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Sean's poster has won first
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Show poster competition and
will soon be reproduced and
then displayed in many outlets
throughout the area.

The standard of work entered
was very high, both from
school entries and from
children who entered the

competition separately.
Second prize was awarded to
Richard Woodcock age 14,
third prize to Cherise Dyer age
8 and an award of merit to
Louise Adams.

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his friends from Junior
School if he transferred to
Greenfield and he will
continue to attend
Woodham.
I will not let him walk
home and so the
arrangements for him at

present are costly and
unsatisfactory.
I would like to know if any
other parents have had a
similar problem.
If anyone has perhaps they
could contact me and we
could discuss a means of
arranging group transport
for our children between
this area of the Town and
Woodham Comp.
My telephone number is
317830.
Yours faithfully
Ann Johnson

Letter

Council Work Put Me out of Pocket!

Dear Editor,
To all the people of Great
Aycliffe parish and readers
of the 'Newton News', as
Councillor Tony Moore has
named me in his election
campaign by pointing out
that I have expenses of
£81.42, may I reply.
As a Town and Borough
Councillor I sit on seventeen
Council Committees which I
attend on a regular basis, not
just when I want!
One of the Committees
which I chair is the Great
Aycliffe Show Committee,
where we book everything
one year in advance.
To attend a two-day
Showman's Show at
Newbury near Reading, I
applied to take two days off
work, travelled down to
Newbury and spent two days
watching performers etc.,
outside in an arena, looking
for acts to book which would
fit in the 1997 Aycliffe Show
programme.
My expenses payment did
not cover my out-of-pocket
expenses and loss of
earnings. It cost me money -
although I am not
complaining; this what I was
elected to do.
I wish Councillor Moore
would put as much effort into
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Yours faithfully
George Gray

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The Easter school holidays saw the start of Great Aycliffe Town Council's 1997 Sports Development Programme, which kicked off with Football, Golf, Cricket and Tennis. All the Courses were fully booked with over 75 children taking part in the football alone. The picture shows some of the youngest age group battling with the wind, as well as the ball!

The Deputy Mayor of Great Aycliffe, Councillor Sarah Iveson presented certificates, prizes and medals to footballers and golfers and the Mayor, Councillor John Moran and the Mayoress, Mrs. Mary Moran,

attended the presentation of certificates, medals and prizes for children who participated in Tennis and Cricket. The next series of Courses to be held is during the Whitsun school holiday when Badminton, Golf and Football will be held. The quality coaching courses are priced at £7 per child and are extremely popular. They are allocated on a first come, first served basis - if you would like to have your child's name placed on the mailing list, please contact: Marie Robinson, Great Aycliffe Town Council, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, Co. Durham. Tel: (01325) 300700.

£24,800 System

The Borough Council is to spend £24,800 on a Document Imaging System to make more efficient use of storage space and office accommodation at Green Lane, Spennymoor. It will also improve ease and speed of access to information and replace microfilming and paper filing systems.

£15,000 to Improve Nature Walk

£15,000 is to be spent on enhancing a length of the old railway line which separates the town and industrial Estate. The area for landscape improvement is behind the former UMM factory, now known as the IES Centre and is to be funded by the County Council. Work should start in November.



Teenager's Award

A video made by a local movie maker has won awards in a major international competition. The Sneeze - made by 17 year old Scott Mann, of 35 Sheraton Road has won the International Award (Camcorder User International Medallion and £100) and the IAC Trophy for the Best Animated Entry and £100. The video will be screened during Movie 97, a four day festival to be held at the Abbey Hotel in Great Malvern, Worcestershire from April 10 to April 13. The competition attracted over 200 entries from amateur movie makers and film students in the UK, America and other countries. As well as a dazzling array of trophies, cups, plaques and medallions, over £2400 in prize money and vouchers will be presented to the major award winners. The competition, an annual event, has been organised by the IAC (Institute of Amateur Cinematographers) since 1933 and copies of many award winning movies from previous competitions are held in the IAC Film and Video library. The competition this year is being sponsored by Camcorder User magazine and Jessops. Scott, who delivers the 'Newton News', is delighted with his success.

S.S.A.F.A.'s BIG BREW-UP DAY

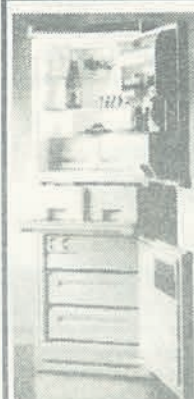
Please help SSAFA Forces Help in the 'Big Brew Up' on Wednesday 11th June 1997. The 'Big Brew Up' is a nationwide tea party, we hope it may be the biggest tea party ever and so rate a mention in the Guinness Book of Records. The 'Big Brew Up' is sponsored by Tesco Gold Tea. Will you organise a tea party for us? If so, Tesco will supply the tea. You decide what price to charge - but on average we hope to raise 50p per person attending. The 'Big Brew Up' will run from Saturday 7th June to Sunday 15th June but with special emphasis on Wednesday 11th June - select whichever date suits you - but choose Wednesday 11th June 1997 if you want to help us reach the Guinness Book of Records. SSAFA Forces Help exists to help service and ex-service people and their families. We have a network of helpers country-wide to whom those in need can turn. Many seek our help, including Second World War veterans who are now old and frail. Down the years cups of tea have supported countless Servicemen - let's make sure they do in June 1997! If you may be able to help please contact our Honorary Division Secretary, Brian Wilson, Harebell Meadows, on 31401.

