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Front Page Letter

WHY PAY HIGHER TAX AND HELP COUNCIL SPRING CLEAN? ASKS RESIDENT

Dear Sir,
In your front page story of w/e 14.3.97, we were informed that, for various reasons, along with millions of others, we would be facing a substantial increase in our Council Tax.

A bitter pill to swallow, but the sort of thing we have grown to accept lately. However, on reaching page five of that edition, I was amazed to read that Great Aycliffe Town Council is supporting and promoting a National Spring Clean Campaign, whereby companies, groups and individuals are being asked to clean up the town and surrounding areas themselves! Just how gullible to these people think we are?

My wife and I have lived in Aycliffe for over 20 years and have seen some areas deteriorate till they can only be described as disgusting and some of the worst in the country. We have relatives all over Britain, as far as Cornwall and have never come across rubbish or such a state. One such area is in the vicinity of the Rugby Club and the path towards the 'Gretna Green' pub. We often walk our two dogs down there (and yes, we do clean up after them), and the accumulation of bottles, cans, papers etc. is disgraceful. We have even come across used condoms and feminine 'hygiene' products! All this within yards of a childrens play area. This rubbish has not appeared overnight and it is obvious that the Council is neglecting its duties, but now expect us to do the job for them and be charged for for the privilege! This is, by no means, the only area in the town like this and I suggest that, those Councillors who spend so much time sniping at each other in the press, lay down their pens and pick up a shovel instead. I, for one, will not be

joining them and I believe anyone who does is helping them wriggle out of their responsibilities. Yours Sincerely
W J Findley

LUNCH CLUB INVITES NEW MEMBERS

Dear Sir,
Would you please inform your readers that the Lunch Club at St. Francis School is still running, meeting every Wednesday in the Church extension. The meals, which are now provided by Durham County Council, are absolutely wonderful.

The Club is run by Mrs Margaret Dobbin, helped by all those that attend. The Lunch Club opens at 11.30am when the members meet for a chat before the meal. Throughout the whole of last year, the 'lunchers' went out on various bus

trips from Penrith to Whitley Bay, from Leeds to the Scottish Borders. Newcomers are very welcome to join the Club, by simply ringing the numbers below, it is an opportunity to meet new friends and to get out of the house or bungalow.

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The death was announced of Dennis Charles Galloway on 12th March 1997 in Bishop Auckland General Hospital, after a period of illness.

A Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist in Bishop Auckland from 1948 until his retirement in 1978 he was a well known and loved figure in and around the hospital environment.

He was born and educated in Hereford and graduated in medicine from Birmingham University. During the second world war he used his new found medical qualifications and served until 1945 as a surgeon in the Royal Navy serving in the North Atlantic, Egypt and ashore.

He was involved in many actions including the sinking of the Scharnhorst off Scapa Flow. He gained his MRCOG in 1948 and moved to Bishop Auckland where he became the first full time consultant in his speciality.

He was the driving force behind the design, planning and introduction of the current maternity unit at the hospital. This was a great achievement of which he was justifiably proud particularly as it was commissioned just before his retirement.

He will be remembered by colleagues, patients and family as a thoroughly professional man who was totally dedicated to his chosen profession and his patients.

In his spare time he was a keen sailer, caravanner and amateur photographer. In more recent years he turned his love and attention to his family, particularly Beroe his wife of 57 years, who he has nursed through failing health. He found particular pleasure in his grandchildren and most recently a great grandson. He is survived by his wife, son and daughter, and will be sadly missed by all who remember him.

The funeral service and cremation took place on Friday 21st March at St. Andrews Parish Church, Aycliffe and from there on to Durham Crematorium.

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Under 12's

Beat Nunthorpe

On Sunday 16th March, Newton Aycliffe Under 12's were at home to Nunthorpe Athletic.

Straight from the kick-off Aycliffe went on the attack to try and get an early goal. They were rewarded when the Nunthorpe keeper could only parry a Bowtell shot and Cairns nipped in to pounce on the rebound.

Cairns then made his second goal and Aycliffe were looking very comfortable.

Nunthorpe Athletic were handed a very sloppy goal when Emmerson, Aycliffe's keeper, made a slip. Half-time 2-1

Aycliffe introduced Wright at half-time and were straight into an attack which saw Tarling going close with a good shot, Cairns nearly getting his hat-trick but a good save by the

Nunthorpe keeper denied him. Then disaster, against the run of play, Nunthorpe equalised with another mistake by Emmerson.

Aycliffe then introduced Peddely for the injured Craddock.

Aycliffe then went looking for the winner and this time Cairns got his hat-trick with a very good individual goal which saw him put a brilliant chip into the Nunthorpe goal.

