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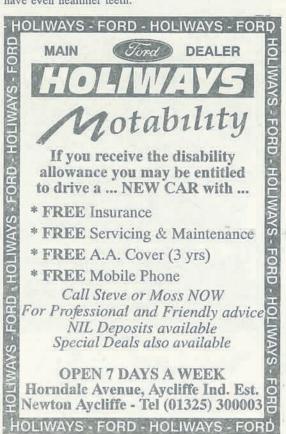
## **ORAL HEALTH** TRAINING GRANT FOR SCHOOLS

County Durham Health Authority has secured over £13,000 of national funding to establish a new oral health promotion training scheme which will benefit thousands of pre-school children in County Durham.

The new scheme aims to improve the dental care of preschool children in the County by training and equipping health visitors with the knowledge and skills to deliver high quality, consistent dental health messages.

School dental schemes have long been established, however the aim of the new pre-school scheme is to promote good dental health earlier and improve the chances of it being maintained in later life, so the children of County Durham grow up to have strong healthy teeth. All health visitors and school nurses across the county will receive extensive oral health promotion training which leads to a qualification in Oral Health Promotion from the Society of Health.

Steven Provart, dental advisor for County Durham Health Authority said: "The funding is excellent news for the people of County Durham. An additional pre-school dental education scheme complementing the already successful school dental schemes means that we can work towards ensuring the next generation of County Durham residents have even healthier teeth."



## NOMINATE A YOUNG ACHIEVER

Can you nominate a Newton Aycliffe youngster who has achieved excellence in sport, education, art, entertainment, caring for others or heroism?

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### Letter

## Begging Season **Starts**

Dear Sir,

It's that time of year again when the Beggars are pestering us. Many people will be unaware of the craftiness of these misguided youngsters, knocking on our doors and asking for a 'penny' for various obscure reasons.

Once you give any money you will have others at your door as word is passed on that you're a 'soft touch', or those that operate in gangs split up and while some call at your home others wait around the corner and behind your hedge and then knock if you have given money.

Parent of these children have a lot to answer for, unfortunately encourage begging.

Some of the money is used to buy Bangers (not fireworks) and these are a continual nuisance and extremely dangerous, being exploded at all times and places.

Much of the money is spent on cigarettes and drinking and it is well known that various parts of the town are used by these individuals and gangs for these unsociable activities. Newton Aycliffe resident Name & address supplied.

## Village Craft

Heighington Craft Fair will be held in the Village Hall from 1pm to 4pm on Saturday 26th October. From Christmas preserves to cross stitch cards from woodwork to ceramic work the fair will provide hundreds of interesting and varied gifts all made locally.

We even have an alternative to the old water bottle treatment to keep you warm and to relieve that persistent pain over the coming winter months.

And looking to the future, Heighington school children will be with us also. They to will be displaying their young talents in the village hall. So whatever your interest we feel there will be something for everyone. Do please support the fair by visiting us any time throughout the afternoon. This is after all a community event as well as a commercial event.

## JUMBLE SALE

AVON COURT are holding a Jumble Sale with Raffle, Cake Stall and Bric-a-Brac on Saturday 9th November at 10.30am.

Proceeds will go towards the resident's Xmas Party. Admission FREE

## **BOROUGH MAYOR** TO OPEN CARERS **CENTRE AT NEWTON AYCLIFFE**

The refurbishment of part of the Council Housing Office in Dalton Way, Newton Aycliffe, is good news for Carers living in the Sedgefield District. Thanks to funding from Sedgefield Locality Health Alliance, a partnership between Sedgefield District Council, the Health Authority and Durham County Council Social Services together with support from the Princess Royal Trust for Carers, the Carers Centre is soon to be operational in Sedgefield

The Carers Centre will open it's doors in October, and will offer a wide range of free services to local Carers both within the Centre itself, and also out and about within the community for those Carers who are unable to travel to

The Carers Centre aims to help the thousands of people in Sedgefield District who look after an elderly, sick or disabled relatives, friends or neighbours and it aims to be a 'One Stop Shop' for Carers offering specialist advice and information, a listening ear, training on a range of skills to help in the caring role such as lifting and moving, continence advice, pressure area care and administering

There is often no preparation or warning in taking on the caring role, and we aim to help Carers to gain confidence in the most difficult role, and be informed about their rights and entitlements.

