well as the rest of the garden – although I may need instruction on that!

Cheers,

Mike

If you have any ideas, comments or complaints (especially complaints) you want to share then send an email to middletonflyer@yahoo.com.

QUIZ PAGE



- 1 What is the capital of Croatia?
- 2 Who was the Roman God of wine?
- 3 What is the light wood that is used for modelling?
- 4 Who was the Watergate Scandal President?
- 5 What is the name of Dennis the Menace's dog?
- 6 What is the name of the famous king of Wessex?
- 7 Where did Phileas Fogg go?
- 8 Napoleon was afraid of which animals?
- 9 In which sport do you see a Velodrome?
- 10 From which flower does Saffron come?



Quiz set by Rowland Wooldridge

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**All answers on
page 17**

MIDDLETON-ON-THE-WOLDS



Organised by Middleton Branch
Yorkshire Countrywomen's Association



Saturday
15th July 2023

OPEN PRODUCE SHOW

in The VILLAGE HALL
at 2.00pm

PRESENTATION OF CUPS
at 3.15pm

SCHEDULES or Enquiries
Contact ;

Mrs L Jones 01377 217512

Admission	Adults	50p
	Children	20p



St Andrew's Church YORKSHIRE NIGHT



on

Saturday 22nd July 2023

7pm

At

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Village Hall



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‘Appen it’ll be a proper good night!

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Services for July

Sunday 2nd	10.30 am	Morning Prayers	Richard
Sunday 9 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion	Rev. Jane Anderson
Sunday 16 th	10.30 am	Holy Communion	Rev. Canon Kate Goulder
Sunday 23 rd	10.30 am	Morning Prayers	Church Wardens

THE WOLDS METHODIST CHURCH BAINTON

Services for July

Sunday 2nd	10.30am	Service at the Wolds Methodist Church. Mr Stephen Byass
Sunday 9th	10.30am	Service at the Wolds Methodist Church Miss Margaret Collinson
Sunday 16th	10.30am	Service at the Wolds Methodist Church Pastor John Gleaves
Sunday 23rd	10.30am	Service at the Wolds Methodist Church
Sunday 30th	9.00am	Café style worship at the Wolds Methodist Church Rev Dr Richard Teal



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Following the local elections your Parish Council now has 8 members who will continue to serve the residents of the parish to the best of our ability.

We have vacancies for new members however, and if you feel that you can contribute and help us to provide services and support that as a rural village we need then please come along to our meetings, which are held at 7.00pm the first Monday of each month in the village hall.

The list of current Parish Council members is on the next page.

MIDDLETON on the WOLDS PARISH COUNCIL

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THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to say a very big thank you to all those who have supported our UNICEF fund raising over the last 2 years. In 2022 we donated £110 for the sale of bird boxes and this year just under £150 with gift aid for the family of wooden Teddy Bears and Owls! This has all gone towards helping children in places like Ukraine, Turkey and Sudan, so well done!



A special vote of thanks goes to Emma and her team at Wolds Waves, a really great sales force! Also Ian Hall who very kindly supplied the wood for 2023's effort.

So a great boost for those in need from our Village and any ideas for next year???

Many thanks

Vince and Linda Jones



MIDDLETON VILLAGE CHARITY COFFEE MORNING

At The Village Hall
Saturday 22 July
10.00am to 11.30am

Martin House

hospice care for children
and young people



VILLAGE HALL NEWS



The Village Hall Committee are pleased to welcome Emily Headley on to our committee. As the young one amongst the older members of the committee we are looking forward to ideas that will appeal to more villagers. It is our village hall and we hope to be able to have more villagers come and make use of the hall, after all the work that has been put into updating the hall and making it accessible for all.

Our committee meetings have been changed to the fourth Monday of the month starting at 7.30pm, so please come along on the 26th of June it will be good to see some more new faces and ideas.

See you then

Marie Ley

THE TEAPOT CHALLENGE

How many cups of tea can your Branch
pour to celebrate
Yorkshire Day ?