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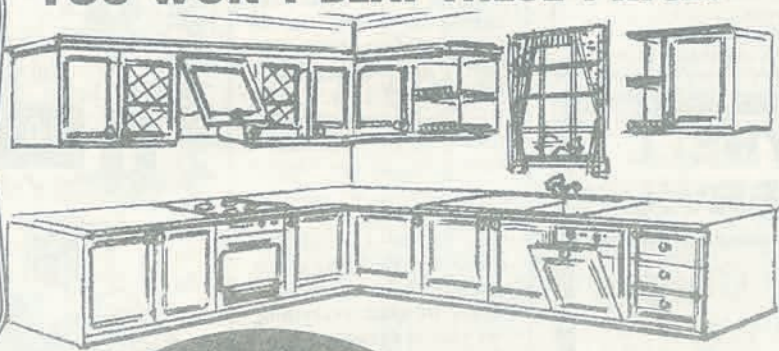
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Letter to the Editor

Give ALL the Facts on Council Spending

Dear Sir,
Well it's that time of year again, next year's Council Tax bill has just dropped onto my doormat.

We're lucky really, by careful manipulation of funds, the bill has only increased by around 13%.

Nicely printed breakdowns of how my money will be spent are neatly laid out to tell me how much goes to the Police, Durham County Council and Great Aycliffe Town Council, who incidentally spend 5.85 times more than Ferryhill, 2.7 times more than Shildon and 1.5 times more than Spennymoor.

On one form it tells me that GATC will be spending £1.775m, but on another it says £1.016m.

I have no objection to paying £46.60 to the Police, in fact it should be nearer £100 to give them the resources they require.

But to increase my bill by over 45% (£224.03) for GATC and Sedgefield Borough, who incidentally do not show what they are spending the money on, does seem a little extreme to me. What we need to see is the facts that they are not showing, such as, how much is paid in expenses for meals, travelling (how much does a Council worker get paid per mile if they use their car)? GATC are spending

£816.740 on recreation and £958.175 on other services, what are these other services and how much does each one cost.

Are we paying two or three times, once to each Council, for only one service?

N.D. Skerrett
Locker Close

£250,000 WASTED?

Dear Editor,
The Council Tax forms are coming through the letter boxes, they get higher, I blame this Tory Government and I am looking forward to seeing my own Labour Government in power in May.

Every thing cannot be blamed on the Tories, I've asked myself time and time again, was it wise a year or so ago for our own local Labour controlled Authorities to donate £175,000 to Fujitsu, £25,000 to Northern Electric and an annual donation of approx. £15,000 to British Rail Heritage Line, that's nearly a quarter of a million pounds.

This money would have kept the Council Tax down and neither of the above firms needed it.

George White
Bluebell Close

TIRELESS WORKER ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE

Dear Sir,
I was educated at Horndale Infants, St Francis Junior & Greenfield Comprehensive Schools and live in Aycliffe. I am now an actor, TV writer and author and I have known Tony Moore all my life.

He has done a numerous amount for the people of Newton Aycliffe by helping the Town to establish itself as a community in its own right. He is a tireless worker on behalf of the people he represents and is never

frightened to have a go when there is an injustice which needs putting right.

I can remember, as a child, how Tony fought for better facilities for the young people in the Horndale part of Newton Aycliffe. He also successfully campaigned for Greenfield Community Hall and Greenfield School to be built. Now there is a nursery unit at Horndale, partly thanks to Tony's efforts.

On two occasions Tony gave every assistance to the Action Group formed to fight plans to

shut the school. Fortunately, the plans were defeated and the school remains open.

He is always approachable and he has never lost touch with the community he represents. For many years Tony has been involved in organising football tours and trips for the young people of Newton Aycliffe. This has even involved a visit to America.

Tony is just the right person to be a Councillor, outspoken when he needs to be but most important of all, caring in his outlook and known by us all.

Yours faithfully
Darren Hutchinson
80 Winterburn Place

Letter to the Editor

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Brownies Celebrate 20th Anniversary

The 9th Newton Aycliffe Brownie pack (St. Joseph's) celebrate its 20th birthday on 18th April 1997.

On April 18th 1977 it registered at St. Joseph School, but has met at the Scout Centre since 1984.

We would like to invite ALL GIRLS who were in 9th Newton Aycliffe Brownie pack from 1977 - to date to a

PARTY at the Scout Centre, Bluebell Way, Newton Aycliffe on Saturday 19th April 1997 from 7.30pm till 11pm.

All welcome including Guiders and past helpers from other Brownie packs, Girl Guide division, Newton Aycliffe.

Contact 317419 for further details.

Hope you all can come.
Margaret McDermott
Brownie Guider

Helpline for M.I.N.D. Launched



The Mayor and Mayoress of Great Aycliffe, Councillor John and Mary Moran, officially launched the opening of 'Helpline' on Friday, 4th April 1997.

The 'Helpline' number is (01325) 309999 and is a new scheme which is available for people with mental health needs and their carers, to use between the hours of 5pm and 10pm on Fridays. Trained volunteers would be happy to hear from you.

