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at Newton Park. The project at the junction of the A167 and A1M will provide an 80 bedroom hotel, restaurant, fast food restaurant, ancillary facilities including car park.

The company spokesman was unable to give any details as to what facilities would finally be on offer to patrons from the Town.

But the hotel bedrooms are expected to be used by tourists and business visitors to the Industrial Park.

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Clarke Exhibition at Barnard Castle

Anthony Clark has recently moved to Teesdale following his retirement as Head of Fine Art at the City of Sunderland College.

"A Passion for Life", February 8th until March 14th., is the first exhibition to be held in Priors since the Gallery moved to a larger space on the first floor of number seven The Bank.

It will introduce the work of this exciting and refreshingly individual artist to the people of Teesdale whilst introducing Teesdale to many of his "followers" and friends expected to travel to the preview from in and around Sunderland@

Unusually for a contemporary artist Anthony Clark's major influences have been renaissance painters, particularly Fra Angelico, Duccio and Sassetta. The works inspired by their fresco and tempera paintings are complex, elegantly structured and multi-layered applications of colour-wash and glazing on drawing, steeped in historical and emotional resonance. Of these he says, "The series is freely based on memories and ideas generated by seeing these paintings. They could be called improvisations or meditations because each of these paintings has a number of paintings within it and the whole thing needs to be 'read' in several directions, across, through, into - like a medieval manuscript."

ELITE SQUAD FORMED TO GUARD PRIME MINISTER

A CRACK team of armed police officers is to provide a round-the-clock security screen around our MP and Prime Minister Tony Blair and his constituency home in County Durham

The new 28-strong elite squad of specially trained constables - all hand-picked volunteers - assumed responsibility for the Premier's safety in the last few days.

Since last May's General Election protection for Mr. Blair and his home at 'Myrobella' in Trimdon Colliery has been provided by a pool of 85 officers working a four-months-on eight-months-off rota system

But Durham's senior officers were told the original system was disrupting the force's working patterns and generating a growing training bill.

A report from the force's head of operations, Superintendent John Guest, recommending the establishment of a self contained "Armed Protection Team" has been unanimously accepted by the force's policy advisory group.

The new squad made up of 27 men and one woman would be better motivated, better trained and better supervised" he said. It would guarantee participating officers continuity for the next three years and other expected spin off benefits would include significant reductions in overtime and minimal sickness levels.

"A smaller and more tightly knit squad will produce a rapport with Mr. Blair, who has been seeing different faces every time he comes home to Durham. And for the same reasons there will be a better level of community relations in the immediate area around 'Myrobella' where the police presence is concentrated," said Supt Guest.

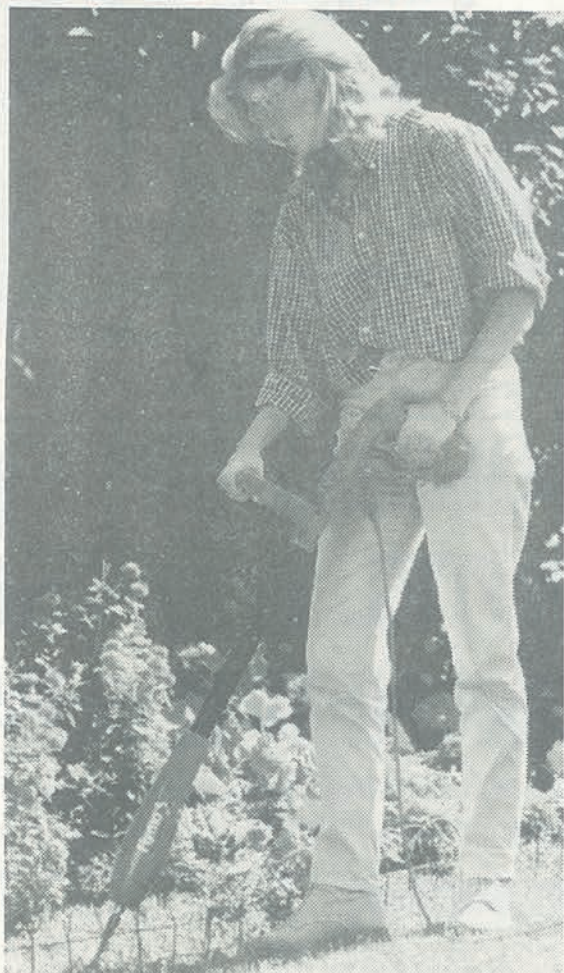
"Our proposals are a fundamental change in what we have been doing and the decision has not been taken lightly. But, we believe we will create a more cohesive unit that will, through its more compact formation develop a new 'esprit de corps' that will make it a much more effective team" added Supt. Guest.

While protection duties at 'Myrobella' will be the priority of the new squad they will be available to provide support for armed response vehicles attending firearms-related incidents county-wide, escorts during moves of high-risk prisoners and additional call-out cover for both tactical and search teams.

