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TOWN COUNCIL SURVEY DRAW WINNERS

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Questionnaire Draw 2009

Great Aycliffe Town Council has once again received an excellent response to its recent survey and would like to thank all of the people who have taken the time to respond. We acknowledge this is a large survey but feel it is better, more focussed and more cost effective to gather views in one exercise.

The results of the prize draw, made by the Mayor, Cllr George Gray, on

Tuesday 21 April, are as follows:-

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TEMPORARY LIBRARY DROPPED IN PLACE AS TOWN CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT PICKS UP PACE



Residents observed a fever of activity on the old Petrol Station site as the temporary library demountables were erected this week. Next door Wilkinsons are hard at work fitting out their new store and were also in the Town Centre talking to people about job opportunities.

MP, Phil Wilson, commenting on the siting of the library said: "The construction taking place on the site is very welcome and is proof that the regeneration of the town centre is well on the way. Obviously

the work will take a few weeks and will include the transfer of books and equipment from the old library. We can now think ahead to the demolition of Dalton Way, the old Health Centre and Library, something I believe we are all looking forward to.

Phil went on to say: "I know real progress is being made on the town centre because I have been asked to move from my Upper Beveridge Way office at the end of the year to allow further development to happen."

RELUCTANT TOWN COUNCIL ACCEPT LAND TRANSFER

MORALLY WRONG BUT HANDS ARE TIED

At the Extraordinary Meeting of the Town Council to debate the transfer of land to

Sedgefield Borough Homes it was decided to reluctantly accept the former Borough Council's transfer package. The Council was ably led by the recommendation of the Town Clerk who indicated that whilst the members might consider the SBC's action as morally wrong they acted lawfully in transferring land that was within the Housing Revenue Account.

Bob Fleming the Leader of the Council agreed, but insisted the Town Council, by its diligence had prevented the transfer of all the greens in the town which were not in the

revenue account.

"We were able to bring this to the attention of the Borough Council and they were obliged to remove these large areas of land otherwise we would have lost those too" said Bob.

It was revealed that 233 transfers had taken place throughout the country and the SBC had been careful to follow the same procedure. Counc Val Law said: "I believe the transfer is morally wrong as we have more land and open spaces than other areas which have been transferred"

Counc Blenkinsopp said the Town Council were to be congratulated on the success they gained in retaining the greens, and they had done everything they could, but their hands were tied on other areas of land.

Councillors agreed they had been let down by procedure and their disgust with the decision should be recorded.

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Amanda 3rd at Silverstone



Aycliffe's Amanda Whitaker finished 3rd at Silverstone International circuit after a race long battle with HSCC Formula Ford title rival Westie Mitchell. She qualified 2nd on the grid, alongside Callum MacLeod despite losing time in the pits due to a misfire. Amanda made a good start to take the lead off the line, but MacLeod was soon back past on the straight approaching Abbey hairpin. MacLeod then made a getaway as Amanda had to defend her position from Mitchell. Then ensued a race long battle and the pair were often two abreast through the corners. The positions were changed a number of times, although

Westie held on to the chequered flag. "It was a tough but fair fight" said Amanda "we gave each other just enough room!. I think I was a little down on power, and I'm struggling to slow the car down - we still need to work on the rear brake problem. We'll hopefully have it sorted soon and I can get my head down and win again". The next round of the HSCC Formula Ford Championship is in 3 weeks time at Snetterton in Norfolk. However, Amanda will be racing at Oulton Park in Classic Formula Ford (a separate championship) on 23rd May. She will also be featured in a BBC Radio Tees interview with John Foster at 9-10am on 21st May.

How M.P.'s Can Get Out of Expenses Mess

Dear Syd

I write this letter as yet more MP expense stories break in the national press. MP's have come up with all sorts of excuses as to why these "discrepancies" occur, yet if similar excuses were used by small business directors, or a single parent on benefits, legal action surely would not be too far away. The government really does seem to be struggling on this so I would like to make some suggestions on how the matter can be resolved.

1. Cancel all public monies paid relating to second homes. (Why should I pay the £900 reported on the radio in tax to pay for a second TV? My TV cost a third of that!)
2. Create a government "hotel" equipped to three star standard. Allocate each MP who represents a constituency outside Greater London a room for their personal use, but only their use. There are plenty of people working longer hours than MP's who are "on the road" during the week. Greater London MP's being forced to commute will then have a vested interest in improving public transport.
3. Link the basic allowance

paid to MP's to the average national wage. This ensures when the country is doing well, MP's do well. They also take the pain when the public do. What better motivation to ensure economic policies are fit for purpose?

