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We are also extremely interested to hear what individual members of the public and local industry think about the possibility of a hospital with no Consultant Led Accident and Emergency Department and little or no emergency surgery being available. The

CHC's Public Consultation Register is being used to seek the views of local people but we are asking everyone who has a view on the proposals to write to us. On 1st February the CHC will hold a meeting which is open to the public in the Assembly Hall, Bishop Auckland General Hospital starting at 2pm when the proposals for the future of Bishop Auckland General Hospital will be discussed. Valerie Bryden, Chief Officer of the CHC, said the Hospital is an integral part of the community in South West Durham and it is critically important that the value which people place on the services provided there is made known to the Health Commission and the Department of Health.

If there is to be a comprehensive range of services available and within easy travelling distance for the people of South West Durham then I would encourage people to let us know their views and to come to the meeting on 1st February when they can have any questions they might have answered.

The Community Health Council is the public's representative in the National Health Service and before the formal response is submitted to the Health Commission in early February we want to ensure that we have heard as many views from the public as possible.

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VILLAGE SCRAP YARD PLAN BLOCKED

Strong objections from villagers have prevented land at Aycliffe being used as a Scrap Yard. Midland Bank Trust applied to the S.D.C. to return the land to its original use and brought a storm of protest from the village fearful the business would create an eyesore in one of the County's beauty spots. But the applicants failed to establish the land was previously used as a scrap yard, producing no documentary or photographic evidence to support their claim. Had they done so, there

was nothing to stop them carrying on the business. The S.D.C received 37 letters and a petition carrying 250 signatures against the proposal, stating it would be detrimental to the appearance of the area and a highway hazard. John Farquhar, Town Clerk told the S.D.C that since he took up his post in 1968 the area in question had never been used as a scrap yard. Based on this the application was refused, but the applicant has the right of appeal and could force a public inquiry.

HUNTSMAN WIN MUDDY GAME OF FOOTBALL

Tap 'n' Spile 0

Huntsman 5

A swamp like pitch produced what must have been one of the worst games of the season, in a week when long-standing club member Dave Nicholson finally decided to hang up his boots, writes Martin Walker.

After months of pondering over a return with the Huntsman, Dave Nicholson has followed doctors instructions not to play again - due to the severe breaking of his leg in training last summer. A dejected Nicholson said: "I wanted to start playing again next season, but the doctors have told me that if I was to break it again, they wouldn't be as successful with the operation. It would be a possibility that I'd have a permanent limp, and it just isn't worth the risk. Besides, I think I was getting a bit old for the game anyway!"

It ends almost a decade of Nicholson playing for the same team, but he will no doubt stick around to support his mates.

In last week's game, Stuart Hodgson reverted to a dissimilar formation, consisting of a sweeper, two centre-backs, two attacking full-backs, three midfielders and two centre-forwards.

The new idea wasn't really given a chance to work, with a mud-pit of a field to play on and little enthusiasm in the Huntsman camp. But they managed to beat a rather poor side, with a performance that would bring shame to any half decent side.

Goalscorers were Wayne Marram, Martin Haigh, Chris Walker(2) and Jim McCabe.

Huntsman could make it two wins from two this Sunday, as they entertain Quaker Sports. Huntsman were 8-2 victors in this previous fixture, and this week should produce another three points for a team desperate to climb up the table.

Top goalscorer Morgan Fielding will be out off action for a least four weeks, it was revealed last weekend. After playing in the Sports Complex Thursday night league - he was taken to hospital with torn ligaments. It's a bitter blow for Huntsman, who often rely on his service for goals.

Meanwhile, Trainee Manager of the Huntsman pub, Andrew Deverell, will be leaving this week for the 'Coach and Horses' of Newcastle. The 22 year old is to undergo further training for his Managing course at the Newcastle pub.

ROCKY HORROR AT THE CIVIC

Darlington Civic Theatre goers are busy rinsing out their fishnets and corsets in preparation for the return of Richard O'Brien's The Rocky Horror Show. This cult musical comes to Darlington from Tuesday 6th February.

