

# newton news



## Town's 25th anniversary commemorated

### Round Table present pool hoist

Proceeds from the Round Table 25th Anniversary Fund have been spent to aid disabled persons who use the Recreation Centre swimming pool.

Purchased was a special hoist with chair which lowers disabled persons into the water.

Readers will remember the Anniversary Civic Ball in the Workmen's Club hall.

On that occasion 200 guests attended and instituted the town's first Civic Ball — a tradition which was carried on very successfully by the Town Council in the following years.

The profit from the Ball was added to by various public subscriptions including a donation from the former Darlington Rural District Council.

The Round Table hope all those who contributed will agree the hoist is a suitable and functional commemorative object.

The disabled persons who are receiving the benefit of the equipment are in no doubt as to its value.

Tablet Gavin Atkins, Community Service Convenor of Newton Aycliffe Round Table made the presentation to Sedgfield District Council Newby, Chairman of the Recreation Committee, who expressed his appreciation on behalf of all those who will use the hoist.

## Future Cinema shows

Tyneside Film Theatre Mobile Cinema Service wish to inform you of their future programme. All showings 7 p.m. in the Recreation hall, Rec. Centre.

**Monday 31st March**  
The Ten Commandments  
**Wednesday 14th May**  
Paint your Wagon  
**Wednesday 11th June**  
The Guns of Navarone  
**Wednesday 9th July**  
Blazing Saddles  
**Wednesday 6th August**  
The Three Musketeers  
**Wednesday 3rd September**  
For Pete's Sake

Whilst it is regretted that the Northern Arts Mobile Cinema Service has found it necessary to increase seat charges to 40p, children and young people may obtain books of 15p vouchers from Northern Arts, 31 New Bridge St., Newcastle, or by requesting an application form from the voluntary helpers at the cinema shows.

It is suggested senior citizens may also apply, whilst at the moment no provision is made for them, perhaps if the requests were numerous some change of policy may result.

## SELF EMPLOYED — A CALL TO ARMS...

The fastest growing union ever is the Federation of Self Employed.

Angered by governments intention to double their National Insurance contributions the self employed are ganging up by the thousand to fight the proposal.

Branches are springing up all over the country and the organiser for our area is Mr W. L. Barkworth, 26 Elmfield Place, who will be pleased to answer any queries or supply membership forms. His telephone number during business hours is Bishop Auckland 5138.

## Success again!

For the eighth time in 14 years Newton Aycliffe Fire Station wins the Annual Trophy for raising the most money to aid the Fire Services

## T.V.'s to rent

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Councillor Newby and Counc. Mrs Kennedy, organiser of Swimming for the Disabled, receive the hoist from Gavin Atkins, and Chairman of N/A Round Table, Terry Crowe.  
Photo: Sonny Steele



## Recreation Centre Manager resigns

Mr Mike Paxman, manager of the Recreation Centre takes up a new appointment in May.

He returns, promoted, to his home county of Nottingham to run four recreation units.

His talent has obviously been recognised from the magnificent job he has done at Newton Aycliffe.

Despite the many difficulties he had to face at the Recreation Centre his organising ability has brought the project

through to the final phase opened this month.

Mike Paxman can feel proud of the outcome — the centre runs smoothly and efficiently thanks to the work he and his staff have done.

Most weeks Mike worked over 60 hours and it will take a very good man to replace him.

May we take this opportunity to wish him every success in his new appointment, thank him for the work he has done here and wish him and his family every happiness in their new home.

## WORTH WAITING FOR

When the Post Office first opened Counc. Mrs E. Symons noticed the door opened outwards proving dangerous to those entering.

She put the matter to the manager and he said he would get it changed, but warned it could take a while.

Well it has taken a long time, but the job has been done, showing that consideration is given to sensible comments.

## SPRING FAIR

Williamfield Methodists are holding their first Spring Fair on Saturday 12th April at the Redhouse Hut in Silverdale Place. It will be opened at 2 p.m. by the Mayor, Counc. Mrs W. Dormer. There will be stalls, games, hot dogs, ices and refreshments.

The Methodist people are hoping to have a Church building in the Agnew area of the town when that is developed, and the proceeds from this Fair will go towards the Building Fund. It is planned that the new building will be of benefit to the community as a whole as well as the Church, just as the Neville Parade premises are.