The Carers Centre will also offer relaxation and stress management sessions such as Aromatherapy, Reflexology and exercise for relaxation such as Yoga.

We will also be offering a specialist Counselling Service to Carers, as well as a help-line which will be operational from November, and staffed by volunteers many of whom have been or are currently Carers, so have a lot of knowledge and experience to share with others.

Carers groups and drop-in sessions will be developed for a range of Carers, dependent upon local needs. The Centre also hopes to be of benefit to professionals who work with Carers providing training and awareness raising workshops along with the specialist information services. There is a meeting room which is available for hire to local groups. The Centre will be officially opened by the Mayor of Sedgefield (Mr Kester Noble) in his first public engagement (By Royal Charter Sedgefield District is to become a 'Borough' on 24th October 1996 and as such the post of Chairman becomes that of Mayor), together with Ms. Cherie Booth - wife of Tony Blair the Leader of the Labour Party, on Saturday 26th October 1996 at 11.00am, followed by an open day to publicise the range of service which will be available to Carers living within the

Sedgefield Locality.

If you would like further details or would like to be put on our mailing list or are interested in becoming a volunteer

at the Carers Centre, please contact:-The Princess Royal Trust for Carers, Sedgefield

Locality Carers Centre, 19 Upper Dalton Way, Newton Aycliffe, Co. Durham DL5 4DJ - Or Telephone 308100

## **Help Stop Illegal Firework Sales**

Consumer watchdogs are seeking parents' help in clamping down on irresponsible traders who flout the law on firework

In a timely reminder to retailers about the sale and storage of fireworks, Durham County Council's Director of Consumer and Scientific Affairs said he was seeking a more responsible attitude from those who had sold fireworks to under 16s in the past.

And he added that he hoped parents would let him know about traders who continued to ignore the law.

"The sale of fireworks to children under the age of 16 is a criminal offence which we take very seriously," said Mr Holliday.

"To help us identify the culprits, I would urge any parents who believe their under age children are being sold fireworks to let me know immediately so that my officers can take up the matter with the retailers involved."

Holliday

fireworks sales increased last year, and although the number of injuries from fireworks fell slightly, illegal misuse of fireworks in the street was the single biggest cause of injuries. As a result, he fully supported this year's Government campaign to 'Give Fireworks Respect' and urged everyone to do the same.

people throughout the country went to hospital as a result of firework incidents in the streets and two thirds of them were children," he added.

Retailers who sell fireworks have to meet stringent storage conditions and, as is usual at this time of the year, are being sent advisory material by Consumer Services officers.

Mr Holliday said that any trader who wished to obtain advice about their legal obligations in relation to the storage and sale of fireworks should telephone his Consumer and Scientific Services Department at Durham 0191 383 3606 or Darlington 01325 346400.

### Letter to the Edito

## Reward for Recover of Rare Car Wheels

Dear Sir, £100 Reward for Rare Wheels

On the night of Monday 21st October, 4 alloy wheels were stolen from a Matra Murena at Sabre Rail Services Lane Heighington Business Park.

The wheels are unique to that particular sports car. They are easily recognised by having no centre hole for the hub, tyre fitting and balancing.

The flat centres are surrounded by 20 fins connecting the rim.

The wheel size is unusual at 6Jx14 and the tyres are pirelli P6 185/60-14 on two wheels and 195/60-14 on the rear wheels.

The above reward is being offered for information leading to the recovery of these wheels.

Anyone information should cor me on: 315518 (Home 300505 (Office). D. A. Thompson School Aycliffe

## **Fireworl** Display

Aycliffe Village Yo Club are holding Grand Firework Dis and Disco on Fri November 1st - from 7 to 9pm.