The musical tells the story of squeaky clean college sweethearts Brad and Janet. The wholesome young couple find themselves on a bizarre and fateful journey to a spooky castle where time has no meaning and nothing is quite what it

seems. Lavish with stockings and suspenders and exploding with immortal hits such as Damn It Janet, Sweet Transvestite, I've Only Ever Been Kissed Before and Hot Patootie, this timeless monster musical promises to be a sizzling sell out success.

The show features Howard Samuels as Frank N Furter and Barry Howard of Hi-De-Hi fame as The Narrator.

Tickets are available from the Civic Theatre Box Office (01325) 486555.

Join Dawn in Abseil to aid Cancer Research

This week Dawn Littlefair of Newton Aycliffe launched the annual abseil fund-raising event for Cancer Research.

Dawn made a practice "drop" from the Darlington Memorial Hospital where the challenge is to be held on Sunday 24th March.

This is the third time that the Imperial Cancer Research Fund has organised the abseil.

Dawn took part in the event last year because she wanted to help a cause close to her heart and she is urging the people of Newton Aycliffe to face the personal challenge of abseiling for cancer research.

"I wanted to help raise money for the Imperial Cancer Research Fund because so many people are touched by cancer." Said Dawn. "I enjoyed taking part in such an exciting event whilst helping cancer research". If you would like to join the Darlington Drop please call the Imperial Cancer Research Fund on 0113 2319828.

The Imperial Cancer Research Fund is dedicated to the prevention and care of all forms of cancer. Its scientists and doctors are at the forefront of the worldwide effort to defeat cancer. The fund relies almost totally on voluntary funding to carry out its vital work.

Meet Freddy at Burns Night

Former England fast bowler Freddie Trueman OBE hosts another of his successful Sporting Club Suppers at The Hall Garth Golf & Country Club at Coatham Mundeville, on Thursday 25th January.

As it is Burns Night, two of the principal guest speakers are, very appropriately, Scotsmen. Gordon Brown is the ex-Scottish and British Lions lock who currently works for ITV as a match summariser on rugby international days whilst Pat Crerand is the ex-

Celtic, Scotland and Manchester United midfielder who played alongside soccer legends, Bobbie Charlton, George Best and Dennis Law.

The Evening is open to non-members at a special price of £20 per head which includes a four course meal, the opportunity to meet Freddie Trueman and his sporting guests over a pint at the bar, and a chance to join the Sporting Supper Club itself.

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MONDAY	Gary's Wake Up Club Gary Wilkinson	Home from Home John Pierce	THE GOLDEN FREEWAY	Mark Brooks in the Afternoon Mark Brooks	THE FAST LANE	No Limits	King Biscuit	Late Night R Ellwood	Overnight Expressway Jukebox
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	Staurday Wake Up Club Gary Wilkinson	Strawberry Fields Forever John Pierce	Local Chart Steve White	Elbum Chart Paul Smith	A1 Sports First Steve White	House of Dance Mark Brooks	All the way from America Paul Dexter	Overnight Expressway Jukebox	
SUNDAY	7am-10am	10am-1pm	1pm-5pm	5pm-8pm	8pm-9pm	9pm-12pm	12am-6am		
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Letter to the Editor

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Dear Sir,

Between 6.30 - 8.50 on the night of January 9th, someone decided that Santa had left one of their Christmas presents at the wrong house. My 13 year old daughter was visiting her friend in Greathead Crescent and had left her bike in her friends garden, you may think this was asking for trouble but at 13 most children have not been exposed to what we know to be the criminal element in our society. Try to imagine the look of horror and disbelief on her face when she came out of her friends house to find her bike had gone. In an instant her faith in people was shattered and probably will be for some considerable time to come. Someone had decided that they had more right to this bike than the person that owned it and upon arriving at this decision entered the garden and stole my daughters bike.

