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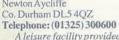


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To celebrate Universal Child Rights Day on November 20 the Student Council of Greenfield School recently had a chance to talk about issues that really matter to them with their Member of Parliament.

Tony Blair held a Children's Constituency Surgery at Greenfield School where children between the ages of 11 and 16 had the opportunity to ask questions on any subject they felt was important - from funding for sports, to identity cards, to

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the economic situation in the North East - Leader of the Student Council, Claire Peters, 15, made an excellent job of chairing the meeting and keeping the P.M. in order

The nationwide event is being organised by UNICEF, United Nations Children's Fund, in order to give young citizens the chance to exercise their right to be heard.

UNICEF believes that MPs, our elected representatives, have a responsibility to listen to children's views - Children may be too young to vote but they are not too young

In fact, the right to be heard is part of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child which has been signed by every country in the world except two. The Convention states that every child has the right to be heard on issues which affect them by those who make decisions on their

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Successful Launch of 1st Annual North East **Karate Championships**

Newton Aycliffe and Kobukan Karate Clubs' 1st Northern Charity Karate Championships, were held on Sunday 15 November at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre with profits going to 'Help the Aged' in Newton Aycliffe.

Compliments must go to Alistair Walker and his team for organising this event which attracted entries from all over the country.

The main sports hall of the Leisure Centre was a hive of activity all day and many expressed their appreciation of the facilities provided.

This was a very high profile event for Newton Aycliffe and the proceeds will go to senior citizens in Newton Aycliffe - The grand total is not yet finalised. 'Help the Aged' Chairman

Peter Beaty said "This was a very well executed event with sincere thanks from 'Help the Aged' and all those who will benefit. Wishing both clubs all the very best for the future.

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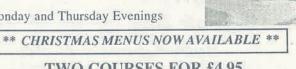
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Massage oil will be used, so please bring along two towels, spare nappies etc. and a couple of small toys. The course is free & refreshments will be provided. For more information or to book a place please contact the Health Centre on 314381



INDUSTRIAL ESTATE LANDLORD INVESTS

Helical Bar plc is backing a £3 million investment programme at Aycliffe Industrial Park's, Heart of the Park development site, which has been aptly named due to its prime location at the centre of the estate.

The project will be completed in three phases, the first of which will create 4 industrial buildings that will range in size from 10,000 sq. ft. to 30,000 sq. ft. Keith Summerbell, director of Aycliffe and Peterlee Development Company Ltd., a part of Helical bar commented "This is one of the few examples of a speculative development in County Durham outside of the Enterprise Zones, and I am confident that the buildings will attract substantial interest.

The decision was made to rejuvenate the derelict site on the estate, which was established more than 50 years ago, after a study commissioned by Sedgefield Borough Council in 1994, that identified action was required to secure the estate's continuing success. Helical Bar joined forces with English

Premierships and Sedgefield Borough Council and have now commenced work on the first phase of the development. Keith commended "I am delighted by the progress that has been made at the 40acre Heart of the park site. This is an excellent example of how the public and private sectors can work together to the good of industry and the environment by utilising brown field sites.

English Partnerships regional director, Jonathan Blackie added 'The availability of quality ready-to-move into accommodation has a vital role to play in the economic development of the region. I am particularly pleased therefore that our joint venture with Helical bar plc and Sedgefield Borough Council will provide the right environment for business growth".

Aycliffe Industrial park is currently the home to 250 local, national and international companies which employ over 10,000 people. The estate was one of the earliest and largest to be developed in the north east and is a popular location for industry.

Helical bar has interests in Aycliffe and Peterlee worth in excess of £40 million. The company is landlord to 170 buildings on Aycliffe Industrial Park, which range in size from 1,000 to

100,000 sq. ft. keith Summerbell commented "We expect to be making at least one big announcement with regard to the new buildings before the end of the year"

Helical bar plc was originally established as a manufacturer of reinforcement bars for concrete, and entered the property investment market in the 80s. The company has been linked with a number of successful venture, which include the current development of Middlesbrough's Captain Cook Square,

In 1987, helical Bar purchased the assets of Aycliffe and Peterlee Development Corporation, and has since invested in many refurbishments and extensions to existing buildings on the Aycliffe and Peterlee industrial estates. However, this is the company's first industrial speculative development in the North

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Fellowship Offered to Teacher

By Andrew Noble
After years of teaching one teacher at Woodham Comprehensive has decided to go away during the Christmas break and not return until Easter. The time

off however will not be spent on holiday but back at University.

Woodham's Head Religious Studies, Mrs. C. Reynolds, has been given the opportunity to take up a fellowship at Durham University producing a CD-ROM to support teachers in the teaching of GCSE. Religious Education. The CD on "The Philosophy of Religion" will eventually go on general sale.

To be asked to take up this position is made an even greater opportunity by the fact that she will be the only person producing the CD, and she needed to fight off around 250 other applicants to be offered the fellowship. The fellowship is offered by The Farmington Institute, and organisation working to support the teaching of RE in Schools, and will see Mrs. Reynolds - who has seen many of her past students proceed to University returns to university herself. The ambitious teacher is looking forward to the term away "It's a really fantastic opportunity and I'm really looking forward to it" said Mrs. Reynolds who teaches both GCSE, and A-Level RE and well as Sociology. She does however realise it will be hard work, made even harder by the fact that she will be relying only on her previous experiences of programme writing to produce the CD.

