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## Front Page Letter to the Editor

# SCHOOL PREMISES ARE UNFIT AND DANGEROUS

### Action Group Petitions County Council

Dear Sir  
The Vane Road School P.A.G. was formed after several parents expressed concern about the handling of our recent asbestos leak. On further investigation within our school we became more concerned as other major issues came to light. We

are now a committee of 12, 8 mums and 4 dads who have a singular strength of purpose, to ensure the safety and health of our children and their teachers. We have issued a leaflet which precedes a petition of signatures to be collected on Monday 30th

March. Our aim is to inform ALL parents of the problems within Vane Road School, detailed below:

**Asbestos:** It is impossible to guarantee the safety of our children and staff whilst asbestos remains in walls and ceilings.

**Electrical Wiring:** The original wiring system is still in operation. This was installed in 1959 and consists of antiquated round pin plug sockets, max load 5 amp. Infant department has one socket per classroom, Junior has 2. In order to use more than one appliance at once the staff are obliged to use extension cables which are at the very least a tripping hazard for children.

**Sanitation:** After nearly 40 years of constant use the toilet blocks are nothing short of disgusting. Peeling paint, jagged plywood partitions, tiles refusing to stay on and outdated slow filling high level cisterns leave a permanent stench which defies belief.

These 3 major potential hazards are providing an environment wholly unsuitable for the adequate delivery of the national curriculum which is every child's basic right. After questioning the governors it has become apparent that despite numerous letters and meetings they have made no headway with DCC. In addition, concerned parents when contacting DCC on these issues have been met with a very evasive attitude.

In Mr Blair's election campaign we were told his priority, if elected would be EDUCATION, our priorities are Asbestos, Wiring and Sanitation  
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# AYCLIFFE ATHLETIC CLUB PROMOTED

Aycliffe in turmoil in one cross country league came up trumps in another by rounding off a fine season with promotion to Division of the North Yorkshire League. Mick Brunskill 10th, Peter Milburn 57th, Colin Gibson 60th, Derek Smith 110th, Richard Harvey 124th and Rob Nicholson 147th were the counters for this fine performance at Saltburn. The team were 14th overall with Dave Thompson also running in 162nd place. Sue Milburn was 23rd in her race which earned her a medal for overall performance this season. In the Lamplight 5 Mile Race, Mick Brunskill was first home

27.15 with Peter Milburn next 29.06, Rob Nicholson 32.25, Paul Upton 33.10, closely pursued by Sue Milburn 33.15. Dave Thompson ran a good 35.57 with Bev Hutchinson 40.25. Adam Gibson smashed his own course record for 2.3 miles on the same circuit on 15.33 to win the fun run for the 2nd consecutive time. In the Redcar ½ Marathon, Mick Brunskill (75) again led the way, with Peter Milburn (80) next on the very blustery windswept course. Derek Smith (89) was the next runner with Richard Harvey (90) only second behind. Sue Milburn (93) and finally Rob Nicholson (97).

# HEIGHINGTON MILLENNIUM COMMITTEE

Fund raising goes on apace. A big "thank-you" must go to the editor of the "Newton News" who is instrumental in allowing us to use the pages of his paper to publicise future events and to keep people informed of what we are doing. To date we have raised £1,400 towards our set target of £6,000. A dinner was held in the Bay Horse recently, in aid of funds, raising nearly £200. A more pleasant way of raising funds I've yet to find!! A big thank you to Mine Host Mark. We hope to repeat the event at a future date, see you there. There is to be a grand clear out, Table Top Sale in the Village Hall on Saturday 4 April, starting at 10.00a.m. Book a table now at only £5 and sell off all your surplus, unwanted goods. Admission is 30p and tea and coffee will be available. Tel: 317219 or 317518. The same evening April 4 sees a welcome return of that up and coming local cover band "Meantime" at the Cumby Arms, starting at 8p.m. Come along and give this local group of young people your support whilst at the same time helping the millennium fund. Admission £1.50. Vince Green has booked the Village Hall for one of his now famous whist drives on Saturday 18 April, starting at 2p.m. Thanks Vince for your support. Another of our ever popular Family Disco's is to be held on Friday 24 April in the Village Hall at 7.30p.m. Mums and Dads fetch your children, Grans and Grandas more than welcome. Refreshments on sale. Bring your own table wine. We have been very fortunate in booking Mrs. Cynthia Scott, one of the regions foremost flower arrangers to give a demonstration on the theme, "Imagination and Inspiration", in the Village Hall, Friday 15 May at 7.30p.m. An event not to be missed by any serious or aspiring flower arranger. Tickets are available from committee members or phone 313204. More of which at a later date. Also, in July, local enthusiast, John Bennington is to give an illustrated slide show on his recent trek to the Himalayas. Mr. Bennington writes for various walking papers and magazines on the subject of the great outdoors, again more into later. Finally the committee would be happy to receive any offers of help either in cash or kind, or why not do your bit and join the committee or hold a fund raising event. Let's see the village awash with garden parties. Phew! Good wishes to All, John McGuckin, Chairman Any donation large or small can be paid to Heighington Millennium Committee, Midland Bank, West Auckland Road, Darlington Account No. 41542141 or telephone 313903

