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British Legion Help Demolition Day Draw



The Charity Night & Demolition Day Draw held at the British Legion Club was well attended and the town's Rotary Club wish to thank the Management, members and staff for providing the use of the premises and for their kind assistance and co-operation on the night.

They provided the musical entertainment with two great singing acts, who gave their services free of charge. The Committee members helped with the organisation and the Bingo game. It was fantastic value for money at only £5 a ticket which included the scrumptious home-made pie and peas supper by Amanda the Legion Restaurant cook.

The draw was made by President of the Rotary Club Jean Thompson and our Member of Parliament Phil Wilson. The main prize of a 42" T.V. donated by Tesco was won by Mrs Lavety of Honister Place. She was delighted to win and looks forward to the other bit of her prize taking part in the demolition of our Town Centre.

Another lucky winner of a £125 Specsavers Voucher was Mrs. Brenda Firkbank of Lilburn Crescent. The Rotary Club wish to thank Tesco for their generosity and all those shops who donated prizes for the draw, not forgetting



all who supported it by buying tickets. The amount raised is not yet finalised, but proceeds will be divided between the town's four charity shops and the Rotary Club's Charity Fund.

Camera Shy Councillor

County Council Cabinet member Councillor Nicholls is annoyed that a photograph of him receiving a petition from residents of Shafto House was printed in Newton News last week.

He wishes to make it clear he gave specific instructions that no photographs should be

FACTORY BURGLAR NEARLY KILLED HIMSELF

An 18-year-old from Darlington was found on fire in disused premises as a group of youths tried to steal live electrical cable. He suffered burns to his body which were said at first to be life threatening but the youth is now stable.

The incident happened about 2pm on Saturday, June 5th, at Durham Structures, Hilton Road, Newton Aycliffe. A second man, 19, also from Darlington, was arrested, interviewed by officers and released on bail.

The Police said: the young man could have died and He will have to live with the consequences of his crime for the rest of his life.

There have been a number of these types of burglaries recently and the Police emphasise the thieves are putting their lives in danger.

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PACT Meeting Public & Community Together

Thursday 10th June at Neville Methodist Church 6-30pm to 8-00pm.

This is an informal discussion with the Police and local partners to resolve problems where you live.

The next PACT Meeting at Simpature Court Coffee Lounge is on Tuesday 15th June from 6-30pm to 8-00pm.

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Councillors Attendance Record 2009/10

The list below gives the attendance record of Great Aycliffe Town Councillors for the year 2009/10. It shows the number of meetings attended from the number of meetings held where they were expected to attend.

Name	Actual/Possible
Bambridge, S.	25 41
Blenkinsopp, B.	45 46
Bowman, Mrs. D.	41 51
Bowman, T.R.	34 40
Clare, Mrs. B.A.	24 38
Clare, J.D.	32 42
Crosby, V.	46 47
Curtis, B.	42 43
Dalton, Mrs. M.	39 46
Ducker, P.	43 45
Fleming, R.S.	41 45
Gittins, P.	24 45
Gray, G.C.	49 54
Gray, G.R.	18 39
Gray, I.	39 40
Gray, Mrs. J.	34 40
Haigh, B.	41 46
Haigh, Mrs. S.	29 40
Hall, B.	44 54
Henderson, K.	44 47
Hewitson, Mrs. I.	20 38
Hogan, T.	30 40
Hutchinson, H.J.	10 46
Iveson, M.	42 49
Iveson, Mrs. S.J.	41 49
Iveson, W.	34 42
Palmer, Mrs. A.	35 38
Paylor, Mrs. E.M.	32 38
Raw, Mrs. V.M.	34 42
Warburton, A.	35 40

AYCLIFFE FIRM WINS AWARD

Newton Aycliffe based PWS has won the prestigious 2010 national Grand Designs best kitchen award. The fantastic news was revealed at the recent Grand Designs glittering awards ceremony, where Kevin McCloud presented the coveted accolade in the form of a striking metallic trophy. The Award comes just a year after PWS celebrated its landmark centenary, a fitting tribute to the company's legacy of innovation and achievement.

The Grand Designs best kitchen category included both modular and bespoke design entries and attracted many high-profile and respected brands. Other short-listed finalists were Philippe Starck, Poliform, Arclinea, Binova and Alno. The winning appeal of the Wave Curve® is that it achieves what historically has been a bespoke product, but is in fact ingeniously created from a modular 1200mm curved system. This ensures Wave Curve® carries an unexpected level of versatility and is surprisingly affordable. The system has also achieved registered design status. Metris is available from a network of approved and exclusive kitchen specialists nationwide.

