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## Town's Leisure Venue Adds Unique Laser Arena

Planet Leisure at Maple Way on the Business Park is now completed, aiming to become the entertainment venue of the area. Not only do Planet Leisure boast the most comprehensive range of attractions in the region providing Laser Wars, Ten Pin Bowling, Ice Skating, Karaoke Pods, Aerial Trekking, Pool Rooms, Acrades, Bars and Restaurants.

Planet Leisure plans to create an 'adults only' area within the facility for late night entertainment up to 1am. Planet Leisure has been granted an extension to their licence and have created a 130 seat adult only venue that will be providing recorded and live music. Please check adverts in Newton News for dates and details of the bands.



The Laser Arena is the latest facility to be installed - designed specifically for Aycliffe with guaranteed enjoyment and excitement. COD meets real combat in the regions only Laser Arena. Each participant is provided with a helmet, camouflaged vest and a choice of weapon from the 40 gun Arsenal.

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## Silverdale Community House News

**STORY TIME** at Silverdale Community House every Saturday Morning at 10.30am followed by a filmshow BOTH FREE, Starting 25th August. Come and spend time relaxing and enjoying yourselves.

**PARENTS & CHILDREN DAY OUT** Bus Trip to South Shields Thursday 23rd August £4.00 CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR FREE. **BUS TRIP** to Preston Park Thursday 30th £4.00 CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR FREE. New play area just installed and the museum has been upgraded. Both trips leave Silverdale Place at 10.00am and Wilkinsons bus stop 10.15am

To book ring Dorothy Bowman 01325 308094 or 07967 901477 Or call 4, Eskdale Place between 4pm and 6pm Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday each week. We hope to have a **COMMUNITY SPORTS DAY** on Wednesday 29th August - details next week.

## NEW LASER ARENA AT PLANET LEISURE



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of all ages. A waiter call system has been added to serve your food and drinks. Three of the latest pool tables have been provided in the dedicated Pool Room and in the coming weeks Sky Sports will be provided.

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Darren Peckitt told Newton News it has been an exhausting and expensive project to complete and he is grateful for the support received from Newtonians since opening. He invited Councillor George Gray to open the Laser Arena as one of the local councillors who saw the potential and encouraged him throughout the planning application process.

## LABOUR DISCARD DEFECTOR

Dear Sir  
I wish to comment on the news that Councillors Paylor and Bowman have not been selected to stand for the County Council next year.

Enid should have known better than leave the Independents for the Labour Party who have now discarded her like a piece of rubbish.

The MP promised to get rid of the old guard in the Labour Party which is why she joined. The old guard are still around or should I call them ostriches with their heads stuck in the sand.

The article praising Phil Wilson for his work on getting Hitachi here is rather biased as if it was not for the present government sealing the deal it would not have gone ahead. Councillor Alan Warburton Independent

## Folk Concert

The Candlelite Club hold a concert on Tuesday 21st August from 8pm in aid of the Great North Air Ambulance. Folk songs and other music will be led by "Old Age Travellers" at Moore Lane Sports Club. Admission is £3 - all welcome!

## SQUASH AT THE OAK LEAF

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## CONCERT VERSION OF "MERRY WIDOW"

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"Two great sets with something a little different - early Sabbath, Pearl Jam, Nirvana, Foo Fighters and a brilliant version of Queens Of The Stone Age 'No One Knows', were amongst the stuff Insanity serve up. Not all my cup of char, but thoroughly enjoyable.  
Band were nice and tight with Graeme his usual rocking self at the back, ably assisted in the rhythm section by Hirdy playing great bass and jumping around like only he does.  
Brian on vocals has a perfect voice for the material and headbangs and poses like a proper frontman. I was most impressed with John 'I only play rhythm really' . . . yeah, right!!! Trigg on guitar. Great clean but dirty tone playing in a variety of tunings and some real tasty phrasing and playing. Definitely a less is more style, but some lush soloing that was even more impressive considering the lack of saturation, each note ringing out nicely. Excellent stuff!"  
GIG PIT REVIEW - www.insanity-rock.com

### Saturday 25th August - "BON JOVI FOREVER" with Special Guest Support "THE KILL"

Gig Pit Review: "I went up the tuns, glad I did, never seen 'The Kill' before, known mark for years, what a band, top drawer! Not a great fan of Bon Jovi, but I have to say these are the best tribute act I've seen, and Greggs vocals in both bands was awesome, guitar playing was immense and the rythm section tight as anything. Grown men stood open mouthed, and the women went beserk. Great night lads!"  
Rockermouth Review: "Great band! Still haven't seen the Bon Jovi Forever set, but it's the same line-up as the Kill . . . and they rock! Talented lads, the lot of them. A great set of musicians, and Gregg has frontman skills and stage presence to back up his excellent voice. "Then add to that a cool and interesting set list, a quality P.A. rig, and you've got a superb package. Can't wait to see the lads play again. But maybe next time at the Office".  
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### Saturday 1st September - "BEER MONKEYS"