Aycliffe then introduced Bates for Aycliffe Man-of-the-Match, Craggs, who did some excellent solid tackling at left back. Final Score 3-2 to Aycliffe.

Team: Emmerson, Vickerstaff, Craggs, (Bates J), Thorne, Byrne, Craddock (Peddely), Laing, Tarling, Cairns, Turnbull, Bowtell, (Wright)

Subs: Jones, Dickinson, Bates C.

Keep it Going Lads

Excellent Football

On Sunday 9th March Newton Aycliffe Under 12's travelled to Cleveland Juniors for a League game.

In fine conditions Newton Aycliffe played some excellent passing football and were rewarded with an excellent goal from Darren Craddock free kick.

Aycliffe made an early substitution with Bates J coming on for his brother who seemed to pull a muscle.

Aycliffe should have increased their lead when Cleveland keeper made a hash of coming out for a ball, it went to Tarling who saw his goal bound shot hit one of the Cleveland defenders and deflected for a corner. Half time 1-0

Aycliffe introduced Thorne at half-time and once again started playing some attractive football with Man-of-the-Match Craddock all over the pitch.

Aycliffe's second goal came when Laing passed the ball to Turnbull who took the ball to

the by-line and put across a shot which completely deceived the Cleveland keeper and Aycliffe attacker Cairns and ended in the back of the net.

Aycliffe then brought on Peddely and Jones. Final score - 2-0 to Aycliffe.

Team: Emmerson, Bates C (Bates J), Craggs, (Jones), Vickerstaff (Thorne), Byrne, Craddock, Laing, Tarling, Cairns (Peddely), Turnbull, Bowtell.

Subs: Dickinson, Wright.

Well done lads!

Easter Draw

On Wednesday the 26th March the After Stroke Club, Newton Aycliffe branch, are having their Easter Draw.

This will be drawn by Mark Brooks of Darlington Radio Alpha 1 at about 1pm.

Why not come and join us for a cuppa at the Youth Centre.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Promotion

For Under 10's

As League leaders, Aycliffe Under 10's stuttered towards promotion with 2 different performances recently.

Two weeks ago, they dominated Tontine Juniors with a 5-1 victory.

An early goal by Liam Cooper from David Turgoose's through ball gave them a flying start and goals from Stewie Owen and Graham Johnson gave Aycliffe a deserved half-time lead despite Tontine scoring with a penalty just before the break.

Aycliffe continued to dominate in the 2nd half as Liam Cooper netted his second and Stewie Owen's great free-kick enabled John Johnston to rifle in from close range. Matthew Dodds was a tower of strength and took the man-of-the-match award.

Last week, the lads came up against an improved Leven AFC side and lost unluckily 2-1.

Several Aycliffe chances went begging before Leven took the lead against the run of play. Kyle Summersby then bravely headed off the line to stop the lads conceding a second before Carl Robinson was able to crack home an equaliser from the edge of the box after a Stewie Owen cross.

Against the wind in the second half, the lads fell foul of several dubious refereeing decisions before a Leven forward headed home the winner direct from a corner. Goal keeper Scott Roscher performed heroics all game & unanimously took the man-of-the-match award.

This Sunday (23rd) the lads entertain New Marske Sports Club at Vane Road Primary School (KO 11am).

All support welcome for this the penultimate home game of the season.

Churches

Process

for Unity

and

Peace

Newton Aycliffe Catholics and Anglicans invite all Christians to join them in a day of prayer, to promote Christian Unity and World Peace.

The Procession will commence in St. Joseph's Chapel at 3pm, Stephenson Way, Newton Aycliffe with open prayers and introduction from Fr. Michael Weymes, continuing to the Anglican Church of St. Clare to be welcomed by Rev. Nicholas Chamberlain, after further prayers, the procession will proceed to St. Mary's Catholic Church for Benediction.

The statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will be carried to represent the ecumenical fellowship of Our Lady of Walsingham in Newton Aycliffe and neighbouring parishes.

Refreshments will be available after Benediction.

Further details from, Joan Thorne, 9 Auckland Place, Newton Aycliffe, Co. Durham DL5 5RD.

Aycliffe Move

into Third Place

NUNTHORPE - 1
AYCLIFFE U11'S - 6

Another great win for Aycliffe who move into 3rd place in the League.

After a tight first ten minutes, which saw chances at both ends, Aycliffe took the game by the scruff of the neck.

Some indecision in the Nunthorpe defence after a poor throw out, resulted in Michael Carr scoring Aycliffe's first goal and the opposition appeared to disintegrate.

Goal two came as Brendan Hindle's throw in found Carr. His cool chip gave the keeper no chance. Sean Donnelly then played in David Palmer who smashed one into the roof of the net for 3-0.