Parents who have bought bikes for their children know these bikes are far from cheap at around £200. As for the parents of the individual who stole the bike, 'Where on earth do they think their sons or daughters have suddenly acquired a bike from?' I wish the person who stole my daughters bike could have seen the state my daughter was in on the evening of 9th January but I suppose if they were prepared to steal a new bike so close to Christmas they would not care less about the anguish my daughter felt as a result of their thoughtless callous act. The police have been informed and have been given full details of the bike, if I find out who stole the bike they can be assured I will press charges.

A Disgusted Parent.
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800 AT SCHOOL SHOW



Greenfield School was proud to present a Christmas musical drama written by Peter Simpson, Head of the Music Department and produced by Claire Deighton. This original production was staged at the end of last term and there were four performances seen by over 800 people. One of the performances was for primary school children in years 5 and 6 from the partner primary schools at Byerley Park, St. Francis and Stephenson Way. More than 80 children at the school were involved in the supporting cast, the band, the ensemble and the principal characters in the cast. Considerable contribution work was also undertaken by the lighting crew, stage hands, scenery team and artists. The Story behind the musical was: 'Denise Smith would like an expensive pair of trainers for Christmas. Her mother is struggling to make ends

meet. Denise doesn't understand why her mother cannot buy her the things she wants. Meanwhile her mother's employer, Mr. Tate, is making so much money he has no time to spend it all. Denise wants to impress Tate's son, David, who she is secretly in love with. Then she has a visitor....' The new Music Suite recently opened at Greenfield School provided an outstanding facility to enable the smooth production of the musical. The accommodation quickly converted to

changing rooms, rehearsal space, make-up areas and all of the requirements needed for a major production. The overwhelming response of the audience on each occasion was to compliment the school and in particular the cast and staff who worked so hard to make the production. One of the improvements to the production has been the installation of professional standard sound and light equipment and a bench mark in the quality of productions at Greenfield has now been established.

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S.D.C.'s New Centre to Cost £165,000

The new Sedgefield District Business Centre proposed for Bede House at St. Cuthberts Way, is to cost £165,000. Sedgefield District Council gave the building work to Kier North East Ltd., who submitted the lowest tender. Alterations to the offices include demolition of walls and partitions, fitting new partitions and doors, power and lighting, floor covering and suspended ceilings. In addition a new entrance canopy will be fitted incorporating signs and special lighting.

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The children are supervised by qualified staff in a warm, friendly environment where the children's well being is paramount. Children aged 3 and over may attend Playgroup, and those under 3 years of age may have their name placed on a waiting list.

If you would like more information about our Pre-school Playgroups or an application form, please contact Mrs. M. J. Robinson, Great Aycliffe Town Council, P. O. Box 2, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe. Tel: 01325 300700 ext. 27.

Church Birthday Celebrated at Woodham

On Tuesday 23rd January at 7.30pm, St. Elizabeths Church of England in Woodham will be celebrating the 10th Anniversary of the opening of the Church building. There will be a service followed by a buffet. Everyone is welcome to join us, but we would particularly love to see any former members of the congregation who have been involved with the Church since it began in 1982.

If you, or any members of our family or friends have connections with St. Elizabeths, and would like to tell of a particular incident you remember during the service, please ring Rev'd Colin Jay on 320112.

It can be something that has happened recently, or something that happened before the building was opened when we used to meet in a community building.

Colin Jay would also like to hear from anyone who has information, photos or newspaper cuttings relating to the history of St. Elizabeths.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE TO BE OPENED

A new vocational training centre for Sedgefield District should be operational by the end of September 1996.

Based at Couson Street, Spennymoor, it will replace the existing centre at Chilton and have a wide catchment area throughout the District. Building is scheduled to start in April 1996 and the cost including construction, furnishing and equipment will be around £600,000.

The centre will undertake the District Council's business, technology and clerical training programmes and a range of vocational courses developed with local colleges, employers and other local training agencies.

The training centre is designed for a range of training activities and will also incorporate a resource centre with individual computer workstations for open learning, self tuition and interactive learning techniques.