# VICTIM'S WEEK UP-DATE

The local Victim Support Scheme held a number of events during Victim's Week in February to raise much needed funds and to recruit new volunteers. A raffle was held in Somerfield Supermarket which raised £126. There are still two unclaimed prizes: White 68 and White 91. Would the winners please contact the office to arrange collection of their prizes. A Fancy Dress Pub Crawl around the pubs and clubs of Newton Aycliffe on the Friday evening was also a great success. The money raised during this event was £217. Those who took part would like to thank the proprietors of the pubs and clubs, and also the people who gave most generously to this worthy cause. The total amount raised during that week, including personal donations, was £438.80. Sue Hayles, Scheme Co-ordinator said "Apart from raising much needed funds during Victim's Week, we also managed to raise the profile of Victim Support. It was hard work for us all but well worth the effort". Their next fund-raising venture is to enter a team of swimmers in the Rotary Swimathon due to be held in April. If anyone is interested in taking part, please contact the office as soon as possible. Victim Support is situated at 4 Beveridge Walkway, Newton Aycliffe town centre and is open between 10.00 a.m and 12.00 p.m. Monday to Friday. Tel: 319263. Yours sincerely Sue Hayles Scheme Co-ordinator

# N.D.C. GRANT MAINTAINED

Inward investment in the North East region received a boost this week with the announcement that the grant for the Northern Development Company (NDC) has been maintained in 1998/1999 at the same level as the current year under arrangements announced by D.T.I. Minister of State, Ian McCartney. NDC's grant for next year will be £1,665,000. Mr McCartney said "The ten English Regional Development Organisations continue to make a significant contribution to the work of the Invest in Britain Bureau, to the overall success of the UK in attracting inward investment and in particular to their own region's performance. NDC has made a major contribution in the North East region in 1997/98, working with local partners to maximise inward investment success and the maintained level of grant I have offered for 1998/99 is to help them build further on that success."

## CHEMISTS EMERGENCY ROTA

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## GOVERNMENT WANTS YOUR VIEWS ON THE FUTURE

Dear Editor

You may recall recently the Deputy Prime Minister, John Prescott, launched a nationwide consultation exercise designed to find out people's views on how they would like to see the country and their area shaped during the next century and beyond.

Between now and the end of May, the Government is looking for views and ideas from all sectors of society - business, community groups, families and individuals on what needs to be done to achieve "sustainable development".

Sustainable Development can be put quite simply as "ensuring that a decent quality of life is available to everyone, now for the generations to come". Quality of life may mean different things to different people but fundamentally sustainable development is about making sure that we think about how economic, social and environmental issues interact, in the long term as well as today. The public has a crucial role to play. Indeed the Government knows it cannot achieve sustainable development without widespread public commitment to sustainable development. A consultation leaflet "Opportunities for Change" has been produced to ask for ideas on what they might be prepared to do to help.

We need to ensure that as many people as possible have the opportunity to respond to consultation and the attached article, based on the leaflet is offered for publication, either in part or in full, in your newspaper/magazine.

If your readers wish to send in their comments, they can write to: Sustainable Development Consultation, PO Box 1715, London, SW1P 3ZN.

If they would like a copy of the consultation leaflet they should ring 0181-691-9191, asking for publication 97EP 035X.

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# Town Councillors Not on a Gravy Train

Dear Sir  
Councillor Moore and other  
correspondents appear to  
suggest that the town council  
is a gravy train for councillors  
to enjoy Junckets at public  
expense. It must be a good  
number when only one person  
volunteered for the vacancy  
left by the resignation of Mr  
Len Cockfield and that person  
was yet another unpaid  
dedicated member of the  
Labour Party in North Ward.  
Where was "Disillusioned"

then? If he/she thinks so much  
of Councillor Moores views  
why not stand for election and  
support him.

Councillor Moore thinks that  
councils should be run by  
public spirited people who will  
give up their time without any  
recompence whatsoever, it  
seems that those sort of people  
only reside within the  
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Yours faithfully  
Keith Henderson

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## GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL



## Day Excursions for Senior Citizens

The Council are again organising Day Excursions  
for Senior Citizens during the Summer of 1998.  
The excursions this year will be to Blackpool and  
will be free of charge. There will be NO deposit  
payable for these excursions.

The Trips will be held during June, July and  
August, 1998 and will be from Monday to  
Friday, inclusive.

N.B. Application forms and further details can be  
either collected from the Council Offices between  
the hours of 11a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday to  
Friday, or will be posted to you by telephoning  
300700.

Completed forms must be returned by no later  
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# Last Chance for a Stall at the Town's Community Fair

This event is being  
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Club of Newton Aycliffe as  
part of the Town's 50th  
Birthday celebrations.

**COMMUNITY STALLS**  
We are now almost fully  
booked for stalls for the  
Community Fair but are  
still seeking further  
applications, if necessary  
we will have a "reserve  
list". If your organisation  
wishes to take part then  
please do not delay any  
longer, or you will be too  
late!

