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Lesley Cavender, Director, thanked everyone for coming and welcomed Counc. Barbara Clare, Mayor of Great Aycliffe who officially opened the scheme. "We are really proud to welcome you all here today and share with you the opening of our More Time furniture scheme and café. It's a much needed service in the area and we're looking forward to being able to help people across Count Durham through the scheme" said Lesley.

DISC Clare Singlewood, Housing Manager, then spoke about the history of the scheme and how it came about. DISC has a long history providing housing support to vulnerable

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# USED FURNITURE SHOWROOM & CAFE NEAR THE BLUE BRIDGE

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Left to right: Liane Robinson, Lesley Cavender, Mayor Barbara Clare and Chairman Chris Mathews Maxwell

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groups, helping people to obtain and maintain accommodation. "We've always had ambitions to set up a furniture scheme and with the announcement of the welfare reform changes which was clearly going to result in more people than ever before being in financial hardship, we began seriously exploring the opportunity. At the same time DISC decided to provide a cafe alongside the furniture scheme" said Clare.

Liane Robinson, Manager,

spoke about More Time, a social enterprise owned by offering employment and volunteer opportunities through this scheme and others such as a cleaning contractor and housing renovation in Hull and the North East.

"We have two volunteers on the furniture scheme, helping with deliveries and collections, cleaning up furniture and dealing with customers. We also then have our full time café co-ordinator Gavin who

> and café at Newton Aycliffe. We are always looking for new volunteers to help support the scheme. If you are interested in learning new skills, meeting people and giving something back to your local community, we may have the opportunity for you. Volunteers are usually given work wear, a daily lunch allowance and

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Liane. The Mayor cut the ribbon across the plaque, declaring the scheme officially open and said "Thank you very much for asking me to come along today. I'm really pleased to see the great work you're doing in the area. Thank you for bringing your vision and experience to help support the people of County Durham.'

More Time is a enterprise trading subsidiary DISC specializing in domestic, commercial building site cleaning. As part of our ongoing development and expansion we are working with DISC Housing Services to deliver and renovate empty homes as well as setting up and opening the furniture scheme

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and over, are particularly welcome as they will ensure the future of the club and it remains part of the backbone of Newton Avcliffe in its diverse structure.

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#### Saturday 28th September - "Elenbak"

Covers by Bad Company, Free, Sabbath, Poison, Brian Adams, Eurythmics and many more. Review: "What a bunch of fighters these guys are! Back again after previously strong showings in past BOTBs, Elenbak return with yet more melody driven and insanely catchy soft rock. More new material in their excellently delivered set, but still it's the wonderful 'Samantha' that gets under your skin and refuses to be ignored - a summertime hit single if ever I heard one. Partnered to familiar favourite 'In This World' these are two great songs that really show the quality running through this band. Closing with a triumphant 'Someday' you have to believe that there is a cracking AOR album in this band just begging to be unleashed."

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## **Public Consultation on** Traffic Around Schools

In recent months a mumber of concerns have been raised with County Councillors and the Police & Crime Commissioner in relation to traffic around schools in Great

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Town Centre Manager. He said they were still resolving a Health & Safety issue, but it would be coming down soon to allow direct access from the multi storey car park into the Town Centre.

Observers in this area can't help noticing another unnecessary barrier to pedestrians from Greenwell Road where there is a well laid and safe footpath at the back of Aldi which has been blocked.

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1 hour. Music workshop, creating sing-a-long pirate tunes and using recycled bounty to make instruments.

The performance of "My Granny is a Pirate" is to be held at the Library on Friday 18th October at 10.30am.

Whilst there is no charge for taking part in the workshops, there will be a charge of £1.00 per child for the performance Please contact Library Staff (Tel. 03000 269519) for further details or to book places

## Holiday Raffle Worth £300

The Cubby annual Macmillan Day with be held on 25th September. Come along and have a cup and support a good cause. There will be a raffle drawn on the day 1st prize is a £300 voucher off of a holiday plus more prizes.

Come for Coffee to help Macmillan Nurses nationwide appeal held at the offices of Whitehouse Funeral Services, Surtees Road, Aycliffe Business Park.

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They released their debut album in January 2012, with a sell out show at the Sage Gateshead and have since gained national recognition with a radio play on BBC 2,3, and 6 Music and a live session on Radio 4s Loose Ends

Most recently revealed as winners of the 2013 Glastonbury Emerging Talent Competition, they are "the kind of beguiling, affable folk band whose sound feels so natural and inviting you wonder why your first listen wasn't so much sooner"

Also Newcastle based singersongwriter Ditte Elly. With an acoustic guitar and an unassuming stage presence, Ditte Elly offers a voice with an enchanting quality, capable of bringing an audience to silence. Tickets: £10.00 / £8.00

NEW - Exhibition: Within View by Anja Percival and Joanna Bourne from Monday September – Saturday October.Durham based printmaker Anja uses a variety of etching techniques, including wax resist on aquatint, 'soft' ground, 'white' ground and burnishing. Her compositions aim to combine different moods of light, with contrasting space and surface Joanna principally on wood, based on of the nature and wildlife of the

The McGuinness Gallery is open: Mon to Fri: 10.00am -4.00pm. Sat: 9.30am - 12.30pm Free admission

#### Bishop Auckland Civic **Society presents:**

Talk: by Jim McTaggart "We take Newspapers for granted – how did they start?" Tuesday 24 September 7.30pm. The speaker for the A.G.M.on 24th September 2013 will be Jim McTaggart.Jim, a Columnist for the Northern Echo, specialises in stories from Teasdale under the heading of 'Dales Diary'. He lives in Darlington and is well known in the North East. Prior to retirement Jim worked on The Teasdale Mercury; a Barnard Castle local paper. Tickets: £2.00 free to BACS

Film: Trance on Thursday 26 September 7.30pm. Award winning director Danny Boyle returns with this psychological thriller about a fine art auctioneer mixed up with a criminal gang to recover a lost painting. With James McAvoy. Sexual content, nudity, violence and grisly images, Cert: 15, 101 mins Tickets £4.00

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## **Massive ICT Investment** at Woodham Academy



Woodham Academy recently announced a massive investment in new digital technology, which is bound to make it the envy of other schools. Over the summer break support staff worked feverishly to replace all of the school's existing stock of computers with 410 brand new, state of the art machines. Each machine comes with high definition widescreen monitors and the latest industry standard software for creating webpages, graphics, animations and mobile applications.

