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ADOPTION

The Youth Centre kids have already identified their project and have written to the County Council for permission to "adopt" the underpasses which have figured in the news recently. These subways are being abused and vandalised to a degree where local people avoid them, placing themselves in danger crossing the main road. The children are proposing to clean, paint and maintain the underpasses making them safe and inviting, and are also hoping those causing the problems will respect their efforts. County Councillor Tony Moore, whose recent campaign called for the underpasses to be sealed, welcomes this very positive move by the Youth Centre members. "I congratulate the children on this public spirited idea and I will do all I can to support them" said Tony

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It is open to anyone and if you wish to nominate someone you know for an award please complete the form below and return it to the Youth Centre on Central Avenue. For more details ring 312520.

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4th ANNUAL YOUNG ACHIEVERS AWARDS
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From Wednesday 22nd until Saturday 25th October, Spennymoor Youth Theatre Group are proud to present "OLIVER" in Spennymoor Town Hall at 7.30pm. The Director/Designer Hugh Conway has completely re-designed the set, totally transforming the Town Hall with scaffolding that will spread the length and breadth of the Main Hall. With a cast of 120 led by Aaron Sproat from Newton Aycliffe, this year's production will certainly give theatregoers something to talk about for months. Other Newtonians taking part are dancers Gemma Facinelli and Emma Cox and in the chorus are Kayleigh Basey and Luey Creaghan. The Saturday performance is already SOLD OUT, but tickets for other performances can be obtained from Hays Travel Spennymoor or Producer Ann Sproat, Tel: 316917.

DO YOU PASS THE GREEN TEST?

An excellent new computer programme is amiable to help people measure how green they are and highlight ways to lessen their impact on the environment. The programme, 'EcoCal', is being offered free of charge to the first 10,000 callers. A paper-based system is also available to those who do not have access to a computer.

EcoCal was launched nationally last Wednesday by Michael Meacher, Minister for the Environment. It is the most exciting development for years in the environmental field and is the product of one year's research by 'Going for Green' in association with the Environment Agency. Fifteen employees at Electrolux in Newton Aycliffe have been testing the programme for Going for Green. They have found the experience enjoyable, and have succeeded in identifying ways of improving their overall 'green' score. The EcoCal programme is available on computer disc and is simple to install and

run on ordinary home computers. The input of family budget information such as gas, water and electricity bills, details of family shopping habits and transport methods will give a clear indication of every household's impact on the environment and how they compare with 'average' similar households.

To order a free copy of EcoCal (either on computer disc or in paper form), call 0345 002 100.

Further information on Local Agenda 21
Martyn Locklin (01325) 311089
Ben Dellow (0191) 383 3721

Top Site Manager

Michael Burgan, Site Manager of the Maclean Homes development at "The Willows" off Bluebell Way, has won a prestigious award for high standard. Over 17000 were in the running and the competition is stronger each year so Michael's achievement is commendable

Coffee Morning

A Coffee Morning will be held at St Elizabeth's Church Hall, Woodham on Saturday 1st November from 10am till noon. Cake and Pie Stall, Raffle, also mock auction will start at 11am, all welcome coffee/tea and scone 50p

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Education chiefs warned parents that arrangements need to be made with local primary schools before 1st December for youngsters about to start school next year, even if they already have brothers or sisters attending the school.

This involves children who will be five on or between 1st September 1998 and 31st August 1999.

Anyone wanting to know more should contact the Admissions Section of Durham County Council's Education Department at County Hall, Durham on (0191) 386 4411, ext. 3278.

Fashion Show

St Clare's Church are hosting a Fashion Show on Thursday 6th November at 7pm. The show is kindly presented by Mackays of Beveridge Way and will feature their new Autumn range of fashions for ladies and children. Tickets are £1.00 and are available from Mackays or from St Clare's Church Hall between 10am and 11.30am on Saturday mornings. All are welcome. Proceeds are for the Parish Development Fund.

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TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE ON NEXT YEAR'S 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Next year, 20-28 June 1998, is our town's half-centenary. When the first sod was cut, on 28 June 1948, Newton Aycliffe represented a vision - a vision of a new society, where people would be secure 'from the cradle to the grave'. We are still far away from achieving that dream, but we have a 50-year heritage of which we can be proud, and Great Aycliffe Town Council intends to celebrate the occasion enthusiastically.