**Middleton on the Wolds YCA
are running a TEA POT CHALLENGE
in the Village Hall
on Tuesday 1st August 2.00 - 4.00pm
Tea/coffee and cake £3.00 (children go free)
There will be a raffle and stall
Proceeds to Branch and Central YCA Office**

LOCAL BIRDS & WILDLIFE



Starling

Well! What a month it's been, with cannibalism, fratricide and horror-film-worthy animals being eaten from the inside! Not, I hasten to add, in Middleton, but on Springwatch, excellent as ever but distinctly gory this spring. I will try and let my mind dwell instead on their item showing that forget-me-nots change the yellow ring in their flowers to white when they have been fertilised, to show insects that they needn't bother visiting, as there will no longer be nectar there for them.

Away from all that (which of course could all be going on here, but without experts and film crews we have no way of knowing) No-Mow-May has paid dividends in an area of my garden and I hope many of yours. Perhaps you have photos you could send me?

The garden has been busy with plenty of young blackbirds chasing their parents around up until now, but now the tables have turned, and the parents are chasing the young out of the way, presumably so that they can concentrate on producing another brood and starting the hard work all over again. I have sadly decided that I will stop putting food out after my current stocks have been used, as there suddenly seems to be an influx of new cats, and I have found several sad little piles of feathers, and one half-eaten collared dove, over the last couple of weeks and none of these look like sparrow-hawk kills. I like cats, but it seems that by putting out food for the birds I am inadvertently putting out birds for the cats, so I will only be re-starting once cold weather comes in later in the year, when the birds will really need the extra food and hopefully the cats will find it less fun lurking in the garden in the cold and rain. This means I will be relying on everyone else to tell me what is happening in their gardens and how successful the second broods are.



Sheelah was enjoying watching a young family of blackbirds in her garden, then realised that one of the young was missing; she investigated and found it in a bucket of water. When it was poured out however it proved to be unharmed but soggy, and after it was placed under some bushes it called to be fed and luckily the parent bird turned up and they flew off together. Denise also saw young blackbirds being looked after by their

parents and got this photo, and Pat reported that she is seeing more greenfinches on the feeders than ever before. Perhaps one day the Messenger will come out in the same format as the newspapers in the Harry Potter books, and then I can post her video!

Janny and Barry have also been in touch: “We have lots of activity in the garden but we have noticed that the parent birds are only bringing back one baby to the feeders each time when they normally bring the whole brood. If this has been a poor start to the breeding season let’s hope they will have a second round. We have noticed the last two afternoons the starlings have been gathering up and having a short murmuration which we have never seen before at this time of year. Hopefully we will be able to get some photos of baby birds for next time. Here are a few pictures taken recently from Bampton of Whinchat, Whitethroat and a Corn Bunting “



Lovely photos as always. I will look out for the starlings, just a thought, could they be the newly matured young from this spring getting together? I think ‘teenage’ swifts behave like this.

I recently found a rather nice moth on the inside of my shed door, and Josh has identified it: “An angle shades moth, rather common this time of year.” So keep a look out for moths (and anything else of interest), if possible send pictures and I will try and get them identified.

I look forward to hearing from you – and getting info on how the garden birds are getting on with their second broods (hopefully) – contact me on lavenderbarbara97@gmail.com or text on 0777 192 7868

Barbara



Your Green Group: Teamwork, Enthusiasm, Laughter = Success

School Pond

On a sunny Spring Saturday, Geoff led the team clearing an area at the school pond and sowed wildflower seeds. Such a happy bunch of worker bees!!

Before



The school polytunnel

Firstly, a huge thank you to the school for agreeing to let us have the use of their polytunnel, which was last used by the school in 2017. It has been by far the biggest advantage to the Green Group. The first step was to clear out the debris, the next challenge was to get a water supply.

Thank you to:

- Dave Lawson from ABG who kindly supplied a 1000L water container and pallets to mount it on.
- Soanes who gave us enough pallets to build a safe area behind the polytunnel and a fence to prevent the children from climbing on the water container.