The resource centre will be available to local businesses, colleges and individuals. It will be co-ordinated by the Council's college partners and provide a facility which is unique in the District.

A European grant of £221,000 has been obtained, along with funding from three local colleges. The balance of funding will be provided by the District Council.

Councillor Brian Stephens, Leader of Sedgefield District Council said "We believe the new centre will open up training opportunities for both the business community and individuals pursuing vocational training. It will also enable the Council to improve the training resources available to school leavers and unemployed people within the District".

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COLLEGE RECEIVES I.I.P. AWARD



Staff training and development are high on the list of priorities at Bishop Auckland College and this has been recognised with the Investor in People Award.

As one of the first Further Education College to have been awarded the prestigious Investor in People accolade all staff were involved with setting up an effective training programme to ensure that the College offers the best service possible.

Brian Willey, Staff Development Co-ordinator at Bishop Auckland College said: "Whilst we are delighted to achieve this award it is only a starting point and the College will strive to develop staff to their full potential, thereby making sure our customers get an even better deal."

The Investor in People award was launched at a CBI conference in 1991 and is a Department of Employment Initiative. Organisations in receipt of the award prove that they have a committed and planned approach to setting a communicating business goals, and in turn developing and training their staff to meet those goals.

The award was accepted on behalf of the College by Mr. John Moorley, Chair of the Bishop Auckland College Corporate Board.

CONCERT WILL RAISE THE ROOF

On Saturday February 10th at Burnhill Way Methodist Church there will be a concert commencing at 7.30pm. This event is twofold in purpose - to raise money for the roof fund and to mark the completion of a new roof on the church in the Agnew area of the town.

The work is done, the fund raising by the small group of dedicated members and friends which has taken several years continues.

All are welcome to their special occasion in the life of the church and the local community. As the town in this area grows it seems fitting to remind the people that the church is willing to prepare itself for coming decades of growth. Come along and enjoy excellent singing by the Meltones.

Admission - Adults £2.00 Children £1.00. A warm welcome is extended to everyone, to the concert followed by refreshments.

ENGINEER FROM HYDRO WINS TOP AWARD



GRAEME FERGUSON, an engineer with Hydro Polymers at Newton Aycliffe, is presented with a National Training Award in the individual category from former England rugby star Rob Andrew.

"With training, personal commitment and the will to succeed you can realise your full potential."

Graeme's 12 hard years of further education have moved him from apprentice to graduate engineer. These years have demanded considerable sacrifice, not only in holding down a job while studying most of his spare time but, in the process, parting from his fiancé because he had so little time to spend with her. Nevertheless, Graeme is now employed in the responsible position of Instrument and Electrical Workshop Manager, where he is able to utilise many of the skills he has learned over the years.

When Graeme successfully obtained a four-year apprenticeship with Hydro Polymers, he considered himself particularly fortunate. He had left school at 15 with a handful of low-grade CSE's having failed all the O Levels he had taken. He realised that his casual and dismissive attitude to work, demonstrated at school, had to change and that he should make a severe effort at self-improvement.

As part of his craft/technician apprenticeship, Graeme was also enrolled on a BTEC ONC course in Industrial measurement and control. The first year was spent at South West Durham Training Centre, while the following years of study found Graeme based at Hydro Polymers and doing day-release studies.

The first year provided him with good grounding in engineering principles, but he had to work hard to keep up in academic subjects. He found the mathematics element of the course particularly difficult, and failed units of the maths exams at the end of the first and second year.

But the Prospects of failure spurred him to work harder and take extra tuition. In the last year of this four-year apprenticeship, 1987, with only one maths unit to complete for his ONC, he enrolled on an HNC to stretch himself further. This involved a day and a night a week, and many hours of personal study.

Graeme also completed an HND in 1991, when he also realised that his prospects of promotion could be hindered because of the influx of graduate engineers joining the company. He pushed for and was accepted on a degree course in Instrumentation and Control Engineering at Teesside Polytechnic. Despite the inevitable hardship of working a full week and studying every available spare hour, Graeme was triumphant in 1995 with the award of his Honours degree.

