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Police Service.'

the existing site putting it to better use, such as economic

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have been finalised with the

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Readers will feel the Police

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but when you look at the

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announced he has sharing again considering accommodation with the Fire Station in the Town Centre.

Our Police Station is currently located at Parsons Court on the Business Park and it has been agreed it should return to the town centre.

Mr. Hogg said, "We have been trying to relocate the Police Station back into the Town Centre following its closure in 2010. The public want a town centre presence where they can go in and speak to an officer. The Government announced in June that the Force will

lose even more money than Following the successful start of their Knit and Natter previously indicated, so this means having a fresh look at all mornings, aiming to 'knit with a purpose' at Newton Avcliffe



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102 Batallion (TA) Aycliffe | Newtonian Wins Meets Potential Recruits TV Model Contest

The 201 Field Hospital, 5th Battalion Royal Fusiliers and 102 Battalion will be holding a recruitment event on Saturday 19th October at Greenwell Road, Newton Aycliffe. The TA unit is reaching out to prospective new recruits as the event will showcase the employment opportunities with the Territorial Army.

Reservists and communities are local backing the nationwide recruitment campaign by putting on over 100 events up and down the country throughout Autumn to demonstrate to the public what the TA is all about. The events are part of a wider recruitment campaign which aims to encourage new recruits into the TA.

Chefs, drivers, medics infantrymen, engineers, signallers and many more will come together to showcase the 220 roles available. Members of the public will be able to speak to the soldiers and see the latest kit and equipment used by the British Army including armoured vehicles and a range

of weapons. Joining the TA as a Reservist is the ideal option for those who want to combine the opportunities of a role in the Army with their everyday civilian life. It offers the chance to travel to new places and make new friends and learn new skills.

The training the Army offers equips Reservists with new competences and strengths that can be transferred back into civilian jobs. Reservist soldiers and officers are trained

ready to serve and capable of deployment alongside their regular counterparts.

Ministry Defence (MOD) is revitalising the TA and making some significant changes to dramatically improve the offer for those who choose to join. Under the plans the TA will become the Army Reserve. The MOD will be investing an

additional £1.8 billion in high quality training, increasing pay through a paid annual leave entitlement, providing more modern equipment, and giving the TA better access to welfare support and health services. Reservists typically meet for training one night per week with their units, train at

weekends and attend an annual two week training exercise either in the UK or abroad. The minimum commitment is 27 days training per annum, though it is 19 days for some specialist units. From 2015 onwards, the commitment will rise to 40 days per annum. Director of Army Recruiting and Training said: "These events are intended to show people from Newton Aycliffe that, no matter what your skills or background, the Army has something to offer you and serving with the TA provides opportunities to learn much more beyond military skills. It will develop you and show you

Brigadier Andrew Jackson, the

the strengths you didn't know you had. "Serving as a professional with the TA is the ideal opportunity for promising individuals to do something extra with their time and benefit from a rewarding experience outside of normal working hours, and the Army itself on providing prides world-class training and development opportunities to enable them to do so. No matter what your skill, there's a role for you in the

Army whether it's as a doctor, dentist, nurse, vet, lawyer, or chaplain. A career in the Army allows you to both develop your expertise and enhance vour professional career.' For more information about the exciting career opportunities available in the Territorial Army, search "Join the TA" or call 0845 600 8080.



Over the past couple of months, ITV have been running a competition 'The Complete Package', to find the nation's next hottest hunk in the world of male modelling.

From over a 1000 applicants there were only three in the competition that made it to the final.

'The Complete Package' was presented by Harry



Between 20:00 and 20:30 hours on 8th October 2013 a blue and red TREK adult pedal cycle with white wording along the frame was stolen from the front of a property in Kirkstone Place, Newton Aycliffe.

The bike had a broken seat and had an Aldi carrier bag tied around the seat. If anyone has any information into the theft or have any information which may lead to the apprehension of the suspect please contact PC 2228 Debbie Woods on 101 quoting incident number DHM-08102013-0239.



Judd of McFly and on the judging panel were Abby Clancy, Cesar Perin the head scout at Unsigned Management, and Regine Weimar, general manager of HOM.

Viewers were asked to vote for the one they wanted to win and receive a lucrative two year contract with the modeling agency Unsigned Management & HOM Underwear.

The winner was announced live by ITV This Morning presenters Holly Willoughby and Philip Schofield as Ross Hindmarch a 20-year-old engineer in the Royal Navy from Newton Aycliffe.

Computers for the Terrified

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skills needed to start using a computer. Middridge Sessions at Village Hall for 4 weeks starting Wednesday 23rd October, 1pm to 3pm. FREE

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nominated charities: The Cardiothoracic Unit at James Cook Hospital and St. Clare's Church Foodbank. Performances will be given by 'Georgio' and 'Chrissy'. Pie and peas are included along with a bingo session and raffle. Tickets are £5 each and will be on sale from the Council Offices or the Workingmen's Club.

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Residents Assocation Prepares for Winter



ACORN have been busy preparing for the coming winter acquiring a salt spreading chine and weatherproof machine clothing for volunteers who give up their time to treat pathways for the benefit of local residents and people Îocal accessing the area.

"Due to cost implications DCC Highways Department cannot grit everywhere and it is great that we have volunteers in the community willing to get involved for the benefit of others" said Ken Robson (chairman) of the Residents Association. ACORN acquired

the featured salt spreader free

they are commercially available at around £160. ACORN member Paul Thompson commented that the machine would be a huge improvement on carrying buckets of salt around and means that it would take less time and effort to clear the local

paths. County Councillors representing the area have been asked to look into the provision of more salt boxes as part of a general winter preparation in the area to allow residents to grit dangerous paths contributing to the safety of pedestrians



Saturday 19th October - "101"

We are pleased to welcome back one of the Tubs favourite bands, who play a great mix of modern and classic rock. Tracks covered by: Led Zeppelin, Killers, AC/DC, Kings of Leon, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Kierser Chiefs, Nirvana, Razorlight, Pink Floyd and Green Day. Davys Rock Page Review: "All in all, a great night with a great atmosphere and a lot of people dancing, so if you want to hear newer covers with a good mix of older rock 101 deliver."

Friday 25th October - Metal Night Headline Act: "The Unholy Concoction" Supported by "Shotgun Syndrome" and "Ashes of Insurrection" - £2.00 c/c

Saturday 26th October - "Tommy & The Oddballs" *Masive on the Bike Rally Circuit, always first band booked for the Heart n Soul* Recent reveiws from the Toon Rock Pages: "Awesome band, as ever they played absolutely brilliantly, formy as fantastic as ever (THE best frontman in the north east, bar none, the man is an inspiration, a legend), Jeff playing goosebump solos on 'Hey Joe'. "I can't believe how good they were. It was like walking into a pub, full of your best mates with the best goddam juke box you could hope for. Every member of the band is a really good and talented player. The timing was great, the entertainment value was great too. The audience (well packed) loved it from the off." "They are a superb band, prob THE BEST in the north east, period!" Tracks covered by: The Whoe, Bryan Adams, Thin Lizzy, Free, Hendrix, Stones, Bad Company, Kings of Leon and much, much more. Should be one of THE gigs of the year, don't miss it!! www.tommyandtheoddballs.website.orange.co.uk

For more information on bands go to www.turbiniapub.co.uk or 313034 Free Function Room - Free Disco/Karaoke

Tesco Scan System Award for Bewick Pharmacy Aycliffe Meals On **Must Reduce Jobs**

As а

I write regarding the new Shop and Save at Tesco. I have lived on this town for over 60 years and I don't have any family working at Tesco, but I agree these machines will take jobs from people and the

response from Tesco Manager does not state the obvious. Maybe there are no job losses at the moment, but since the new Shop and Save has come in, hours have been cut back to the basic. People who were working many hours a week overtime have been cut back to basic hours of less than 16 hours a week, some even less. How do you expect people to live on those hours? What makes the situation worse is that temporary staff have been kept on longer, when their hours could be distributed among the staff that do not have other jobs or rely on this to feed their families.

Where is your loyalty to your staff Tesco? If it was not for the current staff Tesco would not have done so well! I will not be using the shop and scan system as I like having a friendly member of staff to greet me with my shopping every week.

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This is a new initiative introduced by Durham by Durham Council County Darlington Borough Council and recognises the high quality services and advice offered within the pharmacy. Throughout the last year campaigns were run in the store on topics such as Mental Health, Cancer Awareness and Alcohol Awareness.

Healthy Pharmacy the pharmacy offers expert advice on Stopping Smoking with a stop smoking adviser in store who is on hand to help with a 12 week support programme. They also offer FREE NHS Check4Life Health Checks that can help assess your risk of developing heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes or kidney disease. These checks are FREE and will only take 30 minutes. It will involve FREE height, weight, blood pressure and cholesterol measurements and some measurements and some questions about your health,

Living

MAYOR SEEKS AYCLIFFE WINTER SCENE FOR CIVIC XMAS CARD



Barbara Clare is appealing to townspeople to help her find a photograph for her civic Christmas Card this year.

'We have a town to be proud of,' says Barbara, 'and I would love to be able to put a photo of Aycliffe on the front of my official card. I am hoping that someone in the town will have a winter scene which shows Aycliffe at its most beautiful for all the world to see.' If you think you have a

great winter photograph which would make a nice civic Christmas Card please email it to info@ great-aycliffe.gov.uk. Photos need to be big enough to enlarge for use on the card, and scenic photos only please - the Council will not be able to use pictures including people or animals.

Please remember that by sending your photos you are giving consent to use them publicity purposes. will, of course, be for You credited on the card as the photographer.



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Wheels 4th Year

Feastland. Avcliffe's own meals on wheels service, is celebrating its 4th Anniversary of providing hot meals delivered on a daily basis 365 days a year, to Avcliffe's residents. When it was started by owner Lesley, it was part of the FeastLand shop at Neville Parade.

