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"Money is not as tight as it was and this valuable site has great potential and should now be attracting investors" said Tony.

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Rugby News

Newton Aycliffe 45
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This was a good result for Aycliffe and reflected the steady improvement shown by the squad since the start of the season, the influence of the golden oldies played its part with Cooper a stalwart at full back and Sheen coming on as substitute to restore the impetus created by the home side from the kick-off. A much re-jigged Aycliffe side took the game by the throat and fluent 15 man rugby won the game. The Darlington side were always on the back foot as the pack won possession in set pieces and the backs exploited the advantages gained. Warren Parsonage had a good game at scrum

half as did his brother Gareth at centre. Daryl Petite was man of the match for Aycliffe with a wonderful display of creativity and kicking at half back. Le Crunch was also a dominant force although oxygen deficit restricted his referees school this week. While the presence of coach Malvern was missing on the pitch his influence was apparent. Aycliffe go forward with confidence to next weeks league match against Durham Constab. Try scorers this week were Paul House, Stu McLean, Mark Affleck, Crunchie Turnbull, Peter Sheen and Daryl Petite (2) who also kicked five conversions. Team sponsors Great Lakes Chemicals.

PUPILS PAINT MURALS FOR DAY NURSERY



Pupils from Woodham Comprehensive School Newton Aycliffe demonstrated flair, imagination and talent with their recent Year Ten Curriculum Extension Programme. Sue Morrell, the school's careers coordinator, always alert for venues and opportunities suggested the baby room at Playday Nursery would be a suitable place for a mural. Under the guidance of Allan Archibald, an art Teacher at the school and Elizabeth Ripley a student teacher, a team of pupils planned, prepared and executed a series of panels depicting a colourful jungle scene, incorporating animals, birds, butterflies, flowers and other insects. The team of young people involved were Darren Brown, Enima Maricy, David Payne and Gemma Russell. The pupils and staff from the school recently visited the nursery and assembled the mural to the delight of the children and staff. Aft P Cutmore and Mr C H Stafford who own the nursery were pleased to give the pupils this valuable opportunity and were delighted with the result. At the same time two other Year Ten pupils were working with the young children as part of their Curriculum Extension Programme and GCSE Child Development course. The school and the nursery work together in partnership to enhance current training programmes including GNVQ courses. The photograph includes from left to right Darren Brown, David Payne and Emma Maricy.

IMPRESSIVE HUNTSMEN

League Cup Round One.
AFC Cockerton - 2
Huntsman - 9
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STUART HODGSON may be the only man to have brought silverware to Huntsman, but new gaffer Dave Lee started on the right foot with this impressive win at Hundens Lane. Cockerton took a shock lead early in the game after striking the post twice, but Huntsman finally got out of bed after half an hour to equalise and then eventually take a half-time lead through goals by Wayne Marram. The second half was more like Huntsman - they pretty much controlled proceedings and man-of-the-match for the second week running Morgan Fielding capped his display off with a hat-trick along with Marram. Champs McCabe bagged his third of the season and Martin Walker scored his sixth of the campaign before going early to watch a sorry display at the Riverside Stadium. The towering figure of Mr. X, who played at the back for this game, surged forward in the second half to net a rasper from at least four yards. Minger-of-the-match was Chris Walker - his dummy was left, as with Dave Stokell the previous week, in the Huntsman after he struggled

to rip his shirt off at half time in a 'pass to me frenzy'. Defenders Tim Walker and Michael Hammond missed the match with one week suspensions but are back into contention for this week's trip to Turk's Head. Meanwhile, Durham FA have badly hampered Huntsman's chances of championship glory by handing down two hefty bans to first team players. Club Secretary Mark Baptis was made aware of the player's situation last Saturday Chris Walker is banned from playing on Sunday for FIVE weeks and Martin Walker a staggering SIX after their antics against D.C.S.S. five weeks ago which were in all fairness provoked by the appalling decisions of the referee. The bans come into force on the 27th October together with a £20 fine each.