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School Re-opens Midbank

Monday 16th November saw the grand re-opening of a special branch of the Midland Bank at Greenfield School in Newton Aycliffe. Known as Midbank, this branch caters for young people and aims to introduce them to good habits of saving

from an early age.
For the sum of only £1, students are able to open their own bank account and, in return, receive a personal organiser. Greenfield's bank staff (from Years 10 and 11) also intend to run their own promotional activities including the chance to win one of ten footballs for the first students opening accounts.

The opportunity of working in the bank also provides valuable experience for the pupils involved, either as cashiers or account openers. Midland Bank employee, Julie Wallace, has run special training programmes with the students and will oversee the running of the branch. Local training company ITEC are to perform the repening of the branch, which ran on a trial basis last year, June Wilson, Placement Officer, with ITEC and Catherine Jowett, Marketing Officer, agreed that it was encouraging to see young people developing the kinds of skills which would enable them to cope with the world of work.

REDWORTH **NEWS**

Date for your Diary December 10th - 8pm -Extraordinary general meeting to decide the future of the Village Hall. Sunday December 13th -

Sunday Tea - Tickets £3 available from Cath Swan on 775343 - Yvonne Ryder on 776225 - 01325 312395 November Draw winners were: 1st 120 - Smith / 2nd 64 - Byers / 3rd 140 -McMillan.

Band Achieves High Position

in the annual Colliery Institute of Social Welfare Organisation contest at the Wintergardens in Blackpool, The band's town amalgamation Brancepeth Band (a former Colliery Band) 5 years ago enabled them to enter the prestigious National Competition. The band were placed in 6th position with 179 points in the 4th Section. This was an extremely high position for a developing band, which has in its ranks pupils who attend Woodham Comprehensive School, this out of a total contest playing number of

On Saturday Aycliffe and

Brancepeth Band took part

Band members enjoyed a hectic weekend which involved a concert on the return journey home to Aycliffe at a small parish church at Rampside in South Cumbria. The band are due

to enter the Camerons contest at Hartlepool on Sunday 29th November and will perform the same test piece 'Partita' by Gregson chosen as the test piece at Blackpool and a stern test for any 3rd or 4th section band. Mike Priestley

Palsearch

Can the readers of the 'Newton News' help with the following:

Barry Hope of Chester-le-Street, is looking for Mick Maughan who servel with him in the RAF in Germany during the 1970's.

Micks last known address was in Newton Aycliffe. Please contact Mr. T R McCormack, 5 Finchale Road, or telephone: 01325 320050, with any information.

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The second half takes a futuristic look at musicals with excerpts from West Side Story and Les Miserables.

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Laura Atkinson and Natalie Brady - 'HALLOWEEN' Halloween is a scary night

It always seems to give you a fright Witches, vampires, ghouls and ghosts
Suck your blood and separate your bones
Werewolves howl, they know its time
On Halloween you'll never be fine.

On Halloween night you're snug in your bed Thinking soon you'll lose your head Blood and bones will soon lie there On Halloween night you'd better BEWARE!

Runner Up:

Carly Nattrass & Lois Richmond 'AT THE HALLOWEEN PARTY'
The Halloween party was held in a hall
At the stroke of midnight

They all came to call

There were witches and vampires To name but a few

The ghouls came along Believe me it's true I hid when I saw them

I jumped out of my skin They all just passed by and gave me a grin.

HEIGHINGTON SCHOOL WIN CROSS **COUNTRY EVENT**

On Sat. 7th November, 24 children from Heighington went to Crook, for the Wear Valley Junior Schools Cross Country Event.

9 schools entered these relay races totalling about 216 children. We did very well in all these races, taking home all the year group trophies and the overall trophies. We had eight teams of three competing against nine other schools. First was Heighington, second was Cockton Hill, third was Wolsingham. The ages were seven to eleven.

While we were running the only thing you could hear was the parents of all the children screaming! Mr. John Coates, our physical education co-ordinator, said: "I was impressed by the determination of the runners and by the support of our parents.

Year 3 - Katie McTague, Jessica Hannah, Helen McTague, Matthew Flory, Petterson, Stewart Kirkley.

Our teams were:

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Heighington Football

Year 4 - Alexandra Newbould, Sophie Keogh,

Walton, Nicholas Thong,

Year 5 - Rebecca Baldwin, Kate Dixon, Jessica Scholey, Adam Redhead, David

Year 6 - Louise Newbould,

Kaitlin Donovan, Francesca

Redhead (Team Captain). Adam Thompson,

Gavin Newton, Matthew

By Kaitlin Donovan & Francesca Redhead - Year 6

Hewitson (Team Captain).

Turnell, Elliot Gardner.

Naomi Kellett.

Jack Outhwaite.

Adam

This year's football has been one of the best half seasons Heighington have ever seen. With 32 goals in 6 matches we must be top of the league, the only problem was we were knocked out of the cup by Hunwick 5-4. This year Heighington's top scorer is Elliot Gardener, our centre forward with 14 goals.

