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silence in memory of Princess Diana on Saturday 6th September. As a mark of respect on the tragic death of Diana, Princess of Wales, Newton Aycliffe Library will be closed on Saturday 6th September.

Great Aycliffe Town Council have provided a Book of Condolence, which is available at the Library for people to sign during normal opening

hours.

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church is holding a "Special Requiem Mass" on Saturday 6th at 10am.

St Clares has arranged a short "Act of Remembrance" also for Saturday 6th commencing 9.30am. Prayers will be said for Princess Diana for all who died, and their families. Everyone is welcome.

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FRONT PAGE LETTER

TOWN COUNCIL APOLOGISE FOR DELAY ON CLEAN UP OF BOATING LAKE

Dear Sir,
The Town Council apologises that the lakes at West Park have taken a long time to clean. Work started last week and,

weather permitting, will be finished shortly.

The Council is investigating ways of keeping the lakes free of silt and algae in the future, which will be less unpleasant and disruptive for local residents.

Work on the lakes actually started at the beginning of the school holidays, but had to be cancelled when concerned residents asked us to wait until the ducklings could fly. The contractors had to be re-scheduled.

The Council sometimes face circumstances beyond its control. This month, for instance, we learned of thousands of pounds-worth of vandalism, including £2,000-worth of damage to the fences around Horndale playing fields. There are some people determined to destroy our environment as fast as we can improve it. How this contrasts with the efforts of those private individuals who work to make Aycliffe a beautiful place!

In Aycliffe village, volunteers have put in flowers beds and raised over £1,000 to provide flower tubs.

The GAPS group has laboured all summer to open up our rights of way - for instance the three volunteers who gave up last Saturday afternoon to build a new stile by St. Andrew's Church.

Let's be reasonable, and let's work together to improve our town.

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Sometimes it is very difficult to tell which products are the most environmentally friendly. However, in the case of barbecue charcoal and timber goods, special labelling schemes are helping shoppers to distinguish which brands are best for the environment. More than 40,000 tonnes of charcoal were burnt on British barbecues last year. Nearly all of this was imported - much of it from rainforests and mangrove swamps in tropical areas of the world. The over-exploitation of these tropical habitats is causing them to be lost forever, along with the many species of plant and animals that live there.

It is much better for the environment to use charcoal from properly managed British forests. As well as helping to save tropical habitats, it also avoids the enormous use of fuel needed to transport foreign charcoal to Britain - and it supports local jobs!

Look out for charcoal which is produced from well managed local forests. It will be labelled as such. One excellent brand is called 'Great North Charcoal', made from local woods and sold in

distinctive brown paper bags. Local branches of B&Q stock this brand, as well as various petrol stations and small shops. For information on your nearest stockist phone Frazer Scott, Great North Forest, on 0191 460 6200. Wood from tropical rainforests is also used in furniture and other products. Mahogany, teak and ebony are three such types. A special symbol is now being used to mark furniture and other timber



goods known to be from well managed, sustainable forests (see below). Buying goods marked with the symbol is a guarantee that your purchase is not helping to destroy the rainforests or other important natural habitats. Further information Martyn Locklin (01325) 311089 Ben Dellow (0191) 383 3721

SCHEME TO REDUCE TRUANCY

A pilot scheme to create truancy-free zones in busy town centres has proved so successful it is being extended across the whole of County Durham.

A truancy 'passport' covering schools in Durham City, Chester-le-Street and Darlington, was introduced last year resulting in fewer pupils playing truant.

Now, all comprehensive schools in the County are covered by the scheme and local traders and businesses have been provided with information on how to approach youngsters and check their official pass.

The move is the latest joint initiative between Durham County Council and Durham Constabulary in a continuing campaign to minimise unauthorised absences from schools and the problems it can cause.

The scheme allows staff in shops to ask young people of apparent school age to show an authorised absence pass issued by their school. If the pupils fail to produce a permit after being challenged, checks are made with their school to see if they have a legitimate reason for being in the town, and if not, the matter is taken up with their parents.