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Aycliffe Bowls Champs

Last weekend ladies from the bowling club travelled to Houghton to play in the County Champions Competition. Ann Brown played her singles match on Saturday, winning her way through to the final. Only to see her go down by 12 shots to 21. This did not dampen her spirits as was proved when she was joined by Joyce Beswick, Dorothy Nobbury and Brenda Mangles on Sunday to play the 4's. After some close and exciting games, saw them in the finals and to win the championship by 19 shots to 6. Forthcoming matches for October include The Ladies play their first game in Division 1 against Sunderland on Wednesday 8th, 12.30 start. The men play Darlington on Sunday 12th, 1.30pm, with the veterans at home to Durham on Tuesday 21st. The Denny Cup "An all England mens Team National Competition" is on Saturday 25th, 10am against Durham and also against Durham on Sunday 26th, the Egham Trophy "A National Mixed 4's Team Competition" also 10am start.

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U/11s Unlucky in First Cup Round

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Boys' Club - 2

The Under 11's were desperately unlucky last week in the first round of the league cup. Seeking revenge for a league defeat three weeks ago, the lads pressurised Hartlepool right from the start and Michael Purves (twice) and Anthony Ross were both unlucky not to score early on. Liam Cooper then cleared the ball off the line before midfielder Kyle Allen produced a great save from the visiting goalkeeper. Just before half-time however, Hartlepool snatched the lead against the run of play.

Within 20 seconds of the re-start, Anthony Ross produced a scintillating solo run but his shot rebounded off the crossbar. Aycliffe's pressure brought several corners but from one of them the visitors broke away and with the home defence outnumbered, they scored a second despite a valiant effort by goalkeeper Scott Roscher. With 7 minutes to go, Mattie Laverick-Elliott latched onto Anthony Ross's through ball but was pushed in the area, Michael Purves thumped home the penalty. In the dying moments, Kyle Summersby cleared off the home line and at the other end Liam Cooper's shot was deflected over the bar. All-in-all, a tremendous cup-tie but with no luck. (it must change soon). Skipper Liam Cooper had a storming game all over the field but the "Man of the match" award went to Michael Purves for the excellent way he led the home attack.

GARDENS GUILD

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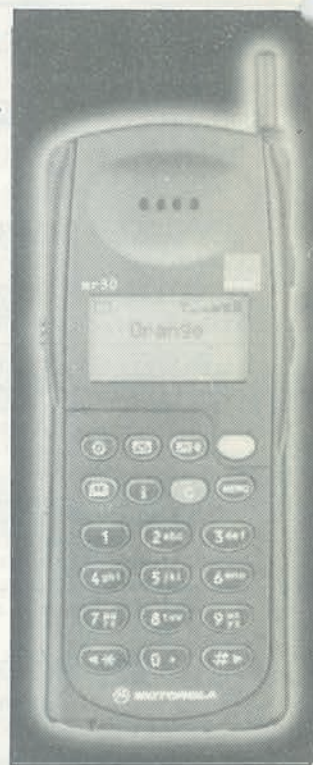
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Green-fingered Stan Hawkes carried off a winning double at a County Durham Vaux Pub's 24th Annual Leek Show. Stan's pair of leeks measured in at a combined 148 cubic inches to scoop top prize at the Iron Horse in Newton Aycliffe, and he was awarded overall winner for the best pot leek in the show. Refusing to divulge what went in to developing his beast-size leeks, Stan said "I give them plenty of encouragement. The rest is a closely guarded secret." Photo: Stan Hawkes (front centre) with (left to right) Leek Club Chairman, Eddie Graham, Iron Horse Licensee Anita Grayson, Mayor of Great Aycliffe Sarah Iveson and Richard Grayson pub licensee.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS ON HOSPITALS

The general public is invited to attend meetings to discuss proposals for the country's hospitals. The proposal is to link general hospitals into two trusts north and south. A further single country-wide trust will focus on special needs for people with mental health problems or learning disabilities. The changes will reduce costs allowing more money to be spent on patient care. Meetings are to be held at the Gallery, Bishop Auckland on Tuesday 14th October at

6.30pm. Darlington Arts Centre on Friday 17th October at 10am. The Health Authority is looking forward to discussing the proposals with the public. It is a way of developing the quality of health care in County Durham and we welcome views from all parties" said Chief Exec. Ken Jarrold

Burglars on the Rampage

Aycliffe Police have issued a warning to householders, following a surge in burglaries, to be extra careful now that the dark nights are here. Empty premises are often targeted by the absence of lights and this can be helped by installing timer switches which the police station, in partnership with local electrical distributor, Upex, can supply at half the normal price of £6.99p. Other police divisions have reported a 50% drop in burglaries where households use these lights to give the illusion that someone is at home. "This is an excellent Crime Prevention partnership with local business which will help reduce burglaries in our area and I strongly recommend that the public take advantage of this offer," said Det. Sgt. Bill Taylor.