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"Twelve Monkeys" Competition Winners

Once again we received a huge amount of entries for our Video Competition. Prizes have been delivered to the winners, who are: Margaret Barella, Fox Place; Paul Hindmarch, Kendrew Close; and Sheila Wales of The Green, Brafferton. Congratulations to all the winners.

Letter to the Editor

Election Time

Good for a Laugh

Dear Sirs,

What a joy it is to read your newspaper now that the elections are near. The sheer weight of hyperbole, hypocrisy and plain old hot-air is breathtaking. Our lives are lifted by the spectre of so many self-important little nobodies tearing lumps out of each other in the columns of your newspaper. The sight of our anti-heroes making complete asses of themselves draws a smile to all our faces. How long the week is till the next edition! I suppose we can expect some changes to the old graffiti on the town as a result of the cult status some of our glorious leaders have aspired to.

No longer, perhaps, 'United Rule OK' but 'Tony Moore for President!' or 'John D Clare is lush!' But may I make a suggestion? How about these two luminaries changing their names? Perhaps they would consider 'Tony Less' and 'I Declare' - then the electorate would know that they really stand for the Monster Raving Looney Party and forgive them!

In the meantime, there is nothing quite so ridiculous as the sight of two very large egos trying to inflate two very little people. Keep it up gents - we all need a laugh now and then!

Yours sincerely
I Hall

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Cricket News

Great Lakes Chemicals (Europe) Ltd., have continued their major support for Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club by agreeing for the fifth consecutive year to be the Club's main sponsor.

Great Aycliffe Town Council have also been most generous in their help in supporting our coaching scheme, which was run by Junior Coaches Alan Courtney and Richard Hawthorne.

The Club have three junior teams at under 13, under 15 and under 18 level and this coaching course helped to attract around 30 new youngsters to the Club's junior ranks.

The Club would like to give their sincere thanks to both Great Lakes Chemicals and Great Aycliffe Town Council together with the local Rotary Club, Gregg Little, Save Garage, Ken Chambers, John Melvin, William Hill, Durham Precision Engineering and numerous others who have all generously given sponsorship to the Club this year.

The Club stage their first outdoor practise net session on Wednesday 16th April at 6.00pm at the Club.

This practise is open for all junior cricketers from the age of 10 up to 17 and both new and old members are welcome. The season starts officially on Saturday 26th April with the Club's first team at home to Ingleton at 2.15pm, entry is free and spectators are most welcome.

For further information Secretary Ron Mitchie can be contacted on 301033 and the Junior Coach Alan Courtney can be contacted on 317762.

Letter to the Editor

Churchgoers

Jam Woodham

Dear Sir,

I live in the Pemberton Road area of Woodham with my partner. This is a fairly nice, quiet area, with a high volume of people who have cars, and also, drivers with FAMILIES.

Trying to pull out onto Woodham Way, from Pemberton Road is usually not a problem, that is, until Sunday. Sunday, it would appear, is the one day in the week, when 2 strange things happen

1) Woodham Way, ceases to be a road, and turns into a car park.

2) People, who are NORMALLY decent law abiding citizens, decide to throw caution to the wind, and spend the morning, and then the evening, endangering peoples lives.

"WHAT!?", I hear you all cry in amazement, who would do anything as callous, and foolhardy. You may not believe it, but you try driving around Woodham Way, on either Sunday morning, or evening, and see if you can make it safely all the way round chances are, you will do it.

But, then again, you may encounter the same problem that hundreds of cars do every Sunday in the year, and that is Aycliffe Christian Fellowship.

Yes, these are the "decent law abiding citizens", who every Sunday decide to park their cars all the way round a blind bend, which, at the best of times, needs careful attention when pulling out onto it, and when these cars are there, makes it impossible to negotiate, without a little guesswork, and maybe luck.

Now, around the corner, behind the local shops, is a car park. Lots of spaces. LOTS of spaces. In fact, on a Sunday, either morning, or evening, this car park is pretty much empty.

It takes about ONE MINUTE to walk from this car park, around to the church, (call me sad, but I tried it!) ONE MINUTE What could you do with that time? Brush your teeth? Make a sandwich? Leave your car on the side of the road, so that people cannot see where they are driving?

FELLOWSHIP MEMBERS, think about this Someone parks a car out of YOUR driveway, so that YOU cannot see where you are going when you are taking YOUR children out, and YOU have to rely on either Luck, Guesswork, or Divine Intervention. It makes you think doesn't it? Does someone have to be killed, or seriously injured before something is done?

A petition was handed in to the local council, nothing done. The Police were notified on previous occasions, but apparently, bollards are to costly and scarce to put there. I, PERSONALLY, went to the fellowship in order to speak to someone, and was told, "Things will improve when we get our new site. We are trying at present to secure new premises, or land, so that we will have the facilities for all of our congregation, but until then, I do not see what I can do. It is a public road, so I cannot TELL people not to park there, I can only ask them, and even then, there is no guarantee that everyone will listen, or know, as we have people from all over come to our meetings."

AYCLIFFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, I am asking you all, PLEASE, do not park on the road. Use your common sense, and realise that it is endangering LIVES every time that you park on this road. It is NOT illegal, but that does not make it safe. More and more cars are parking there every week, and it is only a matter of time, before someone IS injured, or killed. If you know of members who don't get the Newton News, please, phone them, and ask THEM to park in the car park. If they are not on the phone, let them know the next time that they at a meeting, and lets make it a safer place for us all.