Cases are monitored closely and could lead to court action against parents if necessary.

"The vast majority of pupils in the county do attend school regularly but the campaign to minimise truancy remains an on-going

priority," said Russell Lee, the County Council's principal education welfare officer.

"The scheme so far has proved very successful. The actual unauthorised absence rates are not due to be published until later in the autumn but we do know there has been a marked decrease in the number of pupils playing truant in the County.

"With every comprehensive school now signed up to the scheme, it means that an unsupervised pupil found out of school without a pass immediately risks being identified as a truant.

"Routine checks by shop staff, store detectives and security personnel will make shops no-go areas for truants," he said.

Family Service

There will be a Family Service at St Clare's Church on Sunday 14th September, commencing at 10.30am. The theme for this month's service is "Rules".

A warm welcome is extended to all, but especially young families, to come and share in this short informal all-ages service. Refreshments will be available in the hall afterwards to which everyone is invited.

Choose Your Gas Supplier

Ofgas sets 1 November for gas competition in Scotland and the North East of England

Ofgas today confirmed 1 November as the date from which domestic gas customers in Scotland and North East England will be able to buy their gas in a competitive market.

Up to now everybody on mains gas in these areas has been supplied by one gas company. Competition will allow different companies to enter the market. So far 8 companies (including BGT) have a licence from Ofgas to compete in these areas.

"I was particularly keen to ensure that the benefits of competition - which has brought down gas bills by as much as 20 per cent where it has been introduced already - should be in place before the coming winter in what are traditionally the coldest regions of Great Britain," said Clare Spottiswoode, the Director General of Gas Supply. "This will mean that over the winter months, the average gas consumer in Scotland and North East England, should be able to save £10 a month on his or her gas bill.

"Credit must go to Transco, the pipeline operator, for developing the innovative approach to data management which has made it possible to introduce competition in these areas well before the worst of the winter weather," she added.

Views on Smoking for T.V. Programme

I am researching a Channel television documentary that explores the history of tobacco during the first half of the twentieth century - I am particularly looking for older people's memories of that time.

In the early part of this century the majority of young men smoked an by the 1920's smoking cigarettes was popular in any place that people met.

During this period many young women begun to smoke some using long cigarette holders. Offering a cigarette of light was an 'ice breaker' or 'chat up line', and sharing cigarettes part of courtship. Cinema audiences, along with the new Hollywood stars, lit up.

During the 1930's smoking at work was often the norm. Some people were even given a cigarette allowance as smoking was not considered bad for their health. In other jobs, such as mining, smoking was strictly prohibited and chewing tobacco or snuff was popular.

It was not until the 1950's that the celebrated cigarette became widely known as harmful. Doctors who had previously encouraged smoking to help relax, urged people to give up. For some people giving up smoking was hard, even impossible.

Do you have any memories like these or other stories about smoking during the first half of this century? Did you ever smoke a pipe or cigarettes, chew tobacco or take snuff? If so please write to me: Hilary Cornish, Testimony Films, 1 Great George Street, Bristol, BS1 SRS.

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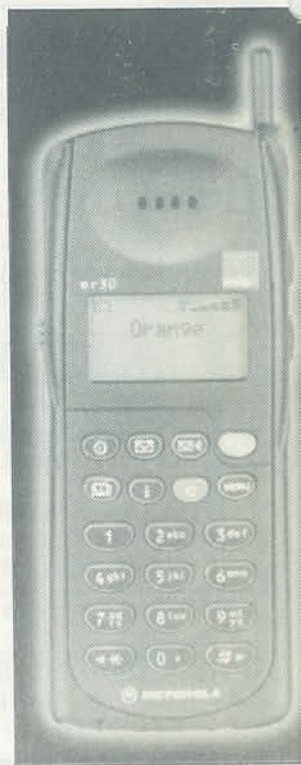
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the Gundogs and Working Groups take centre stage, culminating with the judging of the overall Best In Show. This is the ONLY opportunity to see so many show dogs together in the North East. For further information please contact - Public Relations Officer, Mrs. Maureen Dennis Tel / Fax 01207 - 239004. **Please note - Un-neutered dogs cannot be allowed on the showfield.**

