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Mud, Rain & Strong Winds, But the Show Went on . . .

Once again the Great Aycliffe Show's jinx with the weather continued as pouring rain made conditions difficult for everyone on the first day of this annual event..

But the crowds turned out in their thousands determined to have a good time and enjoy the many attractions provided by our Town Council.

We have to commend the hard work of the Council staff and the Show Committee, headed by Chairman Councillor Brian Hall for trying a new layout for the Showground which many thought was an improvement.

Most of all we should thank those Newtonians who despite the atrocious conditions pull on their wellies, put up their brollies and came to support the Show!

There was no rain on Sunday, but a strong wind made things awkward for the stallholder's tents and gazebos. Nevertheless they showed great fortitude and struggled on with smiling faces, defying all the inclement weather could bring.

Those exhibiting in the large marquees benefitted from



Show Chairman Brian Hall still manages a smile

people sheltering from the rain and reported good footfalls. The refreshment tent run by the W.I. certainly did good business.

The Junior football Competition was as successful as ever - the condition of the pitch having no effect on the enthusiasm of the youngsters. Nor was there any lack of zeal from the numerous displays and entertainment around the showground including the ever popular Punch & Judy. All in all a great effort by the Town Council for a great Show - proving that despite bad weather the townsfolk will always turn out to support this annual event. (More photos of Show inside)



Having a splodge



Barefoot on the showground!

FRONT PAGE LETTER

Kidzflicks - A Real Community Service

Dear Sir,
May I say a huge thank you to the Kidzflicks Cinema Club held at St. Clares Church Hall. My son went along with one of his friends and he has been every week since!

It has been an absolute Godsend to me as a single Mum of three, throughout the school holidays. It was somewhere I could afford to take all my children and feel they were being treated. I joined my children for the showing of "Gnomeo and Juliet" as it is a good new release and was amazed at how popular the club is with children.

We were all greeted warmly by the team of helpers and they even remembered my children's names. The Tuck Shop was full of goodies at reasonable prices and armed with our drinks,

sweets and popcorn we entered the hall which had been transformed into a cinema.

The film was great and my children received a newsletter telling them about future events and wishing them well in their new schools - which was lovely!

The Team Leader made sure all the children left the premises with their adult or guardian - no easy job with at least 60 children in attendance. It was a very friendly and caring experience and to offer this club every week shows a high level of commitment to our community.

My children will be regulars at the monthly club and I would like to say thank you very much to the Kidzflicks team. Mrs Metcalfe

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SATURDAY 17th SEPTEMBER
 AYCLIFFE VILLAGE HALL -
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SATURDAY 1st OCTOBER
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 FILM STARTS AT 6pm

The film showing is an animated blockbuster called RANGO starring the voice of Johnny Depp. It is a family film so all family members are invited to come along to the showings. You are also invited to bring your own popcorn and refreshments. In some of the venues there will be an opportunity to purchase items from tuck shops.

This is a perfect opportunity for families to come along and watch a family film completely FREE OF CHARGE as the cinema is funded by the Great Aycliffe & Middridge Partnership. If you require any further information then please contact amyjorgeson@durham.pnn.police.uk or michael.welch@durham.pnn.police.uk or visit our facebook page just search Newton Aycliffe Neighbourhood Police Team. We look forward to seeing you there. PCSO 6859 Mike WELCH Newton Aycliffe Beat Team

Agnew Centre NEWS

Please note that our ELEVATE YOUTH CLUB kicks in again after the summer hols on Saturday 10th September, 10-30am to 12noon. All welcome aged 5 to 12 years and only 50p per week and if it is your first visit then it is Free. James Ross and his team look forward to seeing you all both old and new members for a cool session. Ring Margaret [01325-319857] if you are able to donate a Tombola prize and/or book a Table for our next TABLE TOP SALE - £5 per table, on SUNDAY 18th SEPTEMBER from 11am to 2pm with doors open to the sellers at 9-30am, ALL welcome with drinks and refreshments available. FAMILY FILM NIGHT provided by the Great Aycliffe and Middridge Community Cinema at the Agnew Community Centre will be on Friday 16th September showing RANGO which is animated with Jonny Depp, which will commence at 5pm with doors open at 4-30pm and you can bring your own pop corn and sweets or you can purchase them at the Agnew at low prices, so come on Mum and Dad bring the bairns along for a Free Film Night for All of the Family. CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAY PARTY'S still at only £20 for members [Memberships are Free]. You have the whole Centre for 3 hours. To book ring Ron on 01325-321504 office or 301033 home.

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Saturday 3rd September - "SHANGHAI"
 GIG PIT REVIEW AT THE TURBINIA - "Wouldn't have wanted to miss this gig!! The first set kicked off with Purple's 'Hush' was followed by Whitesnakes 'Fool for your Lovin'. Another Whitesnake track, 'Is This Love' was followed by Purple's 'Burn'. I was taken by the effortless vocals of Russ. Nick on lead looked to be thoroughly enjoying himself. The opening tones of 'Radar Love' made me stop in me tracks. The second set began with Bon Jovi's 'Shot through the Heart', and The Kinks, 'You Really Got Me'. Def Leppard's 'Animal' and two of my favourite Billy Idol tracks, 'White Wedding' and 'Rebel Yell' were dished out, expertly done IMO. Aerosmith's 'Walk This Way' and Neil Young's 'Free World' were the last two tracks of the second set. Fun to watch and a great way to showcase talent and entertain the troops!! Rapturous encore shouts got us another 4 (!!) tracks.