New Day Nursery Approved

Plans go ahead for the new private day nursery on Aycliffe Industrial Estate with the help of Sedgfield Borough Council. Mr Owens, the proprietor of the nursery hopes to open the nursery and after school club by the end of the year. If you would like more information please contact the manager, Mrs Sue Tyndall on 309100.

Furniture Scheme A.G.M.

The A.G.M. of the Sedgfield Furniture Scheme will be held on Thursday 13th November at 7.30pm at St Clares Church Hall. Proposals and items for the agenda should reach the secretary Gwen Morrison, 14 days before the meetings. Address: 92 Washington Crescent, Newton Aycliffe. Members of the public are invited to attend and be elected to office or committee. Volunteers are desperately required to keep this vital service for needy families going. Please attend the A.G.M. and offer a few hours of your time to help others less fortunate.

Bollard Problem

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international guests will be staying in the north East for the weekend. These include honorary guests who are highly respected in their own country. The European MuDo Championships are hosted by the recently formed European MuDo Academy. On the 25th October the World MuDo Academy will be established and is to be based in the north east. On the World Championships and the European Championships will be held every two years, thus bringing many international visitors to the area on a regular basis. In addition, these people will return for training and education whenever they wish.

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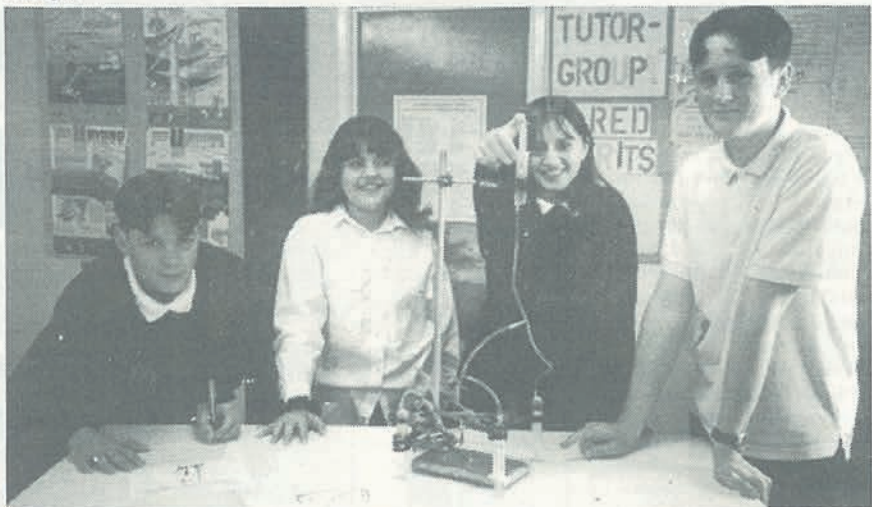
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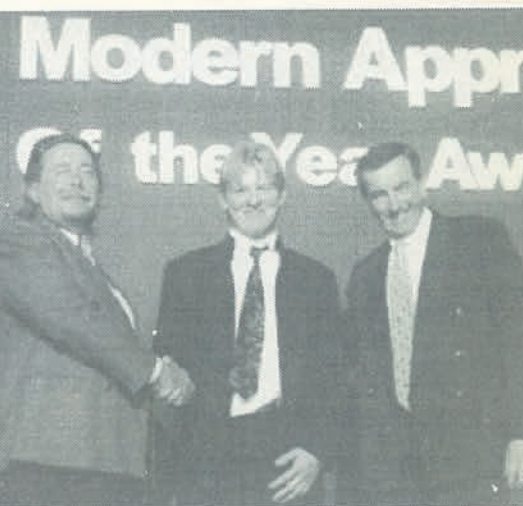


Left to right: Jenny Rodgers (Wolsingham Comp.), David Carrick (Tudhoe Grange), Karen Bowman (Durham Lea), Ian Congreve of Redland, John Hallworth (Greenfield Comp).



Testing one of the experimental activities in the Redland pack: left to right: Michael Feeney, Louise Wood, Gina Bradwell and John Hall.