After a couple of chances went begging Aycliffe scored again when Palmer's shot rebounded off the goalkeeper and Donnelly lifted the ball over for no. 4.

Then, before the break, some head tennis resulted in Carr smashing his third and Aycliffe's fifth for an unbeatable half-time lead.

After the restart Nunthorpe

pulled a goal back but the difference was quickly restored when a free kick was helped in by Hindle with a 30 yard lob.

Ryan Stonehouse was man-of-the-match with another fine defensive performance and with two League games left Aycliffe are hoping to rise to 2nd.

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Council Tax 1997/98

This is hereby given in accordance with Section 38(2) of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992, that the Council, in pursuance of its powers under Section 30 of the Act, approved on 7th March 1997, a Council Tax for the period 1st April, 1997 to 31st March 1998 as follows:

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AULKS, Chief Executive Officer
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The Police are urging local people to do all they can to halt the 'fair weather thieves' in their tracks.

The recent warmer weather and the arrival of Spring have combined to produce a spate of thefts from gardens, sheds and washing lines in the area. Gardening equipment such as lawnmowers and strimmers are the most popular items for the green-fingered and light fingered crooks, although one householder in Spennymoor awoke the other morning to find thieves had run off with her bird bath during the night.

The discerning offenders are also making a beeline for items of designer wear, particularly jeans and sweatshirts, left to dry overnight on washing lines in backyards and gardens. "If you have any gardening items which are valuable,

then keep them secured and well out of sight" said Insp. John Snowball of Newton Aycliffe police. "Try to get expensive items postcoded, so that if something is stolen we stand a good chance of returning it to the rightful owner if it's recovered.

"If you intend leaving the washing out to dry overnight, you are taking a bit of a gamble. With many items of clothing worth £50 or even £100 each they make a very tempting and easy target for thieves" said the inspector. Anyone needing advice on how to beat the thieves should contact Newton Aycliffe's crime prevention officer, PC Alan Penman, on 314401.

SILVERDALE GROUP MEET TO FIGHT THE SMOKING HABIT

Local people got together at the Silverdale Community House last week in response to the National No Smoking Event - "Send it Packing".

It was interesting and fun, people received information and swapped experiences.

The event was very positive and has led to the development of a support group for the people seriously thinking about 'packing it in' which will be held at the Community House by Will Nuzum, Health Promotion Advisor for South Durham NHS Trust and Kirston Monkman, Health Visitor.

If you would like to join the group please contact the Silverdale Community House on 307539.

The Community House is a collaborative initiative supported by South Durham NHS Trust and the local community.

Church Easter Services

The Worship over Easter at Burnhill Way Methodist Church (near the Turbina) includes a special service at 3pm on Good Friday (28 March) and a Communion Service at 8am on Easter Day (30 March) followed by Breakfast.

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Letter to the Editor

Time to Abolish Town Council says Tony Moore

Dear Sir,
I have been unhappy for a long time about the way the Town Council operates but it has now reached a point where enough is surely enough.

The Town Council is, in my view, a body that is wholly discredited, it does not deserve to survive, not least because its very existence is costing the people of Aycliffe a fortune.

It has no powers whatsoever over important local government functions like education, social services, housing, planning and refuse collection. We can no longer afford this monstrosity, with the growth of our town and the emergence of district small local communities.

I believe the time is right to abolish the Town Council and replace it with a series of small neighbourhood Councils, that way local people will have a general local forum to discuss matters of concern in the immediate area.

After the General Election it is my intention to write to the new Local Government Minister, whoever that may be, asking for this idea to be considered and put to public consultation.

I see this as the only way forward otherwise Council Tax payers money will continue to be frittered away in a shameful manner by people who should know better.

Yours faithfully
Tony Moore



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It was a tough, physical contest between these two teams that always have a close game, writes *Steven Thompson*.
Aycliffe took the lead, lost the lead and then regained the lead to squeeze the victory 33-30.
It was a good game for spectators as was the post-match activities.
Aycliffe 'notched' another salient victory in the Aycliffe/Lydmets alcohol 'boat race', anchored by a local 'law enforcer'.
Then the aforementioned and Aycliffe's burly treasurer 'Phat Phil' lead the victory sing-along.
It was great to be involved as plenty of people were there supporting Aycliffe's local rugby community. Long may it continue.
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Council Invite Residents to Discuss Town's Circular Walk

The Town and Borough Councils are holding a Workshop to discuss and inform residents and interested groups about the proposed Circular Walk.
If you have any suggestions or questions about any aspect of the Walk, including the proposed route, why not come along to Great Aycliffe Town Council Offices on Wednesday 26th March between 2.30 and 8.00pm.
Officers from the Town and Borough Councils will be in attendance to inform and assist. Large-scale maps of the area will be on view and your observations and suggestions will be welcome.
Volunteers will also be needed for many different aspects of the Project. The type of tasks with which you could be involved include:

Practical work - scrub clearance, tree planting, way marking
Historical Research - collecting anecdotal evidence and archive material on the history of the area.
Monitoring - 'adopt' a length of path, your section of path for you to walk and keep us informed of any work needing attention.
Survey Work - are you a twitchee, know a bit about flowers? If you know your birds, flowers, trees or insects or would like to know, you could help with habitat surveys.

