

OAK LEAF SPORTS COMPLEX

YOGA CLASSES

With Marion Keay
This ancient art relaxes Body, Mind & Spirit



Every Thursday
5.30pm-7pm and 7.15pm-8.45pm
Places limited - bookings recommended

NEWTON NEWS

MOT TESTING CENTRE
Now Open for Cars and Vans (Class 4 & 7)
* FAMILY RUN BUSINESS *

G.H. PALIN & SONS
Carlbury Road, Aycliffe Industrial Estate
Telephone: 01325 300880
After Hours Telephone: 07980 712733

NEWTON PRESS, Newton Aycliffe, Co. Durham DL5 6DX - Tel: (01325) 300212 • Web: www.newtonnews.co.uk - Editorial: syd@gonp.co.uk - Advertising: paul@gonp.co.uk

Week Ending 9th January, 2009

Cycleways Sport and Leisure Ltd

• Sales • Service • Repairs • Accessories

Stockists of Trek, Giant, Onza, Shimano and Campagnolo Road MTB, BMX, Trials, Izip Electric Bikes

Also stockists of Trailers, Trailer Bikes, Children's Bikes to Custom Build Bikes to Race Spec.
Full range of safety helmets/clothing

Mon-Sat 10am-5pm
Free Parking



Why don't you join our all year **SAVING CLUB** to save for someone's birthday/xmas or just something for yourself

NEW RANGE OF HARO, MIRRACO and FELT BMXS

8 Neville Parade, Newton Aycliffe
www.cycleways.net Tel: 308522



TRAFFIC CALMING CHANGES FOR TOWN'S BUSY ROADS



Traffic calming on our busy roads could be changed – if local people agree.

Durham County Council is to ask people who use Shafto Way and Greville Way in Newton Aycliffe for their views on proposals to change the existing speed cushions to round-topped road humps.

Speed cushions allow vehicles to straddle them while road humps go across the full width of the road.

The proposed change follows complaints from residents and bus companies that they cannot straddle the cushions when vehicles are parked.

Letters explaining the change are on their way out

from the County Council asking for comments by January 23, 2009.

If the change is agreed, the scheme is expected to be completed later in the year. "The original traffic calming scheme dates from 2003 when 15 sets of speed cushions were installed on the bus route," said County Council highway engineer, Lee Mowbray.

"It has been a success as it has not only reduced traffic speed but personal injury accidents too.

"However, not everyone has been happy with the cushions as they can't function as intended when vehicles are parked.

"What we want to do now is to find out people's views

on changing the cushions to road humps and once we have the results of the consultation we will then determine whether to proceed with the change.

"What is absolutely certain is that there are no plans to remove traffic calming from the area.

"This is simply about changing the type of traffic calming," he said.

The proposed round-topped road humps would have tapered edges, be 3.7metres long and be no more than 100mm or four inches high. They would be placed at the same locations as the existing cushions

SafeLine Taxis

Tel: 312512

The WorkX
HAIR • BEAUTY • TANNING

5 COBBLEERS HALL - TELEPHONE 308660

25% OFF

**Hairdressing Services
Beauty Treatments and Tanning**

When you spend £20 or more and produce this voucher
Offer expires Saturday 14th February 2009
Not to be used in conjunction any other offer

elachi indian restaurant

1 Upper Beveridge Walkway - DL5 4EE
Town Centre (next to Stevenrussell) **316516**
Free Parking on Town Centre Rooftop Car Park

Exceptional Indian Cuisine
Take Away Service Available

OPEN 7 EVENINGS A WEEK FROM 5.30pm-11.00pm
10% DISCOUNT FOR COLLECTION

Fully Air Conditioned - Full Restaurant Licence
Seats 90 in Comfort - Party Bookings Welcome

whitehouse
funeral service

Covering Newton Aycliffe and Surrounding Areas

Contact Bryan A. Shepherd

cockerton house

11 west auckland road darlington DL3 9EJ

'The truly independent family company caring for your needs'

T: 01325 482999 (24 hr)

ATC

AYCLIFFE TYRE CENTRE

Fed up with paying top prices for tyres?
Do you get quoted one price
and pay more when you get there?
Then you've got to go to

ATC

for a Fast, Friendly, Affordable Service
on New or Part-worn Tyres
Punctures, Wheel Balancing, etc...

"What WE quote is what YOU pay"
Eat In and Take Away Cafe Now Open

We now have a alternative number, Tel: 05603 108735



472A Durham Way - Aycliffe Business Park

Tel. 01325 312 779

Email: atcnewtonaycliffe@btconnect.com

Gregg Little Testing Centre Ltd.



The Place for Motorcycle MOTs
introductory price £25 + free prize draw

WE STILL MOT CARS/VANS
WE STILL OFFER UNBEATABLE SERVICING
small service from £70+ vat
large service from £120+vat

Does not affect manufacturers warranty

6 Leaside, Aycliffe Business Park
Telephone (01325) 321621

E: info@gregglittle.co.uk - W: www.gregglittle.co.uk

ROTARY CLUB PLEDGE CASH TO COMPLETE ABI APPEAL

20 months old Abi Selvey who suffers from a rare physical and mental disease now has the transport she needs to get to and from hospital appointments around the North East.

Her disabilities mean she needs round the clock care and wherever she goes Abi needs an oxygen suction machine, a satsometer, and a specially made pushchair.

The appeal for funds to buy a vehicle large enough to accommodate Abi and all her equipment safely was launched by the Newton News in September and has reached £7800.

Thanks to the generosity of the people of the town in supporting its Christmas collections around the town with Santa and in Tescos, the Rotary Club has decided to use part of the proceeds to donate



the final £1200 to bring the total raised up to £9000. This is sufficient for the family to complete the purchase of a suitable second hand vehicle and the appeal will now close.

On hearing the news Abi's Mum Clarissa said "It is brilliant that the appeal has been completed. We are really, really grateful and can't thank people enough for all the financial help and support we have received".

KAB TAXIS
4, 6, 7 & 8
Seater Available
316203

BLINDS FACTORY

Buy Direct from the Factory and save £££s

FREE Home Selection
FREE Measuring
FREE Fitting

Phone SIESTA BLINDS
01325 309003
now ask about our next day fitting on verticals

1 BRIGHOUSE COURT
Aycliffe Business Park

BLINDS U.K.



All books & samples brought to your home

VERTICAL BLINDS
2 for £60 - 3 for £89
4 for £111 - 5 for £129
6 for £153 - 7 for £177

Any Size Window (1 inch to 17mm wide only)
Also straight edge roller blinds are available on the above offer on selected fabrics. Vertical and roller blinds fitted within 5 days from measuring

LOVELY CHOICE OF FABRICS
Fabulous range of wood venetian, roller blinds, pleated, roman, venetian and also curved tracks available

CONSERVATORY BLINDS SPECIALISTS
For your free no obligation estimate, telephone the number below

Telephone: (01325) 320666



TaxEasE uk is an Independent Tax Practice

Beat the **JANUARY INCOME TAX Deadline!**

Contact us for less hassle

Remember we are **MOBILE** and come to you
You may even save tax!

For a **FREE APPOINTMENT**

Ring **07813 926622** or **01325 316958**

or email us olive@taxeas.uk

LET US HELP YOU GET THROUGH YOUR LOSS



John Meynell Funeral Service

Office and Chapels of Rest:

Cemetery Chapel, Stephenson Way, Newton Aycliffe DL5 7DS

Telephone: 01325 301 405

150 North Road, Darlington

Telephone: 01325 382 542

Monumentals & Pre-arranged Funeral Plans

24 hours a day - Funeral Director: Penny Dawson DipFD, MBFD

£5 Eye Examination

THE VILLAGE OPTICIAN

This voucher entitles you to a full eye examination at THE VILLAGE OPTICIAN for only £5.00
Voucher must be presented at the time of the eye examination. Valid until 31st January 2009

Call In or Phone For Your Appointment

4 Cobblers Hall Village Centre
Burn Lane, Newton Aycliffe
Tel: 01325 319922

4 Church Street
Coshoe, Co. Durham
Tel: 0191 377 0227

DOUBLE WINNER AT THE LANES



New resident Sarah Dinsley won the top prize in a raffle at The Lanes development in Newton Aycliffe (www.thelanesnewtonaycliffe.co.uk) Sarah was delighted when Clare Johnson from Fabrick Housing Group called to tell her that she would be receiving an amazing luxury hamper. Having just moved into the property of her dreams, a stunning Zenith 2 bedroom apartment, Sarah certainly feels she's on a winning streak!

There is still a fabulous range of properties available at The Lanes, from gorgeous 2 bedroom apartments to magnificent 3 bedroom homes. The Lanes has a home on offer for everyone, from the retired to the blossoming family to the young professional – simply a great range of homes in a great place to live.

Terrific incentives are on offer at the development to make moving home that little bit

easier. This includes the offer of 50% shared ownership, meaning buyers can move today for just £48,000! Shared ownership entitles the buyer to own their new home from day one but only pay for 50% of the property. Potential buyers will definitely agree that this will come as a big help to those struggling to otherwise get on the property ladder in today's current climate.

There is also the option of letting from Fabrick Housing Group, allowing customers to rent the home they want and then when the market is more stable and more mortgages are on offer, they can buy the property. Terms and conditions apply on both incentives so buyers are advised to check with the sales centre for further details.

For more details on the fantastic opportunities at The Lanes, please contact the development directly on 0844 8009864.

COUNTY COUNCIL PLEDGES SUPPORT FOR C.A.B.

The importance of Citizens Advice Bureaux to the life of County Durham was recognised at a seminar held at County Hall.

Speaking at the seminar Cllr Brian Stephens, Durham County Council's Cabinet Member for Partnerships, said: "The County Council knows how critical the CAB service is to thousands of families throughout the county, particularly those experiencing difficulties with debt, legal problems, and health issues, and we look forward to working with local bureaux through the new Area Action Partnerships."

Addressing over 80 delegates Cllr Lucy Hovvells, Cabinet Member for Communities said: "In setting its budget for 2009/10 the County Council will be looking to maintain, in real terms, the funding at present received from the district councils."

Patrick Conway, Chair of the County Durham Citizens Advice Partnership, welcomed the assurances, and added: "The seven County Durham bureaux are dealing with over 80,000 new client issues each year and sadly numbers are rising week on week, with more and more hard pressed families and individuals

seeking advice.

"Given the County Council's support, we can look forward to developing local services, taking into account local need."

Durham County Council Leader Simon Henig said: "With over 200 volunteers giving freely of their time and expertise in County Durham, the CAB is uniquely placed to represent concerns and problems experienced by citizens.

"Clearly this is an organisation that is respected in local communities and we will be doing all we can to ensure its excellent work continues."

**AYCLIFFE
EVANGELICAL
CHURCH**
Ladybower
Signposted off
Meadowfield Way
Every Sunday
Services at 10.30am
and 6.30pm
Everyone Welcome
Tel: 07703 464971
www.aycliffe-ec.org.uk

AYCLIFFE CHILDCARE JEWEL SHINES ON



A former local authority children's nursery centre in Newton Aycliffe has reopened after a successful buy-out. The nursery on Durham Way North closed earlier this year after a change in childcare policy at Durham County Council leaving the building vacant.

Little Acorns North East Ltd, which runs centres in Horden and Stanley, operated from a former office building opposite the vacant centre and jumped at the chance to bid.

After a closed tender process Little Acorns, which cares for children aged from three months to 12 years old, were successful and have just celebrated opening the doors to their new home.

Managing Director John Owens said: "The new building is much better suited to childcare as it is all on one level and all the caring rooms open out onto a garden area.

"Over the years the local authority had invested in some great facilities at the building so it was ideal for us. We have done some work ourselves to bring the centre up to the highest standard and both ourselves and parents are very

pleased with the results."

The new centre is a great resource for the hundreds of parents working on the Aycliffe Business Park with large and small employers like Ness, Katell and Steel and Alloy Processing.

Likes its other centres Little Acorns also operates a groundbreaking before and after school service which cares for school age children before taking them to and from school by taxi.

Little Acorns, which has operated for more than ten years, also works with local employers offering a retainer service so that when employees have childcare problems they can be easily and quickly accommodated.

John Owens added: "Our company has grown on a bedrock of flexibility. We work with parents and local employers to ensure that we can accommodate everyone's needs.

"We operate within some plant's shift hours and move care around to suit parents who these days work very flexibly." For further information on the childcare services available at Little Acorns call 309 100.

3M PROVIDE SEATS OF LEARNING



Mike Simpson of 3M helps Ben Alliston, Josh Riley and Jessica Holmes put the benches in place

A unique outdoor classroom for Aycliffe Village School has been kitted out with solid oak benches thanks to the help of its friends.

The benches were specially made for the school by craftsman Jim Beddingfield, who earlier this year worked with the pupils to create a circular willow structure that will have the classroom in its centre.

Local employers 3M provided £500 for the structure when the school won first prize in its schools' environmental competition. Now the

company has also given an extra £400 towards the cost of the benches.

The 3M donation completed the £1,250 needed for the benches which has been met by £300 from the school, £300 from the PTA and £250 raised by the pupils themselves.

Headteacher Jed Gargan said: "The pupils have worked hard at fundraising and the PTA has helped enormously – on top of the £3,000 it generously provided last year to purchase curtains and blinds for our hall. However we would not have been able to raise the money as quickly without the assistance of 3M."

Mike Simpson, community relations manager at 3M Aycliffe – which makes respiratory protection products for worker safety – visited the school to help put the benches in place.

Mike added: "The benches complement the setting of the outdoor classroom perfectly and as they are made from sustainable oak they will be a great asset to the school for years to come. We were very pleased to be able to help." The pupils have now been proudly weatherproofing the new benches in teak oil ready for them to be concreted into the ground.

LOCAL FIRMS EASE MONEY PRESSURE

Dear Sir,

As a motorist of 55years I can never remember so much financial pressure being suffered by motorists. It's like being mugged by the Mafia. I decided to downsize as I no longer need an inter-city car and only do 1500 miles a year. I bought a very small used car which required a few parts to bring it up to a road worthy condition.

A quote from the local dealer found me picking myself up off the floor with a determination that I would find a "No nonsense supplier of parts" and a "No nonsense Auto technician" to fit them.

I eventually found "Stigs Motor Factors" Tel. 316566 on Whitworth Avenue on the Aycliffe Business Park. Stig and his son Michael sourced my parts at very competitive prices in a pleasant and professional way.