Second with 6 goals is Adam Readhead our centre

Then third is Matthew Brown with 4 goals (our left forward). Our best win was against Henknole where the final score was 8-0 to us.

Christopher Marshall, our goal keeper and vice-captain has only let in 8 goals so far and has recently got onto the Sedgefield District team.

Adam Thompson, our centre back and captain has scored I goal from the 18 yard box. And is also on the Bishop PENALTY PRIZE

At the Quakers Stadium we took part in a penalty prize competition which we won 4-3 against Elmfield, now we are through to the 2nd round.

The people who took part in it were: Christopher Marshall in goal, Adam Thompson, Thomas Connelly, Matthew Hewitson, Iain Gillies and

Adam Parker. by Adam Thompson & Christopher Marshall

Bric-a-Brac Wanted

Newton Aycliffe Rotary Club are looking for unwanted items of Brica-Brac to help raise funds at Car Boot Sales.

If you can help please ring any of the following numbers: 300212, 312022

FORMER STUDENT **RETURNS TO** ADDRESS 6th FORM



Former Woodham student, now Cambridge University Blue, Andrew Coulthard, made a recent visit to the school and addressed current Sixth Form students on the subject of Higher Education.

Andrew is currently a third year student at Cambridge studying Engineering on an Army scholarship. Eventually Andrew will be undertaking Officer Training at Sandhurst Army College. Commenting upon how the school had changed since his days as a pupil Andrew noted the 'wonderful classrooms and excellent learning environment'.

His advice to current Sixth Form students was to appreciate not only the importance of good qualifications but also to gain a broad experience of extra curricular activities such as sport, drama community work and taking any opportunity to take responsibility.
In the picture Andrew (standing) is seen in the school's

Resource Centre with current Sixth Form students.

CRACKDOWN ON SHOPLIFTERS DURING **RUN UP TO XMAS**

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The Business Group also

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the trade.

Newton Aycliffe Police will be fully monitoring twoway radios used by shops in Newton Aycliffe Town Centre as part of a crack down on shoplifters during the run up to Christmas and the New Year. The Police have also

supplied a list of photographs of active shoplifters and this together with the towns existing CCTV system will be used as part of the identification process for those involved in criminal extient in the town

Traders planned the strategy with the police at a recent meeting of the Town Centre

Business group. Newton Aycliffe Police will also increase surveillance by officers mingling with shoppers in the town centre. Throughout the operation the shopwatch members will be briefed by the police on the current activities of shoplifting teams in the area. Police Crime Prevention Officer Neil Langthorne said that the Business Group which included Bells stores

Songs of Praise

At 6pm on Sunday 22nd November there will be a 'Songs of Praise' service at Burnhill Way Methodist Church, with a mixture of hymns old and new to which everyone in the community is invited.

In the morning on that date at 10.45 am there will be a 'Family Service' in which everyone is invited to share. The service will be suitable for all ages and will include an infant baptism.

Saturday 28th November sees the Christmas Fayre at Burnhill Way Church. Starting at 2pm there will be various stalls including homemade cakes and gifts, nearly new clothing and bric-a-brac, games, refreshments, raffle and tombola.

Aycliffe Nature Park

The Aycliffe Nature Park Association and the Newton Aycliffe Young Ornithologists Club are happy to announce that donations toward the resource centre for the Aycliffe Nature Park have started to come in.

We would like to thank Great Lakes Community Support Group and Boddy, Thomas & Pacitto and Mrs. Howarth of Westmorland Way for the donation of pond plants.

The children of the Y.O.C. are doing a sponsored tree/shrub planting at the Simpasture plantation on Sunday 22nd November to raise funds towards this project. The amount raised is to be matched by Barclay's Bank who are sponsoring Mrs. Anne French, one of their employees. May I remind people that individual donations are also

welcome as well as those from local businesses. If your business has not yet contributed or if anyone would like to become involved with this project, as either part of the Aycliffe Nature Park Association or the Y.O.C. please contact either Dave, Tom, Alan, or Les on 318984, 315182, 312491, or 301653. Dave Curran - Secretary - Aycliffe Nature Park Association.

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Learning is Not Just for Children

Dr. David hall popped into the public meeting held on Tuesday afternoon to inform the town about progress made to date with the development of Aycliffe as a Learning Town. He reminisced on how the

He reminisced on how the idea had first come about and reiterated the view that learning is not just for children at school, but for the whole family.

whole family.

Mrs. Anne Timothy, formerly with Sedgefield One Voice, was introduced as the new learning Town co-ordinator. Anne is busy with plans for the opening of the First Stop Learning Shop to be situated next to the Bishop Auckland College Computer Learning Centre in the Thames Centre. She is also getting to know all those organisations involved with any kind of learning or training in the town and would welcome people getting in touch with her on 01388 443000.

Workshops were held to consider how we could sell

Elizabeth Sixth Form

to young people, to the long term unemployed and in terms of adult education. It was good to see a number of young people present who were full of interesting ideas as to what the leaning Town might be able to do for them. Once the shop is open we hope that everyone will drop in and have a look at what is on offer - there's sure to be something for you! In the meantime.. The next meeting of the Steering Groups is to be held at Ruth Hardwick Associates (above the Sedgefield Business Centre) on Tuesday, 1st December at 9.30am. If any group would like to be put on the mailing list for the Partnership, please write to, or ring, Karen Robson at Greenfield Schoo'

(300378).
Finally, thanks to Sedgefield Borough Council for providing us with a venue for the meeting and the Leisure Centre staff for their excellent hospitality.