Admission is through Village Hall at £1 Ad and 50p Children (un 5 free) with the display the school field (beh

Food will be availa and all are welcome attend.

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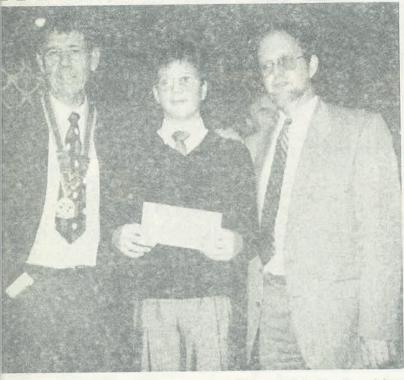
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s shown with officials of the Town's Rotary Club, whose £300 donation paid for

's expenses to Geneva.

s a marvellous achievement and we are as delighted as Glen is with his success" Tony Bird, Rotary Club President.

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s. Elaine Jessica cock, 17 The Green, liffe Village, has been opted as a Member of eat Aycliffe Town ıncil.

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imming World classes: ville Parade Methodist Church

Mondays, 10am Brenda 01325 720165 ondays, 5pm & 7.30pm June 01325 255057

new Community Centre Morrison Close Vednesday, 5 & 7.30pm Jenny 318072

St. Clares (New) Hall aursdays 5pm & 7.30pm Debbie 300615



## AYCLIFFE CENTRE **ASSISTS** FLOODED

Copelaw Training staff and trainees rushed to the assistance of an elderly Aycliffe resident to replace carpets and kitchen equipment after a flood occurred in her home earlier in the week.

Copelaw Training has been running for two years and is based at Aycliffe Young People's Centre. The

course offers local young people and Centre residents aged between 16 and 21 the chance to discover the most suitable route towards their eventual employment, via outdoor education and work projects.

Andy Pritchard, course designer and Project Coordinator, said, "We were pleased to help. This type of community work not only benefits our trainees in providing evidence for the major award that the trainees undertake, but also brings together those who need assistance and young be doing something of worth, and of benefit to others.

Each Copelaw Training course lasts for thirteen weeks in which time trainces experience numerous challenges and unforeseen opportunities whilst being paid a training allowance of £36 per week. The aim of the course is to successfully progress trainees on to employment, further training or education. If anyone wishes to find out more information about the course or needs the help of the Copelaw Training Team you can contact Andy on 375636.

Council's Reasoned, Informed Decision

Dear Sir, I refer to the letter from Mr Welsh in the Newton News of the 19th October,

I would make the point that the Council will listen to all views of the community in making a decision on any issue.

There will be occasions when a decision has to be made on competing claims, and a decision of the Council in such circumstances will please one party, but disappoint the other. There will be times when a compromise will be proposed.

However the Council will always strive to take a reasonable and informed decision.

I would endorse the point made by Mr Welsh in his letter that the area is an amenity area for YOUNG children to play on in safety.

Yours sincerely Councillor Bob Fleming Chairman of Parks, Cemeteries & Allotments Committee.

## Greens for Small Children Only.

With reference to the letter of the 19th October. In reply to Mr Welsh of Aycliffe Village. It was never the intention of Great Aycliffe Town Council to stop children playing on the grassed area.

The Council did receive not one but four complaints from residents in Millfields complaining about the problems caused by children playing ball games on the small grassed area.

Ball games were being played with case footballs and case rugby balls resulting in nuisance and damage to surrounding cars, property and gardens. As a result of ball games the grassed area became bare with mud being deposited on the urrounding footpath

It was the intention of the Council to place a small flower bed on the grassed area to stop the ball games. However a decision has been made to only re-seed the damaged grass. At the end of the Council meeting on Wednesday 9th October the Council reiterated to its members and members of the public present that ball games by older children should be played at the near by park and not on the small grassed area concerned.