Saturday 10th September - "F.M."
 Was this our best pub gig ever? Probably! What can you say about FM, this was rock and metal utopia, a classic journey through the rock and roll hall of fame. They did the lot, Kaiser Chiefs, Foo Fighters, Sabbath, AC/DC, Zep and no real cheese, OK, they did Whisky In the Jar, but hey! At the end of the night and the booze kicking in, is there a better song to end with, it definitely gets the crowd singing, and anyway we love it - so there!
 FM put a great amount of effort into this gig, sometimes mid week gigs just don't seem to have the same WOW or OOMPH. Factors as the weekend, but this night could easily have been a Friday/Saturday, the atmosphere was great as was the music, a superb night. What is particularly pleasing is that FM don't always take the easy option, i.e. instead of sticking to Sweet Child Of Mine, they did Welcome to the Jungle, so its nice to hear a different GnR cover and one that takes a little more effort vocally.

Saturday 17th September - "DESILVA"
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Also recognised as the most improved student, Gemma Howarth excelled beyond all expectations as she achieved 14½ A*-C GCSE grades.

Jonathan Lumb (Deputy Headteacher) said "We are delighted that the three students confirmed their excellence but we also acknowledge the success of so many of our students who have worked extremely hard to achieve similar outstanding results. We wish them all the best for the future."



Gemma Howarth, Callum Scott and Jessica Mason

Boxercise Tutor Needed

The Pioneering Care Centre in Newton Aycliffe is seeking a Boxercise or exercise tutor for Saturday mornings. The session was 9.30 – 10.30am but this is negotiable.

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MEDIA FIRM BACKS TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

A Newton Aycliffe-based media firm has thrown its weight behind the town's football club. Mantis Media has signed up to a new deal sponsoring the Northern League club's new away strip for the 2011-12 season.

Director Martin Walker, who set the company up two years ago, works for a number of clients including steel firm Finley Structures, County Durham-based Baltic Training Services, Newton Aycliffe Sports Club and Middlesbrough and Darlington football clubs.

He's also Aycliffe FC's media manager, offering his services on a voluntary basis after joining the club more than three years ago. Walker, pictured with Aycliffe captain Sean Tarling (left) and star player Dan Mellanby, is now urging bigger local firms to get behind the club.

"I'm very pleased and proud to be sponsoring my local football club," he said. I joined the committee to help the club reach the Northern League, and now we're in the first division, which is testament to a lot of hard work both on and off the football pitch.

"I'm more than happy to do my bit for the club and I'm certainly very proud to see the company name on our new away shirts, which will hopefully bring us some luck this season.



"I just wish we could get more backing from some of our bigger local firms. We get some great support from our small and medium sized companies in Aycliffe, the likes of Newton Press and Collins Seafoods, and yet get nothing from the multi-million-pound corporations that are on our doorstep, which is very disappointing. "It'd be nice to see some of them follow suit and get behind us in a big way," said Martin.

Aycliffe chairman Gary Farley added: "We're delighted with the support of Mantis Media, both in sponsorship of the away strip but also with the professional service they give to the club free."

Martin has worked in the media industry for more than 12 years, and is responsible for Aycliffe's publicity and PR as

well as working on the club's award-winning matchday programme. Firms interested in sponsoring Aycliffe can contact sponsorship managers David Brassell (07870 777779, david.brassell@hotmail.co.uk) or Barry Waters (07864 718243, barywaters212@msn.com). For more details about Mantis Media, go to www.mantis-media.com

Show Winner

The winner of the Inner Wheel's competition at Great Aycliffe Show to guess the number of sweets in a jar was won by Anthony from Gregg Little's Garage. He was the closest to the amount of 288.

THE RISE OF TESCO-COP?

Dear Sir, I was heartened to read in last week's edition of the Newton News "Why shop for a Cop in Tesco?" I agree with many of the points made in the letter, however, I fear this initiative may be just a smoke screen to distract us from being robbed of our Police Station.

When appointed to the Office of Constable (All Police Officers regardless of administrative rank, hold the "Office of Constable") become servants of the Crown. They take an "attestation", an oath without the religious content, which reads:

"I do solemnly and sincerely declare and affirm that I will well and truly serve the Queen in the office of constable, with fairness, integrity, diligence and impartiality, upholding fundamental human rights and according equal respect to all people; and that I will, to the best of my power, cause the peace to be kept and preserved and prevent all offences against people and property; and that while I continue to hold the said office I will to the best of my skill and knowledge discharge all the duties thereof faithfully according to law." - Source: "The Office of Constable" - May 2008, leaflet by the Police Federation of England & Wales.

Reading beyond the spin of

"customer safety", it appears to me, like "name & address supplied", that Tesco will be getting Policing services in-store at public expense. This expense should be paid for by the multi-billion pound corporation hiring more security guards, not the council taxpayer.

The initiative (or even basing a Police Office in-store) cannot happen, as this will violate the Attestation of the Office of Constable.

TO provide an ongoing police presence in-store to enhance "customer safety" would provide Tesco with commercial advantage. The fairness clause of the Attestation is broken.

TO create an ongoing police presence in-store forms a "special relationship" with Tesco, by definition this is partial. The impartiality clause of the Attestation is broken.

TO create an ongoing police presence in-store, does not ensure "equal respect to all people" as other retailers and residents are not getting the same level of service.

Breaching the Attestation of the Office of Constable is a serious matter and nobody can be ordered to do that.

Of course, this could be avoided by Senior Police Officers delivering what the people of Newton Aycliffe were led to believe we would

get. A new Police Station in the Town Centre.

