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## NEWTON NEWS HELP POLICE TACKLE THEFTS FROM CARS

### PRINTED CARDS TO WARN OFF THIEVES

Police Operation WHITACRE is an initiative devised by Newton Aycliffe Neighbourhood Policing Team and the Safe Durham Partnership to address an increase in vehicle crime that has occurred during the last three/four weeks.

Ford Focus vehicles with alloy wheels have been the target of thieves in the area. They are breaking into cars to locate the locking wheel nut attachments often kept in glove compartments or in the boot.

Wheel braces and jacks have also been taken and the wheel nut attachment used to remove the alloy wheels. On several occasions the offenders have not been successful in removing the wheels. This initiative is sponsored by your local community newspaper Newton News and is aimed at raising awareness.

A card has been designed and printed by Newton Press to encourage vehicle owners (not just those owning Ford Focus cars) to remove these and other valuable items from their vehicles.

Cards have been created to place in the windscreen and are being circulated to pick up FREE from Tesco, the Library, the Leisure Centre, Oak Leaf Sports Complex, local garages, community centres, Newton Press office the Police Station itself, and via PACT meetings.

Operation: WHITACRE is linked to Operation: RELENTLESS - Durham Constabulary's larger initiative which addresses crime and disorder and other issues that affect the quality of life within our communities.

"I strongly encourage all vehicle owners to reduce those opportunities that thieves seek in order to commit offences and to take



Paul Howarth with Sgt. Watson and Alan Thompson

those few extra moments to remove all valuables and items from their vehicles that may assist offenders. I appreciate the well designed card, our sponsors Newton News, have produced. This notice, may deter thieves and save your vehicle being



attacked. It only takes a second or two to remove items - it takes longer to replace them." said Police sergeant Mark Edwards.

## Newtonian's 30th Year on Great North Run



30 years have come and gone but John Burnside still has not hung up his running shoes. There are 124 loyal runners who have completed every Great North Run and John continues to cross the line with times to be proud of. One of the founder members of Newton Aycliffe Athletics Club, in 1983, he has gone on to inspire many runners to take part in the world's biggest half marathon. John has

suffered with a knee injury over the past few months but still made the 13.1 miles in 1 hour 45 min.

One young hopeful is James Askew, who finished in a staggering 52nd place out of 54,000 runners. James crossed the line in an amazing 73 mins. Other results included Gary Minns (2 hour 5 mins) who has raised £1100 for Zoe's Place in Middlesbrough. Well done to all the runners!

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# TOWN TEENAGER'S STORY OF GREAT NORTH RUN EXPERIENCE

Emma Cox a regular reader of Newton News was so impressed by her brother's account of his experience in taking part in the Great North Run she has sent it for us to print. Anthony, aged 19, doesn't know his sister has contacted us and we take pride in recording his personal achievement.

"This year's Great North Run was my first ever half marathon, other than a practice 13 mile run 11 days previous. I ran in aid of Teenage Cancer Trust and I trained for 6 months without any injuries. On the Tuesday before the race I managed to go over on my ankle hurt my ankle and spent the next 4 days doing as little as possible, using lots of ice and tiger balm, hoping it would hold up for the run.

On the night before the race I attended a charity event for Teenage Cancer Trust runners. They had entertainment, free pasta and inspirational speeches and videos. It was a great motivation booster for the following day.

At 8am my alarm went off. The big day was finally here! I had porridge before the taxi arrived to take us to the start line. On the way we passed crowds of people. My friend and I, who was also running, headed to the baggage busses and then made our way to the start line where we waited for over an hour for the race to begin. During this time we enjoyed soaking up the atmosphere and laughed our way through the warm up along with around 50,000 others.

When we saw the elite men appear on the screen and their names were announced, we knew the start was close and when they set off, a massive cheer echoed around Newcastle. The moment I had been waiting for, for so long had finally arrived!

A whole 15 minutes passed before we even reached the start line then the running began. The first couple of miles felt good, downhill towards the Tyne Bridge. As we entered the tunnel just before the bridge, the shouts of 'OGI-OGI-OGI, OI-OI-OI!' sent shivers down my spine. That was a moment I would never forget as it enhanced the experience for everyone. I then passed over the Tyne Bridge - a great feeling running over this iconic bridge which I often drive over.

For the next 9 or so miles, I steadily made my way through the masses of people, often using the central reservation in attempt not to lose much time.

On the way I passed many inspirational runners such as a man carrying a fridge on his back, firemen running in full uniform and a man pushing his father in a wheelchair. People lined the roadside and the Teenage Cancer Trust cheering point at mile 8 gave me extra encouragement. When I finally reached the start of South Shields with the shops along the left hand side, I couldn't help but think of my Mam. When we visited South Shields for days out as a kid she always mentioned how this place reminded her of growing up. This was the first of many times I felt a lump in my throat. I hoped I was making her proud!

Once I made it down the very steep hill just before the 12 mile mark, I was constantly looking out for my family on either side of the road waiting to cheer me on as I passed. About a mile later and with around 400m to go, I heard my sister shouting my name and saw her holding an inflatable Teenage Cancer Trust baton. I ran over and took it from her so I could show people as I crossed the line who I

was running the race for. I finally crossed the line with the clock at 2:14:04 and with an official time of 1:59:01. Considering it was my first real half marathon, I was very pleased with my time. However, I couldn't help but think how much quicker I would have ran had I not needed to dodge so many people!