The man who has taken charge of the new squad, Chief Inspector Brian Ruddick, paid tribute to the support villagers in Trimdon had given specialist officers.

"Squad members, whose patrols take them into the streets of the village, are obviously in the public eye, but the people in the area, faced with armed officers on the beat have been very understanding, tolerant and supportive and for that we have been particularly grateful. The new team will be even better positioned to become part of the community," said Chief Inspector Ruddick. The teams guarding the Prime Minister have available to them the latest state-of-the-art weapons and sights, which can be used by day or night.

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Emergency First Aid, St John Ambulance, 5 week course. Cost +25. Commencing Wednesday 4 March from 7.00 - 9.00pm

Please contact the Greenfield Centre, Greenfield School, Greenfield Way, Newton Aycliffe for registration, limited places available. The Centre is open on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evening, 6.00 - 9.00 pm. Telephone number 01325 300378.

NATURAL THERAPY

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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURE ORDER 1995

PLANNING (LISTED BUILDING & CONSERVATION AREAS) REGULATIONS 1990

The Local Planning Authority has received the following applications:

7/98/0026/DM	LOCATION:	NEWTON PARK NEWTON AYCLIFFE CO. DURHAM
PROPOSAL:	ERECTOR OF HOTEL, RESTAURANT, FAST FOOD RESTAURANT, ANCILLARY FACILITIES INCLUDING CAR PARK AND SERVICE AREAS	
APPLICANT:	Stannifer Hotels Ltd 6 Elm Court Arden Street Stratford Upon Avon	

Copies of the applications and plans which have been received for consideration are available for inspection at the Council Offices, during normal office hours.

Any representations about the proposals for planning permissions should be made, in writing, to me within 14 days from the date of the appearance of this Notice, or 21 days in any other case.

Under the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 any representations made are available for public inspection.

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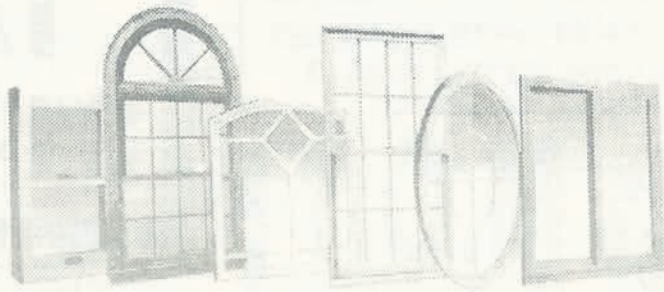
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The first price of around £300 was accepted, but when extras were added, taking the job nearer £350 they began to question the amount and rang another tiler. He quoted £100 for the whole job and also travelled from Stockton!

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Sedgefield 75 Gala Results

Sedgefield swimmers excelled themselves in both the Gateshead Open and Graded meets over the last two weeks. With 21 final placings and several swimmers achieving county qualifying times, coach John Moore was delighted with such promising results so early in the year. Congratulations must go to Matthew Bowden who gained his National qualifying time to come third in the boys 15/16 yrs 100 metre Breaststroke. Well done to all who took part most of whom achieved new personal best times. Thanks also to the coaches on poolside. Results were as follows:

Gateshead Open

Matthew Bowden 3rd 15/16 100 brst 1.11.89
Mark Surtees 4th 15/16 100 free 57.05
Carol Mohan 6th 13/14 100 free 1.05.11, 6th 100 back 1.14.40
Natalie Thompson 6th 11/12 100 fly 1.23.87

Gateshead Graded:

Vicky Blair 1st 100 back
Andrew Cairns 1st 100 fly, 4th 100 free, 6th 200 ind med
Martin Waller 1st 100 free, 1st 100 fly, 4th 100 brst
Chris Walsh 2nd 100 free, 2nd 100 back
Tartyn Samuel 2nd 100 back, 2nd 100 fly
Claire Longley 2nd 100 brst, 6th 100 back
Mark Jones 5th 100 back, 6th 100 free
Liam Bell 4th 100 back

Other swimmers were: S Surtees, D Robinson, A W Smith, K Vickers, S Tumbull, S Swainston, J Hind, S Walker, D Thompson, K Parsons, K Mohan, B Vickers, M Tumbull, J Hunter, A Storey, A Burton, I Storey, M Richardson, Z Mitchell, S Mitchell, S Kelly, C Bowden, L Jones, J Robb, S Temple, D West.

KARATE SUCCESS FOR TOWN JUNIOR



11 year old Timothy Walker of Biscop Crescent added another Karate trophy to his growing collection last weekend when he took 1st place in the Under 40kilo Scottish Karate Competition held in Glasgow. He has shown great promise since taking up the sport two years ago. In his first year he won the National Under 9's Championship and since then has added both the Northumberland and North East titles to his tally. Purple Belt Timothy, pupil of Woodham Burn Juniors, trains regularly at the Darlington Club, where he and his parents, Ali and Marie are members. The family travel to competitions all over the country and Timothy always brings home a trophy. Timothy intends to pursue his chosen sport aiming for the highest skills and honours in Karate. Congratulations to a young sportsman who is bringing credit to himself, his family and the town.