May I tell readers about some of the things we are planning to do:

Our main projects is the new Anniversary Walk. It is already becoming the centre of a network of walks, and will be a continuous wildlife corridor which will make our town more environmentally friendly. At the moment we are commissioning special artist-designed seats and signs; they will make our Walk unique and fascinating.

But we have many other plans for our anniversary week. We are proposing to stage live lunchtime entertainments in the town centre, evening discos for our youngsters and a 40's dance night for the older residents.

There will be a photographic display and competition, a golf tournament and a football tournament. The week will climax in the Great Aycliffe Show, when we hope to place the emphasis on the contributions and skills of the people of Great Aycliffe.

One of our main aims is to build a memorial to the Aycliffe Angels near the town centre.

The 'Angels' were the real founders of Newton Aycliffe, and the Council is at the moment costing designs which have been submitted.

During our week, we hope to place the emphasis on our children, for - even as we look back to our past - we need to look forward to their future. We are putting professional artists, musicians and drama leaders into the schools. We have hired Zippo's Circus to run a series of skills workshops which will culminate in the final circus performance at the end of the week.

Our local schools have involved themselves enthusiastically, and plan to run a string of events. In particular, we hope to produce an 'Aycliffe Tapestry' to rival the more famous one at Bayeux!

Many other groups and organisations are becoming involved. The Rotary Club plan to organise a Community/Business Fair and Exhibition of our industrial history, and an Anniversary Interdenominational Thanksgiving Service. The Athletics Club hopes to organise a fun run. The Church of the Latter Day Saints is hoping to organise formation dance workshops and demonstrations, and to help people trace their family history. St Clare's Church want to hold a flower festival. Newton Aycliffe's Access Task Group, which represents our disabled people, has made a number of exciting suggestions, including a disabled games day and a sensory garden. The Town Council thanks these organisations, and applauds their community spirit in helping us to celebrate our anniversary.

We have had offers of support and sponsorship from many local businesses, particularly Northumbrian Water, 3M, Perstorp, Darlington Heat Treatment, SMK, Flymo, Sanyo, Fujitsu, Linden Hose, Eaton, Distri Parts (part of Electrolux) and many other firms, who are all participating in one way or another, and whose help we appreciate greatly. Still more firms have expressed an interest in getting involved. This is a wonderful response, and the Town Council is grateful to everybody who has offered to help. But we want our anniversary to be even better! We want it to be a week which people remember for the next half century.

If you or your organisation are able to help, if you want to run an event, or if you can support events financially, please write to me at the Town Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, DL5 6QF.

With thanks,
Councillor Billy Blenkinsopp,
Chairman, GATC 50th Anniversary Committee

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The Town Council is appealing for the loan of any old photos of the town to be included in a special issue of the Town Guide for the 50th Anniversary next year.

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Please contact the Town Council Offices on 300700.

Illegal Firework Sellers Jail or £5k fine

Rogue Traders Face £5,000 Fine or Six Months Jail.

Consumer watchdogs in County Durham today warned they will not hesitate to use new powers at their disposal from tomorrow (Wednesday 15 October) to prosecute rogue traders who flout the law relating to the sale of fireworks.

The new legislation makes it an offence to sell most fireworks to children under the age of 18 and bans the sale of aerial shells and the most powerful bangers to the general public.

All fireworks sold will have to comply with the British Standard, and it will be illegal to split up boxes and sell fireworks individually.

Durham County Council's Head of Consumer Services Phillip Holman said : " Retailers who fall foul of these laws could face a fine of up to £5,000 or six months imprisonment.

"The sale of fireworks to children is a criminal offence which we take very seriously, and we will not hesitate to use the new legislation at our disposal. "

Trading Standards Officers will be visiting all premises licensed to sell fireworks in County Durham to ensure that fireworks are being stored correctly and sold in a responsible manner in the run-up to Bonfire Night.

A guide will be issued to retailers reminding them of their obligations to the general public and their staff.