Free Service to Help Animals

The National Animal Sanctuaries Support League have launched a voluntary animal registration for the District which includes the following FREE services: Registration of domestic pets. Engraved identity discs. Posters for lost and found animals. Search and rescue (subject to volunteers). Copy of the N.A.S.S.L. Magazine. Advice and useful telephone numbers relating to animal welfare matters, financial help with spaying and neutering. For registration ring (01325) 310843. N.A.S.S.L. is a registered charity approved by the Society for Principled Living and Trading

Get Rid of Ugly Shutters

A new drive to rid town centres of forbidding 'steel corridors of shops is being launched in County Durham. A new booklet of guidelines called Shopfront Security shows owners and fitters safe alternatives to solid steel roller shutters. The third in a series produced by Durham County Council, the booklet aims to highlight alternative but effective security measures for individual premises while, at the same time, respecting the character of the building and the street scene. "Crime rates and the fear of crime have created a demand for security measures and solid steel roller shutters with their large shutter boxes have become common as they are quick and easy to install," said Councillor Ken Manton, chairman of the County Council's Environment and Technical Services Committee. "They create a very basic level of security but have major drawbacks not the least of which is the possibility of thieves going unobserved inside the shop. "A street of solid shutters creates a hostile steel corridor which can discourage people from using the street, especially in the evening, and so increases the risk of crime," he said. The booklet, which follows the already published Windows and Shopfront Design booklets, gives information and advice on security without using shutters or grilles, including building in safety features in new or refurbished shopfronts, reinforced windows, alarms and surveillance systems and lighting. Alternatives to solid shutters, such as grilles, perforated, punched and polycarbonate shutters, are described and explained and technical information and standards are also included. "We hope the booklet will help shop owners provide security measures that are integrated with the design of the shopfront and so avoid an unrelated, tacked on appearance," said Councillor Manton. "Tips on security and safety without shutters and grilles and a list of specialist suppliers and contacts should also prove useful," he said. Copies of Shopfront Security are free to residents and traders in County Durham and available from local libraries and from the Director of Environment and Technical Services, Durham County Council, County Hall, Durham DH1 5UQ, telephone 0191 383 4104.

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HALDEX	4	4	0	0	50	40	10	12
TALLENTS A	4	3	1	0	65	48	17	11
SPORTS CLUB	4	2	0	2	44	43	1	8
HARRINGTON	4	2	0	2	59	50	9	8
ACORN A	4	2	0	2	66	66	0	8
M.H.	4	2	0	2	43	47	-4	8
D.SECURITY	4	2	0	2	52	57	-5	8
HARRISON	4	2	0	2	49	38	11	7
TALLENTS B	4	1	1	2	50	49	1	7
FLYMO	4	2	0	2	52	58	-6	7
GREAT LAKES	4	1	0	2	63	63	0	6
CHMOND	4	0	0	4	39	69	-30	3
ACORN B	4	0	0	4	42	79	-37	2
HALDEX	15							
ACORN A	17							
TALLENTA	16							
HARRISON	18							
GREAT LAKES	18							
SPORTS CLUB	15							
M.D.S.	14							
TALLENT B	7							
FLYMO	11							
N.A.L.C.	14							
RICHMOND	13							
BARRINGTON	12							
ACORN B	11							
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SHAKY GAME FOR HUNTSMAN F.C.

Europa FC - 1
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contenders Huntsman
looked very shaky in their

second game of the season - but still managed to win despite trailing 1-0 in the second half, writes Martin Walker.

