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Picture Andy Banks

Newton News received a call from a concerned Newtonian about an explosion which occurred in the early hours of Thursday morning on the Persimmon builders compound near Bluebell Park.

After consultation with Persimmon Homes "Newton News" were told that a blast had taken place at approximately 2.15am. The explosion was caused by "a rat gnawing through a gas pipe. The leaked gas was then ignited by an electric heater". The damage was so intense it ripped the side out of a

metal portacabin with the afterblast waking many residents in the neighbouring area. Those living close were asked to evacuate their property until the area was made safe. No structural damage to any of the Persimmon Homes on the site was reported, although one

building did "lose a few tiles from the roof". Avon Court residents were assembled in their lounge at 2.45am and were given the all clear at 4am. Avon Court, which is approximately 150yards behind the blast, did suffer some damage to a rear wall when the whole building shook in the blast.

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## SAINT JOSEPH'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE



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Stalls - Raffles - Refreshments - Santa Claus

ADMISSION 20p (children free)

## Dick Whittington Pantomime at Woodham Comprehensive



Everyone was a little shocked when they saw a 5ft cat walking round the town centre on Tuesday 11th November. It was two of the cast from the forthcoming show "Dick Whittington" to be staged at Woodham Comprehensive School on Wednesday 26th November to Saturday 29th November. Tickets may be booked at our local John Eliots shoe shop or through Mrs Christine Robertson on 320205. Ticket price £3 Adults, £2 children and OAP. Anyone interested in helping back stage, front of house, stage crew, please give me a ring (Anne 316956) or call at John Eliots, 55 Beveridge Way. If you want a good night out, book your tickets before it's too late - remember last year was a sell out.

### CHEMISTS EMERGENCY ROTA

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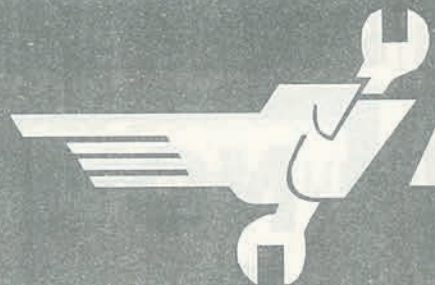
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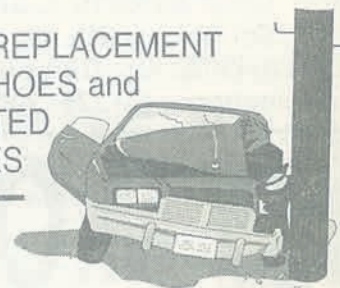
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# NO CONTROL OVER TOWN CENTRE PROBLEMS

Dear Sir,

I write regarding the front page letter, week ending 7th November, concerning the town centre from Terry Hogan. It seems to me, put in a nutshell, from what was said concerning the state of the Centre, that it will take until the 12th of never to improve anything, well! I consider that too long for anyone to be expected to wait. Also Mr Hogan, it's not so much a case of threats and empty posturing as you stated in your letter, but more a case of pointing out to the owners or whoever, that they have certain responsibilities, which I'm sure they are expected to abide by. Initially when a town centre is bought, as under these circumstances, I would guess the local authority for the town centre, ensures certain conditions are drawn up, and that these are agreed upon, before any sell off is permitted. If this is so and that authority has done it's job properly, then we wouldn't be experiencing the following problems now. Flaking paint and graffiti, pigeon droppings everywhere, excessive litter, unkempt flower beds, no control over dogs or bikes, bad balance of shops and excessive rents, which frightens many prospective tenants away, no control over youths and vandalism at night, despite the so called security cameras and guard. If I was a tenant with a shop in the Town Centre, then I would consider I was getting a pretty raw deal for my money and consequently would be looking elsewhere, (as many have). It seems to me, that it's a case of take the money, but don't inject anything back. If however they are injecting anything back to improve things, then I for one, find it very hard to find. We all have a vested interest in the Town Centre, or should have. From, the Council, the Owners, Managing Agents, the Tenants, and those of us who spend money, shopping there. It seems to me, the authorities attend a lot of meetings, in which presumably they are supposed to address these problems without anything positive and long lasting being achieved. If there are conditions which should be adhered to by the owners of the Town Centre, why are the authorities, not now ensuring these conditions are met? It's only then that we will have a Town Centre to be proud of. Incidentally Mr Hogan, regarding your comment about Christmas in which you state "Now we look to our partners on the forum to match our initiative," well! Part of the forum is the Thames Centre, which is owned by a separate company, which has carried out the following, during the Christmas period over the last few years: Put up decorations and christmas lights; had a christmas tree with lights erected, had several groups singing carols etc, during December. How's that for initiative Mr Hogan.