Recent review - "I had the pleasure of first of all meeting the lads from The Beer Monkeys, all Top lads. The Beer Monkeys kicked off with Bartender and the Thief played very tight with fantastic vocals, next came the classics 'Time Like These', 'Sexy little Thing' and 'Journeys' 'Separate Ways' again very tight with fantastic vocals.  
The locals loved it and wanted more. The next tune was a Genesis number 'Land of Confusion' which blew me and the rest of the lads away a great tune and a fantastic crowd pleaser.  
Next came the high light of the whole gig (for me) , The Beer Monkeys version of Adel's 'Rolling in the Deep' if you get the chance to see this band please do so as you will not be disappointed, this is one hell of a cover and played to the highest standard. The first set ended with a bit of WhiteSnake, U2 and Stereophonics' all top draw.  
The 2nd set kicked off with 'Wicked Games' then came a flourish of tunes from 'UFO', 'Thin Lizzy', 'Billy Idol', 'U2', 'KOL' and 'Free'.  
This band is a must see for any music fan, The Beer Monkeys are one of the best live bands on the circuit and I will definitely make a point of catching them again.  
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## Join the BHF Shops Great Bag-athon

County Durham's British Heart Foundation (BHF) shops are asking people to set themselves a challenge in the fight against heart disease this September as part of their new stock donation campaign - the

Great British Bag-athon. The BHF shops in the County are aiming to generate 1,000 bags each during September and will need all the help they can get from big hearted locals to reach their target. Each bag is worth an average of £20, helping the BHF continue its life-saving work in the local area.

Getting involved in the Great British Bag-athon couldn't be easier, just one bag can make a difference or people can take on a challenge and set their own bag target. Anything from 5, 10, 20 or more bags will make a huge difference to the County Durham shops.

Martin Newton, area manager for the BHF County Durham shops, said: "I'd like to encourage all County Durham people to get involved and join in the Great British Bag-athon. BHF shops sell 90,000 items daily so donations from the local community are vital. We're always keen to receive County Durham's lovely clothing, accessories, handbags, shoes, books, CDs and DVDs so get filling those bags now. Every bag you fill makes a real difference and is worth on average £20 to the BHF."

Visit [bhf.org.uk/bagathon](http://bhf.org.uk/bagathon) to find out more and to sign up for the challenge, or pop into the Aycliffe shop today for further information and to donate. For anyone taking on the challenge and filling lots of bags, the BHF shop can collect items free from your doorstep. Call 0844 334 1400 to book your collection.

## N.A.Y.C. Juniors Gain Shirt Sponsor



Altec Engineering from Bowburn who were founded in 1978 have become the proud sponsors of Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre under 9's and 11's. This injection of funding has been gratefully accepted by both teams. Managers Dave Todd and Darren Lowe said, "To have a local business wanting to invest in the kids and your team is fantastic. In the current economic climate it is difficult to attract funding for grass roots football, but we were overwhelmed with the offer of support from Altec Engineering. This has given us the opportunity to purchase new strips for the forthcoming season. Altec's Technical Director, Nick Batey said, "being associated with the Teesside Junior Alliance Football Club of the Year 2012 is a fantastic pleasure and opportunity for Altec Engineering. The football

club is an asset to Newton Aycliffe and being a part of that was an easy decision to make. All at Altec would like to wish all the N.A.Y.C. teams the best of luck for the forthcoming season". Team captain for the Under 9's Eagles, Adam Lowe said, "I love our new strips. We all look very smart and we are ready to start the new season and get them dirty".

N.A.Y.C. offer football for all ages, boys, girls and adult soccability. If you or you know anybody interested in joining this award winning club please contact club secretary Berni Borsbury on 07939 045242.

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The room will also contain a separate recording studio area where students can produce their own radio shows and learn how to use green screen technology as seen in popular films such as "Harry Potter" and "Batman."

Darren Smith, Associate Assistant Headteacher, said of the move, "I am thrilled that we will be opening a new Apple Mac computer room in September. Students will be able to use a range of creative applications to create movies, produce and edit music, create animations and even make their own iPhone apps!"

The new computer suite compliments a number of recent digital developments at Woodham including the installation of site wide wi-fi for students, teachers and visitors and the introduction of iPads to the classroom.

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Leeks competition. The competitions are free to enter, only skill and imagination are required and prizes of £5, £4 and £3 will be awarded for first, second and third place entries in each category. Entry forms should be returned to Great Aycliffe Town Council, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe.