Stig suggested I give his neighbour Tim of "Tim Will Fix It" Tel. 07748 702095 the opportunity to quote to fit my parts which he did in an impressive cost effective manner.

Well done lads you are what I was looking for and you have gained all my future custom. Next time you want an exhaust system or any other part fitted try the above combination you could find the pressure on your wallet a bit easier.

EA Burton
(the old fart with the go-cart).

AJ TAXIS
4-8 SEATER
TEL:
310333
UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Open Door Debt Solutions Ltd

Don't sink under the strain of unsecured debt, there is an answer
Individual Solutions for Your Individual Needs
Free professional and impartial advice
Non Judgemental approach offering total confidentiality
Immediate access to experienced debt advisors available from
8am to 8pm Monday to Friday
Make one affordable payment to one monthly company
Reduce your total Unsecured Debts by up to 75%
Debt Management Plan
Full and Final Settlement
Individual Voluntary Arrangement (IVA)
Sell and Rent Back
No Credit Checks or Additional Borrowing

Contact Alex: 07896 757336

E: business@thegiftedgroup.co.uk - www.opendoordebtsolutions.co.uk

GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL



CHARITY CIVIC BALL

(in Aid of the Mayor's Charities)

The British Heart Foundation and BLESMA

in the SUMMERSON SUITE
at the HALL GARTH HOTEL
Coatham Maudesville, Darlington

on FRIDAY, 20th FEBRUARY, 2009

Reception 7.00pm

Dinner 7.30pm

Dancing to
"In the Mood" and Disco until 12.30am

Tickets: £27.50 available from:

Great Aycliffe Town Council

Telephone 01325 300700

E-mail: okristinae.ryder@great-aycliffe.gov.uk

Call in and view our selection of
PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS
ideal gift idea for only:
£2.00 EACH - STOCK MUST CLEAR
UP TO
80% OFF

NEWTON PRESS
St Cuthberts Way
Newton Aycliffe
Tel: 01325 300212

SIMPSONS SHOE REPAIRS
** Award Winning Shoe Repairs **

WE ALSO OFFER:
Key Cutting - Trophy Supplies - Engraving
Watch Battery Replacement
Established over 50 years

TELEPHONE: 01388 77 77 09
24 Church Street, Shildon

any make any model!
RENAULT VAUXHALL MG ROVER SEAT PEUGEOT FORD CITROEN HONDA SKODA BMW LANDROVER MAZDA TOYOTA VOLVO FIAT NISSAN

CROSDALE FAST-FIT AUTO CENTRES

FULL MECHANICAL REPAIR FACILITIES
Fast becoming the North East's favourite choice for all your motoring requirements

UP TO 1.0 Lit (Mineral Oil)
£14.95 INC VAT

INC. Parts & Labour
£29.95 INC VAT

OIL & FILTER CHANGE **BRAKE PADS**

MAJOR SERVICE
PRICES INCLUDE OIL & FILTER (mineral oil) PLUS, AIR FILTER PLUS: OVER 50 CHECKS AND ADJUSTMENTS CARRIED OUT FOR TURBOS, DIESELS AND VEHICLES OVER 2200cc PLEASE

FROM **£95.00** (1.0 Lit) FROM **£85.00** (1.6 Lit)

FROM **£75.00** (1.6 Lit)

MIDDLESBROUGH | DARLINGTON | CHESTER-LE-STREET | CONSETT
01642 318111 | 01325 389800 | 0191 3874444 | 01207 507777

GATESHEAD | BISHOP AUCKLAND | NEWTON AYCLIFFE | CROSDALE DURHAM
0191 4767222 | 01388 607783 | 01325 321122 | 01388 814062

AYCLIFFE BOXER BEATS NATIONAL CONTENDER



Aycliffe Amateur Boxing Club hosted a boxing tournament at the Big Club on Friday 5th December. The evening was a great success with 15 well contested bouts and Aycliffe ABC had 8 boxers competing with 7 winners and 1 narrow defeat.

Aston Fairhurst boxed a national finalist and England representative and won, Mark Dial boxed in his second contest and made it two out of two. Aaron Mount had his 1st contest and ended with a win. Jamie Letten boxed a really intelligent bout on the move in his 30th contest and won. Sean Denham with a great deal of support gave a lot of weight away against a national finalist and won on a close decision. Craig Moir had a very hard task after a late replacement was brought in with a lot of experience, and as it worked out a little too much but Craig



kept the bout competitive. Michael Turnbull who had not boxed for 7 years did himself proud by winning against a man with a lot more contests. Top of the bill was 20 year old Danny Fox who was streets ahead of all the others with 50 contests and has been boxing since he was 11.



Danny boxed a National Champion & England Representative at senior level and won quite comfortably with his high work rate against a quality opponent.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all the people that supported us on the night for a sell out show, and to coaches and helpers who made the show so successful. WELL DONE to all the boxers.

We are looking forward to the next Show at the same place on 22nd May 2009. Anyone interested in training, male or female, from the age of 8, is most welcome on Tuesday & Thursday evenings 6.00 to 7.30. Is there another Ricky Rutton or Joe Calzaghe out there?

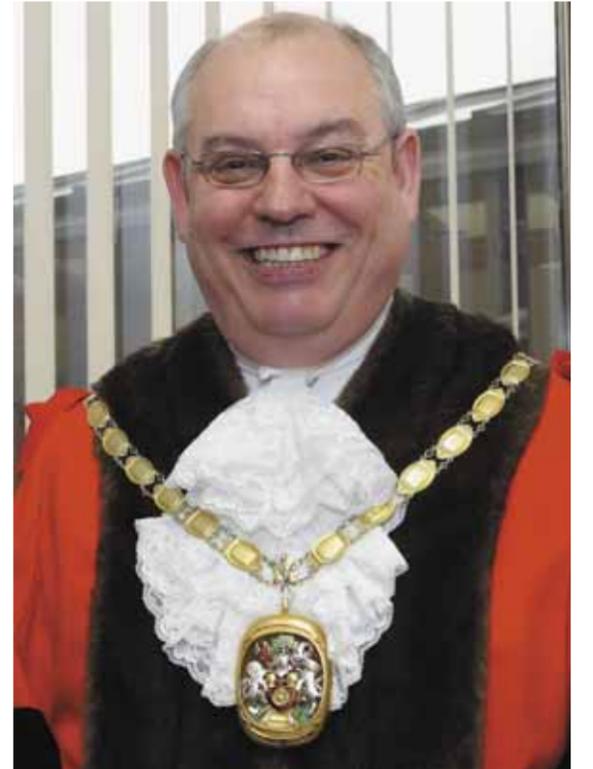
AGNEW COMMUNITY CENTRE ASSOCIATION Morrison Close

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 28th January 2009 at 7 pm I am to inform you on behalf of the management committee that the above meeting will be open to all, but only members will be able to vote on any item on the agenda. Facilities for both the renewal and new memberships will be available after this meeting. R. Mitche Hon. Secretary

SANTA WAS TOO FAST!

Dear Editor,
I would just like to express my lack of gratitude for the Santa visit on Christmas Eve.
Whilst I am pleased that Lewis Hamilton has gained a new string to his bow by driving the Santa around, I would have been happier, as would my children, if Santa had stayed around long enough for me to open the front door!
Mike Fleet.
Editor: The task of getting Santa around the town before young children go to bed is an enormous logistics exercise and the Town Council work very hard to please everyone. The majority of people appreciate and enjoy the experience especially if Santa is able to stop and talk to children. If he gets held up it is inevitable he has to rush towards the end of the night. The suggestion is he starts a little earlier to make sure he gets to everyone.

New Year's Message from Borough Mayor



My warmest greetings go out to everyone at this joyous time each year. On a personal front, it has reached the stage where I am now halfway through my term in office as the Mayor of Sedgfield Borough and it is a privilege to serve you all.
As I mentioned earlier, this is a joyous time yet it is also tinged with sadness as this will be the final Mayoral, Festive message from this authority. Sedgfield Borough Council ceases to exist from 31 March and will become part of the new Durham County Council.
So on behalf of the former Mayors of Sedgfield Borough and myself, I would like to thank you all for your generous support that has benefited many charities.
Everyday I meet new people and organisations. These are very special and treasured experiences and the memories will remain with me and my wife and consort Maxine forever.
Finally, may Maxine and I take this opportunity to wish you all a very healthy and prosperous New Year.
John Robinson

Joy-Marie Hairdressing

Would like to wish all customers a very Happy New Year and to thank them for the lovely gifts received over the Festive Season

Joy-Marie, Angela, Sarah and Leigh
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

The Dog Cross Lane Bldg, Ws. Houghton (on the A61)
Telephone: 01325 312162
OPEN ALL DAY EVERY DAY

Lunches Served 12noon-2.30pm - Evening Meals 5pm-9pm
(No Food Sunday Evenings or Monday Evenings)
Meals Served All Day Saturdays
Sunday Lunches Served 12noon-4pm

Ample Parking - Roaring Log Fire
Good Choice of beers/lagers + at least 2 real ales

Texas Hold 'Em Poker Nights
Every Monday 7.30pm Start - Free Entry
Quiz Night Every Tuesday, 9pm Start
Live Music First Friday of every month
Friday 9th January - Live Music from Eddie Grant
visit www.dogat8.com and have a look around

M.V. MOBILITY
Scooters from £295.00
Powered Riser/Recliner Chairs from £595
No Obligation, Home Demo
Part Exchange Welcome
MOBILE SHOWROOM
All Major Credit Cards Accepted
0% Finance Available
Tel Michael 01977 681764

WALKERS SUPPLIES
Leaside, Aycliffe Business Park - 314947

Cement, Sand, Gravel, Dolomite, Plywood,
Kiln Dried Sand, Fence Timbers, Sleepers, Plaster,
Decking Boards, Plasterboard,
Decorative Gravel, York Paving, Soil,
Compost, Fertilisers, Chicken Pellets,
Growmore, Bark, Shed Felt + much more
ROCK SALT IN STOCK NOW
Special Offer on Compost, Growmore & Chicken Pellets

* PUBLIC AND TRADE WELCOME *

Harrison Brown
Windows, Conservatories
Doors and Sun Rooms

- Family run business
- Safe and Secure
- Superb quality conservatories
- Bespoke sun rooms & garden rooms
- 90%+ of our work from recommendations

No Hassle, No Jargon,
No Salesmen, Just Tradesmen
25 Years experience in the
Window and Building Industry

Enhance your home with high quality windows from the company you can trust. Windows and Conservatories
Our new office/showroom

TEL: 0845 6022 437
After hours 07831 664290

The Sun Inn
9 Simpasturegate
Telephone: (01325) 315168

The Sew Inn
Clothing Alterations
Above The Sun Inn, 9 Simpasturegate Newton Aycliffe Co Durham
Tel 01325 315168

The Sun Inn and Sew Inn would like to wish all of their customers a Happy and Prosperous New Year

If you are suffering from SAD, come down for a special January offer running from 5th-10th January

BUY 100 MINUTES GET 45 MINUTES FREE

NEW ROOVES, OLD PROBLEM

Dear Editor,
Looking out of the window during the recent cold spell which brought hard frosts at night and carried on well into the day, I couldn't help but notice the white roofs of the surrounding bungalows and houses. Those that hadn't new roofs were visible against those that had insulation. The old type roof held the whiteness of frost far longer than those with new rooves, a positive indicator that the insulation under the slates and in the loft was doing the job it is supposed to do. We have a government which makes great play about its targets and achievements in reducing the nation's carbon emissions, all at our expense, but it allows councils to replace

what would appear to be heat retaining rooves with ones that lets the heat out! They struck a deal with the country's main energy suppliers over their gross windfall profits which involved people being able to apply for additional loft insulation but this agreement only covers those who own their own properties excluding those who live in what New Labour now refer to as 'social housing'. This exercise, all though cosmetically attractive would seem to have increased the heating costs to the tenants and gone against the government's targets to reduce the nation's carbon footprint. Peter Dolan

ROTARY CLUB OF NEWTON AYCLIFFE

CHARTER TRAIN TO AVIEMORE & INVERNESS

Bank Holiday Monday 25 May 2009

Picking up at Darlington (6 am), Durham (6.20 am), Newcastle (6.40), Morpeth (6.55) & Berwick upon Tweed (7.10) (TIMES SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT)

Route outward via Edinburgh, Falkirk, Stirling, returning via Ladybank and the Forth Bridge (Giving approx 3hrs in Aviemore or 2hrs in Inverness)

FARES: PULLMAN: £185 includes breakfast with Bucks Fizz on outward journey, Champagne and canapes on return followed by four course dinner and wine.

FIRST CLASS: £110 with cash licensed buffet car available or B.Y.O.

STANDARD CLASS: £70 With cash licensed buffet car available or B.Y.O.

Optional STEAM TRIP on the Strathspey Railway to Broomhill (Monarch of the Glen) at a discounted rate of £8 per person or COACH TRIP to the Highland Wildlife Park (Cost to be advised) both from Aviemore

For more details visit www.newtonayclifferotary.org.uk or tel 07870-210269 for information and booking form

Main Charity: GRACE HOUSE CHILDREN'S HOSPICE www.gracehouse.co.uk



CONDITIONS:

1. The organisers cannot offer any concessionary rates.
 2. Refunds for cancellations will be made in full prior to 1 February 2009 after which a 10% handling charge will be deducted.
 3. The organisers will not accept any liability for loss or damage to individuals or property.
 4. The organisers will not accept any responsibility for passengers arriving at departure points after train departure time.
 5. Tickets are not valid on any other services.
 6. The organisers reserve the right to have removed from the train passengers who in the opinion of the organiser are behaving in an inappropriate manner.
- Tickets and timetables will be issued approximately one week prior to departure

I wish to purchase the following tickets:

PULLMAN (no of tickets) @ £185 includes Breakfast with Bucks Fizz on outward journey and on the return Champagne with canapes on boarding followed by a four course dinner with 1/4 bottle of wine per person (additional drinks available at extra cost)

FIRST (No of tickets) @ £110 with cash licensed buffet car available throughout

STANDARD.....(No of tickets) @ £70 with cash licensed buffet car available throughout

Total £.....