During the last two years, the knowledge and experience he gained through further and higher education have been utilised on several major projects that have benefited Hydro Polymers, repaying the long-term investment the company has made in Graeme.

DOCTORS TO ESTABLISH URGENT CARE CENTRE

Doctors in Bishop Auckland area have decided to establish an Urgent Care Centre to improve patient care outside of normal working hours.

This has been welcomed by County Durham Health Commission as a sensible and effective way to improve patient care and to allow GPs to work more effectively.

The Urgent Care Centre will provide out of hours cover for practices within a radius of Bishop Auckland of approximately eight miles, and it will be based at the Bishop Auckland General Hospital. This will give patients access to important facilities that would not be available if GPs visited everyone at home. Ambulance transport to the centre will be provided for those people who do not have or cannot use their own transport.

This is part of a national trend to ease the enormous burden that the increasing number of night visits has put upon GPs (nationwide, the number of night visits more than doubled between 1983 and 1993). Last year the Government agreed with the doctors' professional association, the British Medical Association, to make it possible for local GPs to develop their own solutions to this problem. One solution, which is being adopted in many parts of the country, is to establish Urgent Care Centres - a concept which, according to a national survey, is widely supported.

Andrew Young, Executive Director at County Durham Health Commission, said: "We welcome the decision by GPs in the Bishop Auckland area to act decisively in responding to what is a major national problem of increasing and unsustainable demand for night visits. This will also help the Commission's drive to attract more GPs to County Durham as we believe that in some areas recruitment may prove difficult unless arrangements for out of hours care can be improved."

The Urgent Care Centre will provide better, more comprehensive care and allow doctors to use their time more effectively in treating patients rather than visiting them at home in all cases. Those patients who cannot leave their home for any medical reason will still be seen by a GP who will be available with a vehicle and driver throughout the out of hours period."

Dr. Martin John, co-ordinator of the Urgent Care Centre, said: "We believe that the Urgent Care Centre will improve the quality and speed of care for people who are seriously ill out of hours."

T.A. AWARD FOR AYCLIFFE CAPTAIN

On Wednesday 17th January 1996 at The Aycliffe Armoury TA Centre, Northfield Way, Aycliffe Industrial Estate, Mr. David Grant CBE the Lord-Lieutenant of County Durham presented eleven members of the Territorial Army with Lord-Lieutenant's Certificates for meritorious service.

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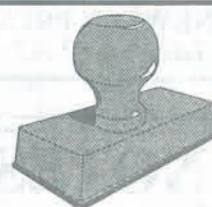
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noon

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on Saturday, 20th
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no family ties, please write
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Newton Press, St Cuthberts
Way, Newton Aycliffe
PART-TIME cafe
assistant required by
Julie's Cafe, 12 hours per
week, apply to Julie's Cafe,
St Cuthberts Way Tel
311737 or 318290 - no
time wasters

**Birthday
Remembrance**

SALKELD, Tracey Jane.
No cards or presents to
buy, no kisses or hugs to
give, all we have are
memories of birthday past
- happy birthday 17-1-96,
love and stuff Mam and
Dad Pete

JOE BROWN 21st
January. No celebrations or
cards to give. Only happy
memories as long as we
live. Our hearts are empty
filled with pain. Our lives
will never be the same
again. We love and miss
you very much, love
Doreen, Tracy, Michelle
and Nan

JOE BROWN 21st
January. Fondest memories
of a dear friend, gone from
our lives but still in our
thoughts, love Ken,
Margaret, Kenneth Laura
BOB TOMLINSON 15th
January. Loving birthday
memories of a dear Dad,
love and miss you so
much, your daughter
Hayley and son Mark and
family

In Memory

KEV DINSLEY To our
Dad, you never failed to do
your best, your heart was
true and tender, you gave
so much to those you loved
and those you loved
remember. Teresa, Kevin,
Michelle, Louise, Mark
grandchildren

PADDY MURRAY 21-1-
95. It does not take a
special day for us to think
of you, each Mass we hear,
each prayer we say, is
offered up to you. Loving
son Pat, Isobel, Kirsty and
Adele R.I.P.