## PERFORMANCE & ACTIVITY AREA

There is an area of space to  
be set aside for groups to  
have 20 minute slots to  
show the public what their  
Club or Society is about,

such as dance, drama,  
singing, martial arts,  
exercise, sport and so on.  
Applications are invited  
from any groups interested  
and further information can  
be obtained from Andrew  
Maxwell at 30 Highside  
Road,  
Heighington Village, or  
telephone 01833 354981  
(daytime) alternatively  
please email- to  
ajemaxwel@aol.com

## INDUSTRIAL STALLS

The centrepiece in the Hall  
will be the Sedgefield  
Borough Council stand,  
which is used at the major  
trade exhibitions both  
home and abroad. There is  
space available at the  
present time for businesses  
to exhibit and inform the

public of their business  
activities. Details can be  
obtained from John Billany  
at the Linden Group,  
telephone number 01325  
311331 or from Gregg  
Little at Gregg Little  
Testing Centre, telephone  
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The Rotary Club is  
delighted with the high  
level of support from the  
event's major sponsors  
Sedgefield Borough  
Council and the enthusiasm  
of the organisations taking  
part.

It promises to be a major  
event in the town which  
will be both entertaining  
and informative so please  
make a note in your diary  
now, especially as there will  
be NO admission charge.

**An event not to be missed!**



# SUPPORT WANTED FOR A BOROUGH SPRING CLEAN

Sedgefield Borough Council enlisted the support of Sunderland striker, Niall Quinn and children  
from County Primary Schools to promote a campaign to spring clean Sedgefield Borough, with a  
litter pick.

The Borough Council is participating in the National Spring Clean, an annual event, organised by the  
Tidy Britain Group. This year, the campaign will run throughout the month of April.

Local schools, businesses and organisations have been invited to join the campaign. Already around  
thirty have signed up, and it is still not too late to join in.

Anyone who would like to be part of the Campaign, which also involves a National Litter Relay, from  
John O'Groats to Dover, on Sunday, 19th April, should contact Phil Broomhead, Principal Engineer  
on (01388) 816166 as soon as possible.

Commenting on the project, Councillor Terry Ward, Chairman of Sedgefield Borough Council,  
Development Committee said, "This is an excellent opportunity for the Borough Council to join with  
local groups to improve the environment. I hope that good links forged with schools and businesses  
will continue after the end of the Campaign".

## Junior Brass Band Thrives

On Saturday the Aycliffe and  
Brancepeth band entered the  
north of England area brass  
band championships at the  
Dolphin Centre in  
Darlington.

A lot was asked of the  
younger members of the  
band who coped well and  
rose to the occasion and  
along with the more  
established members  
achieved a creditable 171  
marks out of 200 and a top  
ten place in the 4th section.  
The bands junior section  
continues to thrive and the  
signs for the future are  
looking very promising with  
this influx of young talent.  
Anyone interested in joining  
our swelling ranks should  
contact the bands Secretary  
on 01325 257228.

# Don't Blame the Borough for High Tax - We just Collect the Money

I can understand your correspondent's concern at the  
difference between Council Tax in Gt. Aycliffe and Darlington,  
but what may not be appreciated is that Council Tax is collected  
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The Borough Council uses the relatively small proportion of  
Council Tax it retains (less than £8 of the £63 a month Band A  
tax quoted) in providing numerous essential services to the  
community street cleansing, refuse collection, meals on wheels,  
concessionary bus passes, leisure centres, maintenance of  
grassed areas, planning and economic development.

In addition, Sedgefield Borough Council is funding a very  
advanced programme of community safety initiatives with the  
Community Force (operational since 1994), Neighbourhood  
Watch and the Community Rangers Scheme which is designed  
to encourage good citizenship among young people.

Although it is important to keep reviewing our costs, I believe  
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Yours faithfully,  
Brian Allen, Director of Finance

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Microsoft Excel - 1 day	21st May	9th June	17th April
Microsoft Access - 2 days	N/A	25/26th May	24/25th June
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## GOLDEN START TO COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Last weekend 7/8th March at the first of the Northumberland & Durham County Championships held in Bishop Auckland, Sedgfield 75 A.S.C. collected 1 gold medal, 2 bronze medals plus 9 final placings. Mark Surtees aged 16 years collected the gold medal in the Junior 50m Freestyle event in a time of 0:26:26 with team mates Ian Cairns and Michael Turnbull finishing 5th and 6th.

Mark finished in 3rd place in the 16-18 years 100m Freestyle event in a time of 0:57:31 and Ian was 4th in the 200m Freestyle event. Club Captain Matthew Bowden (14) finished 3rd Junior in the 200m Breaststroke event in a time of 2:34.08, 5th in the 200m IM in a time of 2:32.32.

Scott Carpenter (11) collected a bronze medal in the 50m Breaststroke event in a time of 0:44:39.

Carol Mohan (13) finished 4th in the 100m Backstroke in a time of 1:14.87 and 6th in the 200m freestyle event (2:21.84)

Reserve finalists were:

Alison Storey (16-18), 100m Backstroke, Ian Storey (13), 100m Backstroke & 200m Freestyle, Anglea Winstanley Smith (13) 200m Freestyle.