I am interested in the Steam Trip on the Strathspey Railway* Or the coach trip to the Highland Wildlife Park* (delete as appropriate)

Name

Address

Post code Tel:

Cheques should be made payable to "The Rotary Club Of Newton Aycliffe" and sent with a s.a.e to John Burrows, 1 The Garth, Bradbury, Stockton on Tees TS21 2ET tel 07870-210269 For further information visit www.newtonayclifferotary.org.uk

FRAMING SERVICE NOW AVAILABLE

A good selection of frames made to order:

- up to 8" x 10" from £10.00
- up to 10" x 12" from £12.00
- up to 14" x 11" from £14.00
- up to 12" x 16" from £16.00
- up to 16" x 20" from £28.00
- up to 20" x 24" from £56.00

Prices exclude V.A.T.



PHOTO PRINTS ON CANVAS, GLOSS OR SILK

We are able to scan and print your original photographs, prints can also be taken from digital camera memory cards.

| Size | Canvas | Mount |
|-------------------|--------|--------|
| A4 (210x297mm) = | £14.00 | £24.00 |
| A3 (297x420mm) = | £20.00 | £30.00 |
| A2 (420x594mm) = | £30.00 | £30.00 |
| A1 (594x841mm) = | £40.00 | £32.00 |
| A0 (841x1189mm) = | £55.00 | £40.00 |

Other sizes available, please ask



St. Cuthberts Way, Aycliffe Business Park
Newton Aycliffe, Co. Durham DL5 6DX
T: 01325 300212 - sales@gonp.co.uk



DID SANTA GET LOST?

Dear Sir,
It was Christmas Eve and we were all waiting in anticipation of Santa's visit. He was scheduled to arrive in Byerley Park at about 7.10pm. We know that he visited The

Chase at about 6.30 pm, but he failed to arrive in Byerley Park (again!) Do we have a Bermuda Triangle in Aycliffe? Where has Santa gone? Should we send out a search party? The children and adults eventually accepted with disappointment that Santa was not going to come this year. Please can someone buy a new map for Santa's driver so that next Christmas, our waiting will not be in vain, and he will find his way to Byerley Park. A very disappointed resident of Byerley Park. Angie Pearson

Litter Leads to Serious Crime

Problems such as litter and graffiti can lead to an explosion of more serious offences, according to a new report. Keep Britain Tidy has welcomed a major new study by Dutch researchers into local environmental quality and the incidence of crime.

Experiments carried out by Dutch researchers have shown how poorly maintained areas can double the number of people prepared to act in a criminal way. The project, conducted by Dr Kees Keizer and his team from the University of Groningen, deliberately created disorderly settings and observed the impact this had on behaviour.

In one test, simply covering a post box with graffiti increased the number of people willing to steal a cash-filled envelope sticking out of it from 13% to 27%. Phil Barton, Keep Britain Tidy chief executive, said: "The results of this Dutch research are very interesting. We have long believed that if an environment is littered or has lots of graffiti it can lead to more criminal behaviour."

"This latest research would indicate that people may have fewer inhibitions about committing more serious offences in locations blighted with litter. This is why the environmental quality of an area is so important. "Tackling issues such as litter can help prevent an escalation in crime which causes widespread misery and ultimately requires far more resources to combat."

Santa is Sorry

Byerley Park is made up of about 7 cul-de-sacs and it may well be that the Santa vehicle did not go to the very bottom of every one as we advise the drivers to assess each area and ensure that they are able to gain access and are then able to manoeuvre back out safely.

At Christmas time there are more cars parked roadside than normal due to the festive holidays and this can cause access problems for the Santa Vehicles. If access was not possible to any of the cul-de-sacs Santa would have been ringing his bell and the driver peeping the horn to let residents know he was close by. Sadly every doorstep on the various routes cannot be accessed and the volunteers for the Santa Tours who give up their time every Christmas Eve make every effort to access as many areas as possible to avoid disappointment. Derek Snowball, Town Council Leisure Manager

HORNDALE TAXIS

24 Hour Pre-Bookable Airport Service
Morning Runs from 7am inc. Schools
Good Reliable Service, 4-8 Seaters Available
Cars now fully staffed and qualified to take all calls

Tel: 307 307
or use the Freephone in Tesco

1st 4 MOBILITY

FOR ALL YOUR MOBILITY NEEDS
New and Used Scooters
Free No Obligation Quote
Scooters used from £249; new from £595
Rise/Recliner Chairs used from £249; new from £549

Freephone 0800 375 980
Dave or Steve - 74 Wilson Street, Darlington
Local Dealer and Aycliffe resident for 35 years



THE VILLAGE PHARMACY

Pioneering Care Centre, Cobblers Hall
Burn Lane, Newton Aycliffe
Telephone 01325 311297

OPENING TIMES

Monday - Thursday 8.30am-5.30pm, Friday 8.30am-6.00pm
(Closed 1.00pm-2.00pm for Lunch)
Saturday 9.00am-12.00noon

We offer a full range of services including: Free Prescription Collection and Delivery Service from any Surgery in Newton Aycliffe, Pregnancy Testing, Care in the Chemist, Pharmacist always available for help and advice

Also visit our NHS Stop Smoking Clinic on Tuesday and Thursday 9.30am-11.30am (Commit to Quit)

Pharmacist: Alisdair McConnell MRPharmS

Call us for more details on 311297 where our friendly staff will be happy to help



Colour PhotoAds

Advertisements with a Photo can be placed at one of our agents: TAYLOR'S NEWSFORCE (Town Centre) DON WALKERS (Simpson's garage) or direct to our office at NEWTON PRESS (Aycliffe Business Park)

Small PhotoAd - £15.00

Photo and up to 10 words - same words £15 each

Large PhotoAd - £25.00

Photo and up to 10 words - same words £25 each

PHOTO ADS CAN BE PLACED AT ONE OF OUR AGENTS: TAYLOR'S NEWSFORCE (Town Centre), DON WALKERS (Simpson's garage) or direct to our office at NEWTON PRESS (Aycliffe Business Park)

Photo and up to 10 words - same words £25 each

Advertisements are clearly written to avoid misleading adverts

GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL

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

Wednesday 14th January 2009
Environment Committee - 7.15pm
Followed by the Recreation Committee
Wednesday 21st January 2009
Policy & Resources Committee - 7.15pm

QUESTION TIME

A period of up to 15 minutes has been set aside for electors to ask questions at the Recreation, Environment and Policy & Resources Committee Meetings. Written questions must be received by the Town Clerk at least 5 clear days prior to the meeting. Oral questions may be asked at the meeting which relate to an agenda item or is a matter for which that committee has responsibility. Agendas/Reports are available on the Council's Website on the Friday afternoon preceding the meeting. www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk
The Press and Public are cordially invited to attend.

Free Go-Karting for Children New Directors for Sedgefield Borough Homes



Two new senior appointments have been made to Sedgefield Borough Homes. Alan Boddy, from Shildon, will hold the position of Director of Corporate Services with Ian Brown taking over as Director of Housing and Customer Services. A School Governor at Shildon Sunnydale Community College, Alan is currently Head of Organisational Development at Sedgefield Borough Council where he started his local government career in 1984. Ian Brown, from Stockton also works at Sedgefield Borough Council where he is Head of Housing Management having previously worked

for Nottingham City and Middlesbrough Councils. Colin Steel was recently appointed as Chief Executive of Sedgefield Borough Homes and will have Alan Smith as his Director of Finance. Sedgefield Borough Council tenants voted overwhelmingly in favour of transferring the ownership and management

of their homes to Sedgefield Borough Homes. Almost 75 per cent of tenants who voted were in favour of their homes being transferred from Sedgefield Borough Council to Sedgefield Borough Homes on 1 April 2009. Sedgefield Borough Homes will spend £100 million on a programme of repairs and

improvements for tenants' homes in the first five years after transfer. Speaking of the new appointments, Colin Steel said: "I am delighted to have Alan and Ian on board. They are both of the highest calibre and their experience will help deliver a brighter future for the tenants of Sedgefield Borough Homes."

HEWITTS SOLICITORS

Accident Claims

Specialist Legal Advice on all Accident Claims

- Accidents at Work
- Road Traffic Accidents
- Tripping Injuries and Industrial Disease

First Interview FREE and advice given on "NO WIN, NO FEE"

HEWITTS SOLICITORS
Suite 5 First Floor Avenue House
Greenwell Road, Newton Aycliffe
Telephone: (01325) 316170

Spennymoor Leisure Centre is holding two FREE OF CHARGE Go-Karting taster sessions in the main sports hall on Mondays 12th and 19th January. Go-Karting is a recent innovation in children's entertainment, and these exciting free sessions will delight any child aged 4 to 9 years-old with their first real driving experience. The Go-karts are safe, supervised and loads of fun, with a maximum of four electric Go-karts used for each race staged around the inflatable track. Sessions run from (4.00pm - 4.30pm) for children 4 and 6 years old, and (4.30pm - 5.00pm) for those between 7 and 9 years old. Please note, children aged 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult at times. For more information please contact Spennymoor Leisure Centre on (01388) 815827.



ALAN BODDY



IAN BROWN

Weekly Events at Woodham Golf Club

MONDAY NIGHT QUIZ NIGHT
Free Chips and Dips

Pensioner's Lunches Every Wednesday
Two courses for £4.95

PIZZA AND PASTA NIGHTS
Every Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 4pm until 9pm
Two Courses £4.95 beginning Thursday 22nd January 2009

SUNDAY CARVERY
FREE Dessert with every adult carvery purchased throughout January

Golf Club Open Evening - Friday 23rd Jan
Woodham Golf Club would like to welcome members, old members and local residents. Come along, sample food from our new bar menu, receive your **FREE PINT**, enjoy the entertainment, meet the staff and see the new plans for the Golf Club

Girls Night In - Saturday 31st January
7.30pm-12midnight - "Full Monty Roadshow"
Ann Summers Party Games, Raffle + a chance to see new products
Two Male Strippers and a Drag Artiste - Tickets £7.00
includes glass of Cava and chocolate dipped strawberries on arrival

For more details call 01325 301551

Personalised Wedding Stationery

Classic Cards
Newton Press are proud to present an exclusive collection of wedding stationery, offering a variety of both classical and modern designs in coordinating matching sets to complement your special day.

Call in today to view our designs
Something for everyone...
and prices to suit all budgets

NEWTON PRESS
Your Environmentally Friendly Printers

OFFSET & DIGITAL COLOUR PRINTERS | PUBLISHERS OF NEWTON NEWS
DESIGN | MAILING FACILITIES | EXHIBITION & DISPLAY PRINTING

T: (01325) 300 212
F: (01325) 312 893
E: sales@gonp.co.uk
W: www.gonp.co.uk

St. Cuthberts Way
Aycliffe Business Park
Newton Aycliffe
Co. Durham - DL5 6DX

The Cumby Arms
Heighington - Telephone: 316753

Friday 13th February
FRIGHT NIGHT FANCY DRESS DISCO
£2.00 admission on the door includes a complimentary glass of Cumby Punch

Line Dancing Classes with Sue Rollo
Sunday Nights 7-8pm only £2.00 per person

Sunday Lunch Served 12-2pm
Roast Beef, Pork or Turkey with seasonal vegetables all freshly prepared
OAP/Child £4.95
Regular £6.95
Jumbo £8.95
Advanced bookings advisable

RON'S BIG QUIZ
Every Sunday 8.30pm-10.30pm
Cash Prizes, Play Your Cards Right
Snacks and Nibbles included

VALENTINES NIGHT
"Wine, Dine and Disco"
SATURDAY 14th FEBRUARY 2009
Complimentary Bottle of Wine, three Course Meal followed by Cupids Disco only £19.50

FUNCTION ROOM AND CONSERVATORY RESTAURANT AVAILABLE FOR PARTIES WITH ENTERTAINMENT, CATERING AND TRANSPORT AT COMPETITIVE PRICES

Swimmer Breaks Father's 25 Year Record

Sedgefield Water Polo Club player, Scott Carpenter, has become the first player since 1984 to be the top goalscorer in the National League 1st division for 3 seasons in a row. Scott has led Lancaster, Sedgefield's sister club, to their 3rd title in 4 seasons. What is even more remarkable about his scoring feat is the last person to achieve this feat was his father and coach George Carpenter when playing for Durham City in 82, 83, and 84.

Scott is currently training in Italy with the Great Britain team aiming for the Europeans in Switzerland in September and the 2012 Olympics in the long term. He also hopes to be the first GB player ever to



play in the 1st Division in Italy universally recognised as the best and most lucrative league in the world to play in.

OVER 50 NEEDY FAMILIES RECEIVE HAMPERS

The Health Visitors in Newton Aycliffe have thanked the Rotary Club for their support during the past year and especially for the town's needy families at Christmas.

Pat Poinen said she could not express enough the gratitude of the families who received the Christmas Hampers. They were delighted that someone had thought of them and brought items they would not buy for themselves.

"The contents of the Tesco hampers were of a very high standard and it was a pleasure to offer them to our clients. One family said the weekly income was only £39 and £36 goes towards bills. She has hardly any money left to buy

food. The hamper delivered was the only bit of luxury she would have at Christmas" said Pat.

She said no one had thought of her and she was very grateful to receive the hamper. Another Health Visitor had three clients who were overwhelmed and burst into tears when they received their hampers. Poverty and deprivation is very real in

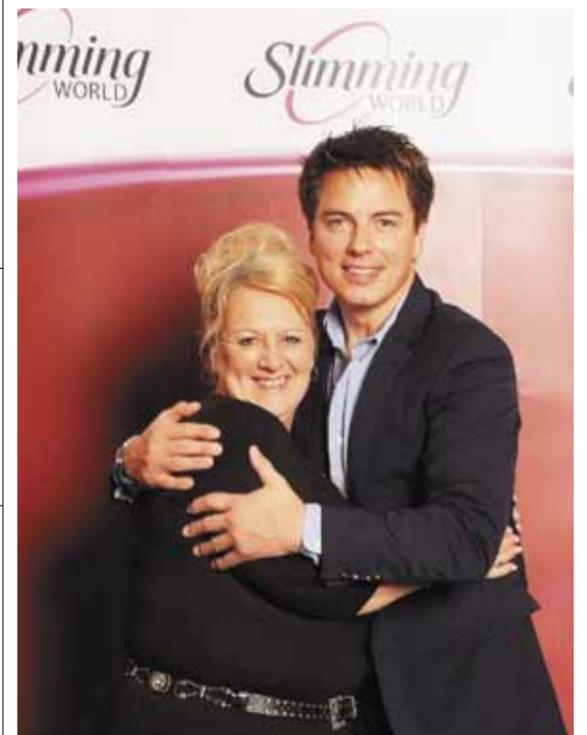
our community and families and children are suffering.

