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Dear Sir,
After living in Newton Aycliffe for nearly three years now, can anyone say why the Recreation Centre was suddenly spruced up?

Would it have anything to do with the fact that the Centre was closed for a period of time to enable the leader of the Labour Party to be there on Polling night? Then again it may be just a coincidence! If the reason for the 'spring clean' was to receive the Right Honourable Tony Blair, his entourage and the associated media on polling night, why just for this occasion?

The public who use the recreation centre week in and week out deserve the facilities to be in good condition all the time and not for an event once, in how many years.

Also it has been said that the Police wish to take over some of the Sugar Hill School playing field for a car

park in order to park their own cars, rather than use the multi-storey car park over the road.

This proposal is to prevent their cars from being damaged in the multi-storey car park.

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Local Nurse, Julie Ball, of Defoe Crescent, Newton Aycliffe - an ex pupil of St. Johns School, Bishop Auckland, is going as a volunteer to Calcutta, to work with Mother Teresa's Sisters of Charity for 3 months from May 10th.

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Fashion Show at Youth Club



Aycliffe Village Youth Club held a Fashion Show on 23rd April and raised £80 to subsidise a trip to Flamingo Land. £300 worth of clothes were sold on the night. The Youth Club caters for up to 80 people and has various activities. It is open Friday nights and the Organiser and Chairman is Joe Jopling

Photo by Andy Banks

Under 16's Soccer

Aycliffe Under 16's were away to 3rd in the League Thornaby and a victory would ensure Aycliffe of finishing third in the League.

You could tell early on that Aycliffe were not up for this

game, they beat Thornaby 3-0 at home earlier in the season. Aycliffe had the best of the exchanges at the start but Thornaby looked more dangerous. Defences were in control and there was no real pattern to the game, it was stalemate until the 30th minute. Thornaby opened the scoring following some poor defensive work by Aycliffe, the score stayed 1-0 at half-time.

The second half saw Aycliffe going walkies and they just did not seem interested in the game. Thornaby scored two more and thoroughly deserved the victory, they wanted to win and finish third in the League. This was Aycliffe's worst performance of the season and next week is the last game as under 16's, they step up in age groups next season. Man-of-the-match - Daniel Chadwick.

HUNTSMEN THROUGH TO FIRST CUP FINAL

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Huntsman proceeded through to their first Cup Final in five years with a wholehearted victory over D.C.S., writes Martin Walker. It was scoreless after 90 minutes, but Huntsman proved to be the strongest and fittest, with their cracking team spirit paving the way for victory. Morgan Fielding scored both of Huntsman's goals in the second period of extra time. Huntsman players were immediately preparing themselves for an almighty Cup Final showdown with the British Legion as they took on lowly Half-moon Rangers in

the other semi-final.

But no ... Legion were knocked out by the infinitely inferior team 4-1 on penalties. The Cup will be very easy to win now for Huntsman, instead of just easy.

Man-of-the-match was Martin Haigh and there wasn't a vote for the minger.

TEAM: Kent 7, Partridge 9, McCabe 7, R. Walker 7, Lee 7, HAIGH 9, C. Walker 7, Travis 7, Fielding 8, Lothian 7, Marram 8. Subs: M. Walker 8. Previous Huntsman League results: Fox and Hounds - 6, Huntsman - 1. - A disastrous show of very poor quality and the players got all they asked for. Hole in the Wall - 6, Huntsman - 1. - Their form from the Fox clash continued through to this one. No shape, organisation or passion. Huntsman also played AFC Cockerton on Tuesday 29th April, but details of that game couldn't be included with this report so will be with next week's.

Huntsman apologise to referee Gary Preston for any inconvenience or embarrassment caused from a match report printed week ending 8th March 1997, after a League match with D.C.S. on Sunday 2nd March.

This weeks poser: Who captained Scotland to a draw with Brazil in the 1974 World Cup? (Answer next week).

Last weeks poser: What country was the first to win the newly named FIFA World Cup? (Answer: West Germany).