The shop closed down last year when the area was redeveloped as the disturbance caused by the contractors killed off the foot trade. A similar thing is being echoed in the main town centre at the moment.

The meals on wheels service survived as this is totally a delivery service and doesn't rely on people being able to access the shop, other than Michael who ran it for a while. Lesley is back running the service now and it is going from strength to strength. When I spoke to Lesley about the service she said "I like visiting the customers, everyone is very friendly and I am sometimes the only person some of the customers see that day".



Lesley has acted as a resc service on a number of occasions, when sometimes she has found that her customers had a fall etc. and she has been able to alert their family and call them an ambulance or doctor.

The Meals On Wheels menu is printed every week on the front page of the Newton News and also prints larger copies and delivers it her regulars and anyone else that requests one. You can contact Lesley on 01325 300203 for more details



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Dr Leslie Cookson has now

retired from Woodham Dental

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taken over the practice to offer

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to Woodham and Newton

Born and bred in Huddersfield,

after graduating from the University of Manchester

he established a large NHS

patient list. He left the practice after 10 years and took roots

in the North East, living in

Tynemouth, working for others

Harp is quite impressed with Newton Aycliffe describing

it has a nice attractive and

He and his wife, Nicola who

is a qualified Barrister, will be

undertaking modernisation and

improvements to the practice

Aycliffe as a whole.

and starting a family.

friendly place.

New Dentist Takes Over HAVE YOU GOT THE PCP FACTOR? **Aycliffe Girl Guides Woodham Practice**

Would you like to be in PCP's DVD? As Pioneering Care Partnership strive to improve people's health and wellbeing, they are making promotional film about the many activities PCP offer to the local community.

They would like anyone who's ever been to the Pioneering Care Centre, accessed a project in the community ran by PCP, or who is wanting to know more about what the charity

offers, to get in touch. Filming will start Monday 21st October for one week and Photo and Videographer Lee Joseph Elliot will be capturing the entire goings on within the Centre including the Mall Coffee Shop, Hydrotherapy

pool, Natural Therapy Suite, lifestyle and exercise classes, learning courses and our cycling and walking groups. Lee will also be visiting the projects we have working out in the community including the Health Buddy Scheme, Colour your Life, Move4Life activities and the Diabetes Wellness Project.

Can you support PCP by being in their 'movie'? Carol Wood, PCP's newly appointed Chief Executive says: "PCP wouldn't exist without people using our facilities and accessing our

We are inviting local friends, old and new, to pop in and take part in this exciting opportunity. Whether you desire the limelight or prefer to be in the background, there's a place for you!"

For further information or to put your name on the credits, contact the Pioneering Care Centre, Carers' Way, Newton Aycliffe, tel: 01325 321234 email: enquiries@pcp.uk.net Or find us on Twitter: @ PioneeringCare and Facebook: /PioneeringCare

AYCLIFFE AIR CADETS

VISIT ARNHEM

Open New Group Girlguiding Newton Aycliffe Monday or Friday evenings Division is delighted to

report that we have opened

another Rainbow Unit. We

now have three Rainbow units (girls aged 5-7), four

Brownie units (girls aged

7-10), two Guide units (girls

aged 10-14) and a Senior

Section/Ranger Unit for 14-

25 year olds that supports our Young Leaders too.

Our units currently meet on

at a variety of venues. Our current membership is 149 and there is room for more. If you would like to register your interest in your daughter(s) joining one of our units please log on to www. girlguiding.org.uk/interested and leave your details; a leader from your preferred unit will then contact you. You will also find a fun and informative website for each section (suitable for the girls) accessible from the Girlguiding homepage.

We would love to hear from volunteers for a variety of roles too, depending on how much time you can spare: unit helper, leader, young leader or even to help with admin tasks. If you are interested, please also leave your details at www. girlguiding.org.uk/interested and our Commissioner will contact to discuss the opportunities further.

Anyone who is not able to register online may telephone our Division Commissioner on 01325 311204.

In 2014 our Brownie Section for 7-10 year olds will be celebrating their 100th Birthday. Newton Aycliffe has a long history of Guiding and we are sure a number of former Leaders/ helpers still on the town. If you previously had a role in Girlguiding and would like to be kept informed of our 2014 celebrations, please email beccib21@gmail.com or telephone 01325 311204.



Staff and cadets from 1407 (Newton Aycliffe) Squadron Air Cadets recently attended a battlefield tour and parade to commemorate the 1944 attempt to take and secure the city of Arnhem. Staying just outside of Oosterbeek at a base previously used as a POW camp, the cadets joined others from across the UK. They had a brief insight into life in the Dutch Army and life at

the base. The cadets had a great time meeting new people from the Dutch civilians, fellow Air Cadets and German Army reservists. They learnt a great deal about the history of the operation and showed their respects to the fallen by laying a wreath in the war graves cemetery.

Dementia Champions

they can point people with dementia and their carers in the

right direction for professional

help and explain the condition.

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Death of

Former Mayor

Newton News is sad to report

the death of Jim Rodwell,

former Mayor and well

known figure in the town who

An Obituary will appear in

lived in Moule Close.

next week's issue.

Dorothy Bowman and Jane

Johnson have just completed their training to become the

first two Dementia Champions

Their aim is to visit groups and individuals and explain that,

with support, what people with dementia can do to take a active

role in life. There is more to a

person than dementia and it is

possible to live well and it is not a natural part of growing

Jane and Dorothy would

like to involve young people

in the group so that they will understand people with

dementia. Whilst Dorothy and

Jane are not medically trained

in Newton Aycliffe.

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daughter Asha is still growing her own teeth and prevention is the best form of treatment of tooth decay. Start early and children will have a healthy set of teeth for years to come. Leslie Cokson has served Woodham Village for over 26 years and our desire is to carry on his good work and build on those foundations. All at Woodham Dental Surgery wish Leslie all the best for his retirement"

The staff at Woodham has been retained and Harp is looking forward to meeting his patients and welcoming any new ones to his surgery



and opinions. Community Liasion Officer

from all responsible partners will attend when available.



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Community Together

A PACT and Neighbourhood Watch Meeting will be held at Aycliffe Village Hall on Saturday 26/10/2013 from 11am to 12noon. PC Alan Thompson & PCSO Richard Scott are your Community Police Officers and they want to hear your views

Neil Langthorne will be taking the NHW Meeting. Councillors and Representatives

For more information on whats going on in your area visit www.durham.police.uk **Aycliffe T.A. REME**

Open Day at The Armoury

AYCLIFFE AUTHOR'S ROYALTIES DONATED TO AIR AMBULANCE

A man who led one of the country's biggest financial institutions will donate the proceeds of his life-story to the Great North Air Ambulance Service (GNAAS). Ken Wilkinson, from Newton

Aycliffe, has written about his own life and career, highlighting his journey from office boy to achieving his dream and becoming the chairman of Liverpool Victoria insurance firm, in London.

The 82-year-old wrote the autobiography The Circle of Life for the benefit of his grandchildren but it has already drawn positive reviews from strangers on online bookstores. Mr Wilkinson came from a mining family, but his parents were determined their son would not walk the same path. He secured a low-paid clerical position in a solicitors in Bishop Auckland in 1946 but when his father's work dried up on the Durham coalfield, the family was forced to move to Mansfield, where Ken was given a job in an insurance firm.

Upon completing service in the RAF and after stints as an actor, Mr Wilkinson had a lengthy career at Liverpool Victoria, rising from the ranks to position of the chairman in 1985, finally ceasing all duties after 55 years of service with the firm.

Mr Wilkinson has supported GNAAS for many years and he hopes donating the royalties



will help the air ambulance to continue saving lives. He said: "The service is all

He said: "The service is all about time and getting to scenes as quickly as possible, which the charity does incredibly well. So many people are involved in accidents and without them many people could be much worse off. They are superb in every way."

Mandy Drake, head of m fundraising at GNAAS, said: "Ken has clearly had an interesting life and we are honoured to be receiving the royalties of his book. We need £4m every year to carry out the service and Ken's generosity highlights a very unique way to help."

Readers on online retailer Amazon describe the book as "captivating", "absorbing" and "truly incrining"

"truly inspiring". To purchase the Circle of Life, visit:http://www.amazon. co.uk/The-Circle-Life-Kenneth-Wilkinson/.

124 Recovery Company, REME are opening their doors to the public on Saturday 19th October as part of its drive to raise awareness of their role, both to the local community and in support of the regular army.

124 Recovery Company are based in The Aycliffe Armoury off Northfield Way and are part of 102 Battalion REME known across the Army as "The Northern Craftsmen". 124 Company specialises in vehicle recovery and repair of the Army's equipment at home and operations.

Captain Kevin Yarker, the Permanent Staff Administrative Officer manages the day to day running of the Army Reserves Centre and manages the 80 officers and soldiers currently serving with the Company. He explained why the TA Centre was opening its doors. "We hope to encourage young men and women to visit us and find out what reserve service

find out what reserve service has to offer. Our message is clear, "We are recruiting and the Reserve Army offers opportunities for vocational training, travel and adventure. We work closely with employers across the region who recognise the valuable



skills that Reserve Service t offers to their employees."

Reserve Army units from across the region will also be present including 5 RRF based in Bishop Auckland who will be displaying a selection of infantry weapons and equipment. 124 Coy will open its garage doors and drill hall and visitors will be able to have 'hands on' of some of the most modern vehicles and equipment in service today.

"We are really proud of our Service Vehicle Recovery fleet", Captain Yarker said, "Weighing in at 32 tonnes they are capable of recovering anything in use by the Army today, and our soldiers are trained to the same levels as their regular army

counterparts." If you are aged between 18 and 44, physically fit and are interested in learning more about life in the Army Reserves then why not come along to the Open Day at The Aycliffe Armoury and find out more. Entry is free and the gates will open from 9 am until 4 pm. Further details can be obtained by telephoning Captain Kevin Yarker on 01325 375001

Care Home Residents Visit DLI Museum

Residents at Defoe Court Care Home went on a fascinating trip to the Durham Light Infantry Museum, using their especially designed minibus.