Flower Club Information

At the Shildon & District Flower Club AGM in January the Club was pleased to hand over cheques of £150 each to two local organisations.
Mr. Alan Best received a cheque on behalf of the Teesdale and Weardale Search and Rescue Team and Ms. Christine Brown on behalf of the Durham County Association for the Disabled.
On the 3rd March 1997 our Members Evening was held, when everyone enjoyed an excellent meal provided by the Shildon Civic Centre, followed by a light hearted and polished performance by the HODA Harmony Singers from Hartlepool.
At our Open Meeting which is to be held at Shildon Civic Centre on Monday 7th April 1997 at 7.30pm we will be welcoming Mr. Ian Zorn a National Demonstrator from Merseyside.
Admission is £5. For tickets contact 01325 315103. All welcome.

Byerley Park School Delighted with Ofsted Report

Byerley Park has every reason to celebrate the publication of their recent OFSTED Inspection. The school has striven for high standards over many years and they can feel well pleased that their efforts have been recognised.
The inspectors stated:
Byerley Park Primary School is a very good school with many strengths. Standards of achievement are above the national expectations in English, Mathematics, Science, Design and Technology, Information Technology, History, Geography and Art, and at least in line with national expectations in the other subjects. Teachers, parents and pupils are rightly proud of their school which serves its pupils and their community very well. The very high priority given to literacy, numeracy and scientific development is reflected in the high standards achieved at both key stages. Attainment is particularly high in English, especially in reading. Pupils read with accuracy, understanding and enjoyment and this is a strength of the school. In Mathematics, attainment is consistently high, particularly in year 6, and pupils use numbers confidently and handle data well in mathematical investigations. In Science, attainment is above national expectations with examples of good work throughout the school, particularly in experimental work. The quality of education is consistently good and the quality of teaching is a strength of the school. Pupils show high motivation, respond very well and sensibly and show good purpose. The pupils' high levels of attainment in such a wide range of subjects provide further indication of the appropriately high expectations of the head-teacher and his staff. Behaviour is very good and pupils are encouraged to understand the consequences of their actions and to be honest and act responsibly. The caring school community and the very good role models provided by the head-teacher and his staff support this positive development.....
The staff and governors were complemented on their management of the school: *"The head-teacher provides strong leadership and sets the tone for the school. He provides very clear educational direction and receives excellent support from the governing body and senior management team. Particularly high standards of management and teaching are set by the deputy head-teacher and excellent support is provided by the highly committed and very hard-working staff in establishing a positive school ethos."*
Key issues for action
The school should now build upon the many strengths that already exist for school improvement and the governing body, head-teacher and staff should seek to:
1 further develop formal procedures for the assessment of pupils' work in order to monitor individual progress and inform future planning more effectively,
2 further develop formal procedures by which the governing body can monitor and evaluate the curriculum,
3 develop the role of the curriculum co-ordinator in order to share curriculum expertise and monitor the curriculum more effectively,
4 raise levels of multi-cultural awareness.

Letter to the Editor CAT DIRT IS AS ANNOYING AS DOGS

Dear Editor,
I have been a resident of Newton Aycliffe for 24 years and I have been following, with great interest, the continuing saga of dogs fouling our footpaths and grass verges. It appears to me that a vast majority of people have an opinion on the subject, but not many really know the true problem of animal faeces facing Newton Aycliffe.
As a keen gardener I find it increasingly annoying to read about dog faeces on our footpaths and when I am trying to keep my Roses and Pansies looking nice every night a number of cats use my garden as a toilet, killing off my flowers.
On top of this I have a small child aged 2yrs, just at the age when he likes to toddle around the garden and, as most people know, small children like to pick objects off the ground and inadvertently put them in their mouths if no-one is looking. Fortunately, as of yet, this has not happened, but only due to close supervision by my wife and myself. I find it disgusting that I cannot let my own child run around in his own garden when I personally make every effort to keep it safe.
To add credence to my claim, just recently I had a patio laid in the back

garden and for a week so there was sand laid on awaiting the flags to be laid.
Consequently, every cat Newton Aycliffe decided to use the sand as a Litter! Do your readers find this acceptable? certainly do not.
To finish, may I add that myself, was once a dog owner and, like the vast majority of responsible dog owners on the town, used to take my dog away from public areas to do its business. When it was finished I would clean up and dispose of it correctly.
So let's lay off the innocent dog owners and target the real villains, THE CAT OWNERS.
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EASTER SERVICES in GREAT AYCLIFFE