Over 500 entries were received across the 12 home and product award categories, which were considered by a rigorous judging process. The panel of experts read like a 'who's who of design' - a 17-strong team including Channel 4's 'Restoration Man' George Clarke, Sebastian Conran, Wayne Hemingway and Orla Kiely.

Comments Barry Stubbs, Design Manager at PWS, 'To be ranked alongside such formidable competition was an honour in itself but to have won overall is simply overwhelming. It's less than a year since the Metris®



brand was launched to the consumer so such recognition is incredibly rewarding. Metris® is our most adventurous and dynamic product yet, it's a premium contemporary kitchen range, which competes squarely with the leading German and Italian brands but offers all quality, design and service benefits of being available from a British supplier. The Award is testament to all the hard work, expertise and dedication of the team behind the collection and we should all be very proud of this remarkable achievement. Following a £10m investment program, PWS commissioned a state-of-the-art granite manufacturing facility in August 2008, leading to new employment opportunities with the company and strengthening the workforce

to over 250. A fundamental element of PWS' ongoing success and longevity is its Second Nature kitchen brand. Marketed through a national network of over 200 independent kitchen specialists the collection offers over 50 modern and classic furniture designs with widespread appeal. To view the Metris® collection visit www.metriskitchens.co.uk or the Second Nature collection at www.sncollection.co.uk Kevin McCloud with Barry Stubbs and Jill Lundberg from PWS and the Grand Designs award-winning kitchen.

SUGAR HILL SCHOOL MOVING FORWARD

Dear Sir,
Sugar Hill Primary School recently hosted a team of eight Ofsted inspectors! I am very happy to report that we are now classified as a 'good' school, moving forward from our previous 'satisfactory' status.

This improvement is testament to the hard, dedicated work, so skilfully carried out by ALL within the school. Sugar Hill has a loving, caring environment; being at the very heart of our town, in more ways than one.

Particular praise needs to be given to the Head, Mrs Cumming - as well as her dedicated teaching

staff - who have worked so tirelessly to make the school, fit for purpose. Her dynamism has transmitted itself to all who work within the school, including office and ancillary staff.

We are a community and everyone has had their part to play in this continuing success. May I finally pay tribute to the vibrant, challenging role played by Lyn Swift, Chairman of Governors. Her endeavours, like those of the Head, have been pivotal in this success story. Thank you, Derek G Atkinson, Vice-Chairman, Governors, Sugar Hill Primary School.

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Wednesday 7th July 2010

Environment Committee - 7.15pm

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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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Saturday 12th June - "Thyn Lizzy"

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Saturday 19th June - "Reload"

'From the start this band had a big impact, great audience participation and from here on in singing along and arm waving was the order of the day. Sound wise, this was as good as it gets, the mix being spot on and with a crowd determined to enjoy the last day of the holidays it made for a great combination. So we are in to the 1st set and it was a good mix of material, Free Bill Withers, Alanis Myles, Pink Floyd, Whitesnake, Mott the Hoople, Billy Idol, Thin Lizzy and Guns n Roses. I've seen this band 6 times over the last couple of years and I've got to say they were on fire today, excellent all round' Teen rock page review - www.reloadonline.co.uk

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PCP CELEBRATIONS GET UNDERWAY



Local charity PCP will be hosting a fortnight of fun filled, free activities from Monday 7 June – Friday 18 June to celebrate the official launch of the Pioneering Care Centre's new extension. The highlight of the event will be a Summer Fayre, which will take place on Saturday 12th June from 10am – 3pm at the Pioneering Care Centre.

The day will be action packed with free activities and entertainment for all the family. From face painters to balloonists and a magician to arts and crafts sessions, dancing and football skills with Sunderland Association Football Club (SAFC) Foundation. There will also be performances from local musicians including Greenfield School's steel pan band, a market and exhibitions. With free sessions in the hydrotherapy pool, relaxing with a complementary therapy or beauty treatment, getting up and going for it at an exercise class or taking part in an adult or community learning course, people can enjoy all this and more for free this June. The event was organised to celebrate the completion of a new £1.2 million extension

at the Pioneering Care Centre on Carers Way in Newton Aycliffe, which was mainly funded by a grant from the Community Assets Programme. The extension includes an activity and therapy suite to help people to improve their health and wellbeing, as well as Employability Centre of Excellence providing additional training and IT facilities to help people to develop their skills to move into employment, training or volunteering. Jane Hartley, Chief Executive of PCP, commented: "PCP has eagerly anticipated the launch of the Employability Centre of Excellence at the Pioneering Care Centre for over two years now and it is exciting to finally be able to invite members of the public to come along and enjoy what we now have to offer. As a result of the new development PCP will be able to continue to deliver services both in the local community and across County Durham, Darlington and beyond for many years to come."