REMEMBER, ONE MINUTE is all it will take, and it could save someone's life.

Name & Address supplied

DON FRASER QUILTS COUNTY COUNCIL

Don Fraser, Liberal Democrat, is not standing for re-election to the County Council on 1st May. He has also informed us he will not be seeking re-election to the Borough and Town Councils when these elections are held in two years time.

"I am approaching my 70th Birthday and it is time for me to go and make way for a younger person", said Don.

"Aycliffe has only Tony Moore to oppose Labour and in six other wards, elsewhere in the County Labour gains a seat without an election as they are unopposed.

"I am sad this is happening and that there are no young men and women entering politics to give Labour an opposition", he added.

Payments to Borough Councillors for the Financial Year 1997/98	
Responsibility	Amount
Leader of the Majority (Labour) Group	£74.05
Deputy Leader of the Majority (Labour) Group	£42.31
Chairman and Vice-Chairman of:-	
Council	
Housing Committee	£21.16
Recreation & Amenities Committee	
Estates & Environmental Health Committee	
Development Committee	
Personnel Sub-committee	
Finance & Land Sub-committee	£10.58
Chairman and Vice-Chairman of:-	
Area 1 Management Sub-committee	
Area 2 Management Sub-committee	
Area 3 Management Sub-committee	
Area 4 Management Sub-committee	
Area 5 Management Sub-committee	
Leader of the Minority Group (if any)	£10.58
* Basic Allowance paid to each Member	£42.31

Travelling and subsistence allowances are being reviewed by the Government, but it is expected they will be increased in line with inflation.

What counts is What you Pay!

Dear Sir,

Please may I make three comments about the letter in last weeks 'Newton News'.

Firstly, I did NOT make a mistake about Aycliffe's rates. Aycliffe is much bigger than Shildon and Spennymoor, so of course the total expenditure is bigger.

But what matters is the payment PER PROPERTY and for a D band property Aycliffe has a rate of £139.53 compared with Shildon (£153.68) & Spennymoor (£171.88). That is what YOU PAY.

Secondly, it is not true that Tony Moore cannot attend Town Council meetings. Most Council work is done in the so-called 'service' committees (Parks, Environment, Recreation).

ANY COUNCILLOR can attend these committees, and they are welcome to speak. Councillor Fraser, for example, rarely misses these meetings; he does his job as an opposition Councillor, monitoring the Town Council's work.

Mr Moore, by contrast, has been to one such meeting in the last year.

Thirdly, when I write of Council rates and Mr Moore's attendance rates, these things are matters of fact, and they are in the public domain. To publish them is fair political comment.

When last week's writer claims that I am lying, that I am on an ego trip, and that other Councillors spend the meetings mocking me, it is personal, unpleasant abuse.

To submit it under 'name and address supplied' is additionally cowardly.

Yours faithfully
John D Clare

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OCN Basics (6-8pm)

Word Processing (Leads to RSA1, 6-8pm)

Natural History

WEDNESDAY:

Basic Education - Dressmaking

Floral Art (fresh material)

Yoga (6-7.30pm)

Youth Football Training (NAYFC)

C.L.A.I.T. - Basketball

Pottery & Ceramics

THURSDAY:

Aerobics (6-7pm) - Decoupage

Dried Flower and Craft Work

Egg Decoration/Pergamano (parchment)

Holiday Spanish

Music (Learning the guitar)

Word Processing (RSA 2 & 3)

Gymnastics (5-11 years, 6-8pm)

First Aid (St John Ambulance) (7-9pm, begins 17-4-97)

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OUR POLICIES WILL MAKE AYCLIFFE A BETTER PLACE"

ctorate,
thcoming General Election I shall be attempting
nt the people of Newton Aycliffe for the first time
ember of Parliament, and while my Constituency
s been dealing with some of your problems over
ar or so, it will be a great honour for me to sit in
of Commons, after May 1st as your M.P.
Government will certainly have an effect on
ycliffe, and will improve the quality of life of

to ensure that every four year old can have a year's
education; to cut class sizes to 30 or under for
nd seven year olds; to get 250,000 under 25's off
and into work and to tackle long-term
ment; to introduce a national minimum wage; to
waiting lists by treating an extra 100,000 patients
step; to ensure that no one has to wait for cancer
to take tough action against crime by halving the
es to get young offenders to court and by ensuring
criminality among young offenders is seriously

only some of the policies which should help make
ycliffe a better place to live in, and will help us
tain that we all feel part of, and in whose future
e a stake.

ard to meeting you when I visit the town shortly
lection.

erely,

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Letter to the Editor JOIN THE TOWN PATHFINDERS

Dear Sir,
I invite all readers to a meeting
of the Great Aycliffe Paths
Support (GAPS) group in the
Town Council Offices, School
Aycliffe Lane, at 7.15pm on
Thursday 17th April 1997.