St. ANDREW'S (C of E), Aycliffe Village
Palm Sunday - 23rd March
10.45am Holy Communion & Blessing of Palms
3.00pm Evensong (at the White House)
Maundy Thursday - 27th March
7.30pm Holy Eucharist
Good Friday - 30th March
10.00am Good Friday Liturgy
11.00am Ecumenical Service in Town Centre
Easter Sunday - 30th March
10.15am Sung Eucharist

St. CLARE'S (C of E), Town Centre
Palm Sunday - 23rd March
8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Sung Communion & Blessing of Palms
6.00pm Hymns & Readings for Palm Sunday
Monday in Easter Week
7.00pm Holy Eucharist
Maundy Thursday - 27th March
7.30pm Holy Eucharist
Good Friday - 28th March
9.00am Morning Prayer
11.00am Ecumenical Service in Town Centre
1.30pm Good Friday Liturgy
Easter Sunday - 30th March
6.00am Vigil & first Eucharist of Easter
8.00am Holy Eucharist
9.30am Choral Eucharist
6.00pm Easter Songs of Praise

St. FRANCIS (C of E), Horndale
Palm Sunday - 23rd March
9.30am Sung Eucharist & Blessing of Palms
Tuesday in Easter Week
7.00pm Holy Eucharist
Maundy Thursday - 27th March
7.30pm Holy Eucharist
Good Friday - 28th March
11.00am Ecumenical Service in Town Centre
2.00pm Good Friday Liturgy
Easter Eve
8.00pm Vigil & First Eucharist of Easter
Easter Sunday - 30th March
9.30am Sung Eucharist

BURNHILL WAY (Methodist)
Good Friday - 28th March
11.00am Ecumenical Service in Town Centre
Easter Sunday - 30th March
8.00am Communion
10.45am Morning Worship
6.00pm Evening Worship

St. ELIZABETH'S (C of E), Woodham
Palm Sunday - 23rd March
10.45am Sung Eucharist & Blessing of Palms
Wednesday in Easter Week
7.00pm Holy Eucharist
Maundy Thursday - 27th March
7.30pm Agape Meal
Good Friday - 28th March
11.00am Ecumenical Service in Town Centre
2.00pm Good Friday Liturgy
Easter Eve
9.00pm Vigil & First Eucharist of Easter
Easter Sunday - 30th March
10.45am Family Eucharist

St. MARY'S (RC)
Saturday 22nd March
6.30pm Vigil Mass
Palm Sunday - 23rd March
11.00am Mass
Maundy Thursday - 27th March
7.00pm Mass
Good Friday - 28th March
11.00am Ecumenical Service in Town Centre
3.00pm Mass
Holy Saturday - 29th March
8.00pm Mass
Easter Sunday - 30th March
11.00am Easter Mass

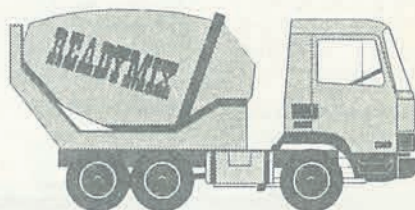
St. JOSEPH'S (RC)
Palm Sunday - 23rd March
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Good Friday - 28th March
11.00am Ecumenical Service in Town Centre
12noon Mass
Easter Sunday - 30th March
9.30am Easter Mass

NEVILLE PARADE (Methodist)
Maundy Thursday - 27th March
7.00pm Supper/Sacrament
Good Friday - 28th March
11.00am Ecumenical Service in Town Centre
7.00pm Service by Choir & Rev. S Stevens
Easter Sunday - 30th March
10.30am Morning Worship
6.30pm Evening Worship

CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTRE (Woodham)
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7.00pm Easter Concert by CLC Youth Choir

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Letter to the Editor "WHY I WON'T REJOIN LABOUR"

Dear Sir,
Over a long period I've been invited, advised, argued with at every level, to rejoin the Labour Party.
So for promotion, to be an Ambassador for Aycliffe! I've also been asked to put my name forward to join Freemasonry. It's been said I could do immense good for my Ward and Aycliffe, also benefit personally in politics by rejoining Labour. I would have power, position, influence, public recognition - Giddy stuff!
I have my Wards and Aycliffe suffered by my refusing? Have they been discriminated against, because I failed to see the pale pink light and join a winning team, going for gold, with the flow?
Would I hit the Conference rail, join the 'Chain Gang' in rapped-out gear? Renege on promises who voted for me?
Would I sing 'congratulations', applaud a Group Leaders legacy? Watch the P's and S's? Earn bonus Brownie points, get on, keep quiet, cultivate a Mushroom Culture? Be a Leader-Clone?
I'd rejoined, moved upward politically, (morally downward) what about those who only sneer, snarl and snap at any non-Labour? What about their hard-earned brownie points? Would I deprive them of an undeserved promotion? Could they squeeze another chair in the Labour Group Rooms?