I am told the Police Office on the Industrial Park, is not a "Designated Police Station" as defined by S35(1) of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act (1984) as it does not have a custody suite. So whenever someone is arrested in the town, they have to be transported elsewhere.

Personally I think the people of Newton Aycliffe have a right to a "Designated Police Station" in the town to maximise the amount of time our Constables spend on our streets rather than wasting time and fuel, driving those arrested to other towns.

I also think it is a ridiculous waste of time that Constables & PCSOs on foot, have to spend time we are paying for, walking all the way back to Parsons Court, time that could be used preventing crime in your street.

Finally a Police Station is more than just a base for Constables. It provides a place of safety for people in trouble to go to. We have long been denied that place of safety.

We need to support the men and woman who actually patrol our streets by holding Senior Officers to account, to ensure we have similar facilities to other towns across the county.

Alasdair Carter

Town Boxer in Great North Run for Charity

Gary Gibson (33) is taking part in the Great North Run for the Huntingtons Disease Association (HDA) because it is close to his family and he would like to raise some money and awareness for the charity.

He has always lived in Aycliffe and a lot of his family do too. He works at RFMD and has been a member of his uncle's (Les Gibson) Aycliffe Amateur Boxing Club, since the age of 11 and has won many fights.

Gary has always been into sports but over the past few years hasn't been as active as he would like so by signing up to do the Great North Run it has given him a target for fitness.

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Scout Group Thanks for Support

Dear Sir,
On behalf of the 1st Newton Aycliffe Scout Group, I would like to thank everyone who donated the fabulous prizes for our Tombola Stall at the Great Aycliffe Show. Those worthy of a special thank-you are those acquaintances and friends of my wife Evelyn.
Thanks to the leaders, the parent helpers, adult members, and the cubs who came along in uniform to help us staff the gazebo and raise funds for the group. All gave up their spare time to help us out. Without them, we could not have managed to run the stall.
Bill Goudie
Group Chairman

Popular Italian Restaurant Re-opens in Shildon

Since the untimely death of the enigmatic Andrea Savino in 2007, the Savino's Café premises in Shildon remained closed until December last year, when a local business consortium established "Maralena's", poignantly named after the former proprietor's wife. The new restaurant is run by Andrea's son Salvatore who aims to bring a little bit of Sorrento back to the local community. Maralena's offers an extensive range of menus to meet a variety of dining experiences with a warm welcome to accompany the fine wines and delicious food. Maralena's opens from 10.30am with the Gio's



Café range offering "La Colazione" a variety of Italian style breakfast dishes and "Panini" an excellent selection of sandwiches. You are always welcome at any time to just pop in and relax in their soft seating area with a coffee or a glass of wine!

At lunch time Maralena's offers an excellent A la Carte menu and the "La Merenda" set menu, 2 courses £10.00 or 3 courses £12.50, available from 12-6pm everyday. The restaurant also runs a Lunch Club loyalty programme with a range of rewards on offer. The evening A la Carte menu is available from 4.30pm offering a fantastic range of dishes and their daily specials bring back many of the classic Savino's Seafood dishes. As a family friendly restaurant the Bambini Menu introduces children to Italian cooking with the Pizza Titans to keep them occupied. The Pizzeria offers an extensive range of English

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WINDFARMS 'BIGGEST SCAM SINCE TIMESHARE' - M.P.

Labour MP Phil Wilson has launched a scathing attack on electricity suppliers' promotion of renewable energy, calling it the 'biggest scam since timeshare'. Writing on local campaigning website www.digitaldemocracy.org.uk, Mr Wilson says, "Eon are ripping off customers and the government by increasing our bills and taking massive subsidies. We pay 6% of our bills per household to the energy companies in renewable charges of which we have never been informed or asked if we agree to this charge or want to opt out." The MP's tirade against wind farms came in response to a campaign backing the proposed windfarm near Newton Aycliffe, which has divided

opinion on the website, with most locals against the plans. Mr Wilson, known for his opposition to the placement of further wind turbines in the north east, said "We don't want them, take them to some Conservative constituency down south - they use most electricity and produce very little renewable energy if any." The MP's comments come after he started his own petition against the proposal to build up to 45 turbines, enough to power over 50,000 homes. Mr Wilson claims not to be succumbing to 'nimbyism', instead listing a series of other objections; a disproportionate burden on Northumberland and Durham, increased electricity charges, better renewable alternatives,



loss of property value, environmental impact of the construction of turbines and the ability of gas and nuclear power to be used instead. A formal consultation on the issue opens on the 31st August. To see Phil Wilson MP's full response on Digital Democracy, click here: <http://www.digitaldemocracy.org.uk/results/result.php?id=3890>

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Last Word on Photography in Public Places

Dear Sir,
I do not intend to prolong the photography argument but Mrs Dightam is most certainly wrong. She quotes Wikipedia but is selective. If one would care to check the Wikipedia information regarding photography vlaws in the UK, they will see the summarising of the law as follows: Members of the public have virtually no privacy rights when they are in public places. Basically, 'anyone can be photographed without consent except when they have secluded themselves in places where they have a reasonable expectation of privacy such as dressing rooms, restrooms, medical facilities, or inside a private residence. This legal standard applies regardless of the age, sex, or other attributes of the individual...'
And Mrs Dightam still avoids the question of why a criminal, fugitive or even a celebrity or politician cannot sue if their photographs are published in newspapers.
Anita
Ed: We have aired this subject sufficiently and leave readers to decide who is right.