Residents and staff decided to make the best of the good weather with a daytrip to the Museum. Residents and staff enjoyed the various exhibitions, and the male residents were particularly interested in the 1940's artillery section. There was excellent wheelchair access and residents enjoyed lunch in the museum's café.

The Care Home Manager, Wendy Walker, said: "It was a great trip and a wonderful opportunity for residents to see such interesting exhibitions, we are also really pleased that the museum is so wheelchair friendly and accommodating, we'll definitely be back!"

HC-One Regional Managing Director, Liz Whyte, said: "HC-One aims to provide the kindest care and taking residents on cultural and enjoyable trips such as this one is an important part of that."







Greenfield Arts were very proud to accompany male volunteers who gave their time to a community project "Hand's on- Cree", funded by East Durham Trust and the NHS, that developed a new and attractive landscape area at the front of Greenfield Community and Arts Centre. Over 15 men volunteered

throughout a 10 month period to design, create, plan and install a beautiful bamboo structure, Nalu - 'The Wave'. The structure was officially opened by Lord Lieutenant of County Durbam Sue Snowdon

opened by Lord Lieutenant of County Durham, Sue Snowdon and has been recognised at this year's 24th annual DCC Environment Awards.

The community project was recognised at a ceremony at Radisson Blu Durham, with a commendation for the achievements it has made in community engagement and for the contribution the work has made to the wider community. Thank you to all the men who gave their time, ideas, hard graft and commitment to realise this wonderful structure that has improved the area for

all. We are looking to develop another project for men. If you are interested in giving some time to contribute to something to the community please contact us at info@greenfieldarts.co.uk, give us a ring on 01325 379 048 or call in to see

Tables for Hire at Sale

Anyone wishing to sell items at our Autumn Fayre on November 2nd at 10am, please contact Judith on 07749 779410 at St.Clares.

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display and who plan to hold

their own small Bonfire Night

party in their local community.

Andrew Allison, community

safety manager for County

Durham and Darlington Fire

and Rescue Service, said: "Fireworks can seriously injure

and scar people for life if they

are not treated with care. "It is

important that they meet safety

standards and they should also

"The firework safety code must

also be followed at organised

or small bonfire night events

and these workshops are

designed to give organisers

expert advice about how to

make their event safe and

Trading standards officers from

Durham County Council and

be stored properly.

enjoyable for all.'

Darlington Borough Council

will also be visiting retailers

to give advice on the safe

storage of fireworks and check

that procedures are in place to

prevent fireworks from being

Test purchasing will be carried

out to ensure those procedures

Anyone interested in attending

the workshop should contact

Durham County Council on

03000 260 920 or by emailing

available at www.ddfire.gov.

uk People can report fireworks

safety issues, such as suspected

underage sales, to Durham

County Council on 03000 260

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safeevents@durham.gov.uk

are being followed properly.

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Further

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FREE UMBRELLAS



Tesco Scan System is Unreliable"

Dear Sir. I saw an offer at Tesco on hot UK deals, a dinner set reduced to 56p from £18. I used the self scan and it scanned at 56p. When I got to the till it repriced it to £9.00 and I was told that is

what I would have to pay! When I phoned customer services, they said they can't honour prices not seen on their site, which I understand, but I would expect them to honour the price it scanned on my handset.

I later received a phone call from the Aycliffe manager who told me the price I scanned wrong and the price was was corrected between me scanning the price and getting to the till. I explained it was priced on the Internet the same and if he looked he would see a photo with the shelf price of

56p. Three days after my initial complaint to head office, I was contacted by Tesco customer services and was asked for the EAN number.

The item number confirmed to be showing the price as 56p, so now it seems that Tesco self scan and Tesco head office have one price for an item, but Tesco in Newton Avcliffe charge 16 times more for the same item. They have the price the same as I scanned it, but refuse to sell it at that price.

suggested they were using a system which does not work, to which his answer was, "sometimes it works in the customer's favour and sometimes it works against the customer, unfortunately in this case, it worked against you". Dave S

Tesco Reply . . . Dear Sir

In response to the customer's letter I can confirm he is correct in the fact that we do not match the sites of those not related to Tesco in this instance Hot uk deals. This site lets members leave messages on prices that are out of the norm. The price does show up on the self scan scanner at 56p but the gun is only a guide for people wanting to have a running total. In the terms and conditions of using our new scan as you shop service is does stipulate "the total price displayed on the scan as you shop. The hand held scanner is a guide and may differ from the actual saving deducted at the scan as you shop payment area",

Customers then have the option to have the product voided from there transaction if desired. The shelf edge label displayed the correct price of £9 and was not obstructed in any way, which from a legal point of view is showing due diligence as this also matched the price the customer was to be charged Guy Sweeney Deputy Manager





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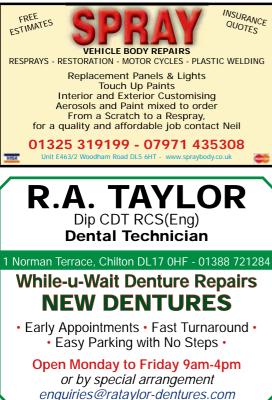
to purchase bags of soil The fornightly collection enhancer made from garden waste; goodness kn who it is sold onto now. of garden refuse is most knows certainly not a free service. Recycling is nothing The collection of ALL household waste is paid for

Made from Recycling?

more than another form of taxation filling council Recycling is a multi-billion coffers, so the collection pound business nationwide. of waste is paid for a second time. To charge it is also the only business householders $\pounds 20$ per year for the collection of any in which providers of raw materials receive no re-usable waste is an unjust The reported average of 300 third charge for the same tonnes of recycable material a month sold on from service.

To remove one type of waste from the recycling system effectively negates all others and so it becomes nothing more than an everyday Householders business. be should charging inefficient Councils for their previously purchased materials.

At the cost of $\pounds 2$, there was a time when it was possible J.Thompson.



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The workshops are aimed at people who are unable to attend an organised fireworks Low Score on Dog Fouling

Dear Sir.

Durham

communities.

serious injury.

County

and Durham and the Fire and

Rescue Service are working

together to help people keep themselves and others

Night parties in their own

A free workshop is open

to anyone on Monday 21st

October at Newton Aycliffe

Fire Station from 5.30pm, for a

People are reminded to only

buy fireworks from a reputable

retailer to avoid being sold

illegal or counterfeit fireworks,

which do not meet safety

standards and could cause

6pm start, until 7.30pm.

when holding Bonfire

Council,

I was astounded to read that only two dog fouling warning letters had been issued in the past 6 months.when it is such a massive problem. If ever we had a dog warden

Fines

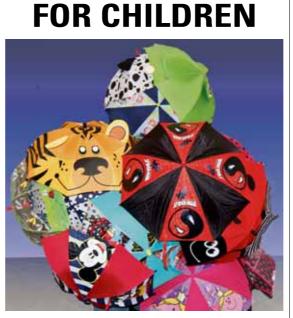
in our street they could issue double that amount every day of the week! We don't have grass verges so dogs are allowed to relieve themselves on the pavement even if it's right outside the house gate. Considering this is an offence worthy of a fine absolutely nothing changes and we are forever cleaning up the filthy

mess. Irresponsible dog owners do not regard our lovely town as a place for the enjoyment of all, or for our children to play safely. They see it as a huge dog toilet for the benefit of themselves and their dogs.

Humphrey Close Resident.

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Helping Hands have over 100 children's umbrella's to put into the household packs that they distribute to people who are facing financial crisis.

Project Manager, Alwyn White says "It's a delight to be able to put these quality umbrellas into the packs where there are smaller children. We are absolutely delighted with the on-going support we are given by such generous people. Together we believe that we should not just sit back and be passive; and in this case we can do something to bring big smiles to the children of the parents who find themselves in financial difficulties."

LINK 2 BUSES AT YOUR SERVICE

Dear Sir, While the public are waiting for replies from Arriva, there is an alternative that can be used to get from different parts of Newton Avcliffe to and from Tesco's and Aldi, providing a door to door bus service. Durham County Council provide a Minibus Service called Link 2. Instead of standing at a Bus Stop following a set route, it can

5 miles from your house. Link 2 can be contacted on 0191 383 5 383, the same number as Hospital Transport but you just select the right option. The booking line is open Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 5.00pm and Friday 8.30am to 4.30pm. You can book up to 14 days ahead of when you want to travel or at least an hour before you want to travel providing they are available then. Bookings are on a first come first served basis

The Link 2 service is available Monday to Friday 8.00am to

6.00pm. Although it runs like a Taxi it is a Bus Service and charges fares. Those who have Bus Passes can use them in the

to use the service it is not just for Disabled. It can be used for shopping if there is no bus stop within 600m / about ten minutes walk no bus within one hour of when you want to travel or if the journey requires a change of bus.

one of these requirements. range per trip is up to 5 miles. it's open to everyone who meets the above requirements. the service together. "Helping Hand."

come to you and take you up to

normal way. Although one has to qualify

A passenger only has to meet The last one would apply to people living in one part of Newton Aycliffe and could not get a bus direct to sav Tesco or Aldi etc. Although this is a County wide service with a number of buses the normal Shoppers, whatever your age or if disabled can use this service,

Groups of people may wish to get together and arrange to use

'A Learning Community Guided by Gospel Values'

Needless Traffic Light Scheme to Co-ordinate **Chaos on Main Road**

Dear Sir. I'm just wondering who is

responsible for the chaos caused at the St Cuthbert's Way/Bewick Crescent junction under the guise of road works?

For over a week now we have been subjected to a three way traffic management scheme while the workmen

Poor Turn Out for Free Film Show

Dear Editor,

So there is nothing to do in Newton Aycliffe, and we want our own cinema. I almost agreed at one time, but last Wednesday night there was a Mobile Cinema on tour to community venues in Newton Aycliffe showing "THE LORAX" at the Youth Centre. "THE This was part of Greenfield Arts Family Learning Month "Out of the Bag" FREE film festival.