I left the Labour Party for good reasons and I'll not rejoin. Millions died for free speech, freedom of thought, democracy. I'll not promote One-party Politics, the more the merry.
Don Fraser - Woodham & Aycliffe North Wards

1800 Pairs of Glasses

On behalf of Newton Aycliffe Rotary Club and the Inner Wheel Club thank you to everyone who donated spectacles for use by Vision Aid Overseas. We were expecting about 500 so were delighted with the response with 1800 pairs being received. A special thank you to the collection points which were: Somerfield Supermarket, A1 Stores, Walkers Butchers, the Spar shop at Heighington, St. Michael's Church Heighington, Greenfield Comprehensive School, Woodham Burn Junior and Infant Schools, Aycliffe Village School and Heighington School.

New Careers H.Q. Opened by E.M.P.

The new headquarters of County Durham Careers Service was formally opened this week by Euro MP Stephen Hughes. The Grade II listed Aykley Heads House, which has been extensively renovated, is the administrative centre of the Careers Service and is also proving popular as a venue for professional meetings and training courses. A joint venture partnership between the Local Education Authority and County Durham TEC, the Service provides careers information, guidance and support not only to young people in school and college but also to the young unemployed people, adults and graduates. Six full-time careers centres operate in Peterlee, Durham, Bishop Auckland, Consett, Chester-le-Street and Darlington with part-time careers centres in Stanley, Crook and Newton Aycliffe. A new postal inquiry service, funded by County Durham TEC, will also operate from Aykley Heads House providing a careers information service to those who are unable to get to one of the full time centres.

SWIMATHON WILL HELP RAISE MONEY FOR YOUR CHARITY

The annual Charity Swim to be held at Spennymoor Leisure Centre takes place on Sunday 27th April from 8am - 5pm. This popular event is in its 16th year and has raised over £115,000 for charity. As a new idea teams can now split sponsorship cash raised, with the Swimathon charities, which this year supports South Durham Hospice and the Wishing Well Club at Newton Aycliffe and other local good causes. Organisations, Schools,

Factories, Offices and Clubs in the town are invited to enter a team of up to six swimmers to swim the length of the pool in relays. They are required to gain sponsorship for the number of lengths swum and if they wish they can donate half the cash raised to a charity of their choice. Trophies are awarded for most sponsorship money raised, best school team, best junior team, most lengths completed. Entry to Swimathon is FREE so ring Newton News on 300212 who will be pleased to register your team and send your forms.

NEWTON AYCLIFFE POOL LEAGUE 1996 - 1997

TEAM	Pl	Sn	Pr	Capt	Overall
Southern Club	38	157	30	27	214
British Legion 'A'	38	159	25	22	206
British Legion 'B'	37	154	31	21	206
The Acorn	37	105	15	25	148
The Oaktree	37	112	16	17	145
Aycliffe Arms	37	92	19	23	134
Iron Horse	37	95	15	12	124
Turbinia 'A'	37	94	15	13	122
N/A Sports Club	37	89	13	15	118
Oakleaf Complex	37	88	13	12	115

GAMES STILL TO BE PLAYED:
Acorn v Legion 'B'
Oaktree v Oakleaf
Turbinia 'A' v Aycliffe Arms
N.A.S.C. v Iron Horse

Abseil Raised £400

Dear Sir,
May I, through your newspaper, thank the following companies and individuals for sponsoring me on my successful (if shaky) attempt on abseiling from Darlington Memorial Hospital on Sunday 16th March, in aid of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

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school doors.

We raised £140.23 and all
winners have been
notified.

We would also like to
thank our volunteers, Gill,
Lisa, Angela, Frances,
Isabel, Bev and Jackie for
all their hard work.

Our next big fund-raising
event will be to hold a
balloon race and barbecue
in the summer and we
hope we will be able to
count on the people of
Newton Aycliffe to be as
supportive then as they
have been on this occasion.

Thank you all once again.
Mrs J Watson
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Letter

Tony
Moore
Deserves
Support

Dear Sir,
I write this letter in support of
Mr Moore and regarding the
letter from Mr Clare.
Firstly, regarding Mr Clare's
crack, in which he says 'No
doubt I will be savaged by Mr
Moore's Press Poodles, who
write in his support'. Well! I've
often written in Mr Moore's
support, therefore I must
assume I'm one of those Press
Poodles to whom Mr Clare
refers.