Roger McNeal

# Line Dancing Classes Cancelled

The Tuesday evening Line Dancing class, at the Greenfield Centre, has been cancelled. Due to illness of the instructor we are unable to provide this activity at this time. We wish to thank all those who have attended the class over the past few weeks and will endeavour to find a replacement instructor in the near future. Many thanks Frances Rickerstaff Head of Centre.

# NEW ROTARY CLUB MEMBERS



Three new members were recently inducted into Newton Aycliffe Rotary Club and are shown here with the President Roger Curtis. Left to right: Bill Akers, Headteacher; President Roger Curtis; Alasdair Carter, Hi-Tech Consultant; Bryan Shepherd, Funeral Director.

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# HOLIWAYS

## Countryside Open Cast Mining

Dear Sir,

Recent news have given some details of R.J.B. Mining Ltd intention to apply to open cast mine an extensive area of countryside between Shildon and Redworth to the West of Newton Aycliffe. School Aycliffe and other parts of the Town, including Greenfield School are less than 1 1/2 miles from the proposed site. As noise and dust are a consequence of open cast mining will Newton Aycliffe be affected, as most of the prevailing winds come from the West. In the area planned to open cast are the streams and becks that become Red House Beck passing the North of School Aycliffe, the Golf Course and the Angling Pond then becoming Woodham Burn which feeds West Park Lakes and then travels through our Town. Will the water become polluted and will levels of water be affected as a result of open cast mining? Newton Aycliffe Resident Name and Address Supplied.

## Body Shop at Byerley Park School

Dear Sir,

For those people looking for ideas for christmas presents, the Friends of Byerley Park School may have the answer. We have organised an evening at the school on Monday 17 November starting at 7.30pm when the Body Shop will be showing items from its extensive range of Xmas gifts. In addition to a raffle one lucky lady will have the chance on the evening of a professional make-over. Tickets costing £1 will be available at the door and include refreshments. Come and join us for an entertaining evening and the chance to beat the crowds and buy some of your christmas gifts. Yours faithfully Mrs J Auster Treasurer Friends of Byerley Park School.

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The evening was meant as a celebration of the achievements of the Young People of the Town of Great Aycliffe. It was meant to be merely a prize giving. The people you will see listed below have been nominated for their efforts by a wide range of the Community. It is only sad that there were not more nominations. However you will see 11 Young people who have achieved something special and do not simply waste their time. They think of others.

The awards presented were a certificate that is designed to be placed in the National Records of Achievement that each young person now has as a part of their educational life. Each nominee also received a small token from the Youth Centre, a gift voucher. The importance we place on this evening and the young awardees is shown by the fact that we invited the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Mrs Fleming, to present the awards, she was assisted by the Vice Chair of the Youth Centre's Management Committee Mr Rod Taylor.

**DAVID McGUIRE AND KEITH GILLIGAN**  
These two young men raised a considerable amount of money to help their local youth club in Aycliffe Village. This was a part of their Duke of Edinburgh's award, the Service Section. They are continuing to work through the Award structure and hopefully will go on to achieve their Gold Award, a very demanding but worthwhile undertaking which is looked on very favourably by prospective employers or by higher education which ever path they choose to follow.