It was FREE thanks to the GAMP funding, and I have to say I am embarrassed at how may people turned up.

Come on Newton Aycliffe, stop moaning about what we don't have and start using what we do have Joan Clark

Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre



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are resurfacing the pavement! The main problem being that people wanting to exit the car park from the Bewick Surgery cannot see the traffic light in Bewick Crescent, so have to take a chance when they turn left onto St Cuthbert's Way, if the right of way is for the traffic heading for the town

centre. Some cars have to swing right out before turning left to go to the surgery or further round to Bewick Crescent itself causing near misses with anyone coming out of the car

park Frustratingly, they left the traffic lights working at the weekend instead of moving the cones on to the edge of the pavement and allowing traffic to move normally at least whilst they are not actually working. Regards

Gillian Stevens.

Marshall Road. Ed: We have received many complaints about this roadworks. No one can understand why the traffic lights are there when workmen are present and as the correspondent points out it would have been easy to remove the cones and lights. There was no notification about this work and on a very busy road through the town more consideration for motorists by the Highway Authjority would have been expected.

The Steering Group to progress the formation of a scheme to co-ordinate aid for needy people in Great Avcliffe have held their first two meetings.

In a very useful exchange of ideas and information the group have decided to continue in its aim to bring all the partners

People in Glass Houses Dear Sir.

I find it a huge shame that someone has bothered to write a ridiculous load of nonsense regarding the potential new development at Cobblers Hall. Of course there will be some inconvenience, and some inconvenience, and some noise, there will be tradesmen, forklifts and there may be some mud on the roads. It's called Life, so let's build

people some homes and let's give people some employment. I really do feel sorry for the writer's poor vision but more importantly feel sorry for your obvious poor memory, because who suffered while your house was getting built? PW

COUNTY

Last week's Durham County

Council Cabinet meeting was

held at Bowes Museum in

Barnard Castle. I have asked

that in future a Cabinet meeting

some of our local issues to the

the Medium Term Financial

Agenda gave a taster of the

.. and that the policy will save

to 19 January) on whether to

close, transfer, or maintain last five Council-run

residential care homes. Cabinet

acknowledged the disruption to

staff and residents, but pointed

out that one of these homes

is unsafe and empty, that the

five homes together offer only

88 places (and currently have

the

non-residential

Community Aid together to share resources and expertise to ensure anyone who needs assistance receives help. Already, even before the new organisation is constituted, people are talking to each other and finding they have common aims and are proving that by

working together more people will be reached. In addition to providing basic needs in food, household goods, furniture, white goods etc the group wish to bring all welfare agencies under the same umbrella in order that people can be referred to the right persons to deliver the help

required. The group decided the name of the partnership would be Great Aycliffe Community Aid and future meetings would set the agenda to agree a "Memorandum of Understanding" to be adopted byt the partners. The date of the inauguration will be announced when all the details of the workings of GACA are acdeptable by each partner, but everyone agreed the sooner it was up and running the better as the numbers of people in need is increasing.

COUNCIL

only 49 residents), that there

are plenty free spaces in the

private sector, and that Council

care homes are increasingly

inappropriate in a world which

wants care-in-the-home and

high-quality care settings. It

was also pointed out that care

DCCCareHomes

identify their priorities.

http://bit.ly/DCCNAM

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Spooktacular Family Disco

ACORN Residents Association and Little Acorns will be hosting a family Halloween Spooktacular Disco at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre

on Saturday 26th October beginning at 6.30 pm. BE THERE IF YOU DARE Light buffet, prizes for fancy dress and games. Under 16s must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets now available from the Leisure Centre or by ringing Ken on 321471.

Family Meals at the Oakleaf

Oak Leaf Sports Complex has a public bar, which is open to non-members as well as members. We hold a children's license, and they are welcome until 9.30pm, so you can bring the family along.

Watch all your favorite sporting events on our large screen T.V. while enjoying the pleasant surroundings and a bar meal. A warm welcome awaits you. For further information, contact

the Oak Leaf Sports Complex 01325-300600

MEETING nuisance, to keep children from harm. http://bit.ly/DCCLic The Finally, Cabinet also heard an update on Public Health Reform vital, now that the County Council has responsibility for

certain public health issues. http://bit.ly/DCCHUpdate JCL.



Re-mark Confirms

Record GCSE Results

celebrated this week as GCSE English results were upgraded. A total of 27 students saw their grades moved up. The school requested a remark after coursework marks were changed by a moderator.

The original marks awarded by teachers have been upheld with results increased by 7% in English pass rates. This means well over two-thirds of students have now achieved grade C or above in both English and Mathematics.

Headteacher, Christine Forsyth, says, "This is wonderful news for the students concerned. For some it will be lifechanging as they now have qualifications required the for higher level courses or apprenticeships."

of the correction moderation error also means that Woodham Academy results have gone up for the third consecutive year, continuing a pattern of sustained improvement. This

Students at Woodham Academy now extends to all subject areas, with 16 different subjects returning record results

New Spanish Teacher

Greenfield Arts are pleased to announce a new Spanish Tutor for our Community Learning Programme. Gladys Warren, who has a track record as an excellent teacher, is a native Spanish speaker and will take over our popular Spanish Courses from November.

We hope that previous participants from these courses will return to help us welcome Gladys to the Greenfield Arts team, and any members of the local community would like to join these fantastic courses come along too!

Full details of the courses, including dates, times and cost can be found via our website www.greenfield-arts.co.uk or by contacting us on 01325 379048.



The evening got off to a super

start being entertained by the

duo husband and wife team

Carole and Malcolm Brown,

(Singing for Pleasure) who

sang something for everyone.

Supper followed and to end the

evening we all enjoyed a piece of birthday cake which was the

perfect end to a very successful

Grateful thanks to the President

and all the Committee members who went one step

further to ensure a good time.

Our next meeting will be held

at St Clare's Church Hall on

Tuesday November 12th 7.00

pm, when our guest speaker will be Eric Thompson a local

artist. For further information

on the W.I. contact Lyn on

Big Night Out

at Sports Club

On Saturday 2nd November, Defoe Court Care Home will

be hosting a fundraising Night

Out at Moore Lane Sports Club with live entertainment

from The Unsound from 7pm

till midnight featuring DNA

Tickets are now on sale at

Defoe Court Care Home at a

cost of £6 each, all proceeds

will go to the Clients Social

Fund. Please support our event. Contact 01325 316316 for

Karaoke Disco.

more information.

Three Courses - £12.95

01325 314805.

Executive.

evening

Local Talent Shines on the Mic

Deborah Taylor-Smith from Newton Aycliffe has been given the big thumbs up by judges at the Open Mic UK auditions. Along with other impressive acts, Deborah Taylor-Smith has made it through to the Open Mic UK 2013 Regional Finals and will now be performing in the live showcases of the competition

Open Mic UK 2013 is the biggest music competition in the UK for singers and solo artists, searching for the UK's best singers, singer/ rappers songwriters, and vocalists of all genres who perform either covers or original material.

Local girl Deborah Taylor-Smith caught the judge's eye and is now in the running to compete for a place in the Grand Final at The O2 London. Thousands of hopefuls entered nationwide and hundreds of auditionees queued patiently on the day for their turn to impress the judges. Those who made it through the audition stage will now take part in the live Regional Final showcases alongside the best talent in their area. They'll be performing in front of hundreds of audience members and a music industry judging panel to win a place at the 2013 Grand Final

Events Coordinator and Head of Future Music Chris Grayston said "Every year that we hold this competition the bar is raised and the quality gets higher and higher. We're really looking forward to experiencing the raw talent from across the country. For promising singers, song writers, rappers and vocalists,

Three Courses - £13.95

Open Mic UK provides a real opportunity to open the door to a music career by showcasing their talent to music industry professionals and audiences across the country"

The competition is divided into age categories - Under 16, 16-20 and 21 and over, and all types of singers, vocal performers, groups and acoustic singer/ songwriters are invited to enter Open Mic UK. All participants are aiming to make it to that prestigious Grand Final within The O2 where the spotlight will be on all the acts with a chance for them to be signed.

The latter stages of the competition will also provide acts with the opportunity to impress many guests from record labels, agencies and the entertainment industry, as well as judges from national radio and regional press, with judges being more prestigious in the later rounds. Past judges have included Radio 1 DJs Ras



Kwame and Annie Nightingale MBE, four time Ivor Novello award winner Mark Hill and KISS FM's Charlie Hedges. For more information go to

the website www.openmicuk. co.uk, or better still come down and support your local talent performing! You can purchase tickets from the website www. openmicuk.co.uk or on the door subject to availability or from Deborah Taylor-Smith.

W.I. Birthday A great time was had by all who attended the 13th Birthday Celebrations held at St Clare's Church Hall. The members of Newton Aycliffe WI were joined by members of other local WI 's and members of the County Durham WI Federation

On Tuesday, 8th October a group of over 160 Year 5 students from Catholic primary schools across the area participated in an Autumnthemed Challenge Day hosted by St John's School and Sixth Form Centre. The day was shared between numeracy and literacy activities. The numeracy section included an interactive team quiz and the literacy section concentrated on the use of poetic devices to

create an Autumn scene.

Both activities culminated with the creation of a large display - a Geome-Tree and a Poe-Tree. Students created polygon leaves and researched their names using a bank of iPads and created an Autumn themed poem which was written on a leaf and decorated. Hopefully the students' love of Maths and English has blossomed as a result! After such an enjoyable day the staff of St John's School look forward to seeing and working with them all again in the very near future.

STUDENTS CELEBRATE LANGUAGES DAY



Modern Foreign Language Woodham Students at Academy have been enjoying special language celebrate events to the European Day of Languages.

There was а poster competition for Year students whilst Year 8 students took part in a spelling competition and won croissants as prizes. Year 9 students participated in a Eurovision Song Contest and Year 10/11 students were faced with the challenge of identifying the photos of famous Europeans.