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Ambitious plans are being formulated at this moment for a Caravan Rally at Raby Castle to coincide with the 150th Rail Anniversary week. Over 400 caravans are being allowed to park in the exclusive ancestral grounds of Lord Barnard.

A Celebrity Night is being organised for Monday 20th April at the Club Flesta. Tickets 35p (coach extra). Cabaret includes Mack and Katy Kisson.

Make a note too of a Big Dance in the Recreation Centre with a special big band, possibly Ray McVay.



Aycliffe Development Corporation

## Easter Holiday

The Corporation's Offices will be closed on Good Friday (March 28th) and Easter Monday (March 31st).

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The pupils below of Vane Rd. School take part in a Gym class each lunchtime. They have achieved a very high standard and are invited to the Gymnastic Display at the Rec. Centre next week.

Photo: Sonny Steele



## NEVILLE MALE VOICE CHOIR

This choir find they need augmenting in all sections, so to all who look for comradeship, companionship and fulfilment, in music and singing, now is the time to shoulder arms.

Shortly to be displayed at the Town Centre are Certificates of achievements from over the years, and none better than the past year when the Choir was placed in all the Festivals entered. A Celebrity Concert is held each year, around October. The thought this year is for a double act, lady and gent, and when you find the lady may be "Cynthia Glover" this must be enough for music lovers.

The invitation to come along and join must need a time and place—Avenue School, 7.30 each Tuesday evening. I would end this brief summary with an appeal to a Mr J. Smith who, I understand, lives on the town and moved from the Crook area.

Press Officer

Mr B. Stubbs, Acting Headmaster, together with the Mayor, Mrs Dormer and pupils of Vane Road Junior School, plant a tree in the school grounds as a living memorial to Mr Swainston their headmaster who died recently in a car crash. The tree was donated by the A.D.C. Photo: Sonny Steele

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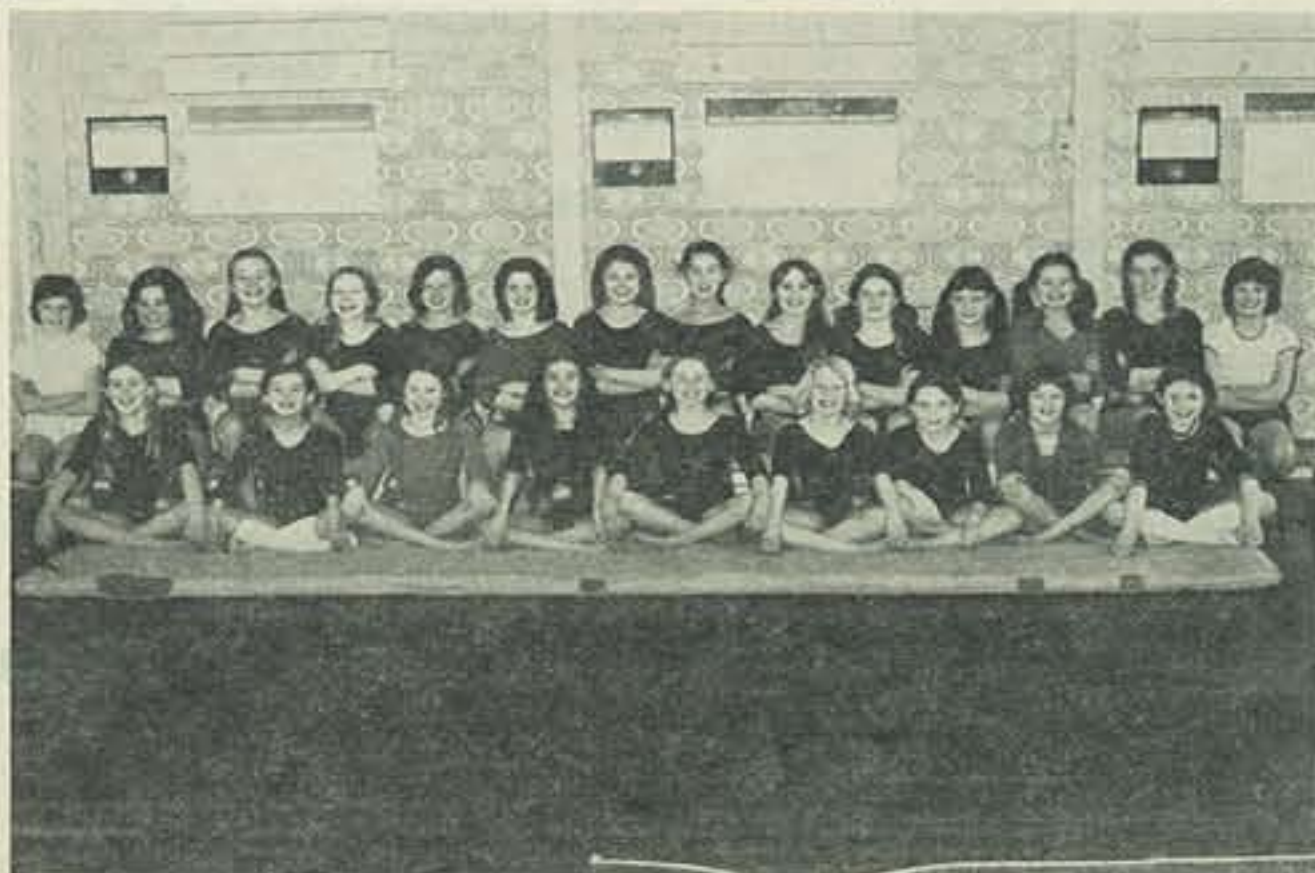
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There is hardly a bus shelter in the town that has not had the glass knocked out; or a street sign that hasn't been changed with paint, and I am sure that there are many people like myself who have needed to make an urgent phone call and found the wires pulled out or cut by some delinquent.