Aycliffe has a wonderful
network of walks.
Recently, a small team walked
every path and listed what work
needs doing. Now we must
continue their dedicated work.
We need all kinds of people -
we need surveyors who will
keep walking the paths to tell
us about problems, reliable
people who will 'adopt' a path
and keep it free from over-
growth and litter, handy people
to erect stiles and nail up way-

markers, strong people who
can build bridges and lay
duckboards - interested
parties who will advise us how
not to annoy local residents,
people who can represent the
wishes of the disabled or just
supporters who will
encourage our attempt to get all
Aycliffe's Paths walkable and
walked by the year 2000.
Membership is free. The
ONLY requirement is that you
are a Great Aycliffe Paths
supporter!
Please come along! - We have
some Great Aycliffe Walks, and
we want to see people walking
them again.
Yours faithfully
John D Clare

ATC's New Premises

After years of holding parades in the Newton Aycliffe RAF
Association premises, 1407 (Newton Aycliffe) Squadron, Air
Training Corps, has finally acquired it's own accommodation
and we moved into our building on 25th March.

When the Unit was first formed in Newton Aycliffe, the RAF
Association agreed to allow us to meet twice each week in their
dance hall.

We subsequently moved into the Elmfield Community Centre and
were there until it was demolished, at which time we were once
again without a meeting place.

The Newton Aycliffe RAF Association again came to the rescue
and we moved back to the Club where we met twice each week
until we finally moved into our purpose built accommodation in
the grounds of the Barnard Armoury, Greenwell Road.

The staff and cadets, present and past, thank Newton Aycliffe RAFA
and all it's members for the support they gave us by allowing us the
use of the Club premises in our time of need and for the assistance
they provided during our stay.

Whilst we have moved location I hope that the close relationship
that has grown between the cadets and the association can be
maintained in the years to come.

We meet every Monday and Thursday evenings from 7pm till
9.15pm and are open to boys and girls over 13 years and under 18
years and always welcome new members.

Anyone interested should turn up on any of these evenings (use
the MacMillan Road gate) or contact Tom Downs (01388 814884)
or John Scott (01325 321961) for further information.

Letter STOP 1st CLASS TRAVEL

Dear Sir,
I find it extremely rich that
Aycliffe Town Councillor Billy
Blenkinsopp should defend the
monstrously high expenses
claimed by himself and some of
his colleagues.

Perhaps Mr Blenkinsopp
would like to explain to the
Council Tax Payers of Aycliffe
why he was paid a total of
£269.58 for attending a
conference in Scarborough in
April 1996 and £711.68 for
attending a conference in
Brighton two months later.

Was it really necessary for him
to travel first class by rail to
Brighton at a cost of £200?

What makes this gross abuse of
public money even worse is
that another Town Councillor
claimed exactly the same
amount for attending the same
conference.

People like Mr Blenkinsopp
are taking the 'mick' out of
the people of Aycliffe, whom
they are supposed to represent
and if there is a need for
Councillors to receive
'training' it should be
organised by the political party
to which they belong and not
paid for by the long-suffering
Council Tax Payers.

Perhaps it's time the people of
Aycliffe Village which Mr
Blenkinsopp represents, opted
out of Great Aycliffe and
formed their own Parish
Council like Middridge, where
residents in the lowest Council
Tax band pay £80 a year less
than they would in Aycliffe.

Yours faithfully
Councillor Tony Moore

GARDENS GUILD

Once again it is
Chrysanthemum time at the
Gardens Guild Hut, the
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grower as last year and they
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SOMERFIELD'S CHARITY SCHEME

Durham organisations were
celebrating this week when
they learnt that they are to
benefit from the newly
launched Somerfield
Community Charity which will
be supporting hundreds of
worthy causes throughout the
country.

They include Age Concern in
Darlington and help for Adam
Mitchenson, a young boy with
Cerebral Palsy, as voted for by
shoppers at the Newton Aycliffe
store.

The exact amount of the
donation cannot be announced
for another three months when
the proceeds from the sale of
Somerfield scratch cards will
be added up and evenly handed
out.

Thousands of shoppers across
the country have been placing
their votes for the worthy
causes they regard most in need
of financial support - and
health, children and
community projects came out
tops.

Thirty per cent of the nation
elected for health related
charities or causes with
community projects covering
initiatives such as victim
support, local building projects,
and youth organisations coming
a close second with 23%.

The Somerfield Community
Charity was launched in
February 1997 with the aim of
raising more than £3 million in
the first year throughout the
450 participating stores.

Funds will be generated by the
sale of scratch cards, which
went on sale on Monday 7th
April, with all Somerfield's
profits going to the charity.
Donations from the charity will

be made on a quarterly basis
with the potential for four
different causes per location
being supported each year - a
total of 1,800 nationwide per
year.

Unlike the National Lottery,
the Somerfield scheme also lets
the public choose where the
money goes, with customers
being asked to nominate their
favourite charity or worthy
cause.

Although scratch cards will be
the primary fund-raising
mechanism, Somerfield intends
to swell the coffers through
other in store promotions
currently being developed.

The first of these is the
£100,000 Banana Ap-peel
which will donate 5 p to the
Somerfield Community Charity
for every 2lb of bananas bought
throughout the month of April.
Shoppers will also have the
chance of winning a family
holiday to the Caribbean where
they will be able to pluck their
own bananas whilst relaxing in
the tropical grounds of a luxury
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Mail Order Complaints

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had a house fire and lost most of their possess
If you wish to donate anything, they will be
gratefully received.

