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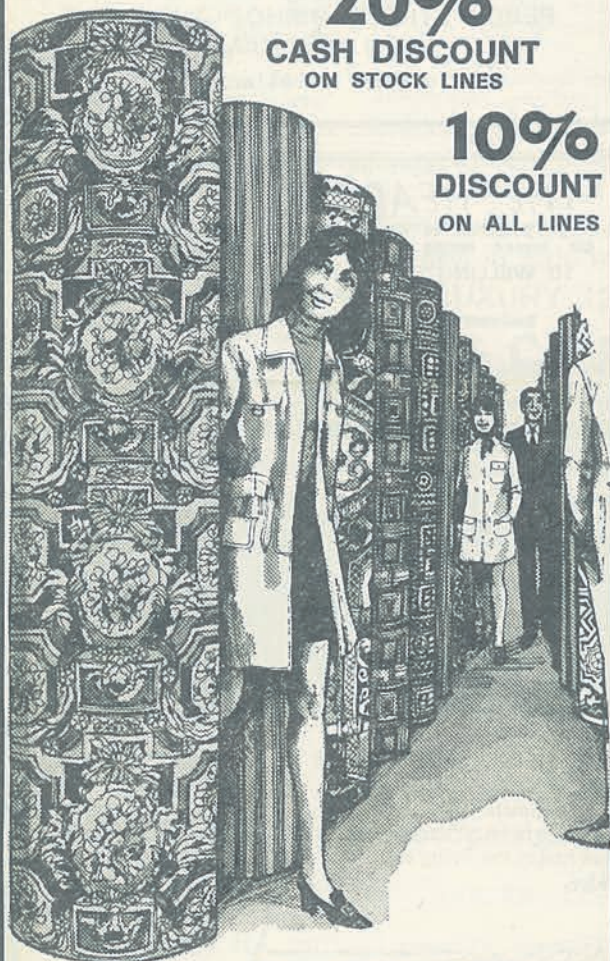
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Town at fever pitch for Royal visit

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE CHARLES will receive a fitting welcome when he arrives in Newton Aycliffe on Wednesday, 31st May.

On his lightning visit to the town he will inspect the Community Radio Station and open the Town Council's new Sports Complex. Along the route he will be greeted by thousands of townsfolk eager for a glimpse of the dashing Prince.

Vantage points for children are allocated in Beveridge Way and there are special viewing areas for the public at the new building and by the Railway Station, where the Prince will make his departure at 6.30 p.m.

His Royal Highness arrives by car at 5.45 p.m. and after meeting ADC and District officials he will walk along Beveridge Way up the ramp to the Radio Studio. It is expected that the Prince will make a short broadcast in answer to a particular question the Station manager will ask. After this the Prince will leave by car along Central Avenue and up Pease Way to

the Sports Complex.

The town centre is getting a face lift in readiness for the Royal visit. Some sneer at the hypocrisy of all the repainting, cleaning and gardening. Others accept it and wish we could have the same high standard at all times. None can doubt that ultimately we benefit from all these efforts as a Royal visit focuses attention on the town, brings an air of excitement and smartens up people and places.

An official Brochure to commemorate this auspicious occasion is on sale. In addition to full details of the visit the publication contains some very nice photographs and other information valuable as a souvenir.

Copies are available, price 25p, from the Town Council, Newton Press Shop and Stevens.

VANE ROAD DO IT AGAIN!

For the third year running Vane Road Junior School have won the local football league championship.

Their captain, Gary May, holds the record of being in the team for all three finals.

He contacted Newton News to thank teachers, trainers and supporters for all the help and encouragement his team have received.

"May I also thank my teammates and say how proud I am to be part of such a great team," said Gary.

Boys & Girls . . .

Would you like to help in the sponsored Litter Drive in aid of the Scouts H.Q. building?

There are prizes for the boy or girl with the most litter and the most sponsors.

Full details from Newton Press Shop, Upper Beveridge Way.