MURRAY, Patrick Joseph
Passed away 21st January
1995. A light is from our
household gone, a voice
we loved is still, a place is
vacant in our home, that
never can be filled. Love
Mary and Melvin

MADDISON, Samantha,
12-1-94, Sad are the hearts
that loved her, silent are the
tears that fall, living our
lives without her is the
hardest part of all. Loved
and remembered always,
loads of love Collette and
Emma

MARTHA DIXON
January 14th 1993. Loving
memories of a very dear
mother, mother-in-law and
grandmother. Always in
our thoughts and prayers.
Son Neil and Ann, Judith,
Sharon and Adrian and
Arron Jamie

GLENDENNING 23-1-
92. In memory of Wes a
loving Husband, Dad and
Grandad, remembering
you is easy we do it every
day, missing you is that
heartache that never goes
away, loving wife Peggy
and family, God bless.

JACKSON, Sean
Michael. Died aged 26,
23rd January 1995. There's
a road we call
remembrance, where we
walk each day with you,
it's a pleasant, happy road
Sean, all filled with
memories true. Today it
leads me to a spot where I
can dream a while and in
its tranquil peacefulness I
touch your hand and smile.
There are hills and fields
and budding trees and
stillness that's so sweet that
it seems that this must be
the place. Where God and
humans meet. I hope we
can go back again and
golden hours renew and
God go with you always
Sean until the day we do -
To Sean from all who love
you XXX

SEAN'S PARTY. Since
Sean went up to Heaven
it's been really sad, he
knows how upset are his
Mum and Dad, also Mark
and Dean they miss him
too and Julie and Sam and
is that another Julie too?
Now it's January 11th, the
day I was born. How can I
celebrate it? Thought Sean,
well I can't be at home, he
thought sad but true, no
going to the Loco for a pint
or two, but never mind,
I've had an idea, I'll make
the most of it and have a
party up here. The invites
are out, should be quite a
crowd, I hope I'll have
room for them all on my
cloud. We'll have sunshine
jelly and angel cake I think,
there's no beer at all, but
plenty of spirits to drink.
Oh, but there's Charlie,
Doreen's Dad, doesn't he
look well! He knows she
will think of him, today
and the rest, so come with
me Sean and let's make this
party the best. I'm having
such a good time, and
April I'll have one and you
can come to mine - from a
friend to a friend

Town's Scout Hall Needs Help to Keep Open

Who or what is N.A.S.S.A.
We are Newton Aycliffe
Scout's Supporters

Association formed in 1976
by parents and leaders of
Newton Aycliffe Scout
Groups. The idea being to
build a Scout Centre to house
the troops who were meeting
in a dilapidated wooden hut
which was past repair due to
constant vandalism.

Thanks to everyone's
hardwork we raised the 25%
of the £45,000 needed to erect
the building and with grants
from Central Government,
Aycliffe Development
Corporation and Durham
County Council the idea
became a reality and the
centre was officially opened
in 1979 by Lord Barnard.

The Association now owns
the freehold to the building,
the land on which it stands
and a small car park, all of
this made possible by the
fund raising of all members,
scouts, guides and brownies.
The centre now houses nine
troops, beavers, brownies,
cubs, guides and scouts
ranging in age from five
years to 18 years each group
utilising the centre and all
amenities.

Thanks to a small licensed
lounge bar and hall hire,
profits being used for the sole
upkeep of the building and
the continuous fund raising
the Scouts Centre has been
self supporting.
Unfortunately our efforts are
not now enough and we are
having difficulty in meeting
our immediate overheads of
gas and electricity and
repairs to the building are
paramount.