CHARITY EVENING FOR WHIZZ KIDS AT NAVY CLUB

Charity fund-raisers Barbara Moor of Newton Ayeliffe and her friend Karen Saint of Stockton are holding another Charity Event in aid of their 'Taj Mahal Cycle Challenge'.

They have pledged to raise £2,500 each for the charity Whizz Kidz, and in an

Appeal for Unwanted Indoor Games

Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre are making an appeal for indoor BOARD GAMES, such as Monopoly, Trivial Pursuit

If you have these items going spare, please drop them off or ring for someone to collect on 312520.

attempt to raise funds have organised this Charity Evening.

The Evening is to be held at the Navy Club, Bluebell Way on Monday 30th November from 7pm - 11.30pm. -Ladies and gents can take the opportunity to purchase gifts for Christmas from our 'Body Shop Party' (Payment on the night, delivery on the 14th December). There are also three other stalls to browse, from 9.30 - 11pm .:-Flower House - dried and bilk flower arrangement -Dougheraft - household ornaments - and finally a ladies Jewellery and Aromatherapy Burner stall. - (All of the above are cash and carry on the night).

Admission only £1, which includes free raffle ticket. There will be a Disco provided by Paul Gittens Roadshow - Anyone over 18 is welcome!

If you would like further details contact Barbara or John at Woolworths on 312936.

Wedding at St. Marys



A very pretty wedding was not spoiled by bad weather last Saturday, 14th November, when Patrick James Linden Billany of Redworth, younger son of John & Cam married Marie, daughter of Norman and Elsie Grainger of Broomlee Close, Newton Aycliffe.

Father Michael Weymes married the happy couple at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church. The bride was attended by Bridesmaids Alice Cherrie and Kristy Huebrey with Page Boy Stephen Grainger. Shaun Billany, brother of the groom, was the Best Man.

Patrick works at Nissan and Marie is a Purchasing Officer working for the groom's father at Linden Group, Aycliffe Industrial Park.

The Wedding Reception and Evening Disco Dance was held at Ramside Hall and the couple then spent a short honeymoon in London and Venice.

The newly weds returned to begin their married life in their new home in Woodham.

Open Evening AYCLIFFE YOUTH FOOTBALL REPORT

The month of November is proving to be good for the results of the Clubs sides as last Sunday all the teams were victorious except the newly

formed under 9's.
The performance of the week was probably by the 13's who travelled to Wolviston and beat an under 14's side in the County Cup, leading 2-0 at the interval with goals from Adrian Clark and David Palmer they were pressured into conceding goals to level the scores before Clarke scored his second. Excellent displays from goalkeeper David Judge and central defender Adrian Taylor enabled the team to maintain this lead and

earn joint MOM awards. A stalwart of local football, Derek Wood, took advantage of a free morning and was rewarded when both his sons scored 2 goals each for their relevant teams. Seven year old Ben was playing for the under 9's in their inaugural fixture at Redcar and despite losing 9-2 showed some promise, once they gain a bit of experience and shape.

He then travelled to Yarm to watch the successful 10's consolidate their league leader status with a deserved 4-1 victory on a very wet and heavy pitch.

The 10's took an early lead through Richard Langthorne and then conceded an equaliser through slack marking. After missing several chances they took the lead when a corner was only partially cleared and Adam Redhead scored from 18 yards. The second half performance by the Ayeliffe midfielder prevented Yarm from threatening this lead and Mark Wood capped a fine performance to score two goals, the second a 20 yarder, Ben Poskett took the MOM award marginally from Mark and Richard.

The 12's entertained Nunthorpe Ath. in a league game and won 3-2 with goals from Graham Johnson (2) and an O.G. Stewart Owen was MOM.

The 11's travelled to Eston andbeat South Park Rangers 5-2 with goals from Luke Smith (2), David Neale (2) and MOM Michael Bagnall. A welcome victory after being narrowly beaten several times this season.

The 15's travelled to Byers Green for their local derby with some interschool and classmates rivalry at stake. Although they were without Neil Robinson and Chase McMullen, both on trial at York City, the town boys emerged victors by 4 goals to three in a highly competitive game, the Ayeliffe Goals were scored Ayelfre Goals were scored by Craig Mason (2), Rob Symes and Matthew Abraham. Defensive duo Michael Middleton and Kevin Skinner were contenders for MOM but the award went to Craig Mason for his two goals and constant threat to the home defence. The under 14's County Cup Tie was cancelled by Spaire Lads due to unfit ground and will be played this weekend.