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GREAT AYCLIFFE SHOW REPORT

SHOW TROPHY WINNERS



Despite poor weather it was another successful Great Aycliffe Show this year. Wet and muddy ground conditions on Saturday and high winds on Sunday did cause some disruption but overall the Show went on as normal. The thousands of spectators who flocked to the show this year were not disappointed with the many forms of entertainment and activities on offer.

The handcraft and horticulture exhibition had over 1000 exhibits and the new Pigeon Show attracted 154 entries which is good for their first event..

The Environment marquee was literally a hive of information and innovation with live animals including snakes and a bee hive.

There was an amazing array of craft items being demonstrated in the craft marquee, everything from making jam and lemon curd to home made jewellery, while the trade tent was bristling with customers who could buy everything from a holiday to acupuncture. The Show spanned the centuries with entertainment ranging from medieval living history displays to street dancing and graffiti art.

For the more adventurous there was a rock climbing wall, roller coaster simulator, water walkers, quad bikes as well as a fairground to complete the thrills and spills experience. Professor Llewellyn attracted full audiences to see Punch

and Judy at every showing and there were hundreds of children walking about with their faces painted during the weekend.

The sporting competitions were hugely successful again this year. The junior football tournament (sponsored by Cooperative Funeralcare) was fully booked and attracted entries from all over the north east of England. Under nine winners were Wearside Reds with Willington Youth winning the under ten age group.

The Golf Tournament sponsored by Hays Travel in Newton Aycliffe was a huge success despite the inclement weather conditions.

In the Playhouse Marquee local dance troupes of children aged from four gave amazing performances and Professor Nincompoop was on hand between his magician sessions with balloon modelling.

The main act in the Playhouse on Saturday was 'Glee' who invited members of the audience to dance with them on stage during the performance. Sunday took us back to the 70s with Abba Fever a professional band who have performed all over the country.

There was a full programme of arena entertainment with Elaine Hill's Sheepdog Display, Dawn of Chivalry a medieval re-enactment society, plus the amazing displays from the Imps Motorcycle Display Team.



Home Produce : Mrs. A. McGeechan; Craft: Mrs. D. Allan; Knitting: Lilian Carlyle Wood Mr. K. Tarn; Photography: James Summerson; Art: Susan Taylor; Children's Section Christopher Jones; Leek Winner: Mr. Gary Parsons; Overall Best Vegetable Winner Mr. Gary Parsons; Overall Best Flower Winner Mr. John Nicholson.



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SHOW GOLF WINNERS



ADULT: 1st Neil Snowdon, 2nd Stephen Lines, 3rd Bill Johnson; **SENIORS:** 1st Kevin Smith, 2nd Kevin Gaunt, 3rd Norman Douthwaite; **LADIES:** 1st Linda Clay, 2nd Olivia Angus, 3rd No Entry; **JUNIOR:** 1st Lewis Wing, 2nd Ryan Coles, 3rd James Beal



GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL
 Dates and Times of Statutory Meetings of the Town Council and its Committees

Wednesday 14th September 2011

Policy & Resources Committee - 7.15pm

QUESTION TIME
 A period of up to 20 minutes has been set aside for an elector to ask questions, give evidence or make representation on any item of business included on the agenda. If members of the public have any questions it would be appreciated if they could make them known prior to the start of the meeting.
 Agendas / Reports are available on the Council's Website on the Friday afternoon preceding the meeting. (www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk)
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The Isles Wind Farm Consultation – Six Questions That Matter

The Eon consultation on 'The Isles' wind farm takes place at the Xcel Centre on Thursday 8 September, from 1pm to 8pm.

I suggest you treat it as a doorstep sales pitch, and realise that every question is designed to get you to say yes.

Nevertheless, I urge you to attend. Eon intends to site up to 45 turbines on the other side of the A167 to Aycliffe, and there are some questions they need to answer.

Not THEIR question, of course – I urge you to resist all pressure to choose which of their three 'layouts' you prefer (though they will be desperate for you to do so).

Instead, I suggest that we demand that they answer the questions which are of interest to Aycliffe people, namely:

1. Is this a REAL consultation? If Eon find that the majority of the people don't want a wind farm, will they walk away?

2. How much profit do Eon

expect to make out of this over the next 25 years?

3. How many jobs will be created IN AYCLIFFE?

4. How good is 'The Isles' as a wind farm site? What wind-data has Eon gained on the site and how does it compare to wind farm sites in the Lake District or Scotland? What efficiency do they expect to gain from these wind turbines?

5. Why are wind farm companies placing more than 100 turbines around Sedgefield when there are reportedly only three in the whole of Hampshire? Why are they not putting wind farms down south, where most electricity is used?

6. Will 'The Isles' wind farm reduce the price of the electricity we pay? How – and how much – is wind power subsidised? How much is all this going to cost us?

Perhaps you might write to tell the Newton News what answers you got.

JCL

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"LABOUR CANNOT INTIMIDATE G.A.I."

Dear Sir,
May I respond to Councillor Vince Crosby's letter in last week's issue. He suggests the Great Aycliffe Independent Party is vindictive which I strongly reject.

I would refer him to a statement from Labour on the defection of Enid Paylor made by Sedgefield Constituency Labour Party Secretary Rita Taylor in the Newton News 4th July 2008. She made the allegation that all independents had joined

forces with the right wing BNP party. This statement was later withdrawn with an apology after Independent Councillors objected and were seeking legal advice.

This proves the Labour Party have no shame or moral standing in the political arena and show pathetic efforts to intimidate Independent Councillors in one form or another.