## Doglympics Raised £200 for Animal Charity



The Doglympics event held last week at 'K9 Pursuits' on the Business Park was very popular receiving great support from owners with dogs competing for medals.

At the same time they were raising money for Dogs Trust in Sadberge, and over £500 was contributed with money still coming in.

The dogs competed in Dogathlon events which included a sprint and hurdles. A variety of breeds took part with the owners working hard to get their pets up to standard.

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develop as players whilst playing for a team that encourages good honest football and enjoyment.

The club would like to invite people to come to a training session and see what we have to offer as a team of players and coaches.

Children would be moving into year 8 in the forthcoming year in order to play at this age level.

There will never be any pressure to join and we would encourage

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football, table tennis, basketball, cricket, dance, gymnastics and American football.

The Academy is coached by Heather Brewster, who swam for Durham County at both primary and secondary level.

Watching her own children train with Sedgefield 75 swimming club inspired her to become a coach in her own right.

Heather is qualified as ASA Swimming Teacher (level2), holds the RLSS National Pool Lifeguard qualification and is a Fellow Member of the Institute of Swimming Teachers and Coaches.

All keen swimmers in Years 7 - 11 are welcome to join.

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**Sampson Place, Newton Aycliffe - £69,950**

3 bedroom house with GCH and DG throughout. Lovely enclosed rear garden.

# AYCLIFFE SOLDIER MEETS OLYMPIC MEDALLISTS

For a County Durham soldier and riding enthusiast Lance Bombardier Zanna Bateman, deployment to the Olympic Equestrian Site at Greenwich proved more of a thrill than she expected, when she got the chance to meet Team GB rider and silver medallist Tina Cook.

Zanna, 27, hails from Newton Aycliffe, but serves with the King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery in Woolwich as a saddler, and during the London Olympics she has been detached to the Equestrian Events at Greenwich Arena in east London. As one of the Army flag raisers at the victory medal ceremonies, it has been her job to turn out in immaculate uniform to raise the correct national flags for each medal ceremony.

Zanna is among almost 800 troops from numerous unit involved in security duties at the site, alongside G4S and other civilian agencies, helping to deliver a safe, secure and happy Olympic Games Experience for the 50 - 60,000 visitors the Arena receives every day to watch the world's best horsemen and women vie for medals.

As well as guarding the gates, and checking visitors on arrival, the soldiers, were involved in flag raising at medal ceremonies or in specialist equestrian support roles such as farriers or course-officials. Specialising herself as an Army farrier, this is one of the thrills of Zanna's Army career to date.

Waiting for the next medal ceremony, Zanna got a surprise chance to meet Team GB members between events, including Tina Cook, who was busy signing autographs and posing with well wishers, including Zanna. Shortly after meeting Tina, Zanna found herself raising the victory flag when she and her team-mates collected their silver medals from the Princess Royal.

Zanna said: "It was an amazing thrill to meet Tina. As an Army saddler, this has been a fantastic opportunity for me in an amazing place, and I am really enjoying this unique privilege, despite the very long hours. It's something I could only ever have dreamed about."

With top riding stars on the scene all the time, including Zara Phillips, who along with Team GB Team GB fellow riders clinched a silver medal, there is plenty to keep Zanna and colleagues on



Zanna Bateman with Tina Cook of Team GB at the Olympic Equestrian Arena.

their toes. Greenwich is a World Heritage Site encompassing Inigo Jones' Queen Anne's House, the Royal Naval College, the Royal Observatory, and one of the most beautiful Royal Parks in London. The views are spectacular, stretching across London as far as Olympic Park.

Zanna, daughter of Marian Bateman - Hall, attended Woodham Technical College before joining the Army 8 years ago, and has seen Afghan service during her career.

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# Celebrations at Newton Aycliffe's Reach Out Care Centre



Simon Edwards with his wife, Jeanette and daughters Molly (left) and Jasmine. Directors Dot and Derek Butler are also pictured (back right) with fostering manager Lynne Brown and the Deputy Mayor of Great Aycliffe Coun Barbara Clare.

Newton Aycliffe based fostering agency Reach Out Care has held its first ever awards day – and the Deputy Mayor of Great Aycliffe, a former foster carer, was there to hand

out the certificates and trophies.

Coun Barbara Clare did the presentation honours at the celebration at the Xcel Centre.

“As a former foster carer

myself I was delighted to be there and I was impressed by the number of people and children,” she said. “I know that successful fostering requires great sacrifice and contribution

from everyone involved – and I was personally delighted that Reach Out Care were able to celebrate their achievements in such a loving atmosphere!”