New Radio Station for Newton Aycliffe

ICE FM announces new Chairman and local Board members. Bill Midgley, Vice President of North East Chamber of Commerce & Trade, is the new Chairman of a consortium bidding for an FM radio licence which will cover Newton Aycliffe. The "footprint" stretches from around Alnwick in Northumberland to Northallerton in North Yorkshire. ICE FM, a dance music station, is backed by Mentorn Broadcasting (owned by The Mentorn Group and Andrew Lloyd Webber) and Nice Productions.

Sedgefield 75/ Woodham Water Polo

Sedgefield 75 Swimming Club have been working closely with Woodham Comprehensive School since September to produce a new Water Polo team. Ex Great Britain player George Carpenter is coach to the team and he has been working with PE staff at Woodham to introduce Water Polo as a PE option in Year 10. So far it has proved to be very popular with both competitive swimmers and Woodham pupils. The team trains on Monday evenings from 9 till 10pm at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre and Fridays at Woodham School pool from 4.30 till 6pm. The team has done very well in a series of friendly matches against Sunderland, Newcastle, Middlesbrough, and Hexham and are hoping to do well in their first season at county level. Unfortunately the team has been drawn against two of the country's best sides in the National league, but this didn't stop them travelling to give it their best shot against The Kings School, Grantham. 27-5 was the final score but coach George Carpenter was happy with the team's performance at this early stage. If you think you might be interested in having a go and are aged between 12 and 16 you don't have to be an Olympic standard swimmer. Come along on any Monday evening and watch the team in training, there will be several people there who can answer any queries you may have.

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On Thursday 29th January 1998, Newton Aycliffe Y.A.F.C. held a Race Night to raise funds for the club. It was a great night even though only 60 turned up. The whole evening was enjoyed by all. Those that didn't win were maybe a little down in the pocket. Everyone had a good laugh, the highlight of the night was the last race. This was the Andy Cole Auction Stakes, there was plenty of bidding with a total for the race of £120, the prize, a signed framed Andy Cole shirt. The winner was horse No 2, "Red Devils" and the proud owner, who supports Manchester United was Mr David Collier. He said

FAMILY SERVICE

There will be a Family Service at St Clares Church on Sunday 8th February, commencing at 10.30am. The theme for this month's service is "What is God Like?"

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

afterwards "I only came to win the shirt and I did just that, I'm over the moon". The club would like to take this opportunity to thank: Eaton Ltd, J Ord, Randolph Coachworks, Volanteptis Ltd, L.D. Precision Eng. Upex Electrical for sponsoring the races. A big thanks to the main sponsor Tyne Tees Leyland DAF. The club would also like to thank the girls who gave up their time to take all the bets - thank you.

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HELP THE AGED

Help the Aged is appealing to people in Newton Aycliffe for their help, but it is not after their cash. The Charity is looking for members for its Regional Committee, and needs people who want to use their energy and experience to raise money to help elderly people in the area - and have some fun at the same time.

All the money raised is spent locally to enable older people, in Durham and Wearside to live at home safely and independently.

The Committee decides how the money it raises should be used, and is currently raising money to provide Senior Link emergency telephones for older people living alone.

'Everyone - young or older - has something to offer,' Peter Beatty, Committee Chairman, said, 'although we'd especially like to hear from people with skills such as PR, accounts or organising events. We will ask for a real commitment, but meetings will only be held about every six weeks, so it won't be too time consuming. It will definitely be rewarding and a lot of fun too!'

Last year Help the Aged's 21 Regional Committees raised over £80,000, and staged events ranging from a parachute jump to a Stag Sportsman's Dinner. The Durham and Wearside Committee will be thinking up its own imaginative money-making ideas.

Help the Aged's Director General, Michael Lake, said 'The work of our Regional Committees is invaluable. I'm delighted that one will continue to work for elderly people in Durham and Wearside. I'm sure we'll get excellent new members, and their local knowledge means the money will be spent where it will do the most good.'

To find out more about what is involved, contact Peter Beatty, Chairman, on 01325 313 924.

Letter to the Editor 50 FREE CAMERAS TO SNAP 50th CELEBRATIONS

Dear Syd,

50th Anniversary Celebrations

Boots the Chemist and Universal Transformers on the Industrial Estate have each kindly agreed to donate to the Council 25 disposable cameras.

The Council would like to see these distributed across a wide section of the community of Great Aycliffe and used to record everyday activity between now and May, 1998.

It is proposed that the photographs taken and developed would be exhibited as part of the week's celebrations and further consideration will be given as to how the best of those photographs will be judged and used subsequently. One possibility is use of the twelve best to form a calendar for 1999, and for these and a number of others to be used as a permanent record of life in Great Aycliffe in early 1998. The Council wants to involve the public in this project and will look to distribute the cameras across a range of age groups.