Please contact:

Mrs Probyn 2 Hawes Place - 307010
Miss Hanlon 8 Hawes Place - 315816PROMOTION
IMMINENTWith only two League games
to go, Newton Aycliffe Under
10's are still locked in a
promotion tussle with rivals
21st Allstars and play their last
home game of the season this
Sunday (13th) against
Hartlepool Juniors.
Two wins from these last two
games would guarantee
promotion to the 1st Division
of the Teesside Alliance Junior
League which would be a great
achievement for our Town'syoungsters in their first
together.Team coach Neil Robins
players welcome all supp
to this final home match
will kick off at 11am at
Road Primary School.
Hartlepool Juniors are
the stronger teams i
League and a hard ga
expected.
Support your local tea
see the stars of the futureLOCAL RIDER
IN WITTON
HORSE TRIALLocal International riders Karen Dixon and Paddy Muir are an
the entries for this year's Witton Castle Horse Trials (12th
April). In their 14th year, the Trails are for the full ran
competitors - Pre-novice, Novice, Intermediate and Advance
Adjacent to the River Wear and dating back to 1410, Witton
and its surrounding parkland offer an ideal setting for Horse
Organisers Chris Graham and Margaret Steele have se
numerous national and local sponsors for sections and cross-c
fences.Both days get under way at 8.30am with Dressage and th
competitor sets off on the Cross-Country at 10am.The Stuart Dent designed Cross-Country courses are easily v
from the central area where the trade-stands and refreshme
situated.There will also be a public bar and Barbecue. Admission
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5 miles from Tow Law and 3 miles from Bishop Auckland, 3
north of West Auckland.Sedgefield
Council To
Attend Hannover
Trade FairThe world famous Hannover Fair began in 1947 as an idea of
officials to help the German economy to recover from the r
of war.In the fifty years following, the Fair has gone from strei
strength and is now recognised as the world's leading inc
trade show, attracting around 7,000 exhibitors and 350,000
each year.Sedgefield Borough Council has exhibited at Hannover sinc
and uses the Fair to help local companies sell their produ
services overseas and also to promote inward investment
Borough.This year, the Sedgefield stand will incorporate a comput
CD Rom, helping visitors to access text, pictures and vide
wealth of information about the Borough.Another computer will link via the Internet to County Durh
site.Prince Philip, together with Germany's Chancellor, Helmu
will open this year's Fair on 14th April and five local con
will be exhibiting on the Sedgefield stand.Brownridge Plastics are vacuum forming specialists, Step
Gobin Engineering make electro magnetic clutches and brake
Engineering are precision engineers, DLI Seals provide hy
and pneumatic sealing systems and Tornado make wire p
such as baskets, shelves and mesh panels.Janet Johnson, Sedgefield Borough's Economic Devel
Manager said "The Council takes on all the organisati
companies which join us on the Sedgefield stand are
concentrate on selling. Around one hundred local compani
attended trade shows throughout the Exhibitions Programm
it began in the early 1980's and millions of pounds worth
business has been generated as a result".A presence at the 50th Hannover Fair is the highlight of thi
programme and Sedgefield will be exhibiting in partnersh
SASDA, County Durham Development Company and
Durham TEC.For further information please contact Janet Johnson or
Creatorex at Sedgefield Business Centre on 01325 30727

In Memorium

ANN BATCHELOR 19-4-95. The happiness we shared is no longer mine. But your memory will never fade with the passing of time. We walk together still, your hand in mine. Love you always Geoff

ANN BATCHELOR 19-4-95. Our love for you never fades, and the memories keep you close, you are in our thoughts everyday, and in our hearts forever. Miss you so much. Amanda, Leslea, Andy and Joseph

MARTIN LENDRUM Died 12th April 1996. Softly thro the shadows there came gentle call, with words left unsoken you quietly left us all. Loved and remembered always, Mum, Dad, John, Mark, Alun, Sadie, Chris, Janet

EUNICE DUNBAR (9-4-95). Our memories are precious, we have quite a few, the sadness is, Eunice, we don't have you. Loved and missed always, Val and Harry XXX

EUNICE DUNBAR There's a very special person Lord, resting in your care, if you look around your garden, you'll see her sitting there. Put your arm's around her, make sure she's not alone. Always thinking of you, Denise and Gary XXX

EUNICE DUNBAR April 9th 1995. There's a very special person Lord resting in your care, tell her we love her and miss her more and more. They say time heals (not so), a silent tear, a silent prayer. For our sister we loved so dear. Remembered always Dorothy XXX

EUNICE DUNBAR April 9th 1995. In loving memory of a dear sister Eunice. Two years have passed since you left, people say that time heals, but we miss you more today than yesterday and even more tomorrow. Always loved and remembered, Jean, Michael and Scott

EDDIE McCABE Forever in my thoughts, I'll miss you, lots of love Andrea

TO GRANDA Even though I'm only 2, I will always think of you, I miss you granda, oh so much, your smile, your laugh, your gentle touch. Goodnight granda, sleep tight, forever in my thoughts, your little sweetheart, Demi-Louise

ERIC TAYLOR Died 13-4-96. Loving memories of a dear husband and dad. Always loved and sadly missed by his wife Margaret, daughter Tracey and mother-in-law May

Thank You

McCABE Mrs Mary McCabe would like to thank family and friends for the kindness and sympathy shown, also cards of condolence and floral tributes received during her sudden sad bereavement. God only takes the best, now he is at peace.