More than 100 foster carers, birth children and foster children enjoyed afternoon tea and there was soft play and games for the younger children.

“We wanted to recognise and celebrate the achievement of our fostering families,” said fostering manager Lynne Brown. “Absolutely everyone got an award and it was an added bonus that the Deputy Mayor, who has first hand experience of fostering, was there to share it with us. We hadn’t realised that she’d been a foster carer and we were all delighted when she told us ...it was very fitting!”

“Absolutely everyone got some kind of award and it was a great afternoon. We’ll be doing this every year from now – as an agency we’re going from strength to strength as more and more people opt to become foster carers with us.”

Foster carer Simon Edwards scooped a special award – a trophy for helping raise £4,800 for ROCSOLID supported accommodation for care leavers.

The dad of two joined a team who cycled a total of 754 miles from ROCSOLID in Newton Aycliffe to the Montreux Jazz Festival in Switzerland.

“We’ve fostered many children and we know that they need extra support once they leave care,” said Simon. “I happen to love cycling so was really happy to help organise and take part in the ROC the Rhine ride.”

ROCSOLID charity was launched by Derek and Dot Butler who own the fostering agency. It houses 30 vulnerable young people, including young families, care leavers and pregnant teenagers.

“It was great that Simon did the ride for the charity,” said Dot. “Our foster carers are totally amazing and committed. It’s good to be able to celebrate the great work they, their own children and their foster children have accomplished over the past year.”

For more information about Reach Out Care and ROCSOLID visit [www.reachoutcare.co.uk](http://www.reachoutcare.co.uk)

## Date for Public Meeting on Policing

Great Aycliffe Residents’ Association have called a Public Meeting to discuss “Policing” on Thursday September 20th at 7pm in St. Mary’s Church.

Chairman of the Police Authority, Peter Thompson, has been invited to answer a range of questions including the type of Police Office being proposed for the Town Centre, the future of the old Police Station site and the temporary rented Police Station premises on the Business Park.

GARA’s survey conducted in June, to gauge public opinion, has shown the Police Authority that the townspeople want a Town Centre presence. This seems to be accepted and proposals have been made to use part of the Fire Station Offices for Police Station business.

However we are told there will be times when the office will have no staff to give face to face contact with the general public and in that instance a telephone will be available to talk to police at another office. This seems not to satisfy residents who say if it is just a phone call needed they can use their own phone without visiting the station. The Police say that is what happens in most towns and in the majority of cases telephone contact is the norm.

The general view is that a town of 30,000 people should have a proper Police Station at the core of the population. to

provide a perception of security.

The answer to all these questions is probably “response time” and this will be debated thoroughly at the meeting to which everyone is invited. Please make a date in your diary to attend and pose your question. If you prefer to send in a written question please contact the Secretary Arun Chandran on e-mail: [ArunMChandran@aol.com](mailto:ArunMChandran@aol.com); Chairman Syd Howarth on 320 901, e-mail: [syd@newtonpress.net](mailto:syd@newtonpress.net)

## SIGNS OF CANCER

Karen Moore of the Cancer Awareness Team is visiting Newton Aycliffe Library on Friday 17th August between 10.00am and 12.00pm to help increase awareness of the ‘Signs of Skin Cancer’

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## Customer Panel Meeting

The next meeting of the Customer Panel will be held on:

**TUESDAY 28th AUGUST 2012**

The next meeting of the Customer Panel will be held on TUESDAY, 28th AUGUST 2012 commencing at 6.00 p.m. The Panel meet in the Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe.

**'At this meeting we will be reviewing progress on the Council's Aims and Targets and giving an update on the proposed Neighbourhood Plan'.**

We are always looking for new members. If you would like to know a little more about us and our work this would be a great meeting to attend. The group are informal and quite often have lively debates about a wide range of Town Council matters.

Why not come along and join us at this meeting – we look forward to seeing and meeting new members. Further information can be obtained from Christine Walton on 01325 300700 e-mail: Christine.Walton@great-aycliffe.gov.uk

The Public Entrance to the Council Chamber will be open 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the meeting.

# FAMILY FUN DAY AT FOOTBALL CLUB



Newton Aycliffe FC are hoping to hold their second annual Family Fun Day this weekend. Hundreds of people turned out for last summer's event – and organisers are expecting an even bigger turn-out for this year's, on Sunday 19th

August at Aycliffe Sports Club, after the original date in July had to be postponed due to bad weather. A bigger and better range of entertainment is on show this year. Organiser Barry Waters said: "It should be a really good day for all the

family. "There'll be loads more on offer so, weather permitting, it should be a cracking day for everyone." Entertainment on the day will include a bouncy castle, a speed goal, a brass band, a range of American vintage cars, football coaching, an

army assault course, an archery demonstration, Tombola, face-painting and a coconut shy, while refreshments will be readily available.