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Cleveland Juniors 13 Newton Aycliffe U/ 11's - 2 Last Sunday, Aycliffe Under 11's came up against last year's Division 1 champions and were well beaten by a very skilful, organised & committed team. Aycliffe were under pressure right from the start when the referee ignored a blatant offside in the build-up to the home side's opening goal. Cleveland's superior skills continued to cause havoc in Aycliffe's defence and goals came at regular intervals. Just before half-time however, the lads began to get their game together when Michael Purves netted from close

range after great skills from Anthony Ross and then skipper Liam Cooper thumped home a beauty from a pass by David Turgoose. The lads fared a little better in the second half and never gave up but with the referee giving the worst display ever seen by this correspondent, they had no chance. This week (26th October) the team entertain Spraire Lads (11 am kick-off at Vane Road Primary School) and all supporters are welcome to come and show their vocal support as the lads attempt to pick up their first league points of the season.

Burnhill Methodists

On TUESDAY 28th OCTOBER at 7.15pm, at Burnhill Way Methodist Church, there will be the first of a series of monthly services of HOLY COMMUNION WITH PRAYER FOR HEALING during which there will be the opportunity to receive prayer for yourself or on behalf of someone else. This will be followed by fellowship over a cup of tea or coffee. Anyone who wishes to come is welcome at this service. SATURDAY 1st November, sees a CONCERT by the SALVATION ARMY SINGING COMPANY AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S BAND at the Burnhill Way Church at 7pm, admission including tea & biscuits £2, £1 children. Everyone welcome.

BACH REMEDY TALK AT LIBRARY
A talk on Bach Flower remedies will be held at Newton Aycliffe Library on Wednesday 5th November 2-4pm, free admission

BOYS BRIGADE DESPERATE FOR NEW LEADERS

There has been a Boys Brigade Company in Newton Aycliffe for over 30 years and in that time literally thousands of boys, and in recent years many girls, have enjoyed the wide variety of activities that The Boys Brigade offers. As you read this it may be that you are one of those that have over the years been in the Company and you can reflect on all the good times you had during that time in your life. Well now is the time when we would ask you to ask yourself if perhaps you could give a little of your time to work with our current group. What we are asking is - are you prepared to share your skills with these youngsters? What skills you ask, well we all have hobbies and interests which could form the basis of providing a programme that can be different and exciting for them. Last session we lost our Captain and an Officer in charge so we desperately need whatever help you can

give if we are to have a Boys Brigade Company to move into the new millennium. Please give this appeal serious thought even if you have never heard of Boys Brigade and if you feel you have something to give then please contact either our new Captain Kim Rowling on Aycliffe 320876 or our Chaplain Rev Jeffrey Spencer on Aycliffe 313508.

CONCERT AT SEDGEFIELD
The S.B.C. are supporting a performance by the Quadro Adriano Chamber Group to be held at St Edmunds Church, Sedgefield on Saturday 8th November at 7.30pm. The Concert features delightful music by Bach, Purcell, Mancini etc and will be informally introduced by the musicians. Tickets are £6.50, £5 and £3 available from Sedgefield Library

FINEST COOKING IN THE AREA



A surprise inspection by AA inspector, Gordon Cartwright, has brought the prize of two red rosettes for the Lord Eldon Restaurant at the Eden Arms Swallow Hotel in Rushyford. The Eden Arms is the only hotel in the Darlington area to hold two coveted rosettes in recognition of the high quality of food served in its restaurant. The award marks a tremendous achievement for the hotel which in the last year has introduced new menus and dishes which particularly impressed the AA inspector. General manager, Nigel Dibb puts some of the hotel's success down to the fact that the kitchen has a supply of fresh herbs with which to flavour and adorn dishes. The Eden Arms has its own herb garden which supplies the kitchen with herbs such as dill, rue, tansy, fennel, chervil and tarragon as well as tomatoes and alpine strawberries. Some dishes have contained unusual ingredients such as nettles and rose petals. Robert Baker, the gardener, has extended the range of herbs available for the kitchen. It is estimated that the herb garden produces over 200 bunches of herbs throughout the summer and some, such as dill, fennel and sage are dried for use during the winter.

The AA says that two rosettes denote cooking that displays a high degree of competence on the part of the chef. The menus should include imaginative dishes, making use of very good raw materials, as well as some tried and tested favourites. Nigel Dibb, general manager, comments: 'The credit for this award has to go to the kitchen brigade. The AA has given us its seal of approval and confirmed that the team produce some of the finest cooking in the area.' In the past year the hotel has also installed a piano in the restaurant to provide diners with a musical accompaniment to their meals.

