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## AYCLIFFE REMEMBERS

### LARGE ATTENDANCE ON REMEMBRANCE DAY



Linda Potter's comments in her sermon when she said "Remembrance should not be just for one day!" Children were prominent in the Order of Service and students from Byerley Park School sang two pieces of music both fitting and poignant. Resident Stan Harrison was

probably the oldest veteran of the parade and aged 91 proudly laid his wreath and saluted the memorial. Our Town Brass Band provided the marching music for the parade and accompanied the singing of hymns in St. Clare's adding splendour and dignity to this Remembrance Sunday.

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**FOLLOWING** tradition hundreds of Newtonians observed Remembrance Sunday around the Town Centre Memorial prior to the Service held in St. Clare's Church last week.

The Mayor and civic dignitaries were present including our M.P. and the Reviewing Officer, Commander McNaught RD, RNR.

Current conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan brings home all the sacrifices soldiers make in service to their country and this was evidenced by larger numbers attending to mourn and remember.

Most noticeable is the sizeable representation of our uniformed organisations on this important annual occasion, all demonstrating their respect by marching in the Parade.

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## Remember the Defiant? Get Involved with Area Action Partnership



Dear Sir,  
At this time of year we remember those that died in the 2nd World War flying Spitfires and Hurricanes, but no one ever mentions another aircraft used in the Battle of Britain - the "Boulton Paul Defiant". This plane had no forward firing guns with only a turret behind the cockpit. They were often sent into dogfights as decoys as they looked a little like a Hurricane. Very few of them survived and the pilot may have got out, but the gunner never did! So please give a thought for the crew of the Defiant.  
P. Flanagan ex R.A.F.

## New Dance School in Town

A new Local Dance School 'Dance Academy' was set up this year run by Newtonian Emma Cox offering exciting dance and fitness classes. Emma has seven years teaching experience at other dance schools and holds ten qualifications with the International Dance Teachers Association. Emma said "I always dreamed of running my own dance school and I am very excited to watch the school grow and the students develop week after week. I find my job of helping to teach students and bring them enjoyment through dance very rewarding." There are classes for boys and girls two and a half years or older up to adults who want to learn new dance skills. Classes are held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at the Bethany Centre, Woodham Way, Newton Aycliffe. The class prices start from £3.50 depending on your age and which class you take. There are a range of classes available including ballet, tap, modern, street dancing and zumba. New classes have been included to the schedule such as musical theatre which allows pupils to learn how to act, dance and sing. Contact: Danielle Dudley 07846145607 or danielle.dudley@northumbria.ac.uk

## DICKENSIAN CHRISTMAS MARKET

The New Friends New Places Club have ten seats left on their Christmas Market Special to Lightwater Valley on Saturday 4th December leaving St Clares at 9.30am. Cost £8.00 to be paid when booking. Please ring Dorothy 01325 308094

Newton Aycliffe residents are being encouraged to get involved with their local Area Action Partnership (AAP) forum meeting. Durham County Council set up 14 AAPs last year and the Great Aycliffe and Middlesbrough Partnership (GAMP) forum will give residents and people working in the area a chance to have a say about what happens locally. It's also an opportunity for members of the public to find out how to access funds and improve their community. In addition there is information and stalls advertising local groups, services and activities from both the public and voluntary sectors. The council's mid-term financial plan will also be discussed. Brian Riley, GAMP coordinator, said: "This is an excellent opportunity for people to influence decision making and help to set local priorities for the AAP and its partners to target. We want to learn more about the key issues affecting the local area and the more people that attend our forum, the easier it is for us to address local concerns." The event takes place on Tuesday November 30 from 5.15pm at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre. To attend please register in advance. E: gampaap@durham.gov.uk Tel: 01325 327 441.



The Mayor and the Reviewing Officer take the salute at the March Past after the Remembrance Sunday Service

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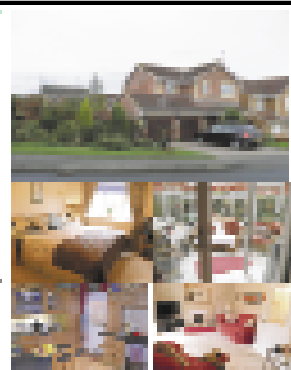


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Greenfield College held an Evening with the Class of 2010 last Friday to celebrate the achievements of the year group and present awards. After a slide show showing notable events in the final year with embarrassing photos of students, Head Teacher David Priestley gave a summary of the success of the year group expressing his pride and satisfaction of the record breaking results. He used his gift of chocolates to Guest Speaker David Ford to describe the personalities of his students, stating some were soft and sweet while others were nutty and crunchy. He said "the gift was wrapped in a copy of Newton News to symbolise the community aspect of the awards" and apologised to the editor, who was present as a guest, for tearing it while opening the present. The achievements at Greenfield was outstanding and it gave teachers great difficulty deciding the winners of awards. Each one in turn said how pleased they were with all their students success, not only in the marks achieved, but in just being nice young people.

## AWARD WINNERS

**Design & Technology:** Daniel Worsley. **English:** Liam McCavanagh. **Geography:** Georgia Turner. **History:** Alex Cocking. **ICT:** Bethany Payne. **Mathematics:** Lauren Evans. **MFL:** Helen Murphy. **Performing Arts:** Danielle Mercer. **PE:** Charlotte Arrowsmith. **RE:** Liam McCavanagh. **Science:** Melissa Marsay. **Visual Arts:** Michael Taylor. **'A' level Art** Georgia Turner. **Attendance Award:** Ruby Arnold, Mathew Emerson, Melissa Marsay, and Alex Vallis. **Progress Award:** Alex Siddens. **Highest Academic Achievement:** Danielle Mercer. **Social Contribution:** Chelsea Kell. **Outdoor/Adventurous Award:** Daryl Shaw, and Alex Cocking.