We are now looking to the
industry of this town for
financial support in keeping
this building open. Any cash
donation or sponsorship,
gifts in kind for raffle and
tombola or any materials to
aid the upkeep of this
building would be greatly
appreciated.

**PLEASE GIVE YOUR
SUPPORT**

Please help us to give to the
youth of this town our
continuous support and help
to maintain an organisation
that has been in existence
since 1911.

L. Bowen-Jones
(Secretary NASSA and
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BP Scouts).

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LEGION'S GOALKEEPER KEEPS TEAM ON TITLE TRAIL

**Barnard Castle 0
Royal British Legion 1**
Barnard Castle came close to derailing the Legion's title train but for an excellent goal from Trevor Bygate early into the second half writes Lee Foster.

The game proved to be an excellent advertisement for Sunday league football, as both teams showed the work rate and fitness required to justify their respected league positions. Both the first and second half provided the small gathering of spectators with entertaining play from each side.

The former, belonged to Barnard Castle as their continuous pressure meant

that the Legion were on the back foot for a time, forcing goalkeeper Ian Palmer to make a string of saves.

However it was the trio of Bygate, Robin Kell and Mick Molloy that began to reverse the run of play.

It was Molloy's work rate and Kell's positioning that lifted the Legion's game and, eventually broke the deadlock early into the second half.

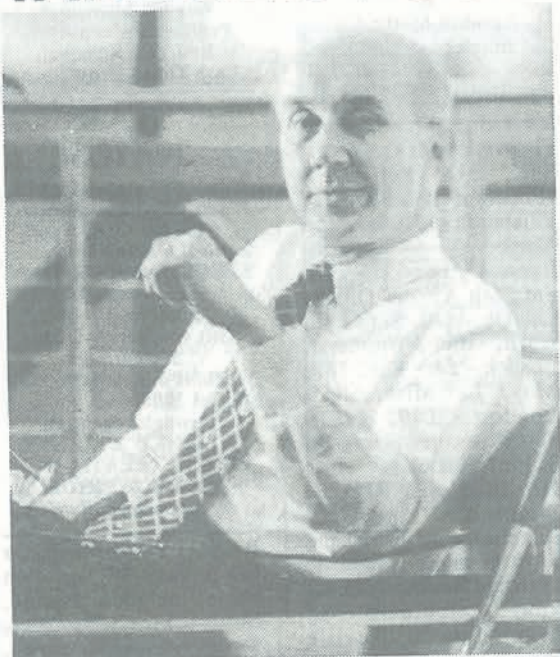
The goal came from a David Talor corner which had been forced by typical Legion football. The ball was hoisted over the Barnard Castle defence onto the foot of the impressive Molloy who then distributed to Kell.

It was Kell's pass that found midfielder Mark Shield whose lob found winger Taylor, leaving the defender to concede the corner.

Taylor's corner found Bygate who placed his shot through the 'keepers flailing arms.

The result was complete when Palmer made a terrific penalty save after a dubious refereeing decision. Overall this was a good team performance. The Legion have a home tie against lowly Tap 'n' Spile next week.

FLYMO'S M.D. MOVES TO TAKE NEW POST



Flymo (which is part of the worldwide Electrolux Group) announced today that Les Evans will be leaving Flymo in April after 27 years with the company, 12 years as Managing Director, to take up a senior position within the Electrolux Group.

Under Les Evans' leadership, Flymo has not only grown to the position of UK market leader in lawnmowers but is now also Europe's fastest growing powered garden equipment brand and largest manufacturer of lawnmowers. Evans' promotion will see him take up the position of Director of Marketing, Sales and Product Planning in Electrolux's worldwide Floor Care Business, which has annual sales of £1 billion.

A successor has yet to be appointed and until this time Les Evans will remain as Flymo's head.

Commenting on his move Les Evans said: "It is with some sadness that I leave Flymo and the lawnmower industry but I am very much looking forward to my new appointment and the challenges of the floor care market."