CHEMISTS HOURS

Dear Sir,
May I, through your paper, complain about a serious lack of co-operation between dispensing chemists and doctors surgery hours.

Most surgeries are open until six or even seven at night, on several evenings.

Only Boots in Newton Aycliffe is open until six o'clock, others close at five thirty. This situation is the same in both Shildon and Bishop Auckland. Anyone having a late appointment, even for emergency treatment, is unable to have a prescription filled until the following day.

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J Cockburn & J Kátaí

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Mr Krishna, an internationally renowned consultant orthopaedic surgeon, will give an illustrated talk on the 'Cutting Edge of Back Pain Technology' at St. Elizabeth's Church, Woodham Village, at 7pm on Thursday May 8th, 1997.

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about to undergo surgery, enlighten health care professionals and give hope to pain sufferers in the region.

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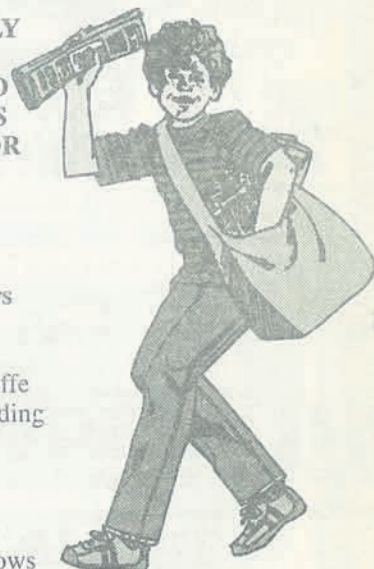
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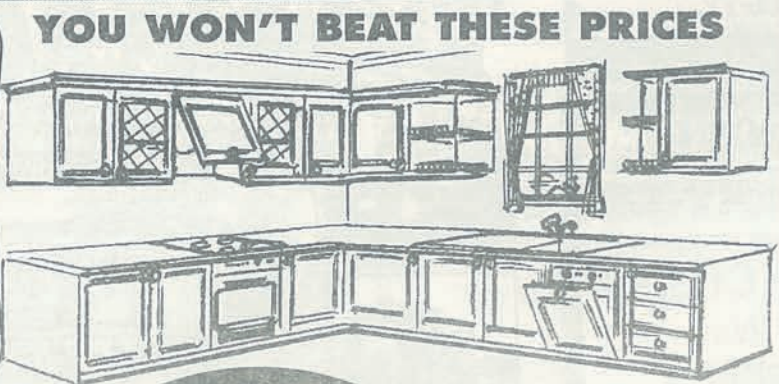
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Greenfield School Team

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£1,000, was raised by a solo swimmer Tudor Garnon of Spennymoor Club for the Joanne Reah Charitable Trust whilst the Sedgfield 75 Swimming Club junior team achieved the greatest distance in one session of over 5km (303 lengths) and raised funds for Cystic Fibrosis.

Rtn. George Alderson, this years Chairman, said after the event: "This was a fantastic achievement by many, many people to raise £8,000 for local charities, above all it shows what can be achieved by different groups working together and shows that fund raising can be fun!" The organising committee would like to thank all the corporate sponsors especially Alpha FM radio based in Darlington.



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Sedgfield Juniors swam the most lengths (303).

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Dear Ed,
In response to D.G.'s letter 'Extra Police Welcome', the officers concerned are part of Operation Navigator - an armed protection unit for our prospective PM.

They are on call 24 hours 365 days of the year so our Town does not benefit from extra policing.

With regards to taking away playing fields, it is only the thin edge of the wedge - perhaps other schools will lose land also.

Has D.G. thought of the residents who are affected. The Town and County Act 1990 shows:

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Britain in Bloom Competition 1997

The Town Council has entered Newton Aycliffe and Aycliffe Village in this year's Britain in Bloom Competition.