The centre, which is run by registered charity, PCP, currently provides a number of facilities for people of all ages and abilities to improve their health and wellbeing at affordable prices including a hydrotherapy pool, therapies and treatments, lifestyle and exercise classes and a programme of adult and community learning courses. The centre also provides rooms and facilities for hire by other organisations and offers discounted rates to voluntary groups. For more information on any of the services or activities based at the Pioneering Care Centre in Newton Aycliffe, please contact 01325 321 234 or visit www.pcp.uk.net

Club Trip to Germany & Isle of Wight

New Friends New Places meet every Tuesday 2pm at the Navy Club, Burnhill Way. Our monthly Sunday Lunch/Mystery Tour. is on 27th June, ring J.C Coaches 01325 312705 to book. Line Dancing once a month, Bingo and Quizzes. One of our most popular activities is Armchair Aerobics using Tambourines, Maracas etc. We all like to singalong to the music and everyone (even the shy) enjoy the session. Once you have been you will wonder why you didn't join ages ago. 10 of our members are going to the Isle of Wight at the end of June.

7 of our ladies are going to Germany to visit a similar group to exchange ideas. This is being arranged by Durham County Council International Department but paying for everything ourselves. Ring Dorothy on 308094 for further details.

Stroke Victim Holds Charity Night

A lot of people, including Angela Walton of Lisle Road, have the impression that strokes only affect the

elderly. How wrong she was in November 2009 when she turned 40 and then on the following Boxing Day she suffered a stroke.

High blood pressure caused a clot on her brain that resulted in losing movement on her left side. She spent some time in hospital but with superb medical and physiotherapy help and the love and support of family and friends, she was able to walk again, although not yet fully recovered.

Her mother in law, has recently become Mayor of Chilton and has kindly chosen The Stroke Association as her main charity for her year of office. There are to be a number of events with the first on Friday 25th June 7pm at Chilton WMC.

"We want to make this night to be a big kick start to the year's fundraising and we have a fabulous singer lined up to entertain us with the award winning "Remember When" and "Reflections" A raffle will also be held with all proceeds from the night going to the charity.

If you wish to purchase a ticket for the night or provide any donations or items for the raffle please contact Angela on 01325 301353 or purchase tickets



direct from Chilton Club or Chilton Council Office. Any local businesses/shops that wish to donate any items towards the raffle would also be a great help.

Angela said: "A stroke devastates lives and compared to other charities The Stroke Association receives very little help however a lot is now being done to bring the symptoms and effects of stroke to the forefront of the media. I also now want to give a little bit back to thank them for the after care that they have shown me. I'm lucky, I'm one of those that survived. Please come along to support this worthy cause and help towards research that will help others in the future".

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Pond Dipping – 18th July
This will be held between 2pm and 4 pm. Equipment will be provided.

A great opportunity for the young at heart to discover the wonderful and complex life in and around the pond. There will be a 50p charge to cover refreshments.

Minibeasts – 15th August
Come along and hunt for Minibeasts from 2pm till 4pm. Equipment will be provided.

There will be a 50p cover charge for refreshments. Join us in sweeping and beating the undergrowth to discover the varied life to be found there.

Family BBQ – 5th September

Come along and enjoy yourself at this our annual BBQ, one of the highlights of the year. Bring friends and family, there will be NO CHARGE for this event. We look forward to seeing you there. Website at <http://anpwex.clubbz.com>

School Club Create Garden



The children, staff volunteers at Woodham Burn out of School Club have worked very hard over the past few months, creating a new garden

area. The club is hoping that the new garden will attract wildlife and nature to the area, for the children to explore.

When starting the area the older children created a boarder using logs. The children worked very hard digging the soil so that the logs would stay in place. The logs will be moved in a year or two, once the garden is fully established.

The children then helped to plan the garden and plant a variety of plants, shrubs, bushes and flowers.

Over the next few weeks we will be re-planting the wildflowers and sunflowers, which Steve Cooper from the

eco centre helped us to plant, in the Easter holidays. The flowers will add colour to the garden and attract bees and butterflies.

In the garden we have also included bird baths, bird feeders, habitats for butterflies, bird boxes and a lady bird habitat, which will hopefully attract wildlife into the area. Thanks to everyone involved in helping the club to create this beautiful garden. For more information about the club, arrange a visit, or to book a place for your child, during term time (drop offs and pick ups available) or school holidays, please call Kendra on 300080.

Social Events at St. Andrew's

June 26th, BBQ in the Village Hall from - 6.30pm. Tickets £5, this includes a free glass of wine and the main meal. Sweets £1.00. Concessionary free.