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ANNUAL AUTUMN FAIR

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Surprise 25th Anniversary Party



Jim and Joyce Bell were given a surprise 25th Anniversary
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years. Jim is a British Gas Technician and Joyce is a Home
Care Assistant. They have three children Colin, Susie and
Jackie.

Jim was in the navy when he met his bride-to-be. Joyce was
a nurse from the Seychelles, who had taken a post in a
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Fireworks Warning



As Bonfire Night approaches parents must start to think
seriously about the safety of their children.

Already one 11 year old girl in Newton Aycliffe has been
seriously injured when a firework was thrown at her head
and exploded in her hair.

Don't let your kids play with fireworks unsupervised and
avoid any risks by attending the family bonfire night
organised by our Town Council. It makes sense and it is
certainly much cheaper!

35% of all injuries last year occurred in private back garden
displays. Sparklers aren't safe either - these injuries
increased by 20%. 50% of all injuries were to children
under 16 - BE WARNED

TEA DANCE FOR THE OVER 55's

The Over 55 Club which
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Get your ticket now from
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LETTER

Hydro Help Club for Deaf

Dear Sir

The Committee and
members of the Newton
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Club would like to thank
Hydro Polymers Ltd for
allowing Peter Crompton
and the other members of
their golf club to hold the
annual charity competition
in aid of our club.

I would also like to thank
them for their continuing
support of our club and the
keen interest that they show
in our members.

The event raised £402 for
us which will be put towards
our annual holiday in 1998
when the members will get
an opportunity to enjoy a
holiday that they might not
otherwise get. Once again
many thanks and our
congratulations to the
winners of the competition
Michael A Dalton
Secretary

Ban Royals say U.K. Youth

The Royal Family are out-
of-date, according to
research undertaken by the
organisers of Children's BBC
Big Bash amongst children
throughout the U.K. The
youngsters, aged between ten
and 17, were asked their
opinions on the Royal
Family - 60% believed they
should be totally abolished
whilst 40% were in favour of
keeping them but, primarily,
as a tourist attraction.
During the research, the
children were asked their
opinions on a range of topics
including:

BEHAVIOUR AND
DISCIPLINE

The biggest influence on
their lives and their
behaviour were their parents
(66%) with friends (20%) and
teachers (10%) in second and
third place. Pop icons, public
and famous figures only
influenced 4% of the
respondents. Surprisingly,
97% were in favour of
parental discipline and only
3% felt their parents were
too strict

FASHION PREDICTIONS

The top fashion prediction
for autumn, as nominated by
23% of the kids, is every sort
of knitwear imaginable but
especially tonk & 70's-style
skirts, in purple, cream and
brown.

LANGUAGE

And for those who like to
keep abreast of the lingo, the
most popular youth phrases
currently in use are:

Cool, wicked, safe, sorted,
guttered, bogus and mental
Making their way up the
verbal charts are these
current interesting phrases:
geesh, sheesh, tonka, you
village' (as in 'idiot'), skill
of the bear.

BBC Haymarket conducted
the research using a
thousand-strong sample of
the 100K children who
attended The Big Bash in
1996. A cross-section of
boys and girls were chosen
from throughout the U.K.

The research was undertaken
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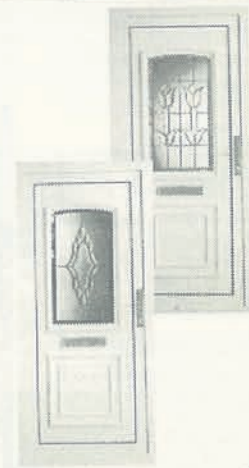
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1) Check that all windows

and doors are securely locked - especially if you are watching a bonfire in the back garden.
2) Close the curtains (nets are no protection) and leave some light on in the house.
3) If possible, consider setting all your intruder alarms.