THE SPRING FAIR at St. Clares Church raised £153.25p towards the Church Funds. Thanks to all who helped or donated goods. Two more events in May; Saturday 30th in St Elizabeth's Church Hall; and Monday 5th at Timothy Hackworth Museum. Please continue to give us your support - Michael Gordon for MIND

BRIGGS 6-4-97. Thank you to all my God Parents for being at my Christening, love Charlotte XXX

BRIGGS 6-4-97. A big thank you to all the friends and family that came and made Charlotte's Christening a wonderful day, also a big thank you to Gwen and Mike Morrison and my Mam, love Julie XXX

MARY ALLISON wishes to thank friends and neighbours for flowers and cards sent to me during my stay in hospital

Congratulations

RUSSELL & BLAKE Christopher David and Kelly Jane, congratulations on your engagement, love Mam, Dad and Gemma

SYLVIA THOMAS Big 50 now, but you will always be my young bit of stuff, love David, Dawn and Gayle

NANA 60 today, we love you lots, all your grandchildren XX

PEGGY 9th April, happy 60th Mam, with all our love and kisses from all your family XXX

DAVID BAIN Happy birthday, 12-4-97, love always Tracy

CLARISSA NIXON Happy 8th birthday on 13-4-97, lots of love Nanna and Grandad XXX

STACEY SHAW Happy 8th birthday, lots of love from Mam and Dad XXX

STACEY SHAW Happy birthday to our big sister, love from Liam and Macaulay XXX

STACEY SHAW Happy birthday darling, love from Nanna and Grandad XXX

STACEY SHAW Happy 8th birthday love from Auntie Julie, Gary and Charlotte XX

STACEY SHAW Happy 8th birthday to a special niece, lots of love from Aunt Mary, Uncle Dominic, Georgina, Andrew and Christopher

SURPRISE Frances Fisher, happy 82nd birthday Mum, 17-4-97, God bless, love Jean and Arthur

SURPRISE Nanna Happy 82nd birthday, love Joanne and Adrian

HAPPY Birthday Great Nanna Fisher, Adam

SYLVIA THOMAS 12-4-97, have a happy "50th" birthday Mam, love from Dawn XX

SYLVIA THOMAS Happy 50th birthday Mam, love you always, love Gayle and Mick XXX

SYLVIA THOMAS To a dear friend, have a happy 50th birthday, love from Karen, Nick, Michael and Matthew

SARA COSH 21, how did you, last this long, congratulations, Dad and Joy, PS Have a great day, don't excel yourself

WATSON Lauren Kate, lots of love and kisses on your 1st birthday from Mammy and Daddy

WATSON Happy 1st birthday Lauren, lots of love from Emma

ALAN GLENDINNING Happy 50th birthday, lots of love from Elizabeth, Donna, Brian, Dawn, David, Shaun and Leanne

DANIELLE ELKIN All our love on your 3rd birthday Danni (12th April) from Mammy and Mark XX

ANDREW ERSKINE 14th April, hip hip hooray, our Andrew is a teenager today, happy 13th birthday, lots of love from Mam, Joseph, Grandma, Martin, Pauline, Claire and Nikki XXX

VIGGERS & WELSH Congratulations Claire and David on your wedding day, 12-4-97, health and happiness always, love from Nanna Flo & Grandad Tony

RICHARD MORTON Happy 65th birthday 14-4-97, lots of love Steve, Lynn, Paul and Neil

BROWN - HEPPER Congratulations Colin and Keeley on your wedding day, 4th April, best wishes to you both for your future happiness, love from Dad and Mam XXX

KATHLEEN HACKETT Happy birthday to my big girl, I love you forever, Dad

CONNOR CHAPE 12-4-97, happy first birthday to our precious son, love you always Mammy and Daddy

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George Clewes



Happy 60th Birthday with love from us all XXXXX

GEORGE CLEWES Happy 60th birthday George, love Marian XXX

GEORGE CLEWES Happy 60th birthday Dad, lots of love always, Wendy, Valerie, Julie and families XXX

GEORGE CLEWES Happy 60th birthday Grandad, lots of love Yolanda, Kimberley, Christopher and Michael XXX

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TREESAVERS Waste Paper Collection wish to inform readers that with immediate effect, we will no longer be able to collect your waste papers. Thank you for your support, please use other means of recycling your waste paper. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

BLUEBELL Tenants Club, Bluebell Close. A Jumble Sale will be held in the Community Hall on Saturday 19th April. Doors open at 11am. There will be bric-a-brac, tombola, cake stall, books etc and a raffle. Jumble will be accepted at the Club or ring 320360

OLD NEWSPAPERS Can be left at St. Clares Church Hall entrance - In aid of Church Funds

2nd NEWTON AYCLIFFE Rainbows have vacancies for girls aged 5-6 years, Tuesdays 5.15pm-6.30pm at St Clares Church New Hall

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FLOWER Arranging classes commence week beginning 14th April: Wednesday 7pm at Greenfield School and Friday 1.30pm at Heighington Village Hall. Dried and silk flowercraft class. Thursday 7pm at Greenfield School. Beginners welcome, details from Cynthia Scott Tel 01325 313055

FLORAL ART Classes resume Thursday 17th April at 7pm in Aycliffe Village Hall. New students always welcome, Elizabeth Lewis Tel 01325 319196

CHARITY DANCE Saturday 19th April from 7.30-11pm

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NEWTON AYCLIFFE YOUTH CENTRE warmly invite you to their

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Friday 25th April 1997 7.00pm

Guest Speaker: Phil Ball Leisure and Services Officer of the S.B.C.