## ARE YOU CLAIMING ALL YOUR BENEFITS?

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Anyone who was born on NHS day, July 5 1948, who was one of the first patients, or who had just joined the health service as a doctor, nurse or other worker is encouraged to contact the organisers.

County Durham Health Authority together with NHS Trusts in County Durham is drawing up a list of local people willing to share their memories of those early days and to help celebrate the achievements of the health service. They are also collecting any old equipment or any old uniforms which people may have kept over the years.

Anyone interested in being included in the celebrations or who has some old equipment or uniforms should write to: Julie Oliver Chief Executive's Office, Bishop Auckland Hospitals NHS Trust Bishop Auckland General Hospital, Cockton Hill Road, Bishop Auckland, County Durham DL 14 6AD

## Don't Miss the A.G.M. on Wed. 1st April at 7.15

Woodham Village Community Centre is located in St Elizabeth's Close, Woodham. The Centre building consists of one main hall and a smaller meeting room. There are kitchen facilities and toilets. The Centre is centrally heated and is in a good condition. The Centre has the advantage of a near-by car park and access to the building provides for disabled users of the facilities.

Currently, the Centre is used for bingo, tea-dance, whist, badminton, Tae kwon-do, Brownies and a recent addition - line-dancing. There are at present vacant periods in the Centre calendar and anyone interested in starting a function is invited to contact the Secretary, Keith Bell, using the centre address.

The Centre may be booked for private functions via Mr John Snowball, Caretaker, on 314232 and our rates are very competitive.

Overall the Centre can successfully serve the needs of the community only if the community members themselves make the fullest use of the facility.



Tea Dances

## Golf Club Ceilidh

Woodham Golf and Country Club, Newton Aycliffe, Ladies Section, looks like having a swinging time in more ways than one as the new season starts.

Not only will they be swinging their golf clubs on the course, but also their hips when they hold a Ceilidh in Shildon Civic Hall on Friday May 1.

The event starts at 7.30p.m. and tickets at £8 include a pie, peas and chips supper. Tickets can be obtained from Mildred Stafford (01325 314079) or members of the Ladies Committee.

## GUYS & DOLLS

Bishop Auckland Amateur Operatic Society presents Frank Loesser's favourite family musical "Guys and Dolls" to be held in the Eden Theatre, Town Hall, Bishop Auckland from Monday 30th March until Saturday 4th April at 7.15pm. Ticket prices Monday £4, Tuesday to Saturday £5, available by ringing 01388 602371

## Heighington Over 50's Club Survive

At the AGM of the Heighington Over 50/60 in January a number of committee members offered their resignations and it was feared the club would close, but we succeeded in forming a new committee and were able to carry on, we have decided to continue our Monday afternoon meetings all through the year, as it will be easier for the elderly members as they do not have a taxi service to the hall now. We continue to play whist and dominoes and enjoy light refreshments and raffle. Mrs Catton very kindly attends our meetings every 1st Monday of the month to lead our exercise half hour, which most members heartily participate in.

We have made arrangements for a Coffee Morning on Saturday 25th April at 10am in our V Hall, where there also will be a cake stall and bric-a-brac, a raffle and light refreshments, donations for the stalls will be greatly appreciated, also on Saturday 30th May we are hopefully holding a Whist Drive in the hall at 2pm.

Our 1st coach trip of the season will be Thursday 28th April when we will be visiting

Penrith and Carlisle, and members wishing for please phone 01388 777. Our members would like to offer their sincere appreciation to great Lakes for a very donation of £100, members attended presentation last week afterwards enjoyed a buffet tea. Anyone wishing to join the club will be very welcome just come along to the 2pm or contact any members and enjoy homely two hours. Thank you Joyce Sedgwick (Chairman)

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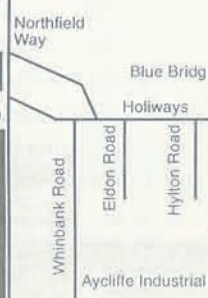
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## Letter to the Editor

# 3 TIER LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS TOO EXPENSIVE

Dear Sir  
The residents of Newton Aycliffe have now received their Council Tax bills and they are expected to pay for services provided not only by Sedgfield Borough and

Durham County Council but also Aycliffe Council which has no more powers than a Parish Council, such as neighbouring Middridge village.

The projected wage bill for Aycliffe for the next 12 months is £260,000.

For how long are the people of Aycliffe expected to pay for this unwieldy and expensive three tier form of local government. It has been suggested that the mortgage rate is to increase. The budget last week also saw a hike in the cost of living.

How much more are people expected to pay?

Aycliffe Council is out of control and the appropriate steps must be taken to curtail the one million, seventy six thousand, seven hundred pounds budget.

Yours faithfully  
Tony Moore  
County Councillor

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## YOUTH GROUP GIVE CONCERT AT WOODHAM COMP.

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This will be a most enjoyable

show, to incorporate Dance Routines by the CAROL HARGREAVES SCHOOL OF DANCE. Some tickets are still available, price £2 adults and £1 concessions. These are available from John Eliot Footwear in the Town Centre or by telephoning 301747 or 311816. You can also pay at the door on the night. So come on, buy your tickets now and enjoy a night out with the Young People of the town.