Moreover I hope that the parents of Millfields will assist the Council with this request which I feel will benefit ALL residents. Councillor Blenkinsop

Letter to the Editor

## CONFIDENCE IN OUR TOWN CENTRE

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read your Community

Newspaper. I acknowledge

that there are many things

that could be put right and

with proper negotiation

between all concerned, I

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I would just like to put forward my comments regarding the recent improvements that are taking place at the Somerfield Superstore.

The Superstore owners, in Bristol, are showing a commitment (with a £500,000 investment) and demonstrating.

confidence in Newton Aycliffe Shopping Centre, that we have not seen for a long time. It is most welcome, and may well encourage other potential retail outlets to come into the Town.

I would like everybody with negative comments about the Town Centre, to stop for a minute and think about the shop keepers that have remained in our town over these very difficult times. Generally, around the whole of the Country, town centres have suffered due to the massive increase in 'out of town' shopping centres. Those retailers that have remained should be supported by the Towns people.

With these comments in mind I would like to see the more positive aspects of

Thanked Sellers Heighington Village area have been commended for long service to the annual appeal. Centre

Poppy

Sellers

Mrs. Connie Hewitson of Walworth (50 years); Mrs Elizabeth Conners of Houghton-le-Side (19 years); Mrs. Libby Smyth of Heighington (19 years); Mrs. Blackadder of Heighington (10 years); Mrs. Elsie Ellis of Heighington (10 years). Congratulations Ladies and thanks on behalf of all those ex-service personnel

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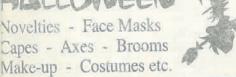
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Comments and ideas received from volunteers and residents are being followed up by A.S.K. (Aycliffe Support in the Kommunity) with a view to making a difference which was the aim of the day.

A.S.K. welcomes volunteers who can spare whatever time they have available to help in one day events or at the Community House (10 Silverdale Place). If you are interested in becoming a volunteer please contact Bess or Debbie on 307539.

Stop Press

Thursday October 31st - Halloween Hour 6pm - 7pm. Face Painting and games. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Parent & Toddler Session - Monday November 11th. A Health Visitor will be giving information and advice on the topic 'Behaviour', for birth to 5 years.

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# NEW "WACKY" ENTERTAINMENT SYSTEM AT GRETNA GREEN

Today's hi-tech youngsters have a new attraction at Newton Aycliffe's family-friendly Big Steak Pub - The Gretna Green - following the installation of an award winning 'Wacky Entertainment System'.

The Gretna Green, on Great North Road, is one of a handful of pubs chosen to take part in a national pilot scheme by pub operator Allied Domecq Leisure for the innovative Wacky Entertainment System (WES).

WES is the latest phase in Allied Domecq Leisure's mission to revolutionise the family pub - and caters for young customers within the 'forgotten age range'.

Aimed at nine to thirteen year olds, the interactive system is both educational and fun, incorporating mystical, adventure and action-packed computer games, pop videos and 'edutainment' packages including science, history, geography and environmental subjects, as well as talking

Children pay just £1 for each 15 minutes of play and are given a password which allows them to log on to the system at an interactive play station in the main body of the pub. The innovative system was developed in conjunction with Digital Equipment Co. Ltd., which recently won gold at the Computing Awards for Excellence - scooping the Technical Services of the Year category.

Big Steak Pubs are already market leaders in the family-friendly field. Families can tuck into a mouthwatering meal from the Big Steak Pub menu in the family dining area, while younger children can enjoy unlimited entertainment in the Wacky Warehouse - giant fun filled playbarns which are already attached to more than 50 Big Steak Pubs around the UK.

Now WES will provide entertainment for a group which Allied Domecq Leisure believes has been so far neglected by the industry - youngsters who are too old or too tall for the Wacky Warehouse.

Managing Director of Allied Domecq Leisure Mr Martin Grant said: "We have carried out extensive research to the family marketplace, to find out how our family pubs can best serve the local communities in which they operate. To date we have achieved great success with our Wacky Warehouses which provide a safe, friendly and fun environment for children.

"This new venture with the Wacky Entertainment System is an exciting development which will ensure we keep ahead of changing customer requirements and enrich their visits to the local pub" he added.