As soon as I stopped running, my ankle and foot seized up and I could barely walk on it. I was so relieved it held up for the whole time I was running. The bandage, tiger balm and painkillers did their jobs!

I slowly headed to collect my goody bag and medal before waiting at the reunion point for my family. When they arrived I was greeted with big hugs and made to pose for photos. We made our way to the Teenage Cancer Trust charity tent then collected my bag and headed home. It took almost 4 hours to get from South Shields to my Uni house 2 miles from Newcastle City Centre!

All in all I had a great day and one that I will never ever forget. I have managed to



Anthony Cox

raise over £2000 for Teenage Cancer Trust and hope to raise more in years to come. My inspiration to help this great charity came from an amazing friend of mine who is suffering from terminal cancer at the age of just 21. I hope I have done you proud, love you mate!" I will hopefully be seeing you all on 18th September 2011 for the 31st Great North Run!

Anthony Cox,



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free events, which are being delivered by the Pioneering Care Partnership, the charity which runs the Pioneering Care Centre. Funding was received for the project from the Health Innovation Fund and the government's Transformation Fund and to date 374 people across the County Durham area have attended a 'Pass it On' event or course. Following this success, the organisers are hoping to continue the free sessions and encourage people to attend a similar six week course, starting on Wednesday 3rd November 2010.

## Youthy Sale Has Few Tables Left

Thank you to all the people who have responded to book a table for selling their unwanted items, bricabrac, craft items etc. After just one week there are just a few tables left. Please ring 01325 321105 to register. Our MP Phil Wilson and his partner Margaret will be attending the event during the morning for a cup of tea and a chat. They have kindly offered a raffle prize and tickets will be on sale very soon. The event is on November 6th 10am - 3pm, please come along, food will be on sale throughout the event, so enjoy this sale and have lunch. You may wish to donate an item for sale, if so please ring 307522 or 321105 for collection or drop the goods off at the Youth Centre. All profits and proceeds go to Young Peoples resources and activities at the centre. Kathleen Brockless

## Social Club Hold AGM

New Friends New Places Club hold their AGM on Tuesday 2nd November at the Navy Club Burnhill Way. We welcome new members and the general public to our meeting. Ring 308094 Dorothy Bowman, for more details.

## WOODHAM STUDENTS VISIT BELSAY



Last week, a Woodham Year 10 group visited an exhibition at Belsay Hall, Northumberland. In stark contrast to other art exhibitions running in galleries, 'Extraordinary Measures' is set in the beautiful surroundings of Belsay Hall castle and gardens, where visitors wandered from the period house through the gardens to the restored castle, finding hidden artwork like a treasure trail. Everyone was in agreement that not only was the place stunning, but the artwork was excellent. The show featured the work of established stars of the art world - Ron Mueck, Mariele Neudecker and

Mat Collishaw as well as up and coming artists. The theme of the exhibition was the manipulation of scale, from Mueck's hyper-realistic and perfectly proportioned figures to street artist Slinkachu, whose miniature figures are left like the Borrowers to their fate. After Slinkachu creates a scene with his miniatures, he leaves them to fend for themselves. Usually they are stolen, eaten by animals or blown away by the wind; all that is left is the photograph. At the top of the winding stairs in the tower of the ruined 14th century castle, Mat Collishaw's zoetrope is mesmerising. As

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### GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL

#### Dates and Times of Statutory Meetings of the Town Council and its Committees

### Wednesday 20th Oct., 2010 Environment Committee followed by the Recreation Committee

#### QUESTION TIME

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## Young Hopefuls Raise Cash

Afternoon teas, home-grown veg, visits from VIPs, and lots of tombola prizes – the Young Hopefuls in Newton Aycliffe worked hard to make their first ever fund-raising event a success.

The young people are part of ROCSOLID, a supported housing charity at Hope House in Burnhope. They planned and organised the event as part of their successful Youth Opportunities Fund bid, designed to finance a confidence-building outdoor activities weekend in the Lake District.

Our MP Phil Wilson and Town Mayor Counc Dorothy Bowman called in for cuppas to show their support for the Young Hopefuls who live at the project because of their vulnerability. Hope House is home to Reach Out Care Fostering Services and Reach Out Care Support Services.

Directors Dot and Derek Butler created the six ROCSOLID flats and launched the charity to help young people leaving local authority care succeed as adults. "Sometimes care leavers end up unsupported in bed and breakfast places and we wanted to give them a better chance of making a success of living independently," said Dot.

"The charity has grown and young people come to us from all parts of the region for a variety of reasons. We've had young couples, single parents and babies, care leavers and young people with mental health or drug and alcohol issues.

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## Local Business Network Seminar



Another Seminar by South Durham Business Network was held at Xcel Conference Centre last week. The topic on "E-bay" was very interesting for 40 local business people interested in learning more about buying or selling from this source.