It is absolutely unacceptable for any public money to be claimed without a receipt and no expenses should be available for food or drink. After all, we all need to eat regardless of what job we hold so they are not a special case.

Finally there should be a legal requirement for details of all expenses claimed to be made available. The government is keen to create all manner of databases on the public. Creating a database that shows every single item claimed (not currently part of the publication proposals for July), with a scanned receipt is perfectly achievable with current technology. Anyone truly committed to public service cannot have any objection to those proposals but will any of them happen? That really depends upon commitment of MPs to public service, doesn't it?

A Carter

Taekwondo Demo at Youthy AGM



The Annual General Meeting of the Youth Centre was held on Monday this week and those present heard of the achievements of our young people and the general success of the Youthy over the past year. After the reports and election of Officers and Committee a demonstration of Taekwondo was given by the club which uses the Centre as its base. President John Jones presented an award to Lee Crabtree, Nathan Buckland and David McCormack for winning the Sedgefield Enterprise Project with the best entry. The evening finished with refreshments provided free for the occasion



NO HOUSE TRANSFER OBJECTION

Dear Sir
I have been a Council tenant for over 30 years, paying my rent on time and keeping my home to a high standard. I voted for the transfer to Sedgefield Borough Homes, and I look forward to all the improvements that will take place.

I hear Cllrs. Fleming & Clare are fighting against it. How dare they, when they are living

in their own fancy houses and with money available to do their own improvements.? We deserve nice homes and outdoor improvements, so I suggest these home owners should butt out. They chose to buy their houses, some of us have no choice.

Mrs J. Jackson
Ed: The Town Council have no objection to the transfer of houses. They are seeking to retain the large areas of land being gifted to a private company along with houses, believing land should stay in public ownership.

SUNDAY BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

Readers are warmly invited to Breakfast/Brunch with the Rotary Club on Sunday 17th May at School Aycliffe Community Centre, Eastfields. from 10am till 1p.m. Full English Breakfast or Continental will be available. £6 for adults and £3 for children with under 5's free. Book yours by ringing 312022 or 300212. The event is held in aid of Mercy Hospital Ships delivering free health care and operations to poor people all round the world.

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4 PEOPLE ATTEND PARISH MEETING



The annual Parish Meeting is supposed to be a Public Meeting at which the residents ask questions of the council after hearing the annual reports. This meeting was called last Wednesday, but only four members of the public attended, the rest were Councillors.

They heard, despite receiving no funds from central government or revenue from business rates, the Town Council gave good value for money over a broad range of services provided. It has been a tough year financially but the Council was in a healthy position and well placed to weather the storm of recession. Indeed there had been considerable investment in parks and the environment.

The balances stand at £750,000 and the Finance Officer was asked why the money couldn't be used to freeze the Town's part of the Council Tax. He replied that balances could not be used for this purpose and are needed to meet future requirement.

On Council Tax the officer commented that the Town Council's increase was well below the rate of inflation. There was some discussion on the double taxation and rebate to be received from the County Council. (see full story on Page 7)

Each year a Town organisation gives a Presentation

on its work and Neville Parade Community Centre was invited to address the meeting. Peter Beaty outlined the history of his work as a volunteer for over 60 years and explained how he and his small committee had revitalised the former Over 60's Club to provide a facility used and valued by many people in the town for numerous activities. His achievement and success at Neville Parade was well known among those present and he received thanks and appreciation for all the time and hard work given to voluntary service.

Council Clare called Peter a 'remarkable man' who not only saved the Over 60's Club from demolition, but also led the campaign to save Greenfield School when it faced closure some years ago. "I want to pay tribute to Peter's tireless work for this community" said John.

The Annual Parish Meeting could be something really special and more people should be encouraged to attend. Perhaps the Town Council should promote it better to ensure a good turnout.

If the agenda was given some thought and its content made more interesting perhaps the meeting would attract more residents. Let's not just go through the motions - try and make a night of it!

AYCLIFFE ON VERGE OF TITLE WIN

Newton Aycliffe FC are on the verge of completing a fairytale season by winning the Wearside League.