If the system proves to be a national success it will then be rolled out throughout the UK - ensuring that Big Steak Pubs offer entertainment and quality facilities for the entire family.

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## AYCLIFFE SINGERS IN "VIVA MEXICO" SHOW





As the town no longer has an Operatic Society a number of enthusiasts have joined other organisations elsewhere, so it is no surprise to see Newtonians appearing in "Viva Mexico" at Ferryhill commencing Tuesday 29th October until Saturday 2nd November. Principles, Wendy Church and Frances Simmons live in Woodham and members of the chorus include Liz North, Angus Lynas and Ken Simmons. Ticket are available from any member or by telephone: (01740) 656110.

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Are you interested?

Do you care?

Are you happy living in this area?

Do you want to see

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## SPECIAL WALKS IN NOVEMBER

The Rambler's Association are holding the following walks in November:Sunday 3rd - A welcome

walk, 7 miles in lovely Teesdale, along paths recently saved by our efforts. Meet your walk leader Lynn Charlton at the Health Centre, 10.30am. Sunday 10th - The Waskerley Way, Howns Gill Viaduct, Allensford, Cushat Leaszes, Smiddy Shaw Reservoir, Waskerley. 12 miles. Meet Alan Hutchinson at the Health Centre at 8.45am or ring 01325 482164 for more information.

Sunday 17th - Meet at Walworth Castle Hotel (about 5 miles west of Darlington) at 12 noon prompt for a choice of walks of between 6 & 10 miles around countryside being opened up by the RA in producing walks leaflets for Darlington Borough Council. Afterwards (late afternoon), a carvery meal with vegetarian alternatives will be available in the hotel, and this must be booked by walkers at noon, just before the walks start on the

day, at a cost of £4.50 for the main course. More information or a booking form for a meal only if you are not going on one of the walks, is available from Alan Hutchinson. Call on 01325 482164.

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## OPENING SOON

s most people in Newton Aycliffe will know, a new Somerfield foodstore will shortly be opening in Beveridge Way. This article introduces you to some of the key management team who will be responsible for running the new store. You'll be sure to recognise the faces, although some of them will be fulfilling new roles. All of them will be in place on Wednesday, 30 October to welcome you to their new store.



Graham Meikle Store Manager

Graham joined the company straight from school in 1974 working his way up through the ranks to management level. Having worked at stores throughout the North East, Graham knows the area well and has been at Newton Aycliffe since 1987.

He is pleased that his store has been targeted for investment. "Somerfield will be spending over £1/2 Million on this store and I'm convinced Newton Aycliffe shoppers will appreciate the difference it makes!" says Graham.

"We have all worked extremely hard to train our existing and new staff so that they know what is expected of them in the new store. With a competent and confident team in place for opening day I know that Newton Aycliffe shoppers will get the best service in

town," says Graham.

Preparations for the store launch have meant long days for Graham, but he is looking forward to being able to offer the best service in town.

"There will be plenty of new features in store to tempt customers including a 'snacks to go' counter where customers can choose from a selection of freshly made sandwiches and chilled drinks."

The whole of the inside of the building will be stripped bare, ready for a completely new set of fixtures and fittings to go in and the store will have a brand new layout, making shopping a more

"The new display fittings and freezers we're getting are much more space efficient and will allow us to keep a much larger range of products. Customers will really notice the increased choice—particularly in fresh foods."

The mouth-watering smell of freshly baked bread will become a permanent feature in the new store as bread will be prepared on the premises. Customers will also be able to buy whole roasted chickens and portions at the store's new aromatic rotisserie.

"I think its the smell that's so irresistible!" declared Graham, who has been visiting other Somerfield stores to get a feel for how his new store will look.

"I'm really hoping that the investment made by Somerfield in this new store will help to attract more people into the centre of Newton Aycliffe. All the businesses here will benefit from more people using the town centre and I'm determined that the team here do their

absolute best to make sure its a real pleasure to shop with Somerfield,"

When Graham is not at work he likes to race karts at his local karting track and he regularly competes in local championships. He is also a keen amateur photographer and enjoys taking pictures when he gets the chance to get away on holiday.