Chairman Darren Race introduced the speaker; George Kinghorn from Baygroup and his talk generated lots of questions. The network is attracting many new members and anyone interested in joining can obtain free membership for the first year. Contact Darren on: info@sdbn.org.uk

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skills such as budgeting and cooking and we aim to have everyone into employment, education or training. We're staffed 24/7 and work alongside many other agencies."

The charity also runs three satellite houses nearby as move-on accommodation. Young people in the houses continue to be part of the Young Hopefuls and receive ongoing support. There are nine young people at the project and there is always a waiting list.

Operations manager Mandy Shaw said the Young Hopefuls had worked hard planning and baking for the event. "They sold produce from the project's vegetable garden at Hope House and our support workers have helped them bake. We've had some good success stories since we started, including a dad and his baby who now have their own home and a young woman who is now working in a local Social Services department.

"Another great thing is that some of the Young Hopefuls help feed homeless people on the streets of Middlesbrough and Newcastle as part of another project at Hope House."

MP Phil Wilson, who met some of the young people, said: "I think projects like this deserve to be supported. Some young people need that extra bit of help to be able to stand on their own two feet and they need to feel safe."

Coun Bowman, who has visited the project previously, is a keen supporter of the young people. "I wish there were more projects like this one – many young people face huge challenges and need support to help them make successes of their lives."

It was a wet and windy afternoon but the Young Hopefuls have asked Newton News to say a big thank you to everyone who braved the rain and helped them raise £260 towards their weekend away.

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# St John's Choir at Festival



Visitors to the Flower Festival recently held at St Mary's Church were treated to a performance by 'Forte', a musical ensemble from St John's Catholic School and Sixth Form Centre, Bishop Auckland.

Accompanied by the Musical Director Jonathan Haslett, the group gave two performances singing songs from their wide repertoire of music ranging from spirituals to songs by Cold Play and Take That as well as performing a couple of solo instrumental pieces on the guitar and cornet. 'Forte' also performed at the school's highly successful Open Evening on September 28th and are now rehearsing for forthcoming music festivals in the area.

Year 7 students at St John's are currently preparing for their first Retreat Day which will be held at the Excel Centre in Newton Aycliffe later in the month

## COUNCILLOR FAILS TO APOLOGISE

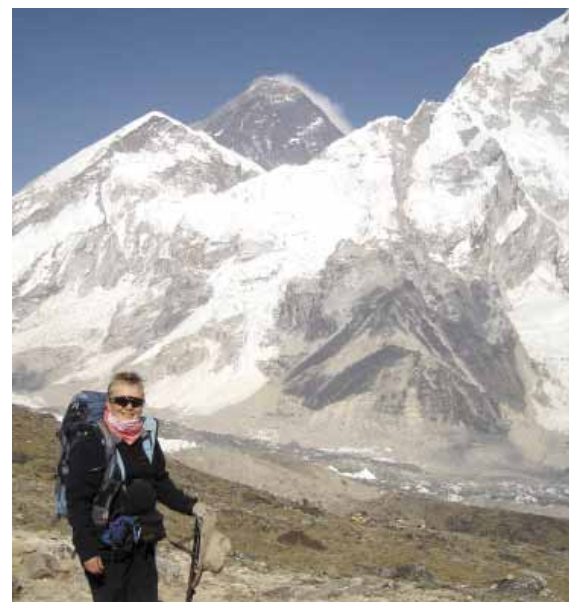
Town Councillor Bill Blenkinsopp faces three months suspension after not complying with the Standards Board direction to apologise to Councillor Dorothy Bowman. She complained that Counc Blenkinsopp swore at her in a Council Meeting witnessed by another Councillor. Counc Blenkinsopp can appeal against the decision and has a period of time to consider his position. He told Newton News he was annoyed the complaint was made knowing the high cost of the investigation for such a trivial matter to the taxpayer

## NEWTONIAN FACES HER BIGGEST CHALLENGE

Lesley Thompson (52) has lived in Newton Aycliffe most of her life, and her parents were among the first to settle in the town.

She runs 'Special Friends Pet Care', dog walking, training, pet sitting and house sitting. Lesley had breast cancer in 1996 and raised funds for cancer charities, absailing from the roof of the hospital, London Marathon, Great North Run, Windsurfing, Coast to Coast walk, to name a few.

In 2008 she trekked to Everest Base camp for the British Heart Foundation also summitting Kala Patar (5545m) helping to raise over £200,000.



## Little Acorns Pyjama Day



The Nursery School would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to all the children and staff for their range of wonderful pyjamas that were worn on 28th September 2010. You all looked fantastic. Also thanks to parents and carers for the sponsor forms and donations. In total we raised £111.00 and that has already been sent directly to Momentum Charity.

## 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

George and June Thompson of Pease Way received a visit from the Mayor Dorothy Bowman to congratulate them on their 50th Wedding Anniversary on 30th September.

George was born in Thornley and June lived in the next village Ludworth and they met at the weekly Miners



Welfare Club Dance as young teenagers and started going steady at 18. George worked down the mines until he was 32. June worked in a wallpaper shop and became Manageress.