Borough Apprentice Wins £250 Award



Congratulations to 18 year old Chris Bird who has won £250 as runner-up in the County T.E.C. Apprentice of the year Awards. Chris, who lives with his mum at Barrington Road works as a plumber for Sedgefield Borough Council who have sent their congratulations and best wishes for the future. His nomination for the award comes through excellent reports from work and college. "Your achievement will help to promote the modern apprenticeship scheme to the whole of Sedgefield area" said his training officer, Shaun Meek. Chris was born in Middlesbrough and he moved with his mother and sister to Newton Aycliffe about 7 years ago. He continued his education at Middlesbrough Kings Manor School where he gained 6 GCSE passes. Chris was captain of the Cricket team and a member of other sports teams representing his school..

He played football for Bishop Middleham and cricket for Middlesbrough Under 17's. He enjoys his job which helps an interest in DIY, Chris has a girlfriend, Lyndsey, who also lives in Newton Aycliffe.

Merry Widow at Bishop Auckland

Bishop Auckland Amateur Operatic Society is pleased to present "The Merry Widow" in the Eden Theatre in the Town Hall, Bishop Auckland from Monday 13th October until Saturday 18th October commencing 7.15pm. Tickets priced at £5 (Monday £4) are available from the Town Hall from 6-11th October or by ringing 01382 602371

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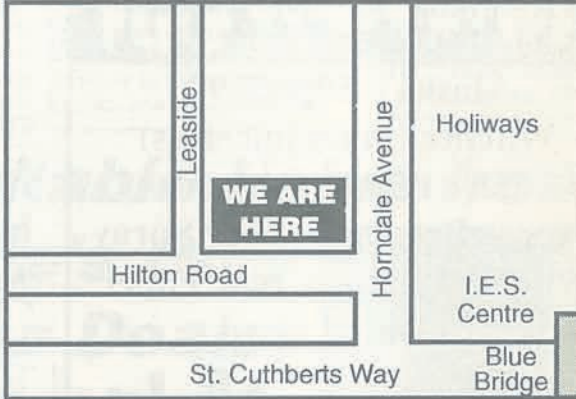
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STUDENT MAY GAIN ACCESS TO SECRET FILES

Newton Aycliffe student Miss K Asbridge, who is preparing a history of our town, sought the help of County Cllr Moore, when she was denied access to records of the Aycliffe Development Corporation's Administration, held by the Commission for New Towns. Letters were exchanged and it has been revealed that under the new "Open

Government" Policy "privileged access" is allowed to individual researchers. Miss Asbridge will have to make a special request to see the particular records and this will be passed on for consideration. It appears that "sensitive" documents will not be released and the new policy is only "half open".

SOMERFIELD SHOPPERS HELP "VICTIM SUPPORT"

Caring Somerfield shoppers in Durham have been busy voting for local good causes to benefit from donations to be made to the Somerfield Community Charity. The appeal for new nominations was answered enthusiastically by locals who flocked to their local Somerfield stores to choose charities and good causes they wanted to support... Newton Aycliffe chose "Victim Support". The money donated by the Somerfield Community Charity is raised principally through the sale of Somerfield Community Charity scratch cards. What a great reason to drop into your local Somerfield store - you could win anything from £1 to £50,000 and benefit a local good cause into the bargain.

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Wednesday evening saw members of the Dog Training class present the Methodist Minister Rev. Sheelagh Stevens, Mr. Dennis Briggs and Mrs. Belle Higgins of the committee a total of £85. The money was from a sponsored 'down stay' held by member's dogs in the Church hall.

The dog training class is held every Wednesday evening 7.30 to 8.30 and helps promote responsible dog ownership. Head trainer Debbie Meads can be contacted on Aycliffe 315696 or pet trainer Sue on 01740 652600 for more details of classes. We train using kind methods only, no choke chains are allowed and future events will include test certificates for members dogs who have passed a certain standard and

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AYCLIFFE SCHOOL HELPS DRIVE TO REDUCE YOUTH VIOLENCE

County Durham is playing a leading role in a European drive to counteract the problem of violence among young people. A three-year pan-European project, funded by the EU, is exploring the phenomena of violence among young people, particularly to those on training and apprenticeships schemes. Aycliffe Young People's Centre, together with Sedgefield Borough Council, has been asked by County Durham Training and Enterprise Council (TEC) to take part because of the centre's own success in reducing expressions of violence. The initiative, known as the Leonardo Project, started in Weimar, Germany, because of concerns about increasing levels of violence in young people on apprenticeship schemes, and now includes training agencies in Austria as well as the UK. Next month, Aycliffe and Sedgefield, will host a week-long international workshop with training delegates coming from Germany, and Austria. A workshop has already been held in Weimar