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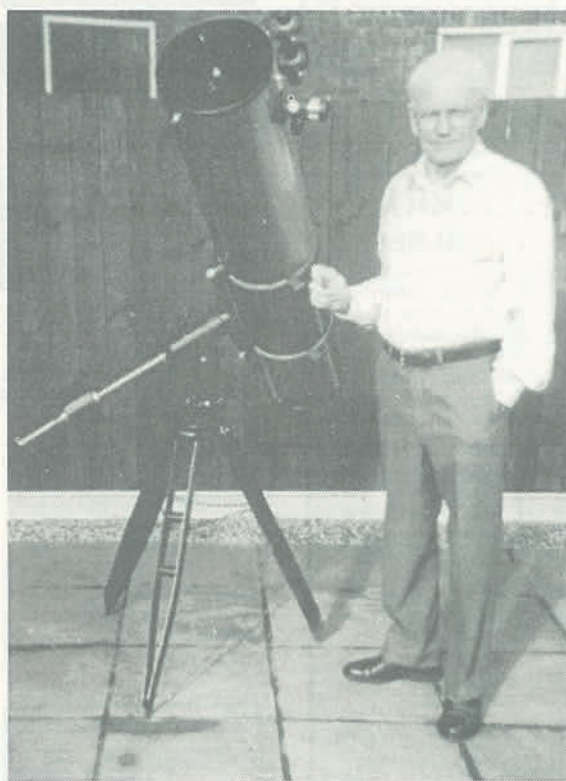
Following the success of the first group, health visitors Barbara Parker and Fiona Weeks will be starting another "Positive Parenting Course" at the Youth Centre on Wednesday 22nd April running for 6 weeks between 1.30 and 3pm. Free creche available. For further details contact the health centre on 314381

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"This line will provide a secure electricity supply to the Fujitsu works for the expansion programme to take place there and facilitate the system providing secure supplies for the further industrial expansion envisaged in the Newton Aycliffe area. In granting this consent for the line, I am content that northern Electric has done what it can to mitigate the environmental impact by using a route that is as short and direct as possible and by using existing landscape features to help reduce the visual impact along its 3.8km length"

## Annual Rosary Procession

You are invited to the 14th Annual Ecumenical Rosary Procession in honour of Our Lady of Wolsingham.

Leaving St Josephs RC Chapel, Stephenson Way at 3.00pm and proceeding to St Clare's Anglican Church and concluding in St Marys RC Church.

All this will take place on Sunday 29th March 1998 To pray for Christian Unity and World Peace. Everyone is most welcome. For further details contact Joan Thorne on 315627

## Letter to the Editor

# WILL DOG OWNERS PLEASE CLEAN UP THEIR ACT?

Dear Sir

Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could wave a magic wand as summer approaches and make all the dog dirt disappear from our town. As it is, Newton Aycliffe is one massive dog toilet and I despair of things ever improving.

How sad that there is nowhere safe for our children to play when every street and green is covered in dog mess. We used to enjoy going for family walks, but now it is too much of an effort to have to constantly watch everyone's feet.

Dog owners seem to think that all the lovely areas of the town have been designated as dog loos. The Burn, the nature trails and all of our parks are witness to that fact. How selfish to ruin these places for other peoples enjoyment. Don't these dog owners have back gardens? Just as we train our children to use a toilet, dogs should be trained to do their business on their owners property.

Can you imagine the horror is we purposely took our children out to foul public places 2 or 3 times a day? Yet we are expected to accept this from the thousands of dogs on the town. I wish we could set up a neighbourhood dog watch to pin point and fine the culprits (for instance, I would

love to know who it is regularly allows their dog do its business on the footpath right outside my front gate. However I believe the problem is too widespread. So can convey this message to all owners. PLEASE CLEAN UP YOUR ACT! It is our town well as yours and we do want your dog everywhere. It is not offensive to look at and in, but dirty and dangerous well.

And I do wish that those in power in our town, would do something concrete to rid of this terrible problem, but fear it would take a miracle.

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# Dance School Success

On Sunday 15th March, Lee Green Dance Centre were thrilled to receive numerous awards at the North East Medallist of year competition at Bridlington. The whole school turned out in force to support the 28 dancers, whose ages ranged from 7-17. In the solo grade competition, awards were as follows: Under 10s, gold bars and stars: Lucy Bradley 1st, Sarah Cook 3rd, Lisa Harrison 5th. Under 12s Silver and Gold Lauren Wilson 5th. Under 14s Silver and Gold Michelle Baldwin and Gold Claire Wingfield 1st, Debra Deery 2nd, Gemma Smith 3rd, Gemma Graham 5th. Under 16s Silver & Gold Kirsty Hughes 1st.

Other grade competitors: Anna Wheatley, Kayley Bates, Laura Cook, Karli Gibson, Claire Hornsby, Beverley Ratcliff, Samantha Baker, Sarah Burn, Amy Carr, Michelle Clothier, Rachael Henderson. All these girls achieved recalls in their sections.

In the nationwide sole under 12's Joanne Duffy gained 7th from 39 other competitors. Her brother Malcolm Duffy achieved 6th place from 42 competitors in the under 16s section. Both secured places to dance at Blackpool in November.