They were married in Thornley Church, now demolished and moved to Newton Aycliffe when George took a job with Tallents when they were making Twin Tub Washing Machines. He later moved to Perstorp working there until he retired. June was

employed by Redhouse Shop for 13 years. They have 2 sons Gary who works for Nissan and Colin, who is disabled and attends the Oaks Centre. The couple have a Granddaughter, Ashleigh who is employed as a Carer.

George and June will celebrate their Anniversary with a trip to Scotland. They both enjoy walking, and gardening. The front of their house always looks attractive with a beautiful display of hanging baskets.

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## Greenfield Teachers in India



Teachers from Greenfield Mrs S. Douglas Subject Leader for English and Miss E. Barnes member of the PE department, have just completed a second exciting and successful visit to JNV in Assam, India. Taking their expertise with them, they introduced pupils and staff in India to different ways of working, including new coaching and communication skills. Now that links are well established, there will be future developments and, in November, staff from JNV hope to visit us

and introduce our pupils and colleagues to some traditional games played in Indian Schools. In future it is hoped that Greenfield pupils will be able to share their knowledge and skills further by leading local primary school children in these new experiences. This visit was undoubtedly a huge success for both partners. It is a fantastic privilege to be able to learn from other cultures and traditions and no doubt colleagues will be sharing new ideas for many years to come.

## Harvest Time

On Sunday 10th October we will be celebrating Harvest at Aycliffe Evangelical Church, Ladybower, off Meadowfield Way at 10.30am and again at 6.30pm. The speaker at both meeting is Pastor Ron Swales from Newcastle. Pastor Swales was the previous Minister of the Church and these Harvest meetings will be a good opportunity to come and renew acquaintance with him. Further information is available from Pastor John Rubens on 07703 464971.



# EVERYTHING'S COMING UP - CROCUSES

People in County Durham are about to spring into action to take up a bulb planting challenge. One hundred and fifty thousand free crocus bulbs are on offer for school and community groups to plant in their local areas. Durham County Council's civic pride teams are organising the challenge which is funded by the Council's Area Action Partnerships. Bulbs are available throughout October and each group will be able to collect around 200 bulbs. Belinda Snow, the council's education and enforcement manager, said: "We'd like to encourage community groups and

schools to join us in this challenge to help brighten up local areas. "We hope they will not only plant the 200 bulbs on offer but also some extra bulbs of their own to create even better displays when they flower next spring." "It is hoped the project will encourage groups to become involved in other activities such as the Royal Horticultural Society's It's Your Neighbourhood Award or the Grow Together Schools campaign" she said. Bulbs can be collected from civic pride officers in South Durham on 01388 824291 or 07795 826276.

## MAYOR'S CHARITY NIGHT

Town Mayor, Dorothy Bowman, is holding a Charity Night at the British Legion, Thursday 14th October at 7.30pm. Pie and Peas, Bingo and live entertainment. Please come and support the Mayor's two deserving charities: Domestic Violence and Breast Cancer. Admission £5. Tickets available from The British Legion Club or the Town Council offices.

## The Other Side of Aycliffe



Newton News visited and were amazed at the "Other Side of Aycliffe Exhibition". It is an exhibition of unusual photographs taken in and around Newton Aycliffe aiming to show a positive image of the surrounding area, the photographs were taken by the service users of P.A.C.E. which is located in the Thames Centre in the town centre. The exhibition is the result of six months work. Limited edition prints are available to purchase as are Post Cards. Hopefully Calendars will also be available in the near future. The P.A.C.E. shop is open from 9.00am-3.00pm, Monday to Friday and everyone is welcome to come along and have a look. The exhibition space is available to everyone and anyone wishing to show their work can contact the shop on 01325 314356.

## INEOS HELP THE CUBBY



Barry Wilkinson a Manager at Ineos called with a cheque from the company and one from himself to help the refurbishment of The Cubby. Barry who lives in School Aycliffe said he and Ineos wished to recognise the sterling work benefitting the town's elderly and users of the Drop In. Chairman Bill Blenkinsopp and the committee expressed their gratitude.



County Councillor Brian Stephens helps the planting at Moore Lane Park

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## MIDDRIDGE PUB NOMINATED FOR NATIONAL FOOD AWARD

The Bay Horse, in Middridge, has been nominated for the Food Pub of the Year award in a prestigious competition. The Marston's Pub of the Year awards put the best pubs in the estate of 1,700 venues under the microscope. Judges have initially whittled the entrants down to four regional nominees for each category from which a winner will be selected to go on to the national round.

Licensee of the Bay Horse, Amanda Richardson, said: "We are thrilled to have been nominated for the award.

Everyone at the pub has helped us achieve this and whether we win it or not, it is still great to have been recognised for our hard work."

Regional winners will be announced soon. Successful pubs will then be invited to an awards lunch, where the national winners will be revealed, in November.

## SCHOOLS SUPPORT ROTARY CROCUS PLANTING WEEK

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## LIB DEMS APOLOGISE

Bill Blenkinsopp Branch Chairman of the Lib Dems wishes to apologise for a printing error in a recent publication issued by the branch in the West Ward where he referred to park equipment belonging to the Town Council. The equipment is in fact the responsibility of Durham County Council

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## Year 6 Open Evening

The Year 6 Open Evening held at Woodham Community Technology College on Thursday 30th September was a great success and we would like to thank all prospective parents and students who attended.