Yours sincerely
P. Ducker.
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Friday 9th September - The 80's Experience
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Friday 16th September - North East Annual Oyster Festival
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The meeting is open to all members of the community and you can discuss any issues or concerns that you may have with your Community Police Officer. Councillors and Representatives from Sedgefield Borough Homes, Great Aycliffe and Durham County Council have been invited.

TABLE TOP SALE

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AYCLIFFE BOUNCE BACK WITH SEVEN POINTS

Bouncebackability was a word famously coined by ex-Crystal Palace manager Iain Dowie a few years ago – and Aycliffe proved they have bags of it in the last week.

Following their disappointing FA Cup defeat at home to Billingham Synthonia, the Newtonians beat one of the title favourites, Bedlington Terriers, 1-0 at home last Wednesday followed by a 3-2



FIXTURES

Friday 2nd September: West Auckland (H), 7.30pm
 Wednesday 7th September: Norton & Stockton (A) 7.30pm
 Saturday 10th September: Shildon (H), FA Vase R1Q, 3pm
 Wednesday 14th September: Jarrow Roofing (H) 7.30pm
 Saturday 17th September: Consett (H) 3pm
 Wednesday 28th September: Billingham Synthonia (H) 7.30pm
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victory against Billingham Town at Moore Lane last Saturday.

Aycliffe then went to Bishop Auckland on Bank Holiday Monday and earned a well-deserved point when they should have won all three.

But 7 points out of a possible 9 in the space of five days maintained their unbeaten league record in their maiden first division campaign, placing Allan Oliver's side fourth in the table after five games.

It also firmly consigned Aycliffe's sour FA Cup defeat to the record books, and proved the top flight new boys can compete with some of the league's better teams.

The Blues were disappointed not to have taken maximum points from Heritage Park on Monday. Bishop should have been out of sight in the first-half, but went into the half-time break level at 1-1 after Andrew Johnson's spot-kick cancelled out Paul Broom's delightful sixth-minute chip.

The Two Blues' three-man back-line was unable to cope with Aycliffe's front four at times, but a mixture of a poor playing surface and an inspired performance from Peter Jeffries in the home-side's goal prevented Aycliffe from grabbing a winner.

Goals from Josh Gray and Ben Wood either side of the interval had the Newtonians in charge of last Saturday's encounter with Billingham Town, but experienced forward Micky Dunwell was allowed space and time in the box to halve the deficit.

Elliot Gardner superbly curled a left-footed effort into the roof of the net with three minutes remaining, but just 30 seconds later, substitute Craig Norman stabbed home at the back stick to set up a nail-biting finish.

The Billy Town victory came hot on the heels of Aycliffe's hard-fought win against Northern League giants Bedlington Terriers.

Terriers were for large parts the better side at Moore Lane Park, but Paul Broom's second-half goal ensured maximum points for the hosts and preserved their unbeaten start to life in the top flight.

Aycliffe entertain West Auckland at home this Friday night (September 2, 7.30pm kick-off). The game was a late re-arrangement due to FA Cup fixtures. They then have a trip to Norton next Wednesday night followed by four consecutive home games.

Out of School Club Visit Saltburn

In August the staff took the children from Woodham Burn Out of School Club to Saltburn on a day trip.

We left at 9 am on J&C Coaches and arrived at Saltburn at 10 am, so we had a full day ahead of us. We decided to visit the park to play with lots of fun things to do, big swings, slides and large see saws. Afterwards we walked back towards the beach and on the way sat down and enjoyed a drink of juice and a biscuit.

After a short walk to the beach, we set up a 'play area' for the day, with somewhere to sit, and have the chance to play with the bucket and spades, making lots of interesting sand castles. Some of the older children decided to bury each other.

We then all sat together and enjoyed some yummy chips and a drink, later

splitting into two groups so we could have a splash in the sea. It was a good job we all had brought a spare set of clothes, as we all got very wet.

After getting dried and changed, we tidied up all our belongings so we could all have an ice cream.

We thought it would be nice to have a ride on the miniature train, but unfortunately it decided to rain and thunder so all had to dash back to the coach.

The children had a lovely day and were very tired on the journey back to Newton Aycliffe. The club would like to thank J & C Coaches for their excellent service.

To find out more information about the club, arrange a visit or to book a place for your child during term time or in the school holidays contact Maureen or Sandra on 01325 300080.



Mining Art Exhibition



Coming to Greenfield Community and Arts Centre Gallery on Thursday 8th September is an exhibition of Mining Art from the Great Northern Coalfield. The exhibition is on loan from The Gemini Collection and includes work by artists such as Norman Cornish and Tom McGuinness. The Gallery is open Monday-Thursday 10am until 9pm & Friday 10am-4pm. Contact us on 01325 379048 or email info@greenfield-arts.co.uk

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The company which provides government-funded and commercial training has helped more than 120 young people, aged between 16 and 24, get into employment in the last year through their apprenticeship programmes. Its relocation to a new head office on Aycliffe Business Park is aimed to continue the success story. Part of the Peart Group of companies, initially supported the logistics sector in the North-East by providing qualifications and training.

But with training centres in Hartlepool, Sunderland, Leeds, Manchester and Preston, and its head office in Newton Aycliffe it now supports a range of industries including IT, business, industrial, health and social care, energy and



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LOTS OF MONEY COULD BE SAVED ON TRAVELLING EXPENSES

Dear Sir,
I took more than a passing interest when reading Arun M Chandran's comments on Cllr Warburton's letter on County Councillors expenses.