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Computing teacher Mrs Lind said "I am delighted with opportunities the new technologies will bring to our Computing students. The new computer set up, along with our outstanding ICT results in the summer puts us in a unique position for the start of the cademic year"

Mrs Lind is also taking advantage of the new computers to deliver the nationally recognised Computing Club for Girls (CC4G) course for years 7 and 8 on Tuesday lunchtimes in her computer suite, room 111.

## PCP Joins World's **Biggest Coffee Morning**

coffee morning is now an annual event and the Pioneering Care Partnership (PCP) will be celebrating by hosting a 'coffee with crafts' event at the Pioneering Care Centre.

The Coffee Morning is taking place on Friday 27 September between 10.00am – 1pm. In addition to the refreshments sold in the Mall Coffee Shop within the Centre, there will be stalls selling jewellery, knitted products, memory jars, crafts and other items.

There will also be an opportunity to see what the Macmillan Cancer Information and Support Service can offer to the people in this area.

Hartley PCP Chief Jane Executive said: "The event aims to raise the profile of the Macmillan Cancer Information and Support Services based here in the Pioneering Care Centre whilst also raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

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The programme a variety of guided walks, ranging from one-mile easy walks to 14-mile hard hikes. Each walk offers people the chance to find out more about the history, geology and nature of the surrounding area.

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Maria Murphy, countryside development officer at development Durham County Council, said: "Walking is not only good exercise, it's also a great way to explore our local area and find out more about its history and landscape.

"Our guided walks programme includes lots of different walks for all levels of ability including new walks for families. "They are all led by experts and

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## Aycliffe Biker (55) Finishes 900 mile Ride | County Council Report | CHANGE TO

I completed the Charity Bike Ride from Lands End to John O'Groats in 9 days. I cannot quite believe that at 55 years young I managed the ride and it was a fantastic experience. I had pledged to raise £1800, and I am up to £1421, so still a little short, but hoping to hold a Pie and Peas Supper and appeal for more sponsorship.

The photo above is at John O'Groats at 2.30pm where all the other riders cheered me in. I was only 20mins behind the riders in front of me and there were plenty of tears

The other riders presented me with the 'yellow shirt' for the 'Rider of the Tour' which really humbled me, and I was touched to see how much they appreciated the effort I had put into the ride.

I couldn't afford time to stop to take photos as 100 miles is a long way to cycle each day. I have some amazing scenery captured in my memories. This was an amazing challenge and I still cannot believe I did it.

I thought I would have time to think while cycling, I did think. ... how on earth do I get up that next hill? Will there be any food left at the next pit stop, how far behind everyone else am I, can I really eat my evening meal off the bike with no shower? (ves!)

I was first rider away every



morning and at least 30 mins before everyone else. Up at 5am, eat breakfast and on my bike by 7.15am and I arrived into evening camp up to 2 hours behind the riders in front of me. I thought about each section

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at a time to the next rest stop, and there were often tears of relief as I arrived. Without the amazing support behind me I couldn't have done it, thank you

Many thanks, Lesley Thompson

by County Councillor John Clare

Every month the Cabinet deals with hundreds of pages of reports. Wednesday 11th September's meeting was no different. MONEY MATTERS

Reports on the Medium Term Financial Plan and on the Budget Outturn recorded that the Council is on target to meet its projected cuts for this year. However, just before the summer holidays, figures released by the government revealed that the 10% cut for next year announced in the government's Spending Review will actually be – for County Durham – 16.4%. The cuts for the north and the more deprived areas are much heavier than those for the wealthier, south-east councils, and representations are being made about this disparity. There has been some suggestion in the press that the County Council should use its earmarked reserves to prop up spending, but the report showed how they are just that - 'earmarked' - for other purposes (such as redundancy, housing benefit subsidy, etc.) and were not available for revenue spending. GOVERNMENT POLICIES

The Cabinet also receives regular updates about changes to government policies. The pace and degree of change at the moment is unprecedented – and the new policies are not just chaotic, they are not working. If you want an idea of the kind of challenges facing the County Council, you can read the Welfare Reform Update online at bit.ly/DCCwelfare, and the Update on the Implications of Government Policy at bit.ly/DCCgovt

#### ISSUES NOT AFFECTING AYCLIFFE

Three issues addressed by the Cabinet did not affect Aycliffe directly, but you may be interested:

- · A consultation has been launched (at bit.ly/DCCpatrols) on removing lunchtime crossing patrols from 60 schools where they are no longer being used because the children now stay at school for their lunch. No Avcliffe schools are affected by this decision. Cabinet also decided (after consultation) to amalgamate Ouston Junior and Infant Schools (in the north of the County) into a single school; this is better educationally and is a way of securing schools which might otherwise, given the cuts, be under threat.
- 'Digital Durham' is a government-funded scheme to roll out broadband to the rural west of the county.

#### OTHER MATTERS

New LED street lights are being put into place in a number of locations around the county, including in Aycliffe, and I have had some complaints and (admittedly fewer) positive comments. The Street Lighting consultation does not end until 26 September and I would urge anybody with comments to make them via bit.ly/ **DCClights** 

Finally, the County's programme of guided walks for October-March is now available via bit.ly/DCCwalks - and don't forget that the opening hours of Heighington Lane waste recycling centre will be changing from 1 October ... to 9am to 3:30pm, seven days

## Eat, Work and Play



structured lunch initiative at Stephenson Way is proving to be a great success with pupils. Whilst still able to enjoy free play on the yard or field, since the summer term children have also been offered the chance to attend one of several staffed "clubs" which offer various fun activities

Art Club offers the children the chance to enjoy a creative session where they can be productive with a selection of art materials. The club operates whereby children earn Art Passes through good, helpful behaviour and exceptional classroom work. With a little helping hand from Miss Strong, so far the children have crafted tissue paper flowers. bookmarks and bracelets amongst many other things.

