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FRONT PAGE LETTER

DISTRICT COUNCIL CONTROLLED TOWN CENTRE REQUIRED

Dear Sir,

It seems clear that the promised shopping and other facilities in Newton Aycliffe Town Centre are never going to materialise under private ownership on the present site.

Many residents never visit the Town Centre, going elsewhere. Increasing car ownership is likely to continue this trend as petrol can be purchased at much lower prices than in Newton Aycliffe, thus making a saving on the journey costs.

Parking is inadequate and likely to worsen and pedestrian access to the Town Centre (surrounded by roads) can be dangerous with only one pedestrian crossing.

Last week's article in the 'Newton News' highlights the shopkeepers concerns, although it is not clear which or how many intend petitioning their landlord. What is clear is that some premises (they will easily identify themselves) are not 'shopper friendly', with high prices and cluttered shops, advertising notices of goods placed under canopies blocking access and forcing shoppers from cover when it is raining and diabolical closures at busy times for 'staff training' periods.

Not a single approach to the Town Centre is welcoming, with that at the rear of the Post Office being dangerous, dark and dirty, and the view of the rear of the premises backing onto Greenwell Road being appalling when approaching from that area.

The Town Centre is now subject to a beggar miming to amplified recorded music and polluting the area with noise, it is noticeable that only the young linger in that part of the Town Centre with those of us wishing to hear ourselves speak, quickly moving past.

Many shop fronts are deteriorating through lack of repairs and a new District Council controlled Town Centre on the former Avenue Site would be the ideal solution.

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There will be fun and games for all the family, plus lots of stalls including: home-made cakes, sweets and biscuits, plants, crafts, bottle, tombola, smugglers cave and much more.

Especially for the younger children there is to be a Bouncy Castle and Ball

Pool for them to enjoy, and a Fancy Dress competition for children up to 11 years of age.

Home-made Afternoon Teas will be served all afternoon. The children from Sugar Hill Sing Sign Choir will also be entertaining.

The Grand Summer Draw will also take place during the afternoon, with the top prize being £100, plus many more prizes.

Admission is free, so bring the family along for an enjoyable afternoon. All proceeds are for the Parish Development Fund.

Rambling Club's Special Walks for Beginners

Members of the public are invited to come along to the Welcome Walks staged by the Ramblers' Association to see how enjoyable walking can be, as well as it keeping you fit and healthy.

These walks are particularly aimed at people who are new to walking or who may be less agile than they used to be and want to take their time. Our experienced leaders walk at an easy pace and have lots of stops for refreshment and to allow everyone to enjoy the marvellous countryside we visit. Anyone walking regularly with the Ramblers' Association is encouraged to become a member, but think about how fit you will become! This is part of the Ramblers' Association support for Darlington Borough Council's promotion of "Active for Life", and will be accompanied by walks leaflets and commuter walks to encourage people to make walking a natural part of everyday living, which will bring a greater sense of well-being and health.

For more information contact: Alan Hutchinson, 1 Caihness Way, Darlington DL1 3QS - Tel: 01325 482164 or mobile 0421 045343.

TOWN SCHOOLS ONLY ONES TO REPRESENT COUNTY DURHAM IN SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS



On June 22nd Vane Road Girls - Victoria Brewster, Jill Hunter, Angela Winstanley-Smith and Danielle Robinson and Byerley Park Boys - Ian Storey, Christopher Bowden, Liam McKenna and Mark Richardson travelled to Leicester to compete in the English Schools Swimming Association Primary School Team Championships of England.

The children swam against teams from all over England having qualified in the Northern Heats which covered Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne and Wear, Cleveland and Co. Durham.

In fact they were the only two Primary Schools from Co. Durham represented - a great accolade for both.

The boys took the bronze in the freestyle teams and were placed 5th in the medley. The girls finished a very creditable 9th overall in their medley swim.

All the children received individual certificates to commemorate the occasion and were also given mementos for their schools. This is a fine achievement for the children who all train with Sedgfield 75 Swimming Club.

They would like to send special thanks to Mike Hardy and Kevin Mitchell who helped to provide the much needed equipment for the trip.