A meaningful minute silence was carried out respectfully by both sides following the appalling tragedy last weekend - the gloomy weather summed it all up. The first half spectacle was a sorry performance from Huntsman's point of view and it was the same picture for much of the second half. Europa took the lead about ten minutes after the break, and Huntsman were never really threatening the home side's 'keeper. Rob Lothian snatched an equaliser after a mad scramble in the penalty area - 15 minutes were left for Huntsman to win it.

It was a training ground classic that produced the vital second goal. A free-kick from about 25 yards was sweetly curled into the top left corner by Man-of-the-match Morgan Fielding.

Five minutes later striker Wayne Marram scored his first goal of the season despite the pathetic calls of off-side by Gary Preston, and in reality Huntsman were always going to win maximum points.

Tony Travis added insult to injury by saving a penalty minutes from time. **TEAM:** Travis 8, R.Walker 6 (Stokell 7), Partridge 7, McCabe 6, T.Walker 6, Hammond 6, **FIELDING** 8, C.Walker 7, M.Walker 6 (Briddick 7), Lothian 7, Marram 7. Huntsman play their first home match of the season this Sunday at home to D.C.S.

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New Rotary Club President



Roger Curtis (left) of Aycliffe Village is the newly installed President of Newton Aycliffe Rotary Club. Roger, who is pictured here at the recent handover of office from Tony Bird, is the Managing Director of Curtis Office Supplies in Darlington. Among his other interests is sailing and fishing.

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Tony Blair Opens New Centre

Sedgefield Borough's new purpose-built Training Centre will provide courses for school leavers and young people, help for the unemployed and life long learning opportunities for people of all ages wanting to develop new skills or follow up an interest.

On Friday, 29th August, Prime Minister, Tony Blair, officially opened the Training Centre which is based at Merrington Lane, Spennymoor.

The Centre can cater for 120 students at any one time and aims to have around 500 students on its register. The modern facilities include lecture rooms and large training rooms fully equipped with the latest in computer technology. Sedgefield Training Centre took six months to build and a capital investment of £705,000. A grant of £225,000 came from the European Union and £70,000 from Bishop Auckland College. The remaining, £410,000 was provided by Sedgefield Borough Council, County Durham and Darlington TEC, Spennymoor Town Council and Partners in Regeneration are also supporting the project. Courses available include computer skills, business administration, maths, English and accounts along with European languages and Japanese. Modern Apprenticeships are available for 16-24 year olds and N.V.Q.'s can be obtained for a wide range of occupations.

Sedgefield Borough Council has provided training for school leavers and unemployed adults since 1975 and has achieved a good success rate with previous training programmes. Ninety per cent of young people who complete their course, find jobs, and older people who have been unemployed for years, have also found work after joining the training programme.

During Mr Blair's visit he met a number of trainees and representatives from their companies.

Priest on the Run?

The Rev. Colin Jay will be taking part in this years "Great North Run" on Sunday 14th September.

He is inviting people to sponsor him for the half marathon run and proceeds will be divided equally between Newton Aycliffe MIND and St Elizabeths Church Improvement Fund. If anyone would like to sponsor him, or to send a donation, please do so at St Elizabeths Church, St Elizabeths Close, Woodham or contact him on 320112

Dance School Concert

The Hargreaves-Jacques School of Dance will be presenting a Dancing Show on Wednesday 17th September, in St Clare's Church Hall, commencing at 7.00pm.

It should be a very colourful and enjoyable event for the whole family. Tickets are £2.00 for adults and £1.50 for concessions, obtainable from the Church hall on Saturday mornings' between 10.00am and 11.45am. All proceeds are for the Parish Development Fund.

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The fort, near Bishop Auckland, which houses the best preserved military baths in Britain, is celebrating National Archaeology Day on Saturday, September 13, with activities on an Anglo-Saxon theme.

Visitors will be able to join in making a collage, decorating pottery and dressing in Anglo-Saxon costume and there will be an opportunity to find out how the earliest English buried their dead.