#### Colin Gourley Deputy Manager

"It's my job primarily to relieve the store manager when Graham has duties to carry out elsewhere," says the store's new deputy manager Colin Gourley, "but the position brings other responsibilities with it when he is here."

Colin's principal aim is to ensure that the highest possible standards are maintained in every department.

"The two most important things influencing the success of this Somerfield foodstore will be our levels of customer service and the range of products we will be able to offer customers," he declared.

Colin is speaking from experience, as he started working for Somerfield part time as a student in 1969. Colin has now held management positions within the company for 21 years and has had experience throughout all departments.

Colin is looking forward to offering customers an enhanced product range and he has been preparing the store ready for opening day to ensure that the highest standards are maintained throughout every department.

"All the staff here at Newton Aycliffe are looking forward to offering our customers more – a bigger and better range of products, a better environment to shop in and an unbeatable level of service!"

Somerfield is very much a part of the family as Colin met his wife, Sue, at a Christmas party when she was working at another local store.

They now have two children aged 11 and 14 and when Colin is not working he likes to spend time at home with them playing computer games. He is also a DIY enthusiast, something which he says has come in handy for the new store launch!

### Gail Anderson Non Trading Manager

A seventeen year career in food retailing has prepared non-trading manager, Gail Anderson, well for her role at the new Somerfield store.

She will head up a team of established 'behind the scenes' workers to keep the store running smoothly.

"It is my area that will be most affected by the new technology being introduced to the store. It's quite a responsibility to make sure the whole team knows how to use the new equipment with confidence from opening day!" says Gail.

Gail started work with the company in Newton Aycliffe when she was 20 and then moved to work at its store in Bishop Auckland. Starting originally as a receptionist and PA to the regional manager, she then trained to become a personnel manager.

She returned to work in Newton Aycliffe four years ago and now has responsibility for all personnel training and recruitment at the store.

"The new Somerfield store is definitely going to have a brighter image and I know many local people will come to have a look. The rest is up to us - and I hope if they get good service and plenty to choose from they'll come back again and again!"

When Gail isn't working she likes to help out at her six year old daughter's school, and spends most weekends caravanning – often in Yorkshire.



### Jane Harvey Fresh Produce Manager

Jane Harvey has been working in Newton Aycliffe for 12 years and started at the store on a

"Joining the store on the YTS scheme meant that I got the chance to work in all the departments, so I learnt about all the different types of jobs that are available within a food store."

Jane has been a produce manager since 1992 and is delighted that she will taking on the position in the new Somerfield store.

"Fresh produce is a really interesting area to work in, as there are always new and interesting products coming in. The new range of fruit and vegetables we will be able to offer customers is superb!" she says. "I'm sure customers will be pleasantly surprised when they see the difference."

The new store layout and fixtures should help on that front. Jane and her team are already preparing for the challenge of keeping them filled to the brim with fresh, quality produce.

"Attractive displays of fruit and vegetables always encourage customers to try out new things and remember what's in season. My team will doing their best to ensure that there is always a fresh, colourful display of produce to greet customers as they come through the door," says Jane.

When not at work, Jane, who has been married for eight years likes to keep fit by swimming and exercising her two dogs. In addition, she admits that she likes to go out 'socialising' on a Friday night!

#### Sandra Ablewhite Bakery Supervisor

Having worked for the company for nearly 17 years Sandra is looking forward to working in a new and fresh environment at the new Somerfield foodstore.

Sandra began her working life behind the kiosk and then moved across to work in several different departments including grocery, beers wines and spirits and, most recently, the bakery.

She will be responsible for the day to day running of the instore bakery at Newton Aycliffe. The bakery will be offering a wide range of freshly baked breads and fresh cream cakes to tempt customers.