The European Day of been Languages has celebrated every year since 2001 on 26 September, as an initiative of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg. The European Day of Languages (EDL) aims to celebrate, by showing people across Europe, how important languages are, and what fun can be had learning them.

Mr. Coley, Head of Modern Foreign Languages, said, "Our students enjoy learning languages and they understand the value of a foreign language qualification in today's global economy. They certainly had a lot of fun taking part in the competitions"

Plant Pot & TreeThefts

> Police are appealing for information after plant pots complete with plants and small trees were stolen from the front of numerous properties in the

NEWTON NEWS

Newton Aycliffe area overnight on 12th October 2013. If anyone has any information as to the whereabouts of such stolen property or are able to provide any information which may lead to the apprehension of suspects please contact PC 2228 Woods on 101.



Wednesday 30th October 2013

Council Meeting 7.15pm

QUESTION TIME

A period of up to 20 minutes has been set aside for an elector to ask questions, give evidence or make representation on any item of business included on the agenda of the Council, its Committees and the Planning Sub-Committee.

With the exception of the Annual and Extra-ordinary Council Meetings members of the public can submit a written question for the Council Agenda as long as it is submitted 7 clear days before a meeting.

If members of the public have any questions it would be appreciated if they could make them known prior to the start of the meeting. Agendas/Reports are available on the Council's Website on the Friday afternoon preceding the meeting. (www. errort envilled encould be appreciated on the council of the start of the st great-aycliffe.gov.uk)

The Press and Public are cordially invited to attend. "The Public Entrance to the Council Chamber will be open 30 minutes prior to the commencement of meetings"

YOUNG PEOPLE TO GET HAIRSPRAYED After completing another very successful musical production

recently a local youth theatre group is now about to start rehearsals on their version of the hit musical "Hairspray" which will be staged in March next year.

A spokeperson said "Now in our 14th year of musical productions for the local Community's enjoyment, the youth theatre is now looking for young people who can rehearse for 2 hours on a Friday evening, wanting to either sing, dance or act.

Even if you have always wanted to be in a musical show but cannot or haven't performed before, don't worry as we will train you, or improve your talent. Hairspray has been a very successful film and a hit West End musical too with songs like, Good Morning Baltimore, I Can Hear The Bells, and You Can't Stop The Beat in it. So come on young people you know you want to be in it! To find out more ring 01325 313363 or text to 07747 826324.

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Year 5's at St. John's **Autumn Challenge Day**

Youngsters Scoot **Down to Festival**

A group of young scooter fans have packed supermarket bags A gloup of young scotler rais have packed superindicet bags, taken part in a ten-mile fancy dress walk and stayed awake for 16 hours to raise funds to get them to a festival. The youngsters all attend Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre and applied to Great Aycliffe and Middridge Partnership for funding

to put on a series of skate park events in the town's park last year. The events were a huge success and proved extremely popular, with more and more competitors taking part each time a competition was held. Someone suggested a trip to the popular Scootfest, held each year at Stoneleigh Park in Warwickshire, but with costs of over £1,600 for the youngsters to attend they had to put their heads together to come up with some fundraising ideas

Laura Langdale, One Point youth worker with Durham County Council, said: "The response to the skating events from young people in the town has been brilliant. Watching the group develop and bond has been an amazing experience

"The weekend was an unbelievable experience and such a great achievement to end a brilliant project. "They were fantastic to work with and have already started to

discuss plans to go again next year." Billy Wade, Aaran Taylor, Jacob Kennedy, Harry Duggan, Matthew Brown, Adam McCabe, Paul Gray, Drea Latue, Jack Strain and Bradley Claughton took part in the project.



OUR MP MEETS "HELPING HANDS"



On Friday 11th October the Helping Hands team had a visit from Phil Wilson MP. We had the opportunity to explain about the work we have been doing in the community and also some of the challenges we face as we aim to support in excess of 1500 people during the next 12 months.

Phil said: "The provision of much needed essential household goods to those in need is becoming more apparent as the austerity measures facing the country continue to bite. The work undertaken by the Helping Hands team based in Newton Aycliffe is doing its best to match the demand, but

they need more help. The volunteers I met today show great community spirit and are an asset to Newton

Aycliffe." Alwyn Alwyn White, Project Manager, said "it was a good meeting. Phil clearly understands the needs within our community and said he will be thinking about how he can help"

If anyone finds themselves in financial crisis, please don't hesitate ringing the charity phone 07936 431262. Your call will be dealt with sympathetically by Linzi.

STUDENTS GET A TASTE OF THE WORKPLACE

As part of the Apprenticeship Awareness programme at Woodham Academy, pupils and staff have spent a half day in one of the six Aycliffe based companies participating in the challenge in order to gain insights into how some the region's biggest, brightest and best employers are facing up to the challenges of a tough economic climate; and to see for themselves what opportunities opportunities are available for school leavers in an area traditionally renowned for its manufacturing skills and innovation Company representatives,

including current apprentices, very much impressed the school group with their group with their knowledge enthusiasm and confidence. Indeed, as –animated-apprentice, Williams, informed one one –animated-apprentice, Jade Williams, informed her audience, she regularly 'swaggers' to work: knowing, as she does, she is ensuring a bright future not only for herself, but for the region to which she belongs. The pride the young apprentices felt in their own achievements and in those of their chosen industry were obvious to all. Pauline Hadwin, HR Manager at Finley Structures said "It's good to

Shildon Running Club

Shildon's senior runners which Shildon Running & Athletic include athletes from Aycliffe had a busy month but took part in the Richmond Castle 10k. The wet and blustery conditions and a tough undulating course could not prevent Chris Griffith from leading the athletes home in 44.54s, just a week after completing the Keilder Marathon in 3hrs 34m. Following were Steve Minns (45.54), Eddie Murphy (47.58),

David Beadle (49.04), and

club coach Andrew Griffiths (50.18). Gareth Shaw was unfortunate to pick up an injury while running the course which

forced him to withdraw but did not deter him from cheering on

An oversight in last week's

report on the NYSD XC at Acklam Grange meant ullb

Ben Etherington was missed

from our results. Ben finished

in a creditable 19th place.

Running Club

at Richmond

On Sunday 13th October

Running Club competed in

the Richmond Castle 10k run.

The race started on an area of

parkland by the river called

The Batts. Runners passed the Richmond Falls on the River Swale and crossed the river at

Green Bridge before starting

the climb up Sleehill. Runners

were then taken on a short circuit of Catterick Garrison

before making their way back

into Richmond to finish in

the grounds of Richmond Castle. It was a hilly course

with lots of climbs and some

verv steep descents. First

home for Aycliffe was Wendy Bake in 50:26 followed by Sandra Collins 51:04, John

Young 51:57, Trish Kay 53:11,

Simon Robinson 55.44 Dave

Mackenzie 01:01:34 and Susan

Clark 01:07:28.

of Avcliffe

members

his fellow club team mates.

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involve schools in order to provide an understanding of working life practices and the of opportunties that are available within the local area"

The visits form part of that which Head of Year, Vikki Fawcett, calls the school's continuing commitment to a 'wider school experience.'

"In order to provide a valuable alternative to college and university," says Mrs Fawcett, "we need to be taking learning out of the class room and into the real world.' It was time, she added, that

students like hers began looking at what options were available, and thinking about where the necessities of life, on which they rely, really come from.



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Town's WMC Team



BORO goalkeeper Jason Steele is gunning for cup glory of a different kind this season. The 23-year-old Newtonian goes into his third season as manager of Sunday morning pub side Newton Avcliffe Working Newton A Men's Club.

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Steele has teamed up with his former school, Woodham Academy, which is providing the venue for his team's home fixtures.

entertain Winlaton They Commercial there in the first round of the FA Carlsberg Sunday Cup – the All England Cup – this Sunday.

"We're doing quite well in the cups this year and it would be nice to go all the way in at least one of them," said Steele, pictured with Woodham Sports Academy director Liam Clough, who also plays for the Durham and District Sunday side

"We've won a few cup games already and we're the only

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side from Newton Aycliffe left in the County Cup – we play Stillington Royal at home in the first round proper on 3rd November. The Aycliffe Club beat

Winlaton in the first round of the All England Cup last season - the club's first-ever match in the FA Cup of Sunday morning football. The game is at Woodham Academy, 10.30am kick-off.

Under 18's Footballers

Heighington AFC Boys Under 18's is seeking to bolster it's team, and is looking for players who want to become part of a friendly, and ever expanding village club with great facilities and prospects. If you're interested then contact

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keen to get their promotion challenge back on track and selected a strong team against tough opposition. Yarm, featuring ex-Scotland international Simon Webster, had some strong players who would have to be carefully marshalled in defence, but

Newton Aycliffe Rugby Club

remained in 2nd place in

Durham and Northumberland

Division 3 with a bonus point

victory at Yarm. After defeat

the previous week, they were

Aycliffe had the edge in speed. Avcliffe took the lead when Craig Holmes' kick caught the wind to find the hands of Adam Gascoigne on the wing who was able to outsprint the defence to score a try that was converted by Luke Tinkler.

Every time James Thacker got the ball Yarm were having to use two or three men to stop him and, when he was able to find Gascoigne with a long pass, the lead was doubled. Yarm fought back with a try and the score at half time was 14 - 5. Early in the second half it

seemed that Aycliffe had made the decisive break. Andrew Littlefair made an arcing run around the defence when he was closed and, down, kicked the ball towards the posts; the resulting sprint for the ball was won by Gascoigne, who completed his hat-trick. Tinkler added his third conversion. Yarm

were not defeated and, using strong forwards, battered the Avcliffe defence: two tries. one of the converted saw them get within 4 points.

Place Rugby Club

A Tinkler penalty saw the lead increase to 7, but Yarm continued to attack as time ran down. With time up, a penalty was awarded to Aycliffe in Yarm territory. Rather than kick the ball out for the win. Avcliffe decided to go for broke in an effort to get the bonus point for 4 tries. The ball was flung wide and after two quick rucks. Gascoigne was able to score in the corner with his fourth score of the afternoon. The final score was 29 – 17.