"I suppose people wonder what this has to do with a Roman Fort," said Sam Middleton, Durham County Council's assistant archaeology officer. "After it was abandoned by the Romans, Binchester was used by Anglo-Saxon settlers but as a cemetery not as a stronghold. "Many graves have been found including that of a woman who was buried under the floor of the Roman bath house. A brooch, amber beads and a pot were all carefully laid out with her. Binchester has a long and exciting history. It continued in use long after the Roman soldiers had gone and on National Archaeology Day we will be exploring its past with plenty of hands-on crafts for visitors to try," she said.

The day lasts from 11am to 5pm and normal admission charges apply.

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In all there were 18 scouts aged 11 to 15 who had a good, enjoyable, but tiring week. The weather kept fine and bright, the accommodation was second to none, and the views were spectacular, over looking pine forest's in Glen Kin. During the week they went hill walking, mountain-bike riding, gorge walking, rock climbing, and swimming.

1st Aycliffe scouts meet on Thursday night at the Scout Centre, behind the Navy Club, Newton Aycliffe, at 7 o'clock until 8.30pm. If you are interested in learning more about our activities do not hesitate to come along and see for yourself but you must be around 11 years of age.

The pictures show an eleven year old scouts trying his hand on a hundred foot rock face. Next we see Aycliffe scouts after feeding time - note they are still smiling!

For further information ring Mr. W. D. Kimberley, 36 Sharp Rd, Newton Aycliffe, on Tel 01325 312886 or Mr D Kelsey 160 Hutton Place, Newton Aycliffe. Please leave your message on the answering machine and I hope to hear from you soon.

Aycliffe Scouts Camping in Bonny Scotland



Art Winners Exhibit

A showcase of the best in British illustration comes to Durham Art Gallery next month, (September 6)

Some of the leading artists working in the country today are featured in the 110 pieces which make up Images 21.

They were chosen from over 1,000 entered for the Images 21 - The Best of British Illustration annual competition.

Images 21, which opens on Saturday, September 6, is from the Association of Illustrators and groups the works into sections covering advertising, print and design, information and technical, editorial, book illustration and student work.

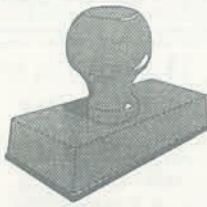
Included will be the entries from the competition's overall winner, Paul Slater, and the acclaimed book jacket by Sarah Perkins for the best seller Sophie's World chosen by a panel of 35 experts from the industry.

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Letter to the Editor

COUNCILLORS SHOULD PRACTICE WHAT THEY PREACH

Dear Sir
Reading through last weeks issue I came across the article "cut your car travel", local agenda no 21.

I agree totally with the points which were made, I then noticed I was to contact Martin Locklin for further information, I was so amazed as I have never known Cllr Locklin walk past the kerb upon which his car is parked. Maybe he should practice what he preaches or perhaps

take a leaf out of Cllr Tony Moores book and walk or use public transport. If maybe not as comfortable as your average Corsa! But far more cost effective and environmentally friendly! Is it hardly surprising that residents of this town have little faith in those who are there to represent them! May I take this opportunity to congratulate and thank Tony Moore for all of his good work in the Horndale area, keep it up Tony
A bewildered resident

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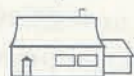
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BOWMER - ADLAM Suzanne and Thomas congratulations on your engagement and thank you for asking me to be bridesmaid, love Donna X

Birthday Remembrance

REECE GRADY - 8th September. 3 today my darling Reece, all I can do is sit and weep, the candles burning in my heart, in which you will always be a part, I tell myself it won't be long, this can't go on forever. I'll be happy soon sweetheart, when we are back together, sleep tight birthday boy, love you forever, Mammy XXX
REECE GRADY - 8th September. To my baby brother Reece, you will always be in my thoughts and in my heart, especially today on your 3rd birthday, love and miss you, your big brother Aidan XXX
GEORGE MEREDITH - 4th September. We have no cards to send for a very special Dad, but our thoughts are always with you, love from Mandy, Dennis, Chantelle and Alex XX
GEORGE MEREDITH Remembering you on your birthday, 4th September and every day. Our lives go on, but we love and miss you so much, Sadie and family
ALAN COOKE - 5th September. No pint down the club today Dad, your 50th birthday. I can't even have a pint for you (because I am in the pudding club). Never mind, you will be in my thoughts all day. As you are everyday. I miss you with all my heart. God bless you, your ever devoted daughter Beverley XX
PETER BUSHBY - 19th September. Sometimes it seems a lifetime, sometimes only a day, but loving you the way we do, you're still just a thought away. Love Irene