Poppy Appeal

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal raised £1,844 in Newton Aycliffe.

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Big Chief's Fun Week

During the coming week, and for the third successive year, Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre are holding their Spring Bank Holiday Play-Scheme — Big Chief's Fun Week.

The scheme will run for the full five days with morning sessions from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and afternoon sessions from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The entry charge is 5p per child per session. The scheme is aimed at 5-11 year olds, and offers all kinds of games and activities. This year these will include a film, all kinds of arts and crafts, a disco, modelling and painting, gym, sports (including use of the trampoline) a carnival, games of Japs and Commandos, Cowboys and Indians, UFO's and Monsters, and lots more.

As well as the kids, we will welcome any parents and friends who wish to come along and help — there is always plenty to do.

Big Chief's Fun Week 1978 will be the best yet — we guarantee a week of fun for everyone.

BB Gold Awards

The following boys, members of the 1st Newton Aycliffe Boys Brigade Company (Junior Section), Ian Emerson, Philip Wastle, Andrew Robinson, Paul Wearmouth, Ian Gibson, Peter Corrie, Christopher Davies, Jess Chowda and Peter Lawson, have been successful in gaining their gold award, and were presented with them by Mr D. Cochrane (Company Captain), and Rev. D. Marston (Company Chaplain).

The gold award is the highest obtainable in the Junior Section, and we congratulate the boys on reaching this high standard.

There's always something new happening at the INN COGNITO — Our next big event is the Aycliffe Heat of the

Miss North of England

Beauty competition.

This is the first stage in the search for the Miss Great Britain, who you will see being crowned on television later this year — Who knows, the winner may be among the competitors in our heat. It will be held on THURSDAY, 22nd June, at 10 p.m.

GIRLS, if you would like to enter and try to win one of the fabulous prizes, just fill in the form below and return it to the Club.

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Occupation

Hobbies and pastimes

Ambitions

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Eye Colour Hair Colour

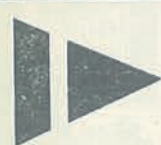
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Every year trainees attending the Engineering Training Centre on the Industrial Estate undertake a sponsored walk to raise money for charity.

The proceeds have furnished bedrooms, provided a deep-freeze, and supplied many other smaller items for the comfort of the residents at Consett Cheshire Home.

This year money raised will

be donated to the North of England Cancer Research.

The special reason is that one of last year's outstanding trainees was suddenly and tragically stricken with a form of blood cancer and, although every medical help was given to him, he died very suddenly. It is hoped that money given towards cancer research may be able to reduce such tragedy.

Companies which send trainees to the Centre have been approached to increase the amount collected. The response has been excellent and is coming in various ways: company contributions, works collections, and sponsorship of trainees. One particularly interesting contribution is coming from one company's trade union members who have agreed that overtime worked on a certain day should be donated to the collection.

It is hoped that the amount raised this year will approach £1,000 and any further contributions will be very welcome. Mr R. Turner, 9 Wallas Road, Newton Aycliffe.



LETTERS

Larger stores do not mean cheaper goods

Dear Sir,
I would like to thank Mr J. L. James for his letter, re superstore and multi-storey car park, you voice the thoughts of many in this town.

It must be all of 15 years since Press & Co. Ltd. laid pipes in from Aycliffe Village to Shildon, ready for future plans to build homes, shops and schools. Why didn't the planners put this Superstore and multi-storey car park on the outskirts to give people there a place to shop and to ease our congested town centre.

We have to put up with bad planning and cheap buildings in Newton Aycliffe while Government Departments waste millions.

And large stores do not mean cheaper goods. I am sorry for all the shops in the town centre during this upheaval, with dust flying every-

where. Expand our town, "Yes," but on land that can stand the fierce intrusion.

A. Tenant,

Name and address supplied.