## What Happened to the Fireworks?

Dear Sir,  
I fully understand the reason for cancelling the firework display, but I would like to know what has happened to the thousands of pounds worth of fireworks that have not been used?  
The fireworks cannot be kept for a year so have they been disposed of, or sold or taken by someone for private use? Why can we not have a Christmas celebration display or a New Year's Eve one? I look forward to an answer from our Town Council  
Ian Pollock  
Watson Road.

*Ed: We obtained the following reply from the Town Council:*

The fireworks have been returned to the contractor and the Council will be credited with part of their cost for the 2011 display. We decided not to hold a firework display at another time, for example at Christmas or New Year's Eve as most of the costs are setting up costs, roughly £4,000. In addition, by the end of December, beginning of January, the area where the firework display is held becomes very damp and muddy and not suitable for thousands of people walking about in the dark.  
Cllr Bob Fleming  
Leader of the Council

## COPPING THE COP!

Newton News received a photo showing a police car parked in a Tesco parent and toddler space recently, Reg No.: NK08 JGX. We were told the officer was having his lunch so bearing in mind the number of complaints over misuse of these parking bays we asked the Police to comment.

Sargeant Mark Edwards writes:

The vehicle you describe is one of the marked response vehicles that the Core Officers utilise. I will refer this matter to the Core Sergeants who oversee the shifts and update you when I receive a response. All I can say, although it doesn't in any way shape or form justify the matter, it was no-one from the Newton Aycliffe team.

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## Mystery Photographer



1st Aycliffe Baden Powell Scout Group would like to thank the gentleman who provided us with some great photos of our scout group on parade both last year and this year. We deeply regret that we have been unable to identify the mystery photographer but very much appreciate his thoughtfulness and request that he contacts the Baden Powell Scout Group Master on 01325 320413 regarding the photos, as we would like to find out more about the ones he has taken of us both in the past and last Sunday. The Newton Aycliffe Remembrance Parade is very important to us and we always find that we have a very high turnout and exceptional good behaviour from all the group members on the parade and in the Service. The younger ones especially were delighted to see the photo's that had been given to us.

Barbara Cull, Group Scout Master

## ROTARY CLUB COMMUNITY FAIR OPEN TO ALL - FREE!

GET READY TO BOOK YOUR PLACE



The Rotary Club of Newton Aycliffe, with the sponsorship of Durham County Council and its seven Councillors on the Area Action Partnership, are delighted to announce that Saturday 14th May 2011 is the date of the next Community Fair to be held at the Newton Aycliffe Leisure

Centre.

This event, as usual, will be totally free to all participants and visitors and is an ideal opportunity for every Club, Society, Charity, Self Help Group, Sports and Leisure groups and in fact for anyone wanting to make their community activities

known to a wider audience and recruit new members. As in previous years, this event will attract great interest and participation, the last event attracted over 70 different Groups, Organisations and interests. There will also be lots of dancing, singing and other entertainment and displays, throughout the day. Look out for the application forms and further details in this Newspaper very shortly.

## Parachuting to Help Aycliffe ATC Squadron



Alison Dolan and Stacy Porter

On the 18th of November Stacy Porter and Cadet Sergeant Alison Dolan completed a Static Line Parachute Jump at Shotton Airfield in Peterlee, in aid of 1407 (Newton Aycliffe) Squadron, Air Training Corps.

They have both been with the Air Cadet Corps since they were 13 years old; Stacy was a Cadet for 7 years and is now a Civilian Instructor. Both have gained so much from their time in the ATC that they thought it was time to give something back. They decided a parachute jump was a fitting way to raise funds for the Squadron, and underwent training at Shotton Airfield. They hope to raise at least £1000 for the squadron so that current Cadets can participate in a wide range of events, and achieve as much, as they did.

They would like to thank everybody who sponsored

them, especially the Rotary Club of Newton Aycliffe for their outstanding support. If anyone would like to make a donation to 1407 (Newton Aycliffe) Squadron please contact Stacy Porter on 07964 233996.

The Air Cadets parade on Monday and Thursday from 18:45 till 21:30 at Barnard Armoury, Greenwell Road. If you would like any more information on joining the Cadets just pop along to any parade night.

## £614 Raised for Groups

Honest John reports £215 has been donated to the Acorn Players and £400 to the Children's JAM Club at Neville Parade Church. He thanks everyone who supports his fundraising stall on Market Day.

## Raise Money Easily For Your Own Club, School or Group

Local organisations are urged to take part in the Rotary Club Bumper Draw earning 50% of the money from raffle tickets they sell for their own funds.

The other 50% will aid two worthy causes, Macmillan Cancer Care and the Great North Air Ambulance. The Rotary Club are recruiting organisations on the town to be partners in this great community Bumper Draw due to start in the New Year.

Project Organiser Syd Howarth expects the Draw to raise £1,000's, helping

the main charities but mainly helping local organisations to raise money for themselves. "All they have to do is sell tickets as the Rotary Club does everything else, registering the draw, collecting the prizes, providing the tickets and arranging the night for the draw to take place at the British Legion Club. It's a win - win situation," said Syd.

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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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# Chance to See Aycliffe Tapestry



In response to popular demand St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church are holding an Open Day on Saturday 27 November to allow more people on the town and in the district to see the Jubilee Quilt made by parishioners to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the opening of the church. The church will be open from 11.00am to 4.00pm, refreshments will be available and everyone is welcome. Newton News is proud to be included in the tapestry as part of the history of Newton Aycliffe alongside other notable events, organisations and people.