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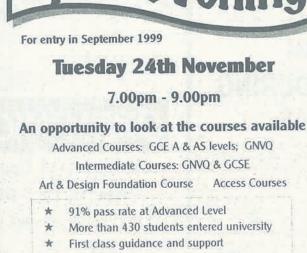
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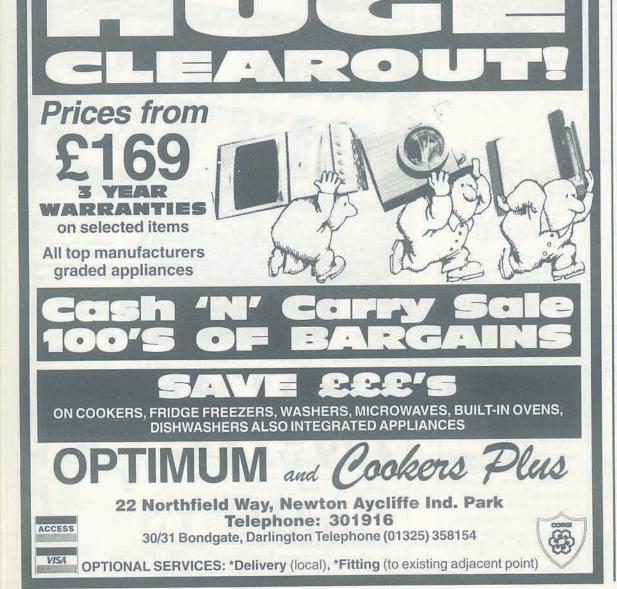
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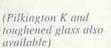
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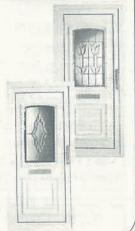


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On Friday 13th November Greenfield School held a presentation of certificates and awards ceremony for achievement in GCSE examinations presented by the Rt. Hon. Derek Foster M.P.

It was an exciting evening because presentations were made to a very successful year group. For the second time in the history of the School the percentage of children gaining A* - C was above 40%.

There were also improvements across all other measures. There were some outstanding individual successes.

13% of the Year group gained ten or more Grades A* - G, 37% gained seven Grades A* - C, 93% gained five Grades A* - G and overall 96% of the year group were successful in obtaining a GCSE certificate.

The year group were praised for their high levels of attendance throughout the five years and quite remarkably three students were acknowledged for never having a day away from school as a result of illness throughout their five years at Greenfield. The three students were Michael Anderson, Vicky Ryans and Catherine Turgoose.

The Mayor's Trophy for highest academic achievement was presented to Samantha Dodds who obtained eleven Grade A's with five at A*.

photocopier. This year's target has not yet been set

but this will probably be one

of the new Headteacher's first

priorities when she takes up

We would like to thank

everyone who has contributed to the fair so far and look forward to seeing

lots of the townspeople of

Newton Aycliffe on Friday

27th November at 6pm.

her post next year.

St. MARY'S P.T.A. CHRISTMAS FAIR

St. Mary's PTA are in the process of organising this year's Christmas Fair which will be held in the School Hall on Friday, 27th November, 1998 from 6pm.

1998 from 6pm.
There will be a large selection of stalls including books, toys, bric-a-brac, cakes, toiletries and cosmetics, gift items, decorations, cards, and lots more. There will be lots of opportunities for

everyone to win prizes, bottle stall, adult and children's tombolas, chocolate tombola, raffles etc. Santa will be making his usual appearance and will be taking orders for the children's presents for Christmas day.

The Grand Raffle will be

The Grand Raffle will be drawn which includes a large selection of prizes, the three main prizes being cash. Our very popular hamper raffle will also be drawn. There will be refreshments and fun and games for everyone. Admission is free but of course any donations will always be accepted.

We are hoping that this year's Christmas Fair will be as big a success as last year and everyone has been working extremely hard with this in mind. The parents and pupils at the school have been extremely generous of their time and efforts this year and are to be congratulated for getting behind our main fund-raising event so well. All the money raised from the Christmas Fair goes towards buying essential equipment for the school and the pupils of the school. Last year was particularly successful in that the money raised on the night, added to that previously raised throughout the year, meant that the school was able to purchase a new Multimedia CD Rom computer and a new

LETTER

SPEEDY HELP!

Dear Sir,
On behalf of the children,
staff, governors and
parents of Vane Road
School, I would like to thank
Speedy Hire Ltd., for their
kindness and generosity
during our recent internal
decoration programme.

Thanks go to Peter for organising the whole thing and to George for his determination to gave us the equipment we needed despite atrocious weather conditions.

Thanks very much lads, we really appreciate your help. Yours faithfully Pam Walls

£2,200 RAISED TO HELP INFANT WITH CEREBRAL PALSY



On Friday 6th November the staff from Aycliffe Young Children's Centre held a Charity Night in aid of Adam, a victim of cerbral palsy, at the Cumby Arms, Heighington. Alan and Sybil Bailey, the owners, let us use the newly decorated function room free of charge, which we were truly grateful for. The food was first class - Thank you.

The night started off with a group called 'South of the Border', followed by a lady singer Elisie and both were excellent. There was also a 'Slave Trade' which included a UPVC Door donated by B & M Plastic Supplies - auctioned at £270. There was plumber's, electricians, joiners and somebody designed a lamp. A large raffle was also held and an amazing £2,200 has been raised, which includes the £600 raised by a Coast to Coast Bike Ride, held a couple of months ago.

We would like to thank everyone who supported this night and especially Shaun Moorhouse who made it special. Adam's treatment is not supported by the NHS and we need funds all the time. We are really grateful.