ICT club offers the children a chance to work on the computers. Like the Art club, the children must earn their ICT passes which means that the club's impact stretches further than just the lunchtime period. Many children enjoy simply

playing games whilst some like to create photomontages or experiment with software they have used in class.

The football club makes use of the enclosed football area on the yard and allows children from all year groups to play together in mixed teams in a winner-stays-on format. The presence of a staff member to act as referee means the games are contested fairly whilst the format maximises each child's

playing time. Since beginning in the summer term, the club has developed a friendly yet competitive atmosphere. The enclosed playing area also means that the rest of the children playing outside enjoy more space and can play without fear of getting

hit by a stray ball.

The guidance and support provided by the staff help the children make the most out of their free time and the access to ICT and art equipment means that children now have the option to access education throughout the whole school

## COUNCIL **GARDEN WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE**

Dear Sir,

For a number of years the Council under a number of differing titles have supplied us with a special wheelie bin for the sole use of disposing of our garden waste through a fortnightly collection service.

They, in their infinite wisdom, have now decided this will no longer happen due to the need to save money, but I have a number of questions:

- 1. Why do they think everyone can afford the suggested fee of £20 to continue to use this service in these austere times?
- 2. What do they suggest happens to the wheelie bins of the people who choose not to use the £20 service?
- 3. How do they expect people with large gardens to dispose of their rubbish if they can't afford the £20?
- 4. What about the money recouped from compost they have sold, made from all the garden rubbish collected in the past?
- 5. Do they think it will be a viable operation to run if only a few people continue to use the service on payment of £20, or will they then lose it for lack of support?

What I think will happen is that the majority of users will revert back to what they did before garden bins were introduced and that is to bag it and put it into the ordinary bin. This will then increase the amount the Council have to pay in taxes for landfill rubbish.

Please use your common sense. Councillors, and leave the system in place, or be prepared to pay the extra landfill taxes without complaint with no savings made by this decision. Name & address supplied

## Autumn/Winter **Fashion Show**

A Bon Marche Fashion Show will be held at St. Clare's Church hall on Tuesday 24th September at 10.30am. It will feature the latest Autumn and Winter range and all who attend will receive a discount voucher.

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## Greenfield Host Play for | Petition to Keep Primary School Students Fireworks Display



Last week Greenfield Arts were pleased to host a performance of "Cuddy and His Mates" for students of local primary schools. Greenfield Arts raised the funding for the show which explored the childhood lives of Northern Saints: Bede, Cuthbert and Godric.

The play was commissioned by Queens Hall Arts, produced by Jack Drum Arts and Mad Alice Theatre Company, and written by Julie Ward, inspired by the return of the Lindisfarne Gospels to the North East. More than 150 students in Years 4, 5 and 6 from Chilton Primary

School, Heighington Primary School and Byerly Park Primary School joined us on Friday 13th September for this fantastic performance which was enjoyed by all!

Greenfield Arts will be hosting another great live performance in October as part of Family Learning Month, "My Granny's a Pirate" is suitable for children ages 6 and under and their parents, part of a programme of live performances we have planned for the coming months. For more information visit our website www.greenfield-arts.co.uk.

To the Town Clerk . . . Dear Mr Bailey,

Please accept a petition by the people of the Acorn Residents Association area who believe that removing the Guy Fawkes Night celebrations will impact detrimentally on the safety of various residents in Great Aycliffe and may result in damage to property in the town. It is our belief that instead of having a central supervised event many members of the public will have individual parties which will add pressure on our police and fire service and may be more dangerous than the current arrangement at the Oak Leaf Complex.

Nowhere in any election literature from any candidate, any individual or Party at the recent elections was an election pledge to reduce facilities in

that any safety issues will be addressed and our fireworks display will be resumed in 2014. Ken Robson

Chairman Acorn Residents Assocaition.

To the Townspeople . . .

Please ask as many of your friends and family to support this campaign as possible and feel free to either send to your local councillor, Great Aycliffe Town Council offices, direct to Mr Andrew Bailey Town Clerk, adding comments on your views if you wish.

Alternatively as a resident of the Newton Aycliffe area you can always telephone our Council to state your views on 300700. Remember your Council is elected to represent your opinions. Ken Robson

## Prize for Design of Logo on Cyber Bullying

and Crime Commissioner, has kick-started his campaign to tackle cyber bullying, with the launch of a logo design competition aimed at secondary school students.
Ron said: "The purpose of this

competition is not just to design a logo, but to get young people talking together, and with their teachers, about the dangers of cyber bullying and the effect this can have on victims.

"With more and more reports in the media nationally of young people being targeted over the internet by bullies, it is important that we work together to keep our young people safe. "This is a great opportunity for

at the same time, discussing something as serious cyber bullying in their school environment'

The winner will receive a Kindle Fire HD and two runners-up will receive a £20 Waterstones giftvoucher. The school which the winning pupil attends will also receive a £250 cheque. The winning logo will be used as the official branding for the Commissioner's Cyber Bullying campaign.

The competition is open only through secondary schools and entries must be received by Tuesday 22nd October 2013. Schools will be notified directly of how their pupils can enter.

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## **HELPING HANDS FASHION SHOW GIVEAWAY**



Due to huge popularity the Helping Hands team hosted their 2nd Fashion Show in just weeks.Alwyn White project leader said 'I was astounded by the dedication of the team, especially our fashion show director, Caroline Sturgeon. Our guests were welcomed and given drinks on arrival and the models gracefully took the floor to display beautiful clothing, shoes and accessories'

All models were from Life Church in Newton Aycliffe that meets every Thursday at Greenfield School main hall at

Fashion Show Waiters



7pm. They aged from teens to supermodels just role models. Many thought they would never be able to do anything like this and it boosted their confidence.