Despite not firing on all cylinders, Aycliffe's spirit saw them hold on to their narrow win, whilst their adventure finally saw all the points gained, vital in an extremely close battle at the top of the division. Newton Aycliffe are sponsored by Boola Clothing Aycliffe and Hayward Home Appliances trading as Serviceforce. Visit the website at www.pitchero. com/clubs/newtonaycliffe.

Boro Star Manages Bonus Point for 2nd Aycliffe's Roller-Coaster **Season Continues**

Another unpredictable week in the life of an Aycliffe FC supporter! This season hasn't been short of entertainment and talking points for fans of the Royal Blues.

Last weekend saw Oliver take his team up the A1 to face the students of Team Northumbria, who had been victorious in the League Cup tie the week previously at Moore Lane Park. And if revenge was their mission, all looked good when leading scorer Jamie Owens slotted home after just 6 minutes to give Aycliffe the lead. However, missing a number of key players through injury and unavailability. it was a lead Aycliffe were unable to hang on to. Team Northumbria came more and more into the game as the first half progressed, and gained a deserved equaliser on the half hour mark.

Aycliffe were forced into further changes at half time. with an unfortunate injury sustained by Paul Broom in a nasty looking challenge, again robbing Oliver of one of his more experienced men. With Team Northumbria taking the lead almost straight from the

restart, it looked like being a long half for Aycliffe. In truth, what followed was

pretty one sided, and there were plenty of grumbles from the loyal army of supporters as they left the ground with the team having been well beaten 4-1. And so to Tuesday and a trip

to Billingham Town. Town were sat firmly on the bottom of the table, as yet without a point. Pessimists among the supporters were predicting Aycliffe could be just the team to change that for them!

However, with a number of senior players available again, the team had a more experienced feel about it, and again started well with Jamie Owens once again getting the Royal Blues an early lead. With Billingham forced into 2 substitutions due to injury, when Stuart Owen slotted home Aycliffe's second, it started to look more promising!

However, it's never as straight forward as that as an Aycliffe fan! When the home side pulled a goal back on the stroke of half time, Oliver's team talk all of a sudden needed to be re-written! Supporters feared the worst! Once again though, it was Jamie Owens who proved the

at the near post at the start of the second half to give Aycliffe a 2 goal cushion once again. Soon after, the hosts missed a gilt-edged chance to pull a goal back, and that seemed to suck the life out of them, as soon after Owens completed his hattrick. When Dan Wilson scored his first goal for Aycliffe, the score had a more comfortable look about it, and Owens finished proceeding off with his 4th of the night to give Aycliffe a comfortable 6-1 victory. Next up sees another trip up the

'go-to' man, as he slotted home

A19 as Oliver takes his men to face Ashington. Given recent results and performances, few can predict the outcome! Aycliffe have also announced

details of an upcoming 'Winter Fayre'. The event will be held Fayre . The event will be held at Newton Aycliffe Sports Club on Saturday 30th November while the team travel to Morpeth. It offers the perfect opportunity to start, continue or faish your Christians showing finish your Christmas shopping, with a range of stalls available. Anyone interested in having a table at the event is asked to contact Donna Bell via the Sports Club on 01325 312768. or any member of the Football Club committee.

Swimming Through Ice!

McCormack from Running Club in the Tough The course was a 12 mile trail

fields. It involved negotiating 18 large obstacles including swimming through ice, climbing 7ft walls, crawling

through tunnels and being

other hazards to challenge the runners all designed to encourage camaraderie and to stop to help your fellow runners. Shelley completed the

Newcastle Stampeders



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St John's Sports Awards EX-OLYMPIC GYMNAST VISITS GREENFIELD



On Wednesday 25th September St John's School & Sixth Form Bishop College, Auckland annual held its Sports Evening. Awards During the first half of the evening students received either half or full colours for showing commitment, dedication and high performance levels in their sporting activities. This year St John's had one of its most successful years collecting 43 trophies over the course of the academic year so averaging more than one per week. The roll of honour saw these collected and presented together.

After the interval inspirational Paralympic 2012 Gold World Medalist, Record Holder and Young Sports Personality of the Year, Josef Craig MBE, spoke of his journey towards Paralympic success. It was a truly amazing honest speech which and



received a standing ovation for the powerful messages it delivered. The evening ended with the individual awards. Ashlyn Bland received the Ledorum Vitrix Senior, Sportswoman of the year and an Eagle Award nomination her amazing national for

On Saturday 12th October 9

Greenfield girls gave up their

weekend to be a part of the U16

Netball squad who qualified for

North Durham County Netball

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3 matches, managed 3 half

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swimming achievements. The Eagle Award was won by rugby player, Michael Walton who represented England during Year 11. Michael kindly presented the school with his England Shirt in thanks for the support from St John's and the PE Department.

in previous seasons

The girls showed grit and

determination in every game

even when the winter weather

crept in. Team player of the

tournament was won by Leonie

Wong in Year 10, a huge

I was so proud of the team on

Saturday for their phenomenal

netball and they really showed

how Netball at Greenfield is

progressing into teams that can

compete at a similar standard

against the best from the

Well done to Zoe Blakey,

Megan Cross, Elle Cliff, Kate

Scowen, Abbie Dunn, Ellie

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congratulations to Leonie.

U16's Students in County

Netball Tournament

Craig Heap, ex-Olympic and Commonwealth Games gymnast visited Greenfield to work with a select group of pupils on Monday 14th October. The BBC 5 Live commentator's visit coincided with an initiative with Sky Sports Living for Sport that Greenfield Community College have signed up to for the fourth consecutive year using sport as a tool to motivate and inspire 11-16 year olds.

Craig worked with a selection of pupils from one half of year 8 who are a Gifted and Talented PE group. The first hour consisted of a theory-based session focusing on Craig's story and his '6 key skills to success'. Over the next hour and a half Craig did a series of team building, problem solving and physical challenges for the pupils to overcome in the sports

At the end of the session they

were asked to set targets in relation to the '6 key skills to success' and focus on improving a couple of these in the coming

upon their future achievements. During his visit Craig also found time to team-teach a couple of lessons with Mr Butterworth. The first was a basketball lesson with a year 7 class and the second was based around a theme of team building with a class from the other half of the year 8 cohort. Mr Butterworth added "Craig's visit was an inspiring reward for our pupils who have shown great commitment and

months which would impact

dedication at the start of this academic year. The students loved hearing Craig's story and sharing their experiences of their project with him. Most importantly, our young people have learned first-hand that sport can teach them so much. Whether it is the social skills needed to be a team player or the focus and determination required to do a job well, Sky Sports Living for Sport is helping them to learn important life lessons.



STRONG OPPOSITION FOR SPORTS CLUB

Last weekend saw Aycliffe Sports Club FC travel to Peterlee for the Third Preliminary Round of The Durham County Cup. Peterlee Helford are a strong team, regulary challenging for honours in the Peterlee and District Sunday Premier league, with a good performance history in this competition.

The first half started badly for Aycliffe, with Captain David Hall being substituted in the first minute with thigh strain, replaced by Carl Little. The home side started very quickly pressing onto the back four from the off. Some excellent link up play down the left hand side stretched the Aycliffe defence and within 5 minutes. they were a goal up.

The Sports Club picked themselves back up and a perfect crossfield free kick from Paul Cook, found Matty Alder un-marked at the back post to head home the equaliser. Peterlee then dominated the play, scoring 2 goals in quick succession. A few narrow escapes saw the hosts hit the bar, the post and an Adam Gittins clearance off the line helped to keep NASC FC in the game

The home side scored a fourth from the penalty spot where goalkeeper Steve Richardson only just failed to get his hand to, and a fifth goal just before half time pretty much killed the game off for the Sports Club. Substitutions at half time saw Chris Palmer replace Steve Richardson in goal and Anth Campbell replacing goalscorer Matty Alder who came off with a bruised rib from the tough tackling home side. In the second half Aycliffe were more involved in the play, and the heavy wind and rain evened both sides out. Peterlee scored their 6th goal 10 minutes into the second half, and hit the woodwork on a couple more occasions.

The fighting spirit from the Sports Club helped to ensure the goal tally did not increase and the final two substitutes were used to help maintain energy levels, with David Teder replacing Gareth Boyes and Chase McMullen replacing

the hard working Damien Jose. With only minutes remaining, long pass found Chase McMullen who advanced on the keeper, but with possibly too much time to make his mind up, struck the ball just inches wide of the goal. A disappointing result for the Sports Club which sees their debut season's first defeat, but all credit to the Peterlee side who had the class and the physical dominance to ensure there was no progress to the next round for the Aycliffe team.



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proudest moments in my Navy career. HMS Duncan is a great

Duncan is the last of the Royal Navy's six new-generation Type 45 destroyers. They specialise in air defence and can defend the ship and escort vessels from hostile incoming aircraft and missiles approaching at subsonic and supersonic speed.

HMS Duncan will spend the next 12 months completing an intensive period of trials,

Town Centre Problems Discussed on Newton News Facebook Page

JAMIE MADDISON: It's disgusting. It's all good and well having a nice footpath to walk on but not if nobody's going to be walking on it as there are no shops. I think the landlords are missing the bigger picture. The footpath was never really the problem although the facelift looks nicer the problem has always been the rents and rates charged. I live in Aycliffe and looked into renting my own shop, but found it impossible to negotiate reasonable terms with the landlord. I started trading in Darlington and I'm so thankful I made that decision now as I too would've probably been facing closure. I only hope something is done before it's too late.