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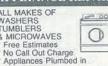
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Many years ago, as a young man, I worked in London, as a

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down and outs or the maladjusted.

I used to see them huddled in doorways or under bridge: sometimes I would give money and maybe chat a while, it amazing what you can learn from people, one fellow, who guess was about 28 had lost his wife and children who had ru away from home, because of abuse etc. there are so man reasons why people can land up in this kind of situation in factoo many to really mention here.

Then of course many of these people are addicted to booze of drugs, invariably, because of deep traumatic emotions problems. About 3 years ago, I worked full time, the quite suddenly I had a breakdown, mainly due to pressure of work, I went for counselling and therapy at Phoenix House I'm now virtually over it, but it was a terrible time for me an my family who had to try and come to terms and understan what had happened to me, at its worst moments I could fe suicidal, or like running away - or drowning my problems booze, I was however very lucky to have a wonderful wif who was my strength and comfort and who never faltered in her support for me, however there's plenty of people of there, who are not so lucky for all sorts of reasons, this I fe is true, especially among the young, they are more vulnerable invariable lack belief or credibility in themselves, or have n self esteem, these are the people, who can suffer seriou problems, especially when they feel let down, unloved (unwanted etc.

I also believe many young people nowadays are susceptible (all the wrong signals invariable put out by the media, instea of good - signals by which to live, lets face it it's easy for us wear horse blinkers and pretend the problems not ours, but is, it's part and parcel of the reality of life, do we improve things for these young homeless people by saying we don want them at Horndale House, do we make ourselves - bette human beings, by saying go somewhere else, it appears to mit's OK as long as it's dumped on somebody elses doorste and we've all snug and comfortable in our own little home seemingly un-mindful of the plights of others, if your chil suddenly up and left or became impossible to deal with wou you not hope there were people who could offer your chi sanctuary and professional counselling, such as Hornda House, I think the answer to that, with most people would be

yes, thank God they're there.

I can understand the concerns and worries of the people what live in and around 'Horndale House' but surely if we relate our children, by talking to them about drugs, drink and all the other things young people encounter nearly everyday and th beings, and by showing that - we credit our children as hume beings, and that we love and respect them and that we demonstrate - through what we read about, hear about, young people who have fallen by the wayside, then sure

there's less chance of it happening to our children. We can all, either help to improve society or ignore it, at tl end of the day, the choice is ours.
We owe it to 'ALL' young people, after all they are the ne

generation. Roger McNeal

Trust Must Make Firm Statement

I write in response to your comments in the last issue: It is obvious from the onesided tone of your article that your attempt to act as a self appointed arbitrator in the current affairs regarding the Alpha Trust's intended use of Horndale House has failed. Your verbal attack on Counc. Moore beggars belief as we

feel his efforts should be applauded and not be the subject of vitriolic attack. It has always been the ANDREW

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objective of local people obtain firm proposals of inte from the Alpha Trust whi have never been forthcomir We have continually befaced with open end comments from the truste who have consciously swerv away from direct answers direct questions. This situati has now been compounded your attempt to sugge alternative usage of t Horndale House in the abser of any professional guidance We not with concern th Alpha Trust will no long enter into any dialogue w the local community. Tl will not alleviat the local residents' concerns fears, but will furth exasperate a confusing state

Surely in the interest of concerned it is now time Alp Trust make a firm conside statement of intent for a planning applications releva Yours faithfully,

Paul Lyons Burnhope Residents Ed: I said: It would not surprising if the Truste refused to enter into a future dialogue"... and was based on the hostility of intimidation experienced

the meeting. I accept the proteste rejection of the compron suggested, but I am not loser, it is the home! youngsters of Newton Ayci who will continue to have place of refuge in their of community.

I now believe everything been said on this subject as far as 'Newton News concerned,, the story will until something new development

Memoriam

Vicholson

l loving memory f Robert William Bob). Died 21st November 1997, o lives on through Grandson Dylan Robert Michael, orn 19th October, 198. Sadly missed by wife Linda, ughter Jo-Anne & n-in-law Andrew.

D (Lily) Died 18th imber 1993. Treasured ories of our dear cousin Always in our thoughts orayers, Jack and Eileen DOONEY 17-11-97. e's a very special Dad, resting in your care, if look round your garden Il see him sitting there, your arms around him don't let him sit alone day is a special day, his year away from home, ited with his wife Mary, bless them both. All our Michael, Sean and

INDAD DOONEY 17-7. Close to our hearts memory is kept to love o treasure of a Grandad vill never forget. All our Liam, Craig, Sean, telle, Nicky, Luke. Hebe

NCOCK Jordan Gary, 1-97. We had a little dson, more precious to nan gold. A beautiful, de haired baby boy, we d to hug and hold. No ls can describe the pain nave felt, since he was d away, but oh what joy ts us all on resurrection Loved and longed for y single day, Grandma Granda Wallis, Kyle and k XX

IES BANKS November 1994. Loving memories mmy and all our loved i, sadly missed, never otten, Bren

YNE BAXTER 23-11-They say, that time heals the pain, yet full of ow, its time again to think ll the years by, still full neartache we wonder But when we think of loving face, your hing eyes, it seems like instead of years. The drops fall, no hand to I, no face to kiss, no ne at all. Our days are so ly, our nights so sad. We only remember the loved all had. So take Melissa he hand and Candy by feet, and meet with us angels, to share the love keep. Love you all ver, Mam, Dad, Darren Jackie XXX