4) Ask your neighbours to keep an eye out if they will be at home.
5) Keeps pets locked in the home to help protect the property and to keep them safe.
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TROCZY Joe and Joanne (Braithwaite), born on the 15th October 1997, congratulations on the birth of Lily and Jack, grandchildren of Martha and Stan and niece and nephew to Stephen

TERBY - HILL Richard Michaela, love and best friend on your engagement, Nana and Grandad XX **TERBY - HILL** Richard Michaela congratulations on your engagement, lots of love from Mam, Dad and Lily

LSH Claire and David, congratulations on the birth of your beautiful daughter, "Gabrielle", born 17th October 1997. Thank you for 1st great grandchild, lots of love Nanna Flo and Grandad Tony XXX

LSH David and Claire would like to announce the arrival of their beautiful daughter "Gabrielle" on 17th October 1997

LSH Thank you David and Claire for a beautiful daughter "Gabrielle". With all our love and congratulations, Mam and Patsy Viggers

LSH Congratulations to David and Claire on the birth of "Gabrielle", thanks for giving me an uncle, love always

IE Happy 1st birthday to Paul, lots of love Baba and Nanna

IE Happy 1st birthday to Paul, lots of love Nanny and Daddy

IE Happy 1st birthday to special grandson, love from Nana and Grandad XX

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STONEBRIDGE Alfred John. Died 24-6-97. You were taken Dad on this sad day, when all your pain was taken away. We were with you for the very last time, we held your hand when you tried to smile. Above the pain above the mess, rest in peace Dad, good night and God bless. Your loving daughters and son-in-laws Rosemary and Ricky, Pauline and Ken, Jean and Lance XXXXXX

ISOBEL MACKENZIE - In memory of our loving daughter, died 17th October 1983. We love and miss you, Mam and Dad

THOMAS HOWLETT - Died 28th October 1994. A dear Dad and Grandad. Miss you more each day, thinking of you always, Alison, Penny, John, Reece, Marty and family

THOMAS HOWLETT 28-10-94. Gone from our lives, but never from our hearts, thinking of you always Dad, love Gary, Gail and Lesley

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JIM LOFTUS 22-10-95. Treasured and loved always, from all your family, love Grandad, from Neil and Jonathan XX

JIM LOFTUS 22-10-90 No tomorrows for us to share, but yesterdays memories will always be there. Love always Betty XX

WILLIAM YOUNG 25th October. In memory of a very special Dad, on your birthday not just today but everyday, love you always, daughter Jean, Jim and grandson Andrew

Thanks

TOMAN - Audrey and family would like to thank friends and neighbours for beautiful floral tributes and messages of sympathy at the sad loss of Jimmy. We also thank Drs and staff of Bewick Crescent Surgery for their care and understanding over the years. Also the nursing staff on Ward 11 Bishop Auckland General Hospital, special thanks to Josie and Carpies

HELENA MARY JONES (Lena) The family of the late Helena Mary Jones (Lena) wish to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for all their cards and kind wishes and flowers received during their recent sad bereavement. Special thanks to Father Nicholas Chamberlain and Rev Yvonne Eyfe and staff of John Meynell Funeral Service

THANK YOU To all of our family and friends for making our wedding on the 18th October such a special day, from Michelle and Peter

Birthday Remembrance

EVA WALLS (24th October). When God decided it was time for you to go, it broke my heart because I loved you so. Today on your birthday, there'll be no cards to send, I didn't only lose you Mam, I also lost my friend. Sadly missed, luv Sue

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Aycliffe Athletic Club News

Aycliffe Athletes were out again this week at the Houghton Feast Road Race, run on a very demanding 5.8 mile course. A tremendous tussle ensued with all runners coming in within a minute of each other. First home was the consistent Dave Middleton (38), followed by Alan Wilkes (38.15) and then Richard Harvey (38.50)

In the Acklam XC relays, major road works on the A19 took its toll with many of our runners arriving too late to participate. A scratch team were put together to make the "A" team with Mick Brunsell (11.22), the flying Ian Monkman (10.31), Paul Guy (11.09) and the outstanding Dave Askew (10.21)

For the Vets Derek Smith was the only runner (11.47) but was joined by Colin Hinde (returning to the club after a five year paternity break) Rob Nicholson, Dave Middleton and Alan Wilkes did the fastest jog around the course.

Reminder folks that we are doing indoor circuits on a Tuesday night (6-7pm) at the Oak Leaf Complex and anybody is welcome.

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ANOTHER 11 GOALS FOR HUNTSMEN

Huntsman - 11
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Huntsman scored eleven for the second week running against a poor Cockerton side that started the game with seven men, writes *Martin Walker.*

It was only 2-0 when three additions to the Darlington side came on - goals from Wayne Marram and Jim McCabe divided the teams.

A 10-man visiting side were depleted further more when one of their defenders went off through injury, and it soon became embarrassing for Cockerton - the referee blew the final whistle with ten minutes remaining.