Whilst the Town council enter the competition on behalf of the Town and Aycliffe Village, judging is not restricted to Town Council property alone. All areas are closely scrutinized by the judges, including industrial estates, housing areas, shopping centres and open spaces. Extracts from the Judging Criteria applied to Britain in Bloom entries read as follows:

"Judges will be looking for the overall effort in support of the Britain in Bloom Campaign. The floral impact should be visibly evident on entry to a city, town or village and should extend through all areas - participation by residents and the public on both private or Council housing estates will be looked for. Judges will look for efforts and improvements to the environment not only for residents but for visitors to the town."

As well as entering the Town and Village categories the Town Council can also nominate entries for awards in the following categories:

- ROD LEYBURN MEMORIAL TROPHY** - best school horticultural project.
MAY WOOLEY AWARD - Best voluntary project in support of Northumbria in Bloom (eg: scouts/guides, church groups or local committees taking part in litter picks, clean-ups, plantings etc.)
NORTH TYNESIDE TROPHY - Best shopping precinct.
NORTHERN ROCK RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY AWARD - Best combined efforts of residents of a clearly defined community, eg: street, terrace, cul-de-sac which may have been improved and enhanced their environment.
RON GRUBB MEMORIAL TROPHY - Best kept grounds of an old people home (Won by Simpasture Court last year, see picture below).
BETTY WOOD TROPHY - Best kept grounds of a religious establishment, maintained by parishioners.
GLADYS WATSON TROPHY - Best individual commercial effort for the upkeep and layout of external premises (excluding licensed premises)
IPRA PRESIDENTS TROPHY - Best conservation project by the local community. (Won by Aycliffe Nature Park last year)
JENNIFER ROBSON TROPHY - Best kept and florally attractive bus, metro or railway station.
WHITLEY BAY GUARDIAN TROPHY - Best effort for upkeep of external premises by a public house or hotel
TYNE & WEAR COUNTY COUNCIL TROPHY - Best effort by a manufacturer for maintenance of grounds.
HORTICULTURAL TRADES ASSOC. AWARD - For outstanding overall efforts by Chambers of Commerce or equivalent in support of a L A entry in Northumbria in Bloom.

For further details of how to enter nominations for any of the above categories please contact Mike Wilson at the Town Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane Tel 307192 or 300700.

Britain in Bloom Judges will be paying their first visit on Tuesday 6th May 1997. Please do all you can to support YOUR entry.

Junior Thai Boxers Beat Allcomers

On the 12th April a team of 6 juniors from the Aycliffe based Jaruenmong (Kings Cobra) Muay Thai Camp, under the tutorage of their trainer, Sean Dooney jnr, were asked to compete against some of the best juniors from all parts of the country, in the British Championship eliminators held at Manchester.

Again the juniors did Aycliffe proud as they totally outclassed their opponents and won all of their bouts easily, including two stoppages guaranteeing them a place in the next round. And showing every one there that they are a force to be reckoned with.

Our junior fighters were Craig Moir 14, Simon Moir 11, Kirstey Moir 12, Lee Makin 13, Mark Makin 11, Sarah Makin 9. Other juniors from our camp Louise Joss and Thomas Dinsley could not find competitors, so automatically go through to the next round. Stuart Waite, our only senior fighter of the day, won his first fight convincingly. Once again showing the strength of Kings Cobra Muay Thai.

On the 13th April Matt Britain, fighting out of the Kings Cobra gym, competed for a British Middleweight title, which he won by stopping his opponent in the first round.

Matt comes from Australia and represented his country in the recent World Championships in Thailand.

Letter to the Editor DISREGARD FOR CENTRE USERS

Dear Sir,
 The failure of S.B.C. to have the Election Count held at a venue not used by the general public was regrettable. Having been informed of the threat of terrorism on Election Day, they could have chosen premises elsewhere. The Councils failure to consider users of the Leisure Centre, together with the disruption to Car Parking and access to the Town Centre, once again showed their disregard for Newton Aycliffe. While some private groups published alternative venues

for their events, S.B.C. failed to give any details of alternative venues for leisure facilities in the Borough, all they did was print a 5 line notice on A4 paper (a waste of paper) and have copies given to users, informing them of the 4 day unnecessary closure.
 Leisure Centre user.

New Sales Executive

Gillian Ong has been appointed Sales Executive for Auckland Castle, home of the Bishop of Durham.