Pictured from left to right are: Angela Winstanley-Smith, Victoria Brewster, Danielle Robinson, Jill Hunter, Liam McKenna, Ian Storey, Christopher Bowden and Mark Richardson.

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Arrows will be flying at the annual Darts Marathon at the British Legion Club, MacMillan Road, Newton Aycliffe on Sunday 7th July. The event starts at 8.00am and finishes 12 hours later. Two teams of four have been sponsored to play for St. Teresa's Hospice.

This year organiser's of the Marathon have set themselves a target total to raise of £1,000. They have already been given a £300 head start by the British Legion Pensioners Association who raised the money at their weekly meetings.

Organiser Sandra Hill said, "Everyone is welcome to

come along and support the players. There will be a raffle, prizes include a car valet worth £45 from Massingberd in Northallerton, bottles of spirits, an autographed cricket bat and many more; tombola, book and a cake stall and, by request, a pie stall, so snacks will also be available."

Day Care Sister, Carole Beaston said "The Darts Marathon is a fun way of fund-raising. This event involves a respected community organisation, The British Legion, and promotes awareness of the Hospice and its aims. We are delighted that it has become an annual event".

BYERLEY PARK SUMMER FAYRE

On behalf of the 'Friends of Byerley Park School', I would like to thank the following companies for their kindness and generosity in helping to make our Summer Fayre a great success:

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St. MARY'S CHURCH FETE RAISED £3000

St. Mary's Wild West Summer Fete last Sunday was a huge success raising over £3000, thanks to the hundreds of people who came along and enjoyed the day and parted with some of their money. - It was a great atmosphere with lots of people dressed in western gear.

The fete committee would like to give special thanks to the K. Cobra Thai Boxing, the Sign Language Choir and the L. Dancing team who put on displays to entertain the crowds, and to the many companies, shops and individuals who donated goods and equipment, their valuable support is greatly appreciated. We would also like to thank the following for the donations (gifts): Newton News, 3M's, Dimitri & Sylvia, Hazelbank Wines, Ge. Kidman, Neville Pharmacy, J. R. Videos, Don Walker Butch, Dewhurst Butcher, Betty's Fish Shop, Boots The Chemist, Ho. Plan, Floral Charm, Paul Gittens, Boyes Stores, Cardmark, British Legion, Royal Navy Assoc., Navy Club, Southerne Cl, Newton Aycliffe WMC, Iron Horse, The Acorn, The Oak Tr, Spring Gardens Garage, Hardings Toys, S & S Hairdress, Roots, Aycliffe Balti House, Stephen Russell Hairdresser, Allad, Cave, Pet Shop, Thames Cleaning Centre, Wearhouse Clean, The Builders Arms, William Hill, Halls Fabrics, E. W. Knapp, McGuinness Opticians, Cox (Dentist), B. P. Service Station, Tall, Engineering, Great Mills (North) Ltd., Aycliffe Angling Cent, Haireate, J & A Headstart, Paul Wilson (Vet), Four Seasons, Bargain Buys, Shafto Way Service Station, Kooky's Coffee Sh, Peter's Bakers, Taylors, Stevens (Nev. Parade), Masons Fri, Moss Chemist, Boddy Thomas & Pacitto, Partners Property, Whitegates Estate Agents, Brian Venables, Floral Blooms, V. Carpets, Pizza Cottage, S M K Ltd, Mackays Stores, Perst, Warewrite, Greggs and sincere thanks also to the St. John Ambulance for Medical Cover.

The Greenfield Centre based at Greenfield Comprehensive School, Greenfield Way, Newton Aycliffe, Co. Durham is looking for well qualified and experienced tutors for even classes in a number of subjects. Courses begin in September, ten duration, and normally take place between 7pm and 9pm. Tutors of subjects other than those listed are welcome to apply to be added to our register of tutors for future use. The subjects currently required are:- Yoga, Counselling Skills, Vegetarian Cookery, Indian Cookery, Cantonese/Oriental Cookery, Assertiveness for Women, Home Decoration & Design, Positive Parenting, Sign Language, Antiques, Family History, Local History and Astronomy. In the first instance please write to the above address enclosing C.V. and details of subjects you are offering.