Allan Oliver's side recorded an impressive 5-1 win at Teesside Athletic last weekend to maintain their one-point lead at the top of the league. Warren Byrne scored a hat-trick, while Elliot Gardner and Mark Wood (pictured) were also on the scoresheet at Redcar, with an impressive away following making the journey from Aycliffe.

The result mathematically confirmed their promotion to the Northern League for the 2009-10 season.

But it also means Aycliffe need only one more win, in their last league game at home to Annfield Plain this Saturday (2.30pm kick-off), to clinch the Wearside League title.

And the club are calling on Aycliffe fans to turn out in big numbers for what promises to be an historic game at Moore Lane Park.

"Winning promotion is a great achievement in itself," said boss Oliver. "This Saturday's game provides us with an opportunity to celebrate that, and it would be great to see lots of fans come along to share the enjoyment of the occasion."

"But it would also help to hopefully inspire the players to win their last game of the season and lift the Wearside League title, which would really cap the season off in style."

Aycliffe are expecting a healthy crowd on Saturday, so are therefore requesting the co-operation of visitors and understanding for nearby residents.

"The large crowds we're getting is tremendous," said

chairman Gary Farley. "But the bigger crowds we get, the more difficult parking becomes as it is limited and does therefore cause problems."

"Fans can help by trying to avoid bringing their cars unless there is no other way for them to get down. So if groups can come together in one car, or by taxi or on foot, that should help to relieve the problem. The most important thing is to please think of nearby residents - don't double park or block anyone in, and be careful driving in built-up areas. We appreciate everyone's co-operation in this."

The game against Annfield Plain kicks off at 2.30pm on Saturday (May 16), admission £2 with concessions for children, while the season will draw to a close with the Sunderland Shipowners Cup Final against Teesside Athletic next Friday night (May 22, 7pm).

Their remaining fixtures are:

Sat May 16: Annfield Plain (H), 2.30pm

Fri May 22: Teesside Athletic (H), 7pm, Shipowners Cup Final

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FUN FANTASTIC FITNESS FOR CHARITY



A County Durham charity is looking for ladies who feel in the 'pink' to give their support to a fund-raising event.

On Friday 29th May, ladies are invited to look pretty in pink and take part in "Fun Fantastic Fitness Fiver Friday" in Shildon - with all proceeds going to the Butterwick Hospice in Bishop Auckland.

A two hour programme has been devised for ladies aged between 16 and 25 to take part in this charity aerobathon that will include the likes of boxercise, street cheer,

pilates, aerobics and salsa. Entry is £5.00 for the session at Shildon-Sunnydale Leisure Centre (5.30pm to 7.30pm) and includes a glass of rosé sparkling wine or pink grapefruit punch upon completion. All ladies are being encouraged to wear pink girly outfits and are advised to use sensible footwear and exercise attire.

Anyone wanting to take part must register by calling Kathy Broomfield, Aerobics Fitness Coordinator on 01388 816166 Ext 4512 or 01388 815827.

May Fayre at St Francis

St Francis Church, Burnhope are holding a May Fayre on Saturday 16th May from 11am-1pm, all are welcome. Refreshments, hot dogs, cakes, tombola, plants, raffle, jewellery and white elephant stalls.

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Road Humps Should be 75mm High

Dear Sir,
My reason for raising the issue of the height of speed humps was that some

in the Simpasture area are not of the correct height. I have no objection to speed humps or any other form of traffic calming, but feel very strongly that such measures comply with the Highways Regulations Act 1996. The speed hump height survey was carried out by Durham County Council 19th March 2008. A copy of which is held by Newton Press. It may be of interest that the Department of Trasport now advise that road humps do not exceed 75mm as apposed to the 110mm as detailed in the DCC survey. Gallager Basset the Insurers acting for Durham County Council have stated that instructions have been issued to correct the faults. It would be helpful if Mr Lee Mowbray, Area Traffic Officer or any of the Durham County Councillors could assist in making progress on this issue. John Moore

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WILKINSONS RECRUIT ON MARKET DAY