After the show Kerry Wootton told the story of how her life has been changed round for the good. Deborah Taylor-Smith sang 'Hero' by Mariah Carey. All the items were given away to those who need them most! Entry was by invitation and each person received five vouchers to redeem on the evening for items of their choice as well as a free gift.

It was a lot of hard work but wonderful to see the clothes looking so great on the models. They looked relaxed and happy as they walked down the catwalk. We received such great feedback and thoroughly enjoyed putting on the fashion show and look forward to the next one scheduled for Sunday 24th November at Bethany Centre with the theme of 'Winter Wonderland'

We are looking for musicians to play the violin or harp as our guests arrive and other musicians to play throughout the show. Please contact Caroline Sturgeon 07779 708844 to offer your support or to see if you qualify for a free invitation for what promises to be another amazing event!

## **Exciting Newton News**

May I add my congratulations to all at Newton Press in celebration of fifty years and publishing this excellent paper. I am sure I am not alone in saying that when it drops through my letter box every week, it still excites me in anticipation at what I am going to read about life in our town.

A big thanks to Syd, Paul, Stuart and Christopher and indeed all of the workforce who continue to make this the longest running free publication newspaper in

It gives everyone their own freedom in expressing their views and opinions, which in this modern day and age is nigh impossible.

Well done and many, many

good wishes to all, as you continue to highlight activities. businesses and all the very worthy articles which are a pleasure to read. and the photographs a pleasure to see. Thank you Newton Press, long may your business flourish and

continue to bring enjoyment to

all who read it's pages. God Bless you all Pam Lovelass Town Centre Chaplin

As a result of our attendance at the Great Aycliffe Show, 1407 (Newton Aycliffe) Squadron Air Cadets are pleased to welcome our new recruits.

are already getting stuck in to all our activities and will soon be enjoying their first flight in a glider. Two such new starters, Cdts Keith and Leighton, joined the rest of our staff, cadets and their families at the Battle of Britain memorial parade on Sunday at Durham Cathedral. Aycliffe was, as ever, smartly represented by our cadets, with Cdt Olley carrying the squadron banner and Sgt Lowe playing in the band.

On Sunday 1st September squadron competed in the inter-squadron swimming competition at Stanley. There were some excellent swims from all our competitors. F



Sgt Graham won bronze in the 100m butterfly and Cdt Olley was 3rd in the individual medley. Our senior men team came second in both their events which, when

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combined with their strong individual results, led to them coming 2nd in their category Overall our squadron finished 5th, an excellent result for our relatively small team.



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## 11 year old Adara's **Haircut for Charity**



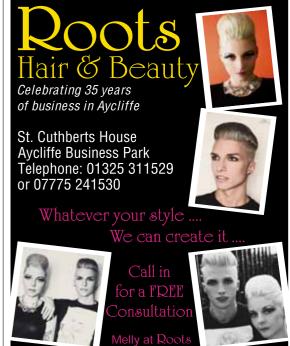
On Thursday 22nd August Adara Natrass of Clanny Road took part in a sponsored haircut and raised close to £500 for charity CLIC Sargent as well as donating her hair to Little Princesses where it will be made into a wig for a little girl who has lost her own hair to cancer.

Adara is 11 years old with beautiful long blonde hair, but she took the decision to have it cut as she was moving to senior school and the fact it was becoming impractical during her favourite hobbies

of gymnastics and streetdance. But she recognised that while it was no longer any use to her, she could maybe do some good while getting it cut off.

The big cut was held at Carrie Hairdressing on North Road and despite being such a huge change, Adara is very pleased with Carrie's handywork and the end result.

Adara is still accepting donations to Virgin Money Giving page virginmoneygiving.com/ adaranattrass.bigchop 22nd November.



## **NEW GREAT AYCLIFFE COMMUNITY** AID SCHEME MAKES GOOD PROGRESS

meeting called this Monday by Great Aycliffe Residents' Association to create a partnership of all organisations helping people in need was very well attended. In a very useful debate chaired by Syd Howarth various points of view were put forward with the aim of bringing everyone together to provide a co-ordinated approach to alleviate the growing problem of poverty in the community. Syd made the point that in no way was there a move to duplicate existing services being provided and each partner would retain its own

The aim of the scheme is to bring the partners together to share expertise and aid, to ensure no one slipped through the net. Data and cross referencing should help verification and avoid duplication.

identity.

A central storage unit would be made available to the partnership where from goods could be distributed. Negotiations are ongoing to provide the space with factory owner and Disc at the Blue Bridge Centre.

It is envisaged that food and household goods could be donated in bins for the purpose, placed in town shops and other public premises. Volunteers would help in the

collection and distribution of goods to people who apply for help or who are referred to one of the partners.

Included in the scheme would be providers of furniture, bedding, white goods or any items people in crisis may require. Concern was raised over abuse of the scheme and were minimal.

produce a local directory to list every port of call for aid and assistance including all the agencies and voluntary groups such as the Credit Union, CAB, CAP, MIND, Women's Health agencies

Having cleared up any misunderstanding the general concensus was to arrange a further meeting to form a steering group to decide the

## **Prizewinning Aycliffe Cake Decorator**



Olivia Dunn (17) from Aycliffe was one of a number of budding cake decorators who entered a competition to design and decorate a cake to celebrate 175 years anniversary of Darlington Town Mission.

Olivia beat all other entrants to win 1st prize and was asked to attend an official dinner for the Mayor of Darlington and members of the Darlington town mission where she was presented with a certificate and asked to cut her cake.