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CHILDREN CONDUCT SURVEY ON NEW TOWN HOUSING



Children from Byerley Park Primary School, Newton Aycliffe have been busily finding out about how the styles of the houses in Newton Aycliffe have changed since the town began. This is because they are involved in something called the 'New Towns Act', which includes New Towns in a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the passing of the New Towns Act, when New Towns began.

The school have received financial assistance from 'The Commission for the New Towns' in association with 'The Living Archive Project.' An Arts Award Scheme for community groups and schools in New Towns in England and Wales.

The children have enjoyed visiting residents and recording their comments, and feelings, about their houses in Newton Aycliffe. They were surprised to discover that, in the past, most people came to the town to work. Other children have taken photographs, made models, drawings, videos and computer programs with information and graphics and there is still more work to do.

The exhibition of all their work will be open to the public on Friday July 5th from 9.30am till 11.30am and 1.00pm to 6.00pm, when everyone will be welcome.

The photograph shows Lissanne Blaylock, Paul Trenchard and David Millard on one of the visits to residents.

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PUBLIC AREAS SHOULD BE GIFTED TO THE TOWN

The District and Town Councils have responded to an appeal for support by Shopkeepers who have petitioned their Landlords to improve the Town Centre environment.

It seems they are in agreement and the subject will appear on future agendas of the Council. The Landlords' agents have acknowledged receipt of the petition and confirm it has been forwarded. As yet there has been no reply to arrange the meeting called for by Town Centre tenants.

Meanwhile support has come in from residents, all applauding the initiative taken by the Shopkeepers. In calls to 'Newton News' the Town Centre has been referred to as a 'Slum' and a 'no-go area', comments from many saying they

hardly visit the Town Centre any more, confirming the Shopkeepers' assertion that their trading figures continue to fall.

It is suggested that the Landlords gift the public walkways to the Local Authority, the Town Centre could then be kept cleaner and come under their bye-laws.

This would also relieve the hard pressed Shopkeepers of a service charge they have to pay the Landlords to maintain these areas. Readers views on this subject are welcome. Please send your letters to Newton Press or leave them with our agents, Stevens.

If the Shopkeepers receive no satisfaction from the landlords they will be calling on residents for support in their campaign.

Letter to the Editor

LET THE CHILDREN PLAY!

Dear Sir,

It has been brought to my attention that yet another Council notice 'No Ball Games' has been erected on a small green where my daughter lives with her 7 year old son.

On this green a handful of children, aged 5 to 9 years, kick a ball about for about 1 hour after school. There are very few children playing on that green, not even enough for a 5-a-side game, there are no gardens and the children have parents who care and would listen to and correct any complaints.

No complaints have been made to them, my grandson and most of his friends have early bedtimes so they are not out at unreasonable hours. Cars can be parked on

greens, driven over greens, and repaired on greens which often results in the green being destroyed. Has anyone ever seen a Council notice saying 'No Cars to be parked, driven or repaired on this green' - NEVER.

It seems only children are penalised for playing on them. The people who complain of children under the age of 9 years playing football on these green's had children themselves who also kicked a ball about on the green, but their children grew up and left.

There will always be small boys who like to kick a ball - LET THE CHILDREN PLAY.
From an Ancient Onlooker

DISTRICT "SONGS OF PRAISE"

On Sunday, 30th June, Jubilee Park, Spennymoor will be host to an Interdenominational "Songs of Praise". The event is part of Sedgfield District's "Festival of Life" and brings together local churches, choirs and musicians of all ages. Spennymoor Town Band, Oxclose Primary School, Ferryhill Operatic Society and Spennymoor School Wind Band are all

participating in the celebration, which starts at 3.00pm. There will be an address by Kester Noble, Chairman of Sedgfield District Council, and it is hoped that many local people will come along. For further information on "Songs of Praise", please contact Beryl Anderson at Sedgfield District Council on 01388 816166 or the Festival Office.

Letter

Praise for Town Council Senior Citizen Outings

Dear Sir,

May we take this opportunity to say a big thank you to Great Aycliffe Town Council for a great senior citizens day out. We had a wonderful time, it started with our friendly driver, Brian, and our two cheerful couriers, whom Brian named "Hinge and Brackett".