Around 500 people attended a recruitment event for the new Wilkinson's store, due to open in Newton Aycliffe in July 2009. Staff from Wilkinson's handed out application forms, and Jobcentre Plus staff were also on hand, to advise people about the jobs on offer. Kay Armstrong, the new store Manager, said, 'We've had a fantastic response to this recruitment, and we're working closely with Jobcentre Plus, to recruit as many people

as possible' Richard Mclean, the Assistant Manager, added, 'I'm from Newton Aycliffe, and I was really amazed at the turnout. We've had people of all ages, asking for application forms. I'm looking forward to the store opening, and seeing lots of familiar faces there'. Wendy Spooner, Recruitment Adviser for Jobcentre Plus, said, 'We're delighted that Wilkinson's are opening in Newton Aycliffe, particularly as Woolworths closed earlier this year, and have issued hundreds of application forms, to our customers. We've worked with Kay and Richard, to ensure that they recruit the right people for the right job' Anyone who was unable to attend the event can search for vacancies on the Jobcentre Plus website www.jobcentreplus.gov.uk or contact Jobcentre Plus on 0845 60 60 234 for further details about the vacancies. Lines are open Monday to Friday between 8.00am and 6.00pm and on Saturdays from 9.00am to 1.00pm.

10 Minute Panic at Tesco's

On Monday this week Tesco experienced IT problems relating to their mainbank tills, however the self scanning tills were fully operational. This created problems getting customers through the checkouts resulting in some large queues. Customers were stopped entering the store for approximately 10 minutes so as to reduce the queuing time and were advised they would experience delays going through the checkout.

Overgrown Hedgerows

Dear Sir,
I was out walking around the old part of the town and was amazed by the number of hedges that have been allowed to grow out reducing the size of the footpaths. Whilst walking up Finchale Road from the junction with St Cuthberts Way the footpath is reduced in width to such an extent that only single file walking is possible. This problem can be found all over the older part of the town, so come on all you Councillors, who are always writing in this paper, let's get something done about this. Whilst doing this how about getting the police or council to move the cars that constantly park on the paths and grass verges? Just take a look at the damage being done in Sharp Road And to the people who are going on about protecting the green spaces in Newton Aycliffe that should include the verges, if you see someone damaging them, ask them to stop! Have some pride in your area. Mr S J Jones Henderson Road

ROTARY CLUB CHANGE GOLF DAY VENUE

The annual Charity Golf Day organised by the Town's Rotary Club is moving to Woodham Golf Course and will be played on Friday 4th September from 1p.m. Normally a shotgun start, this year it is normal, but with tee offs from the 1st and 10th holes. There will be food on arrival from 12 noon, bar facilities and a Carvery Dinner after the game, around 6p.m. followed by Prize Presentations. The cost has been kept to £27.50p per player which is excellent value for money. The Rotary Club acknowledge with thanks the concession received from the Golf Course owners. All proceeds from the day will go to Charity. This charity event is usually at the Oak Leaf Course which the Town Council donated to the cause. In return the Rotary Club donated half the proceeds to the Mayor's Charity. A change of policy allowed only a 50% discount on fees, which Woodham bettered and as the aim is to raise as much cash as possible the decision to change venues was made. Woodham is proving a big attraction and early entries are advised to avoid disappointment. Golfers interested in playing in the Pairs Stableford Competition with excellent prizes should contact the Match Secretary, Robert Manners on 374714 or Richard Gent on 317308.

Trader's Bad Parking on Market Days



Dear Sir,
I am all for the Tuesday Market in the town centre, but isn't it time the stallholders were asked/told to move their vans to a lorry park during the day? The parking in Newton Aycliffe town centre is limited so why do the stallholders insist on such bad manners over the way they park their vans taking the space for the whole day? I watched one of the stall holders put a large steel trolley in one parking space laying it on its side then going away only to return with another van and moving the trolley and parking his van there. Come on you market stall holders have some consideration for the people who buy your goods. S.J.J.



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GOVERNMENT CAN'T HAVE IT BOTH WAYS

Dear Syd
I am writing in response to Phil Wilson's party political broadcast in Newton News, to provide a reality check. Phil said the Budget was 'a Budget for jobs and targeted investment so that we can secure a strong recovery', and we must 'grow our way out of the recession'. He detailed all the popular measures in the Budget but omitted all the unpopular bits. He also

neglected to point out that most economists believe that the Chancellor based his figures on over-optimistic assumptions, and hardly any of them believe his measures will achieve what he claims. Phil failed to mention where all the new jobs and growth are going to come from. Presumably not the public sector – the Government has just announced more 'efficiency gains' (eg