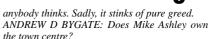
SAUL KENNEDY: What possible reason could you have to quadruple somebodys rates? Instead of enjoying a long overdue, modern town centre, and actively encouraging new and established traders to start or continue to trade in the town we now face the possibility of having a lovely new, modern EMPTY shopping centre. I tried to draw up a business plan some years ago, it was actually far more cost effective to have a premises on High Row in Darlington than it was to be in my home town. It seems that in these times of financial hardship and uncertainty, one thing remains a constant, Greed. I hope all the businesses mentioned can get through this and continue to thrive, as they are the devoted people who make our town centre what it is. They are the heart, not the new paving and stairs! SAUL KENNEDY: We should be busy promoting

our fantastic new investment not punishing the people who have essentially kept it alive all these years, we should be investing in them too! GARY HUDSON: Newton Aycliffe town centre is

a shambles run by the greedy people in London, spending all the money on new floors, the term 'can't polish a turd" comes to mind

JAMIE MADDISON: I trade in Darlington but I am from Aycliffe. I had a very good clientele in Aycliffe and would naturally have preferred to trade there but with unreasonable rates and rents and silly contracts with clauses, that basically allows the landlords to do as they wish I chose to look elsewhere and pleased I did. My business is thriving in Cockerton which as a village is a lot busier than Aycliffe town centre. It's just sad to see our town centre go to ruin and I think it's about time the Council fought to get our town back because if they don't it's going to be full of charity shops, cos they will be the only ones that don't pay.

SAUL KENNEDY: I can't think an orgnaisation that thinks it's ok to increase the rates by so much, will be in the least bit bothered about what



SUE MAUGHAN: Just walked past Gr8vibes and they have a notice in the window saving they

JUDITH WOOD My service charge for the salon is going up 80% which is now almost double what the rent is. No business can afford an increase of this amount.

going to be nothing to walk on the shiney paving

SAUL KENNEDY: It just doesn't make any sense Judith. We cried out for a major supermarket and renewal of our aging shopping centre, both done. This in turn attracts Argos and Lidl. Next step, increase the rates of the existing businesses so much that they have to cease trading or move. Somewhere someone has a reason, but it is the responsibility of the Council and our MP, (who was having his picture and name mentioned and associated regularly with the development), to now at least ask questions, about this sort of treatment. Perhaps they are just trying to recoup the £2million it has cost to re-pave and demolish a ramp

SAUL KENNEDY: They should be promoting the new developement, rewarding existing traders for the inconvenience caused, but that would be far too much to ask of an organisation who are putting in place 80% increases in their service

KATRINA DOWNIE: It's disgusting that landlords would ask for more money from shop tenants, especially with the state of a lot of the buildings they rent, e.g. Poundstretchers roof always leaks, as does Wilkinsons. I'm sure there are many more shops in this state, plus the disruption caused the shops, having the town refurbished, with loss of trade. This company needs to stop looking at our town like London and I think they need to be encouraging more business into the town with good incentives not cripple and force out the small bit of trade have left. I'm not a shop owner, just another concerned resident of Newton Aycliffe.

It's time the people of Aycliffe spoke out about the lack of good retail choice we have for the amount of people that live in this town. Just look at Darlington and the shops they have compared to the choice we have. We pay more council tax here for what? Charity shops, broken pathways and overgrown trees and grass. Back the shops we have before we have none!

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Dolphin Centre (Bull Wynd entrance) Darlington. Spennymoor/Peterlee: Thursday 28th November 2013 1-6pm at the Town Hall Spennymoor.

Those pensioners who wish to attend please contact the following organisers to confirm attendance. Darlington, Giulio 01325 300942, Ken 01325 269128, Liz 01325 486566. Spennymoor, Giulio 01325 300942, Shelia 01388 810657, Andrew 01388 811810.

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It eloquently covers the story of the American Experience, from the Civil War to the Civil Rights Movement, through the memories of a 110-year-old former slave. It won the Emmy for best picture and numerous movie critics praised it as one of the best movies ever made. Tea and coffee will be served at 1pm, included in the £2, and every one is most welcome Please ring Ric Hargreaves on 316755 for further details.

NEVILLE COMMUNITY CENTRE

The centre has applied to GAMP for a £1100 grant to modernise the Ladies Toilets however to be successful relies on a voting system for a share of the Charity Pot. We need friends of the centre

to vote for us on Saturday 23rd November at the Youth Centre. Ring Peter for details on 313924. There is an outing to

Middlesbrough Theatre on Wednesday 30th October for "Memories are Made of This" a show featuring top stars and dancers. The fully inclusive price is £15. The bus leaves at 1.30pm from Neville Parade. Fashion Show by Bon Marche on Wednesday 6th November at 2pm. Tickets are £5 each including afternoon tea. To book tickets to collect at the door ring Margaret Gent on 317308.



A Free Film BRAVE a Disney animation film. Will be showing on Tuesday 22nd October at the Agnew Community Centre in Morrison Close.

Doors open at 6-30pm for a 7pm showing of this Family Film. Light refreshments available and you can bring your own popcorn. The film is about Princess Merida a tomboy who doesn't want to get married when she grows up and will not listen to her mum, the Queen.

Merida accidently turns her mum into a bear for revenge and she must turn her back before it's too late. She has many adventures along the way including trying to control her troublesome identical triplet brothers: Hamish, Hubert and Harris. It's a very funny film. so roll up on the night and enjoy, bring Mum, Dad, and your Grandparents.



Living in Newton Aycliffe may change your brain! Imperial

College is running a study looking at how where you live affects your brain. Volunteers will have a brain

scan and be reimbursed for their time and travel. If you are interested in participating please phone 020 8383 3703 or email michael.bloomfield@ imperial.ac.uk

HOSPITAL RADIO **OPEN DAYS**

Auckland

Hospital Radio celebrating 35 years of broadcasting this week, is allowing people to visit the studio on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th October between 10am-5pm. Volunteers will be presenting live shows, giving local businesses and members of the public the chance to see how the charity operates, support needed and current volunteering opportunities.

The station, which broadcast 24 hours a day to Bishop Auckland and Richardson Hospital in Barnard Castle is a popular choice for patients, staff and visitors and is entirely run by volunteers.

The station runs a sponsorship scheme for local businesses to contribute to funding. For $\pounds 52$ a year a business can sponsor a programme, boosting their profile, whilst helping maintain the station funds. The station is based on the

lower ground floor at Bishop Auckland Hospital and no prebooking is necessary to visit during the Open Weekend. For further information, contact the studio on 01388 455453 or email chris.nisbet@ahr.org.uk

Sadly Missed Community Worker



Lily Peart, aged 81, passed away peacefully after a long illness on Friday 11th October. Lily was known fondly by many people as a volunteer for the Wishing Well Club and Saturday Play Club for many years. She was also involved in running the former St Clare's Toddler Group since the birth of her Grandson

Although unwell for a number of years Lily still helped at the Wishing Well Club until she was 80 years old, where she welcomed and registered members and visitors of the club each week.

She will be sadly missed by her many family and friends. Please see obituary for funeral arrangements, which are being handled by Co-operative Funeral Care.

peacefully in hospital on 11th October, aged 81. Dearly loved Mum of Marilyn, Tony, Cheryl and Tracy and Mum-in-Law of Dennis, Sandra, Nathan and Peter. Treasured Nana of our Wedding Day. We had an amazing time and are so blessed to have you all in our lives. Special thanks to Jan for Andrew, Clare, Natalie, Tom, Evie and Meera. Forever in all our hearts. Would friends please meet at St. Clare's Church for Funeral Service on Tuesday 22nd October at 9.30am. Funeral arrangements via Co-operative Funeral Care

In Memoriam



20th October 2012 Treasured memories of my dear Mam. I thought of you with love today, but that is nothing new, I thought about you yesterday and days before that too. Missing you is a heartache that never goes away. I hold you tightly within my heart and there you will remain, until my life is done, when

we will meet again. All my love, Sharon xxx Loving memories of my dear Nana. Remembered always. Stephen xxx In loving memory of Doris. Died 20th October 2012. Quietly remembered. Margaret and Norman Memories of my dear friend Doris. Love,

Margaret xxx DORIS ICETON 20-10-12

Thinking of you today Mam, but that is nothing new. For no day dawns and no day ends without a thought of you. Love and miss you, Val and Colin **DORIS ICETON** 20-10-12. Love and miss you Nana. You are always in our thoughts. Love from Julie, Ann and Lee **DORIS ICETON** 20-10-12.

You were a very special old Nanny. We talk about you all the time, so I will never forget you. Love always from little Zach PAUL GIBSON 9-10-2009.

Not a day goes by I don't think of you, a heavy void in my heart. Love, Dad xxx PAUL GIBSON 9-10-2009. Miss you and love you lots. Love, Mandy and family WENDY OUINTON

WENDY QUINTON 10/7/1946 to 18/10/11. A very special lady, much loved and deeply missed by Ukabard deeply missed by Husband Bob, Daughters Mandy and Faye, Sons-in-Law Garry and Duncan and Grandchildren Adam, Hannah and Bethany. R.I.P.

HARRIET BRUMWELL Died 18th October 1993. Always remembered and forever loved. God bless. Love, Jeannette, Owen and Carl TOM SMITH 15-10-2009. 4

years have gone by since you went away. I miss you dearly every day. I love you and always will. Your loving Wife Norah xx TOM SMITH 4 years today,

everybody is missing you. Your family xx



at Woodham Village Community Centre. This is the longest running group using the Centre and they all enjoy a great time every week.

Betty Henderson along with her friend Margaret Leighton organise the Dance every Friday from 2pm to 4pm and all are welcome. "Nothing much puts us off said Betty, rain or shine we enjoy a good dance together with socialising over tea, coffee, cake and a raffle. Why not come along next week and join us?