They kept the mood happy and cheerful and we had a superb meal at the Windermere Lido Hotel with friendly waitresses and excellent service.

The boat trip was an added bonus with interesting commentary. We have always enjoyed these pensioners excursions but I think that this year was even better than before. The whole day was extremely enjoyable so, once again, thank you Great Aycliffe Town Council, long may these trips continue.

Mr. W. Pinkney
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COMMUNITY FAIR ATTRACTED THOUSANDS

The Community Fair, organised by the towns Rotary Club, held at the Leisure Centre last Saturday, created a marvellous, heartwarming occasion.

Over seventy town organisations set up stalls to promote and represent their respective group activity, covering every imaginable interest.

In the words of our Mayor, John Moran, this event represented the POSITIVE side of Newton Aycliffe and indicated how well the town was doing in many social and welfare aspects. Sedgefield District Council opened the Leisure Centre for this one-day event, with free admission, taking the opportunity to show what facilities they offer.

Thousands of people visited the building, not only to attend the Fair, but also to tour the Leisure Centre's various halls, where numerous demonstrations took place throughout the day. Radio A1FM personalities kept up a very professional running commentary in the main hall, introducing entertainment and exhibitions.

This commenced with superb solos from members of Woodham Christian Centre, and later included our Town Band, Dancing, Country and Western, Soft Cricket, newly formed Acorn Players, Thai Boxing, and Elderly Exercise Group. Elsewhere in the Leisure Centre there were

demonstrations of Fencing, Table-Tennis, Snorkelling, Trampolining, Line Dancing, Aqua Aerobics, Step Class, Aikido, Diving, Gymnastics, Netball and Disco Dancing.

One of the highlights and most moving was the display of signing for the deaf by Sugar Hill School pupils.

Vice President of the Rotary Club, Roger Curtis of Aycliffe Village, masterminded this fantastic event and he is to be congratulated on its success.

His aim was to provide a means of bringing the towns organisations together to show the community what past-times, and opportunities to serve, were available.

The Community Fair succeeded in doing just that and many of the stallholders were able to interest and recruit new members.

Once again the Rotary Club has provided a service to the town and it is quite possible this Fair will be the forerunner of many to come.

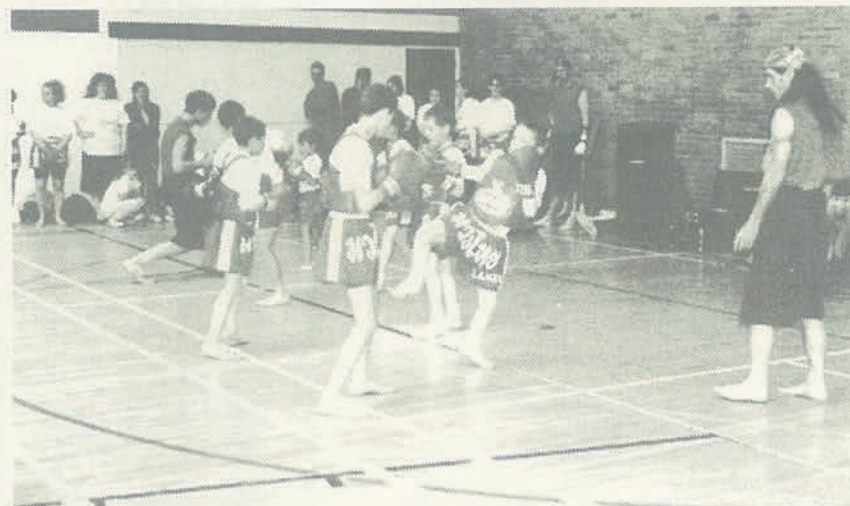
"The Community Fair proved there was a definite need for this event and I am delighted that it came off successfully. Thanks are due to the superb co-operation and hard work of Gary Cooper and his staff at the Leisure Centre, without whose assistance the project could not have proceeded," said Roger Curtis.