Man-af-the-Match Morgan Fielding scored a hat-trick, Marram scored two and Chris Walker, Martin Haigh, Tim Walker and 'Champers' McCabe all got one with a Cookerton defender scoring two own goals - a farce?

yes... but a win all the same. There were mixed performances in the side - Morgan Fielding was good, Tony Travis was bad... and Martin Haigh was ugly!

Travis was voted by Huntsman players as the minger-of-the-match... just for the crack! Travis was appalled by the voting, saying: "I don't believe that so many voted me the minger. I did a good turn by playing in goal when I don't really enjoy it in the first place, and I'm rewarded with this - as a result I had to be made to look like a woman, wearing the dress and wig that I bought, and sell a Domino card in the Huntsman... well I tell you what, I'll love it, absolutely love it, if O'Marram gets the award next week."

Team : Travis 7, R.Walker 7, T.Walker 7, Lothian 7, Hammond 7 (R.Hodgson 7), Briddick 7, FIELDING 8, Marram 7, C.Walker 7 (Haigh 7), N.Walker 7 (Cherrie 7), McCabe 7.

Huntsman face last year's champions Fox and Hounds on home soil this Sunday - Martin and Chris Walker's final game before their suspensions.

This week's poser: Which three Huntsman players have been known to spit their dummy's out this season? (Answer in a future report).

SWIMMING RESULTS

On September 28th swimmers from Sedgfield 75 A.S.A. took part in Appleby Mini Triathlon, with great success. Each event consisted of a continuous swim, bike race and a run, with any time taken getting changed included in the overall time. Key for distances covered in each age group swim (S), Bike (B) and Run (R).

8-9 years 100m (S), 1,250m (B) and 400m (R).
Luke Thompson (8) finished 4th in 10.28 mins
Stephen Turnbull (9) finished 3rd in 10.22
Danielle Thompson (9) 3rd in 10.36
10-11 years 150m (S), 1,250m (B) and 400m (R)
Natalie Thompson (11) 1st in 9.47
Katie Hewitson (10) 1st in 10.16
12-13 years 200m (S), 2,500m (B) and 800m (R)
Carol Mohan (12) 1st in 15.18
Chris Bowden (12) 3rd in 14.42
Ian Storey (12) 4th in 15.22
Liam McKenna (13) 2nd in 13.52
Michael Thompson (13) 4th in 15.14
14-15 years 250m (S), 2,500m (B) and 1,200m (R)
Alison Storey (15) 3rd in 18.22
Michael Turnbull (14) 2nd in 15.44

A great event well organised by Appleby Swimming Club, and support by parents and coaches. Many thanks to British Triathlete Tony Weed for his support and encouragement of the Sedgfield swimmers, which for many was their first ever triathlon.

Last weekend 4th/5th October swimmers from Sedgfield 75 A. S. A. took part in the Fourteenth Darlington Annual Oper Meet, at the Dolphin Centre. The swimmers collected one gold and four bronze medals and had fourteen finalists. Code (O) = Open Event.

Results:
Zoe Mitchell (12) 1st 100m Breaststroke (1:24.98)
Carol Mohan (12) 3rd 100m Freestyle (1:06.59)
3rd 200m I.M. (2:43.60)
3rd 100m Backstroke (1:16.04)
7th 100m Butterfly (1:18.07)
Jill Hunter (12) 4th 100m Butterfly (1:17.20)
6th 100m Breaststroke (1:29.35)
6th 200m I.M. (2:49.58)
Angela W-Smith (12) 3rd 100m Breaststroke (1:26.13)
7th 100m Backstroke (1:19.91)
8th 100m Freestyle (1:10.14)
Matthew Bowden (14) 8th 100m Breaststroke (1:15.80)
Kathleen Mohan (O) 8th 100m Butterfly (1:13.16)
(O) 8th 50m Freestyle (0:28.81)

Congratulations to all those swimmers who attend the gala, many of whom narrowly missed personal best times:

Lindsay Atkinson (15), Alison Storey (15), Vicky Blair (15), Lindsey Needham (13), Danielle Robinson (12), Samantha Mitchell (11), Natalie Thompson (11), Iain Cairns (15), Mark Soutes (15), Michael Turnbull (14), Andrew Cairns (12), Chris Bowden (12), Ian Storey (12) and Adam Burton (12).