Also in nationwide solo, under 12s Lucy Metcalfe and Samantha Hall each gained a recall. Tricia Wingfield gained 3 recalls and Adele Burn gained 2 in the under 16s.

In nationwide couples, under 12s, Lucy Metcalf and

Samantha Hall gained 6th and Lucy Bradley and Sarah Cook 3rd from 48 couples. These girls are also dancing their way to Blackpool.

To round the day off the under 12's disco team "Sapphire" gave a first time brilliant performance and were awarded a truly deserved 2nd place. (After many rehearsals all I can say is "girls, you did us proud".

Well done to the whole school, Blackpool here we come.

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**JOE TODD** 29-3-94. Always loved and remembered by Kathryn, Avril, Katie and Joseph. Time does not erase, how we long to see you face.

**BILL YOUNG** 27-3-88. Loving memories of a dear grandad and great grandad, always remembered, Julie, Vicki, Emma and Christopher.

**EDWARD McCABE**, in loving memory, died 29th March 1997. It only seems like yesterday I sat and held your hand. We never knew the end was near only God will understand. It broke my heart to lose you my partner and my life. May God keep you in his care till we meet again, your ever loving wife. Love and miss you Ed, Mary and family

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**BURNS - SUMMERS** Sophie-Lee born 24-3-98 our beautiful girl, love you both Ken XX

**BURNS - SUMMERS** congratulations, 24-3-98, love Marina (Mam)

**BURNS - SUMMERS** Thank you for our first grandchild Sophie-Lee, 24-3-98, love Liz and Billy, Kirsten and Ally

**VICKI CROWE** Happy 21st birthday love Mam and Dad, Peter and Karl

**TO MAM** Happy 21st birthday, lots of love Annalise and Jack

**LO-LO** Have a very happy 40th birthday and remember life begins and FORTY, so start living, lots of love Mum X

**HAPPY 40th** birthday to my lovely mother, with loads of love Kel XX

**HAPPY 40th** birthday mam, hope its a good one, lots of love Louise and Mickey XX

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Happy 2nd birthday to a special little boy, love and kisses Mammy and Daddy XX

Happy 2nd birthday to our little treasure, lots of love Grandma and Grandad

Happy 2nd birthday to our youngest grandson, Adam, love from Grandad Syd and Nana Christine

Happy birthday cousin, hugs and kisses from J.P., Carrie and Matthew XXX

Happy 2nd birthday to our nephew, Adam on 31st March 1998 love Uncle Paul and Auntie Beverley

Happy birthday to a dear nephew, love from Uncle Chris and Auntie Michelle

**KARL McCORMICK** 27th March, 2 today, happy birthday from Nana Mary and Tommy Chuckle

**KARL McCORMICK** Happy birthday love from Auntie Eileen, cousin Paul-Leon

**KARL McCORMICK** Happy 2nd birthday, love from Auntie Michelle, Uncle Desmond, cousins Scott and Megan

**KARL McCORMICK** 2 today, 27th March, love from Uncle Michael and Aunt Theresa

**NICOLA WARD** Congratulations on passing your driving test, love Helen

**NICOLA WARD** Congratulations on passing your driving test, love Mam, Dad and Rachel. Many thanks to Sandra of Streetwise S.O.M.

**YIPPEE-I-AY** Dees 30 today, she's not very happy, so keep out of her way, happy birthday, lots of love from Lou and Gavin XX

**DENISE BRETT** 28-3-98 Have a lovely 30th birthday, you deserve it, all our love Mum and Dad XX

**DENISE BRETT** Happy birthday you wrinkle old hag!! Lots of love and oil of Ulay, Chris n Emma

**DENISE BRETT** Happy 30th birthday you old git! All my love Anth XX

**OUR MAM** Dee is 30, 28-3-98, lots of love Sabrina and Bethany XX

**TO OUR** Darling daughter-in-law, Dee, happy 30th birthday, all our love Theresa and Peter XX

**DEE BRETT** 28th March, Happy 30th birthday, lots of love Uncle Brian, Aunt Joan, Sue, Mark, Jake and Wayne

**DEE BRETT** To our very special friend Dee, happy 30th birthday, love Karen, Russell, Danielle and Ryan

**DEE BRETT** Best wishes for your 30th birthday, love Hazel, Alf and Amanda

**TRICIA McMASTER** To our special daughter on her 9th birthday have a lovely day darling, all our love Mammy and Daddy

**TRICIA McMASTER** Happy birthday to my wonderful granddaughter, love Grandad Jim

**TRICIA McMASTER** Happy birthday to my big sister love from Jodie

**TRICIA McMASTER** Happy birthday to my special niece, love Auntie Vivienne

**TRICIA McMASTER** Happy birthday, lots of love from Auntie Debbie and Blake

**TRICIA McMASTER** To a special granddaughter happy birthday, lots of love from Nana and Grandad

**KAREN MERCER** 2-4-98, happy 30th birthday from one old wrinkle to another!! Love Dee and Anth XX

**KAREN MERCER** 2-4-98, happy 30th birthday lots of love Sabrina and Bethany XX

**AMANDA RENWICK** Happy birthday to a lovely Mum and daughter, lots of love always Cara, Mam and Dad

**SMITH** Congratulations Mum and Dad on your 45th anniversary, have a great day, love Paul and Christine

**SMITH** Congratulations Mum and Dad on your 45th wedding anniversary, have a wonderful day, love Noreen and Jay

**SMITH** Joan and Bryan, 27th March, congratulations Mum and Dad on your 45th wedding anniversary. Have a wonderful day, love Yvonne and Ian