There'll also be a table top sale (£5 a table). Anyone who'd like to get involved can contact Barry on 07864 718243, or email barrywaters212@msn.com

## Reach Your Potential With New Courses

Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre is pressing ahead with its plans to expand the use of the centre and offer the people of Aycliffe and the local area a broad range of training programmes. A trio of new courses encouraging people to "Reach Your Potential" is currently being launched. The courses are being lead by Durham County Council in partnership with a number of training organisations. Durham County Council is partnering with Acumen, SAFC Foundation, New College Durham and Bishop Auckland College to

deliver a wide range of training opportunities under the heading of Reach Your Potential with Learning Opportunities. They are also partnering with City and Guilds to deliver a range of courses under the banner of Reach Your Potential with Employment Skills. Durham County Council are also working in partnership with Matrix, Skills Funding Agency, City and Guilds, Institute of Leadership and Management and Cache to deliver a brand new Reach Your Potential with their Apprenticeship Prospectus.

Vince Crosby Chairman of the Management Committee said, "the centre is thrilled to offer such a wide range of courses such as functional skills, City and Guilds, Business Administration and Certificate in Retail Skills are among the many courses available. Dependant upon your status some of the courses may be free of charge.

For more information, contact the Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre on 01325 307 522 or email the Youth Centre on newtonaycliffeyouthcentre@live.co.uk.

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# FILL THE GAP LEFT BY OLYMPICS!

Looking for entertainment now that the Olympics are over? In a summer which has seen the cancellation of many events due to wet weather, Great Aycliffe Town Council looks forward to welcoming everyone to the really Great Aycliffe Show, to be held on the Bank Holiday weekend, Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th August on the showfield next to the Oakleaf Sports Complex.

Organisers promise that there will be something for all the family to enjoy. Entry to the Show is free, with plentiful car parking at only £1 per vehicle and hopefully the sun will shine.

In a blend of indoor and outdoor entertainment, performers both local and national will be entertaining spectators. Arena entertainment this year will feature The High Fall Show and The Flaming High Fall Show, which showcase the amazing skills of 15 year old stunt rider, Aaron Stannage, who is part of Stannage



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The Team will thrill spectators with their daring fire and water stunts, including the Human Torch and Flaming High Dive. For four-legged entertainment, top dog trainer, Richard Curtis, and his talented dancing dogs perform exciting choreographed musical routines.

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Live music and dance will be showcased in the Playhouse Marquee, throughout the weekend. Local dance schools, Karate and BMX demonstrations and local singer Charlotte Altringham

will be entertaining the audience. On the Sunday, comedian and magician Gary Dunn will be performing and for a hint of nostalgia, top band Reflex 80s will be taking audiences back to the hit songs of the 1980s.

Competitions are a traditional and popular part of any show and Great Aycliffe Show has a variety of them. The handcraft and horticulture exhibition always attracts many exhibits, with a wide variety of flowers, vegetables and homemade produce, plus arts and crafts. Trophies are sponsored by Deco Trophies and Engraving; horticultural trophies are sponsored by Gregg Little Testing Centre. On Saturday the Pigeon Show and on Sunday pedigree Rabbit competition proved popular attractions last year, particularly with the youngsters.

Sport is catered for with the junior football tournament (sponsored by Cooperative Funeralcare) attracting entries from all over the north east of England. The Golf Tournament, sponsored by Bewick and Neville Pharmacy in Newton Aycliffe, takes place on Sunday; entry is free and the Tournament is open to any resident of Newton Aycliffe, or member of the Oakleaf Golf Club.

Durham County and Darlington Fire and Rescue will be running their exciting annual Inter Service Extrication Competition – for spectators only. Teams from

different local fire stations will compete against each other in a specially staged 'incident'. The scene of a road traffic collision, complete with a trapped live casualty, will be created, requiring a full 'rescue'. The competition will take place throughout Saturday and Sunday.

There will be a range of marquees, featuring local craft, trade and fundraising, giving information, tuition and the opportunity to purchase produce. Don't miss the environment marquee - this year's features include live snakes and a bee hive. Around the showfield there will be water walkers to try out, without getting wet, Gold Cup Horse Racing, Quad bikes, a fairground, Punch and Judy and face painting.

Finally – and very importantly – there will be plenty of opportunities for a rest and refreshments, both on the showfield and in the Oakleaf Sports Complex.

For further information and entry forms visit [www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk](http://www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk) or contact the Council Offices tel 01325 300700 or Oakleaf Sports Complex, 01325 300600.