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coaching and mentoring however, they find that most clients are looking to develop their marketing skills and to understand business finance. Carlton & Co are introducing a range of value-added services including workshops, training courses/seminars to support enterprise development.

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Rotary provides travel grants for teams of participants to exchange visits between paired areas in different countries. For four to six weeks, the team study the host country's institutions and ways of life, observe their own vocations as practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships, and exchange ideas.

Team members can come from corporations, small businesses, community organizations, medical and educational facilities,

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The best candidates for GSE are rising leaders who meet the qualifications above and who have an interest in people of other cultures. GSE can be an excellent way to recognize top-performing staff or provide exposure for potential young leaders with limited international experience.

(Spouses of participants may not accompany teams.)

Rotary buy the air ticket and local Rotarians in the host area provide meals, lodging, and group travel, vocational visits throughout the trip. Each team member is responsible for all personal and incidental expenses incurred before, during, and after the study tour, including any personal travel arranged after the exchange.

Before leaving the team meet for orientation sessions and to obtain the necessary travel documents including passport, visa, immunizations and medical insurance etc.

Team is led by a Rotarian and members are required to speak at Rotary gatherings. They must remain with the group throughout the study tour except when individual activities are planned. They will be expected to maintain a high standard of behaviour as representatives of our region and country.

After returning: the team will give a report of the tour as required by the sponsors and district and speak about the experience to Rotary clubs and other groups.

If you are interested in applying please contact David Hogg by e-mail: david.hogg@close-thornton.co.uk

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# Disabled Enjoy Kurling



Neville Parade Community Centre offered use of its Kurling equipment to a group of disabled people who thoroughly enjoyed the game. If you want to join in the fun contact Peter Beatty on 313924 for details of sessions you can join.

# NEWTON NEWS COMPETITION WINNERS

Winner of the four tickets to see "All Creatures Great & Small" at Durham Gala Theatre was Mrs Glenda Hall from Hawkshead Place. The winner of the single page website design by R2 Websites was Angela Ross from West Park, Coundon. Congratulations also R Taylor of Greville Way who won a round of golf for four at Woodham Golf Club and this weeks winner is J Harker of Beechfield who has two tickets to see Darlington v Hayes & Yeading on Saturday 9th October. More competitions to come, watch this space and visit our website for more info

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# INDEPENDENTS SELECT CANDIDATE FOR BY ELECTION

Tom Tomlinson is standing as an Independent candidate in the West Ward Election. The growing band of Great Aycliffe Independent Town



# TEACHERS EXHIBIT

Many people are unaware the staff of the Art Department at Greenfield School Community and Arts College are, in their own right, accomplished artists.

Some were asked to put on an exhibition in the Greenfield Gallery at the Greenfield Community and Arts Centre, so they could showcase their own artwork and they have agreed.

The Exhibition is called "In Our Own Time" as that is when the artwork was completed. The Artists featured are Susan Frater, Karen Ann Matthews-John, Sarah Robson, Sharon Simpson and Jan Ward.

The Exhibition is open until Wednesday 3rd November. Entrance to the Greenfield Gallery is free. For further details tel 379048 or email info@greenfield-arts.co.uk



Clouncillors have made a unanimous choice to not fight each other in this election, but instead give their combined support and efforts into seeing he is successfully elected.

Why would we decide to do that? It's because we recognise his experience skills and talent in Council matters and his vowed support for our agreed aims of ensuring that the interests of the people of Great Aycliffe are put first. Principles will not be put aside for some obscure party agenda, as so often happens with party politicians. This conflicts somewhat with the statement made by the Labour candidate in last week's issue.

Tom is well known and a long time resident from the West Ward. Tom will be saying "Actions speak far louder than words", and in that respect he will serve well in the Council for the West Ward.

We have made no secret that we are building an alternative for the voters of Newton Aycliffe. An alternative to put your interests first. All you have to do is vote for it.

Kenneth Stubbs  
(Secretary - Great Aycliffe Independents)

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**Saturday 16th Oct. "Witchkraft"**

"The first set was a good mix of well known songs from Montrose, Jethro Tull, Golden Earring, Free and ACDC.  
Second set was Deep Purple as this is their trade mark. Cliff on drums (ex White Noise) and Gaz on bass have created a really tight and punchy rhythm section. Mr. Big was excellent, really showing off Gaz's skills.  
John on vocals, was suffering with a chest infection but it didn't stop him delivering, with a good, high and gritty rock vocal.  
Mal... is Mal. Looks and plays like Blackmore, has all the moves and the sound of Mr. B, but can also show he's really good at the other stuff as well.  
All in all it was a good show, good crowd, nice choice of rock classics mixed with the best of Purple." - Jarekmao - Gig Pit Review

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# SBH Apply to Build Homes In Aycliffe

Sedgefield Borough Homes has asked permission to build 14 new affordable homes in response to regional shortages of family housing.

sbh manages 8,500 homes formerly owned by the now defunct Sedgefield Borough Council, and wants to build the houses on two sites in Newton Aycliffe.