Sugar Hill School pupils demonstrate Sign Language for the Deaf to music



Rotary Club President John Dormer tries Reflexology with Claire Midgely



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6 HOUR BIKE RIDE FOR CHARITY

Seven members of the Newton Devil MTB Race Team completed a 140 mile coast to coast ride over the weekend 15/16 of June to raise money for the Cancer Relief MacMillan Fund. The team, consisting of Andrew (13) and Ben (12) Darbyshire, of Manning Bar, Shaun, (16) and Martin (14) Innett and Landon Blair of Newton Aycliffe set off from Hildesheim and after 16

hours of riding, an overnight stay in Alston, they completed the ride on the sea front in Sunderland at 6pm the following day.

MacMillan fund supplied the team with T-shirts and local companies Persimmon Homes, James Burrell, Roundel Mfg, North Timber, Castle Cement, Birtley Building Products and W. McGovern supported the team.

£1000 for Hospice

Safe working by Glaxo staff in the Cephalosporins Product Streams and the Liquids Product Stream has resulted in £1000 going to St. Teresa's Hospice. The money was awarded to staff under the company's Safety Incentive Scheme and donated to the Hospice in memory of a former colleague Katherine Brett.

WOOLWORTH'S REFURBISHMENT

WOOLWORTH'S of Newton Aycliffe are temporarily closing on Saturday 29th June at 4pm.

The shop is to undergo a complete refurbishment, and will re-open on Thursday 11th July at 10am.

Woolworth's last refurbishment was only a small one, and that was back in 1981.

Shop Manager John Saint said: "Absolutely everything is being replaced with brand new equipment - from the tills, right down to the merchandise pegs."

"The floor is being resurfaced, and the ceiling re-tiled. I can't wait to see it when it's finished."

On 11th July, face-painting, a three-man-band, a stilt walker and the cutting of the ribbon will together celebrate the opening day. Discounts of £2 off every £10 or over

spent will also be on offer for the customers, and under new local trading times, Woolworths will be closing at 7pm.

Run for the Prince

Would you like to take part in the BUPA Great North Run 1996? If you run, can run, or know of anybody else who runs, The Prince's Trust has a limited number of Guaranteed Entries left, if you agree to raise much needed funds for THE PRINCE'S TRUST.

You can enter yourself or make up a team with friends/colleagues/family to help the Prince's Trust who help over twenty thousand disadvantaged young people each year. The BUPA Great North Run is a Half Marathon - Newcastle to South Shields - to be held on Sunday 15th September 1996, you will have lots of fun and an after-run party on the biggest and best half-marathon in Europe, with over 27,000 competitors.

Anyone interested should contact Emmanuel Farodoye on: 0171 543 1227 for an application form or information.

Letter to the Editor A VERY WELL ORGANISED EVENT

Dear Sir,
Congratulations and thanks! - On behalf of the committee of the National Back Pain Association, I would like to thank you, the Rotarians and all those concerned with organising such a splendid Community Fair in the Leisure Centre. Clearly a lot of hard work had gone into its promotion. We were amazed at the number, variety and quality of the exhibitions! As a group we recruited many members and found it most beneficial. With all these activities going on in the locality, we find it strange that we

sometimes hear both young and old Newtonians alike complaining that they are bored!

The displays were most impressive and I hope that this type of event will become a regular feature. I would be grateful if you could notify your readers that Mr. Curtis kindly drew the ticket for NBPA "Binky Bunker" knitted clown draw and the lucky winner was Mrs. Shepherd of Newton Aycliffe. Congratulations on a very well organised event.

Yours sincerely
Brian Wilson
Co-ordinator on behalf of the Committee

'FIT FACE'

WordSearch Competition

'NEWTON NEWS' in conjunction with 'PolyGram Video' are running a competition to win one of three prizes of a 'Fit Face' video and a 'Fit Face' make-up bag.

The 'Fit Face' video features Diana Moran (The Green Goddess) and is a 10 minute facial work-out for a younger look and brighter complexion. It is a programme of effective but fun work-outs for the face which can help you look years younger and feel great.

Also featured is make-up expert Martyn Fletcher whose simple and inexpensive hints will give you a more youthful sparkle.