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Death

McCABE Suddenly on the 29th March, Edward, beloved husband of Mary, father of Eddie, Michael, Jim and Joseph, grandad to Shaun, Sarah and Demi. Passed away while up in Scotland

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Births

TAYLOR Karen and Keith would like to announce the birth of their daughter Emma Louise, born on 29th March 1997

ANDERSON Pauline and Alastair (nee Buttle) are happy to announce the early arrival of Stephen Craig, 13th March 1997, a little brother for Tracy. A special thank you to Mam and Dad (Buttle) for their help and support, their first grandson, also thank you everyone for all cards and baby gifts received. Special thanks also to Bishop Auckland Maternity Unit and the Special Care Baby Unit

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Dear Sir,

Following the Tory party's latest proposal for improving our childrens education i.e. testing in all subjects in the curriculum for 14 year olds, I would like to point out that they would do the public a greater service if they tested their own MP's first.

Or is it just the pressures of government that turns the right honourable gentlemen into something less honourable.

If that's the case then I would suggest that they are neither fit to govern the country or represent the interests of the public.

But to be fair to those party members who don't indulge in kinky sex games, practise sophistry (distorting the facts), take cash for questions and don't arrogantly consider themselves above the laws of the land; testing Tory MP's should be introduced immediately.

Subjects could include:

- Morals** - (how to behave)
- PE** - (Parliamentary exaggeration and not telling lies)
- Geography** - (where to register expenses)
- History** - (of sex scandals)
- Maths** - (1 question + cash is wrong)
- Science** - (why and how to invest in technology)
- Economics** - (how not to insult the intelligence of the public when massaging statistics)

Yours sincerely
Kenneth Stubbs

Tony Moore informs us a play area is to be provided for children in the Bluebell Close area. Following complaints by residents Tony took up the matter with the Home Housing Association. The Borough Council has since agreed to fund the play site, which will include a fence separating it from a mini football area. A survey will be carried out and the views of the residents will be taken into consideration.

Huntsman's end of season prize draw is well under way, but this time they are not merely making a profit for themselves, writes Martin Walker.

Their fixtureless weekend has given players the chance to sell some of the tickets and, as usual, 10% of the proceeds will be donated to the Huntsman Community Fund (around £100). However, a whopping £300 of these proceeds are being donated to the Newton Aycliffe U12's.

The Aycliffe side are currently raising funds to take the team to a National Tournament in Blackpool. So Huntsman wanted to help out, and kindly gifted the Club with this donation.

Aycliffe have £300 worth of these raffle tickets - and they keep whatever the sell. But they are guaranteed the £300 regardless.

First prize is a trip for two to the Belgian Beer Festival, courtesy of J&C Coaches. Second prize is £100 cash. Other prizes are hampers and smaller gifts.

This just goes to show that Huntsman don't look out for themselves only.

They know exactly what it's like to struggle in keeping a football club on its feet and, thanks to Huntsman sponsors J&C Coaches, with donations of holidays to raffles, they are now in a position to make these kind of gestures.

Dear Sir,
I have followed with interest the continuing saga of our elected (and now more knowledgeable) Town Councillor, Mr B Blenkinsopp, in the recent issues of 'Newton News'.
It comes as a surprise to find his name leading the expenses list, surpassing even John Moran, who, as mayor, must have been available for duties seven days a week.
I understand the District rule on expenses used to be that Councillors, if employed, had any loss made up plus travelling expenses, (although unfortunately, if they were self employed, they lost out).
Parish Councillors do the job for interest in local affairs and surely not for cash.
This conference he attended costing nearly eight hundred

electorate. Most of us in Aycliffe Village were astounded to hear that he had switched from Independent to Labour not long after being elected. We had been served well prior to that by an independent, and voted again for the same. We will not be making that mistake again. Also I wonder what type of qualifications do you need to waste someone else's cash? Surely the Council cannot justify charging higher Council Tax rates than surrounding areas, with another nice increase for us this year, then still proceed to stage a costly fireworks display and also the Aycliffe show. Both are advertised throughout the parish as free to everyone *but the people of Aycliffe!!*
J. W. Jopling

The After Stroke Club Easter Draw has taken place.

All prizes have now been claimed and we would like to say a special thank you to: Electrolux, Flymo, Black & Decker, Raisbys Darlington, Ness, PWS, Gretna, Eaton, Hydro Polymer, Cumby Arms, Darlington Civic, Mary Young, Whitbread, 3Ms, Dewhurst, Marks & Spencer, Tetley, Dave Burdon, Joe Hibbert and Bob Sinclair who generously donated the prizes.

We raised the Grand Total of £611 - thanks to everyone who supported us.
Olive McCabe

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There is to be a **JUMBLE SALE** on Tuesday 15th April in St Clare's Church Hall at 10am.
All proceeds to go to Church Funds.

I quote from Mr Blenkinsopp's last letter in the 'Newton News' - "Ratepayers can either have Councillors who are up to date and know what they are talking about - or they can have ignorant Councillors who sit around talking nonsense"

Can we assume that only he and a handful of his colleagues are the former, with the majority of the Councillors the latter! He does not mention **honest** Councillors who change horses in midstream and don't have the guts to go back to the

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