and another is to be held later in Austria. The aim is to develop training packages through action research designed to help educators, trainers and young people address the problem. Ken Black, Aycliffe's general manager, said: "Our involvement will help us develop further our non-confrontational approach to working with young people more effectively and also provide us with expertise which could be offered to other organisations in the County. "We are listening to the views of young people about what triggers off a violent reaction in them, finding out what our staff see as challenging behaviour, and then examining the skills and methods people use to deal with it," he said. "At the conclusion of the project, the research will be submitted to the EU as part of a strategy to tackle violence," said Mr Black. "In addition, County Durham TEC is planning to develop training materials designed to help schools, colleges and employers deal

with violence in their organisations," he said. During the week-long workshop, visitors will also be able to explore the County and will attend a civic dinner hosted by Councillor Morris Nicholls, the Chairman of Durham County Council, and a civic lunch hosted by the Mayor of Sedgefield Borough Council.

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Application forms for this post are available from the school. Telephone enquiries are welcome.

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GREAT NORTH RUNNER RAISED £253 FOR CHARITY



The girls at John Eliot Footwear, would like to thank Mr Phillip Martin, who completed the GREAT NORTH RUN, On behalf of their chosen charity "DREAMS COME TRUE". The total amount-raised was £253.00 and they would like to thank everyone who sponsored Phillip in this event. In raising this money we are "making dreams come true" for seriously or terminally ill children". The photograph shows Mrs. Margaret Robinson manageress of John Eliot Footwear handing the money over to Rae Elliott who collects on behalf of the charity.

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tip.

Making compost at home
helps the environment by
diverting gas waste from
landfill tips. This is
important because it is the
green waste that produces a
poisonous liquid in the
landfill which can leak out
and pollute water sources.

Using home-made compost
instead of commercially-
produced compost saves
money too! It also helps
wildlife by reducing the need
to use peat (which is often
dug up from threatened
natural habitat). And of
course, it improves the soil
for better fruit and
vegetables.

Sedgefield Borough Council,
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project may be extended to
other parts of the Borough
in the future, if funds allow.
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can easily be constructed
from wooden planks or old
pallets. A mixture of
vegetable waste from the
kitchen and garden can then
be stored to rot down and
form compost. Ensure a
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COLIN GIBSON (10.36),
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MILBURN (11.18) AND MICK
BRUNSKILL (10.43) STORMED INTO
30th PLACE OVERALL.
FOR THE "B" TEAM WE HAD DAVE
MIDDLETON (11.44), ROB
NICHOLSON (12.46), PAUL GUY
(11.53) - YES HIM AGAIN! AND
DAVE MIDDLETON FOR THE
SECOND TIME (12.04).
DESPITE RUNNERS HAVING TO
RUN TWICE THE LADS STILL
MANAGED 30th PLACE. ADAM
GIBSON RAN WELL IN THE U11
BOYS RACE OVER THE SAME
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ROBINSON Well done Uncle Bryan, you need a medal, love Lauren and Jennifer

ROBINSON Congratulations and much love to Karen and Bryan on your 25th Wedding Anniversary, love Anne and Nev

ROBINSON Love and best wishes Karen and Bryan, love Jean and Jack

ROBINSON Love and best wishes on your 25th Anniversary, love Jean, Steve and Dean

ROBINSON 25th Wedding Anniversary, many congratulations Karen and Bryan and lots of love too, from Fiona, Brian, Margaret, George and families

ROBINSON 25th Wedding Anniversary, many congratulations Karen and Bryan and lots of love too, from Mam, Robert, Brenda and families

O WISH MY special husband Terry, happy 8th Anniversary, 14-10-97, I love you always, love and kisses Julie

ARREN THOMPSON I love you always, thank you for taking me the happiest woman alive, see you at the Star, love Samantha

AMANTHA & DARREN Congratulations, may you both be very happy, all our love Corinna and Anthony

IAMMY & DADDY I love you both so much, love Daryl Thompson X

BARBARA HASLIN 50 - 50 Happy birthday Mam, a great day, all our love Julia, Lisa, Kerry and Christopher XXX

BARBARA HASLIN Happy 50th birthday Nanna. All our love and kisses Chloe, Jessica, bbi, Joseph, Bethany and Evon XXX