They plan to build three two-bed and three three-bed houses on land at Clarence Chare and Palmer Road and eight two-bed houses at Baliol Road, north of Aycliffe Business Park.

The houses would replace "problematic" and "under-used" garages with much needed housing for families on the county

wide housing waiting list.

In a report to the council, sbh said the garages, built in 1963, are in a poor state and at Clarence Chare have experienced anti-social behaviour from time to time. A spokesman said sbh would work with garage tenants to provide parking for their cars. The company said there was a major need for two and three-bed houses in the area.

The company received 76 applications for each of the 19 two-bed homes it put on the market last year with almost 370 prospective tenants saying they would prefer two bedrooms.

Recently, the company advertised six three bedroom homes receiving an average of 32 applications per house. The application follows a report from the National Housing Federation which found a shortage of social homes in the North East.

In response Durham County Council pledged to address the dwindling supply. Glynn Hall, head of housing for Durham County Council, said: "Our priority is to work with Housing Associations to supply an increased range of more affordable housing while, at the same time, encouraging an increase in the overall housing supply."

"There are more than 16,000 households on the county wide housing register and this number is increasing. Addressing that remains a high priority for the council."

Wayne Harris, Executive Director says, "This is a very exciting for us. After years of diminishing stock from the Right to Buy, we are now hopeful of increasing sbh' housing stock and providing much needed high quality, energy efficient housing accessible to local people."

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3. The common people, considered as the primary source of political power.
4. Majority rule.
5. The principles of social equality and respect for the individual within a community

How can I explain democracy to my son of 7 and daughter of 9 when they have witnessed Durham County Council, (a Labour Council) and their total disregard of honesty and integrity?  
How can I sit down with them and explain that in any civilised society, we elect councillors and MP's to take our thoughts and wishes forward when making important decisions that affect us, our loved ones and the wider community, when my children read in the Northern Echo/Newton News that the decision to close Shafto House, the home of their great Grandmother, was taken behind closed doors and against the wishes of the majority?

What about beneficence and altruism, to do the greater good, even if this means making difficult decisions contrary to that of your colleagues? Step forward John Moran, you are a credit to Councillors everywhere and an example to my children. All the other Labour Councillors from Aycliffe, hang your heads in shame. You are an absolute disgrace.

I hope the people of Newton Aycliffe have long memories when the local elections come around again. I have always been a lifelong Labour voter but in future I will be looking

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The Children's Trust are proposing to create integrated Children and Young People's Service teams across County Durham.

The teams will consist of local authority and community health staff and will be based in 13 purpose built or refurbished premises and include a site adjacent to

the Youth Centre in Newton Aycliffe. NHS partners are supporting the proposals.

Councillors have given the go ahead, and the new teams will offer support for 0 to 19-year-olds and it is hoped the service will offer more accessible, effective and efficient services to communities.

Durham County Council has successfully secured £6.77million from the Co-location Fund to pay for the developments, with additional support coming

from the Primary Care Trust. Conditions placed on the grant mean services must be in place by September 2011.

Cllr Claire Vasey, Lead Member for Children and Young People, said: "The new centres will bring services closer to local children, young people and their families and will help staff work together more effectively."

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**SHIRES** The family of the late Geoffrey Shires would like to thank family and friends for their support and messages of condolence. We would also like to thank the carers, district nurses, doctors and hospital staff who helped care for Dad these last few months. Thanks also to the staff at John Meynell for their help and support at this difficult time, to John Metson for his fitting Service and to everyone who attended and gave generously in lieu of flowers. £102.86 was raised in memory of Dad in aid of Help for Heroes

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## In Memoriam

**PAUL GIBSON** 09-10-09. The days, weeks, months and now a year has passed, but you are still very much in my heart and thoughts. Love, Dad

**PAUL GIBSON** 09-10-09. One year ago today, you left to be with the angels. I wish they knew how much I miss you, so they'd send my big Brother back, All my love, Mandy and family

**PAUL GIBSON** Died 9th October 2009. If tears could build a stairway and memories a lane, I'd walk right up to Heaven and bring you home again. Miss and love you so much. Love, Mam

**PAUL GIBSON** 9-10-09. Remembering you is easy Dad, we do it every day. And missing you is something that will never go away. Your loving children, Josh, Beth and Ellie

**JOHN PARRY** 07-10-07. Three years have passed since we last saw you but it only feels like yesterday, we miss you and love you so much Dad. Love from Daniel, Mandy and kids xxx

**JOHN PARRY** 07-10-07. 3 years have passed since we last spoke to you, but it only feels like yesterday. We miss and love you so much. Love, Daniel, Mandy and kids xxx

**LIZ TODD** 9-10-2005. Never far from my thoughts. John

**LIZ TODD** Missing you as always Liz. Love, Carolyn, John and family

**DAVID KENNEDY** In remembrance of David, 13th October 2009. A year has passed, since you passed away and not a day goes by that you are not missed. Love, Dee and girls

**PUTTOCK**, Lucy Beth. 4-10-99, aged 18. Remembering you is easy, we do it every day. It's the heartache of losing you that never goes away. Love and miss you forever. Mam, Amy, Elenia, Jackie, Kyle and our Angel Devin