I noted he focussed on claims made by Independent Town Councillors, but perhaps Arun should have pointed out there are a few independent Town Councillors other than those on Great Aycliffe Independents Party and scarcely mentioned those expenses claimed by Labour or Lib Dems.

If he wishes to discuss the principle of claiming or not claiming by Councillors why stick with just those on the town? The recently leaked report called 'Refounding Labour' found its way into the Daily Mail showing Opposition Leader Ed Milliband's plans to force more than 5,000 Labour Councillors to hand over 7% of their 'wages' to stop party coffers running dry.

Nothing remarkable there you may think, it may be even a good thing perhaps, as those who refuse to pay will be thrown out of the Party. Labour's front bench team have called for an increase in councillor allowances, which would benefit the party with a similar increase of the new levy. All allowances are made from our Council tax bills.

Labour-led Durham County Council, which is axing 1,600 jobs, shutting three leisure centres and

considering closing 12 communal halls, paid £113,792 to its 126 elected members between April 2010 and March 2011.

I don't know what local public think about this, but the Great Aycliffe Independents feel that in the current economic climate the £6.3m in travel expenses paid to staff over the last 12 months at the rate of 43.5p per mile really indicates that savings could be made and not rises in council tax to pay for Ed Milliband's levy. Getting back to Mr. Chandran's point "The GAI could have made this a political issue by not claiming, but chose instead to claim and receive it." We would not make it a political issue for several reasons. I find it demeaning and insulting to assume that all town councillors are in work and financially independent, and can afford to forgo those expenses. £17 per week does not buy a lot of paper, ink or electricity for a computer, or buy postage stamps, pay telephone costs, as well as travelling to meetings. Mobile phones are only supplied to the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Labour Group.

His statement does not take into consideration that some hard working councillors could have very different financial circumstances or is Arun simply saying that only those people in work should be a town councillor? Kenneth Stubbs (Secretary, Great Aycliffe Independents Party.

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When it's Less Urgent Than 999 Call NHS 111

NHS County Durham and Darlington is reminding people how to access the right help and support if they fall ill or become injured.

People who take regular medication are also being urged to order any necessary repeat prescriptions and make sure they have enough supplies so that they do not run out when GP surgeries are closed.

The reminder comes in advance of bank holidays when your GP practice is closed.

There are lots of different ways people can access the right NHS service and make sure they get the right treatment, at the right time and place that is convenient for them. People are being urged to 'choose well' and select the most appropriate NHS service for the seriousness of their symptoms:

- NHS 111- call 111 when they need help fast, but it isn't a 999 emergency; you should call NHS 111 before you go to any other service. You will be directed to the most appropriate service for your healthcare needs. It is through this service that you would access your GP out of hours.

- **Self-care - for minor illnesses, combine over-the-counter medicines with plenty of rest**

- **Pharmacist/chemist - for advice on illnesses and the right medicines**

- **Accident and Emergency or 999 - only for critical or life-threatening situations.**

Berenice Groves, Deputy Director Unplanned Care for NHS County Durham and Darlington said: "For people in County Durham and Darlington it is easy to access healthcare over bank holidays.

People in County Durham and Darlington can dial 111 for non-emergency urgent care. Callers will be assessed by a team of highly trained call

handlers and then advised on the best course of action.

"People may be advised that they need to see their GP, or be given an appointment at their nearest urgent care centre. NHS County Durham and Darlington's urgent care service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week operating from centres staffed by GPs and highly skilled staff that are fully qualified in emergency and urgent care. "Wherever possible, the 111 team will transfer patients directly to the people they need to speak to. This might include an out-of-hours doctor, a district nursing team, an emergency dentist or a 24-hour chemist.

"Local people can really help to ease the burden on our emergency services by thinking carefully about accessing the most appropriate health service for their needs.

"People should always call 999 in a life-threatening emergency, but there are a host of other services available for people in County Durham and Darlington to access.

"By dialling 111, people will be able to reach a full range of local health services, including out-of-hours doctors, community nurses, emergency dental care and late opening chemists.

"We would urge people to think 'do I really need to dial 999 or visit my local A&E department?' By calling 111, they can receive the most appropriate treatment and allow the emergency services to concentrate on those most in need."

"Accident and Emergency should only be used for symptoms of serious illness such as choking, chest pain, blacking out and blood loss as well as accidents".

"It is really important that people who take regular prescribed medication are

urged to order any necessary repeat prescription to avoid running out over the holiday periods.

Berenice concluded that: "If you do run out of regular medication over holiday periods call NHS 111 who will arrange medication if it is urgently required. Please do not go to A&E."

Thank You

A BIG thank you to John Bellwood of Style School of Motoring for getting me through my driving test first time. Thanks, Katie Emmett

TO THE TAXI driver that helped me on 22 August at 8.45am approx when I fell over and for taking me to the doctors. Thanks, from Nora, a grateful pensioner

In Memoriam

KARMEN 30th August 2005. We miss you more than words can say. In our hearts you will always stay. Loved and remembered always. Mam, Dad, Nadine and David

KARMEN In our hearts you will always stay, loved and remembered every day. Precious memories. Love, Ronnie, Karen and family

UNAWRIGHT 2nd September. Time and events cannot change, the love and memories we always share. Thinking of you always. Julie, Dave, Anth, Bev and Shell

WRIGHT, Auntie Una. (Our Godmother). Always in our hearts. Love you always. Shaun, Kenzie, Joseph and Tilly xxx

UNA WRIGHT Thinking of you. Your friends at VoidServices xxx

STEPHEN RILEY 2-9-02. Loving memories of a dear Husband and Dad. Forever in our thoughts and hearts. Lots of love, Vicky, Megan and Alex xxx