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# Residents Object to More Allotments

Dear Sir,  
The people who live in Hylton Close, were not best pleased when last week they received a letter from Durham County Council stating that our Town Council had submitted plans to create an additional 43 allotment plots on the open space at the end of the Close adjacent to St Oswalds Park. These are additional to the 60 plots, plus six pigeon lofts, that already exist in that location. This will lead to increased traffic in Hylton Close/Washington Crescent, which originally was constructed by the Aycliffe Development Corporation, as a cul-de-sac way back in the 60s. We already have problems with existing allotment traffic, which can only get worse if the 43 new plots are allowed to be created. Needless to say, the residents in Hylton Close, will be raising strong valid objections to the proposed plans, as we feel that we have been let down badly by our Town Councillors, none of which by the way, live anywhere near Hylton Close. Names & addresses supplied

# Newtonian's Own Triathlon Charity Challenge

20 year old Newtonian Andrew Dewar recently took part in a charity challenge From 25th to 27th September he completed a three day triathlon of his own design and raised over £1000 for charity. On the first day he swam the channel (distance 21 miles) in Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre pool in 8 hours and 28 minutes. The second day he cycled from Hartlepool on the east coast to Maryport on the west coast (120 miles) in 9 hours 56 minutes, and on the third day climbed three peaks in the Lake District, including Scafell Pike, the tallest in England. Andrew swam at national level for Sedgfield 75 Swimming Club, coached by John Moore at Newton Aycliffe. He is now at the University of Warwick studying for a degree in Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics. He was taking part in a charity climb of Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania, but that trip fell through so he decided to make up his own challenge. Andrew is still collecting donations for "Action on Disability and Development" and the Disasters and



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Wicki (formerly of Woodham Salons)

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## EMPTY SHIPS MAKE MOST NOISE

Dear Sir,  
The inference in last week's Newton News – that being an 'Independent' makes you a 'purer', better Councillor – is insidious and false. The electors do not know what goes on in their name. Take for instance, the last round of Council meetings. At the Environment meeting of 20th October, the Independent group disagreed with the Labour Councillors on only one matter of note – a letter from the Catholic Church asking the Town Council to put flowers along Central Avenue. It was going to cost £200 at most, so the Labour Councillors were predisposed to say yes; the Independent group block-voted no (they were outvoted). The next week, at the Policy and Resources Committee of 27 October, the Independent group again agreed with Labour on everything of substance save one – a letter from St Clare's Church asking the Town Council for help with a new boiler. The Labour Councillors were predisposed to donate £200; the Independents block-voted for £500 (they were outvoted). Now I am not quibbling about the fact that the Independents proposed nothing for the Catholic Church one week and £500 for the Anglican Church the next; no doubt they had their reasons beyond the fact that one of them (who declared an interest) goes to St Clare's Church. What I want people to know is that on those two weeks the Town Council was debating its Budget for the next year. It considered its (excellent) Auditors' Report. It allocated budget sums to every one of its services. It declared its capital spending plans for 2010-11. It set its charges and fees for the next year. It sanctioned a budget

plan approaching £3 million. The Labour Councillors had been working on this with the Council officers for months. They had discussed and debated every detail – make no bones about it, the Budget was Labour's proposal for Town Council spending for the next year. And what did the Independent Councillors do? Remember that you elected them on a promise to slash Council spending (actually, by half, they promised). Not one of them opposed it. No complaints, no suggestions, no comments. At both meetings it went through without challenge. And the following week, at Full Council (when ALL Councillors can attend), the Budget was formally accepted ... unanimously. The Independent Councillors are forever airing their spleen in the Newton News. But in the Council Chamber – where it matters – few of them ever speak.  
John D Clare

## NATIVITY FESTIVAL

Neville Parade Church are launching a Nativity Festival on Friday 3rd December at 7pm starting with a short Service followed by mulled wine and mince pies. On Saturday 4th December from 10am-4pm Light Lunches will be on sale and you will be able to purchase home made cakes. Sunday 5th December Tea and Coffee will be served between 2 and 5pm. Come along and get the real feeling of Christmas - you will be made very welcome.

## On the 11th Day ...

On the 11th Day of the eleventh month at the eleventh hour a small, but increasing number of townsfolk, attended a short Service in the Town Centre to remember the exact time of the Armistice. The Town Band provided a bugler to play the Last Post and Reveille and the Standard Bearers from the Service Associations lowered and raised their flags in homage to the fallen. The Mayor and her Consort



attended the occasion and representatives from the Royal British Legion took part in the Service of Remembrance while serving personnel from the T.A. stood on Parade.



## MIDDRIDGE XMAS FAYRE

The Middridge Village Association Christmas Fayre and Coffee Morning is being held in the Village Hall on Saturday 20th November, 10am until 12:30pm. There will be a variety of stalls including a wide selection of suitable gifts for Christmas, jewellery, decorations etc. Entrance is 50p and there is car parking behind the hall.

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## "Souper" Xmas Lunch

May I thank the people who supported our new venture "The Souper Lunch" it was a great success. The next one is on Wednesday December 1st. 12.45pm in St. Elizabeth's Church Hall. This will be "The Christmas Souper Lunch." The price is still the same, a nominal £2. There will be a choice of 2 soups, Dessert and for an extra 50p a glass of Sherry, followed by a cup of tea or Coffee. If anyone wishes to come, I would be pleased to know for catering purposes, by Nov. 29th. Please call Angela, on 01325 319067 or e-mail brianange@talktalk.net

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On Thursday 2nd December 2010 we are hosting a "Family Film Night." Doors open 7pm, Film starts 7.30pm. We will be showing the new Jim Carey film of Christmas in Dickensian Times.