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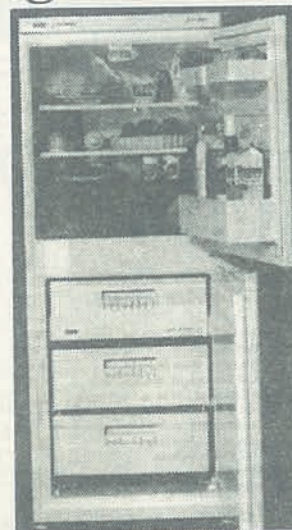
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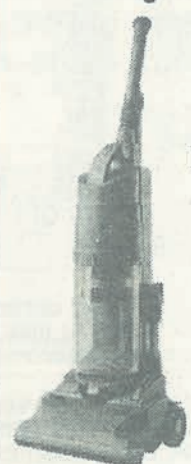
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Letter to the Editor USE OF SCHOOL LAND UNCLEAR

Dear Sir,
I refer to the letter from your correspondent D.G. in your issue of the 25th April, from which, it would appear, that this person is privy to information which one would have assumed would be highly confidential to the Police Authority.

However, in indicating that the land to the rear of the Police Station is to be used for operational vehicles, he is entirely misinformed. I have personally inspected the documents submitted to Sedgefield Borough Council

for planning permission purposes, which quite clearly state that the proposal is for the construction of a STAFF CAR PARK.

As his information is reputed to be from a Senior Police Officer, you may consider that the general public and especially those of us who reside in close proximity to the Police Station are entitled to a clear and authoritative statement from the Police Authority, which I have today requested from the Chief Constable.
Yours faithfully,
N B Frear

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FIRST A.G.M. FOR A.S.K. AT WILLIAMFIELD

Residents living in the Williamfield and Horndale areas of Newton Aycliffe are invited to attend the 1st A.S.K. Annual General Meeting, to be held at Hawkshead Court, Hawkshead Place on

Wednesday, May 21st at 7pm.

A.S.K. (Aycliffe Support in the Community) is a group of local people living in Williamfield and Horndale who are committed to promoting positive changes within the area to improve health and well-being. The local community have been a major influence in the setting-up of the Community House, Silverdale Place. This has been achieved by developing a range of activities for community participation.

If you would like to become involved in A.S.K., either as a committee member or as a volunteer helper, please come along to our A.G.M. or telephone 307539 for further information.

A LOT OF HOT AIR ?

Dear Sir,
- Revelations in the local press regarding allegations made by Councillor Moore - it would appear, that if he wishes to keep his electorate informed, he should be equally frank, open and honest about his own expenses.

Is it true that Councillor Moore, who is on all 3 councils, Durham County & Borough and Town, claimed from the Borough Council £2,000 basic allowance - yet did not attend all the meetings required? Not to mention all the other allowances.

It is only right and proper that Councillor Moore puts his expenses down, as well as the number of meetings he has attended, not just for the Town Council but also the Borough and Durham County Council. Otherwise his proposal to keep the electorate of Newton Aycliffe informed as to expenses and meetings attended is just what it appears to be - A LOT OF HOT AIR, soon set to vanish into the atmosphere!

Anyone wishing to know the truth about expenses and meetings attended has the right to find this information out by visiting the Council Offices, also Country Hall, requesting the relevant facts, instead of reading one-sided statements.
K Stubbs
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Nature Park Group Hold 5th A.G.M.

The 5th AGM of Aycliffe Nature Park Association will be held at 2pm on Sunday 11th May in St. Clare's Church Hall and anyone interested in the project is invited to attend.

The Park is still attracting visits from local schools and other groups and we have received help from the army cadets, the YOC, a church group and a few local residents during the year. We are keen to recruit members with an interest in conservation, natural history, administration, fund raising and/or a desire to improve the local environment.

For more information either come along to the AGM or contact the Chairman - Alan Warburton on 315182 or the Treasurer - Tom Spowart on 318984.