July 18th, Sunday - 2pm till 5pm. Strawberry teas by the river in Aycliffe Village weather permitting, otherwise in the village hall. Teas £3, can pay at door or tickets available from Dawn or Alan.

September 3-5th, Flowers and Crafts. Preview Friday 3rd September at 7pm. Tickets £5, to include entertainment, refreshments and programme. Viewing times: Saturday 4th 10 am - 4pm. Sunday 5th - 12noon - 4pm Admission by programme £2, to include Tea/Coffee & Biscuits

If you would like to sponsor a flower display or give a donation towards the cost of the flowers, please contact Revd. Julie 320278 or Dawn 300040. Thank you for your support.

September 26th Harvest Festival

September 27th Children's Harvest Festival - 9am, Harvest Supper and Auction - 7pm in the School Hall.

November 30th Patronal Festival - 6.30pm

December 8th Brancepeth and Aycliffe Brass Band, Christmas Music and Readings - 7pm. Programme £2, this includes light refreshments.

Petition to Save Shafto House Delivered



The 3000 name Petition to save Shafto House has been handed over to the Leader of the Town Council Bob Fleming who will see it is delivered to Durham County Council. Town Councillors have shown unanimous support not only to retain Shafto House, but expand its service to provide a Care Centre for the elderly in Newton Aycliffe.

Syd Howarth Editor of Newton News, shown giving the forms to Bob, asked Brian Stephens our local County Councillor and member of the Cabinet to accept the petition, but despite two requests he failed to respond.

Syd commented: "I believe 3000 signatures is a significant number of residents to show an objection and I hope the County Council give serious consideration to their opinion."

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The play which featured a cast of two, Nichola Brodhurst as Crystal and Dean Brennan as Eddie. Through their talent and commitment they pulled off not one but, five perfect performances.

Together they captivated the audience for two hours as they took them on an hilarious journey from a simple phone call to very funny bedroom behaviour to a heart felt ending, as they sought to find the spark of love at a shabby seaside hotel.

Those who saw it witnessed a unique event for our town,

many of which left the show overwhelmed by its level of pure entertainment and heart warming finish.

Showing support for the production was Mayor Dorothy Bowman and Revd. Linda Potter who attended the Saturday night performance, and like many others were very pleased and satisfied with the overall quality of the production, as this was unlike anything else staged before in Newton Aycliffe and was certainly a great night out. Those who missed it truly missed out. A BIG thank you to all those involved...you know who you are!

Watch out for the next production 'A Kick in the Baubles' a festive comedy by Gordon Steel. Coming this Christmas at St. Clare's Church. Christmas will never be the same again!

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Chelsea Goalkeeper Ross Turnbull Supports Home Town

A pair of John Terry's match-worn boots are up for grabs in a special auction this summer. Former Boro player and Newtonian Ross Turnbull has joined forces with his hometown club to help raise funds.

Ross, who joined Chelsea last summer, has hauled together a range of stunning memorabilia to go into a special World Cup auction to raise cash for Aycliffe, who finished ninth in their inaugural Northern League second division campaign last season.

Also included in the 'Ross

Turnbull World Cup Auction' is an England shirt signed by Frank Lampard, an Ivory Coast shirt signed by Didier Drogba and Solomon Kalou, an England shirt signed by Lampard, Terry, Joe Cole and Ashley Cole, a Germany shirt signed by Michael Ballack and a France shirt signed by Nicolas Anelka and Florent Malouda.

"I've been following Aycliffe's Northern League season and I'm keen to see them do well," said the 25-year-old. "If I can do my bit by collecting a few shirts for an auction then that's



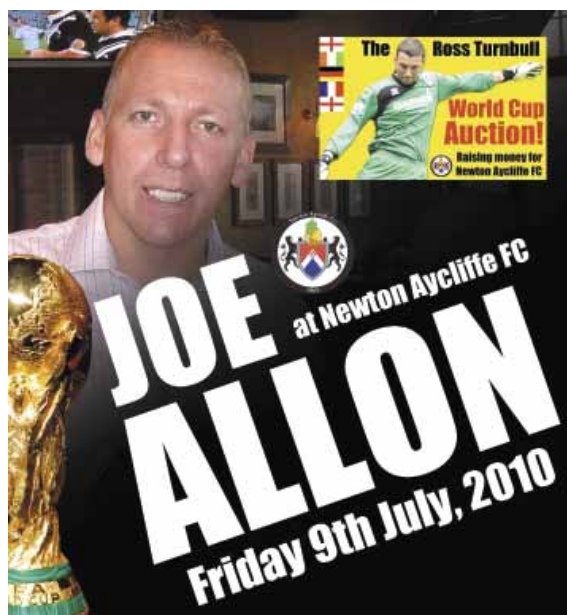
great, and hopefully it will be a big success."