I take great exception to this
kind of comment, as, like Mr
Moore, I say what I think is
wrong and what I think should
be done.

As far as I'm concerned Mr
Moore states, what a lot of
people of this Town also
consider to be wrong. He alone
has the drive and the guts to
stick his neck out over all sorts
of issues, which have often
appeared in the Newton News.
He has for instance highlighted
the squandering of money by
the Council, also the way very
little was done to deal with this
winter's icy conditions and in
particular the welfare of the old
and frail.

Then there has been his
campaign to sort something
out. But what can he do, when
it appears he gets very little
support from other Councillors,
if Mr Clare attacks him over
this last issue, is it little wonder
Mr Moore retaliates in kind.
Let's face it, what have the
Councillors of Newton Aycliffe
done about the Town Centre?
If we had more Councillors of
Mr Moore's ilk, with his
obvious skills and drive, then
the Town Centre, Avenue site
and other issues, would have
been resolved a long time ago.
I feel Mr Moore must feel
frustrated by some of the
Councillors who don't appear
to have the interests of this
Town at heart and who seem to
bury their heads in the sand.
Mr McNeal
Tunstall Road

Thank You

MRS JUDITH GRAHAM and family would like to thank friends, neighbours and Andy's friends and colleagues at Sedgfield Borough Council for kind enquiries and cards during Andy's illness. Also for the many cards of condolence, messages of sympathy and kindness and support at the time of his death. Thank you and God bless you all
THANK YOU to Dr. Pounder, receptionist's and to the lady who brought me home on Friday, 14th March, when I took ill - C Peacock
THANKS to Auntie Jen for a lovely holiday in Euro Disney from your nephew Michaela Lewis XXX
JOSIE SAUNDERS Would like to thank all family and friends for cards, flowers and gifts while she was ill. Special thanks to Jayne, whose help proves true friendship does exist!
GENEROUS thanks to Darlington Tec (Stuart Angus), Linda (SASDA, Shildon), family and friends, Barclays Bank, Sedgfield Borough Council Planning department and the girls at Boyes for all the friendly help and advice toward opening this business - ANN - ZIPZIN PLUS

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MILLER

Somebody up there sent one little angel down to earth, thank you
Beverley and God.
Happy birthday
Lauren Skye
1 year old today
(20-3-97)
Love from Daddy

MILLER

To our beautiful little girl, Lauren Skye, Happy 1st birthday darling, all our love Mummy and Daddy
(20-3-97)

MILLER

Happy birthday to our lovely little sister, Lauren Skye. 1 year old today, 20-3-97.
We both love you loads, love Kayleigh and Vicky

Tracy Gelding



Hip Hip Hooray
Tracy is 34 Today
Guess Who?

Nigel Smith (Nig)



Happy 30th Birthday
You haven't changed a bit! Lots of love from your two little angels, Marie and Sadie (luv yer Daddy)

THOMPSON Damon Kerins, 20-3-97, Our precious boy is no longer a baby, he is now a toddler of "2". We love you more and more every second sweetheart, have a great day, love forever Mummy and Daddy XX

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Lorraine Malcolm



Hip Hip Hooray
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on Monday
Love Dad, Maureen
Gary and Michele
XXX

GABI LEWIS Happy 21st birthday, 24-3-97, and congratulations on your recent HND in Administration Management, love Mum, Dad and Rachel
SIMON EVANS Happy 18th birthday, many happy returns, Dad

BARRON Congratulations Debbie and Mark on the birth of your daughter, Paige Nicole, 16-3-97. Lots of love from Marie, Darran, Victoria, David & Lauren X
BARRON Congratulations on the birth of your daughter Debbie and Mark, lots of love from Mark & Elaine X
BARRON 16-3-97. Congratulations Debbie and Mark on the birth of your beautiful granddaughter, Paige Nicole, lots of love Mam and Dad XXX

BARRON Thank you Debbie for our beautiful daughter, Paige Nicole, all my love to you both, Mark
WALLING Congratulations to my husband, Paul on passing both HGV tests 1st time! Love Janette and girls
WALLING Happy 30th Chris, 27-3-97, love Paul, Janette and girls, Mary, Alan and family

JOHNSTON John Buchanan Happy 10th birthday on 26th March, lots of love from Mum, Dad and wee brother Craig
SINCLAIR Rebecca Jayne To the best daughter in the world, happy 18th birthday, love Mum and Dad XX
SINCLAIR Rebecca, all my love on your 18th birthday and always, love Paul