It is time that the seriousness of these matters was realised and steps taken by the authority to prevent these happenings.

I think there are sufficient amenities on this town to occupy the minds of these sick persons who seem to take pleasure in destroying our town.

Name and address supplied

### CLOTHESLINE ROBBER

Dear Sir,

Could I ask the person who stole clothes and clothes prop from our garden in Ashfield to call again soon and I will give him or her a skirt which will match the jumper stolen.

"Disgusted"

### SCOUTS JOB WEEK

Dear Sir,

I would like to remind the householders of Newton Aycliffe that Scout Job Week takes place between March 29th and April 5th.

Most of us are familiar with the idea of Scouts calling during this one week of the year and asking for jobs to do in return for a donation for their funds.

So, please, when that Cub or Scout arrives on your door step, would you find him a worthwhile job to do and offer him a generous donation for his Group's funds? The Scouts have never liked the idea of rattling collection cans and much prefer to work for their funds. I think that most people agree such an attitude deserves the full support of our community.

M. Dye

Boys will be boys — or will they? A scene from Aycliffe Village School's Concert held last week.

Photo: Sonny Steele



### SCHOOL FIELDS FOR CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS?

Dear Sir,

As light evenings approach the problem of our children's playing grounds again raises its head.

If our little ones are not allowed to play ball games on the larger greens without angry phone calls to the police, they must either play, against Council rules, on the small greens or in the streets, or we must send them further afield to Moore Lane, Simpasture etc.

Some parents have the time to take (and watch) their children to these playgrounds but others have smaller children and family responsibilities which prevent full time supervision.

Surely it is preferable to have a little noise, and an occasional broken window with our children in sight, than to risk allowing them to wander further afield where they could possibly be picked up, hurt or even worse. It happens too often.

Is there any chance of school fields being opened to these most important people — our town's future populace.

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### REDUCED FACILITY TO THE PUBLIC

The swimming pools at the Recreation Centre will close to the general public on Mondays — Fridays from 9.00 a.m. — 12.00 noon each day during school term time. This reduced facility to the public is part of the reduction of expenditures that the Sedgfield District Council have made throughout its whole range of services in the drive to keep the rate increase for the coming year as minimal as possible. This reduction in opening times will take effect from Monday 14th April, 1975. The swimming times on Saturday and Sunday remain as normal. Dry sport facilities will be available to the public during weekday mornings. During school holidays the two swimming pools will be open to the public as from 9.00 a.m. Monday to Friday.

M. J. Paxman

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fle for our funds.

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Road N/A

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