1% in Further Education colleges). In the past few years 'efficiency gains' have involved significant job cuts, such as those following the merger of the Inland Revenue and HM Customs and Excise (the related loss of competent staff is, incidentally, widely recognised in the professions as being massively detrimental to services, causing huge amounts of abortive time) and the reorganisation of borough

and county councils. Just before the Budget the Treasury announced it had 'found' the potential for another £15bn worth of savings in 'operational spending'. This can only mean further job cuts (and these will be more costly for taxpayers because statutory redundancy rates are going to be increased)! That leaves the private sector, where businesses are going bust at an alarming rate. Businesses have been swamped by costly legislation and bureaucracy, and the recession has been the last straw for many. Recent changes to the taxation of multi-national companies have resulted in a significant number moving abroad. Furthermore, the people who will typically be driving business growth are those targeted for 50% higher rate tax (ie a 25% increase on the previous higher rate of 40%) and loss of 20% personal allowance. Hardly the best incentive for those key people. Despite there being a shortage of public money, the Government continues to borrow to finance all sorts of politically correct nonsense and assist third world countries, as well as throwing more money at non-essential new initiatives. For example, £16m of taxpayers' money is to be used to provide all the children in Durham primary schools with free school meals, whether they can afford them or not. How is this going to drive the recovery? More jobs for dinner ladies? The Government wants to guarantee a job, training or work placement for all aged 18-24 who reach 12 months' unemployment. Who will employ these people, and how will they drive the country's economic recovery? The fact of the matter is that

the economy relies heavily on sentiment, and very few people have any confidence in this Government. Gordon Brown, Alistair Darling and MP's like Phil all try to sound like everything is under control, but nobody buys that any more. When the economy was booming a few years ago, the Labour Party was quick to take credit. Now that there's a recession, they are trying to convince us that it's a global phenomenon, beyond the Government's control. Can't have it both ways! I don't blame Phil for trying to mislead the readers, as he's just doing what head office will be telling all MPs they must do. I'm not saying he's a bad MP. I'm also not saying David Cameron's crew offer all the answers. Indeed, some of their ideas beggar belief. What I am saying is that the Government has mismanaged the economy and must carry much of the responsibility for the current financial mess the country is in, and we now need the optimism offered by an alternative government, which surely couldn't do any worse! Could it? John Snowball

Government Doesn't Know What to do Next

Dear Sir,
Could I ask that future Labour Party announcements from Phil Wilson MP in the guise of a public announcement is identified as such. We have just been mortgaged as a country for future generations by a government who doesn't know what to do next other than announce more spending plans with monies that are from projected receipts which are overtaken by events within 12 hours of being announced. As for the budget, yes, the stamp duty holiday to help sales is to continue, whilst at the same time the govt forces would-be sellers to buy a micky mouse seller's pack BEFORE they put their house on the market. Bearing in mind the life of the information contained therein, the distrust of lenders, buyers and solicitors to the packs and often their insistence to have another pack once a purchase has been agreed, is doing nothing to help the market. 22 million got a tax cut when it went from 22p to 20p, however, 3.8 million lost out when the 10p tax rate disappeared and pay MORE tax now, and these are amongst the lowest paid and vulnerable in our society.

The £2,000 car scheme is already being exposed as a complex joke with the majority of the money ending up on foreign car purchases and most dealers putting their prices back up so they don't lose more money. Incidentally, how is it that Germany acted in November, followed by France, Italy etc whilst our govt contemplated their navel for 6 months before coming up with this package? As for the future, the current lot have had more 5 year plans than Stalin, be it Education, Schools, NHS, Crime, Drugs etc. and when the end date appears without the targets being reached then it is simply re-packaged and extended. The Labour Party have regarded the North West, North East and Scotland as their fiefdoms for years, whilst forgetting that the jobs groundbase has changed and the electorate have aspirations. I hope we have a decent Independent candidate at the next election (I know the Tories probably won't win in this seat) so that people can send a message that they can't be taken for granted anymore. Woodham Resident



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Annual Swimathon Raised £8k



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Schools from Blyth, Cramlington and Morpeth also participated and competed in fifty four sections in Tap, Modern, Ballet, Acro, Song & Dance, Solos, Duets, Trios and Troupes out of these the school gained 4 x 1st places, 31 x 2nd places, 21 x 3rd places and 15 x 4th places. They were also awarded 10 overall places.