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Also, a note to local businesses – we've offered first come first served places to all our previous exhibitors but please contact us to be put on our reserve list if any of them can't make it this year. It's a fantastic opportunity to get your business noticed as we have over 400 ladies attending this event.



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"To have Rob Andrew at the club was a

fantastic touch, everyone thoroughly enjoyed the day."

And ex-England fly half Andrew, the current RFU director of operations and former Newcastle Falcons boss, agreed to accept the cheque from the club.

Andrew won 70 England caps (two as captain) during a distinguished playing career, with an international score tally of 396.

Aycliffe's first team took on a Malvern select XV as part of the day. The game was followed by a charity raffle.

More details about Aycliffe Rugby Club at [www.pitchero.com/clubs/newtonaycliffe](http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/newtonaycliffe)

# HALL GARTH HOTEL FAMILY FUN DAY FOR CHARITY



On Sunday 12th August 2012 Hall Garth Hotel held their Annual Family Fun Day. This was a great success, the sun shone and lots of fun and games were enjoyed by all. Mini Olympic Games were organised including traditional sports day races, Sack race, egg and Spoon and 3 legged race, fancy dress parade included a gangster, umpa lumpa and Team GB athlete.

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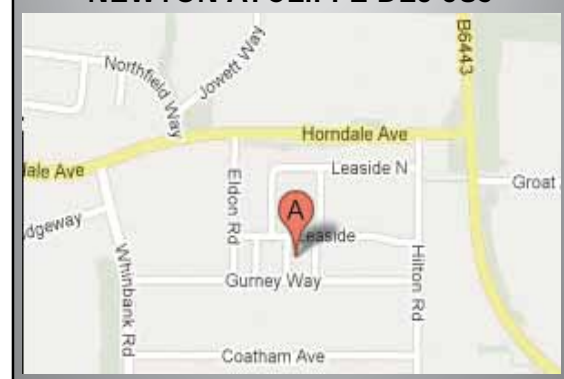
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The visitors decided to bat first and were dismissed for just 65 after 27.4 overs with only Chris Palmer (17 runs) and Adam Gittins (10 runs), managing to reach double figures. In reply Coundon coasted to victory after just 14 overs despite Aycliffe's Sean Morgan taking 2 wickets for 15 runs from 6 overs.

A seriously weakened 2nd team included three debutants when they hosted division 3 champions Whiteleas and unsurprisingly they were soundly beaten by 10 wickets in a very quick and one sided game. The homeside were bowled out for just 30 and Whiteleas raced to their victory target in just 6.3 overs.

The club's under 15's team containing a number of under 11's and under 13's players hosted Ushaw Moor in their final game of the season and came out on top by 19 runs. Aycliffe stand in captain Ben Nicholson batted superbly to score an unbeaten half century and with good support from 11 year old Dylan Tribble, who score a valuable 7 runs, the homeside finished their innings on a respectable 83 for 9 from their 20 overs.

In reply the visitors found Aycliffe opening bowler Tom Wickins in fine form as he removed their top 3 batsmen for just 9 runs. Ben Nicholson, Matt French and Sam Dobinson then followed up by each taking two wickets as Ushaw Moor were bowled out for 64 after 19.1 overs, helping the homeside to finish off their season in style.

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# 130 STUDENTS IN DANCE SHOW



Aycliffe Dance Academy performed a jaw dropping performance of their dance show 'Step Right Up' on Friday 13th and Saturday 14th July. 130 students from the Academy took to the stage and performed live in three sell-out shows at Greenfield School in Newton Aycliffe. Children as young as 2½ up to adults took to the stage and performed 27 spectacular

routines. The show featured a variety of dance styles such as Tap, Ballet, Street, Acrobatics, Modern, Musical Theatre and Cheerleading and was a huge success! Alison, an audience member, said: 'I just wanted to say what an amazing show "Step Right Up" was. I brought my two daughters last night and the three of us enjoyed every minute. The choreography was outstanding, the

performers all looked like they were enjoying themselves so much and the costumes were fab. I have such a heart for dance and try to come to dance shows in the area, but I've got to say last night was my favourite! It was fantastic from start to finish, a massive well done to you all!'

Kelly Gray, a parent from ADA, said: 'AMAZING! Emma, I thought last year's show was un-beatable but you raised the bar again with "Step Right Up!" The tears were flowing and everyone was bursting with pride! You were all brilliant!!!' Emma Cox, the Dance

Principal, said: 'I would just like to say a HUGE well done to all of my ADA Stars! I am bursting with pride and couldn't be happier! Such an amazing show, such a great audience, such a fab team and such a super cast. We really are one big family, the best family around, we are the ADA family and I love you all!' If you missed the Academy's performance of 'Step Right Up' last month and you would like to see some of the highlights, they will be performing a selection of the routines again at this year's Great Aycliffe Show. They will be performing in the Playhouse Marquee from 12noon to 1pm on Saturday 25th August and from 12.30pm to 1.30pm on Sunday 26th August. Everyone is welcome so please come along and show your support for your local dance school.