The Rotary Club were pleased to provide over 50 hampers, but say this could not have been possible without the generosity of the townspeople who contributed to the appeal. They would also like to thank Gerard Wiper of Tyne Tees Packaging who provided the boxes.

GOOD SPOT FOR SUNDAY LUNCH

Why not treat yourself to a well earned break, and let us take care of the Sunday Lunch this week? Oak Leaf Sports Complex does a wonderful roast for only £5.50 Adults and £3.50 Childs portion. There's no need to book - we've got plenty of space. Lunch is served from 12.00 noon until 2.00pm. You will always find a warm welcome awaits you. For further information, contact the Oak Leaf Sports Complex 01325 300600

TOWN SLIMMER MEETS TV SUPERSTAR



A dream came true for Linda Middleton when she met TV heartthrob and multi-talented performer John Barrowman at Slimming World's glitzy Awards Ceremony at the ICC in Birmingham recently.

Linda, who manages groups in the Newton area was over the moon when John, best known as Captain Jack on Torchwood and a firm favourite on TV talent shows like 'Any Dream Will Do' and 'How Do You Solve a Problem Like Maria?', called her 'an inspiration' after cuddling up to her to for a picture.

He said: "Seeing people's dreams come true is an incredible thing and I've had the privilege of doing that through my TV career. Linda is special because she is helping people to achieve their dreams every week. It really is a pleasure to meet her."

Having capped an exciting year by meeting the 'Guest of Honour' at the glamorous event, Linda is feeling positive about the year ahead. She said: "Meeting John was an amazing experience. I couldn't believe that he was even more gorgeous in real life but I'll be treasuring

our photograph together! "The message I'm giving people this New Year is that with the support of like-minded people anything is possible. I know times are tough financially but looking after your health and wellbeing is a priority and, in fact, members of my group tell me they're spending less on food now than they ever were before - so they're winning all round!"

"At Slimming World you can lose weight while enjoying 'proper' food like pasta, potatoes, fruit and vegetables, fish and lean meat, so you'll never go hungry - and we'll be here to support you every step of the way."

Slimming World's Annual Awards ceremony recognises the achievements of successful slimmers throughout the country. New members who join in January can take advantage of a special half price membership offer, while the new flexible Extra Easy eating plan provides the perfect introduction to Slimming World. For more information please call 0844 897 8000 or log on to www.slimming-world.com

SHOWCASE PRODUCTIONS

PRESENTS A CHARITY NIGHT IN AID OF THE WEST AFRICA TRUST

Swinging Sixties Show

starring **JESS CONRAD**
the voice of Magna

FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY

VALENTINE SPECIAL
Thursday, 12th February, 2009
Spennymoor Town Hall, 7.30pm
TICKETS £15.00 EACH
TELEPHONE: 01325 300212

ROB MCVEIGH
FROM THE BBC'S
ANY DREAM WILL DO

Tickets £15.00 each available from:
West Africa Trust, c/o Newton Press
St Cuthberts Way
Newton Aycliffe DL5 6DX

Please make cheques payable to
"West Africa Trust"
West Africa Trust is a Registered Charity
Charity Registration Number 1115443

Executive Producer Geoffrey J L Hladmarok
Director and Choreographer Paul W Morgan

TREES OF REMEMBRANCE



The Trees of Remembrance held at the Newgate Centre which is part of our Light Up a Life Appeal looked wonderful.

The Butterwick Hospice at Bishop Auckland would like to thank all the people who visited our trees and placed their bauble and message on the tree. Also the band of willing volunteers who stood for hours and tended the trees.

This special event is only possible with the kind permission of the Manager of the Newgate Centre, Mr Dave Wilson and also to Argos who kindly allowed us to use their premises as storage.

We were thrilled that the grand total raised was just under £2,800. All the money raised goes towards the upkeep of our local hospice for local people.

Thank you, Barbara Fountain, Fundraiser.

PANTO SUCCESS AT NEWTON AYCLIFFE



More than 500 local school children were transported to the magical setting of Old London Town, as the story of "Dick Whittington" was unveiled by Chaplin's Pantomime Company. Two performances took place in the main sports hall at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre, as it was transformed into a theatre-

style production area. The children were able to experience comedy and excitement, as well as a host of audience participation with a sing-a-long and dance moves. Visitors included Woodham Burn Primary School, Kirk Merrington Primary School, St Joseph's, and Ferryhill Early Years Learning Group.

Helen Williams, head teacher of Kirk Merrington Primary School said: "The children thoroughly enjoyed the entire performance and are already looking forward to attending again next year." And to make it a day to remember, as the children left the sports hall there was also a surprise visit from Santa.

PLAYDAY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Staff at Playday Nursery started their Christmas celebrations by organising a Christmas party for children and parents at The Cumby Arms Heighington. The children had the opportunity to visit Santa in his grotto, participate in games and dancing. A highlight of the event was the children's performance of their Christmas songs. Party food was provided by the nursery. The whole event proved to be a huge success and was enjoyed by all. Children's comments included the following Nell "I liked dancing with all my friends, Faith "I loved eating all the party food", Chloe "I liked seeing Santa and getting a present", Joshua "I liked dancing to the music". We would like to thank J+C coaches for providing transport, the staff at the Cumby Arms and all parents who attended or supported this happy event. To raise money for this event the staff held a Christmas raffle and would like to thank local firms and individuals who donated prizes including Cumby Arms,



Ruff and Tumble, Playshack, Chads, Point Blank, Thames Centre Florist and Butcher, Walkers, Sun Inn, Bon Marche, Creations, Deb n hair, Masons, Market stallholders, Laura Watts, Julie Costello, Donna Sowels and Gemma Witton. We have one unclaimed prize won by Alan Lambert ticket 281 (638826) To claim this prize please contact the nursery 01325 312050. The staff and management of

Playday Nursery would like to wish all the children, families and supporters a Happy New Year. Following our table top sale a 9-10 year old jacket was left at the nursery, if this belongs to your child please contact the nursery. For information concerning the nursery please contact the manager Linda Watts 01325 312050, website www.playdaynursery.co.uk

New Year, New Challenge

Are you looking for a new challenge for the New Year? If you are then have you thought about volunteering? Over 22 million people take part in voluntary activities nationwide each year. Once seen just for 'do-gooders', volunteering can provide as many benefits to volunteers as it does for the community and organisations they help. Volunteers can gain qualifications, new skills, confidence and experience. Volunteer Centre Sedgfield Borough, part of an independent voluntary organisation, CAVOS, currently holds over 350 volunteering opportunities with community and voluntary organisations and charities in your area. These include administration, arts & crafts, counselling, driving, fundraising, practical work, shop and sales work, working with older people, young people, children or anything

else you can think of. The Volunteer Centre can offer volunteering opportunities to suit your current commitments and many organisations provide volunteers with payment of certain out of pocket expenses such as travel or any equipment needed. So whether you've got time on your hands, are looking to change your career, or gain employment, give volunteering a go, you might be surprised by what you can do. For more information or advice about volunteering, contact Sharon Vasey, Volunteer Centre Manager on 01388 811115 or call into any of our information sessions. Newton Aycliffe Community Learning Centre 10am - 12noon 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month starting 7th January 2009.

MUSIC MADNESS AT SPENNY

'Complete Madness' are playing Spennymoor Leisure Centre on Saturday 14 February. Formed in 1992, Complete Madness have toured the UK with their current show since 2005 specialising in all hits of Madness, and featuring covers from The Specials, Bad Manners and The Beat. They will be supported by local band "Six Nowt" playing mod and punk covers of The Clash, The Jam, The Who, Oasis and Stereophonics. Tickets are £6.00 and doors open at 6.30pm with open seating. There's a fully licensed bar and for tickets or more information call (01388) 815827.

NEVILLE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Book our large hall for your private party at only £10 per hour and kitchen at £5, commercial rates available. To view please ring 313924. Darlington Big Band will be playing in our hall on Saturday 7th February at 2pm, admission is £4 with concessions at £3 and students £2. To ensure getting a seat please book by calling the above number, you can collect your tickets on the door and can be assured of a good afternoon. New Mother & Toddlers Club every Wednesday from 10am until 12noon, commencing Wednesday 14th January. To book ring the above number. Line Dancing every Thursday 6.20pm - 7.20pm, just turn up, £2 per session. New Age Kurling every Tuesday 2pm and Thursday 1pm, just £2. You can pick this sport up in just one 2 hour session, it's fun, it's healthy and it keeps you fit. To book a place call the number above. We wish all our supporters and every senior citizen a very Healthy and Happy New Year. Keep warm and don't go out in icy conditions. Peter Beaty

Silver Medal and a Trip to Australia



"We're extremely proud of all four students for doing so well, they've put in a lot of hard work to get to where they are, but I'm really proud of Annalise for all the hard work she has put into her Karate" said Sensei Dez Tinkler. "We're really pleased for what all our students have achieved in 2008, they've all put in a

lot of work, but what Annalise has achieved shows what dedication can produce. I'm so pleased that a GKR Student from the Aycliffe Dojo has come second in their category for the whole of the UK" added Sensei Gav Bake. Anyone interested in joining GKR Karate contact Gav Bake on 07774 402987.

Joyce Wins £100 Prize for Calendar Entry



Mrs Joyce Thompson, 85 years old, won the Southern Cross Healthcare Calendar Competition with her June 2009 entry. She received one hundred pounds cash for winning. The staff and residents at Defoe Court Care Centre would like to congratulate Joyce on her amazing achievement.

Does your House have Designer Windows?

Let **KAT Windows Systems** transform the look of your home with the latest Veka full sculptured windows and doors.

KAT Window Systems will add style, value, comfort and security to your home.

Make an entrance you deserve with one of our doors.



Choose from over 100 styles



We also supply and fit uPVC Internal Doors

"No Painting . . . Ever"

100's of styles available

KAT WINDOW SYSTEMS

High Security • Windows • Doors • Conservatories

For a FREE no obligation quote

No pressured salesman "as we have Julie"

TELEPHONE: (01325) 318529 or

FREEPHONE: 0800 634 8399








DANGER AS SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL POST REMAINS VACANT

Dear Sir,
My daughter attends Vane Road Primary School and we have to cross Central Avenue to get to school. Since Jean retired we are now in great

danger of someone being killed or seriously injured on this road as we have no stand in from County Hall or the Police.
I was walking my child to

school today and had to wait nearly 7 minutes to cross this road and children are risking their lives making a dash for it to cross. On the way home this evening a car has stopped to let children and parents cross but the car travelling in the other direction had other thoughts and did not stop and unfortunately there were a few kids stuck in the middle of the road. Then the driver that had stopped started revving his engine so he could get on his way.

Several parents have contacted the Police and County Hall. The Police can only patrol when they are available. County Hall say they are aware of the situation and that the job has been advertised since September and still no candidate has been found. (Even when one does we have to wait for medical and CRB checks.

They have a relief patrol person who covers different schools in the County and they are covering for at least another 2 weeks at a higher risk to ours. Surely Central Avenue, the main road coming into Newton Aycliffe off the A167 is a high risk especially at rush hour in the morning?

We had a new set of lights and a crossing put into place on Burn Lane opposite Tesco and St. Mary's Church/School and still there was a crossing lady in place. Does this mean that no one in Aycliffe knows how to push the button and wait for the green man to appear?

Will it need a fatality before something is done? We need cover on this road EVERYDAY until the permanent position has been filled. DRIVERS should also drive more carefully in this area.
Miss J Kerslake.

Taekwondo for Women



When my husband persuaded me to try Taekwondo I had no idea how addictive it would be and I have been attending classes at Woodham Community Centre for nearly 4 months now instead of going to the gym.
I would be lying if I said that I wasn't nervous when I went to my first lesson as I didn't really know what to expect, but it is a very friendly club and everyone made me feel very welcome.

After only a couple of lessons I was hooked and couldn't wait to go again. I get a great sense of achievement after every lesson and no two lessons are alike which keeps it interesting. I've just been to my first grading which I really didn't think I would be interested in doing, but after learning the basics and first pattern I felt that I was ready to move on to the next level.
This was a very nerve wracking experience but I felt very proud

of myself afterwards. It is a great sport for women to learn as it is an excellent form of self defence and is really good for improving flexibility and body tone.

Taekwondo really helps everyone to be more confident and believe in their abilities and most importantly it is very enjoyable. I would highly recommend Taekwondo to anyone, especially women, who want to keep fit, like to challenge their bodies and want to achieve great results without the monotony of doing the same exercise routine week after week and becoming very bored.

Come along and give it a try you will really enjoy it. We train at Woodham Community Centre (near the Huntsman pub) Tuesday 5.30 - 6.45pm, Sunday 10.30 - 12.00pm. Woodham Chungdokwan is supported by KOOLKASH Sedgefield Borough's support fund for young people.

FINDER DID NOT HAND IN LOST MOBILE PHONE

Dear Sir,
I was in Newton Aycliffe Workingsmen's Club celebrating New Year's Day along with hundreds of other people and during the afternoon, whilst in the toilets, my handbag fell to the floor spilling the contents. I thought I had recovered all the items, but later realised my Blackberry phone was missing.

Speaking to friends about this, I was informed they had seen 2 females in the toilets with the phone. The one holding the phone said she would hand it in behind the bar. Unfortunately this person chose not to do this and kept the phone, I assume because of its value.

A number of people witnessed this and have agreed to give statements to the police. I believed the person who had found the phone would do the honourable thing and hand it

in. I would request that other witnesses contact PC Garside at Newton Aycliffe police station who is investigating this theft or alternatively contact me via the Newton News.

To the person who stole my phone. I assume you realise you have committed an offence of theft by finding and I have made a complaint to the police.