Admission is by donation.

For further information on both events please contact Brian on 01325 319067 or a-mail brianrose.phillips@talktalk.net

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## "Councillors Should Not Seek Publicity"

Dear Sir,  
In response to Cllr. Hewittson letter: There is a line in the sand in politics that you don't cross, even the Tories don't do it. The issue over the Town Centre Development was on the cards for many years and members lost their seat on the Council as a result of delays; good members like Bob Fleming, Brian Hall and others which I believe was a direct result of inactivity in the development of the town centre despite Councils having very little influence over this issue. In 2007 a group of officers from the then Sedgfield Borough Council along with Durham County Council, the Primary Care Trust (NHS), Phil Wilson MP and Freshwater

Management came together to work on a plan. There was no Councillor involvement from either Sedgfield or Durham and that is still the case. Now that the Town Centre is moving it is all down to Phil Wilson MP who in 2007 made Newton Aycliffe Town Centre an election pledge. Paul Gittins should not be getting the credit, and for a Councillor to stand in front of the demolition on a Sunday Morning shows at best naivety and at worst seeking publicity. This had nothing to do with his shop - he was looking for publicity as a County Councillor which is something you don't do. You don't call for a photo shoot without involving all the

other people involved and never on your own in a development of this size. Cllr. Gittins should know what the correct protocol is as a County Councillor and as a candidate twice for Parliament. As regard Cllr Hewittson's assertions on Independents, this was not my letter. I do however, see how they vote in Council and then I don't believe there is such a thing as Independent, they must form a political view whether that is

Left, Right, or Centre of what ever party. Any decision taken in Council is a political one. Vince Crosby  
Ed: Once again we have to defend Counc Gittins who did not call a photo shoot. He was called by an amateur photographer to witness the demolition of his former shop. The photo used by Newton News was sent in by this member of the public as a human interest story with no political angle intended.

## Woodham Students Support Poppy Appeal



Katie Fretwell and Hannah Tidyman both Yr 9.

Students from Woodham Community Technology College remembered soldiers who have sacrificed their lives in wars and battles both past and ongoing by marking Armistice Day with a one minute's silence in every teaching classroom. At the request of students in the Student Council, Thursday morning's lessons and break schedule were adapted so that the whole college could come

to a revered standstill for our fallen heroes and those soldiers currently on operations around the world. Since the end of October, selected students volunteered to sell poppies for a small donation and although the figure has not been calculated, it is expected a significant sum has been raised for The British Legion. Jenny McLean, Student Welfare Officer.

## Linden Group Help Luke's Dream to Become a Formula One Driver

Luke began go-karting at the age of eight after thoroughly enjoying an indoor-karting session during a family holiday in a rain drenched Blackpool. He found the speed of the karts thrilling and was hard to catch by other go-kart drivers. On return from this holiday, he begged to be allowed to continue go-karting as a hobby; and became a regular weekly driver at (Karting Northeast) near Sunderland.

His passion progressed to taking part in first novice racing where he gained trophies for first place, to championship racing where he gained further trophies but just missed out on finishing a possible second or third overall due to sustaining a fractured arm and being unable to drive.

Luke has set his goal high with the aim of becoming a formula one racing driver, and most of this elite group started small and began their career in karting and achieved their dreams. Luke is now hoping to achieve his! The first steps have begun and Luke is now the proud owner of his own Cadet Comer Kart. The kart can achieve speeds of



approximately 40 miles per hour and Luke is making great progress at the track and is looking to start MSA (Motor Sport Association) racing next year. This racing dream is being supported by the kind sponsorship of Linden Group on the Business Park. When John Billany the managing director of this local hydraulics company based in Newton Aycliffe

first saw the go-kart, he immediately offered to become Luke's first sponsor. "I am proud to support youngsters who have the motivation and ambition to achieve their goals" said John. Luke really appreciates the help and support given by John Billany encouraging him even more to take on the challenge of reaching Formula One.

## AYCLIFFE NEEDS A RETAIL PARK

Dear Sir,  
I could not agree more with the letter from J. M. Gowland in Newton News dated 5/11/10. As one of the first generation of Newtonians I believe in "AYCLIFFE" passionately

and I am sick and tired of seeing our town bypassed by retail developers. It is high time we had the convenience of a retail park, and the perfect place is standing empty, just begging

for this kind of redevelopment. I am of course talking about the disused Durham Structures site next to the petrol station on St Cuthbert's way, the main road entrance to the Town. Recently Bishop Auckland has seen the opening of two new supermarkets, they now have six. Also three DIY stores and numerous carpet, furniture, motoring, building suppliers, tile stockist, etc. etc. What do we have, one supermarket, and I bet Tesco can't believe their luck in a town that is supposed to have one of, if not the biggest populations in the county. A new retail park would not harm the town centre, as it would house retail outlets that are too big for the shopping centre. On the contrary it would probably attract people, money and jobs to the town. I did email the County Council suggesting this idea last year, but received no reply. As the Business Park is privately owned, this would be a relatively inexpensive promotional exercise for them. Now that the Council have relaxed the no retailing rule for the Business Park, surely there is no reason for it not to go ahead, providing the right developers can be found. Or perhaps the owners themselves would be interested in such a development to improve their assets, and our town. Colin Bewley  
Ed: We have backed calls for a retail park for 30 years and recently proved how much the town suffers from the 'powers that be' lack failing to market our town.