All you have to do to enter is find the 10 words associated with 'Fit Face' hidden in the grid below, circle them and, when you have found them all, fill in the entry form and return, before the closing date below, to Wordsearch Competition, Newton Press, St. Cuthberts Way, Aycliffe Industrial Park, Newton Aycliffe, Co. Durham. DL5 6DX.

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These are the 10 words hidden in the wordsearch grid opposite:-

- BLUSHER
- DIANA MORAN
- EYESHADOW
- FIT FACE
- GREEN GODDESS
- LIPSTICK
- MAKE-UP
- MARTYN FLETCHER
- MASCARA
- POLYGRAM VIDEO

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Entries should reach us by Wednesday 3rd July 1996 and the first three correct entries drawn will be announced in the 'Newton News' weekending 6th July 1996.

Birthday Remembrance

ANN SUMMERSON (Formerly Timoney) In loving memory of a wonderful wife, mother, mother-in-law and grandma, on your 64th birthday 21-6-96. To think we never said goodbye, will always bring regret, but the ones who always loved you are the ones who will never forget

In Memory

BURNS (Ronnie) July 1st. Three years have passed since you left us suddenly without a goodbye. Trevor and Elaine.
BURNS (Ronnie) July 1st. Gentle Jesus up above, give Uncle Ronnie a great big hug, Daniel and Darren.
PATRICIA BENSON 1st July 1980. Special memories of a precious wife and mother. Not a day goes by when we don't think of you. Loved and remembered always. Keith, Michael, Tracey, Ian and your little grandchildren Katie and Andrew.
TRICIA BENSON Died 1st July 1980. Precious memories of a very dear daughter and sister, in our hearts, a day does not go by when we don't think of you. Love Mam, Dad and Denise.
IAN TUPLIN Died 8th July 1993. Silent thoughts, tears unseen, wishing your absence was only a dream, always in my heart Ian, remembered lovingly Mam Stocks and daughter Vickie.
ROBERT CLELAND Died 1-7-83. Time passes by but you are in our thoughts every day, love and miss you so much. Mam, Debbie and Jayne

Deaths

LAWRIE TENNICK You're forever in our hearts and thoughts, Dad. We love and miss you, love Nigel and Barbara XX.
LAWRIE TENNICK In God's care you sleep above, in our hearts you stay with love, Granda Lawrie, hugs and kisses always Daniel, Adam and Emily XX.
LAWRIE TENNICK To a very special Dad and Grandad, who will be sadly missed, but never forgotten, all our love now and always, Dawn, Leigh, Matthew and Baby XXX.

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SINCLAIR Barbara and Bob of Marina Road, Darlington would like to thank Drs and staff of Darlington Memorial Hospital, customers and staff of TSB Aycliffe and Darlington branches, friends and relatives for all their kindness shown, cards and flowers sent to them during their illnesses.
BRIDGES - CAYGILL Andrew and Elaine would like to announce the safe arrival of their daughter, born 23-6-96, weighing 6lb 10oz. Many thanks to family and friends and the staff at Darlington Memorial Hospital.

CAYGILL - BRIDGES Thank you for a beautiful granddaughter Elaine and Andrew, love Mam and Dad Caygill.
CAYGILL - BRIDGES Congratulations Elaine and Andrew on the birth of your beautiful baby girl on 23-6-96, lots of love from Julie and Steve.

CAYGILL - BRIDGES Elaine and Andrew, Thank you for our lovely baby niece, born 23rd June, lots of love from Robert and Wendy XX.
CAYGILL - BRIDGES Thank you for my baby cousin, love from Jordan.
LAWRIE TENNICK In their sad bereavement of the late Lawrie Tennick, Mrs Anne Tennick and family would like to thank all family, relatives, neighbours and friends for cards of condolence and floral tributes. A special thanks to the Rev Michelle Ferguson for a lovely service and the Royal British Legion. Also special thanks to the doctors and nursing staff of Bewick Crescent Surgery and staff of Ward 10 Bishop Auckland Hospital. Also the Co-op Funeral Service for their kindness and support.

WELLS Ian and Susan - We would like to thank our relatives and friends for cards and gifts received, and all those who attended our wedding and made it a very special day for both of us.