CLIFFORD I have lost my soul's companion, a life linked with my own, and day by day I miss him more, as I walk through life alone. Dearly missed, your wife, Elsie

CLIFFY. Dad You are remembered in a very special way with sadness and devoted love today and every day. For all the sacrifices that you made so selflessly, for your humour, strength and kindness and unfailing dignity. The emptiness still in my heart will never go away. But I fill it with happy memories and always will they stay. Love never fades. Beverley xxx

CLIFFY Grandad your life was full of loving deeds, forever thoughtful of our needs. Today and tomorrow, our whole lives through, we will always love and cherish you. Grandchildren Victoria, Matthew, Chloe, Billy and Lewis xxxxx

CLIFFY. Fondly remembered in our hearts, loved and cherished today and always. Your loving Son-in-Laws, Graham and Wym DAD. Gone are the days we used to share, but in my heart you are always there. I think of you, you feel so near. A thought, a smile a silent tear. So loved, so missed, so very dear. I miss you Dad and in some small way memories of you fill my every day. Love always, Marie xxx

FRED PROUD Treasured memories of a very much loved Husband, Dad and Grandad. Loved always and sadly missed by all. Jeannie and family

Birthday Remembrance

Lee Smith
7th September



Happy Birthday

Happy birthday my love. Another birthday is here and it gets no easier. You are in our hearts and minds constantly. We love and miss you forever. Mam and Dad

LEE SMITH Happy Birthday. 7th September. Happy birthday young 'un. Love you and miss you always, Karl

LEE SMITH 7th September 1973. Another birthday without you Lee. And although you are no longer here, I know you are always no more than just a thought away from us all. Miss you every day. Love, Debbie, Paul and Connor xxx

SHEILA TWOHIG 1-9-41. We miss you so much. Thinking of you today on your birthday. We love you, Sue, Martin, Nats, Liam and Chloe xxxxx

SHEILA TWOHIG, 1/9/41 to 29/1/11. Remembering my wife on her 70th birthday, everyday in my thoughts, Mike.

SHEILA TWOHIG. Remembering the best Mam, Gran and Great Gran on her 70th birthday, 1st September. No words can express how much we all miss her, forever in our thoughts. Carol and family x

DEMI HESLOP Today is your 5th birthday and although we cannot be together you will stay in Mammy's heart forever. Happy 5th birthday baby girl. Miss and love you so so much. Love always and forever, Mammy xxx

DEMI HESLOP 01-09-2006. To our special Sister Demi, it's now your 5th birthday and it's again away. If I could bring you back that would be my first wish today. Your giggles and smiles made me laugh away. The day you went broke my heart. I can't bear how much longer we have to be apart. One day we will meet again, I promise that is what I can promise you. Happy birthday Demi. Love you forever and a day. Love, Shannon, Daniel and Megan xxx

DEMI HESLOP My sweet little angel. Hold you in my hands forever, you are my little sunshine. Love you with all my heart. Daniel (age 8) xxx

DEMI HESLOP 1-9-2006. 5 today. We call upon the angels to deliver a special wish, Along with a big "we love you" a great big hug and a kiss. Love you, Grandma and Grandpa xxxxx

DEMI HESLOP 1-9-2006. Little niece up above, sending you all our love, 5 today. Auntie Glennis, Uncle Bill and Uncle John xxx

DEMI HESLOP 1-9-2006. God bless you on your 5th birthday. Love you. Great Gran xxx

DEMI HESLOP 1-9-2006. Thinking of you on your 5th birthday Angel. All our love, Auntie Annette and Uncle John xxx

Congratulations & Birthdays

SHANNON WILLIAMS Congratulations Shannon on passing your exams, we are so proud of you. Love you lots, Mam and Dave xxx

SHANNON WILLIAMS Well done on your exam results. I'm very proud of you. Knew you would do well. Love you lots, Nicola xxx

SHANNON WILLIAMS Congratulations little Sis on passing your exams. Love, Wayne and kids xxx

SHANNON WILLIAMS Well done on your great exam results. Love, Denise, Steve and kids xxx

STACEY DICKINSON Happy 21st Stacey, love n stuff, Gary, Mandy, Danny, Eddy, Irene, Address, John, Chloe, Eddy, Samantha and James xxx

JUNE YOUNG Happy 50th birthday, 2nd September 2011. Have a brilliant day Smiler. Lots of love, Michael xxxxx

JUNE YOUNG Happy 50th birthday. Lots of love, Mam xxxxx

JUNE YOUNG Happy 50th birthday. Lots of love, Stephanie, Ian, Benjamin, Ava, Caroline and David xxx

TRENT JUNIOR KELL Happy 1st birthday, my little man. Love, Grandma

TRENT JUNIOR KELL Happy 1st birthday to our little star. Love, Great Grandma and Great Grandad

TRENT JUNIOR KELL Happy 1st birthday. Love, Auntie Stacey and Uncle Richard

TRENT JUNIOR KELL Our Son is 1 today. Happy birthday to our little man. Love, Mammy and Daddy

SOPHIE SWORDS-LEE Happy 4th birthday. Lots of love, Daddy, Mammy, Tessa and Baby Bump X X X

SOPHIE SWORDS-LEE Happy Birthday. Lots of love, Grandparents, Poppy and Lilly and Silly Potato X X X

STEBBINGS, Mam and Syd, happy 25th Wedding Anniversary. Love your Louise and Kev

STEBBINGS, Nanna and Grandad, happy 25th Wedding Anniversary. Love from Ellie-Louise