PRYOR Congratulations Lesley and Ken on the birth of your baby daughter, Katy Ann, 14-3-97, best wishes Gran and PJ
PRYOR Congratulations Lesley and Ken on the birth of your baby daughter, Katy Ann, love from Mam & Dad
BESTFORD, Angela happy 18th birthday Angela, lots of love Gavin

BESTFORD, Angela happy birthday Angela on your 18th, lots of love Linda and Stephen

BESTFORD Happy birthday Auntie Angela, lots of love and cuddles from Beth

BESTFORD, Angela happy birthday Angela, lots of love Shaun and Penny
BESTFORD, Angela Lots of love and best wishes for the future, have a great 18th birthday, all my love Mam
GILLIAN & PETER Congratulations and thank you for a lovely grandson, named Mason Steed, lots of love from Mam, Dad and James XX

LAUREN BAILEY Happy birthday to our big eight year old, hugs and kisses from your sister Kate and cousins Michael, Olivia, Alex and Ellie XX

RAY GORDON Happy 40th birthday for 20-3-97, lots of love from Carol and Christopher

SIMON EVANS Sorry I can't be at your party, but have a very happy 18th birthday, lots of love Ken, Josie, M & M

In Memorium

PETER BUSHBY Died 26th March 1994. The happiness we shared is no longer mine, but your memory will not fade with the passing of time, we walk together still, your hand in mine - Your loving wife Irene

MICHAEL JOHN BONAS (Mick) who died 5 years ago, aged 43 years. Treasured memories of a dear husband and father, who is always in the thoughts and hearts of his loving family. Maureen, Lee, Julie, Sarah and granddaughter Rhianna Louise XXXX
KEITH SEAMAN 22-3-87. I often sit and wonder how our lives would be today, sharing all the joy and sadness that life throws our way, but instead all I have left, are the memories of you, which I will cherish forever, love you always Pam.

KEITH SEAMAN 22-3-87 Treasured memories of a wonderful Dad, who is missed and loved everyday, love Gareth

KEITH SEAMAN 22-3-87. In memory of a wonderful and much loved Dad, who is always in my thoughts, love you Dad, Tracey and Tony. Gentle Jesus up above please give grandad Keith all our love, Luke and Gillisa X
KEITH SEAMAN 22-3-87 I was only a child when God took you from our side, now I'm a grown woman with a child of my own on the way, I just wish God could have spared you, so you would be here to share your new grandchild, love and miss you Amanda XXX

KEITH SEAMAN March 22nd 1987. Quietly today your memory we treasure, loving you always, forgetting you never. Love Stan, Lyn, Mam & Dad XX
KEITH SEAMAN March 22nd 1987. Sweet are the memories silently kept of a dear uncle we will never forget, love Paul and Leanne

TINA-LOUISE ALLAN 21st March. The stars are not wanted now, put out every one, pack up the moon and dismantle the sun. Pour away the ocean and sweep up the wood, for nothing now can ever come to any good. A special sister and treasured friend, sadly missed, today and always Jacque

TINA-LOUISE ALLAN 21st March 1983. A fragrant memory. Today I stole two roses, I confess roses enhanced with crystal drops of dew, comparable to dawn's first loveliness, they remind me so much of you. The fragrant air stealing from the flowers, evoked sweet memories of long ago, when we shared together blissful hours, before the time you had to go. Oh, that those times were undervalued then, innocent happy days so free from care, would come back so that we might taste again, the sweetness of the love we used to share. Just as the petals flutter from the leaf, those times now it seems were all to brief. Always missed, always loved - Mum and Chris XX

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Birthday Remembrance

EVA PALMER (24th March) - Deep in our hearts you will always stay, forever loved and remembered on this your Birthday. It doesn't take your birthday to remind us that we love you, we miss you so very much but our memories of the love you gave us all will see us through. Love always husband John, sons David and Ian, daughters-in-law Jean and Valerie and grandchildren Helen, Kevin, Kimberley and Christopher. XXXXX

MAURICE CRAGGS Birthday Remembrance, March 24th. Miss you loads, always in our thoughts, love forever Karen, Kristina and Claire

MAURICE CRAGGS Birthday Remembrance, March 24th, miss you so much, remember you always, love Nell XX

EUNICE DUNBAR March 26th. No cards sister dear. If roses grow in heaven Lord, would you pick a bunch for us and lay them in our Eunice' arms and tell her they are from us. Tell her we love her very much (miss you sis). Love always Dorothy and family XX

A black and white photograph showing two men in a workshop setting. The man on the right, wearing a light-colored shirt, is leaning over a boat hull, working on a component. The man on the left, wearing a dark shirt, is also working on the boat. The background is filled with various tools and equipment, suggesting a professional repair or manufacturing environment.

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