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In Memoriam

TO KENDRA 7 years have passed and not a day goes by without me thinking of you, missed always, Lisa and Nicole and Sophie Summerill XX
CAROLE TURNER A dear sister died 30th August 1996. Much loved and always in our thoughts, Harry, Richard, Peter, Ada, Christine and families
ELLA RICHARDSON - A loving sister and sister-in-law, simple words but very true, we will always remember you. God bless, Mena, Joe and family XX

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ST CLARES Coffee Morning - As a mark of respect for Diana, Princess of Wales, the Coffee Morning on Saturday 6th September has been cancelled
WHAT'S ON AFTER? Going Bananas to all you children who came to our "holiday bible club in August we invite you to "What's on after Going Bananas". The lazer club every Sunday morning 10.30am to 11.30am (3-15 years) or The Shell Group every Thursday evening 6-7pm (7-11years, 25p) at Neville Parade Methodist Church

Deaths

AARON CAIRNS - Died at home, 27th August 1997 after illness. Beloved husband of Brenda, father to Aaron John and Anne. Thanks to Doctors and Nurses at Bewick Crescent also Marie Curie Nurses for their support and care

Licence Application

Goods Vehicle Operators Licence

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Thanks

BOB EIDSFORTH Christine, Paul and family would like to thank their relatives, friends and neighbours for all the cards, flowers and support given on the recent loss of a very dear Dad and Grandad. Special thanks to Father Nicholas Chamberlain, Michael Rae and Bryan Shepherd Funeral Directors and especially to the staff at Shafto House for all their wonderful care and support.
WINTER - To the friends, neighbours and relatives of my late husband Alec. I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and family to thank you for the cards of condolence and flowers received during this time of sadness. A special thanks to Dr. Sheldon, the staff at the Pease Way Medical Centre, staff of Ward 33 at Darlington Memorial Hospital and John Meynell Funeral Directors
TO WIL - Thank you for a great holiday and for your romantic proposal of marriage, you have shown me Nicole and Sophie what happiness is. We have waited so long for the void to be filled, you have picked up the broken pieces and made everything complete. I'll be honoured to be Mrs Workman - we love you, Lisa, Nicole and Sophie Summerill XX
TO MUM & WIL - Thank you for making us so happy, love Nicole and Sophie Summerill
CRAIG PALMER - Thank you Craig for the best six months of my life. I love you more than words can say and I always will. Lots of love Tracy XX
MONIQUE SCANLON would like to thank everyone for the surprise birthday party, especially all those who made it possible. The catering was fantastic, the cake beautiful and the disco brilliant. It was a night I shall remember always, thank again
THOMAS ADLAM thank you for asking me to be your wife, hope our happiness keeps on growing, love Suzanne XX
SUZIE BOWMER My first love, thank you for saying "YES", all my love Tom XX
RAYANS Peter and Louise would like to thank their family and friends for all the cards and gifts received at their recent wedding
EBDON Lee's parents would like to thank everyone who came to his party last Saturday. For the presents and many cards we received wishing him success in his career in the Armed Forces. We all had a brilliant night. Again, many thanks Alan and Daphne

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TUESDAY: (7-9pm unless stated)