It therefore invites those who might be interested in recording life in Great Aycliffe in 1998 to write to its Chief Executive, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, DL5 6QF, setting out their reasons for wanting to be part of the project and giving some indication of their background, age, interests and likely events which they would want to record. These requests will then be considered by the Council and the cameras distributed accordingly.

We are hopeful that the idea will ignite the enthusiasm and imagination of the people of Great Aycliffe area and that we will get a good and valued response.

We are not expecting any David Baileys or Lord Litchfields so we hope people won't be put off if they are, like most of us, occasional camera users.

We would like to be judging and distributing by the end of February, 1998, and we hope this gives people ample time in which to respond.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Rice

Chief Executive

AWARDS FOR FIRMS WHO WORK WITH SCHOOLS

Local businesses have until Friday 27 February to enter the Aim High Awards - the only awards which recognise and reward the work that companies are doing in the classroom. Companies - both large and small are being urged to enter projects which have helped pupils develop new skills, boost self-confidence and acquire an insight into the world of work. Three winners from the North East region will be announced in May.

Launched by @ 'Me Prince of Wales, the Aim High Awards are sponsored by BT and run by Business in the Community. Businesses and schools can enter the Awards for any business-backed project undertaken between January - December 1997. There are three categories: Support for the School Curriculum; Teacher and Management Development; and Extracurricular and Out-of-School-Support (including sport and music).

Three regional winners will be announced in May and the national winners for each category will be announced in June. The overall regional winner will receive a trophy for the business and there are prizes for each winning school. Each entry which attains the standards set by the campaign will receive a certificate.

Regional judges will also nominate businesses for national Special Awards in the following categories: tackling achievement in a disadvantaged community, primary support (focusing on basic skills), supporting children with special needs, a small company with less than 50 employees and working with other companies,

community groups, parents and schools.

The Awards are the flagship of the Aim High Campaign which encourages partnerships between businesses and schools to help raise student performance. The campaign is endorsed by the CBI, local and central government, TECS, Education Business Partnerships and over 300 British companies.

For an entry form call the Aim High Hotline on 0171 224 1600 ext 261

Photo Exhibition

Anyone with an interest in black and white portrait photography, might care to visit the town hall, Bishop Auckland within the next few weeks. When a new exhibition entitled "Fashionable Glances: Expressions on a Theme" by photo enthusiast James D Robinson of Castlereagh Close, Newton Aycliffe is opened to the public on Monday 9th February for a promotional run until 28th February.

Featuring young aspiring models enlisted from local families and emulating "that certain look", more akin to fashion photography, the exhibition, consisting of 36 hand-printed images, marks the photographers 5th one-man photographic display to date, following on from previous shows at venues in Newton Aycliffe and Durham.

AYCLIFFE LADY WINS FREE MEMBERSHIP

Anne Dodsworth from Darlington and Polly Lloyd of Newton Aycliffe are two lucky winners of a competition for a year's free membership of Spennymoor Leisure Centre's new Fitness Suite. The Membership Certificates worth about £280 each were presented at the official opening of the Fitness Suite at 11am on Thursday 5th February. Over £200,000 has been invested in the new facility which is the result of a partnership between Sedgefield Borough Council and Competition Line. It contains over 60 pieces of the latest

equipment including towers, joggers, steppers and bikes.

Councillor George Gray, Deputy Chairman of Sedgefield Borough Council's Recreation Committee and Carl Gripenstedt, Managing Director of Competition Line (UK) will perform the opening ceremony.

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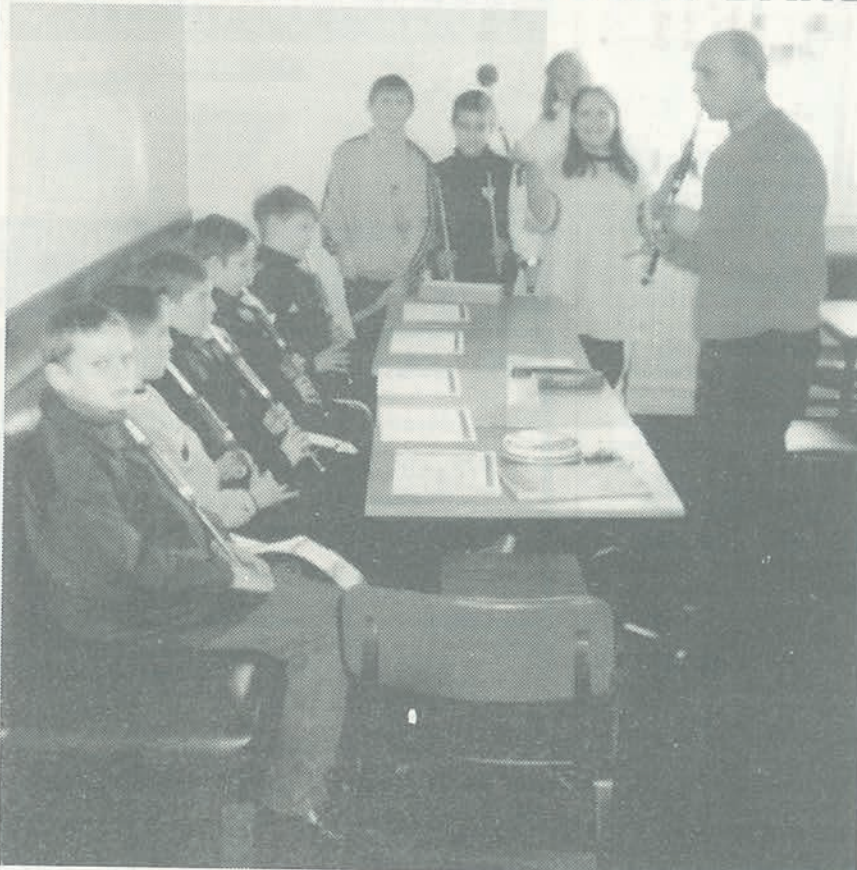
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February 1998 from 10am-11.30am. Also every Monday 10am-12noon, Citizens Advice Sessions: Free, confidential, professional advice on a range of issues, including benefits, disability, unemployment, consumer and matrimonial