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## **WALK-IN FLU CLINIC AT BEWICK CRESCENT SURGERY**



Albert Whiting receiving his annual vaccination from Nurse Joanne Coward

Bewick Crescent Surgery are running two walk-in flu clinics on Sat 28th September and Sat 5th October from 9-12noon. They would like all patients in the following categories to attend these sessions if possible

- no appointment necessary. 65 years and over, pregnant women, carers of patients and those over 6 months old who have chronic conditions. A new category has appeared this year which is children born between 2nd September 2009 and 1st Sep 2011. The practice has a new nasal spray vaccine for children.

patients A11 eligible are welcome, including Heighington patients. There will be further clinics running where these dates appointments can be made Anyone who has received a letter stating they need the shingles vaccine are also welcome to attend these walk in clinics. Pregnant ladies are

very welcome as this group has a low take up rate and it is hoped these Saturday clinics will help. Albert Whiting in the photograph has a flu jab every year and says he never gets a cold! "I would recommend this to everyone" said Albert

Helen Hobson, Practice Manager said:

"The practice is nearing completion of extensive refurbishment works and hopes that the work will be completed by the end of October and would like to extend thanks to patients and residents for enduring the upheaval caused. There are now 13 GP consulting rooms compared to 9 and a downstairs meeting room for patient education clinics. The reception area once completed will offer improved access to all users and more privacy to patients. The practice has taken on two new GPs and one nurse practitioner to enable more appointments to be made'

## **Charity Fundraiser at Darlington Market**

Please may I through the media of your newspaper promote the fundraising stall that I am having on September 21st at Darlington Outdoor Market. The profits from the fundraising will be used to help the Macmillan Cancer Nurses and supply food for Stonam Young Peoples (Age 18-25 Years) Homeless Hostel Christmas dinner.

Most families these days have been affected by either or sometimes even both of these sad occurrences. I am really pleased to be able to say that Shelley of Something Special Cakes will be selling the most fabulous cakes and cupcakes. muffins, cakepops and corned beef slices as well as my usual books, clothes and bric a brac. We are being supported by our MP Phil Wilson and his partner Margaret who have kindly donated some fabulous yummy chocolate treats for me to sell, and also Nick Wallis Darlington Councillor with portfolio for sports and leisure. Thanks also to Donella at Grannies Choice, Newton Aycliffe, Shirley and Dave for their hand knitted baby and

toddler clothes and Glenns

Cake Stall famous throughout the North East LOL. Thanks to Paul Churchman Darlington Market Manager.

Please come along and support these two worthy causes and any gifts or donations however small would be sincerely welcomed. Kathy Brockless (01325 321105)

## Coffee Morning with Your M.P.

Phil Wilson MP and his staff are hosting a coffee morning on Friday 27th September 2013 in support of the Macmillian's World's Biggest Coffee Morning, starting at 9-45am

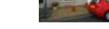
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## **Huntsman FC Hit Tompkins for Six!**

start to the season with a hard fought 2-1 victory over Tompkins of Darlington. Huntsman are now 5 points clear at the top of the Darlington Sunday Invitation League 2 having played a game more than close rivals Newton Aycliffe Sports Club.

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side which beat Green Dragon 4-1 the week previous with Shaun Mackintosh, Carl Bates, Callum Musgrave and Anthony Brockley all coming into the side. Calum Farley and Ryan Durr dropped to the bench while Steven Williams, and David Neale were unavailable. Tompkins started the game brightly and took a 1-0 lead on 5 minutes after a mistake from Callum Musgrave in the

before they came to terms with the swirling wind and horrendous pitch.

Ollie Gell played a delightful cross field ball into the path of Michael Sproates who controlled in an instant and slammed the ball in to the net to bring the league leaders level.

The half ebbed and flowed without any decent football being played although the Huntsman edged the possession without making any headway. Half time saw the teams go in

level. The second half started as the first half ended. The referee stopping and starting the game for niggly fouls but the Huntsman goal was never threatened.

On 60 minutes Huntsman were awarded a penalty when Jamie Herd raced clear but was brought down by the Tompkins defender who was red carded. Herd dusted himself down and slotted home the penalty for his 11 goal of the season. The game petered out with Huntsman defence holding firm while chances came and went at the other end. Captain Lee Redpath was awarded man of the match.

Team: N. Dodds; C. Bates, M. Percival, C. Musgrave, S. Mackintosh; M. Sproates, L. Redpath, A. Brockley, O. Gell; J. Herd, S. Sproates. Subs C. Farley, R. Durr, A. Richardson, B. Richardson, K. Dodds. Huntsman play their home

games at Simpasture Park games kicking off 10.30 am on a Sunday morning. Their next game is away to Tompkins in the League Cup on September

The next home game is October 6th against Haughton Grey Horse in the Heart Foundation

## Greenfield's 2nd Outstanding Gold School Games Kite Mark



Greenfield Community College were delighted to receive GOLD kite mark for their outstanding achievements in School Sport and leadership for the 2nd consecutive year. This followed the news that they had finished top of Sedgefield Schools medal table for the 5th Consecutive year and been nominated for the 2013 Sedgefield & County Durham Sport awards for a second year. Pupils of all abilities have so many opportunities at the school.

Amazingly, twelve teams from ten different sports have

attended County finals this year, including Boccia, Table Tennis, Badminton, Cricket, Mountain biking, Rugby, Tennis (& inclusion

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some this happens best when in an environment where trained professionals are on hand to offer advice and support.

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tennis), Rowing & Basketball (& wheelchair basketball). Clubs and academies, in addition to above, thriving at the school

include MGFA, Greenfield Netball, Gymnastics, Dance, Martial Arts and Cheerleading, all of which have had so many success stories throughout the year.

Last time Greenfield were nominated for Sedgefield's 'Contribution to Secondary Sport and Physical Activity' award, they won the Sedgefield Award, and finished runners up to Durham Johnston at the County Awards. It would be great, if this year they could go one step further. Greenfield have a number of other nominee's attending the Sedgefield Awards this week. Congratulations to Rubi Alderson for her Young leaders nomination, Courtnie Mills for her young performer nomination, and Greenfield's Netball Club for their well-deserved nomination of Club of the year. Greenfield's netball club is one of 10 Community clubs established at Greenfield, which provide quality exit routes and academies to Greenfield students and their Community. For more information contact Michael Rippon (Facility manager) on 07879117224.