Astronomy GCSE (3 terms)
Cake Decoration/Sugar Craft
Italian Intermediate - Line Dancing
Painting and Drawing
Holiday French NCFE (3 terms)
Dance GCSE (5.30-7.30pm)
Basic Computing (intro to PC's) (6-8pm and 8-10pm)
Making the Most of Yourself (begins 7-10-97)
Intro to Rock Climbing (13-16 years, 6.30-8.30pm)
Emergency First Aid + Sports Injuries (5 weeks)
Basic Counselling C&G (15 weeks)
Healthy Eating from the Orient (8 weeks)
Holiday Spanish NCFE (3 terms)

**WEDNESDAY:**

Basic Education (begins 10-9-97)
Floral Art (fresh flowers, begins 10-9-97)
Yoga (6-7.30pm, begins 10-9-97)
Youth Football Training (NAYAF, 6-7.30pm)
C.L.A.I.T. (RSA1 Computer Literacy & IT, 3 terms, 6-8pm & 8-10pm)
Dressmaking - Pottery & Ceramics
Basketball (7.30-9pm, begins 10-9-97)
Introduction to Sign Language
Something Different with Paint (home decoration)
German for Beginners NCFE (3 terms)
Emergency First Aid (5 weeks)

THURSDAY:

Decoupage NCFE (3 terms or 10 weeks)
Dried Flower & Craft Work (begins 9-10-97)
Egg Decoration/Parchment Craft
Word Processing RSA1 (3 terms, 6-8pm)
Word Processing RSA2 & 3 (3 terms, 8-10pm)
Gymnastics (6-8.30pm, 5-11 years, begins 11-9-97)
Introduction to Reflexology - Car Maintenance
Introduction to Hill Climbing
Emergency First Aid (people who work with kids, 6 weeks)
Music (Guitar) - Family History
English for foreign students GCSE (3 terms)

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COUNTY BIDS FOR £2 MILLION TO REPAIR SCHOOLS

Durham County Council has lodged a bid for almost £2m of Government cash which has been specially earmarked to help fund urgent repairs and improvements at schools. The bid is for a share of the first tranche of cash from the £1.083 billion which Chancellor Gordon Brown has promised during the life of the current Parliament to start tackling the nation's backlog of school repairs. Durham Education Authority has a backlog of around £50m and has put together a £1.88m bid for repairs and improvements to 27 of its schools in both the primary and secondary sectors.

It includes a wide variety of schemes, ranging from roofing repairs and improved security measures to window replacements and the removal of asbestos. To qualify for a share of the Government's 'New Deal for Schools' cash, schemes have to demonstrate how, in addition to being cost effective, they would help raise educational standards. The funding available to successful bids would meet 100% of the cost of schemes at county, maintained special and

voluntary controlled schools and 85% of the costs at voluntary aided schools.

Coun Don Robson, Leader of Durham County Council, said: "We firmly welcome the Government's initiative in releasing funds to tackle what is a major national problem."

"Having had just weeks in which to prepare our bid, I believe we have put together a realistic programme based on areas of priority and the need to have the schemes completed by the end of the current financial year."

I am sure that the quality of education in our schools will benefit as a result of improvements to the working conditions of those teaching and learning within them," he added.

"Although this first bid is modest in comparison with the scale of our backlog of school repairs, we view the availability of this money as a firm commitment to tackling the problem over the longer term and we shall certainly be preparing more comprehensive bids in future years."

An announcement on the outcome of the bid is expected at the end of September.

S.B.C. HOLD CHARITY GOLF DAY

Thirty teams played at the Knotty Hill Golf Course, Sedgefield on Thursday, 4th September. The event is the Mayor's Charity Golf Day, organised by Sedgefield Borough Council and the money raised will go to the Mayor's Charities, the Pioneering Care Centre and the Marie Curie Cancer Care Fund.

The Pioneering Care Centre is to be built at Newton Aycliffe and will be a one-stop-shop providing services and support for people with disabilities, or ill-health, and their carers. Sedgefield Borough Mayor, Brian Avery, is also supporting Marie Curie Cancer Care, after seeing for himself their invaluable work in the community.

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