Talk on I.B.S.

Dear Sir
RE: Talk by Sister Ann Richards (Specialist Nurse for Disability Services) St Elizabeth's Church Hall, Woodham Village, Thursday 12th February 1998, 7-9pm.

I would be very grateful if you would inform your readers about the above talk. It will be of particular interest to people who are in pain and also for those who suffer from IBS. Sister Richards will demonstrate abdominal massage and will be happy to answer questions about local disability services. As usual admission is free and refreshments are available
Brian Wilson
Secretary

GUILD'S A.G.M.

The Annual General Meeting of the Gardens Guild will be held on Monday 16th February at 7pm in the British Legion Club. The Sales Hut will re-open on Sunday 1st March, from 10am to 12 noon. Onion sets will be in stock, also Shallots, prices held at 1997 rates.

CREDIT TO OUR TOWN COUNCIL

Dear Sir
In reply to the letter in your paper week ending 17-1-98, may I give credit to Great Aycliffe Parish Council for the two seats in the Nature Park. I asked Councillor G Gray if he could get one seat for walkers and elderly residents in the Nature Park, Mr G Gray contacted Mr Bailey on my behalf and put my request forward to the relevant committee. I also contacted my Ward Councillor Mr Iverson, requesting a seat for the park.
I would like to thank these Councillors for the speed they responded to my request, also for the letter from the Conservation Trust, who also asked for the seats.
Great Aycliffe Parish Council went one better and we now have two seats around the pond area, much to the delight of residents who are already making good use of them.
I would also like to thank the Conservation Trust for all their work in trying (and succeeding) to improve our

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the going heavy throughout. Colin Gibson finally came home 1st in the Shildon Handicap 4.2 mile race in 25.32, hotly pursued by David Best with Chris Griffith not far behind

B.B. TABLE TOP SALE

The Boys Brigade is holding a table top sale on Saturday 28th March from 10am. Tables can be reserved for only £5, payable in advance. Ring Aycliffe 320876. Entrance fee 20p and there will be coffee and refreshments available throughout the morning and a cake stall. Note the date and come along, pick up a bargain or two or book your table and sell your odds and ends. Your support for the Boys Brigade is much needed and greatly appreciated. George Rowling

Bad Luck for U/11's

Newton Aycliffe U11's - 1 Darlington Spraire Lads - 3 Last Sunday, Aycliffe Under 11's were involved in the Alternative Cup & were unlucky to lose to Spraire Lads.

Twice during the opening minutes, Kyle Allen had good shots saved by the visiting goalkeeper after through balls by Michael Purves but against the run of play, the visitors took the lead after a long ball through the home defence. The goal inspired Aycliffe's opponents & goalkeeper Scott Roscher pulled off three tremendous saves to keep the lads in the game. Just before the break, Graham Johnson was unlucky after a neat pass from Liam Cooper.

In the second half, the lads couldn't quite get their act together and conceded two further goals from long range efforts. Just before the end however, full back Andrew Richardson scored his first ever goal for the club with a long range lob over the goalkeeper but it was to no avail.

Centre-half and captain Matthew Dodds took the 'man of the match' award for another storming all-round performance, closely followed by Scott Roscher. This Sunday (8th February), the lads are at home again against 21st Allstars 11.00 am k.o., Greenfield School. The lads first win must come soon!!

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the family of the late Ralph
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friends and neighbours for
kindness and sympathy
shown, also for letters, cards
of condolence and beautiful
floral tributes received during
their recent sad bereavement.
Special thanks to Dr Pounder,
the staff at Butterwick
Hospice, Rev Colin Jay and all
the staff of John Meynell's
Funeral Service
SHAW Pauline and George
would like to thank the family
and friends who attended the
Newton Aycliffe Sports Club
on the occasion of our Ruby
Wedding on 31st January.
Thanks to Disco provided by
Paul Gittins who was very
well received. The beautiful
flowers and excellent presents
were greatly appreciated. We
would also like to thank Bob
Wood, Secretary and the
management board for
allowing the celebration in the
club function room. Finally
our grateful thanks to Eileen
Quinn the stewardess and her
staff for her help given. Once
again many thanks and God
Bless you all.