LY JENNINGS ember 21st 1997. Your e I always mention, my ights are with you still, have not been forgotten y and you never will. It you close within my rt and there you will ain, to walk with me ughout my life until we t again. Your loving wife

LY JENNINGS 21st rember 1997. May the ds of love blow gently whisper for you to hear, we will always love you wish that you were here. would not wish for tears uss, just to be lovingly embered by us. Loving ghter Julie and grandson in Connor

LY JENNINGS 21st rember 1997. As time s by without you, days into years, they hold a ion memories and many it tears. In our hearts you here to stay, loved and embered every day, ing son Karl, daughteraw Sarah and addaughter Amanda

Wedding

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sphone Michael on
125 301953

Birthday Remembrance

DOBINSON Maurice, 23-11-46, happy birthday Dad, miss you stacks and stacks, all my love Andrea

DOBÍNSON Maurice, 23-11-46, happy birthday Granda, my little star in the sky, all my love Demi-Louise and Eden-Lee XXX DOBÍNSON Maurice, 23-

DOBINSON Maurice, 23-11-46. Your second birthday away from home, I still love and miss you everyday, love Mary XXX

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CARTWRIGHT Suzanne,

to Mummy, happy 21st birthday love Mia XXX CARTWRIGHT Suzanne, to my darling wife, happy 21st birthday love Gary XX CARTWRIGHT Suzanne Hope you are feeling better love Gaz and Mia XX

CARTWRIGHT Suzanne congratulations on your 21st, lots of love Mum and

CARTWRIGHT Suzanne, happy 21st birthday sister love Gemma and Raymond CARTER Victoria, congratulations Vikki on passing your driving scholarship, love Mum and Dad X

CARTER Victoria, congratulations on passing your dancing scholarship Vikki love Nana and Grandad

SAM GRAHAM congratulations on passing your dancing scholarship, love Mum, Dad, Steph, Gran and Nan

MOORE Caroline, happy 26th birthday lots of love always from sister Helen AUNTY Caroline, thank you for looking after us, have a happy birthday, lots of love

from Phillip and Lucy
MOORE happy birthday
Caroline, so pleased you are
with us, love Mam and Dad
LUCY Happy 5th birthday,
we are very proud of you,
love you always, love
Mammy and Phillip
SHOTTON Joshua happy

SHOTTON Joshua happy
4th birthday lots of hugs and
kisses, have a great party,
Jove Mammy, Daddy, Nana,
Grandad, Cara and Craig
SAUNDERS Craig well
done Craig on getting silver
at the World Tae Kwondo
championships, we knew
you could do it! Love
Shaun, Loraine, Brad and
Jordan XX

SAUNDERS Craig, very proud of you son, "simply the best", love Mam, Dad and lade XX

HUTCHINSON and Pickard. Congratulations David and Sarah on your wedding day (19-11-98), all our love Mum and Steve XX LAURA PRINCE Happy 7th birthday dear granddaughter, lots of love

granddaughter, lots of love Nana, Grandad and Terri-Ann XX LAURA PRINCE Happy 7th

LAURA PRINCE Happy 7th birthday with lots of love Aunty Lisa, Uncle Paul and Francesca XX

Francesca XX MOORE Happy 10th birthday Phillip Michael Joseph, lots of love from Mam

Mam MOORE happy 10th birthday Phillip Michael Joseph lots of love from your lovely sister Lucy. PS: enjoy your party

Public Notice

LINCOLN Bavarian Style Christmas Market, Saturday 5th December, £13. Pick up from Byerley Park School, Cemetery, St Clare's, Aycliffe Village and Heighington Info on 313924

DAY TOURS Wednesday 11th November, Carvery Lunch at Walworth Castle included in price. Tea/Ice cream optional Masham, depart 11am, return 6pm £12; Shopping trip to Sheffield on Tuesday 24th November, 8am depart, return 7pm £13, pick up from St Clares, Aycliffe Village and Heighington; Lincoln Bavarian Christmas Market on 5th December £13 Tel 313924 to book TABLE TOP SALE Saturday 21st November 10-

12noon, St Francis Church,

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refreshments and home-

Steve Nelson



40 Years Old on 25th November and still cute! Happy birthday, I love you, Patsy

Peter Molyneux



21st November, 1998
Happy birthday to "Peter the Great"! We hope Sunderland have another win on your special day. Love and best wishes from Anne, Philip and Jane.

Happy birthday Grandad, Just like Sunderland, you are the "tops". Lots of love from Luke.

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Thanks SAM & ADRIAN would like

to thank everyone who was at their party. For all the cards and pressies and for making it a night to remember. We would also like to thank Starlight Disco from Darlington who were excellent. "It's my party and I'll cry it I want to!"

WOOLIES WINTER WONDERLAND COMPETITION

Calling all children aged 12 and under. Why not enter our Christmas Wordsearch competition.

To be a Woolies Winner all you have to do is find the 12 words listed below in our Wordsearch.

Place your entry in the Post Box in Woolworths - closing date Friday 18th December 1998.