SPARE TIME FOR YOUTH

If you are interested in helping the youth of Newton Aycliffe the Youth Centre holds it's Annual General Meeting next Friday the 9th May at 7 p.m. and we are looking for people to give an hour a month serving on the Management Committee. You are warmly invited to attend the meeting and hear how we are working to provide good services for our youngsters to help their development into good members of society. A new Committee is elected each year and we need you to volunteer. The guest speaker is Phil Ball, Director of Leisure Services at the S.B.C. and his address should be very interesting. The meeting is very informal and a free buffet supper is provided afterwards, so please come and join us, you will be very welcome!

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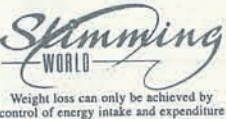
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to be generally good, with the
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encourage pupils. Attendance
levels were consistently good
throughout the school and
pupils are punctual and quick
to settle into lessons.
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TARVIT To the best Nana, happy birthday love Joss and Calum XX

JENNY TARVIT Happy birthday Mam, love Karen, family

JENNY TARVIT Have a great birthday, love Kathy, Martin and family

JENNY TARVIT Happy birthday love from Joan, John and family

JENNY TARVIT Happy birthday Mam, love Daphne, Alan and family

JENNY TARVIT Happy birthday love Jenny, Bob and family

JENNY TARVIT Happy birthday love Billy, Audra and James

SHAUN TAYLOR Happy 30th birthday 3-5-97, all my love Angeline

SHAUN TAYLOR happy 30th birthday 3-5-97, lots of love Eileen and Tom

LUPTON Kelly Ann, 3-5-97, Happy 21st birthday, Kelly, all my love always Mam

LUPTON Kelly Ann, Happy 21st birthday to the best big sister ever, love Bethany

LUPTON Kelly Ann, Happy 21st birthday congratulations all of my love today and always, Malcolm

LUPTON Kelly Ann, My Mammy is 21 today, hip hip hooray, love you lots, kisses and hugs Eloise

STORE 3rd May, happy birthday Mick, all my love from Kelly and the bump

STORE Happy birthday Mick, from Jeanette, Dave & Lee

SWINTON Jean and Les, congratulations on your 50th wedding anniversary on 3rd May. Lots of love Gary, Denise, Kirsty and Jacqueline

MICHELLE PARK and Brian Morrison, congratulations on your engagement, lots of love from Mel and Maureen

BETTY MOORE (May 4th) Happy 57th sweetheart, lots of love Stan

BETTY MOORE Many happy returns on your birthday Mam, love you lots, Diane

BETTY MOORE Happy birthday to the best gran anybody could wish for, loads of love Rachy and Stevie

ELISHA LINTON Congratulations on your engagement, nice ring!! Future happiness to you both, love Jeanette and Liam John

KEITH DAVIDSON 3-5-97, To the worlds best Daddy, happy birthday, lots of love from Connor XX

KEITH DAVIDSON 3-5-97 Happy birthday love from Maureen, Brian and Andrew

KEITH DAVIDSON To a wonderful husband on your 29th birthday, all my love always Stephanie XXX

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GEORGE MEREDITH 4th May 1996. Time heals the pain but doesn't take away the memories, missing you Dad, Michael

GEORGE MEREDITH 4th May 1996. Missing the games we played and the fun we had, we both love you Grandad, and are missing you a lot, Callie and Karl

GEORGE MEREDITH 4th May 1996. A beloved Dad, always close though so far away, now the road between us is one that cannot be travelled, but always with us in our hearts and memories, Michelle and Nigel

GEORGE MEREDITH May 4th 1996. No words could ever express how much we miss you Dad, not a day goes by without wishing you were still here, love you forever, Mandy and Dennis X

GEORGE MEREDITH Dear Grandad, we miss you lots, we wish you could come back, love Chantelle, Alex X

GEORGE MEREDITH 4-5-97. Gentle Jesus up above, give Grandad George all our love, we know you guard us from above and still protect us with your love, we will always love you Callie and Karl

GEORGE MEREDITH One of life's gentlemen and a very dear friend, sadly missed, God bless George, Rose and Les