JACKIE SHAW Would like
to thank everyone who sent
cards and best wishes during
her recent stay in hospital.
Special thanks to June, Edie
and Dot. To Jeff for his tea,
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lovely presents and bouquet.
Lots of love to Ken, Darren,
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our families and friends for all
their support on our recent
loss. Many thanks for all the
beautiful flowers and cards on
this sad occasion. Special
thanks to B/A Maternity Ward
THE FAMILY of the late
Joseph E. Smith would like to
thank all those who
contributed so generously in
his name to the Bewick
Crescent Surgery. The amount
donated was £375 which will
be used to purchase equipment
for use in the community. We
are grateful to the staff and
doctors at the surgery,
particularly Dr McKinty and
to the district nurses,
especially sister Alison
Conliffe for the care they gave
Joe through his illness. The
letters, cards, flowers and
support given by our friends
and neighbours were a
comfort at a time of great
sorrow and we will always
remember their kindness.
Thanks also to Sedgfield
Locality Carers Centre, whose
help and support was, and is,
constant - Margaret, Stephen,
Ian and Andrew Smith.

I WOULD like to thank
everyone who attended my
40th birthday party and for the
many lovely cards and
presents received. Special
thanks to Tanya and Paul for
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- Lotsa luv Ruth XX

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congratulations on your 18th
birthday, love from Gran and
Grandad

FAWCETT Stuart, Happy
18th birthday bro, love Dawn
FAWCETT, Stuart,
congratulations on your 18th
birthday 6-2-98. Love from
Uncle Harry, Auntie Marian,
Lindsey and Michael XXX

LEE & ANGELA
Congratulatlons on your
engagement, with much love
from Mam, Dad, Wes, Lucy,
Ste, Dean and nana Alice XXX

BURNS February 8th, love
and best wishes Susan on your
20th birthday, all my love
Mam XXX

JEANETTE Have a very
happy 18th, I miss you lots,
love Grandma XX

JEANNIE Happy 18th
birthday, we maybe far away,
but we love you a lot, love
from Oumie and Oupie XX

JEANETTE ADDY Happy
18th birthday Jeannie for 9th
February, have a fantastic day,
remember we love you lots
and are very proud of you. All
our love Mum and Dez XX

JEANNIE Happy 18th to the
best big sister in the world.
Can I still have your room
when you go to University??
Lots of love Shelly XX

JEANETTE ADDY To my
number 1 granddaughter, have
a very happy 18th, lots of love
Grandad XX

JANNIE ADDY To a special
niece on her 18th, have a great
day, love Tony XX

RIDLEY Happy 18th
birthday Kelly, love from
Mam, Jason and Georgia

RIDLEY Happy 18th
birthday Kelly, love from
Veronica, Bob, Andrew and
Christopher

LOUISE PEACOCK Happy
14th birthday on 9th February
Louise, lots of love from Mam
and your sister Clare and all
the family XXX

VALERIE FAWCETT
Happy birthday, you are either
over the hill, or life begins at.
So, which ever way you pick
have a great day, love from
Harry, Marian, Lindsey and
Michael XXX

VAL FAWCETT
Congratulatlons on your 40th
birthday, love from Tom, Kate
and family

VALERIE FAWCETT To
Val, happy 40th birthday, 7-2-
98, love from Colin, Stuart and
Dawn

VALERIE FAWCETT
Happy birthday, 7-2-98, to a
dear daughter, from Mam and
Dad and family

HOWEY Happy 40th
birthday John (10th February),
all my love Julie XX

HOWEY Happy 40th
birthday Dad, from Michael,
Stephen and Paul

RYAN GALLACHER
Happy birthday, 2 today, love
from Cousin Connor XX

RYAN GALLACHER 2
today, happy birthday to a very
special little boy, lots of love
hugs and kisses Mammy and
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RYAN GALLACHER Happy
birthday, 2 today, lots of love
Nana and Grandad

GALLACHER Ryan
Anthony - To our darling
grandson on his 2nd birthday.
Lots of love and kisses from
Nana and grandad XX

GALLACHER Ryan
Anthony - To the best nephew
in the world on your 2nd
birthday. Lots of hugs and
kisses from Auntie Joanne and
Uncle Martin XX

GALLACHER Ryan
Anthony - To my darling great
grandson on his 2nd birthday,
lots of love and kisses from
Nanna Peg XX

GALLACHER - Pat and
Christine, congratulations on
winning the Northern Echo's
"Parents in a million"
competition. Lots of love from
all the family

GALLACHER Christine and
Pat congratulations on
winning "Parents in a
Million", good luck in the next
round, love David, Elaine and
Ryan XXX