Mr Priestley, headteacher, commented the outstanding achievements of our students in sport are all part of our commitment to meet the needs of all of our students, and they complement our excellent results at GCSE this year.

Congratulations must also go to Byerely Park for their very well deserved GOLD kite mark this year. Good luck to all nominations, including Woodham Academy who have also been nominated for



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Last year, these included annual Christmas and summer concerts, various performances in the local community and the musical "We Will Rock You" which played to a packed hall for 3 nights in March.

Head of Music, Maria Godfrey, says, "This year we will be offering a huge variety of musical opportunities. These include individual tuition for instrumentalists and the opportunity to join one of our ensembles: Woodham Sound, Samba Band, Jazz Band, String Group and Instrumental Group."

The next concert will be on 11th December at 7pm where new Year 7 students will perform for the first time.



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## Aycliffe Nine Goal Thriller

to arrive by the bucketload in Newton Aycliffe FC's fixtures in the past week After a dramatic 4-3 victory against Guisborough and a disappointing 4-2 defeat to Newcastle Benfield last week in the Northern League Division One, Allan Oliver's men went to Tow Law on Tuesday night in the Durham Challenge Cup and edged a nine-goal thriller. It meant the last three games

the Newtonians have been involved in have returned 22 goals. But the latest game, which saw Avcliffe reach the first round of the competition, was overshadowed by a bad injury on Dan Molyneux.

The Newtonian's keeper was knocked unconscious as Martin Young's own-goal gave the Lawyers the early advantage, which led to a 36-minute delay as an ambulance took Molyneux to a hospital for a check-up.

Teenager Ryan Farley took possession of the gloves and was soon celebrating an equaliser as Young atoned for his earlier mishap by slotting calmly following Dan Mellanby's through-ball.

But the home side went ahead when Dan Wilson's 20-yard drive flew into Farley's net.

Young then added another to his tally on the half-hour mark, volleying in Stuart Owen's corner at the back post.

Meanwhile,

League Cup will take place

on Wednesday October 2nd against Team Northumbria.

The tie will kick off at 7:30pm

at Moore Lane Park, while the

originally scheduled league

clash with local rivals Shildon

will be rearranged for a later

This Saturday sees the Royal

Blues make the long trip to

Carlisle to face Celtic Nation.

before Sunderland RCA visit

Aycliffe on Wednesday, with

kick off 7:30pm.

at all times.

The goals kept flowing as Danny Lambert nodded into an empty net after Tow Law keeper Stephen Robinson failed to hold on to Christian Selby's cross.

Jamie Owens made it 4-2 three minutes before the interval with a superb individual effort. slaloming his way through the hosts' defence before delicately lifting the ball past Robinson.

And he added another superb strike three minutes after half-time when he turned the defender on the edge of the area before arrowing in a left-footed

Aycliffe appeared to be coasting towards the first round of the competition but the hosts pulled two goals back to set up a nervy finale.

In the 69th minute Michael Hall spun James Oliver in the area before rifling a shot into the top corner before Steven Turnbull's deflected effort two minutes later made it 5-4.

But Avcliffe held on to the win. with Farley making a terrific Turnbull's closestop from range header in stoppage time. Allan Oliver's men will now host Whickham or Esh Winning

### COFFEE **MORNING** in the first round in November. Meanwhile, their opening game in the Brooks Mileson

Information Centre at **Bishop Auckland Hospital** is holding a coffee morning on the 26th September 2013 at 10am until 2pm. There will be a tombola/ raffle as well as just coming for a slice of cake + a cuppa and a chat.

Everyone is welcome and the centre can be found in the outpatients department.

## Heighington Craft Market

This year Heighington Village Hall Association's annual Craft Market will be on Saturday, 5th October from 10.00am to 3.00pm. Entry is free.

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There will also be a raffle and competitions such as; guess the weight of the cake; name the teddy etc. All the profits will go to the village hall

## **RUGBY CLUB BEGIN SEASON IN STYLE**



Newton Aycliffe Rugby Club began their Durham and Northumberland Division 3 and campaign at home to one of the favourites for promotion; South Tyneside College. Aycliffe were able to field their strongest back line, although a number of first choice forwards were missing. Despite struggling in the Aycliffe's forwards ensured that they gained the lion's share of the ruck and maul ball. Chris Richards, captain for the day, marshalled the backs well and their outstanding pace began to cause the visitors no end of problems. With the game barely 10 minutes old, James Thacker burst through in midfield, when the defence finally managed to close him down; he passed the ball to Adam Gascoigne to score the opening try. Luke Tin added the conversion. Luke Tinkler Tinkler penalty soon extended the lead to 10 points. It looked like Aycliffe would increase their lead soon after, when Gascoigne was again put free, but he was unable to beat the covering tackler. Another try was added when David Judge kicked the ball deep into

Throughout Aycliffe's outstanding back row of Drew Gibson, Andrew Littlefair and man-of-thematch, Colin Wooster, ensured that South Tyneside were

unable to make use of the scrum ball they won and Richards was giving his opposite number a torrid time. Aycliffe had two more attempts at penalty goals from Tinkler but both were just wide. Eventually, all the pressure told and Thacker again broke free and fed Gascoigne, just short of the line the defence appeared to be about to force him into touch, but a lovely inside ball saw Tinkler in support to add a further 5 points. The bonus point try was added when a quick thinking Tinkler kicked a penalty high behind the defence, Thacker was first to arrive and caught the ball on the full to score. The final score came when Richards kicked through and again Thacker was there first, the supporting Gascoigne touching down in the corner to

complete a 30 – 0 victory. on the sidelines agreed that this was one of the finest Aycliffe performances in years and, but for some poor handling in the backs, the score could have been much greater. More hard games are to come, but the players have put down a marker for the season ahead and the battle for places in the team looks to be extremely tight. Aycliffe continue their league season with a game away to Washington at 3pm on 21st September. Newton Aycliffe sponsored by Boola Clothing Aycliffe and Hayward Home Appliance Services trading as Serviceforce.. Visit the website at www.pitchero