TODD Miriam and family of the late Georgina wishes to thank everyone for sympathy and beautiful condolence cards received during their sad bereavement, also sincere thanks to sisters Martha and Julie for their loving nursing care and to Dr Sheldon, also the Reverend Peter and Michelle for their spiritual care. A very special thank you to Jenny, Kevin, Pauline and dear cousin Ann, staff and carers of St Teresa's Hospice whose help was invaluable.

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GREENFIELD House Summer Fayre at 2pm on Saturday 6th July. There will be a variety of stalls including bric-a-brac, raffles, craft, cake, tombola and refreshments.
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Congratulations

GARY FRASER
Happy 30th Birthday



Today is the day you're thirty, but don't be full of woe, we thought we would get our revenge and let everybody know. Love from all the family XXXXXXXX

GARY FRASER Happy 30th uncle Gazza, don't throw that ticket in the bin, because maybe by the time you're 31, Leeds might score and win! Love from Michael, Olivia, Lauren and Kate.

GARY FRASER It's our Daddy's 30th birthday and we just wanted to say, we hope you have a wonderful time, love from Alex and Ellie May. Lots of love from Lisa XXX

MAYOH Ronny and Rose, congratulations on your wedding anniversary 27-6-96. Maria and Dale XXX
JENNY TOOLE 30th June. To a special Mam and Nana - happy birthday from all the family, lots of love XX

AUNTIE LEIGH Happy birthday, loads of love Michael and Connor XX
LEIGH Happy birthday, lots of love big sis Denise
CROSBY - HARDMAN Congratulations to Michael Crosby (formerly of Newton Aycliffe) and Jannette Hardman of Ashton-in-Makerfield, who were married 22nd June 1996 at St Thomas', Ashton-in-Makerfield

BARBARA OLIVER Congratulation on passing your driving test, I knew you could do it - all my love Rob
DODDS Congratulations Mark and Debbie on the birth of your beautiful son, James Mark, 13-6-96, love from Mam, George, Michael and Lyndsay
JILL HYMAS Happy 6th birthday to a special daughter lots of love Mam and Dad XXX

JILL Happy birthday, love and kisses from Scott and Paul XX
BLENKINSOPP 28-6-96 Happy 1st birthday Christopher, lots of love Gran and Grandad
BLENKINSOPP 28-6-96 Susanne - Many happy returns for the day, all our love Marjorie and Bob

JULIA DAVIES Happy birthday sweet sixteen, love you always Mam X
JULIA DAVIES Have a great day sis, love ya, Joanna and Melanie XX
AUNTY JULIA Happy birthday love you Curtis X
JULIA DAVIES Happy birthday, love Lee and Claire XX

JULIA DAVIES Happy birthday love you Granny
DEBBIE from Slimming World at St Clares Church, Tuesdays would like to say a big congratulations to Julie Worrall, Helen Stagg, Rita Hymas, Ruth Harnett and Maureen Ryans who have all reached their target weight, ready for the summer weather. Girls you look great! Well done. If you would like to reach your ideal weight, let Slimming World help you, just come along to any of our classes or ring Debbie on 300615 for details

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Beef List Published

In a bid to stem the tide of anti-European hypocrisy coming from the government, local Labour Euro MP Stephen Hughes is publishing a list of countries which banned British beef before the EU imposed its world-wide ban on British beef exports.

Stephen Hughes, Labour Euro MP for Durham and Blaydon is publishing the list because he is getting fed up with the government using the beef crisis to pretend to be very patriotic.

He said "Several countries have banned British beef for the last five years. The USA has had a ban on British beef since 1989. It is sheer hypocrisy to attack the EU for the ban and not say a word about the other countries which have barred British beef."

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Letter to the Editor

COMMUNITY FAIR A GREAT SUCCESS

Dear Sir,
Newton Aycliffe YOC would like to thank all who helped organise the

Community Fair at the Leisure Centre last weekend, it was a great success, and we hope in the future another fair could be arranged.

We also wish to thank the RSPB for the donation of prizes and our group for nest-box and feeder construction. Also the leaders and children for giving up their free time to help run the stall and Tom Spowart and David Curran from the Newton Aycliffe Nature Park Association for helping transport the equipment to and from the Leisure Centre.