The auction will be held at Aycliffe's World Cup Pie & Peas Supper, with ex-Newcastle, Hartlepool and Chelsea player Joe Allon the guest speaker along with comedian Terry Joyce, on Friday July 9 - just

two days before the World Cup Final.

Tickets for the dinner cost £20 each, which includes a Pie & Peas Supper, and tables of eight are available. The dress code is casual. Call or text John Gaskarth on 07590 925469 or email gaskarth@msn.com

Joe Allon to Star at Aycliffe!



Well-known former North-East footballer Joe Allon will star at a World Cup dinner at Newton Aycliffe this summer.

The 43-year-old Geordie, who was in the same Newcastle team as Paul Gascoigne which won the FA Youth Cup in 1985, is set to talk at the event just two days before the World Cup Final in July.

Allon, who went on to become a legend at Hartlepool, and side-splitting comedian Terry Joyce will form the

entertainment at the Pie & Peas supper on Friday July 9 at Aycliffe Sports Club.

Organiser Martin Walker said: "Joe is well known as a former player in the North-East but is also very well known on the circuit of speakers and is one of the best."

"He tells some very funny stories about Gazza and the several people he's come across in football over the years and also tells a few gags as well, while Terry Joyce has also been on the circuit for a long time and is hilariously funny."

Tickets for the dinner on Friday July 9 cost £20 each, which includes a Pie & Peas Supper, and tables of eight are available. The dress code is casual.

For tickets call or text John Gaskarth on 07590 925469 or email gaskarth@msn.com or visit www.newtonaycliffefc.co.uk

Summer Fair

Sugar Hill School are holding their Annual Summer Fair on Saturday 19th June from 10am - 12 noon.

Lots of stalls, games, including Tobola, cake, plants etc. Everyone welcome.

FOOTBALLERS versus CRICKETERS

Newton Aycliffe's senior football and cricket players went head-to-head in a 'just for fun' exhibition match last weekend. Aycliffe Cricket club's first team ran out comfortable winners against Allan Oliver's footy side at Moore Lane.

The cricketers, captained by Chairman Ian Palmer, scored a total of 157 runs from 20 overs in the game last Sunday, while the footballers, captained by Mark Wood, were skittled out for 79 following some dubious umpiring decisions.

The two sides plan to hold a 're-match', but switching the sport to football, some time soon at Moore Lane Park.

Ian, pictured with Mark, said: "It was great fun and there was lots of good-hearted banter between the two sides and everyone really enjoyed it."

"We look forward to the re-match when we'll take them on at their game! It was a questionable win for the cricketers - we had four big, big calls for wickets ignored by the umpire, who then didn't hesitate with the finger when it came to our batsman!"

"But joking aside, it was a great day all round. It was an excellent demonstration of how the different sections within the Sports Club can work together and have fun together, so well done to everyone involved." www.aycliffe-sports-club.org.uk



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GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICES OF MEETINGS

Wednesday 23rd June 2010
Special Policy & Resources Committee
7.15pm

QUESTION TIME

A period of up to 10 minutes has been set aside for electors 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.

EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that: An extra-ordinary meeting of the Town Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe on:

Wednesday 23rd June 2010
Immediately following the
Special Policy & Resources Committee Meeting

Items on the Agenda:

- (i) To confirm the minutes of the Special Policy and Resources Committee.
- (ii) To receive the Annual Audit Plan 2009/10 from the Audit Commission.

Agendas/Reports are available on the Council's Website on the Friday afternoon preceding the meeting (www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk)

The Press and Public are cordially invited to attend.

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The event costs £17.95 per person with half price tickets for children under 12.

"This really is a fantastic way for families to celebrate Fathers' Day in a great setting and to enjoy a first class lunch along with a real opportunity to see behind the scenes at St James' Park," said Colin Perkins, catering services director at Sodexo Prestige which runs the catering and events operation at NUFC.

The Fathers' Day lunch is being held on Sunday June 20. Further information is available by visiting www.nufc.co.uk or by calling 0191 201 8525.

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Local Kids Magazine Celebrates 1st Birthday

Get Set Kids magazine based in Newton Aycliffe are about to celebrate their successful first year in business.

Started by two Newton Aycliffe mums, Emma Ord and Ally Mendelsohn, Get Set Kids is a glossy colour magazine distributed free of charge three to four times a year to 10,000 primary school children across County Durham and on a download from the website, www.getsetkids.co.uk.

Neither Emma nor Ally came from a business background but having a "can-do" attitude and passion for their product has meant Get Set Kids is going from strength to strength.