"One of the best things we are able to do with our new equipment is to produce batches of fresh bread throughout the day. So whether customers are shopping in the morning, after school or after work, they'll still be able to pick up some really fresh bread." explains Sandra.

The other advantage of having a bakery in the store is, of course, the smell it creates.

"I defy anyone to walk past the bakery without being tempted by the wonderful aroma!" declared Sandra.

With a grown-up family and two granddaughters, aged eight and six, Sandra is very familiar with the needs of a growing family and is pleased that the new Somerfield will be able to provide everything to complete a full weekly shop. All her family lives locally and will be shopping in the new store.

When not busy at work Sandra likes to spend time looking out for 'weird' antiques – particularly teapots and porcelain animals.



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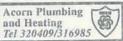
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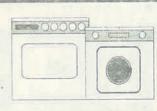
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## 4th in Triathlon

North East Athlete Tony successfully Weed competed in the recent Triathlon World Championships, held in Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A. Tony, who works for Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre and lives in Hartlepool, finished 4th in his British team - 29th overall. It was Tony's first competition for Great Britain after two England

The event consists of a 1500 metre swim, a 25 mile cycle followed by a six mile run. The race had 90 competitors, and 22 year-old Weed smashed his previous best time by almost four minutes, completing the race in 1 hour, 59 minutes and 7 seconds.

Reflecting on the race back in England, Tony said: "I hoped to be up there with the leaders after the swim, and thankfully I was. During the cycle I was just working on staying with those guys and conserving my energy for the run, because the run is my weakest section."

Going in to the run, Tony was around 35th, but he could see at least 25 of those in catching distance. "The run started with a fairly long hill, so I tried to relax and get into my running which mean people passed me at tha stage" said Tony, "but once I got going after the hill, moved up about ten places and finished quite well. I was my best ever run, and it came in the race of my

This Triathlon, which was held on the 25th august was being considered for future Olympics - and following the interest from many countries and the Media, it has been accepted for the 2000

Sydney games. Tony's lifetime best may well have earned himsel the right to compete i

those games.

Tony said he hopes to be there when the time comes. "I suppose multimate aim now is the 2000 Olympics whe Triathlon will make it debut, but that's a long was off" he remarked. "wouldn't have been able to compete for a place without the help I receive from many people.

I would just like to than my sponsors Interpla Structural Design Sedgefield District Council, Newton Ayclift Leisure Centre and m swim team 'Sedgefield 7 who have helped me or immensely with m training."

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## Enthralling Game by Under 10's Team

Newton Aycliffe U10s - 2 21st Allstars U10s - 2

Last Sunday, Newton Aycliffe Under 10's entertained unbeaten 21st Allstars at Vane Road and both teams took part in a pulsating game.

After a minute's silence (impeccably observed) for the Guatemala City football stadium disaster, Ayeliffe pressed forward from the start and after 10 minutes centre half Kyle Summersby cracked home a 30 yarder after a home corner had only been partially cleared. Just before the interval, Allstars Goalkeeper made two good saves from Michael Purves but the 1-0 half-time scoreline was a fair reflection of play.

Shortly after the break, a gap in the middle of Aycliffe's defence allowed the opposition to equalise but shortly afterwards John Johnston restored Aycliffe's lead with a thunderbolt of a shot from the edge of the penalty area. Aycliffe continued to press for a third with several chances going begging and once again Michael Purves was unlucky when he lobbed the Goalkeeper only for the ball somehow to bounce onto the crossbar.

After all Aycliffe's pressure however, Allstars then broke away and scored a late equaliser when a long range shot bounced back off the crossbar into the path of the centre-forward who gave Goalkeeper Michael Francis no chance.

All in all, an enthralling game which Aycliffe deserved to win but when the home team hit the bar the ball rebounded to safety whereas when the opposition did likewise it rebounded for them to score - typical!! Still, Aycliffe remain unbeaten and their style of play is bringing in the crowds!

For his ability to beat his marker time and time again with some deft footwork and putting in some great crosses, Mattie Laverick-Elliott deservedly took the 'man of the match' award.