WOODHEAD, Ryan Andrew 25-4-94 to 5-5-94. Sometimes I sit and still I cry, asking the question and still wondering why? The pain of losing you is as strong as ever, loving you always, forgetting you never. Mummy and Daddy

WOODHEAD Little brother I miss you too and wish you were here, so I could play with you, lots of love Craig

RITA MILLER Died 3rd May 1985. Treasured memories of a dear Mam and Nanna. Bill, Marilyn, Kathryn

RITA MILLER 3rd May 1985. Always thinking of you, love Jack and family

SALKELD Tracey Jane, 30-4-94. When you lose someone you love, the hurt is hard to hide, but when you lose a daughter, the hurt goes deep inside. Her smile is gone forever, her hand we cannot touch, but we will never lose the memory of a daughter we loved so much. No-one knows the heartache, no-one sees the pain, we would give the world tracey, just to have you here again. Loving you always, Mam and Pete XX

SALKELD Tracey Jane, 30-4-95. Three years have passed without seeing your smile, I only wish you could have stayed awhile, I see your hand, I cannot touch, I hear your laughter, I miss so much, your one in a million, stood out from the rest, for me Tracey Salkeld is "Simply the Best". Luv you always, Donna, Les, Lyndsey and Andrew XXX

GEORGE SWINBURNE W.F. Died 1st May 1990. Treasured memories of a loving husband and father, who is sadly missed by his loving wife, Nella and family, gone but never forgotten

Birthday Remembrance

PETER McKENZIE Remembering a very dear brother, brother-in-law and uncle on his 65th birthday, 3rd May. So sadly missed by us all. Loved always, Paddy, Jean and family

PETER McKENZIE 3rd May, Birthday memories of a dear brother and uncle, sadly missed, Doreen, Harry, Anne and family

PETER McKENZIE 3rd May, a very dear brother and uncle, loved and remembered and missed every day, Emily, David and family

McKENZIE Birthday memories of Peter, 3rd May, not just today, but everyday, I remember you, love you, Flo

DONALDSON Also remembering Nigel, died 11th May 1994, loving son of Emily and David, so sadly missed.

Births

CURBESON Thank you to my darling wife Tracy for our beautiful daughter McKenna Leigh, love you both, always, Lee

CURBESON April 28th 1997. Cliff and Kay are proud to welcome the safe arrival of McKenna Leigh, thanks to Lee and Tracy for our new granddaughter, love to you all, Mam and Dad XX

CURBESON Congratulations Lee and Tracy on the birth of your daughter, lots of love Michelle, Paul and Lee XX

CURBESON To Lee and Tracy, a daughter, born 28th April 1997. A welcome granddaughter for Tom and Glenda, love to you all, Mam and Dad

PETER & RACHEL congratulations and thank you for my lovely grandson, Alex, 25-4-97, love Mam.

PETER & RACHEL Thank you Auntie Rachel and uncle Peter for giving me a little playmate named Alex, love Rebecca

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Thank You

BEST MAM AWARD - Big thank you to my Mam, Joanne Howarth, for looking after me while I was ill, don't worry, I'll soon be getting back into mischief - Love Adam XX

COOKE ALAN The family of the late Alan Cooke would like to thank Brian Shepherd Funeral Directors for all the care and compassion given to us on the sad loss of our father. Also thanks to Dr Clarke and Martha Kent and the District Nurses and everyone who helped to care for him. Also thanks to Star Cabs for all their help in getting him in and out of their taxis. Also to everyone who sent cards and messages of condolence and floral tributes. Thanks to all my family for being with me and my Dad when you were most needed. You made all our hopes and dreams come true. We love you all, love Bev XX

MAY THE Sacred Heart of Jesus be praised, loved, adored, glorified, throughout the whole world, now and forever, Amen. To be said every day for nine days, never fails, thanks given - M.M.A.

WE HAD a great party, all our family and friends were there, the presents and cards were absolutely beautiful, to everybody, thanks for a lovely 25th Anniversary, love to you all, Steve and Maureen

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Deaths

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