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Dear Sir,  
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William Lowery including a tape recording in the trenches during the First World War. There are photographs of Rhonda and her family which he would like to return.  
If Rhonda reads this or if you have a neighbour named Rhonda please ring me on 313924 to discuss the above and arrange delivery of the bag of memories.  
Peter Beaty

## Town Cheerleader Club Enjoy Successful Year

Newton Aycliffe Cheerleaders NEMESIS ALLSTARS have had a fantastic year this year and gone from strength to strength with a squad of 60 members aged 4 years to 34. Their first competition was in March when the senior squad were invited by the World Cheerleading Coalition to attend their National Competition at Nottingham Arena. This was a huge opportunity for the kids of Newton Aycliffe as they were competing against teams from large cities and abroad and the 2nd highest level allowed for their age in Cheer and the highest in Stunt. They came away with 2nd place in Senior Coed Stunt Level 5, 4th in Junior Stunt level 5, 5th in Senior Coed level 4 Cheer and 6th in Senior Stunt level 5. The whole squad attended the Summer Jam Competition at Nottingham Arena. Again they faced stiff competition. Results - Youth Level 2 Cheer 4th, Junior Cheer 4th, Sen Coed level 4 2nd, Mini Jazz solo 1st, Junior Jazz solo 1st, Mini Hip Hop solo 3rd, Youth Hip Hop solo 1st, Sen Hip Hop solo 2nd, Cheer solo 6-7 1st, Cheer solo 10-11 3rd, Cheer solo 14-15 3rd, Tumble Duo 10-11 1st, Senior Dance Duet 1st, Male Power Tumble 1st, Youth Group Stunt 3rd, Junior Group Stunt 3rd, Senior Stunt 6th, Sen Coed Group Stunt 5th, Junior P-Stunt 1st, Junior Power Toss 1st, Senior Power Toss 1st, Senior Coed Power Toss 1st. The Cheerleaders will be travelling to Blackpool on 26th November in a weekend



competition at the Winter Gardens. To showcase their routines they will be holding a **Show on Sunday 21st November at Greenfield Sports Hall at 4pm.** Entry to this event is £3.50 adult and £2.50 a child. Please come along and support these children and help them raise funds. All coaches are voluntary, subs are kept to a minimum and all money goes back into the squad. We will be opening our doors for new starters week commencing 29th November. If you would like to give Cheerleading a go no matter of age and ability and gender (there is a place for everyone) please feel free to contact Sarah 07786 064484, Andrea 07581 180911 or you can come to one of our classes and have a look on Mondays 5-6.30pm. This is a Fun Class to learn the basics including stunts (non Competition). Mondays 6-7.30 Youth Cheer age 4-11, 7.30-9pm. Junior Cheer 12-15yrs, Wednesday 6-9pm Senior Coed Cheer, aged 16yrs plus or by invitation only. Competition extras Jazz, Hip Hop, Pom Dances, Solos, Group Stunts and P-Stunts various times and by invitation when on Comp Squad.

Newton Aycliffe Cheerleaders would like to thank Honest John, Michael Rippon, Greenfield School and all the parents for their support.

## Volunteers Sought for Internet Radio Station

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Dear Sir,

Leaders and children from the JAM Club at Neville Parade Church thank Honest John for his donation towards taking twenty children away to Seahouses in the summer. Thank you and God bless him and all who support his fundraising stall.

Margaret and the gang.

## Charity Night at Elachi

The town's Rotary Club moved their weekly meeting to the Elachi Indian Restaurant in the Town Centre this week for a charity fundraising night.

They filled the whole Restaurant with 80 members and guests enjoying a fabulous banquet and entertainment provided by three lovely dancers from

Navrang Arts in Stockton who delighted everyone with traditional and Bollywood dancing. Their teacher was present and gave a lesson to a few adventurous diners. Everyone enjoyed the hospitality and good food provided by the staff at Elachi and the club wish to express their gratitude for the excellent service received.



## Fitness Fanatics ££'s for lbs

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Photo front: Lisa Sanderson, Paul Cooke, William & Linda McConville. Back: Gordon Hall, Instructors Andrew Roe & Terry Anderson, MP Phil Wilson.

Members of Lifestyle Fitness in Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre have been given cheques totalling £3,950 for losing weight.

The scheme aimed at getting more people into exercise and losing weight was introduced by Competition Line UK Ltd, the company that installed the new fitness equipment into the Council facility.

Gordon Hall Managing Director agreed to pay people who joined in the Fitbug programme up to £500 to lose weight and it has been a great success with seven people all hitting their targets and receiving £500.00 from Competition Line.

Andrew Roe one the County Council Instructors who led the twelve week course commented "This course really motivated the participants not only to lose weight but to change their lifestyle to a more balanced

routine of good eating and regular exercise. I personally am honoured to have been able to help."

Paul Cooke one of the members received his £500 cheque for losing over 10 kilo's (1.6 stones). He has used the gym for years, keeping himself fit but not losing weight, until he started this course.

Linda and William McConville both managed to lose their

target of 10 kilogrammes and took home cheques worth £1000 "We're off to book a holiday" Linda said as she left the presentation attended by Phil Wilson MP.

A new Fitbug course is due to start in January. Anyone interested should contact Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre on 01325 300800 or just pop in to see one of the Instructors.