I have a unique name, which is displayed on the screen of the phone and you can only assume intended to keep the phone. Should you choose to do the honourable thing, you can hand the phone into the police station or at Newton Press offices anonymously. If you do this, then I will withdraw my complaint and that will be the end of the matter.
Paulette Hunter
Name and address supplied
Police: 0845 6060 365

Plumbing

mpm.gas-services
CENTRAL HEATING SPECIALISTS
• Condensing boilers supplied & installed by Vaillant Accredited Installer
• Boiler upgrades and complete systems
• All domestic gas and plumbing work carried out
• All work guaranteed and references on request - Grants Available
01325 312271 CONTACT MATTY 07966 438037

W. HEATHCOTE
Plumbing & Heating
Time served tradesman, 35 years experience
Heating Systems Installed and Repaired
Boiler Swaps - Corgi Registered
Bathroom, Kitchen & Electrical Installations
CALL OUT SERVICE
Tel: 01325 307052
Mob: 07595 051717

FINEST HEATING & PLUMBING
For all your heating and plumbing needs
• Gas servicing and repair
• Combi boiler and heating installation
• Bathrooms and shower installations
ALL WORK GUARANTEED
Ring Kevin Mather
01325 311446 or 07793 973 280

Guy Gas Services
Combi Boiler Installer
Boiler Installs
Servicing - Repairs
General Plumbing
Gas Fires
For all Gas & Central Heating Enquiries
01325 304349
07962 148116

WATERWAYS
PLUMBING SERVICES
www.waterways.talktalk.net
• Installation • Tiling
• Repairs
• Bathroom Design/Installation
• All plumbing work undertaken
• No call out charge
• FREE Quotes
For a fast, friendly, reliable service, call Jason on
01325 301808
07963 358338
waterways@talktalk.net

A-TECH
Plumbing & Heating
Showers - Bathrooms - Kitchens
All Plumbing Work undertaken (inc. tiling, flooring & electrical)
No job too big or too small
Emergency Call outs
OAP Rates - Free Estimates
Electrical Work Undertaken
NO CALL OUT CHARGE
For Quality, Reliability & a Fast Friendly Service
Call Craig on
07834 949 751
atechplumbingandheating.co.uk

GRANGE PLUMBING SERVICES
• FROM A BROKEN TOILET TO A FULL BATHROOM SUITE
• NO JOB TOO SMALL, GIVE ME A CALL
• 24HR EMERGENCY CALL OUT - NO CALL OUT FEE
• NORMALLY SAME DAY SERVICE - FREE QUOTES
• SENSIBLE PRICES
• WORK GUARANTEED
CALL MARK ON
07949 018018

HEAT
24 Hour Call-out
Plumbing, Heating and Gas Service Engineers
Free Estimates, Bathrooms & Tiling. All Work Guaranteed
Ring John Nellis on
01325 358596
Mobile 07931 591381

ACORN
Plumbing & Heating
Central Heating
Boiler Conversions
Bathroom Suites
General Plumbing
No Job Too Small
Tel: 316985 or 320409
Mobile: 07798 860593

D.E.P.S.
Full Bathroom Design and Installation
Full Tiling Service
Plumbing Repair and Maintenance
Drain, Sink, Taps, Radiators, Showers, power Flushing Service
"If water goes through it, we do it!"
Tel 01325 313532
or Mobile: 07910 215265

PLUMBING work undertaken. Tel A.J. Plumbing Services. 01325 359774 or 07711 016959
J&B Installations, bathrooms, kitchens, bedrooms, complete quality fitting service, can also supply. For a free quotation phone Paul on 314216 or 07936 279240

For all your print requirements contact your local printer
NEWTON PRESS
Tel: 300212

BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Why not let Oak Leaf Sports Complex give your child a birthday to remember, and you a lot less to worry about? Our on site caterers can take care of all your catering requirements. You can book the Sports Hall and then enjoy tea in our Function Room, or just the Function Room and book an Entertainer to come to work their magic. For younger children ask about our Party Packs. For further information and booking forms contact the Oak Leaf Sports Complex on 300600.

Removals
WOODHAM REMOVALS
01325 313352

RAPID REMOVALS Full house or single items, local/nationwide, storage facilities available. Anywhere, anytime, 27 years removal experience, 308580 or 07871 795 155
ACORN REMOVALS Full house, part load or single items, local and national, Storage available. Tel 300557, Mobile: 0777 989 0006
"U" STORE containers, domestic and industrial storage 317716, 07850646355
VANMAN STEVE Removals, call 07866 622243
ANYTHING to move? Call Vanman Steve from £8. Tel 07866 622243
BELL HAULAGE Single Items - Light Deliveries. Local, National, International Very Competitive Rates. All goods fully insured. Tel: 314647 or 07970 926818
MOVING A THING? Call Phil from £9.50. 321084 or 07790 509925

Roofing

J. WATSON Property Services
We specialise in Flat Roof Replacement and Flat to Pitch Roof Conversions
Chimney Stacks - Slating - Ridge Tiles Replaced - Tiling - Flat Roofs
Pointing - UPVC Facias and Soffits - Guttering - Leadwork
Storm Damage - Velux Windows - Recommendations Available
For a Free Estimate Contact James Watson
01325 486099 - or 07799 426110
www.1stcalljwps.co.uk

24 HOUR ROOFING & Guttering, Slates, Tiles, Ridges, Flat Roofs, out of hours sheeting-up service, insurance work welcome. Free quotation, contact RAD Roofing Contractors. Tel 01388 818286 (office), Mobile 07502 187578

JK's Plastics & Roofing
All types of: Roofing, Slating, Tiling, Flat Roofing, Dry Verge Systems.
Guttering Renewed and Replaced
uPVC Fascias, Soffits and Cladding (wood or plastic)
Fibreglass Flat Roofing
Contact Kevin: 01388 600187
or 07919 178 979

Driving School

JACK'S DRIVING SCHOOL
Established 1992 - Grade 6 ADI (highest achievable)
SPECIAL OFFER: £80 for your first five hours
Discounts for Block Bookings
** CHRISTMAS GIFT VOUCHERS AVAILABLE **
Motorway Lessons - Pass Plus - Taxi Test
* BECOME A DRIVING INSTRUCTOR *
ADI Training in your time, continue to work while you learn
Very competitive rates, job possibility when you qualify
Telephone: Aycliffe 01325 320432
Mobile: 07949 195184

around the bend
first 5 for just £65
Friendly, Patient & Professional
Male & Female Instructors
Block Booking Discount
Mini Coopers & Clio
DSA Registered
0800 316 36 33
www.aycliffedriving.co.uk

INTENSIVE COURSE SPECIALIST
TRAFFIC DRIVING SCHOOL
Call Mark 01325 320645
or 07789 635073
• Block Booking Discounts • Pass Plus • Taxi Test
• Refresher Lessons • DSA Approved Instructor
• FIRST LESSON FREE •

SIMPASTURE SCHOOL OF MOTORING
Friendly, Patient Instructor
Driving a Almera 1.5 Saloon
Help with Theory Test
Comprehensive Tuition
Free Pick-Up (your choice)
Discounts for Block Bookings
Discounts for Students/YTS
Book Five Lessons get 1st Lesson FREE (with this ad)
DOT, ADI, IAM, OOR, DIA
Established 1985
CALL BRIAN NOW
ON (01325) 321804
Mobile: 07939 425078

Astra Driving School
Telephone: 314331
Mobile: 07944 202 264
Gift Vouchers Available for Birthdays etc.

Graham Price
School of Motoring
Aycliffe 311577
Grade 6 Instructor

U-DRIVE School of Motoring. First five lessons £60. Discounts for block bookings. Ring or text Peter on 01325 286767 or 07780 556147

T.V. and Video

AYCLIFFE T.V. & VIDEO SERVICES
RE-TUNE TO ALL T.V.'S & VIDEOS
REPAIRS TO T.V., VIDEO, PLASMA and LCDs
SPECIAL R.A.P. RATES - ALL WORK GUARANTEED
No Call out Charge - FREE ESTIMATES
RING or BRING 300013
UNIT 3, AERIAL HOUSE next to Council Offices
School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe

TV AERIALS
CHEAPEST PRICES LOCALLY
DIGITAL AERIAL
FITTED FOR ONLY £40
Bedrooms Wired And Sky Fed To Any Room
DAVE NAYLOR Budget Aerials
Newton Aycliffe The Name That Guarantees Quality
307075 Or Call Free 0800 5 94 44 94
We Will Match Any Genuine Quote

Storage

Storage to Let
Within easy reach of Newton Aycliffe, Darlington and Bishop Auckland
Various sizes available
Weekly rates from 8'x8' lined £10.00
8'x20' containers £12.00 (Based on a year's rental, short term by negotiation)
Storage and Removal can be arranged
07834 349 021

S CRABTREE
Digital Aerials Fitted
Your New Digital Aerial Fitted to 1 Room - £35
No Hidden Charges
No Extra For Cable Used
I WILL BEAT ANY WRITTEN QUOTE
Why not Network your House and Tune In?
Ferryhill Based
07979 971 541
07706 432 113

Business Network Launched this Month

BUSINESSMEN URGED TO HELP EACH OTHER

Calling All Business People In The South Durham Region!!!
On the 23rd of January starting at 12:00 pm South Durham Business Network (SDBN) will be celebrating its

formal launch at Spennymoor Town Hall. This event is for you - whether you're a small or large business, with or without staff, working from home or based in business premises - if your business matters and you want to grow and prosper then be part of something great, South Durham Business Network. Business conditions during 2009 are likely to remain challenging for all businesses across the UK. At a local and regional level, it is important that we start the year as we mean to go on - positive, proactive and positioned to win! The event will provide a number of opportunities to Businesses in South Durham to:

Exhibit at the event and have a strong business presence
Find out about the new strands of regional support now available to help you through these challenging and uncertain times
Take part in some productive networking and intertrading

with businesses from across the region
Learn more about South Durham Business Network and how you can get involved
Hear from John Elliot MBE, founder and Chairman of Ebac Ltd. John has developed and grown an extremely successful business and survived a couple of economic downturns

This event provides an opportunity for you to spring into action as South Durham Business Network invites you to attend our Kick-Off event for 2009. It's your chance to get involved in some serious intertrading and networking, as well as an opportunity to re-ignite some old business and personal contacts. Please come along and drop-in as it's FREE to attend and we urge you to showcase your capabilities to the wider business community and participate in this fantastic opportunity, as we invite other networking groups

from around the region to join in our celebration.
Contact details: Darren Race, Chairman of South Durham Business Network (SDBN)
T: 07947 409838
E: info@sdbn.org.uk
W: www.sdbn.org.uk



Chairman Darren Race

Joinery

IMPERIAL JOINERY

(Member of the Institute of Carpenters)
For all Property Improvements
Internal & External Doors Wardrobes
Replacement Kitchen Doors
PVCu Doors and Windows
Skirting, Staircase Spindles,
Kitchen/Bedroom Units Fitted
Free Surveys and Estimates
Call John the Joiner
Tel: 01325 317929
Mobile 07771 571 284

C SMILLIE JOINERY SERVICES

Est 1984 Time Served
Hard/Softwood Windows/Conservatories
Double/Single Glazing
PVC Doors/Windows, Internal/External Doors
Fitted Wardrobes and Kitchens
Ceramic Tiling, Spindle Staircases
Roofing, Gates and Fencing
TEL: NEWTON AYCLIFFE
Tel: 312024 after 6pm

RAMSEY'S JOINERY & Property Maintenance

NO JOB TOO SMALL
Shelves - Gates - Fencing - Doors
Flat Pack Assembly etc.
TELEPHONE:
01388 776012
07919 156221

D. FOSTER Joinery

All aspects of Joinery and Carpentry Work
Supply and fit of
Wooden Decking
Garden Pergolas
Door Hanging
Wooden Flooring
Spindle Staircases
Skirting Boards
NO JOB TOO SMALL
All work guaranteed
Free Estimates
07748 967 374

D. COOK

County Durham Registered Trader Scheme
JOINERY and DECORATING
Supply and Fit
Bedrooms, Bathrooms & Kitchens
Tiling and Flatpacks
Maintenance & Improvements
Doors, Skirting, Spindle Staircases, Feaces and Decking
Tel: 01325 314770
Mob: 07940 355295

LAMBTON JOINERY
Kitchen and bedrooms fitted, doors, skirting, dado rails, laminate floors, general joinery. No job too small. Call for free estimates. Tel 07858 755437
G. WELCH Joinery. All general joinery, 43 years experience. no job too small. Tel 01325 320736

ADVERTISE IN THIS SECTION for only 20p per word! Contact Paul at Newton Press on 01325 300 212 or paul@gonp.co.uk for details.

Home Services

RE-UPHOLSTERY

Suites and Chairs
New Foams & Springs
Large Pattern Range
Free Estimates & Advice
TEL: 01740 655908
After hours 01325 313584

NEWAVE FURNITURE

T G FRANCIS

DOMESTIC APPLIANCE REPAIRS
Tel 300542

BENNETTS APPLIANCE REPAIRS

ALL MAKES OF WASHERS TUMBLERS, MICROWAVES DISHWASHERS VACUUM CLEANERS FRIDGE/FREEZERS COOKERS
* Free Estimates
* No Call Out Charge
* Appliances Plumbed in
Telephone: 321756

CARPET FITTER and Vinyl Specialist. Contact Richard on 307935 or 07946 435 177
LORAIN'S Domestic Services. Too busy to clean the house or do the ironing? Don't worry, call Loraine, I'll do it for you! Reasonable rates, very reliable collection and delivery service available for ironing. Tel 01325 308017 or 07852 168161, kps56@tiscali.co.uk
LIZ'S Ironing, free collection and drop off next day. Smoke and pet free home. 324978 or 07866 265 829
CARPETS Fitted and refitted by time served fitter. Call Paul on 07964 685 957 or 317928

StainKleen
Professional Cleaning Services for Carpets, Rugs, Suites, Vehicles and Hard Floor Cleaning
Leather Specialist - Fully Insured
Tel Paul on 01325 310950
Mobil: 07917 577 604 - Web: www.stainklee.com

DOMESTIC APPLIANCE REPAIRS
All Makes and Models Repaired & Serviced
R. A. ALLSOPP (proprietor)
1000s of DIY spares available Mail Order
After 5pm & Weekend Calls available
Covering the North East of England
01388 777353
Indesit Electrolux dyson

THE A & R ELECTRICS GROUP
DOMESTIC APPLIANCE REPAIRS
Indesit dyson Electrolux
Tel: 01388 777353
Spares Hotline 01388 778556
QUARTER OF A MILLION SPARES IN STOCK TODAY

ALA Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning
One room, any size £30
£10 per room thereafter
Telephone or Text: 07913 548 838
Find us in Yellow Pages

Homecare Leather Repair
Furniture Repair Solutions
Avoiding inconvenience to onsite repairs
* Leather repairs to Cuffs, Souffles, Scratches and Burns
* Resupholstery * Frame Repairs
Slip-Stitch to Burst Seams
The Furniture & Leather Repair Specialists
Call 01325 316878
24 hour 07593 401628