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As you sit and wait, everyone grumbles at the lack of an appointment system. The Practice Manager should try and sit on the hard seats incognito for an hour or more and listen to these grumbles. I've heard that patients have asked for an appointment system for more than 30 years now, and still wait for this to come. Don't hold your breath. Why cant they trial an

appointment system, and even install a telephone there too? Bring it into the 21st Century. Extra clinics and early starts have been introduced at Bewick Crescent – but where are the benefits at Heighington? None. No extra evening clinics. No early morning starts either. The lost cause? Not worth bothering with? The last straw I believe was a few weeks ago, when someone arrived at 5.15 pm, and there were 10 patients in front of him. Standing room

only until a seat became free. Well, he sat and waited, and waited, and by 6.15 pm, with 4 still in front of him, and now 4 more after him, he gave up and went home. No idea what time that surgery finished, but imagine after 7 pm? Would you sit and wait for up to 2 hours to be seen? I don't think I would either. Perhaps it's time too, to even supply brand new branch premises, for the 21st Century? On behalf of Heighington Surgery Patient Action Group

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MARY DALTON ELECTED AS MAYOR FOR SECOND TIME



George Gray hands over the chain of office to Mary Dalton



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Mayor Mary Dalton with her deputy Dorothy Bowman

The annual Meeting to appoint the Mayor, officers and committee of the Town Council was held on Wednesday and Mary Dalton was elected for a second term with Dorothy Bowman as her Deputy.

George Gray thanked everyone who had given him support in the past year especially in his charity fundrasing where £8,000 was shared between the British Limbless Ex-Servicemen's Association and British Heart Foundation. He thanked his wife Maud for carrying out her duties as Mayoress and presented gifts to members of staff for their support over the year.

Counc Bob Fleming proposed the vote of thanks to the Past Mayor stating he and Maud had probably attended more functions than any previous holder of the office. "It is a draining experience and George and Maud put in an enormous amount work representing the town and the Council." said Bob.

New Mayor Mary announced her chosen charities for the year as the Army Benevolent Fund and local good causes. Bob Fleming was re-elected as Leader of the Council with John Clare as his Deputy.

Obituary

MEALE, Dylan Robert. Son of Alan and Kath. Brother to Kelly, Father to Nicola, Amy and Samantha. Died suddenly on Monday 27th April 2009. You will always be in our thoughts and will be sadly missed. Rest in Peace now Dylan

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GIVE YOUR TIME TO MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Local Fundraising Manager for Macmillan Cancer Support, Michelle Muir, is encouraging Newton Aycliffe residents to consider volunteering to give something back to the local community.

Macmillan Cancer Support was founded by a volunteer and volunteers are still an integral part of the charity. Many people give their time and energy freely to help improve the lives of people living with cancer in the area.

Michelle said: "We have around 5 volunteers in the Co Durham, area who assist us with various aspects of our work; manning our supermarket collections, speaking to groups on our behalf and doing administration tasks in our office to name but a few."

"We are looking to expand our volunteer base in the area so that we can reach out to even more people that need our help."

In Memoriam

MENA COLLINSON Treasured memories of our dear Aunt Mena. Now reunited with her Husband Tot. Love you both. Niece Mena and Joe

MICHAEL STEVENS 13th May 2004. A light has gone from our family. A voice we love is still. A place is vacant in our hearts. No one can ever fill. Love and miss you always, Mam and Dad

JUNE HYATT 15-5-08. It's hard to find the words to say, how much we miss you each and every day. We will love and miss you always. Jane, Joanne, Athony, Kirsty, Laura, Leah, Daniel, Mark, Callum, Anne, John, Dave and Oliver xxx

JOHN FLETCHER 18/1/1941-18/5/2008. Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day. Unseen. Unheard, but always near. Still missed and very dear. Always in our thoughts. Eunice, Colin, Brian, Sharon, Christine, Darryl and Callum

DAVID MITCHIE Died 14th May, 1998, due to a tragic accident. In our hearts you will always stay. Quietly remembered every day. Nan, Gramps, Claire, Andrew and Chris

KATHLEEN WILSON Mam. Died 18th May 2008. It was a sudden parting too bitter to forget. Those who loved you dearly are the one's who can't forget. We often think of you and think of how you died. So sad we could not say goodbye before you closed your eyes. Missed every day Mam. Love, always, Sharon and Michael

NANA WILSON Our Nana really was the best. We really hope she is at rest. Missed every day. Gemma, Jake and Jodi

KATH WILSON 18th May. Mam. It has been one long year since you left us. We miss and love you loads. Have fun with Dad. Miss you, love, Lorraine, Sean and the boys xxx