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As the Council expands its CCTV surveillance operations, in partnership with both the Durham Constabulary and the Environment Agency, people who blight the countryside with enviro-crimes are warned they are being watched closer than ever.  
Durham County Council's head of Direct Services is Oliver Sherratt: "We take a zero tolerance approach to the minority that cause flytipping - it spoils the appearance of neighbourhoods and can be a safety hazard in our communities. As a result of our partnership approach, the number of incidents of

flytipping in the County is falling. Nevertheless, there have still been more than 2,500 over the last year and it costs us over £20,000 a month to clean up the mess."  
The Cabinet member for Streetscene is Cllr Brian Stephens: "As a strong and forward-thinking partnership we will continue to pursue all cases of fly tipping to ensure those responsible are held to account for their actions. Flytipping is a criminal offence and we won't tolerate it blighting our County. We are asking members of the public to be vigilant and report anyone they witness dumping rubbish, please make a note of the vehicle details involved if you can, and we will do the rest."  
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## Refurbished Cubby Open

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A lot of work has been put in by volunteers to revive the image and decor of this facility and members of the public are invited to attend the opening and then take advantage of this "Drop-in" while shopping in the Town Centre. Refreshments are on sale at very reasonable prices and you can enjoy your cuppa in warm, friendly and comfortable surroundings.

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At the end of October he was in London and met Phil Wilson, who spoke about the "Back On Track" campaign which he fully supports), the redevelopment of the town centre and also his views on the debates we would be having the next day in the House of Commons chamber which were;

*1 Should sex and relationships education be compulsory from primary school onwards?*

*2 Should university tuition fees rise*

*3 Should the school leaving age be raised to 18 in order to reduce youth unemployment?*

*4 Should we withdraw all British troops from Afghanistan by 2012?*

*5 Should transport fares for young people be protected from spending cuts?*

During the third debate (Should the school leaving age be raised to 18 to reduce youth unemployment?) he gave his opinion on the topic and said "At the age of 16, young people can choose to start a family or whether or not we want to join the armed forces, so why can't we choose whether or not to stay on in education? Would it be fair for someone who actually wants to go to college to have their education disrupted by someone who doesn't want to be there? Would it not be a waste of the taxpayer's money to send someone who has no interest in getting an 'A' level to college? All



this would do is turn "youth unemployment" into just general "unemployment". We should give young people a choice, because it's the fair thing - and the right thing - to do."

Tom was applauded as he finished his speech and was relieved that it was over but also happy that he had been able to address the Youth Parliament.

He had consulted his constituents on the topics before the event and, as their representative, voted: 1: Yes, 2: No, 3: No, 4: No, 5: Yes.

As well as being a Member of Youth Parliament Tom is a Member of Aycliffe Youth Council and Chairman of Greenfield Student Council.

Tom asks the youth of the town to contact him if they have an idea or issues they would like him to bring to the Youth Parliament or would like to see something change in their local area, His e-mail address; tomhuntermyp@hotmail.co.uk

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## Thank You

Carl & Beverley  
Vickers



Would like to thank family and friends for all the cards and gifts received on the birth of "Maddison Eva Vickers", born on 1st November 2010, weighing 7lbs 9oz. We would also like to thank everyone who attended our Wedding on 15th October 2010

**MAXINE COUSINS** John, Jack, Harry and Jean would like to thank all who attended Maxine's funeral last week, for their support and kind words throughout the day. A big thank you to all who contributed to the collection at the door in the Big Club (press ganged by Harry and friends). The collection raised £34 on the day with further donations made toward St Teresas and Butterwick Hospice at the Church. A special thanks to Dr Pounder, Julie, Andrea, Sharon (with the cold hands) and the team for their help and support throughout Maxine's illness. Pat and Dave for the buffet, the Rev Linda Potter for an excellent Service and to Brian Shepherd (Whitehouse Funeral Services) for his help, understanding and professionalism. A final thank you to Maxine for being our rock

**BRYCE TURNBULL** To a thoughtful and generous Son/ Brother. Thank you for our fantastic holiday in Egypt. We all had a great time. We all love you to bits!

**ADAM BROWN**, Mark and Donna would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who came to Adam's Christening. Many thanks for all the lovely cards and gifts he received. We hope everyone enjoyed the day as much as we did

**GRATEFUL THANKS** to the kind staff in Tesco's for their help. M Whitaker

## Last Chance to Save Gardens Guild

There will be an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Guild on November 22nd 2010 at 7pm in The Cubby Greenwell Road.

The first and main item on the agenda will be the future of the Guild. Unless more help in the form of a Secretary, Treasurer and volunteers is forthcoming at this meeting the Guild will have to close forthwith. Will anyone who is interested in saving the Guild please make an effort to attend.

## Birthday Remembrance

**RITA CHAPE** Dear Mam and Grandma. Thinking of you on your birthday. Sadly missed. Love, Martyn, Nicola and Natalie xxx

**RITA ANN CHAPE** 18-11-1952. Loving birthday wishes to a dear Daughter and Sister. Loved and missed always. Mam and Colin xx

**RITA ANN CHAPE** (nee Lawson). 18th November. You've been gone four years now, I still miss and love you. Vaughan

**SARAH TEMPLE** 21st November. If memories bring us closer, we are never far apart. Because you are always in our thoughts and forever in our hearts. Happy birthday Princess. Love always, Mam and Dad xxx

**SARAH TEMPLE** 21st November. You will always be in my heart Sarah. Happy birthday. Love from Michael xx

**SARAH TEMPLE** 21st November. The brightest star in the sky tonight is my Granddaughter Sarah saying good night. No cards or presents today, just happy memories. All my love, Nana xxx

**SARAH TEMPLE** 21st November. Sweet in your memory, dear is your name, deep in our hearts you will always remain. Love forever sweetheart. Nana and Uncle Barry xx

**SARAH TEMPLE** Sunday 21st November. Thinking of you Sarah on your birthday, loved and remembered always Love from Uncle David, Auntie Ruth, Andrew, Nathan and Niall xxx

**"OUR LES"** 16-11-2004. Always in our thoughts, special memories on your birthday (23-11-2010). Lots of love, Lvnv. Garv and Emily xx

## In Memoriam

**LESLEY SERRY** Will always remember the good times. Love and miss you. J xxx

**LESLEY SERRY** Died 16th November 2004. Six years have passed, but our thoughts and happy memories will never fade, we miss you every day. Love, Mam, Bro Gary and all the family

**SYBIL WILSON** Died 24-11-09. You are in our thoughts every day, and in our hearts always. Our love from John, Ruth, Phil, Sophia, Paul, Owen and Georgia.