Doug E. Mack of KENBYS
DOMESTIC APPLIANCE REPAIRS
Day 01325 466442
Eve 01325 311210
24hr 07798 827120
Dyson Service Centre

Acorn Flooring
LAMINATE & HARDWOOD FLOORING
For every room including the Stairs
01325 316765
07535 718599

HANDYMAN SERVICES
Guttering Cleaned and Repaired
Painting, Gardening and Odd Jobs
NO JOB TOO SMALL
01325 320 506
07770 726 509

ALLCLEAN
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Specialists
Cars, Caravans, Leather Cleaning, Fully insured.
For free estimate call Alan
01325 360675
07836 352 630

J.W. NORTH
Exterior Maintenance
Gardening / Fencing / Decking
Paving / Glazing / Brickwork
Tiling / Property Maintenance
01325 304206 / 07950 672689

The Small Works
Tiling, Plastering
Laminate Flooring
Bathroom Installations
Painting, Landscaping
Fencing, Turfing
and more, just call.
No job too small!
Handyman Services
Call Tim on
01325 321405
07734 357789
"One Call Solves Them All"

1st Stop Decor & Tiling
Established 1988
Your one stop for all Interior and Exterior Decorating & Tiling
Be assured you are getting a tradesman at a very competitive rate with over 20 years experience. All work guaranteed and insured. We will beat any genuine decorators quote. You can also obtain our 10% discount card from Tesco's business card section
Please call for FREE estimate
Tel 01325 301633
Mobile 07960 913 401
www.firststopdecor.co.uk

ABC Tiling
Ceramic wall and floor tiles for Bathrooms, Kitchens, Conservatories & Porches.
Patios, Paving, Fencing, Laminate Flooring, Free est.
01325 320302
07929 555 326

FLUID PLASTERING SERVICES
All Plastering Services Undertaken
CONTACT DAVE: 01325 500089
OR 07855 068 256

P&L GILLAN
Decorating
25yrs exp Free estimates
Tel: 01388 776255
Mob: 07706 075 558

Decorating
P & B HOME SERVICES
Painting & Decorating
TELEPHONE: 01325 308483
MOBILE TEL: 07799 166 555

C.A. PLASTERERS
all plastering work, artex skimmed, small jobs, free estimates. 01388 721206
PAINTER and decorator, over 30 years experience, free estimates. Tel Steve Pearson on 319862 & 07896 917880
G. B. Plastering, coving, rendering, artexing, free estimates Tel 07786 121 686.
ASPECTS Interior and exterior decorating, plastering, coving, tiling, paper hanging, artexing, dado rails. For a free estimate call 312441 or 07841 202222
A&T TILING Wall and floor tiling, professional service at competitive rates. Free estimates. Tony 07858 755437
STEVE HUTCHINSON Painter and Decorator. over 25 years experience, reasonable rates, no job too small. Call today for a free estimate on 01325 483697 or 07745 037754
C&S PLASTERERS Skims, patching, tiling, artexing and coving. All work guaranteed. For free estimates. Tel 07983 298951
G BROWN Plasterers, 30 years experience, all aspects of plastering, interior/exterior, no job too small, competitive rates, free estimates. Tel 317760 or 07798 775937
J&K Decorating Interior and exterior decorating, commercial and domestic, over 20 years experience. No job too small. Reduced rates for Senior Citizens. Tel 01325 319376 or 07943 878645

Builders
Jeff Horsley
25 years experience
Full Build of Extensions
Porches, Garages,
Garden Walls, Patios,
Concreting and Re-Pointing
FREE ESTIMATES
Guaranteed Quality Workmanship
Tel: 07970 869967

UPDATE
For all your home improvements Inc: Joinery, Plastering, Electrical and Plumbing
Free estimates
Over 30 years experience
Full installation of Central Heating, Servicing and Plumbing
Tony: 01325 313933
07901 587 551

K. Harrison
(Builder) North East Ltd.
Extensions
Garages
Alterations
Modernisations
All Building Work
Undertaken
Quality Workmanship at Fair Prices
Friendly Reliable Service
All Work Fully Guaranteed
01325 321334
After hours
07831 664290

ASPECTS
Property Maintenance
* Interior Alterations
* Plastering, Tiling, Decorating
* Kitchen, Bathroom, Bedroom
* Patios and all types of flooring
* Insurance work welcome
Free estimates
Guaranteed Quality Work
Tel: 312441
Mobile 07841 202 222

ANDERSON Building & Joinery Services. All Building & Joinery Work Undertaken. Windows, Doors, Skirting, Flooring, Decking, Tiling, Bedroom & Kitchen Installations. Phone for a free no obligation quotation. Tel: 07814 111 717 www.andersonjoineryservices.co.uk
S. WALKER General Builder. Free estimates. Tel 07707 190354

PLANS DRAWN for all extensions, new builds and loft conversions. Full design and build service. Tel 01388 606685 or 07731 985837

A.W. HUNT Construction. Large or small we do it all! All aspects of building work including extensions, garages, loft conversions, porches, garden walls, patios, drives, concreting, roofing and property maintenance. Service with a smile. Please call 311568 or 07979 751662 for a free estimate. Guaranteed quality work with 30 years experience.

BILL LOWERY (Builder). Brick laying, plastering, joinery etc. No job too small. Tel 01325 311225

J&B Installations, bathrooms, kitchens, bedrooms, complete quality fitting service, can also supply. For a free quotation phone Paul on 314216 or 07936 279240

Gardening
DRY STONE WALLING
Restoration - New Dry Stone Walls
Garden Walls and Stone Features
Over 25 years experience
Call James on 01833 637059
www.teesdaledrystonewalling.co.uk

GREENKEEPER LANDSCAPES
Phil Thompson
Professional Landscaper with over 20 years experience
All aspects of horticultural and tree work carried out.
Patios, blockpaving specialist
Hedges cut and trimmed
Fencing and Decking
Grasscutting service (cheap rates)
Tel: 01325 308432
Mobile: 07765 374 905

ANDREWS
Landscaping and Gardening Services
Fencing, Patios, Turfing, Walling, Ironwork, Decking, Grass Cutting, Maintenance, Gravelling etc.
All work guaranteed
01325 316398
07817 543677
andrews_d_landscaping@hotmail.com

Electrical
FREE QUOTES from Part P/NICEIC registered electrician with 20 years experience. Domestic or commercial, full or part rewires, sockets, lights, fuse boards, cookers, showers, Landlord inspections and more. Call Simon on 07866 266 657 or 313330 - all areas covered
ELECTRICIAN 25 years experience. Tel A.J. Electrical Services. 01325 359774 or 07711 016959

NEIL ELECTRICAL
* Rewires * Sockets * Showers * Extensions * Safety Inspections * Electric Cookers * Lighting
24 hours a day, 7 days a week
Evenings by appointment
Seven Day Emergency Call Out
Telephone: 01325 384065
Mob: 07919 215 959
sales_abtec@btconnect.com

Memories of Newton Aycliffe Coffee Morning

Newton Aycliffe Library staff is hoping to compile a book of photographs about Newton Aycliffe covering the past 60 years. Come along to our Coffee Morning in the Library on Tuesday 13th January at 10 am and share your memories with us. If you have any old photographs of people and places which may be of interest and could be used in our book, please bring them along.

Thanks, Tricia

WHAT A GREAT TOWN!

"The people of the Town continue to surprise us with their continued cheerful support and generosity" said the Rotary Club President David Scott. Over the Christmas period Santa and his sleigh toured the streets of Newton Aycliffe with his happy but sometimes cold helpers. Meanwhile the customers at Tesco were offered lollipops by Santa and his helpers who were delighted with the kindness shown. The Rotary Club wish to thank the citizens of Newton Aycliffe, old and young, for their outstanding contributions which realised almost £6000. This is an astonishing amount, some of which supplied food hampers to 51 needy families in the town for Christmas. What a great town we live in! Many thanks to the management and staff of Tesco, without their help this effort would have not been so successful. The Rotary Club value the help and support of the people of the town and we wish them a happy, healthy and prosperous 2009".

Thanks from Rose Lodge

Dear Sir,
On behalf of the Residents and Staff at Rose Lodge Care Home, we would like to give a great big Thank You to everyone who helped and supported us in any way over the festive period. Special thanks go to Stephenson Way School, Vane Road School, Rev Shelagh Stevens & Members of the Methodist Church, Members of St Clares Church, Members of the Excel Church, Aycliffe & Brancepeth Brass Band, Ferryhill Stage Society, Options Group at the PCP, Vi Steventon, Julie Costello & Santa Claus who called in on Christmas Eve. These people all gave up their valuable time, in the run up to Christmas, to come in to entertain and celebrate the Festive Season with the Residents, for which we are very grateful. If there is anyone I've forgotten, thank you also. We would like to wish everyone a healthy and prosperous 2009. Margaret Willis

► Have you recently been made redundant?
► Are you looking for new employment?
► We can help you to do this!

Following our Companies recent success in winning the National Award for working with Employers, we would like to take this experience and help those individuals who have recently been made redundant or are currently unemployed. Communicators Training Associates are running a one week course to help individuals who are looking for new employment.

- ✓ We will help you to:
- make sure you are looking for the right job
 - check you have the skills to do your desired job
 - give you information about different types of jobs and what employers are looking for
 - help you update your CV and make it relevant for the jobs you apply for
 - assist you with actual job applications and covering letters
 - support you with 'interview' techniques to build your confidence at interviews
 - give you an option to participate in a 'mock' interview

✓ How to apply:
If you would like to participate in our one week course, please contact Brian Lumley on 01325 308840 or email michelle.clark@communicatorsttd.co.uk

Course dates:
Monday 20th January to Friday 23rd January 2009
Time: 9.30am to 4pm
Location: Communicators Training Associates Ltd
Technology Court, Bradbury Road, Aycliffe Business Park
Newton Aycliffe, County Durham, DL5 6DA
Cost: The course is FREE
Tea/coffee and lunch will be provided.
Places are limited - allocated on a first come first served basis

Childminder

EXPERIENCED CHILDMINDER
Ofsted Registered
NNEB Qualified
St Oswalds Park area
School pick/drop off available
Ideally Stephenson Way or St Josephs but all considered
Contact Julie 315374 or 07812 185583

Computers

AYCLIFFE COMPUTERS
Computers Built to your own Specification:
Computer Repairs
Upgrades - Data Recovery
Vista Installation - Networking
Broadband Installation
Anti Virus Protection
Call out within 24 hours, usually same day
XBox 360, PS3, Wii and Online Gaming Setup
Phone Rob
01325 310737
07841 867 170
aycliffecomputers@googlemail.com

Photography

KJB PHOTOGRAPHY
Specialists in all styles of photography including weddings. Professional Photographer. Call Keith 01325 307783, mobile 07900 583131. e/web: info@kjb-photography.com

Beauty/Therapy

NEW YEAR, NEW YOU.
12 years experience testing thousands of customers for food sensitivities. Testing at The Health Warehouse, Darlington 01325 468570. Home visits arranged by contacting John Neal (IHT, MIBM) 07990 722 092. johnneal@acrostics.co.uk - www.eyeonhealth.co.uk

Public Notice

WATCH BATTERIES now available at Taylors Newsforce
DONATIONS needed of Brica-Brac and other good condition items for Newton Aycliffe good causes. Please ring John 316630
RSPCA Durham and District cats and kittens for adoption, fee applies to cover 1st and 2nd vaccination, also neutering and id chip. Please Tel 312115

PC Problems?
Hardware - Software
Upgrades - No fix, No fee
Home Networking
Broadband Installation
No call out charge
Tel: 317649
Mobile 07751 767 286

Autos

Transit 280SWB 2006 - Silver

2 Litre Diesel
Air Conditioning
CD Player
12 Months Tax
6 Months Test
Recent Service
Panelled Interior
£7999.00
Tel 01325 300212

WANTED - £50
for any complete vehicle. Cars, Vans, Motorcycles, HGVs, MOT Failures, Scrap Cars, anything - Ring for a quote
FREE COLLECTION
Motorcycles wanted, dead or alive
Tel: 01325 300880
After hours 07980 712733

AYCLIFFE MOTOR FACTORS "STIGS"
Unit 4 Whitworth Avenue - 316566
Oils - Wipers - Bulbs - Brakes
Clutches - Filters - Plugs - Belts
Body Panels ... Plus lots more
ALL CAR PARTS ... NEW
Mon-Fri 9-5pm, Sat 9-4pm, Sun 9-12
TELEPHONE: 316566

AYCLIFFE AUTO ELECTRICS - Mobile - Alarms and Immobilizers fitted, all auto electrical work, radios fitted and decoded. Tel 07715 165292 - we come to you.
VAUXHALL ZAFIRA silver metallic, 2.0DTi energy (diesel) in very good condition. March 2005/05 reg. One owner from new, full Vauxhall service history. Hardly used, superb family car, 40,000 miles, taxed/MoT to march 2009. Roof rails, fog lights, solar glass, Vauxhall carpets, must be seen, only £5795 OVNO, no agents. Tel 07813 926622
WANTED cars with or without MoT. Tel 07747 175137 or 07881 897231

ADVICE FOR OLDER PEOPLE ON KEEPING WARM THIS WINTER

HELP THE AGED OFFERS FREE WINTER WARMER PACKS

With the Met Office reporting widespread frost and temperatures dropping to as low as -9°C [1], Help the Aged is offering older people a free 3 Steps to a Warmer Winter pack to help weather this cold snap. Mervyn Kohler, Special Advisor to Help the Aged, said; "It is important to keep warm during this cold snap, which is why we would urge older people to make sure they continue to heat their homes. Anyone concerned about the costs of heating

should order one of our free winter warmer packs to find out what support is on offer." Three of the key tips included in the pack are,
1. CHECK - if you are worried about your finances this winter and you haven't thought of claiming benefits before, there are a number of easy ways to check what you may be entitled to. Contact a local benefit advisory service or call Help the Aged SeniorLine on 0808 800 6565. Pension credit, council tax benefit or housing benefit are just a few of the entitlements you may be eligible for.
2. CLAIM - with up to £5 billion in benefits going unclaimed every year you may be able to boost your income. Contact The Pension Service free on 0800 99 1234 to make a claim.

Alternatively, inside our free pack there is a coupon you can send off to either request a call from the Pension Service or a home visit.
3. INSULATE - a properly insulated home could save you around £275* off your annual energy bill. There are a range of ways you can improve the energy efficiency of your home and you may be entitled to free insulation from your energy provider. A free copy of 3 Steps to a Warmer Winter is available by calling 0800 089 0800. As well as useful contacts and the latest information and advice about claiming benefits and improving energy efficiency in the home, it includes a free thermometer to monitor room temperature.