Get Set Kids' ethos is to get families out and active, learning and playing together in their local communities and supporting the businesses and venues in those communities.



Their aim is to be a valuable and inspirational addition to family life in County Durham and they always source anything they need for the business within the local area, helping businesses promote their services to the family market via the magazine.

During their first year Emma and Ally have gained the backing of the extended schools co-ordinators in County Durham, who organise out of school activities across the area and now have their own feature page in each issue.

This has been facilitated by

Get Set Kids being not purely a commercial venture, but by having a social/community aim at its heart.

On average 50% of the magazines produced are given to local charities, local and national campaigns including Durham County Council's Walk to School and Healthy Schools Project, interesting and educational editorials, and interviews with inspirational people.

They have also gained the support of TFM Radio's Wake Up With Wayne breakfast show - Amy McConnell from the show has her own column in the magazine and they run regular on-air competitions.

Get Set Kids Summer issue, due out in July, promises to be the best yet with some fantastic celebrity interviews, competitions, events calendar and loads of idea for what to do and where to go with the kids in the Summer holidays. Don't miss it!

Married on Board Ship



On 22nd May 2010 Alysia Beth Jenkins married William James Hyde on board H.M.S. Trincamalee at Hartlepool Historic Quay. The bridesmaids were her cousins Susan Birch, Emma and Aimi Smith, Sarah Firth and Emily Boyd along with William's niece Lucy Hyde. Susan's daughter Charlotte was a Flower Girl and Will's brother Paul was Best Man.. The guests arrived in two coaches from Aycliffe and Darlington and were given a "Magical Mystery Tour" by Garnett's Coaches to the Reception at the Lotus Garden Restaurant on the Marina where everybody had a great time.

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PERSONNEL SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING
Notice is hereby given that:-
A meeting of the Personnel Sub-Committee of the Town Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe on:
WEDNESDAY, 16th JUNE 2010
at 7.15pm
The Press and Public are cordially invited to attend.
"The Public Entrance to the Council Chamber will be open 30 minutes prior to the commencement of meetings".
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11 length swim, immediately followed by a 1500m distance run. Woodham was represented in each of the four team categories and as well as team successes, there were some outstanding individual performances along the way. In the Year 7 and 8 girls event Rhiannon Foulds, Jen Lerner and Chloe Farley showed superb fitness and skill to battle it out for individual 1st, 2nd and 3rd places respectively, ensuring that, along with their teammates Georgia Leybourne and Jessica Longmire, they also won the team event.

The Year 7 and 8 boys team could not quite match the success of the girls team and instead came a respectable 3rd place in the team event, with Callum Bradbury and Richie Howe narrowly missing out on individual placings. The Year 9 and 10 girls event saw an excellent team performance with Pentathlon athlete Lucy Corner, alongside Ellen Willson and Abbie Avery, finishing in 2nd, 3rd and 4th places respectively, ensuring that with teammates Georgina Howson and Hannah Job, they once again won the team event. Finally, a sterling performance by Ryan Farley to take 3rd individual place in the Year 9 and 10 boys event. Strong performances by Chris Armstrong, Jak Rasmussen and Andrew Laverick saw the team take the 1st place team position.

Preparations are underway for the Annual Great Aycliffe Show, to take place on Saturday and Sunday 28 and 29 August on the Showground, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe. This year's Great Aycliffe Show, organised by Great Aycliffe Town Council, is guaranteed to beat the recession, with a wide variety of competitions, displays and entertainment to please the whole family – and admission is free, the only charge is £1 per car if you wish to park. The 'A Factor' in the Playhouse Marquee will find the area's most talented singer or group of vocalists. The Playhouse Marquee will also host a range of local performers including popular local dance groups, bands and singers and a steel pan group. There will also be magic shows and mini discos for smaller children in this marquee. Arena entertainment will feature the Action Entertainments Stunt Team, Dingle Fingle's Clowntown Crimewatch, Teesdale Flyball, Prince Phillip Mounted Games and Square Bashing courtesy of VERA a WWII re-enactment group. A variety of other competitions will be held over the show weekend. One of the most popular with visitors is the Durham County and Darlington Fire and Rescue Brigade competition, where teams from fire stations in the area compete against each other to rescue a 'casualty' from a realistically-staged road traffic collision. For those who enjoy sport, the Great Aycliffe Show Golf Tournament, sponsored by Hays Travel, will take place on the Saturday and the very popular Five-a-Side Football Knockout, sponsored by Co-

operative Funeralcare, is open to youngsters up to age 10. For the animal lovers, there will be lots of rabbits competing on the Sunday. If you ever wondered just how to make a start with crochet, flower arranging or tatting, make your way to the Craft Marquee where you can watch demonstrations of these arts. A funfair will provide thrilling rides for those who dare, while the smaller children might prefer the Punch and Judy show and free face painting for the children who have watched the show. The Trade Marquee has a variety of stalls featuring everything from radiator covers to unusual jewellery. In addition, there will be many different traders around