**SAMANTHA PRICE**  
Has risen above her health problems in a very unselfish way to help others. She has recently completed a sponsored swim and raised over £100 for the World Wildlife Fund.

**JENNIFER RICHARDS**  
Jennifer is a member of her local Cub Pack she has attended regularly and has achieved the highest award that is available in the Cub World lets hope that she carries on to even better things.

**JAMES SANDERSON**  
James has shown maturity well above his years. His Grandfather suffered a bad fall in the house and James took the steps necessary to keep him comfortable and warm until the ambulance and other help arrived. He was commended by the ambulance men for his efforts. He has also been a great comfort to his Grandmother in difficult times, she is justifiably proud of him.

**CHARLENE PULFORD ANDREW BLACKBURN**  
**MELISSA JONES SAMANTHA JONES**  
**KATEY RAINE KATIE HODGSON**  
Are regular members of the Youth Centre. This group have given a very large amount of their free time over to helping with the junior Youth Club here at the Youth Centre. Without the help of these young people the Junior club could not exist. I hope that they realise fully what their efforts mean to the younger members of the Community and what a really excellent job they make of the work they undertake. I also hope that they get a 'BUZZ' out of the work they do. Well done!

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**What's on at Burnhill Methodist Church**  
Yes, it's that time of year again - time to prepare for Christmas. And what better way to do it than to browse and buy at the CHRISTMAS FAIR to be held at Burnhill Way Methodist Church (near the Turbinia) on SATURDAY 22 NOVEMBER from 2-4pm. Admission is 10p, refreshments will be on sale, and there will be a range of stalls, including gifts, crafts and cakes, together with games and competitions to amuse all ages. On Sunday evening, 23 November, there will be the monthly SONGS OF PRAISE service at the Burnhill Way church at 6pm. Favourite hymns, both old and new, will be enjoyed by all who come. Anyone and everyone from the community is invited to share in this occasion.

## Baden Powell Scouts Table Top Sale

1st Aycliffe Baden-Powell Scout Group are holding a table top sale on Sunday 30th November at 2:00 pm, access for sellers from 10: am. Tea and coffee will be available. Tables are available at £5.00 each, please contact Sue Beadle on 01325 313349 if you wish to book a table or for more information.

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Called An Alternative to Christmas Shopping, the 10-mile country walk starting from Durham City, is one of over 50 drawn up for the winter months by Durham County Council.

Rambler Michael Turner will lead the shoppers escape on Saturday, December 20, from outside Durham Castle at 10.15am and the walk is graded as medium with some hills, stiles and muddy paths. Boots are advisable.

The new winter Guided Walks programme, put together by the County Council's Environment and Technical Services department, covers December to February and has 54 easy, medium and hard walks.

The first, on Wednesday, December 3, is a nine mile boots and bus medium walk starting from near Bishop Auckland Rugby Club to catch a bus to High Woodfield for a return walk along the Weardale Way and Escomb.

Others range from short, easy walks on the coast with Donald Miller, the Gaunless Valley with John Hallimond, and Hardwick Hall Country Park to medium graded rambles between 6 and 11 miles, as well as two hard walks in Teesdale.

For those seeking to escape Christmas television, local historian David Butler is leading an easy two mile gunpowder, ghosts and gallows walk in Durham City on Christmas Day, and for those wanting to keep out of the winter weather, there is a chance to explore the work of the County Record Office in January.

The idea behind the programme is to provide enjoyable walks with the opportunity to learn something about the environment.

Tickets, at £1 for adults and 50p concession, can be bought on the day.

The Guided Walks programme is available from local libraries, Tourist Information Centres or from the Environment and Technical Services and Help Desk at County Hall, Durham or telephone 0191 383 4144.