SEAN GRANT Won again
son, proud of you, Mam and
Tom

Bob Kennedy



To a great Dad and
Super Grandad and
fair-moderate husband.
Happy 60th birthday
love ya! The family XX

KAREN HALL 8-2-98, To a
wonderful sister and friend,
happy birthday, 4th February,
lots of love Julie and Daniel

MARK PRESTON Happy
birthday Dariz, have a good
night on Saturday, Love you
always Sara XX

MARK PRESTON 8-2-98, To
the best daddy in the world on
his birthday, all my love n
hugs, Owen XX

MARDULA "Uncle Mic" 7-
2-98, Happy birthday, lots of
love Owen XX

RICHARD GARNER 3-2-
98, Happy birthday Grandad,
with lots of love n hugs Owen
XX

CAROL BROWN Happy
50th birthday Mam, love and
best wishes from Colin and
Keeley XXX Also lots of love
and kisses Nana from Alannah
May XX

TOMMY COOK The future
doorman, the big 50, 10th
February, Gotcha - D

VANCE - SWAILES
Congratulatlons Jessica and
James on your engagement.
All our love Mam, Dad,
Hayley, Gran, Nanna and
Grandad

WAYNE HODGSON
Congratulatlons your 21st
birthday, love Mam and Dad
and family

TURNER - PERKINS
Georgia 8-2-98, Happy 4th
birthday big sis, love you
Dominic XX

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No words can say how I feel
today, the pain is still there and
won't go away. Flowers and
prayers are all I can give, these
you shall have as long as I live.
Deep in my heart you will
always stay, loved and
remembered every day. Your
loving wife Mavis and son
Robert XX

ROBERT DIXON 5-2-41.
No birthday card, no birthday
kiss for our lovely grandad,
who we will always miss.
Love you forever and ever
grandad, your two princesses,
Joanne and Kirsty XX

ROBERT DIXON 5-2-41.
There is a very special dad,
Lord, resting in your care, if
you look around your garden
you'll see him sitting there,
put your arms around him,
make sure he's not alone, for
today is his birthday and he is
away from home. Love always
and forever, your loving
daughter, Lynn and son-in-law
Karl XX

ROBERT DIXON 5-2-41 to
25-4-97. In memory of a
special dad on your birthday.
I think of you day by day, the
sadness I felt when you went
away, the day you left and
went above, you took with you
all our love. Paul and Maggie

ROBERT DIXON 5-2-41 to
25-4-97. In memory of a
special grandad. The angels
took you up above, so missed
and cherished we give our
love. From grandchildren
Stacey, Nicola, Emma and
Natasha

ROBERT DIXON 5-2-41.
Behind our smiles there lies a
tear for a dad and grandad we
lost and loved so dear. Our
hearts still ache as we whisper
low, happy birthday dad, we
miss you so. Your special day
we cannot share, in our hearts
you are always there. Loved
and missed always and
forever, your daughter Julie,
son-in-law Sean,
grandchildren Daniel and
Melissa XX

FRED WILLIS Died 6th
February 1997. Greatly
missed by wife, daughters,
grandchildren and great
grandchildren

FRED TODD In loving
memory of Fred, died 9th
February 1995. Always
remembered, Jack and Eileen

JAMES BANKS 7th
February. Happy memories on
your birthday, loved always,
Annette XX

MICHAEL CARR, 10th
February. In my heart you will
always be, because you were
so very special to me. Sending
you all my love on your
birthday Mike. Love always
Sam XX

MICHAEL CARR Angel of
love up above, give our
nephew, Michael, a birthday
hug. Happy birthday Michael
from "Auntie" Pat and Lol

MICHAEL CARR Birthday
memories of our son,
Michael, 10-2-75. They say
it's a beautiful journey from
the old world to the new, and
someday we'll make that
journey Mike, which will lead
us straight to you. And when
we reach that garden, where
there are no cares or pain,
we'll put our arms so tight
around you son, so we are
never apart again. Happy
birthday son love Mam & Dad

MICHAEL CARR no gifts to
give, no cards to send, just my
heart that will not mend.
Sending you loads of love on
your birthday, Mike. Love
sister Glyn

MICHAEL CARR Always
in my thoughts, always on my
mind, you are my special
brother, you are one of a kind.
Respected and loved always,
Mike, love-miss you, Trevor.