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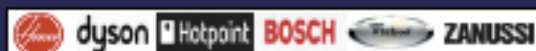
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RICHARD REAVLEY 7th June. Peacefully at home, Richard of Newton Aycliffe, aged 74 years, much missed friend of Michael and George. Friends please meet for Funeral Service on Monday 14th June at 1pm, St Clare's Church, prior to interment at West Cemetery, School Aycliffe

Thank You

DAVE CUNNINGHAM and family of the late Louise Cunningham would like to express thanks to all relatives, friends and neighbours for kindness and sympathy shown during their recent loss of Louise. Special thanks to Dr McKinty and Dr Stephenson and all at Bewick Crescent Surgery. Special thanks to Julie, Andrea and all the team of District Nurses and to Karen of the Macmillan Nurses. Special thanks to David Scott, Christine and Hazel and the caring team at the Co-operative Funeralcare, thanks to Rev. Linda for a wonderful Service at St Clare's Church and finally thanks to Eileen and Isobel for all catering at the Sports Club. Louise will be sadly missed by all who knew her. R.I.P.

OLIVER Rob and Barbara would like to thank family and friends for gifts, flowers and cards on the celebration of our Silver Wedding. Love you all xx

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Licence Applications

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF PREMISES LICENCE UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003.

Dorothy Bowman applied to Durham County Council on 9th May 2010 for a license to use the premises at Western Area Community Centre, Silverdale House, Newton Aycliffe DL5 7DZ to show films, teach music, disco, childrens party entertainers, singers. Times of opening Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9am until 11pm. Thursday and Friday 9am to midnight. Sunday 12noon-10.30pm. Representations should be made in writing to Durham County Council Licensing Section, Council Office, Spennymoor, DL16 6JQ by 5th June 2010. Persons wishing to inspect the Licensing Register may do so at the above address between the hours of 09.00-17.00 Monday to Thursday and 09.00-16.30 Friday. It is an offence to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with an application which carries a maximum fine of £5000. Dated: 14th May 2010

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June Carter



Happy 50th Birthday
13th June 2010
Lots of love, Rob
Happy birthday, lots of love, Mam and Dad.
Happy birthday Mum. Lots of love, Vikki and Martin

Vicky Barber and Al Holt



Congratulations on your Wedding Day (5-6-10)
Vicky you looked stunning and I am so proud of you. Al you did not look bad either!! It was a wonderful wedding and many thanks to Gary the Bishop for a lovely ceremony and Hardwick Hall for the excellent reception. Bridesmaids were Sister Helen and the best friend Claire who also looked stunning. Best man was Brian who gave a good speech. Thanks to everyone who attended and made Vicky and Al's day so special. Also thanks for the lovely cards and presents. Hope you enjoy your honeymoon. Love, Mam, Alan and the girls xxxxx

BURNISTON TERRY, happy 65th birthday. All my love, Linda xxxxx

BURNISTON TERRY, happy birthday Dad. Love, Dean, Leanne, Liam and David xxxxx

BURNISTON TERRY, happy birthday Dad. Love, Gary, Sarah and kids xxxxx

SUMMERILL, Sophie Louise. Happy 18th birthday on 7th June to a beautiful Daughter and special big Sister. Lots of love, Dad, Claire, Callum, Kyron and Erin-Grace xxx

REBECCA LAHENEY 9-6-89. To a beautiful Daughter, Mother, Wife to be, Sister, Granddaughter, Niece and Cousin. A very happy 21st birthday. Lots of love, Mam, Allan, Isaac, Richard, Christopher, Emma, Sam, Nanna & Grandad Gartland, John, Lyn, Ian and Lauren xxxxx

EMMA TAYLOR 13-6-2010. Happy 21st birthday. Love, Mum and Dad xx

EMMA TAYLOR. Happy 21st Emma. Love, Zoe and Scott xx

EMMA TAYLOR. Happy 21st Emma. Love, Charlotte and Peter xx

EMMA TAYLOR. Happy 21st birthday Mummy, you are the best. Love you loads, Chloe-Louise and Ashleigh Jo xxx


EMMA TAYLOR. Happy 21st Emma. Have a good one. Love you loads, Ashley xxx

Lee Pearson



Happy 37th Birthday
BUD-WEI-SER
You old croaker!