KATH WILSON Mam. It's been a year since you left us, but you are in our thoughts and hearts every day. We love and miss you. Shaun, Zoe, Sharni and Chris

SCOTT ARNOLD A much loved Husband, Father and Grandfather. Died 13th May 2007. Years pass by but our memories stay, you're still dearly loved and thought of each and every day. Sadly missed by Wife Vera, Ian, Joanne, Jane, Tony, Adam, Jodie and Great Granddaughter Madelyn

SCOTT ARNOLD Died 13th May 2007. Cherished memories and quiet thoughts of our eldest Brother. Dearly loved and so sadly missed. By Brother George and Sisters Sheila, Christine, Madeline and families

DENNIS CHENTRENS 15-5-05. Remembering you is the easy part, but losing you was the really hard part Dad. We all love and miss you so much. Our lives without you has never been the same. Your loving Daughters, Margaret, Doreen and Denise xxx

SPENCER CLARKE A loving Husband, 14-5-08. Along the road of yesterday it takes me straight to you, memories of the happy years together me and you. And always every evening I seem to have a way of wandering back to meet you Spence on the road to yesterday. Your loving Wife, Grace xxx

SPENCER CLARKE A special Dad, 14-5-08. You made the world a better place in your own special way. And you're still loved so very much and missed more every day. Your leaving caused a lot of tears, so much grieving too, the hardest thing of all was to say goodbye to you. We miss you Dad. Loved and longed for always, Michael and Karen xxx

SPENCER CLARKE A loving Dad. 14-5-08. Today brings tears and memories of sorrow and regret. A day filled with sadness, it's not easy to forget. For everyone whose lives you touched, always loved you so. It was so hard to accept that you ever had to go. And so this message is for you Dad, especially to say, this world lost someone special, the day you went away. Loved always, miss you. Paul and Ann xxx

SPENCER CLARKE Loving Grandad, 14-5-08. Just a little token sent with love to say, there has been a lot of sadness since you went away. You gave so much to all the family, and in return you really were as loved as one could be. And every day you are missed so much and always will be too. For Grandad we will never forget a special person like you. Loved always, Andy, Ben and Dominic xxxx

SPENCER CLARKE Loving Dad, 14-5-08. We miss you now our hearts are sore and as time goes by we miss you more. Your loving smile and gentle face, no one can fill your vacant place. Loved and remembered always, Keith and Carol xxxx

SPENCER CLARKE Died 14th May 2008. One year on - will always be missed for your kindness and humour. Time goes on but you will never be forgotten. Love from your Sister Margaret and Brother-in-Law David and family

Macmillan Cancer Support improves the lives of people affected by cancer by providing practical, medical, emotional and financial support for people living with cancer, their families and carers.

Michelle Muir said: "There are so many ways to get involved in volunteering for Macmillan Cancer Support; helping out at events, undertaking administration tasks in the office, becoming a Macmillan speaker, joining a fundraising group plus much more."

Many people find the benefits of volunteering are threefold; meeting new people and making friends, gaining new skills and most importantly, having fun.

Macmillan Cancer Support is looking to hold a recruitment evening, aimed at providing more information about local volunteering opportunities at the Derwent Manor, Co Durham on the 2 June. If you'd like to attend this event please contact Michelle Muir on 01325370870 or email mmuir@macmillan.org.uk.

Congratulations

JOHN HANNAH Happy 60th birthday. Lots of love, Pat, Karen and Simon xxx

TO GRANDAD Happy 60th birthday. All our love, Lisa, Justin Hannah

CHARLOTTE ALLEN (18-5-09). To our special Granddaughter "Charley". Congratulations on becoming a teenager. All our love, Grandma and Grandad xx

CHARLOTTE ALLEN (18-5-09). Congratulations Charley on your 13th birthday. Love, Uncle Craig, Auntie Annabel, Vinnie, Oscar and Daisy xxx

CHARLOTTE ALLEN Happy 13th birthday. Loads of love, Dad and Tracy xx

CHARLOTTE ALLEN Happy birthday lotta otta. Love, Bradley, Tyler and Luke xx

MARGARET DOLAN (18-5-09). Congratulations on your 70th birthday Margaret. All our love, Kathleen, Mick and family xx

SYBIL DUNN 16th May. Happy 75th birthday Mum. Hope you have a lovely day. Lots of love from all of us xxxx

LAUREN JEAN WARD Happy 13th birthday on 16th May. Lots of love, Mam, Trevor, Beth, Adele, Jessica, Katie and Trev 2