The first 3 correct answers drawn on Saturday 19th December

The first 3 correct answers drawn on Saturday 19th December 1998 will be deemed our winners.

P.S. - Good Luck from all your friends at Woolies!

Find the 12 missing words in our Wordsearch grid below.

Heart Snow Christmas Tinsel Woolies

White Gifts Baubles Santa Cards

Wrap

Family

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MISERABLE HUNTSMAN

Durham County Cup (3rd Preliminary Round)

Huntsman - 1 Sunderland Penniwell - 7 In association with Agnew Taxis (310580).

Director of football Darren Baxter slammed his side's performance as they slumped to a miserable home defeat, writes Martin Walker. Huntsman were very poor and thoroughly deserved their beating, Baxter said: "I'm not going to single out individuals - it was just a terrible team performance". The visitors went 2-0 ahead before Huntsman even woke

us - Martin Walker pulled one

back with a delightful lob, and should have added a second minutes later, but Penniwell never looked like they would lose and ended up winning quite embarrassingly.

TEAM: Wilson, Travis, T Walker, Burke, McCabe, Haigh, M Fielding, Armstrong, C Walker, Marram, M Walker, Subs: Leonard, Cherrie, Woodward.

STAR MEN: Wilson 3, M Fielding 2, Armstrong 1. This week, Huntsman are scheduled to play at home to AFC Cockerton in the

Great Aycliffe Town Council AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS 1997/98

In accordance with the Local Government Finance Act 1982, and the Accounts and Audit Regulations 1996, NOTICE is hereby given that:

The Audit of Accounts for Great Aycliffe Town Council for the year ended 31st March 1998 has been completed.

The Statement of Accounts is available for inspection by

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LETTER

AYCLIFFE COULDN'T COPE!

Dear Sir, Knowing that there is only so much you can print about the Horndale House issue I feel I must comment about the statement made at Tuesdays meeting by John Robinson about Corporation Road in Darlington.

There are unscrupulous landlords within the area but not all. I myself work in the notorious "bedsit lands" in Darlington and yes, it is another world. However the majority of tenants living in these bedsits and flats come there already addicted to drugs, alcohol and criminal behaviour usually put out of their family homes through their deviant behaviour and anti social habits.

I would enter some of these flats and bedsits to carry out repairs or refurbish

after some tenants had wrecked them before either doing a bunk or being arrested.

You cannot believe how some of the properties have been left, doors torn off, holes kicked in walls, needles discarded, drugs openly seen, excreta on walls in baths and anywhere else apart from the toilet.

Doing repairs whilst they were still in was just as bad, I have witnessed groups congregating in various flats etc. drinking bottle after bottle of cider combined with injecting themselves with heroin or prescribed methadone along with other

Nearby is a needle exchange centre sometimes used sometimes not, I personally have had to take boxes and boxes of used needles and discarded drugs there to be disposed of. Each time a tenant left, I went in and redecorated, laid new carpets, mended appliances, fixed doors, windows etc. - until the next time. Many of these people have put their parents through hell and have been put out because they can no longer cope.

Yes they may be in need of more structured help (one reason the needle exchange scheme was introduced there) if they would accept it, but believe you me Aycliffe will not be able to cope with the sort of people who exist in Corporation Road. What I am saying is that it is not always Corporation Road that produces criminal and anti social behaviour - but it is behaviour produces the notoriety of Corporation Road. Name & address supplied

SCOUTS NIGHT

Newton Aycliffe Scout Centre recently held two events - a bonfire and firework display on 7th November and a Fair on 14th November. We would like to thank all who supported these events.

Special thanks must go to Cllr. Tony Moore for lighting our bonfire.

Thanks also to Perstorp for supplying the wood and John Painter for collecting it, John Richardson for arranging the fireworks, Wilsons for the donation of buns and Geoff Kidman for donating the onions.

We would also like to thank the Navy Club for allowing us to use their car park at such short notice.

1100 SCHOOLCHILDREN LEARN **HOW TO DEAL WITH EMERGENCIES**



Eleven hundred school children have taken part in a Safety Carousel in Newton Aycliffe. The event was designed to be primary school children cope with potentially dangerous situations. It was organised by Sedgefield Borough's Communications. Rangers and hosted by Aycliffe Centre for Children. All the Emergency Services were involved, along with St. Joh Ambulance, the Railway Police and Northern Electric.

The children went through the Centre's conference area, in small groups, spending fifteen minutes in a series of differ rooms. Each room was set out to simulate a dangerous situation, for example, a fire, a road traffic accident or an appro

The children could talk about the situation and take advice from experts. They also learned how to make a 999 call : should have left with a clear idea of what to do in an emergency.

Fireman Sam greeted the children as they arrived and children from Woodham Comprehensive School had made two "Welcome Boards" which will travel with the Carousel throughout County Durham. The Carousel was held from 2nd - 1 November and over 30 local schools have taken part.

Greenfield Presents Exciting Musical

Greenfield School Community and Arts College presents 'Professor John', an exciting musical packed with colourful characters, the show is written by Head of Music, Peter Simpson, and produced by Head of Performing Arts, Claire Deighton.

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Elmfield Primary School Newton Aycliffe - Telephone 01325 300325

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