HAPPY 13th Birthday Keeley, on 5th September. You are a lovely Daughter and a great Sister. Enjoy your teenage years. With lots of love, Dad, Mum and Jamie

MATTHEW ATKINSON Happy 18th birthday. Have a great day. Love from Dad, Linda, Ellis, Beth and Lucy

STUART ISAAC Happy 50th birthday. Have a good one, you deserve it. Love, Mum and all the family

STUART ISAAC Happy 50th birthday Dad. Lots of love, Ashley and Stuart

STUART ISAAC Happy 50th Stuart. Love from Auntie Ann, Uncle Bobby and the family from Scotland

ROSIE Well done on your exam results. We are all very proud of you. Love, Nana, Mam and David xxx

RYAN HUGHES 1st September. Happy 12th birthday. Even if we don't see you, we will never forget. Love you. Grandma and Nanna Hughes

HESLOP Happy 13th birthday on 5th September to our beautiful Granddaughter Keeley. Just the start of your teenage years. Have fun, we love you very much. Nana and Grandad xxx

JUNE YOUNG Happy 50th birthday June. Love, Mary, David, Louise and Family xxx

ROMAN WETHERIDGE Happy 5th birthday big lad (30th August). Love you so much, from Mum, Dad, Danni and Coley xxx

JACOB REED Happy 1st birthday on 6th September. Lots of love and kisses, Nanna and Grandad Reed xxx

Stuart Findlay



Congratulations on achieving your BA (Hons) in Humanities with History. Love from Wendy, Dylan and Scarlet

Emma Collier



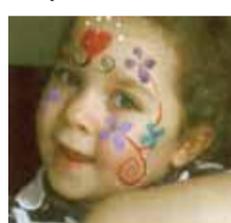
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MATTHEW ATKINSON

18th Birthday

Happy birthday Matthew Sunday 4th September Enjoy your night out with your mates. Love from Nan and Grandad Ramsay and all the family

Sophie Swords Lee



Happy 4th Birthday

Happy birthday to our precious girl. Love, hugs and kisses from Grandma and Grandpa Wild, Uncle Carl, Auntie Khin and Cousin Logan xxxxx

TRACY BALDWIN

Happy Birthday

Happy birthday for 5th September. Have a great weekend. Love you loads, Dave, David and Michelle xxxxxxxxxxxxx

Births

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David Turgoose, who was playing his final game for Aycliffe before moving away from the area to start a new job, was given the honour of captaining the side for the day. His brief tenure as captain got off to a good start when he won the toss and asked the homeside to bat first.

Left arm spin bowler Luke Telford bowled superbly for Aycliffe taking four wickets for just 14 runs from his 12 over spell, which took him to 50 wickets for the season and in doing so, the all rounder joined a select band of Aycliffe cricketers who have achieved the special feat of 500 runs and fifty wickets in the same season.

Veteran Alan Mitchie mopped up the tail in emphatic fashion taking five wickets for just six runs as Stanhope were bundled out for just 72 runs after 39.5 overs. Despite losing both openers cheaply, Aycliffe hurried to victory after 21.1

overs thanks to unbeaten innings from Chris Palmer (35 not out) and Graham Telford (21 not out).

The club's final second team match of the season at home to Belmont was postponed due to a water-logged ground and the under 11's big day hosting the semi-final and final of the league cup was also ruined by the weather and a provisional new date has been set for Sunday 4th September at 10.30am.

Under 15's Football Team Vacancies

NAJFC Under 14's and Under 15's are looking for more team players ready for the forthcoming 2011/2012 season.

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Baseball Growing in Aycliffe



The town's Spartans Baseball team have their first friendly game against West Midlands Razorbacks and Birmingham Maple Leafs in a 1 day tournament on 2nd October. They wish to thank Greenfield College for the use of their training grounds and Colin McNeillie for team photos. If anyone else would like to help out and support the team they are more than welcome as we are looking to develop children's teams in the town and at the Youth Centre. If any one would like to come for a go at baseball, softball then pop along to training at Greenfield - either Thursday 6-8pm or Sunday morning 10am-1pm. Contacts: 07772

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Aycliffe Father Fights Son in Boxing Bout

Lee Smith from Newton Aycliffe was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident in June 2007. His memorial Boxing Show is now in its 5th year, growing in attendance year on year. The show is a tribute to Lee's contribution to the sport as he achieved:

- 2 British Light Middleweight Titles - Thai Boxing
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- World Championship - ranked 4th, Thai Boxing
- European Championship - ranked 2nd, Thai Boxing

This is a large event, and was a 'sell out' in 2010. It consists of 12-15 fights throughout the day with local fighters and contenders from Dublin, Cork, Liverpool, Leeds and Carlisle. The show will feature a sponsored bout between father and son, Gary and Reece McAllister from Newton Aycliffe which will no doubt be a war which is not be missed.

The event is staged at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre on Sunday 4th September. Thai food will be on sale all day food and may also be purchased by centre users. There will also be two Thai Boxing equipment retailers and a nutrition supplement supplier on the day.

Proceeds from the show will go to the Lee Smith Trust which aims to support and promote Thai boxing in the North East of England. The Trusts further education and training of Thai boxing students with grants and donations to individuals and clubs/associations and to make donations to charitable organisations.

Tickets are on sale from the Leisure Centre up to and including the day of the event at a cost of £25 per adult or £15 for under 14's. There are a limited number of ringside tickets available, and if you are interested please email lozinoz51@hotmail.com Further details of the show and past shows can be found at www.theleesmithtrust.co.uk

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