**MAXINE COUSINS** You were more like a Sister than a friend, so many happy memories to cherish. You will always be missed and loved. Love, Diane, Stuart, Katy and Adam xxxx

**KATH HALL** (nee Ward). 20th November 2001. It has now been 9 years since you were taken from your loving family, not a day has gone by without you being in our thoughts. You are the most beautiful, loving and kind Mother that anyone could ever wish for. You are our Angel that looks after the family, old ones and new ones. All our love now and forever, Billy, Julie, Edward, David, Kim, Ali and Glenda

**KATH HALL** (nee Ward). 20th November 2001. To the best Nana, we miss you and love you with all our hearts. Shaun, Natalia, Rachael, Ben and Alfie.

**KATH HALL** (nee Ward). 20th November 2001. With love to a wonderful Great Nanna we never had the pleasure of being part of your life, but we know you are keeping and eye on us. Lots of love, Kate, Jazmin and Harry. All our love, Matthew, Dan, Janelle, Bailey, Evie and Joey

**BARRY BELLAS** 25-11-2009. They say memories are golden, well maybe that is true. But we never wanted memories, we only wanted you. Love you always Dad. Marie, Chris and Leanne

**BARRY BELLAS** "Grandad YeeHa". We miss you loads Grandad and will always love you. Lots of love from all the Grandkids

**JOHN WATSON** 19th November 2004. In God's care you sleep above, in our hearts you stay with love. Joe, John, Lorraine, Karen and families

**GRANT EDGAR** A darling Son, tragically killed, 16th November 1985. Along the road of yesterday it takes me straight to you and all of our happy memories together. I seem to have a way of wandering back to meet you Son on the road to yesterday. The heartache is always there, no one will ever know how much we miss you. Love you more than ever Son. Mam, Paul, Brother Lee and Andy and family xxxx

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Nova and Wesley  
Tarn



**Congratulations** on the birth of your second son "Donovan Tarn". Born on 17th November 2010 weighing 9lbs. Lots of love from Beverley, Paul, Carrie and Matthew xxxx

David and Leah



**Congratulations** on the birth of our beautiful Granddaughter "Payton Olivia", born 5th November 2010 weighing 6lbs 13oz. Lots of love from Mam and Dad xxxxxxxxx

Lisa & John-Paul



**Congratulations** on the birth of our gorgeous Grandson "Dylan George". Born on 5th November 2010 weighing 7lbs 12oz. Lots of love from Mam and Dad xxxxx

Ashley Isaac



**Happy 15th Birthday**  
24th November 1995  
Lots of love, Mum xxxxx

Jackie Blenkinsopp



**Happy 50th Birthday**  
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Hope you have a lovely day. Lots of love, Ian, Mam, Dad, Phyllis, Nicola, Danny, Graham, Carly, Kian and Zach xxxx

Brian Dunn



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## NEW CLUB BADGE FOR TOWN CRICKET CLUB

Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club have commissioned Vanilla Design & Print to create a new Club badge which will be incorporated into their new kit for next season and also on other items of clothing which will be available for sale to club players and supporters. The new branded clothing will be available to buy at reduced prices on the evening of 28th November at the Clubs Cricket Sale at Newton Aycliffe Sports Club, Moore Lane, and via the website in the future. The new badge, which will also be used on their new website and stationery, was commissioned to



give the club a more professional look, but still incorporating their original club colour of burgundy and gold with cricket equipment images. Valerie Palmer from Vanilla Design & Print said it was a pleasure to work on the new club badge and gave her services free of charge to help support the club.

## APPEAL TO STOP GARDENS GUILD CLOSING

Dear Sir,  
The town's Gardens Guild hold an Extraordinary Meeting on Monday 26th November in the the Cubby at 7p.m. and I appeal to all members to attend to discuss the future of our Guild. This is the oldest club in Newton Aycliffe established in 1959 under the leadership of Harry Bilton, Ken Woodward, and Colin Earp to name a few. Over the years sales have fallen, but it would be shame

to allow it to fold. The building needs repairs, but I am sure we could obtain grants as we have never yet applied. I hope people will come forward to keep the guild alive. It only needs a small committee to run it, but it is important to have a Secretary and Treasurer. Please turn up so that we can seriously consider our options to keep the Gardens Guild from closure. Eddie Hubery

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The plants and growing equipment were seized by Police and two males were arrested; a 64 year old male at the target address and a 40 year old male who was located at another nearby location. Both males were arrested on suspicion of cannabis cultivation and have been bailed pending further enquiries and forensic examination of the equipment recovered. As a result of the information and intelligence gained from this operation further arrests are expected and the day's success has seen a significant disruption to the cannabis trade within Newton Aycliffe. Mark Edwards, Sergeant with the NPT, states "I hope our actions highlight how serious we take the issue of drug misuse and supply within Newton Aycliffe and all information received will be collated and acted upon."