For Sale

BEDS BEDS BEDS at Bargain Buys, Divan Beds from £59, Pine Frames from £49. Special offer 4'6" leather sleigh bed, £269 including mattress Tel 321678.
SAMSUNG Tocco, unwanted upgrade, brand new, fully boxed with manuals and accessories, £190 ono Tel 07891 164672
2 FOLDING beds with foam mattresses and spring base, £20 each or £30 for both. Tel 320816
BED SETTEE metal frame, beige, £75 for quick sale; Panasonic DVD recorder/player (18 months old) £65 Tel 314994
YAMAHA PSR260 portable keyboard + stand, VGC, all sounds and rhythms, also music books, £40 Tel 313725
3 PIECE cream leather, small tear on side, but good condition, £75; 2 x 2 seater, suede-chenille, wine and chocolate colour, spare covers, great condition, £150 ono; Large electric organ with seat and music, £20; Teko gas cooker, slimline, £35. Tel 07593 113117
NEED An old domestic appliance removing? Can't wait for the Council? Tel. 321678.

Obituary

POUNDER January 2nd, peacefully surrounded by his family of Kimblesworth Walk, Arnold aged 93 years, much loved husband of the late Ruth, Dear Dad of Marjorie, Michael, Brian and Roger. A dear Father-in-Law, Grandad and Great Grandad. A special mention and thanks to his carers. The Funeral took place Friday January 9. Donations in aid of ward 1, Residents lounge at Bishop Auckland General hospital would be greatly appreciated.

Thank You

JANET RICHARDS. I would like to thank all my family and friends for making my 50th Birthday Bash a night to remember. Special thanks to Ann, Jen, Pam and Steven, also to Norma and Alan at The Loco the food was perfect. Thanks to my work colleagues at Aycliffe Argos for the lovely gifts. Last but not least, thanks to my gorgeous Husband Michael! Love you all (yes Gaz, even you) xx

I WOULD like to thank all my family and friends for all their gifts, cards and best wishes I received on my 50th birthday. They were very much appreciated. Thanks, Grace Cooper xxxx
WOOLIES, Newton Aycliffe. To all the friends I've worked with over the last 9½ years, thanks for the laughs (and moans), it's been great. Also the customer's I've met over the years. I will miss you all. Love, Dorothy

THE FAMILY of the late Rita Thompson would like to thank all friends and neighbours for all cards and letters of condolence during their recent sad bereavement. A big thank you to all Doctors and Nurses on Ward 4 for all the care given to Rita. Many thanks to all who have donated to Bishop Auckland Stroke Unit. A special thank you to Rev Linda Potter for a beautiful heart warming service. Also to Penny and Leigh at John Meynell's Funeral Services for their kindness and support. Also to Ann and Amanada at the British Legion for the lovely buffet. Our thanks to you all
ROBINSON, Stephanie Marie would like to thank you for all the lovely presents and cards received on my 18th birthday from family and freinds and also to say to the people who came to my 18th party it was lovely to see so many people there. It was a great night and one I will remember for a long time. Thank you all very much

Accommodation

Willis Cole
Professional Lettings
Are you moving home but can't sell or just need a change of agent?
• We are experienced Newton Aycliffe based professional Landlords
• We care about your property and provide a full one to one management service
• We will take the worry out of letting your property in a cost effective way
• The only local independent specialist letting agent
Call us for a friendly chat for further details 324949

3 bedroom house for rent in Hallington Head, Newton Aycliffe (opposite Greenfield School). Furnished. Good condition. No DSS, £105 per week plus bills. Tel 07899 076316

1 BEDROOM Bungalow in School Aycliffe area. Fully furnished with Sauna, Jacuzzi, Steam Bath, Gym, Toilet, Bide and open kitchen with back view of fountain and garden. Exclusive and privacy is maintained. One car facility is available in drive. Ideal for young couple with no children and pets. Rent £600 pcm. No bills to pay, £500 Bond is required and refundable only after six months tenancy. Professionals only. References required. Tel 07816 499567

HOUSES and Flats to let in Newton Aycliffe and Darlington. Please call 01388 458660 for further details
4 BEDROOM detached, garage, gardens, £650pcm, professionals only, no DSS. Tel 07962 335405

5 BEDROOM house for rent with access to private pool, £550 per month. References and bond required, one mile outside of Aycliffe. Tel 307445
2 x 3 BEDROOM houses, Greenfield area. £435pcm, no bond, no agents fees. Tel 01325 520820

3 BEDROOM semi to let, newly decorated, rent £95 per week in advance. Deposit required. Tel 354333
REFURBISHED 2 bedroom end terrace house in Mellanby Crescent to let. £110 per week, absolutely no DSS, call Simon on 07866 266657
1 BEDROOM sheltered accommodation flat for the over 55 or disabled person in Woodham. Contact Bethany House on 320837 or 07747 004991. Available for viewing now.
ROOM TO LET £60 per week with internet access. no DSS. Tel 07530 914282

Weddings

BEAUFORDS, Daimler limousines, Rolls Royce's and Jaguars available for weddings, anniversaries and special occasions. Tel 01740 620147 (Sedgefield), 07721 771 113 or visit our website on: www.durhamweddingcars.co.uk

Chiropody

CHIROPODIST
Sarah Shepperson
BSc (Hons) Podiatry, MCBS, hpc Registered
A FULL COMPLIMENT OF FOOT HEALTH CARE - HOME VISITS ONLY
Tel: 01325 257270

CHIROPODY
Mr P. Oliver
BSc (Hons) - M.Ch.S
for a Home Visit
Tel: (01325) 320126

Hairdressing

GEM
FREELANCE HAIRSTYLIST
(previously of Jools Studio, Cockerton)
7 years experience
Competitive Prices
Shampoo and Sets available
T. 07746 131321

Personal

BVA Foundation
FREE
Confidential
Post Abortion
Counselling
available
Telephone:
01642 616077

SAMARITANS - 13 Woodland Road, Darlington. We are here for you 24 hours a day. Telephone 08457 909 090
WILLS written in your home - Free details. Tel 313197.
WEST CEMETERY Would the person or persons who stoop so low as to take things from my son's grave, think about the pain and distress you are causing.

Opticians

K. McGuinness
OPTICIAN
Town Centre
Newton Aycliffe
Tel: 316600

New Year Greeting

HAPPY NEW YEAR from Godfrey and Shirley Bennett to friends old and new

MARTIN, ROSA, Michael, Natalie and Daniel Bage would like to wish all their friends and neighbours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. No Christmas cards this year, money sent in lieu to charity

Thoughtless Dog Owner

Dear Sir,
I wish to bring to your attention, as of yet, person or persons unknown, for a persistent breach of the Fouling of Land Act 1996.
The area in question is Dalton Way, and the person concerned must use this path regularly to exercise their dog as the daily deposits of excrement left on both the grass verges and the public footpath is proof of their regular presence.
On a recent visit by my daughter and grandchildren the youngest boy stepped into this filthy mess only to tread it into my daughter's car.
It took over half an hour to clean and remove the disgusting

smell from the car and clean my grandson's shoes. It also made my wife and daughter physically sick.
It appears the dog owner considers Dalton Way as a toilet for their animal and unlike law abiding owners has no intention of cleaning it up.
My warning to this totally inconsiderate, thoughtless person is to say sooner or later you will be caught and with no hesitation will be reported to the authorities. Consider this whilst standing allowing your animal to leave faeces outside our homes, when you are met with a £50 - £1000 fine.
Yours sickened,
Name and address supplied

Pets

BOARDING KENNELS and CATTERY (established 18 years), White House, Bolam, Near Darlington (off A68). Approximately 3 miles from Heighington - 01388 832635.

Births

PARR - RICHARDSON 31-12-08. Kaylee and Dave would like to announce the early, but safe arrival of their son "Josh". Special thanks to D.M.H. Special Baby Unit. But please can we have him home soon?
PARR - RICHARDSON 31-12-08. Congratulations Kaylee and Dave, scanning the net for Uncle Dishes! Love to you all. Leon and Shelly
PARR - RICHARDSON 31-12-08. Congratulations Kaylee and Dave on the safe arrival of baby Josh. Love from Jerry, Lyn and Gareth
RICHARDSON Welcome baby Josh. Love from Honorary Uncle Gareth
PARR - RICHARDSON 31-12-08. Congratulations Kaylee and Dave on the arrival of my first Grandson "Josh". Who just could not wait to see in the New Year. Special thanks to D.M.H. Special Baby Unit. Love from Mam

Birthday Remembrance

DAVID FRANKLAND 5th January. We cannot send a birthday card, but we can remember you with love. Missed every day. Sandra, Paul, Darren, Melissa, James, Holly, family and friends
TOM HUNTER To our Grandad up in Heaven. We wish you were here for us to say "Happy Birthday". To the bestest Grandad in the world. We love you up to the sky and back again. Tom and Max xxx
TOM HUNTER 10-1-2009. Your first birthday away from us. We miss you so much Dad. Love always, Paul and Paulette xxx
WHARTON-PEART 12-1-2007. Our beautiful baby boy. We cannot believe it has been 2 years since we lost you. There is not a day goes by that we don't think of you. We wish you were here with us. If we were to have one wish, it would be to have you here. Our lives have been shattered and our hearts broken. The pain is still the same. Noah, you are our first born and we will never forget that. Happy birthday Baby. Enjoy your party with the angels. Love you lots and lots, Mammy and Daddy xx (Another year over... another step closer to you.)
NOAH HARRY To my big Brother Noah. Little angels up above, give my Brother a great big hug. I love you Noah and wish you were here to play with me! Happy 2nd birthday from little Sister, Morgan Harrie xxx
WHARTON-PEART Noah Harry. 12-1-2007. Your 2nd birthday away from home. Hope you have a lovely party with the angels up in Heaven. Love and miss you every day. Grandma xxx
NOAH HARRY WHARTON-PEART 12-1-07. Happy birthday Noah, 2 today. Love and miss you every day. With all our love and kisses from Nana and Grandad xxx
NOAH HARRY WHARTON-PEART 12-1-07. On your birthday coming soon. I'll think of you and smile and in my dreams I'll visit you for just a little while. Love from Auntie Danielle, Uncle Phil, William and Finnley xx
ANN McLUCKIE Dear Ann, 13th January. You've just walked ahead of me, long before your time. But now and then I swear I feel your hand slip into mine. Love always, Mam, Tony and family

Congratulations

JOEL MILLER 3-1-2009. Happy 21st birthday. Love from Mam, Dad and Stevie Lena x
ANDREW STUBBS Congratulations and best wishes to a very special Nephew on your 16th birthday. Wishing you every success for your GCSEs later in the year and your own future career decisions. Miss our contact and think of you often. All our love, Auntie Lesley and Uncle Graham xx
ANDREW STUBBS Wishing you a happy 16th birthday. Lots of love from Grandma and Granda Stubbs. We both miss you dearly xx
ANDREW STUBBS Happy 16th birthday Son. All my love, Dad. Please remember life is a marathon, not a sprint and my door is always open. Take care Andrew x
TERI-ANN NORMAN 13-1-09. Congratulations on your 21st. Lots of love, Mam and Dad xx
TERI-ANN Have a good one Sis. Love, Adam and Kay xx
TERI-ANN Have a great 21st Darling. Love you, Dan xxx
TERI-ANN NORMAN 13-1-09. Congratulations Sweetheart. Love you heaps, Nanna and Grandad xx
HARRY BELL Happy 13th birthday Harry. Teenager today (14-1-09). So proud of you. Lots of love, Gran Brownbridge xxx
HARRY BELL Happy 13th birthday Harry (14-1-09). So proud of you. Lots of love, from Auntie Anne and Uncle John xxx
HARRY BELL To a wonderful Son, Harry. Who will be 13 on 14-1-09. Happy birthday Son. So proud of you and love you lots. Mam xxx
HARRY HYMAS Happy 12th birthday. Have a good one. Love, Mam, Ray and family xxx
NEIL & KIM Congratulations on your Engagement. Love from Mam, Dad, Gary, Kelly, Matty and Lincoln xxx
NEIL HUDSON & KIM PARKIN Congratulations on your Engagement. Lots of love from Ian, Karen, Curt, Brad, Megan and Charlie
NEIL HUDSON & KIM PARKIN Congratulations on your Engagement. Lots of love from Nana, Grandad, Paul and Leanne xxx
CURT HARRISON Congratulations on passing your driving test. Love, Gail, Ken, Gary, Kelly, Matty, Lincoln, Neil and Kim
CURT HARRISON Congratulations on passing your driving test. Lots of love from Mam, Dad, Brad, Megan and Charlie xx
CURT HARRISON Congratulations on passing your driving test. Lots of love, Nana and Grandad xx
CURTIS HARRISON Well done on passing your driving test. Love, Auntie Ally and Uncle Andrew xx
CURTIS HARRISON Congratulations on passing your driving test. Love, Uncle Micky, Auntie Anita, Ross, Robyn and Reed
CURTIS HARRISON Well done on passing your driving test. Love, Nana, Auntie Lynne, Uncle Peter and Ricky
JANE-WADE Congratulations Michelle and Mark on the birth of your Daughter "Evie", 18th December, 8lb 10oz. Love, Mam, Lisa, Sean and Sarah. Thank you Auntie Michelle and Uncle Mark for my new Cousin. Love, Olivia xx
ALDER 11-1-09. Happy 9th birthday Leah. Lots of love, Dad and Harry.
LEAH ALDER Happy birthday. All our love, Granma and Grandad

Holidays

LUXURIOUS 4 bedroom, 3 bath Villa in Florida, heated pool, 4 miles from Disney, for £250 per week. Tel 300212 (Paul), web: www.villafloida.biz

Max Byles



Happy 3rd Birthday
6th January 2009
Happy birthday "Kidda". Love from Mammy, Daddy and Shelley xxx
To our beautiful Grandson on his 3rd birthday. Love from Nana and Grandad
Happy 3rd birthday to my gorgeous Great Grandson. Love from Great Gran Rena