# SANYO WIN WORLDS TOP 40 COMPANIES SAFETY AWARD

The world's 40 safest companies have been named by the British Safety Council. Local company Sanyo Electric Manufacturing received their award recently. All 40 will be presented with Swords of Honour, recognised as the pinnacle of achievement in the safety world, by Sir Neville Purvis, KCB, Director General of the Council, at a luncheon ceremony in Goldsmith's Hall, London, on Friday November 28. The Sword of Honour, inaugurated in 1979, recognises companies that have devised and implemented safety systems that protect people, plant and equipment. Companies also have to prove they have a company culture of aiming for best practice, promoted from the board room to the shop floor. Only companies that achieve a Five Star Health and Safety Management Audit System are eligible to apply. Some 200 companies apply each year, completing a questionnaire covering 16 key areas of safety activity. The applications are then judged by an Independent Awards Panel. Sir Neville congratulated the 40 winners: "By devising, implementing and promoting best practice, you have significantly reduced accidents in your workplaces and increased profitability. If every business followed your example, the country could save between £8 billion and £16 billion by cutting injuries, ill health, compensation, fines, closures and court cases. As Sword of Honour recipients you are truly world leaders in Health and Safety." A message of congratulations has also been sent by Prime Minister Tony Blair who said: "I am very pleased to congratulate all the winning companies on receiving the British Safety Council's Sword of Honour Award. Improving standards of Occupational Health and Safety needs the co-operation of everyone involved, and employers and management play the crucial role in establishing and maintaining an effective safety culture within their own companies." "This award recognises your vital contribution, and I hope it will spur you on to even greater things in the future." "Britain's record on Health and Safety at work is amongst the best in the world but there is no room for complacency. I therefore welcome all initiatives which promote and encourage good Health and Safety Management."

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**WILLIAMS** All the best on your 18th birthday Andrew, love Gavin, Paul, Corrina XX  
**WILLIAMS** All our love on your 18th birthday Andrew, love Uncle Stephen, Auntie Helen and Gary XX

**WILLIAMS** Happy 18th birthday Andrew, 6-11-97, love Nanna X

**HAZEL WARD** Happy birthday Mam, love Helen, Nicola and Rachel XXX

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**TO MAMMY** and Wavy (David) on your engagement, 15th November. Don't be drinking too much mucky beer at the party, Wavy and Mammy! Lots of hugs and kisses from Declan XX

**DAVID HEMMINGWAY** I cannot describe how happy I am, that we are getting engaged, I know I will be this happy in years to come. Love you always and forever, Samantha

**SAMANTHA** Greenwood and David Hemmingway congratulations on your engagement for 15th November, lots of love from Nanna XXX

**SAMANTHA** and David congratulations on your engagement, good luck for the future and hope you have a good night at the party on Saturday! Lots of love Andrea and Martin XX

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**THANK YOU** To all the people who phoned for Sooty the black cat lost in Beechfield, now home, safe and well

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**BILLY BURRELL** - Dad, you are still sadly missed after all these years. Time passes by, but nothing can take away the memories we have of you and Mam, who is now there with you. God bless from daughter Mena and Joe XX

**GLORIA BROWN** Died 15th November 1995. Treasured memories of a dear wife and mother. Always in our hearts, missing you, Des, Joey and Sammy XX

**GRANT EDGAR** - A darling son tragically, 16-11-85. If flowers grow in Heaven Lord, pick a big bunch for me, put them in my son's arms and tell him they are from me. Please let him know I still love him, and tell him how much I care, my life has never been the same, now that he's not there, look after him Lord, in your garden of rest, he broke my heart to prove that he only wants the best. Loved and longed for always Mam and Paul XXX

**GRANT EDGAR** - A great brother tragically, 16-11-85. Sad is the heart that still loves you, silent are the tears that fall, living my life without you, is the hardest part of all. May the winds of love blow gently and whisper for you to hear, that I will always love you and wish that you were still here. Love always brother Andy XX

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# PAUL TRIUMPHS IN LAMPLIGHT SERIES

The latest opening race in the lamplight series saw an epic battle between Paul

Guy (29.18) and Colin Gibson (29.24), with both runners together until the final kilometre when Paul broke clear.