TOWN EYESORE

Dear Sir,

I used to be proud to show my visitors our town centre and the beautiful roundabout which bloomed all through the spring, summer and autumn. Now I try to keep visitors away from the eyesore that the planners have created. I have only spoken to one person who likes what is happening to our town centre. Those dark red bricks remind me of a jail. I am in total agreement with W. J. L. James, these buildings would have been more in keeping with the Burn Lane area. I know that we are too late in complaining, but at least the powers that be will know that the public are not pleased.

Yours sincerely,

A. Humble,
97 Bewick Crescent.

What has Aycliffe got?

Dear Sir,

I was outraged to read yet again that the Chamber of Trade is finding objection to plans to develop further the shopping potential of this town.

I fail to understand why the Chamber of Trade should have so much say in what new developments come to the town. Surely it should be up to the majority who will be affected by it, the shoppers.

I recently heard a rumour that Asda had once planned to open a store on Aycliffe Trading Estate and this was beaten down by local traders. I don't know what truth there is in such a rumour but I would be appalled to think that the housewives of this town were deprived of such an amenity. When all said and done, it is we who are left to pay the consequences.

Present shopping facilities on this town are poor to say the least when compared with other new towns. Washington has its Woolco and Saver Centre. Telford in Shropshire has a Carrefours Superstore, and the largest Sainsburys in the country. Tell me, what has Aycliffe got, and whose fault is it that we lack these facilities?

I think it is high time the housewives of this town took action to make their views known.

Yours sincerely,
Jean Wade (Mrs)

ED.: Local traders were objecting because they had no say. They deplored the closure of 2 car parks which inconvenienced shoppers and reduced trade. There is no truth in the rumour regarding Asda.

ON THE AIR!

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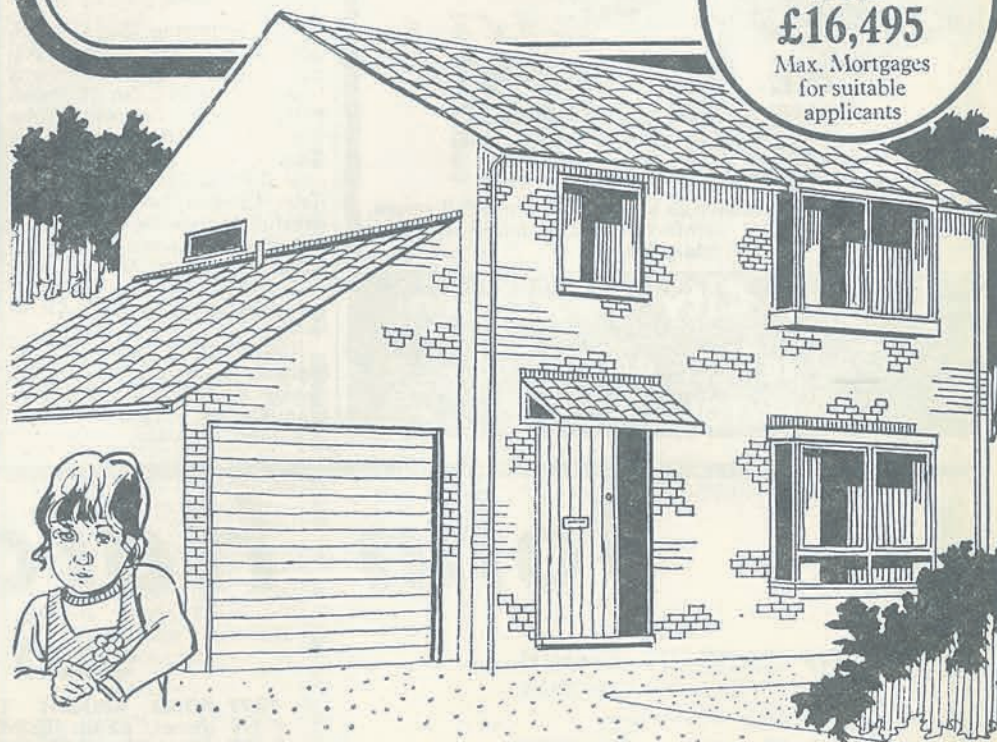
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Scouts to make town 'fit for a Prince . . .'