BARBARA HASLIN Happy 50th birthday to my darling life, all my love Joe XX

TAN COGLAN Happy birthday Stan, 8-10-97, all my love always Joy XX

EVEN MASSON Happy 12th birthday Steven, lots of love and kisses from Michelle X

AUREEN SCOONES Happy birthday Maureen for -10-97, lots of love from isband Trevor, sons Anthony, Paul and Adam and daughter Ashley XXX

AUREEN SCOONES Happy birthday Maureen for -10-97, love from mam-in-law Brenda, sisters-in-law Eoueline and Elaine, other-in-law Mark and all aces and nephews

MANDA WALTON Happy 10th birthday, 9th October, all r love Mam, Paul, Donna, mantha and Andrew XX

OSALINDE HALL Congratulations on our Silver dding, love Dennis XXX

EPHEN EALES 12-10-97, happy 50th birthday older, lots of love Inga

EPHEN EALES Happy 10th birthday Granda, lots of love from the terrible some, Charlotte and James

EPHEN EALES Lots of love to you on your 50th lthday Dad, love Sharon and bert

EPHEN EALES Happy 10th birthday Dad, lots of love from Paul and Andrea

Birthday Remembrance

DENISE CONNELL 8-10-97. The worlds so empty without your happy loving ways. Miss you, Martin, Debbie, Scott, Mark, Ben and Amy

DENISE CONNELL 8-10-97. You're in our thoughts everyday. The empty ache won't go away. Loved and remembered. Phil, Val, Andrew, Gemma and Melanie

DENISE CONNELL 8-10-97. You battled through dark days, determined and brave. Till at last you were freed from the pain. But nothing frees us from the pain of losing you. Forever remembered mam and Vern XX

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Gentle Jesus up above, please give grandad, all my love Bev XX

JIMMY TOMAN My dear Dad, for all my life I'll miss you, for all my life I'll care, there's a special place within my heart and forever you'll be there. Loving daughter Sylvia

and son-in-law Michael and granddaughter Lisa

RONNIE SHEPERD In God's care you sleep above, in our hearts you stay with love. God bless you. Mena and Joe XX

ANN SUMMERSON Died 16-10-92. Many times I've needed you, many times I've cried, no-one sees my broken heart, that lies behind my smile. You left me your memories, your love is still my guide, though I cannot see you, you are always by my side. Your loving husband Derrick

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Mr & Mrs CLAUGHTON would like to thank everyone for the lovely cards and gifts received on our wedding day, 13-9-97, also thanks to our Mams and Dads for making it a special day, and to all my lovely bridesmaids, page boys, ushers and best man for doing an excellent job

FINDLAY - Eileen and family wish to express their sincere thanks to friends and neighbours for the many cards and beautiful floral tributes, received on the very sad and sudden death of Keith. Special thanks to Dr Stephenson for his constant care, kindness and support

THE FAMILY of the late Mrs Florence Waggitt wish to thank family, friends and neighbours for the cards, prayers and sympathy shown in their very sad bereavement. Also to Aycliffe Nursing Home for the care and devotion shown to our Mam and to the Rev Jeffrey Spencer for his words of comfort and prayers and to the Co-operative Funeral Service

THE MEMBERS of the Wishing Well Club thank the Rotary Club of Newton Aycliffe for the £500 cheque presented to the club at the Queen's Head, Bishop Auckland on 18th September.

LYNNE COOPER Would like to thank family and friends for the surprise party. A big thanks to Kath, revenge is sweet!! XX

HEATHER BAIN and Ryan Boys send a big thank you to all their friends for attending their party and making their 2nd birthday a great success

NICOLA & AIAN Would like to thank everyone who attended their wedding on the 27th September and for all the cards and gifts received. We would also like to thank the RAFA Club and all its members and everyone who helped make the day possible

DAVIES Karen Black would like to thank Kev and Vikki for making my birthday one to remember, full of surprises, especially the Rolls Royce

CHARLEY-LOUISE HAIGH Would like to thank all family and friends for cards and presents received on her 1st birthday XX

WILLIAM FOX (Billy) would like to thank his sponsors for Wheelchair Great North Run he has collected £582 for the Dystonia Society

JULIE KELLY Wishes to thank all concerned for cards, presents and good wishes given to her on Saturday. Thank you to fathers Michael, Ciaran and Gary for their help and support. A big thank you to her sponsor and moral leader Ellen (haha). A special thank you to my daughter Cara Louise Kelly for the honour of being confirmed in her name, you may be gone, but in my heart you will always live on. Last but not least, her special four boys Terry, Stuart, Liam and Callum for their love and support, love you all always - Julie Kelly XXX

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WING CHUN TRAINING

Bruce Lee amazed the world with his Martial Art abilities in the 1970's. His incredible skills and on screen presence were born from his Wing Chun Kung Fu training. Now an Aycliffe man Sifu Paul Pearson is teaching this ancient Chinese Art to students in Newton Aycliffe.