**SMITH** Congratulations Nana and Grandad on your 45th anniversary, love Christy X

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**Meggy Wright**

Happy 2nd Birthday  
Lots of love  
Mammy, Daddy,  
James and Jade XXX

**Jamie-Lee Cogan**

Happy birthday  
25th March 1998  
11 years old, still cheeky  
Have a great time at  
your party at Wet n Wild  
on Saturday, lots of love  
Mam and Dad XX

**Brittain**

To our daughter Dianne  
on your 30th birthday  
love Mam and Dad

**BRITTAİN** (29th March) To my wife Dianne congratulations on your 30th, all my love John

**BRITTAİN** Hip hip hooray our Mam is 30 today, love Amy and Paige

**BRITTAİN** To Dizzy, happy 30th, love Ian, Sharon and Martin

**RYAN MILFORD** Congratulations on your 18th (28th March), love and best wishes from Mum

**RYAN MILFORD** Happy birthday brother on your 18th, love from Ross and Ricky

**RYAN MILFORD** Happy 18th birthday son on 28th March, lots of love Dad

**MULLEY** Bob and Sheila Happy 25th wedding anniversary (31-3-98) Lots of love Paul, Mandy and Jason

**BRIAN HOAR** Happy 40th birthday 1-4-58, love Anne, Lee, Andrew, Catherine and John

**SUE ARTHUR** 24-3-98, happy 26th birthday to a very special cousin and auntie. Loads of love from Lisa, Aaron and Chanel XXX

**WATKINS** Congratulations Mam and Dad on your pearly anniversary, hope you have a lovely day on Saturday, all our love Darren and Beverley and extra love and kisses from your darling granddaughter Leigh-Ann XX

**MURRAY - DOBINSON** Gavin and Andrea, congratulations on your wedding day, Saturday 28th March. Good luck and best wishes for the future, love from Mam, Dad, Nick and Lee XX

**DOBINSON - MURRAY** Congratulations and best wishes Andrea and Gavin on your wedding day, 28-3-98. I wish you both a long and happy life together, love Mam and Demi

**MARK HARMAN** Congratulations, even with all of our threats you've managed to reach 18. Love from Mam, Dad Gareth and Karl XXXX

**MARK HARMAN** Congratulations on your 18th birthday love Vicky and Lee

**MARK HARMAN** Love and best wishes on your 18th, love from Nana and grandad

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**SATURDAY, 15TH AUGUST 1998**

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A.S.K (Aycliffe Support in the "Kommunity") who organised the event are asking for volunteers to help with this years event to help make it even better than last year.

A.S.K. are also hoping to hear from organisations and individuals who may wish to be involved as stallholders, or sponsors for certain events or indeed who may wish to donate goods for raffles and tombolas.

To enable prospective volunteers to find out more a meeting is being held on Monday, 6th April 1998 in the Community House, 9/10 Silverdale Place, Newton Aycliffe, Co. Durham at 7.00 pm and would invite any interested parties to attend. Should this time or date be a problem please contact 01325 307539 and further information and dates will be given.

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# TEAM GOT WHAT THEY EXPECTED

Jarroviaans 26  
Newton Aycliffe 5

is was a psychic game of  
gby according to young  
nsley. Aycliffe were a  
mber of players short this  
ek, when they travelled  
ay to old fogs Jarrovians. In  
th Aycliffe were expecting  
rubbing before they took to  
e field. The reality of the  
me was quite different. The  
ycliffe forwards were  
standing, the scrumage  
s particularly strong and the  
nt row of Steve McLean,  
ter Sheen and Charles  
eslop repeated the quality  
rformance of last week to  
ng controlled possession to  
ycliffe. Kevin Greathead was  
ed into second row and  
th stalwart Ronnie Gilyeat  
vided lots of shuv as well  
good line out ball. Mick  
sey was outstanding again  
the back row, he said the  
eree told him so after the  
me. An observer asked if the

referee was blind, this also  
related to three of the four  
Jarrovian tries which followed  
a blatant knock on in one  
instance and forward passes in  
two others. In truth Aycliffe  
took the game to Jarrovians  
with a display of direct  
running rugby.  
The forwards kept the ball  
alive and TJ Cooper, in bliss  
in the number 10 shirt made  
good use of the ball provided  
him. He released Wooder into  
space on numerous occasions  
and the strong running inside  
centre tore through the  
opposition. Coach Malvern  
put in a fine display at scrum  
half despite being in bed with  
a viral infection all week. He  
crowned an impressive

performance with a try at short  
range, following a good  
scrummage which provided  
him with good ball. Geoff  
Dixon played well putting in  
a good display of tackling and  
taking the high ball with  
confidence. This really was  
another good performance and  
(in the balance) all credit to the  
lads who played with a full  
side there is no doubt that  
Aycliffe could have won this  
game.  
We have a presentation night  
on May 9th, tickets at £10 each  
are available now, the club  
needs players to turn potential  
into achievement, come  
training on Thursday at  
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# Huntsman Lack Class

**Huntsman 4  
DPD Heating 2**

Huntsman managed to salvage  
some pride by claiming  
maximum points a week after  
drawing to lowly Hurworth  
Albion. That goalless draw  
pretty much sealed the club's  
fate to a runner-up spot unless  
leaders the British Legion slip-  
up badly.