## Military Display at DLI



An army truck with a royal history will be among the exhibits at the region's biggest gathering of military vehicles. The 1942 Austin Tilly pick-up, which is the same model as that driven by the Queen during the Second World War, will be on display at the 39th North East Military Vehicle Rally. The annual event takes place in the grounds of the DLI Museum and Durham Art Gallery on Sunday, 26 August and Monday, 27 August from 10am to 4pm. The show, organised by the North East Military Vehicle Club, will feature about 60 superbly restored vehicles and artillery dating from the 1930s to the present day.

There will also be stalls, living history displays and dioramas as well as events and activities for all the family. Gillian Robinson, DLI Museum and Durham Art Gallery manager, said: "The Military Vehicle Rally is always a popular draw over the Bank Holiday weekend. "As well as offering plenty to interest enthusiasts, the two-day event will also include lots of activities for younger visitors." The Queen drove an Austin Tilly while serving with the Auxiliary Territorial Service (ATS), the women's branch of the British Army, in the early 1940s. A general utility vehicle, the Tilly was used on

RAF bases and during the D-Day landings to transport personnel, ammunition and supplies. It was also often used as ambulance and a mobile church, with services being held from the back. For more information about the North East Military Vehicle Rally, call 0191 384 2214, email dli@durham.gov.uk or visit www.durham.gov.uk/dli

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dog handlers, authorised firearms officers and police motorcyclists have now returned.

Measures were put in place to ensure policing across County Durham and Darlington remained unaffected during the mutual aid deployment. Annual leave was restricted, non-essential training postponed and working arrangements reviewed to ensure any potential gaps in staffing were backfilled. Assistant Chief Constable Michael Banks said

today: "We were proud to be able to support the national policing operation for London 2012, while maintaining an effective policing service at home.

"The officers who went volunteered to go and I was delighted to be able to welcome many of them back today.

"Their tours of duty have

meant long days away from home but they all report that they've had a fantastic experience, showing great pride in being part of this once in a lifetime experience.

"I've also had personal contact with one of the Metropolitan Police Service's senior leaders, complimenting the

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Around 60 officers have now returned. They had been supporting the operation for between one week and 26 days, the latter being the largest single deployment of any force in England. A small number of officers continue to support policing for London 2012.

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The Pioneering Care Partnership (PCP) are building on what they do best and developing a new course/social group to help people affect amazing change in their health; for life!

Fitness Friends will start Tuesday 11 September and will continue every Tuesday 1.30 - 3pm at the Pioneering Care Centre in Newton Aycliffe and only costs £2 per session. The idea came from the continued success of the Weight Management Support Group ran by Rose Edwards, Health Trainer Champion. Rose suggested a similar group but with more focus on holistic health.

Fitness Friends will be delivered by Health trainers, Health Trainer Champions and guest speakers, who will provide advice and support on goal setting, general health, physical activity, diet and nutrition, relaxation techniques and much more. Rose Edwards, PCP Health Trainer Champion said "As we get older it is harder to stay fit and healthy and good health includes both physical

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**MARY ELLIOTT (MOLLY)** 20th August. To a special Mam and Nannie. Thinking of you on this special day. Happy birthday. Love and miss you, Pauline, Bruce, Michael and Stephen xxxx

**Elizabeth (Bessie) Elsdon**



90th Birthday  
22nd August

Happy 90th Birthday to a dear Mam, Gran and Great Gran.  
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## In Memoriam

**Lee George El-Hakim**



11th August 2006

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To a wonderful Dad. We miss you so much. You taught all of us so much. We mention your name every day. You didn't live to see your Grandson, but he is named after you, so your name, heart and spirit lives on. You will never be forgotten by your children and grand children. George, Kay, Lee, Michelle, Alistair and Solomon

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15th August 2009

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**Happy 1st Birthday**  
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**HARRISON KENT** 16th August. Happy 1st birthday darling. Love you lots, Nanna, Granda, Christopher, Charmain and Kaite xxx

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**EMMA NORRIS** 16th August. Happy 1st Birthday Emma. With lots of love and kisses, Grandma, Papa and Auntie Sarah