Congratulations

ERNIE HORDON Well you have made it!! 80 years old on Sunday. Hope you have a one (at the Big Club with your mates). Love always, Ann xxx ERNIE HORDON Our Dad is 80 on Sunday. Have a good one. Love from Marie, Dave, Mally, Elaine and all your Grandkids xxxxx

ERNIE HORDON Happy 80th birthday. Keep smoking the rollies, doing you good! Love from Russell, Sue and family xxx ERNIE HORDON Happy

80th birthday you old git!! Love, Duncan, Jack, Fraser and Svdnev xxxx

ERNIE HORDON My lovely Grandad is 80 on Sunday. I'm back, tons and tons of kisses (on your nose). Love, Prentice, Seth Belton xxxx

HUGHES David and Toni (nee Allen), congratulations on your Wedding Day. Love and best wishes for your future from both families. Also thanks to everyone for making it a special day to remember, including Novak Taxis xx NOAH RAY SCOTT (17-10-13). Happy 7th birthday to our gorgeous Grandson. Have a brilliant day little lad. We love you all the way to the moon and back again. Lots of love, hugs and kisses from Grandma and Grandad xxxxx

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Happy 21st Birthday

23rd October Happy birthday from Mam

Dad, Amy and Claire xxxx

Baldy

Happy 30th Birthday

17th October 2013 Lots of special birthday

wishes Son. Love always, Mam, Dad and Michelle

Happy 30th Birthday

Lots of love from Grandad, Uncle Steven, Aunty

Christine, Anthony, Katie and all of your family and

Birthday

Remembrance

MENA CLISH 21st October.

What we would give if we could say hello Mam in the same old way. To hear your voice and see you smile, to sit with you and chat a while. So if you have a Mother cherish her

you have a Mother, cherish her

with care, for you will never

know the heartache, until you

miss you Mam. From Philip,

Dorothy, Alan, Margaret, Jo, Mick, David, Grandbairns and

you were here so I could say "Happy Birthday". Love, Betty ALF SAXBY 18-10-1927. To

Alf on this special day. Love

and miss you always. Your loving Wife, Eileen & family x

see her empty chair. Love

ххх

friends xxx



Congratulations your Golden Wedding Anniversary on 19th October. With love from all your family, near and far xxxxxxx





Happy 21st Birthday Happy 21st Birthday Hope you have a happy birthday. Lots of love from Mam, Dad and Poppy xxxx Happy 21st Birthday Happy birthday to my little Sister - grown up at last! Love from Christa, Darren, Alfio and Archia Alfie and Archie

Thomas Neal Miller



Happy 16th Birthday Son

17th October 2013 Have a fab day. Love you alwavs. Mam and Dad xxx Happy 16th Birthday

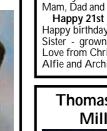
Bro Have a great day. Love, Louise and Craig Oscar xx Happy 16th Birthday

Have a fab day. Love, Kellyanne, Warren and bump xxx

Happy 16th Birthday Incle Thomas, have Uncle great birthday. Love you to the moon and back. Oliver XXX

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LONGWORTH, Kenny and

Ann - a huge thank you to all of our wonderful family

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the cake; Paul and Andrea and all the staff at the Civic Centre,

Shildon, "3rd Edition" and

Gary the DJ for making it so

A BIG thank you to the lady and members of Staff at Tesco's who helped me when

I was taken ill on Wednesday

THE FAMILY of the late Avril

Alderson would like to thank family and friends for their

words of comfort and cards

on the recent sad bereavement

of Avril. Special thanks to the staff at Aycliffe Care Home

over the last three years, to Dr Colin Scott at Peaseway.

Special thanks to all the staff at John Meynell Funeral Service

at Newton Aycliffe for the care and attention to detail and

to Rev Melvyn Gray for his comforting words, and to all

those who donated money to St

Clares Church Roof Fund and

Avcliffe Care Home

Robertson

LILY PEART Passed away

Aycliffe Ten **Pin Bowling**

The new pairs tenpin bowling league started on Tuesday night at PLANET LEISURE. There was only one team that won all three games and the pinfall, and that was the Strike Force.

They beat the Optimists 8-0, the other four teams beat their opponents by 6-2.

The high single game with handicap went to Paul Wilkinson of Late Starters with a game of 232 pins.

The Shildon Strikers hold the high team game with handicap of 419 pins.

The high team series is held by the M@Ms with a pinfall with a handicap of 1137 pins. The Pinheads hold the high game scratch with a total of 347 pins and also hold the high team series scratch with a pinfall of

Greenfield College -County Sport Champions

Greenfield College were named top PE department in Durham County at the County Sport awards this week. The awards ceremony, held at Ramside Hall, was a great success showcasing the very best that sport has to offer across the county.

The presentation of awards followed an inspirational and motivational speech from Paralympic guest speaker Mark Colbourne MBE. Schools from across the County were nominated for the award following strong competition in local events.

The winners of each of the local competitions went forward to battle it out for the County

Six members of Greenfield's PE & Sport development team with Mark Colbourne MBE (Paralympic Gold Medalist) Champions title. Greenfield stiff overcame opposition from Consett Sports Academy, St Johns, Dene Community School and Durham Trinity Sports College. Staff and pupils from Greenfield were

delighted to be announced as the winners of the County Sport award for 2012-13. In 2012-13, over 72 teams were given the opportunity to represent Greenfield, and amazingly 12 teams attended County finals. Greenfield's inclusive and developmental approach recognises all students have so much to gain from their involvement in sport. In addition their gifted and talented programme provides academies and clubs in a wide range of sports, including

links to Professional Football Clubs such as Middleborough, Sunderland and Newcastle. through their highly successful Martin Gray Football Academy. It has been another fantastic year of sporting success for Students, and Greenfield this award recognises the of their highly commitment skilled PE department and coaches, along with that of their students. Very well done to all involved as we continue to build upon these successes.

£410 Donation Honest John would like to record a donation of £410 for the purchase of sweatshirts for the team members of the new FC Turbinia.

Huntsman's 100% League Record

Darlington on Sunday to face 4th place Yates FC. Huntsman, missing a few regulars knew they were in for a tough game. The manager was forced into 4 changes from the starting 11 which played against Haughton Grey Horse the week before: Carl Bates, Steven Williams, Dave Neale and Shaun Mackintosh were all unavailable through work and injury that meant there was a start for Anthony Brockley following his goal from the bench against Grey Horse while Jamie Herd, Anth

The first half was a dull affair without much goal mouth action, and the quality of football on display was poor from both sides. Full back Michael Sproates had a

easily saved by the keeper while the Huntsman goal was never under any threat. Shaun Sproates had a blatant penalty turned down mid way through, but the half drew to a close 0-0. The game was being played at walking pace and the

Calum Farley was introduced in place of Anthony Brockley and immediately the game changed. Huntsman closed down the

Yates defence from the off and forced an error, after good work by Jamie Herd and Anth Cox the ball found its way to Farley in the box who slammed home

to give Huntsman the lead 30 seconds after half time. The difference in attitude was remarkable and the Yates keeper suddenly became busy, Ollie Gell, Shaun Sproates, Jamie Herd and Ryan Durr all went close to doubling the lead. At the other end the back line never looked like being troubled with both centre halves dealing with everything Callum Musgrave in particular putting in a man of the match performance.

Cox and Sproates were linking up well down the right and they supplied substitute Andrew Richardson, who saw his effort cleared off the line but some quick thinking from a corner allowed Shaun Sproates acres in the area to head into the bottom corner to give the Huntsman a 2-0 lead. This killed the game off but chances continued to come for the Huntsman although none were converted.

Keith Dodds, fresh from his goal of the season two weeks previous, had the best chance 2 minutes from time when he was 1 yard from goal without a keeper in sight he managed to flash the ball across goal when it was easier to score. The game finished 2-0 meaning Huntsman are now top of the league with 21 points with 7 wins from 7 games.

Next up is the Division 2 League Cup Quarter final against Newton Aycliffe Sports Club at Simpasture on October 20th, 10.30 kick off, we look forward to seeing you there.

GREAT AWAY WIN FOR DURHAM WILDCATS

Durham Wildcats moved to 5th place in the British Basketball league table with their second win in eight days securing the best start in their three seasons playing at the top level.

The visitors led from the start and never relinquished control, to end the game with a comfortable 79 - 100 victory.

The Wildcats took advantage of Surrey's mistakes and capitalised on turnovers in the early exchanges during Sunday afternoon's game at Surrey Sports Park.

With just three minutes on the clock Durham led the game 4 points to 12 following early baskets from Devin Ginty and Odiba Attah. Points from Dusha and Felix rallied the hosts, and they soon levelled the match 12-12 after an 8-0 run with no reply. Under the leadership of Captain Ralph Bucci,

the Wildcats pulled together again finishing the quarter strong to lead 14-22 at the end of the first. The visitors continued their dominance in the second quarter with impressive shooting performances from RJ Evans and Devin Ginty who continued to fire the ball well from outside the arc

Surrey's newly appointed head coach Jack Majewski used his first time-out half way through the quarter in an attempt to halt the Durham momentum, but the 60 second break only added to the Wildcats control of the contest. The half ended with Surrey trailing by 22 points (62-40).

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Surrey started the second half looking like a different team with baskets from Felix and Tamayo reducing the Wildcats lead to 15. New United signing Kucinskas was also beginning to stamp his authority on the contest with rebounds at both ends of the floor. However, a 5th Ginty three pointer with minutes remaining of the penultimate quarter swung the momentum back to the visitors who finished the third leading by 17

Mike Allison made the first basket of the final quarter with Ginty following up seconds later with a big 3. Surrey continued to battle until the final minutes when an RJ Evans dunk was quickly followed by Ginty's seventh three pointer of the game which all but ended the contest.

Kirk Crecco made an uncontested lay-up on the buzzer to put his team into treble figures for the first time this season. Mike Allison continued his good form with 18 points, but it was point-guard Devin Ginty who led the games, scoring with an impressive 25 after converting seven of his nine three point attempts.

Durham take a break from league action next weekend as they welcome Cheshire Phoenix to Newton Avcliffe for the 1st round of the BBL Cup. The Wildcats have fallen at the first hurdle in the last two seasons, but on their current form, Coach Davie will be confident his side can progress to the quarter final stage. Tip-off is 7pm on Saturday 19th October, tickets are available online now at www.godurhamwildcats.com.

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Huntsman boys were told a few home truths at half time.