The results of the raffle held at the Community fair on Sat. 22/6/96 are as follows:- Green 45, Green 425, Green 393, Green 315, Green 254, Pink 152, Pink 210.

Tel: 01325 301653 or 315182 after 4.30pm if you have won. Please keep your ticket for confirmation.

Many thanks to the Rotary Club for organising a good day, from all of the Newton Aycliffe YOC Leaders and members.

WHAT A DIFFERENCE 21 STONES CAN MAKE



Nigel and Diane after their wedding



Today, attired as they would have wished

"My Dream was to wear a Wedding Dress half the size of my original - and it came true"

Nigel and Diane Thompson have lost an amazing 21 stones between them, after years of misery trying to lose weight. They had tried many different pills and potions and starvation diets before being recommended to join *Slimming World*, now the largest independent slimming organisation in the UK. Nigel has reached his target weight, after losing nearly six stones and Diane has lost an incredible fourteen stones - down from a size 30 to a size 12.

Nigel and Diane had always had a weight problem and when they married Diane was up to a size 18 wedding dress, she had the dress made for her, she didn't like it but she didn't have much choice. Married life suited them and they soon got into the habit of ordering take-aways and drinking wine at home. Soon their weight soared even further and although they tried different potions and starvation diets, they couldn't seem to lose weight and soon gave up and went back to their old habits.

After joining *Slimming World*, which helps people to lose weight healthily, they could not believe how much food they could eat without being hungry, so they managed to stick to it and lose their weight. They still attend *Slimming World's* class in Glebe Road Middle School, Darlington every Wednesday at 6pm or 8pm and maintain it is the class support and the friendly way their Consultant June MacFarlane motivates them to lose weight.

After hearing that Nigel and Diane really wanted a picture of themselves in their dream wedding outfits, I telephoned Poppies Bridal Wear, Duke Street, Darlington and they kindly offered to loan them the outfits for a day, I also telephoned Beautiful Images at 3 Skinnergate, Darlington and they offered to give them a full make over and photos. The difference between the original wedding photos and these are amazing, the couple look absolutely wonderful and years younger.

Anyone wanting information about *Slimming World* Classes in the area should contact Mandy Drake on 362120 or 0402 310139

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Acorn Gymnasts Impress Judges

Once again our young gymnasts competed in the Northern Region Beginners Competition held at Coxhoe Leisure Centre on the 8th June.

There were approx. 120-130 boys and girls took part - Stockton, Gateshead, Peterlee, Barnard Castle, Ferryhill, these, and other areas, were extensively represented. Aycliffe Acorns only entered a small team, consisting of 5 girls and 1 boy, but they made a large impact on the judges.

Under 9 Boys - (4 competed) - Daniel Stifman - Gold (Vault), Bronze (Floor), Overall winner in group.

This is a tremendous achievement by Daniel in such a short time - very well done!

9 and under Girls - (40 competed) - Amanda Adam - Gold (Floor)
11 and under Girls - (46 competed) - Suzie Oliver - 8th, Tanya Stifman - 10th

13 and under Girls - (25 competed) - Joanne Gibson - 15th, Rachael Moy - 14th
Joan and Jean the Coaches have done an excellent job

in preparing these young gymnasts for this prestige Beginners Competition, this should encourage future beginners to work hard, keep fit and do your strength work.

"WELL DONE TO ALL"
Aycliffe Acorns - Gym Club

RAB win Contest

The fact that most of the district's footballing fraternity were on a weekend break to London for Darlington F.C.'s play off match meant that there was a reduced entry of four teams in the Whit Bank Holiday 5-a-side Tournament at the Oak Leaf Sports Complex.

The competition was run on a league basis and although it was close between North Lodge, West End and Bad Boys for the Runners Up spot, the comfortable winners were RAB Kickers who won all their matches 8-1, 5-1 and 8-1 respectively. Bad Boys eventually finished second to also win prizes provided by the sponsors 'Newton Press'.

LOCAL CHEMISTS EMERGENCY ROTA

Sunday 30th June, 1996

12noon-1pm - Chiltons, Shildon

Sunday 7th July, 1996

12noon-1pm - Moss Chemists, N/A

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