SURMAN Harry Abe Lee. Happy 1st birthday. Lots of love, Uncle Marc, Auntie Sarah, Cameron and Katie xxx
SURMAN Harry Abe Lee. Happy 1st birthday to our beautiful Grandson on his Christening Day, 11th January 2009. Lots of love from Nana and Grandad xxx
SURMAN Harry Abe Lee. 11th January 2009. To our special Nephew Harry on his 1st Birthday/Christening. Enjoy your party. Love from Auntie Emma, Uncle Chris, Ellie and Maisie xxx
PAUL KJENSTAD Happy 9th Wedding Anniversary hun. Love you loads. Love, Claire xx
MICHAEL CATMULL Happy 21st birthday, 11-1-09. Love always, Mam and Dad xxx
MICHAEL CATMULL Happy 21st birthday baby Brother. Lots of love always, Lyns, John, Adam and Lucy xxx
MICHAEL CATMULL Happy 21st birthday. Tons of love, Gran xxx
MICHAEL CATMULL Happy 21st. Love ya, Paige xxx
MICHAEL CATMULL Happy 21st little Bruv. Love, Stacy, Kev and family xxx
MICHAEL CATMULL Happy 21st little Brother. Love, Mark, Debbie, Ryan, James, Matthew and Sean xxx
MICHAEL CATMULL Happy 21st young un. Love, Mark and family xxx
KELLY - SHIRES Louise and Kevin. Congratulations on your Engagement, 1-1-09. Love, Mam and Dad
KELLY - SHIRES Louise and Kevin. Congratulations on your Engagement. Love, Shane, Sharna and Garath
KELLY - SHIRES Louise and Kevin. All the best to you both on your Engagement. Love, Grandma and Great Grandad Oakley
KELLY - SHIRES Louise and Kevin. Congratulations on your Engagement, 1-1-09. Love, Mam, Mark, Stacey, Mark and Sam
MICK ALLEN Happy 60th Birthday (2-1-09). From your loving Wife, Kath, John, Tracy, Craig, Annabel, Grandchildren Charlotte, Luke, Vinnie, Oscar, Daisy and also Bradley and Tyler xxx
KAYLEIGH HUNT Happy 11th birthday. Lots of love, Mam xxx

Entertainment

PAUL GITTINS DISCO For any occasion, also Karaoke. Tel 317666 or 07831 269526.
FUN-n-BOUNCE Bouncy Castles for hire with and without slide, adult sizes available. All parties catered for, also available for indoor use. Tel 01325 307445 or 07594 436127

Sean and Laura Johnson



Happy 18th Birthdays - 12th January 2009
Congratulations on your 18th Birthdays. Lots of love from Mam, Amy and Phil xxxxxx
Hope you have a good day. Best wishes from Angela, Anthony, Gavin, Zoe and Ebony

Doris Iceton



Happy 90th Birthday
Lots of love Mam on your 90th birthday on 11th January. Sharon xxx
Happy 90th birthday Nana. Lots of love from Stephen xx
Happy 90th birthday Mam. Have a lovely day. All our love, Val and Colin xx
Happy 90th birthday Nana. Lots of love from Julie-Ann and Lee xx
Happy 90th birthday Great Nanny. Love and kisses from your little treasure Zach xxx
Congratulations on your 90th birthday. Love from Margaret and Norman

Bethany Addison



LOOK WHO IS 13
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
From Mam and Dad

Harry Abe Lee Surman



Happy 1st Birthday and Christening
12th January 2009
To our precious little boy, Harry, on your 1st Birthday and Christening. Enjoy your party. Lots of love and kisses, Mammy, Daddy, Danielle and Jack xxx

Olivia Kidd



Happy 13th Birthday
Lots of love from Mam, Jack, Michael and Jack xxx
Happy 13th birthday Olivia. Lots of love from Dad, Jean, Sean and Joanna xxx
Happy 13th birthday Olivia. Double trouble now you are a teenager. Love from Grandma and Grandad xx
Happy 13th birthday to a lovely Granddaughter. Love from Grandad xxx
Happy 13th birthday Olivia. Hope it is as special as you are. Love from Auntie Linda, Uncle Dave, Lauren, Kate, Chris and Barney xxx
Happy 13th birthday Olivia. Lots of love from Uncle Gary, Auntie Joannah, Alex, Ellie, Mica and Callum xxx

Anna Bosten



Congratulations on Your 80th Birthday
Love and best wishes from all family and friends

Doreen Pemberton



Happy 60th Birthday
12th January 2009
Happy 60th birthday Doreen. Lots of love from Colin and all the family xxx

Telecom

TELEPHONE MAN, Dave Bowes. Extensions fitted for phones, Sky, Broadband and internet. Extension lines moved and repaired. All jobs only £40 each. 01388 833828

Community LIFE Event
Discovering New Life with Jesus Christ

Starting on
Wednesday 14th January, 7.30pm
and presented over 15 weeks

Held in Close House, Eldon and Shildon

Please contact:
01388 776890 or 07855 044378
for venue details and more information

In Memoriam

DEMI HESLOP 01/09/06-08/01/07. There is a special angel, in Heaven that's part of me. It isn't where I wanted her, she went there tragically. My angel was here for 4 short months, like a night time shooting star. And though she is in Heaven now, she isn't very far. So I send this message to God in Heaven above. Please take care of my angel and give her all my love... You will always be in Mammy's heart Demi... Until you are back in my arms baby girl, sweet dreams Princess... Love you always and forever, Mammy xxxxxxxxxx
DEMI HESLOP 01/09/06-08/01/07. There is a face before us, a giggle we'd love to hear. A smile we will always remember of a Sister we loved so dear. Lord put your arms around her and kiss her smiling face. For Demi is very special and can never be replaced. We love and miss you all the world. Love, Shannon, Daniel and Megan xxx
DEMI HESLOP 01/09/06-08/01/07. If roses grow in Heaven Lord, please pick a bunch for me. Please place them in our Demi's arms and tell her they are from me. Tell her I love and miss her Lord and when she turns to smile, please place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for a while. Remembering her is easy Lord, I do it every day. It's the ache in my heart from losing her that will never go away... Safe in the arms of Jesus... Love you sweetheart... Grandma and Grandad xxxxxxx
DEMI HESLOP 8th January. A precious Niece asleep with the angels, forever in our hearts. Uncle John, Auntie Glennis and Uncle Bill xxx
DEMI HESLOP Thinking of you today, like I do every day darling. Love always, Great Gran xxx
SAMANTHA MADDISON 12-1-1994. As times goes by the emptiness grows, we miss you Samantha more than anyone knows. Our hearts still ache with sadness, the secret tears will flow. For what it meant to lose you, no one will ever know. Good night, sleep tight. Love from Mam and Dad
SAMANTHA MADDISON In our hearts your memory lingers, tender fond and true. There is not a day Sam, we do not think of you. Dearly missed Sister and Auntie. Love, Robert, Nicola, Alexander and Lauren
SAMANTHA MADDISON Always in our thoughts, miss you every day. Love, Grandad, Nana and Uncle John
SAMANTHA MADDISON Never forgotten, always in our thoughts. Auntie Eleanor and family
GORDON O'BRIEN Great friend, sadly missed. Forever in our thoughts, Davey and Phil
EDDIE BURRELL Treasured memories of my special Brother Eddie, now reunited with his dear Wife Eva. God bless you both. Mena and Joe xx
TOM HUNTER To my darling Husband Tom on his first birthday away from us. Sadly missed. Love always, Olive xxx
MYRA RENTEURS 29-12-1998. It seems like only yesterday when we lost you. But feels like an eternity since I last hugged you. We miss you more than ever Mum. Love always, Paulette, Paul, Tom and Max xxx
ANNE HURST 8th January 2003. Our beautiful Mum and Nanna, we love and miss you so much. You are never more than a thought away. Our love for you will always stay strong. Your loving family
LOL GREEN Died 11-1-2003. Six years has gone but the laughs and all the good times will always be with me. You will be remembered and loved always. From Sue xxx
BILL GATENBY 13th January 1990. A daily thought, a silent tear, a constant wish that you were here. Love and miss you, Wife Mary and family
DOT MILLER 4th January 2008. In loving memory of a very special friend. Dot, you will be forever in our hearts. Sadly missed by Betty and Jeff xx
DOT MILLER 4th January 2008. In loving memory of a special Auntie and Godmother. We miss you very much Auntie Dot. Love you forever, Ryan and Beth xxx
VALERIE MALONE Christmas and New Year, hasn't been the same without you. Love from your loving Brother, Nigel xx



KITCHEN CREATIONS & BEDROOMS

Your LOCAL Manufacturer employing LOCAL people, supporting the LOCAL economy

THE NEW LOCAL VAT RATE
Original Priced Reduced by 15%,
then 15% again
Ensuring local people benefit

NO VAT NOW
INTEREST FREE
AVAILABLE
or OUR BANK BUSTER
FINANCE PACKAGE
50% OFF YOUR PURCHASE
PRICE OVER 5 YEARS 4.9%

All our products are now
cheaper and easier to purchase
for the LOCAL Community



WEALTH WARNING

Before purchasing any home improvements ensure that your supplier can demonstrate:

- 1 - They are financially checked
- 2 - They have previous installations checked
- 3 - They agree to work as per conditions of the home pro-customer charter
- 4 - That all work is fully guaranteed and insured

Be Safe, Be Sure, Be Secure
with **KITCHEN CREATIONS**

KITCHEN CREATIONS & BEDROOMS UNIT B1 WHIMBANK ROAD, AYCLIFFE BUSINESS PARK DL6 6AY
New VAT rates effective 27-12-08 onwards - Open 6 days a week

01325 319022

LETTER FROM SANTA

Great Start for 2009

NOWT IS TAKEN OUT!

Dear Editor
Now that my busiest time of the year is over, and I have time to rest a while, I would like to take this opportunity, through Newton News, to say a HUGE thank you to all my 'lookalike' helpers and their teams - 21 people in all.
They VOLUNTEER each year to give up Christmas Eve with their families to tour Newton Aycliffe, in all weathers - on most routes for 3-4 hours, so that children (young and old) can see 'me' before the Big Event! Without their assistance this event, sponsored by your Town Council, could not take place, and also to yourselves for being good enough to print the routes.
I understand there was a problem on several routes this year with a shortage of sweets (although no-one has complained, thank you). I felt we had enough for one packet per child. Sadly, some children made a point of collecting packets at various stops in their area, leaving a shortage for children further on. Next year there will be more - but unfortunately, making them last the whole route cannot be guaranteed.
A note also about times - these can only ever be 'approximate', depending on various factors: the weather - the number of children in the area - the number who actually come out - where they wait, etc., all have an effect on 'Santa' being late or early.
I'm hoping, from the lack of complaints this year, that we got it somewhere near! I do hope you all had a good Christmas and received many of the gifts you expected. I'll be back again next year, so in the mean time, to children and adults alike, please stay healthy, happy, be good, and be kind to those around you.
Happy New Year from Santa.



Bishop Auckland 2nds 3
Newton Aycliffe 54

After playing a strong Bishop Auckland club team the previous week, Newton Aycliffe repeated the visit to play the host's 2nd XV for the first match of 2009. With a stronger side available, Aycliffe were confident of a good result in bright still conditions.
Bishop began the game strongly with some good forward play and took the lead with a penalty from McNair. Aycliffe now settled down and went ahead with an excellent try from a handling move that covered 70m, started and finished by Warren Parsonage. A second try followed from more good play when Luke Tinkler touched down. Former player Steve Turnbull, making a guest appearance, was the next scorer and, with further

ROTARY CLUB THANKS A GENEROUS TOWN

Dear Sir,
On behalf of the members of the Rotary Club of Newton Aycliffe, I would like to thank the Townspeople of Newton Aycliffe for their most generous support for our fund raising activities over the Christmas Period. The response to our "Santa's Sleigh" collection around the various areas of the Town was excellent and the Club was extremely grateful for the valuable assistance with this collection from both the Army and Air Cadet forces.
The appeal in Tesco met with another wholehearted response from the shoppers and Santa was delighted to hand out literally hundreds of lollipops to both the young and those who could be perhaps best described as a little more mature. It was amazing the number of people who visited the store daily and each time donated to the appeal. The Club, thanks to Tesco, now have a permanent donation "Pillar Box" in the store and we hope that shoppers will extend their generosity throughout the year to help needy families. Remember that all the money collected by Rotarians is used for Charitable Purposes and "nowt is taken out"! The Rotary Club of Newton Aycliffe wish everyone the very Best Wishes for 2009 and look forward to your continuing valuable support.
Roger Curtis
Projects Chairman
N/A Rotary Club

AYCLIFFE MOBILE HOME
and CAR VALETING

UPVc, Window Frames and Doors
Car Interior and Exterior Valeting

Block Paving, Patios, Brickwork etc
All waste bins cleaned and sealed
Distance no object

Tel 01325 321567
or 07984 817111

SELF EMPLOYED?

Make sure you beat the
JANUARY TAX DEADLINE
Don't pay the PENALTY

£ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £ £

Need friendly help?

Contact **Simon at Bookkeeping4Biz**
For a free out of hours appointment

Telephone: 07952 513623



DOMESTIC
APPLIANCE
RETAILERS

BEST VALUE
NEW & GRADED
DOMESTIC
APPLIANCES

COOKERS + WASHERS + FRIDGES + FREEZERS + TUMBLE DRYERS + DISHWASHERS etc.

23 Northfield Way, Aycliffe Business Park, Co. Durham

Tel: 01325 301916

Low Cost Installations
FREE Delivery in/around Newton Aycliffe

Why go to Darlington
or Bishop Auckland?

Bargain Buys
is on your doorstep

AUTOWASHERS from £169

WASHER DRYERS from £269

Immediate Free Delivery
Available to Aycliffe and
some surrounding areas



Dyson Spares
now available

BARGAIN BUYS

Shafto Way, Newton Aycliffe 01325 321678

SafeLine Taxis

(Aycliffe's "Black Taxi" Company)

312512

THE ONLY TAXI NUMBER YOU WILL EVER NEED
All Sedgfield Borough Licensed Vehicles

Open 6.30am-Midnight Weekdays - 24 Hours Weekends
24 Hour Prebookable Airport Service Available

NEWTON NEWS

NEWTON NEWS is published and printed by Newton News, which was established in 1988 and is managed by "The Newsagents".
DISCLAIMER: Newton News cannot be held responsible for information appearing in its columns. As a general rule we will advise anyone NOT to publish any money until the order has been completed in your full satisfaction. All information is correct at the time of our last update, the date of printing. Newton News accepts liability in good faith and takes no responsibility for errors and/or omissions.