MICHAEL CARR Birthday
memories of Michael (Franz),
love Simons Family (Antrim)

MICHAEL CARR (Franz)
Thinking of you today as
always, God bless Michael,
love Wilma, Joe (Andrews
family)

In Memoriam

SOPHIA HARVEY (Vic)
Loving memories of a dear
mother, nanna and gran, died
7th February 1995. Three
years have passed now, since
the good Lord called your
name. We know the reason
why he took away your pain.
We will always love and miss
you, for your wisdom and your
love. Until someday we will
meet again, in God's
Heavenly kingdom above.
Sadly missed and loved by
daughter Joan, son-in-law
Tom, grandchildren and great
grandchildren

SOPHIA HARVEY Died 7th
February 1995. A beloved
nanna and super gran. Deep in
our hearts your memory is
kept, to love to treasure and
never forget. Greatly missed.
Granddaughter Marie and
husband Ray and great
grandchildren Mark, Rebecca
and Andrew - God bless

BILLY WILSON 7-2-97.
Wonderful memories of a
husband, dad and grandad.
Time passes, memories stay,
fondly remembered everyday.
Loving wife Betty and son
Derek

BILLY WILSON 7-2-97. In
memory of a dear dad,
grandad and great grandad.
One year has come and gone,
but our love for you goes on
and on. Kathleen, Lisa,
Raymond, and great
grandchildren

JOE LAYCOCK 5th
February 1996. In loving
memory of a dearly loved
husband and dad. To us he was
someone special, someone set
apart. God has him in his
keeping. We have him in our
hearts always. Loving wife
Anne, sons Joseph and
Andrew

KANE JONES Died 10th
February 1997. One year has
passed since that sad day. No
more pain, no more suffering.
Life goes on, that's true, but
we miss you. Your loving wife
Nancy and son Barry

JOSEPH MAXWELL 5-2-
97. Age 13 years. The hardest
thing in life to bear is to want
your son and he's not there.
Our son, our friend, you were
the lot. You stood by us no
matter what. You left a place
no-one can fill, we miss you
son and always will. Love
Mam and Dad XXX

JOSEPH MAXWELL 5-2-
97, age 13 years. Many times
I've needed you, many times
I've cried, no one see's 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. Loving sisters Leann and
Joe X

JOSEPH MAXWELL 5-2-
97, age 13 years. God came
and stood beside your bed,
took your hand and softly said,
"you've suffered more than
you can stand, come with me
to a better land." Loved and
remembered always, Nanna
Betty

JOSEPH MAXWELL 5-2-
97, age 13 years. Softly
through the shadows there
came a gentle call, with words
left unspoken, you quietly left
us all. Remembered always.
Aunties and Uncles

JOSEPH MAXWELL 5-2-
97, age 13 years.

MAN SEEN CHASING SWANS
WITH REMOTE CONTROL BOAT

LETTER TO
THE EDITOR

Dear Sir

I was horrified and disgusted to see the behaviour of a man operating a toy boat by remote control on the West Park Lane on Monday 26th January at about 10.30am. He was directing his boat to chase terrified swans and other bird life on the lake. These swans have been visiting the lake for some time now and to think a grown man can get thrills from chasing them makes me sick. It is down to people like him that we lack nice things to enjoy in Newton Aycliffe.

A Disgusted Member of the Community

ED: The R.S.P.C.A. have been notified, but maybe the person responsible will read this letter and stop his cruel behaviour



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ANOTHER FIVE
FOR HUNTSMAN

Cockerton 2 Huntsman 5

Another win for the Huntsman arrived with only their second game since the turn of the year, writes Tim Walker.

Chris Walker opened the scoring with a fluke effort, followed by a Morgan Fielding solo special. Then bizarrely, Cockerton pulled two goals back in quick succession to make the scores level at half-time. A classic example of a team adopting the attitude of just having to rum up to win. "But nay" cried Phantom Manager as the half-time oranges were lashed, "it be not over 'till the fat lady sings!"

Then he promptly brought on Shifty for the wandering McCabe. Jimmy McCabe didn't seem that bothered though; perhaps he was comforting himself by knowing that the frock was already in the bag.

In the second half the Huntsman came out with new venom. Splendid work by Marry released Morgan who, quick as a flash, teed up Marram who made no mistake. And then a goal from an unlikely source. Rob Walker was marauding down the right flank when he bamboozled everyone on the pitch, including himself it must be said, and struck from the tightest of angles. Then a fine volley from Morgan put the final nail in as the fat lady took a swig of Listerine.

Kent 6, R Walker 6, Travis 6, Lothian 7, Hammy 6, Snitch 7 (m.o.m.), Fielding 7, C Walker 7, Marram 6, M Walker 6, McCabe 4. Subs: Shifty 7.

The Huntsman Football Club are interested in the reported sightings of a Rene - out of 'Allo 'Allo - look-alike, who was last seen shortly before Christmas wearing a French maid's outfit. If anyone sights him please let the Huntsman know.

Aycliffe's 50th Anniversary
Community and Industrial Fair

Saturday 20th June 1998

As part of the Town's 50th Celebrations the Rotary Club are organising the Fair which is to be held at the Recreation Centre from 10 to 4.

All Clubs, Societies and Voluntary Organisations are invited to take part in the event by having a stall or putting by on a display of their activities. The event is specifically to enable organisations to publicise their Club or Society, talk to the public and hopefully attract new members.

If you wish to take part please can you complete and return the application form. Space will be allocated on a "first come, first served" basis so please do not delay too long or you could well be disappointed!

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Community Fair, Saturday 20th June 1998

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