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## RUNNERS HELP TOWN AFTER STROKE CLUB



Members of the Newton Aycliffe After Stoke Club received a cheque for £315 from Paul and David Land. Paul and David were first time runners in the Great North Run finishing in 2hrs 42mins. Well done boys your efforts are greatly appreciated.

## Is Nobody proud Enough to sponsor Under 16's Team?

Aycliffe under 16's assistant manager and reporter unfortunately could not send in a report this week. Keith is in hospital after fracturing his ankle during training five weeks ago and then further complications set in.

Keith was disappointed on Sunday when the team was well and truly beaten by the top team Woodgarth 8-1 away.

Keith said you can't win them all, sometimes a big defeat makes you more determined to do better so we have to put that result behind us. The lads should learn from this. Equally as disappointing is the fact that not one sponsor has contacted us.

The lads have tried to get sponsors themselves because they are proud to play for Aycliffe, is nobody proud enough to sponsor them. INTERESTED then phone Keith on 318731.

P.S. Any under 16's interested in playing should contact the above number.

## FIVE WINS FOR AYCLIFFE'S SQUASH STAR

Derreck Pinkney won the Premier League of the UPEX Squash Leagues at the Oak Leaf Sports Complex with five excellent victories.

Derreck's tactic of wearing down his opponents with long rallies to use his superior fitness paid dividends with wins over Kevin Greenall and Dave Lyons, who finished second and third and exchampion, Peter Ramsey, Peter Morris and Paul Dowson who were relegated to be replaced by Richard Vitty, Steve Heslop and Mick Jewett. All the following players won prizes in the UPEX sponsored league draw:-

Dave Atkinson, Graham Thomas, Alan Stevens, Dave Henderson, Neil Collison, Howard Leslie, Julie Clarke, Mike Jones, Ian Dixon, Norman Bennett, Steve Bell, Ian Banks, Sue McTague, John Brooks and Ian Mohan.

The Leagues have over 100 players with abilities ranging between beginners and County players.

Anyone requiring further information or wishing to join the Leagues should telephone the Sports Complex (01325 300600).

## 100 km. TREK

Newtonain, Martin Brown is writing to local businesses, clubs, pubs etc., in the hope that they will help him fulfil his ambition to take part in a 'Hike-Away', which is a 100km trek from the Red Sea to Mount Sinai in Egypt in April 1997, in aid of HOPE. (The charity for people with Cerebral Palsy).

Before he can be accepted to participate in the trek, he needs to raise £2,500 which needs to be received by the Charity before February 1997.

He would appreciate any contribution anyone would care to donate.

All donations should be sent to his address, 86, Guthrum Place, Newton Aycliffe DL5 4QD - but, made payable to HOPE.

## Auckland Castle Concert

The Argus Singers, a mixed voice choir, will sing in Auckland Castle, the beautiful home of the Bishop of Durham, on Saturday, 7th December, 1996 at 7.15pm.

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Light refreshments will be served. Tickets at £5 adults and £4 concessionary, are available from:

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## SEDGEFIELD COUNTRYSIDE GROUP'S NOVEMBER PROGRAMME

Sedgefield Countryside Group are holding the following events in November. Unless stated otherwise, the meeting point for ALL events is outside the Post Office, Rectory Row, Sedgefield, at 10.30am. (This is on the south side of the village green). All events are Free of Charge. Please wear boots or strong shoes for all walks and practical projects and ALWAYS carry waterproof clothing .: Sunday 10th - Volunteer Project: Stile construction We hope to be working on footpaths in the Shotton area, south of Sedgefield. Meet at Post Office as usual. Return by about 1.30pm.

Sunday 24th - Guided Walk: Mordon and Foxton. A 7 mile circuit which will give you an opportunity to see how the group has

been spending some of its Parish Paths Partnership money (new stiles, gates, etc.). No lunch stop, but bring a snack.

Monday 25th - Public Meeting. One of the regular meetings held in the Parish Hall, commencing at 7.30pm. All welcome.



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