Henderson and Macmaster



Congratulations Phillip and Rachael on your Engagement. Lots of love and best wishes for your future together. Mam, Dad, Ross, Lee-Ann and all of the family xxx

Danielle



WELL DONE on coming 2nd place in your Dance Competition on 6th June 2010 at the Marton Hotel. Love and best wishes, Mam, Lee and the rest of the family xxx
Thank you to Darrien Wright for all your support (Dance Wright Studio)

Yasmin Mai Watson



12th June 2010
HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our little Angel. Love from Mammy and Daddy xxxxxxxxxx

Caroline Homer (Greenwood)




12th June 2010
LOOKING GOOD !!!
Happy 40th birthday Caroline. Have a great time. Love, Sue and Trav xxx

Chris Shepherd



Happy 18th Birthday
14th June 1992
Congratulations Chris on your 18th. Love, Dad, Lynne, Jordyn and Stacey xxx
Happy 18th birthday on 14th June 2010, to our special Grandson. Love and happiness always. Gran and Grandad xxx
Happy birthday little Bro! 18 at last, have a fab weekend. Lots of love, Katie and Scott xxx
Happy 18th Uncle Christopher. Lots of love and kisses, Leighton-James xxxxxxxx

Bill Scott



Happy 70th Birthday
16th June 1940
Lots of love, Joyce, Wayne, Becky, Hayley, Chris, Abigail, Julie, Tom, Karen, Rhonda, Will, Shaz, Candi and Sam xxxxxxxxxxxxx

Kai Waters - Teenager



Happy 13th Birthday
15th June 2010
Love you always, Mam, Jay and all the family xxx

Anth Wilson



Happy 18th Birthday
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"BRING BACK THE BOATS" says Former Mayor



Former Mayor Maud Gray is calling on the Town Council to re-introduce boats to the West Park Lakes near Stephenson Way. She has been told by the Council they cannot afford the Park keepers and there is also an issue with the health and safety of boaters as the lake has lots of Algae and chemicals in the water. This was a popular feature of West Lake Park some years ago, but the Council decided to close the facility and the boats are now locked up in the shed. Around the same time the Council put a stop to the small motorised cars for toddlers presumably again due to

the high cost of staff and insurance.

"We have also lost a putting green and it is a shame, especially in the summer holidays when we should be encouraging families to use our parks" said Maud.

"I remember the time we employed extra staff in the summer for play schemes and everyone enjoyed the boats and cars. I would like the Council to look again at the budget and bring these amenities back, even just for the school holidays." added Maud.

Maud visits our parks often and she believes the Council don't promote the facilities enough or try to make them visitor friendly. "We have some beautiful parks which are a credit to the town and the Council who maintain them, but we would get better use of our recreational areas if we looked at things such as I have mentioned and provide a few picnic benches" said Maud.

We received the following response from Cllr Brian Hall, Chairman of Recreation Committee

In 2007 the Council's Best Value Working Group considered the usage and cost of staffed parks games facilities, including boating and kiddy cars. A comparison of the cost to provide the service and income received was disproportionate. The income level for all of the parks was less than £3,000 whereas the cost of providing the service was over £40,000. The hire of boats in 2006 produced an income of £578.25.

The Best Value Working Group considered alternative proposals and reported to the Council's Policy and Resources Committee. The outcome, ultimately approved by Council, was the withdrawal of staffed parks activities and alternatively an investment in fixed equipment, which removed the need to provide staff for the boating lake, Simpature tennis courts/cars and St Oswald's putting green and cars. Investment was then made in the parks:

Simpature 'kiddy car' track replaced with an infants play area and the refurbishment of the tennis courts to provide two resurfaced courts and double multi-use games area - to be used by the public free of charge.

County Plan Appears to Sideline Aycliffe

Since the County Council published its grand plan readers have contacted Newton News to enquire where Newton Aycliffe figures in the review and asking if our County Councillors are fighting our corner?

It appears any expansion is to take place in the north of the county close to Durham City which is destined to become a "Boom City".

5000 houses will be built around Durham City and the spend on new roads around it is costed at around £95 million. Spennymoor, Bishop Auckland and Barnard Castle town centres will also become more "vibrant".

No mention of Newton Aycliffe with the largest population and the biggest Business Park in the County Council's area! It appears at first look our town has been sidelined and downgraded. However we hear from our Town Council leader, Bob Fleming, that they are going through the proposals with a fine tooth comb and will be making strong recommendations.

Perhaps they should be calling in those County Councillors representing Newton Aycliffe to explain what they are doing to ensure we get a fair share of any new development plans. Of course all this is talk, reports and consultation at the moment. Any development will take years to complete even if the money is available which in the present economic climate is doubtful. Readers can see the lengthy proposals, and make comments, on the County Council website.



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