We were then able to raise plants for our Plant Sale in May.

The polytunnel has now been planted with tomatoes, garlic, peppers and strawberries. Shortly we will begin the task of growing plants for next year's sale from seeds or plant division. We welcome any contributions to bolster our plant stock – so please get in touch 😊



..... these are pictures of the fabulous polytunnel



Planters and Village Green

After a successful bid for funding, we bought 4 planters to brighten up the village – two were placed in the school grounds for the children and teachers to enjoy and the others were planted by the raised bed on the village green and the 1953 memorial bench on the main road. We have been busy weeding and maintaining the raised beds on the village green and the lavender, rosemary and thyme are flourishing.



Annual Plant Sale

What a success this year's plant sale was – we raised approximately £1,000 – thank you to all our volunteers who shed blood, sweat and tears getting the event ready and supporting the day. We must say a special thank you to Jim and his green fingers – the plants were fabulous. The cakes and traybakes went down a storm – special thanks to Denise and the team slaving away in the kitchen.



The Railway embankment is constantly being maintained and improved so don't forget to take a walk along the East as well as the West embankment. Don't forget to pick up your dog mess too!

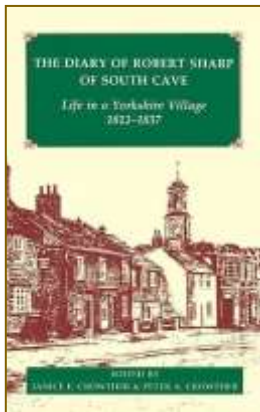
If you want to get involved or if you have any suggestions on what you would like to see around the village don't hesitate to get in contact via email to Liz Naylor – email: naylore61@gmail.com.

LOCAL HISTORY

A Village Diary

South Cave was a lucky village; it had the services of Robert Sharp. Born in Barmston on the East Yorkshire Coast in 1773 he moved to South Cave in 1804 and served as a schoolmaster until his death in 1843. Perhaps his chief claim to fame however was the diary he kept during the period 1826 to 1837 which is full of insights into the day to day happenings in the village and its characters.

He barely mentions education but he does record his other professional duties such as those concerning land surveying, often involving travel on the rickety transport of the time and on primitive roads.



The diaries do in fact perfectly illustrate how an intelligent literate person, an avid reader of the national press, could be well informed despite residing in a relative backwater.

He appeared to be on the left in politics, that is a 'radical' in the parlance of the time, with sympathy for the oppressed. He was also critical of foreign powers as with his statement in October 1829 that Russia was a "great overgrown state but still grasps at more." A view which resonates with the climate of today.

His diaries continued until the provision of the Selby to Hull Railway was in sight; an event which was to make the journey to London, a place he frequently mentions, possible in one day. It was also the start of the Victorian age with all the change it was to bring.

Robert Sharp seems to have had a mind very receptive to facts, so much so that one could imagine an evening spent with him via some kind of time machine when he could be quickly appraised of world history with all its achievements and horrors since his time on earth.

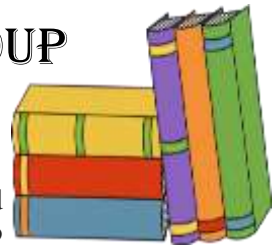
Geoff Wisher

MIDDLETON BOOK GROUP

June Meeting

The Vanishing Tide By Hilary Tailor

A debut novel, set in a cottage in a peninsula off the wild north east coast of Northumbria, it is the story of two families initially unknown to each other but inextricably linked as the story moves forward. Isla has to confront her past when she inherits the cottage where she spent her childhood years. The descriptions of the countryside and of her mother's art work are beautifully written as are the characterisations of the other protagonists.



The Reading List by Sara Nissan Adams

Another debut novel, this is the heartwarming story of recently widowed Mukesh and Aliesha who works on the check out desk of his local library. Aliesha finds a list of books in the back of a library book and gives it to Mukesh. Through their growing friendship, Mukesh finds solace from the death of his wife and is able to understand his wife's love of reading and Aliesha from the troubles of her home life.