The art of Wing Chun was developed by a Buddhist Nun who wanted to create a system of developing Health, Well Being, and Inner Energy as well as realistic Self Defence skills. The art does not rely on physical strength, which makes it ideal for young or old, male or female. This is the first time authentic Chinese Kung Fu has been available in Aycliffe and the club welcomes anyone over the age of 14.

Sifu Paul Pearson has studied this art and related Chinese Philosophies for twenty years, under the guidance of internationally renowned Chinese Masters. He has trained in Europe and Asia devoting all of his energies to the development of his art.

"Wing Chun offers real self defence for mind and body, through its study I have enhanced every area of my life. My aim is to see my students enjoy the same benefits."

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TUESDAYS
TIME: 6.30pm - 7.30pm
VENUE: LARCHFIELD SPORT CENTRE DARLINGTON

TEACHER: SIFU PAUL PEARSON

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WOODHAM COMP RECEIVES GOVERNMENT CASH FOR BUILDING REPAIRS & SECURITY

Woodham Comprehensive is to get a slice of the £6.7 million Education Minister David Blunkett is doling out for renovation and repair work. This is the first release of a total 2 billion investment promised over the lifetime of this Parliament.

Tony Blair said "By 2002 , millions of children will be learning in a modern civilisation nation with a world class education service at its heart"

"We will set up a National Grid for Learning linking up schools and making our country a centre of world excellence in learning technology. Schools will be working with government and business to ensure that our young people start their working lives with a good understanding of technology.

"Raising standards in schools is at the heart of our education strategy - and we cannot raise standards without a modern school environment with the best technological equipment that a modern, forward-looking nation can supply.

"As a start, I am announcing £83m this year to improve security in schools, promote new technology and tackle the appalling backlog of repairs.

"Through this package:

- * Over £60m will be used to replace dilapidated classrooms and carrying out urgent repairs on nearly 1500 schools;
- * £14m will be invested in improving science and technology, including information and communications technology in 350 schools;
- * £6m will be invested in making 400 schools more

secure;

- * £1m will adapt premises for early excellence centres;
- * £975,000 will be used to take forward six public private partnerships which offer the prospect of regenerating 120 schools;
- * tens of thousands of children in over 2000 schools will benefit from renovated buildings and improved facilities.

"It is a basic human right that our children and teachers should learn in classrooms that are warm, safe and weatherproof. Securing the basics will give us the opportunity to better focus on raising standards, using the most up-to-date technology, the great skills of our teachers and the eagerness to learn which rests with every child in the country".

Town Florist Wins North East Contest



Newton Aycliffe florist, Donna Wilkinson, is celebrating again only weeks after winning a Best Student award at Houghall College. Donna who works at Floral Charm in the town centre, won first prize in an Interflora competition where North East florists were asked to design a funeral spray for a grandparent. Donna designed her tribute for a grandfather who loved his garden and used garden type flowers in stunning autumn colours and included a small garden fork, tiny plant pots and mini pumpkins. Donna's spray impressed the judge who said that a customer would be delighted to receive such a beautiful and personal tribute for a much loved relative.

Judo Gradings

Senior members of Newton Aycliffe Judo Club took part in Gradings held at Crowtree Leisure Centre, Sunderland on Monday 22nd September 1997.

Janet Cartwright (4th Kyu) competed well winning the contest, she needed to move up to 3rd Kyu (top blue belt).

Bill Todd also fought well and won ten points towards his black belt status.

On Saunday 28th September, it was the turn of the Junior members who competed in Gradings held at Stockton

Sports Centre. All of the children competing were a credit to the club and gained the following results:

Andrew Cartwright 9th Mon Orange to 10th Mon Green;
James Sanderson 8th Mon Orange to 9th Mon Orange;
Dean Birchall, 6th Mon Orange to 9th Mon Orange;
Ashley Bailey 6th Mon Orange to 8th Mon Orange;
Geoff Richardson 5th Mon Orange to 7th Mon Orange;
Kaylee Pugh Novice to 2nd Mon

Well done everyone

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