**VALERIE DENHAM** 8-10-1999. It's 11 years since you passed away, but we miss you more each day. Always in our thoughts, forever in our hearts. "Love You". Connie, Paul and Daisy xxx

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Sarah Miller



Happy 21st Birthday

21 eh?!? You are getting on a bit now! Hope you like the photo haha! I hope you have an amazing day, Babe. Love you always, Will xxxxxxxx

Jack Seal



Happy 18th Birthday

Love from Mam, Garry and Daniel

**Jack Seal** Happy birthday on your 18th. Love, Nanna and Grandad Harrison

**LISAHANNAH** - Guess what? Our darling Granddaughter becomes a teenager on Monday 11th October. We wish you a very happy birthday. All our love and kisses, Nan, Granda and Bonnie xxx

**DOWSON**, Oliver Finley. Happy 1st birthday gorgeous, enjoy your special day. Love you millions. Love, Auntie Louise and Uncle Craig xxx

**DOWSON**, Oliver Finley. Happy 1st birthday Grandson. Love you millions. Nana and Grandad (Miller)

**DOWSON**, Oliver Finley. Happy 1st birthday beautiful. Love you loads, Uncle Thomas and Kieran xxx

**ROSS MOLLOY** Happy 21st. Lots of love and kisses from Nanny Noona and Goochie Goo xx

**ROSS MOLLOY** All the best on your 21st. Love, Uncle Peter, Auntie Yoli and Ricky xxx

**ROSS MOLLOY** Have a great 21st birthday. Lots of love from Auntie Ally, Uncle Andrew xx

**ROSS MOLLOY** Happy 21st birthday. Hope you have a good day Love, Uncle Is, Auntie Karen, Curt, Brad, Megan and Charlie xx

**EDITH KELL** Happy birthday Mam (9-10-1956). Love, Leigh, Kelly, Andy, Grandson Harvey and new Granddaughter Emmie xxx

**JESSICA GRAHAM** 10th October. Happy 15th birthday to our beautiful Daughter. Loads of love, Mam, Dad and all the family xxx

**SARAH MILLER** Happy 21st birthday. Love from Rose, Bill, Nicola and Will xxx

**JOE KENNEDY** Happy birthday to our great big handsome Grandson on 8th October 2010. Lots of love and God bless, Gran and Grandad Cox

Oliver Finley Dowson



Happy Birthday Baby Boy!

Hope you have the best first birthday and boy could wish for! All our love always, Mammy and Daddy xxx

Sarah Miller



Happy 21st Birthday 8th October

**Loads of hugs** and kisses on your 21st. Love always, Mam, Dad, James, Helen, Louise and Andy xxx

**Happy 21st Sarah.** Love, Auntie Sandra, Rebecca and Gran xxx

Ross Molloy



Happy 21st Birthday

To a wonderful Son, Brother and Boyfriend. Have a great weekend. All our love always, Mam, Dad, Robyn, Reed and Lauren xxx

Tommy "Trouble" Smith



Happy 79th Birthday 13th October

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## Congratulations

Happy 40th Birthday Lisa



Happy Birthday

to an amazing friend and welcome to the fabulous forties. Lots of love, Rachel, Sarah and James xx

Anya Thornton 10-10-10



Happy Birthday Anya

My wonderful Daughter, who is 10 years old on the 10th of the 10th, 2010. We hope you have a great day on your special birthday. All your family is looking forward to seeing you soon. Lots and lots of love from Dad, Jill, Erin, Grandma, Grandpa, Uncle Davy, Helen, Sam, Auntie Amy, Shaun, Oskar-Bump, Oldemor, Oldefar, Lottie, Patch, Sid, Nancy and Bailey

Look Out York . . . Here They Come!



Thoryn



Owen

Good Luck at Uni

Love from both families, Nana and Grandad Cook and Nana Bowman xxx

## Births

**PROUD - TAYLOR** 5th October. Congratulations Lindsey and Malcolm on the safe arrival of your beautiful Daughter, "Hollie Freya". With all our love, Mam, Tracey and Gavin xxx

Shannon Louise Sture



Happy 13th Birthday Princess

**Teenager at Last** 11th October 2010  
Love from Mam, Will, Jordan, Jack and all the family xxxxx

John Kitching



Happy 30th Birthday Babe

12th October 2010  
Remember you don't look as old as you are! Hope you have a great day! All my love and more. Leanne x

Kelvin Wray



Happy 30th Birthday

Time to grow up now! Haha! Love you loads xx  
**Daddy** happy 30th birthday. Love you to the moon. Love, Macey xxx  
**Happy 30th** Kel. Love, Burny and Louise xx  
**Happy 30th** Uncle Kel. Love, Chloe xx  
**Happy 30th** birthday Kel. Loads of love, have a great day. Mam and Keith xx

Michael Dixon and Becka Roberts



Congratulations

Michael and Becka on your Engagement. From Mam, Geoff, Nanna and Grandad White, Becka's Mam, Fraser, Jessica, Becka's Nana Linda xxxxxx

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# Swim Club Compete in Three Galas