June



Meetings are usually on the second Tuesday morning in the month but July's will be on 18th.. Please get in touch to check - Lyn, 219500 or lyndennis456@gmail.com

The next books for discussion are:

Suffer Little Children by Donna Leon

The Unheard by Nicci French

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ANSWERS

QUIZ PAGE

- 1 Dubrovnik
 - 2 Bachus
 - 3 Balisa wood
 - 4 Richard Nixon
 - 5 Gnasher
 - 6 Alfred the Great
 - 7 Around the World in 80 Days
 - 8 Cats
 - 9 Cycling
 - 10 Crocus
- Back seat driver
Sawn off shotgun
Fowl language
Can't spell for toffee
An inside job
Crossword puzzle

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Middleton Minis

Our parent, carer, baby and toddler group runs from **1:30 to 3:30pm** every Tuesday afternoon (term time only) at Middleton on the Wolds primary school. Drop in for 20 minutes or the full 2 hours. We look forward to seeing you.

Sports Day

Thursday 6th July is our school sports day starting at 1.15pm
(**Thursday 13th July** is our back-up sports day)

Summer Holidays

School finishes for the Summer Term on **Friday 21st July**. Training day is **Monday 4th September** and school re-opens **Tuesday 5th September**.

On-going Collections

On-going Collections – We collect used stamps and used batteries. Please note we are not currently collecting used printer cartridges or mobile phones until we can source a new company to collect and recycle them.

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- ◆ Children are welcome in the term after their 3rd birthday for funded places.

For further details, please contact: Sharon Stone

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We are currently working with award-winning disinfectant experts International Water Solutions to eliminate the naturally occurring bacteria that come from our by-products (waste). Their DEFRA-approved chemical dosing system works by attacking the single-cell organisms that are the main cause of the unwanted smell. It does this by penetrating the cell wall of its target and obliterating the cell from within. This avoids the bacteria from growing and creating their own ecosystem which then creates the gases which lead to unwanted odour. The company is confident that they will be able to greatly reduce the odour. By the time the next Middleton Messenger is published, we will know how successful the initiative has been. Thank you for your patience as we try to address this issue.



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BLACK YAK



Temperatures are hotting up in Kathmandu with some roads hitting 41°C last week. Spare a thought for delivery drivers on the streets of Nepal's capital!

Somebody has decided that the streets need to be beautified and 'greened up'. A job for the local police force. Get the tins of green paint out and paint the trees green. I guess that the logic can't be faulted.



Over a quarter of Nepal's GDP now comes in the form of remittances sent from Nepalis working abroad. There are about 2.5 million Nepalis now living and working abroad, mostly in Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and the UAE. There are about 2000 people

every day leaving Nepal to try to find work abroad. Unfortunately, most of the jobs are described as 3D - dirty, difficult and dangerous. Too dangerous for many and there are 3 or 4 body bags returning back to Nepal every day. These figures exclude those going abroad through 'unofficial channels' and those huge numbers working in India who do not need work papers.

81% of those leaving to work abroad are male and 19% female. Most are aged between 25 and 35. This of course has huge ramifications for the domestic jobs market, economic output and society in general.

As most men of the remote districts have gone to India for jobs, women are employed in road repairs like building concrete retaining walls in the mountains.



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REGULAR GROUP ACTIVITIES

Weekly Groups

Monday	Pilates	5.00-6.00pm	Village Hall
Wednesday	Line Dancing	7.30-9.00pm	Village Hall
Thursday	Middleton Movers	2.00-3.30pm	Village Hall
Thursday	Tai Chi	7.30-8.30pm	Village Hall

July

2	Litter Picking	10.00am	Lime View
3	Parish Council	7.00pm	Village Hall
15	Produce Show	2.00pm	Village Hall
18	Book Group	10.30am	The Paddocks
22	Charity Coffee Morning	10.00am	Village Hall
26	Village Hall Committee	7.30pm	Village Hall

LOCAL CONTACTS

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