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Aycliffe boss Allan Oliver has hailed his players after recording arguably the biggest result of their young history this week, but the manager is still reminding them and the club's fans that there's a long way to go yet before they can start celebrating. Aycliffe claimed a quite brilliant cup win at current FA Vase holders Whitley Bay on Tuesday night. The Bay are currently fifth in the Northern League First Division and earlier this year won the prestigious FA Vase at Wembley for a second successive season. Aycliffe, currently top of the second division, won 4-1 at Hillheads on a memorable evening for the club. "We were delighted with the win," said Oliver. "It shows that we can compete with any side in this league, on our day. "We have a young side but they all work their socks off for each other, and having good players who work for each other is a recipe for success. "It was a great night for the club, possibly the best result in our short history, and I was thrilled for our fans who give us magnificent support home and away.

## PUNK ROCK FESTIVAL

A Punk Rock Festival takes place at Shildon Civic Hall on 4th December featuring the UK's top tributes to The Jam, The Clash, Ramones and New York Dolls. The Show entitled "When Two Worlds Collide" features top punk bands from the UK and the USA on the same night. Tickets on sale now from the venue priced £10 in advance. More details on 07836 350507.

"Consistency is the key, though, and it's no good celebrating a first round cup win only to finish the season empty-handed. Trophy-winning teams play like that almost every week and that's what we have to do if we're to enjoy the season we're all aiming towards." October 2008 was the last time Whitley Bay let four goals in at home, against Nantwich, and they didn't seem to be in any mood for conceding when they took the lead in the 14th minute. Aycliffe, without top scorer Warren Byrne in the starting line-up, battled back straight away, with Josh Knox and Paul Broom both going close to an equaliser. They found the leveller after 27 minutes when Broom crossed for Sean Tarling, whose shot was charged down by Brian Rowe with his arms, and Gardner coolly slotted in from the penalty spot. Defender Mark Peck headed his second of the season four minutes after half-time, but the best goal of the night came shortly before the hour. Broom skinned Chris Fawcett down the right wing and crossed for Gardner to hit a bullet header past Bay 'keeper Kyle Hayes. Aycliffe made it four, effectively killing the game, in the 73rd minute when Tarling rifled in from the edge of the area after Bay failed to clear Peck's high ball into the area. The terrific win at Bay was just three days after Aycliffe won their eighth consecutive league game, 2-0 at home to Seaham Red Star, thanks to goals by Anth Campbell and Warren Byrne in front of 198 people at Moore Lane Park.

## MOTHERS & TODDLERS PLAYGROUP

Mothers and Toddlers hold a playgroup at Burnhill Way Church every Friday, between 1pm and 2.30pm and is £1 per family. We do lots of various activities including messy play, music time, imagination play, cooking, trips and walks. The children learn through play and the parents can relax knowing they are playing safely. Snacks and drinks are included too, so why not pop along and give us a try? You can only enjoy yourselves and have fun. There is even more fun to be had on Wednesday mornings as we have messy play from 10.30am to 11.45am. It is 20p per family so come along and join in our fun.

## Cricket Club Sale & Quiz

Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club are holding a sale of cricket clothing and equipment at Newton Aycliffe Sports Club on Sunday 28th November. The sale, at 6.30pm, will give players and supporters the chance to buy the new Newton Aycliffe Cricket Shirt and other club branded clothing at reduced prices. Other clothing and leisure wear will also be available on the night with delivery guaranteed for Christmas. The Club have arranged for a cricket equipment supplier to attend on the night with bats, pads etc. available to purchase, again with guaranteed pre-Christmas delivery. Also on the night is a Sports Quiz starting at 7.15pm plus other fundraising activities. This is the ideal opportunity to start preparing for next season or for anybody who is looking for cricket related Christmas presents. Anybody wanting to take part in the quiz is also welcome to come along – entry to the quiz is £1 per person with a maximum of 4 per team. For further information please contact Club Chairman, Ian Palmer on 01325 312086.

## YOUTHY UNDEFEATED IN SIX GAMES

After a disappointing defeat to high flyers Ouston Juniors in the County Cup Newton Aycliffe Youth Under 14's, sponsored by Defoe Court, entertained strugglers Wolviston Juniors at the Oak Leaf on Sunday. Still undefeated Youthy needed a convincing win to get back into the groove, but the visitors provided tough opposition. The first half was a tight affair with few chances at either end. Ben Nicholson and Matthew Card had to work hard to gain control and chances were few and far between for the strike force of Ryan Mercer, Connor Halford and Jake Cane. Cane and Mercer made some enterprising runs but failed to trouble the Wolviston keeper, and most of the first half was played in the middle of the field. Billy Bradley, playing in a holding midfield role, dominated to ensure a clean sheet at half time. As the half wore on full backs Sam Pascoe and Macaulay Aldsworth pushed forward and Cane and Mercer could have scored. Half time saw a 0 – 0 stalemate. Youthy started brightly in the second

half and, with skipper Tom Gledhill dominant in the air, Wolviston found it difficult to threaten. When they did make progress sweeper James Skerrett and, in form keeper, Jack McLaren dealt with the danger. McLaren made 2 fine saves to keep Wolviston out and, at the other end, Cane went close. With Dan Kenyon coming on at half time Aycliffe looked more lively and at last the deadlock was broken. Youthy got a penalty early in the half and Jordan Howe nearly took the roof off the net to give the home side the lead. History almost repeated itself as Youthy got a second penalty shortly after but this time he found the keeper. As the half wore on Aycliffe looked in control and when Kenyon fired a shot home from the edge of the box the points were safe. Matthew Marshall and Richard Howe joined the game and the contest ended with a 2 – 0 win for the hosts. They are still undefeated in 6 games and entertain Eaglescliffe Elementis at the Oak Leaf on Sunday in a top of the table clash

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