Newton Aycliffe Scout Supporters Association are organising a sponsored litter drive, to take place on Tuesday, 30th May.

The idea has a two-fold purpose — first to raise cash for the new headquarters

building and secondly to clean up Newton Aycliffe for the Royal Visit the next day. Sedgefield District Council Environmental Health Officer is delighted. "A most wonderful exercise," said Frank Gardner. "We will provide the bags and collect them after the youngsters have filled them."

Other uniformed organisations are being asked to help the scouts and it is hoped the "clean up" of Newton Aycliffe will instil in them and everyone who sees them at work, a sense of pride in the town.

The Town Council must have been influenced by the Scouts' public spirit as they agreed to grant £100 towards the new headquarters.

The ADC are to sponsor the youngest litter picker and it is hoped more people will help and encourage these youngsters. If you wish to sponsor someone please ring Newton Press, Aycliffe 312893.

ALL THE NICE GIRLS . . .

The crew of HMS Eskimo, our adopted ship, will be looking for partners at a dance to be held in their honour.

Unattached girls could seize the chance to meet and dance with a sailor on 24th June in the Recreation Centre.

Tickets will be on sale soon.

Summer Fayre

A Summer Fayre will be held on Saturday, May 27th, at 2.30 p.m. in the Old People's Cubby, Dalton Way. The event is in aid of Merz Road, Bowes Road, Collin Walk Old People's Homes Comfort Fund. The fayre is to be opened by Miss Great Aycliffe. Stalls, sideshows and raffles, etc. will be available for your enjoyment.

Gymkhana

Aycliffe's Annual Gymkhana will be held on Wednesday, the 31st of May, at Eldon Whins Field, Cobblers Hall, Newton Aycliffe. During the Spring Holidays it should be a nice day out for the family.

Festival latest

Among the many events that will take place during Festival Fortnight will be the Festival Queen Dance, when girls from 16 years and upwards can compete for Miss Festival 1978, and prizes of £25, £15 and £10. The compete for the evening will be Mr Brian Harvey from Radio Cleveland.

The Festival Princess competition for girls between the ages of 9 and 15 years has prizes of £5, £2, and £1.

The Bonny Baby competition, the Pet Dog competition are all for good prizes. The entry forms for all these events and for floats and stalls on field for Carnival Day can be had from the Information Centre or from Mr Rick Hargreaves, 61 Shafto Way, or from Mr Chris Jacques, 5 Mellanby Crescent, telephone 316755 or 317922.

There will be a Super Swimming Gala, a Schools Sports Evening, when 400 children from the town's schools will take part, and on June 21st a concert by the Durham Constabulary Band. This will be in the Recreation Centre and tickets will be 50p.

The Carnival Day will be held in Sugar Hill School Playing Field and not Simpasture as in previous years.

We would like as many people as possible to come forward to help as collectors and stewards for carnival day.

Programmes will be on sale soon, be sure of your copy, available from Newton Press Shop, price 10p, which also admits one person to the Carnival Field.

Day Centre for Neville Parade

The Committee of the Over-Sixty Club, Neville Parade, are proposing to organise a Day Centre at their premises. These extra activities will be both for the Over-Sixty members and for the younger persons of the 40's and 50's ages who do not have any specific social groups in Newton Aycliffe. We feel that our premises could well be utilised to provide a very varied programme, such as: Competitions, team games, handicrafts, demonstrations, talks, concerts, etc.

The Club premises will be opened most days from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Each evening of the week is booked by organisations, so evening sessions are not possible. Wednesday is for the Over-Sixty members and will not be altered, except that the Club will be opened at 2 p.m. for afternoon handicrafts or other activities for them.

We are also hoping to organise Sunday afternoon concerts, at least during the summer months.

Anyone interested in joining our Day Centre, helping with activities, making tea, etc., will be welcome. We are a very friendly group. Mrs V. Benton, treasurer, 25 Moule Close. Telephone 313618.

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