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Sports Club FC Clock up 4th Win NASC FC hosted their 2nd Lane for the 2nd Preliminary and support the lads, Kick off home game of the season Round. Feel free to pop down is 10.30 am. against a Blackwell Meadows

side sitting at the foot of the

table. After last week's poor

showing, the Sports Club were

eager to get back to winning

ways but found the visitors

Reverting to a 4-1-3-2 formation, which saw key

members returning to the side

including first appearance of

the season for Chris Palmer in

goal, meant the midfield was

packed and resulted in the early

battles being won by the home

Both Craig Barrigan and Gareth Boyes fought tirelessly

in the middle, allowing Paul

Cook and Tom Watson to

install the creativity in the side

that was so lacking last week.

Leading scorer Chris Jones was

finding it difficult to convert

chances and as a result the first

half hour of the game saw little

In the 34th minute the Blackwell rearguard was

eventually broken. Good work

from the midfield saw Jones

break free and after taking

on the Blackwell defence a

deep cross to the far post saw

Damien Jose leap to head the

ball home. The half ended with

another flurry of chances, but

none close enough to challenge

An injury to Tom Watson

introduction of Jon Hughes at

half time and the home sides

formation reverting to a more

usual 4-4-2 with Paul Cook

taking over the wide right role,

hughes on the left. NASC FC

were quick out of the blocks

and scored within 60 seconds

of the restart, Paul Cook slotted

through a pass on the edge of

the box, where Damien Jose

beat the offside trap, took it

under control and placed the ball in the far corner of the

goal - leaving the keeper with

no chance for his second goal

With the wind picking up and

the rain starting to fall the game

soon evened itself out. Captain

David Hall and Mark Craggs

held the defensive line well

with full backs Matty Alder

and Jonathan Clegg pushing forward to help the midfield

where possible. 70 minutes saw

the substitution of Chris Jones

for the long awaited debut of

David Teder, back after a pre-

season blighted with injury.

showing some good touches

and composure, needed at this

The Sports Club held on to

the finish to clock up their 4th

win out of five, and remaining

unbeaten in the league this

This Sunday the club competes

in its 1st County Cup game with

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**EVA LEE** Happy 3rd birthday to our little Princess. Love and kisses, Grandma and Grandad

EVA LEE Happy 3rd birthday Eva. Love you, Great Gran

EVA LEE Happy 3rd birthday. Lots of love, Aunty Jeyney, Luke and Jake xxx

**EVA LEE** Happy 3rd birthday to our lovely Niece Eva. Lots of love, Aunty Karen, Uncle Matt. James and Thomas xx

## **Obituary**

BRENDA SCOONES (nee O'Neill) died August 13th 2013. Beloved Mam, Nana and Great Nana. Sadly missed by Daughter Elaine. Words are few, thoughts run deep, but memories of you I will always

ROSE MARIE CASSON (nee Currie) Marie died suddenly on 17th September, sadly missed. Love, John

## In Memoriam

CYRIL TINKLER, died 21st September 2011 aged 81 years. Always near to you Cyril. Love and God Bless, Freda and all of

our family x ELIZABETH (BFTTY) ROBSON 20/9/12. It's already

a year since your passing, we miss you and love you always. Missed and loved by family and friends. Ann, Bill, Daniel, Ben, Linda and Tony OLGA KIRTLEY 24th September 2009. Mam, 4 years have now passed without you. Always in our hearts and minds. Love, Lesley and Lauren xxx Lauren xxx

KEVIN PATRICK
McGLONE 23/9/2012. It's
one year today since you
passed, and not a day goes by when you're not in our thoughts, we miss you more than words can say. Wish we could see you just one more time. Love, Rebecca, Frankie and Lydia x

**ROBINSON** 13/10/33 - 25/09/12 We miss you, our hearts are sore. As time goes by, we miss you more. Your loving smile, your gentle face, no one can fill your vacant place. Love, Lynda, Heidi and Amelia xxx EDDIE CADD 22/09/2012

Always in our thought, forever in our hearts. All our love, Dulcie, Allison, Tony and

**EDDIE CADD** 22/09/2012 Loving memories, today and always. Ann, Denis and family

### **ALANNAH HEPPER** Sweet Sixteen





20th September Happy 16th Birthday to our beautiful Daughter Alannah. Hope you have a wonderful day. Lots of love, Mam and Dad xxxx

Happy 16th Birthday Alannah Lots of love, Sister Mia xxx and big licks from Stan

Happy 16th Birthday Sunshine Hope you enjoy McFly in London Lots of love from Nanna and Grandad xxxx

#### Les Gibson



22nd September Happy 60th birthday Les. i ots of love from Paula and all of vour family xxx

LES GIBSON Happy 60th birthday from Craig, Mackenzie and Madison

Hannah Price

Happy 18th



25th September 2013 Don't get too drunk! Lots of love, Mam. Dad. Jodie and James

**BROWN - HENDRIX** Tina and Glen, congratulations on your engagement. Love you both very much. Mam, Dad, Shelley, Nathan and Bump x

## Wanted

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#### Look Who's 40!!! Paula Box



Happy 40th! Have a fantastic day. Lots of love. Dan, Rob, Mam and Dad xxxxxxxxxxx

### Joshua **Andrew Cassidy**



22nd September Happy 1st Birthday! Love, Mam and Dad, Nana and Grandad, Auntie Claire, Uncle Stuart and Jasper

**BROWN - HENDRIX** To Tina and Glen. Lots of love to you both on your engagement from all your Aunts, Uncles and Cousins x