**HAPPY 40th BIRTHDAY** Snooty Fox! Have a great day! Love from Clowny xxx Muwahahaha xxx

**ROBBIE CAUSER** Happy 9th birthday Son. Have a lovely day. Lots of love from Mam and Dad xxx Love you all the world xx

**LUKE ALLEN** 19.08.12. Happy 15th birthday Luke. All our love, Grandma & Grandad xxx

**OLD GRANDAD JIM** Another year older so take it easy and take it slow. Shouldn't be too hard for you x Love you loads, Sharon, Becca and all the kids

**Sue Merrick**



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16th August 2012

**Happy Birthday Mother**

Sorry we couldn't resist with the photo, I am expecting revenge for my 40th! Lots of love, Darren, Annette and Bella xxx

**Dr. David Evans MBBS**

**Congratulations on becoming a Doctor**  
(and passing with Merit, whoop whoop!)

With love from all your very proud family xxxxx

**Lucy Mullis**



20/08/94

Best wishes for your 18th birthday Lucy. Love, Mum, Dad & all the family xxx

**Emma**



**Happy 1st Birthday**  
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**GEOFF DICKINSON.** 80th birthday. You are my Grandad, you make me laugh, even though your jokes are really 'naff'. Don't worry about your age, it's just a number. Hope you have a fantastic birthday. Lots of love, Demi xxx

**MAUREEN ALLISON** To a very special Mam on her 80th birthday. Love, Angela, Anthony, Gavin, Zoe and Ebony.

**MAUREEN ALLISON** Congratulations on your 80th birthday Mam. Love from Maureen, Amy, Laura and Sean

**CLAIRE AKRED** Happy birthday weekend Claire-Bear!! Love 'n' hugs from Emma, Brian and Shaun xxx

**MARILYN WYNN** 22nd August. Happy birthday Mammy! Love you lots from Emma xxx

**JULIE BONAS** Congratulations to a lovely Daughter on your 40th birthday. Have a great day. All my love, Mam and all the family

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**RHIANNA BONAS** Congratulations on gaining your place at Glasgow University studying Sports Medicine. We couldn't be more proud of you. Love Mam & Dad xxx

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**AIDEN WILLIAM RYANS** 23.08.12 Happy 13th birthday. Love from Mam, Dad and Barney xxx

**AIDEN RYANS** 23.08.12 Happy 13th birthday. Love from Nana and Grandma x

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Vince Crosby the Chairman of the Youth Centre Management Committee said "This will be the third week that the Youth Centre has hosted Sporting Chance during this Summer School Holiday period. It is great to see the facilities being used by so many young people. I am sure they have been spurred on by Team GB's great performance at the Olympics. Who knows we may have a future Olympic Gold Medallist in our midst"

## "SUPPORTING MANUFACTURING CAN GET US OUT OF RECESSION" says AYCLIFFE DIRECTOR

Ebac Director John Elliott MBE DL says the Government must act now to cut the UK's trade deficit before the UK becomes like Greece. The latest UK trade figures for non-EU countries, announced this morning, showed exports in June had decreased by £1.7 billion (13.1%) from May, with imports increasing £0.1 billion (0.8%). John, who is campaigning on the dangers of failing to address the UK's trade deficit, argues that taking people off benefits and into employment in the manufacturing industry is the simple way to improve the UK's economic health. John, founder of the County Durham-based Ebac Group Ltd, said: "One of the biggest threats to our economy is staring us in the face, yet



those with the ability to tackle the problem are choosing not to do so. Simple support for manufacturing can prove to be one of the biggest boosts to the economy, and it is vital, because if we carry on the way we are, consuming billions more than we produce every month, we will end up like Greece.

"This is unsustainable and we have to get back to basics, manufacturing the basic things we and the rest of the world need. We have the ability and manpower to make things like clothing and white goods, but instead we turn to foreign markets and import them. Like Greece we pay for these imports by borrowing. Like Greece we'll run out of people prepared to lend to us.

"It is no surprise that countries with a trade surplus based upon industrial scale manufacturing, such as China, Brazil and Poland, are doing well. When the UK was a nation of manufacturers, the country

was thriving."

John continued: "We worry more about the interest rates on debt than on reducing the debt itself, and it is this debt which is used to cover the continued cost of this deficit. Surely, cutting the amount of debt itself, by buying less from abroad, is a much better long term strategy.

"This can be done with investment in jobs, taking people out of unemployment and into manufacturing the country's way out of financial jeopardy." In 2004, John Elliott led the very successful campaign against a Regional Assembly in the North East and he was the Regional Chairman of Business for Sterling the pro-pound business organisation. John is also campaigning for greater focus on the trade deficit which he believes is under-acknowledged as an indicator of the health of the economy, and the ability of manufacturing to make a positive contribution to the necessary rebalancing.

A website for people to find out more about this campaign is online at [www.stopgapuk.com](http://www.stopgapuk.com) and other manufacturers are being urged to add their

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