JULIE DURHAM Happy 5th Anniversary to my darling Wife. Love you loads, Tony xxx

TONY DURHAM To my special Husband, all my love on our 5th Wedding Anniversary. Love you always. Julie xxx

JULIE & TONY Happy Anniversary. Love from Natalie, David and Andrew

LINDA AVERY Happy 50th Linda. Had a great time in York, we'll have to go again in ten years time for my 50th! Love from your much younger friend, Julie Howey

MULLEN Hapy birthday Lewis and Amy. Six and Two on 17th May. Love from Mam and Dad

BRADLEY CLAUGHTON Happy birthday. Love, Kath and Mick x

BRADLEY CLAUGHTON Happy birthday. Love ya loads, Mam and John xx

BRADLEY CLAUGHTON Happy birthday. Hope you have a great party. Love, Tyler, Charlotte and Luke xx

MARTIN POTTER 17th May. Happy 18th birthday Martin. Don't get too drunk, haha! Love, Mam, Dad, Shane and Matt

Sam Moy



Happy 21st Birthday 13th May 2009

All our love, Mam, Stu, Rachel and Chris. Love you loads, Rik & Katelyn xx

Trevor Kelly



TREVOR KELLY 18-5-09. 50th birthday. Love from the Kelly lot

TREVOR KELLY Happy 50th birthday Daddy. "You old Git, Lend us a tena!" Love, Sharma and James

TREVOR KELLY Happy 50th Dad. You got a taxi free night. Have a great time. Shane and Shari

TREVOR KELLY Happy 50th Father. First 50 pints are on me. Love, Loopy Lou

TREVOR KELLY Happy 50th birthday. Jean and Great Grandad Oakley

TREVOR KELLY To my wonderful hubby. Happy 50th birthday. Love you lots and snots. Love ya with all my heart. Shaz xxx

Births

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Statistics released by Citizens Advice show that there has been a 20% increase in debt issues in the North East when comparing April– December 2007 to the same period in 2008, an indication that consumers need more support to stop them from falling into financial difficulties.

This service is designed to stop this figure from increasing in the future, by equipping consumers with the knowledge they need to avoid debt problems because of over commitment or limited savings and to empower people to plan for the future effectively.

Joan Johnson and Lisa Edwards, Money Guides from Sedgefield & District CAB said: "Many people have

Council Caught Out With Bus Changes

Councillor Mike Dixon has checked into changes to Bus Service 16 and 19 and received a reply from Richard Startup Passenger Transport Manager.

"The changes are a result of recent re-tendering of bus services by Darlington Borough Council and both services are now operated by Scarlet Band with no changes to the previous timetable. It is disappointing that the Arriva drivers did not advise passengers when asked," said Richard.

"With regard to the diversion, I can confirm this is via The Dog and Gun Inn on the A68. We know that Arriva, who still operate service 1 through Heighington, have put an additional bus into their cycle to ensure that they keep to time and I expect that Scarlet Band will monitor their services closely, particularly over the first few days of their new operation to ensure that they are run reliably.

With regard to the Post 16 passes, Scarlet Band only offer day return tickets at the moment, but are happy to consider other types of ticket arrangements in due course. Arriva will offer refunds on the unused part of their termly tickets, which can be obtained through their office in Sunderland and these will be based on the dates they are returned to them.

The changes have not been initiated by ourselves and from Durham County Council's point of view, the timetables etc have not changed, this was simply a change of operator. Regrettably, we haven't included these changes on our website where we would usually post all changes to bus services in the County. Unfortunately, we also had not realised the impact of Post 16 tickets, which are no longer within our control, as they are bought direct by parents from the operator using our grant.

For changes we initiate, we have just established a new protocol for prior consultation on changes to bus services, which we are currently running in East Durham. So far this has provided very good notice to everyone in that area and is aimed at avoiding confusion".

Richard Startup

NASC U15's Promoted!



After another successful campaign Newton Aycliffe Sports Club U15's have won promotion to the TJFA Division 1 for the 2009~2010 season.

This is a magnificent achievement and well deserved. The team played twenty matches from September through till May. Won 16, Drew 1 and Lost 3. They were only narrowly beaten to the title by Mount Pleasant and only by a solitary point.

For the team, 2009~2010 will be their last season and to end in the first division is a fitting tribute to the hard work put in by the players and coaches over the past couple of years.

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