## Thank You

SANDRA HILL would like to thank all those who attended the funeral and wake of her partner, Les Hudson. It was lovely to have the support of friends and loved ones during this difficult time. Les will be missed by many. A total of £121.05 was also raised for Cancer Research. Again, thank you all for contributing. Sandra

BANKS (nee MORRISON)
Tina and Andrew would like
to thank everyone for the
cards and presents received
on the birth of their Son, Evan Jackson on 9th September

**North Run Barefoot!** 

## Aycliffe Running Club News | Newtonian's Great

Club have been very busy over the last few weeks competing in a number of events. The last in the series of 5K Tees Trail races was at Ropner Park on

The race was very well attended by Aycliffe Running Club and series winners included Sue Milburn, Kelly Smith, Naomi Kellett, Anne Kellett. Penny Johnson, John Burnside, Kevin Greenall, Trevor Needham, Peter Milburn

At the Spofforth 10K trail race on 26/08/13 a hornets nest was disturbed by runners. However, Aycliffe Running Club members Peter Milburn and Sue Milburn managed to avoid being stung and ran well in the 25 degree heat. Peter was 22nd in 44:30 and Sue was 129th and 2nd FO55 in 56:26. It was a good turnout for Aycliffe Runniing Club on 01/09/13 for the first Wynyard 10K trail race. The course was set in the scenic Wynyard Woodland Park and up the historic railway path with a flight of steps at the end making the race approximately 6.67 miles. Richard Campbell



was first to finish for Aycliffe in 44:23 followed by Peter Milburn 44:51, Tom Porter 46:44. John Burnside 49:55, Peter Smith 50:07, Graeme Miles 53:21 and Susan Milburn 56:35.

On 01/09/13 Aycliffe Running Club member Lee Wren ran the Hexham to Tynemouth Ultra described as a brutal 37 mile off road course. Despite having a dislocated collar bone, he was 1 of only 5 to finish the course which he completed in 6:54 hours. On the same day Robert Young and John Young completed the Tholthorpe 10K

in 44:47 and 49 minutes

On 04/09/13 5 Aycliffe runners took part in the last of the 5K Coast Road Series at Redcar. Conditions were perfect and good times were recorded by Peter Smith 20:16, Trevor Needham 22:02, Kelly Smith 22:16, Penny Johnson 23:41, her fastest 5K time in 2 years, and Rob Nicholson 24:50

On 07/09/13 Richard Harvey competed in the Veterans Athletics Association North East 5K Track Championships at Monkton Stadium. Although he thought he had run badly he was 1st O70 in 25:16.

It was a bright sunny day on Sunday 08/09/13 for the annual Middlesbrough 10K road race. Hundreds of spectators lined the route supporting and encouraging the runners. Also, bands played around the route for the enjoyment of spectators and runners. 7 members of Aycliffe Running club travelled to Middlesbrough for this event. First home for Aycliffe was Floyd Jones in  $37{:}09$  and 56th position. First lady to finish for Aycliffe was Trish Kay in 49:59. She was followed by Simon Robinson 51:58, Dave Mackenzie 56:44, Susan Clark 1:01:28, Kat Aspey 1:02:13, Rachel Aspey

Other members of Aycliffe Running Club have continued to support the local Saturday morning park runs whilst others trained hard in readiness for The Great North Run last weekend.

included stopping half way to do a pre-arranged interview for BBC TV (although they didn't

Steve's mother in law was diagnosed with Lymphoma Cancer earlier this year and Steve made a deal with her, if she put herself through chemotherapy, and stayed strong, he would do the Great North Run Barefoot

He is still looking for sponsors to reach his target of £500, any donations would be really appreciated, so that we can help find a cure for Cancer

Text: BARE77 £1 or £5 or £10 To: 70070 Or online www. justgiving.com/steven-wood10



Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club's 1st team team sponsored by Lift Right Fork Lift Training took another step towards securing the NYSD 3rd division title at their first attempt when they easily defeated Darlington RA away by 8 wickets.

The homeside elected to bat first and were blown away by an excellent spell of fast bowling from Sean Morgan, who finished with the creditable figures of 5 for 35 from his lengthy 15 over spell. Left arm spinner uke Telford chipped in 3 for 20 as the home side were bowled out for just 82 after 33.4 overs.

Aycliffe coasted to victory after 15.5 overs thanks to a hard hitting unbeaten 48 from opener Sam Telford and 21 runs from his cousin Luke Telford. The scene is now set for the final game of the season when we host Bishop Auckland and a win for Avcliffe would give our first team the 3rd divison title in their first season in the NYSD league.

The second team match away at Maltby 3rd team was abandoned as a draw after 11 overs due to heavy rain, but not before fast bowler Danny Weldon secured Aycliffe a bonus point with two wickets for 16 runs from his lively six

over spell.
The club's annual presentation night for the under 11's, under 13's and u15's saw a good turn out as a number of awards were handed out to the young cricketers.

Amongst the trophies awarded were the under 11's "Player of the Year" to Lucas Pilling and 12 year old Adam Lamb, uniquely picked up the player of the year trophy for both the under 13's and under 15's

shape, size or level of fitness.

Wood, of Cobblers Hall took part in the Great North Run on Sunday, raising money for Cancer Research UK, running the whole 13.1 miles on rough, very wet roads barefoot!

His official time was an amazing 1hr:55min and this



## **New Nia Fitness** Class at Woodham



A new "Nia" fitness classes is being taught at Woodham Community Centre on Thursdays at 3.30 p.m. and it lasts an hour. Nia is a low-impact workout blending dance, Tai Chi, Yoga and other dance, healing and martial arts and is suitable for any age,

Regular practice has both physical and mental health benefits. No experience or special equipment is needed . Steps are easy to follow and are danced barefoot to inspiring music from around

Being low impact and suitable for anyone, it's proving very popular with the over 45's, although it is not aimed specifically at any age group. Nia is still fairly new in the North East and Anne Cosgrove is one of only two teachers in the area. Classes are £4 pay as you go, or £20 for a six-class card.



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