Letter to the Editor CAR BOOT SALE NOT RIGHT

Dear Editor,

1. The food van for which the responsibility of cleanliness lies with Mr. Noble, was and has been many times in the past, filthy. I can say this with the experience of having my own catering van in the past and a very good knowledge of the hygiene laws.

2. The facilities for toilets were not a facility but a liability, as I am sure many people of Newton Aycliffe know so well. This problem goes back to boot sales held at the Equestrian Centre.

3. Not all goods sold at the boot sales in question were within the criteria requested within the law: i.e. new goods are not allowed to be sold from a boot sale stall, only from a licensed market stall.

4. Meat, cakes, food stuffs sold from premises which can not in any way have been inspected, with meat un-refrigerated and contravening the hygiene law yet again.

D. Cattleugh deserves the support of the town for bringing this situation into the limelight and the "Newton News" also for printing his letter. We thoroughly support his opinion that the application for a boot-sale at Mores, made by Mr. Noble should have been inspected very carefully.

I have lived on this town for forty five years and the town and the people in it deserve better particularly the less well off for which the invention of car boot sales came around. A £10 stall fee removes the point of the exercise: unless the exercise be to make one person rich.

A. Wilson
Biscop Crescent, Newton Aycliffe

VACANCY FOR A JUNIOR FIVE-A-SIDE TEAM

Due to a team dropping out there is a place available in the Junior 5-a-side Football leagues at the Oak Leaf Sports Complex, Newton Aycliffe.

There are 44 teams playing in these leagues every Saturday morning and early afternoon and

all the teams are playing for prizes and trophies supplied by Alexander-Le-Skerne.

The vacancy for a team is in the intermediate category which is for boys in the first and second year of Secondary School and the team that

takes the free place will be able to play in the League Cup Competition and the Summer 6-a-side Leagues.

If you have a team that you would like to enter, then ring the Oak Leaf Sports Complex.
(Tel: 01325 300600)

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**LOCAL CHEMISTS
EMERGENCY OPENING TIMES**
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Sunday 21st January, 1996
12noon-1.00pm - Neville Pharmacy

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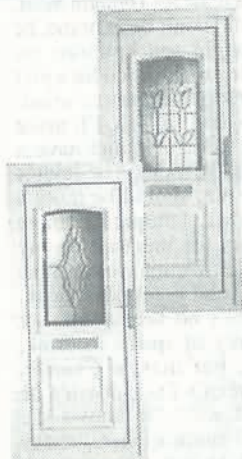
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GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND LEISURE PLAYGROUP VACANCIES

Town Council Playgroups are open to all children aged 3 years and over, although a younger child's name may be placed on the waiting list. There is a place available for your child at Aycliffe Village, Burnhill Way, Elmfield, Moore Lane or the Recreation Centre Playgroup.

Qualified staff supervise the children in a warm, friendly environment where play activities include all those shown and lots more. A host of new experiences can be discovered outside the home, new friends are found and new skills uncovered.

The Playgroups are open for 2½ hours each day, Monday to Friday during the school term. The fee is 80p per day if you live inside Aycliffe Boundaries. For more information or an application form, call in at one of the Playgroups, or contact Mrs. M. Robinson at the Council Offices 300700.

Playgroup & Address	Times
Agnew Community Centre	9.30-12.00am
Aycliffe Village Hall	9.00-11.30am
Burnhill Way Methodist Church	9.15-11.45am
Elmfield Primary School	9.00-11.30am
Moore Lane Pavilion, Moore Lane	9.15-11.45am
Leisure Centre, Beveridge Arcade	9.15-11.45am
St Marys School, Central Avenue	9.00-11.30am
St Oswalds Park, St Oswalds Walk	9.00-11.30am
Sugar Hill School, Sheraton Road	9.15-11.45am

Please note that the "Moore Lane" Playgroup is temporarily operating from St. Oswald's premises from 1.00-3.30pm each day due to alterations at Moore Lane Pavilion.



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Sometimes we paint.



We listen to stories.



Sometimes we play the instruments.



We eat and drink



Some days we sing



We dress up.



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