Other performers on the night were Alan Wilkes (31.25), Paul Upton (32), we then saw the return to running of Dave Powter (32), Rob Nicholson (32) and John Burnside (33). In the opening North Yorkshire X.C. Race 14 athletics turned out for the club Joe McReady led the charge (12th), with Dave Askew close behind (14th), after this came Paul Guy (54th), Mick Brunskill

(60th), Ian Williams (88th), Peter Milburn (89th), these were followed by Derek Smith, Dave Middleton, Alan Wilkes, Colin Hinde, Ces Sugden, Trevor Needham and Dave Thompson. Sue Milburn was an impressive form turning a time of 20.38 to storm home in 26th place in the ladies race. Reminder that we have an indoor circuit session on a Tuesday night (Oaklea Complex 6.00-7.00) and you don't have to be a member of the athletic club to join in!

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## Huntsman F.C. Overwhelming Win

Huntsman - 10  
Barnard Castle - 0

In association with J&C Coaches and Bleinheim Furniture Huntsman completed another rout last week when they scored their 49th goal in six games, writes Martin Walker. Their unbeaten run has seen them thrash Hurworth Albion 6-0, AFC Cockerton in the League Cup 9-2, Turks Head 11-0, AFC Cockerton in the League 11-0 and last year's champions Fox and Hounds 2-1. This time it was Barnard Castle who were in the firing line - Huntsman were as deadly as previous weeks and shot the visitors to flames. Despite the F.A.'s harsh suspensions imposed on the Woodham club Huntsman showed their resilience and adaptability with their prolific performance under Dave Lee's reshaped side. Martin of-the-match Martin Haigh scored an impressive 20-year lob in the first half - Morgan fielding and Wayne Marram also scored before half-time. Marram went on to score a spectacular goal late in the second half, Fielding got his hat-trick while Tim Walker also scored two. Full-back Russell Hodgson scored from the penalty spot and Jim McCabe finally netted a late, late goal but failed miserably in his dire attempts to avoid the minger-of-the-match award.....and the dress! For Rob 'Interflora' Walker, was a case of mistaken identity. TEAM: Travis 7, R. Walker 8, R. Hodgson 8, Hammond 8, Lothian 8, Briddick 8, Haigh 9, Marram 8, T. Walker 8, Fielding 9, McCabe 7. Sub: Nelson 7. Table after 9th November is:

	P	W	D	L	F	a	PTS
D.C.S.S.	10	8	2	0	50	11(+39)	18
British Legion	9	8	0	1	41	5(+36)	18
Huntsman	9	7	0	2	51	11(+40)	14
Barnard Castle	10	5	1	4	36	20(+16)	11

It's another free sunday for Huntsman this week - another crying shame. They face neighbours Europa FC next week on home ground. The last meeting with the two produced a 3-2 victory for Huntsman - let's hope that this time round nobody gets upset with the crack printed in the report after the match.

**OTHER NEWS:** The Huntsman players would like to wish Frank Helm all the very best on his 60th birthday congratulations Franky! Defender/Midfielder Tim Walker will be taking over the reign as 'Huntsman Reporter' in the New Year because I've spat my dummy out and I don't want to play any more! Tickets will soon be on sale for the Huntsman Christmas Prize Draw 1997 at the slashed price of just 50p a ticket. That 50p could win you two places on the Huntsman FC Spanish Tour 1998 worth £299 each. Huntsman travel to Lloret in the Whitsun holiday of next year to test their wits against local Spanish opposition and to taste the fine lagers Spain have to offer on the all-inclusive package. Now that's a fine holiday if ever there was one.....courtesy, of course, of that mighty fine travel firm J&C Coaches.

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