Eight swimmers from Sedgefield 75 Swimming Club competed in the first in a series of three galas at Tynemouth. The swimmers swam very well and came away with three medals – Hannah Featherstone 1st 400m Individual Medley, this was the first time she had ever attempted this swim in a gala, Flynn Leybourne 3rd 50m Freestyle and Emily Chaytor 6th 200m Individual Medley. The other swimmers, Amy Gittins, Jennifer Lerner, Georgia Leybourne, swam very well with many of them achieving personal best times in their first gala of the new season and many of the swimmers were swimming events they had never done before. Jessica Longmire swam her first Long Distance swim and finished the 1500m in 8th place and Callum Cook swam in both the 400m Freestyle and 200m Butterfly. The club is always looking out for children who would like to improve their swimming and it is a way to make new friends. We meet on a Monday night from 6.00pm. If you would like to come along and see what we have to offer, please come down any Monday night from 6.00pm.

# LOCAL SPORT 15 GOLD MEDALS!



Three of the older swimmers from Sedgefield 75 Swimming Club competed last weekend at the Masters North Eastern Regional Swimming Championships which was held at Freeman's Quay in Durham. The three swimmers, Elisabeth Yankese, Caroline Saxby and Philip Walker had a very successful meet coming away with a total of 15 gold medals and one silver medal in all their events. Elisabeth finished first in both the 400m Freestyle and 50m Breaststroke. Caroline finished first in the 50m, 100m Butterfly, 50m 100m Backstroke, 100m and 200m Individual Medley and Philip finished in first place in the 400m Freestyle, 100m and 200m Backstroke, 50m and 100m Breaststroke, 100m and 200m Individual Medley. Philip missed out

on the gold medal in the 50m Backstroke by just half a second. Sedgefield 75 Swimming club train every Monday from 6.00pm with a session aimed specifically at adults who wish to swim for fitness or fun. This session starts at 9.00pm every Monday night. If you would like to improve your fitness or meet new friends just come along to the pool and speak to John Moore or Julie Walker.

**PACT Meeting Police & Community Together**  
**Forthcoming PACT Meetings at Simpature Court Coffee Lounge.**  
**Tuesday 12th October 2010 at 6-30pm to 7-30pm.**  
**Aycliffe Village Hall.**  
**Saturday 16th October 2010 at 10am to 12noon.**

# TWO HOME GAMES FOR AYCLIFFE

**FIXTURES**  
Saturday 9th October: Whitehaven (H), 3pm  
Saturday 16th October: Northallerton Town (H), 3pm  
Wednesday 20th October: Consett (H), 7.30pm, DCCR1  
Friday 22nd October: Darlington RA (A), 7.30pm  
Saturday 30th October: Team Northumbria (H), 3pm  
[www.newtonaycliffefc.co.uk](http://www.newtonaycliffefc.co.uk)

Newton Aycliffe now have two consecutive home games in the next week after returning to winning ways. The Newtonians put September well and truly behind them with a convincing 3-1 win at Horden CW last Saturday. And they followed that up with a superb performance at Marske United on Tuesday night, winning 2-0 to go top of the Northern League second division, albeit temporarily. Now Allan Oliver's side will be hoping to add to their impressive recent form with back-to-back home games against Whitehaven, this weekend, and Northallerton next Saturday. "It just proves again that you don't turn into a bad team overnight," said chairman and assistant manager Gary Farley. We hit a slight blip in September but we still won one game and drew two out of five. Every team goes through good and bad patches and now hopefully that's our bad one out of the way. "We've certainly showed in the last two away games that we can beat anyone on our day. But the most pleasing thing from the last two games was the manner in which we won, with good entertaining football, and we hope to continue that in our next two home games."

Anth Campbell grabbed his first goal of the season to put Aycliffe 1-0 up at Horden last weekend before winger Paul Broom made it two. Horden pulled one back with 20 minutes to go, but top scorer Warren Byrne made sure of the three points with a third in the 82nd minute. Aycliffe then produced arguably their best performance of the season so far at Marske on Tuesday night. With new boy Chris Beckett in the side, an experienced defender signed from West Auckland, boss Allan Oliver was forced to make a number of changes due to absentees.

# Football Coaching for Boys & Girls

The Oak Leaf Sports Complex is waiting to meet all you football crazy girls and boys! We are starting a new Football Coaching Session at the Oak Leaf Sports Complex so why not come along and make some new friends while Stephen Waddingham and Matthew Brown, our in house coaches, teach you all the rules and the moves! The FUN started on Monday 4th October, 4.00pm – 4.45pm, and only costs £1.00. So if you are aged between 8 and 15 come along and see how good you can be.

# NEWTONIANS COMPETE IN TYNESIDE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Three Newton Aycliffe fighters entered the Knuckle Force Championships on 2nd October in Tynemouth, winning two of the bouts with the third lost on the judges decision. All three Thomas Guy, Gary Hudson and Craig Harper attend the Viper Mixed Martial Art Club run by Mark Reay meeting in the Leisure Centre on Sundays 4 - 6pm. This was the first competitive fight for the three Aycliffe lads representing the town and all fought well.



Gary Hudson



Craig Harper



Thomas Guy

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