Huntsman improved slightly  
against Darlington side DPD  
Heating, but they still lacked  
the class they've shown earlier  
in the season worthy enough  
of winning the league. It was  
a shaky start and the visitors  
took a shock lead after some  
sloppy defending.

But Huntsman equalised  
through a classic solo goal by  
Martin Walker.  
That was the wake-up call  
Huntsman needed, Walker,  
who later won the MOM  
award, then set up strike  
partner Wayne Marram to  
score his 17th goal of the  
season and Haigh rammed a  
third home from close range  
but with precision before the  
break.  
No game this week . . . well  
there is really but Huntsman  
aren't playing - yes, it's  
another trip down to Wembley  
for the Boro, a record third  
time in one year for a domestic  
club - If the Geordies manage  
to get to Wembley in the FA  
Cup Final, a directions leaflet  
can be found in the Huntsman  
that will come in handy for  
every avid Magpie follower -  
especially since the leaflet also  
has directions to Bury,  
Swindon and Crewe and tips  
on how to cope with the  
disappointment of relegation!!

# Legion on Course For the Treble

On Sunday 22nd March the  
British Legion were away to  
Half Moon at Hundens Lane  
in the ASE Cup Semi Final.  
The first ten minutes saw  
neither side establish any  
dominance as it was end to end  
stuff. It was not until the 30th  
minute that the Legion came  
close when the ball was  
scrambled away after the Half  
Moon goalkeeper fumbled a  
cross. As the game went on the  
Legion started to play the  
better football but could not  
break down a solid Half Moon  
defence. Half time 0-0.  
After 5 minutes of the second  
half the Legion pressed  
forward and when Ian  
Swainston got the ball, beat 3  
men went one on one with the  
keeper, a goal looked certain,  
but he fluffed his shot. The  
Legion started to put some  
good team work together and  
more chances were being  
created. In the 65th minute

following some good team  
work, Davy Taylor touched the  
ball to Ian Swainston who  
calmly slotted it home to make  
up for his earlier miss and put  
the Legion 1-0 up. The Legion  
then created some excellent  
chances but once again could  
not kill off the game. In the last  
few minutes the Half Moon  
really pressed for the equaliser  
but the Legion defence stood  
firm to win a place in the final  
of ASE Cup. The referee made  
some poor decisions and did  
not stamp his authority on the  
game at all.  
This was an excellent team  
performance by the Legion  
and the undoubted man of the  
match, solid in defence was  
Darren Griffith. This keeps the  
British Legion on course for the  
treble. Next Sunday 29th  
March, the Legion are at home  
in the League Cup Semi-Final,  
10.30am kick off at Moore  
Lane.

# Under 14's Unbeaten Run

The Town under 14s Football  
Team continued their  
impressive unbeaten run with  
recent victories over Clavering  
Park and Fishburn and are now  
joint top with two games to  
play.  
On Sunday 15th they  
entertained Clavering Park,  
another title contender and in  
an extremely hard fought  
game between evenly matched  
sides ran out 3-2 winners. The  
visitors scored twice midway  
through the second half which  
prompted a tactical switch of  
roles for centre back Neil  
Robinson, who then proved a

"Roy of the Rovers"  
performance to win the game  
in a 5 minute spell he scored  
two, hit the post, brought two  
excellent saves from the  
keeper and set up the winning  
goal. He then found time to  
make a goal line clearance. A  
truly amazing performance.  
Last Sunday they entertained  
Fishburn boys who put up a  
resilient performances to deny  
the boys a goal until two  
minutes from full. When a  
loose ball was crashed home  
by Craig Mason, his 34th goal  
of the season to the relief of  
the team boss Joe Blackett

# Squash League

Steve Hoslop completes his hat  
trick this month by again  
winning the Upex Squash  
Leagues, only dropping games  
to follow team 1 player Nigel  
Blenkinsopp. John Ward also  
stays in the Premier along with  
them. Gary Hall, Dave Lyons  
and Derreck Pinkney all had  
convincing wins to gain  
promotion to join the Premier.  
Other good performances in  
the leagues came from Steve  
Waine, Christine Kennedy and  
Ian Longstaff.  
This months winners of the  
Upex squash balls are:-  
Neil Carr, Steve Oliver, John  
Snowball, Mark Elliott, Philip  
Saint, Dave Lyons, Peter  
Morris, Graham Thomas,  
Norman Bennet, Mick  
Sanderman, John Porter, John  
Upton  
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If you would like to join please  
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# Night Out at the Races

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