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11.30pm - Midnight Mass

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

8.00am - Holy Eucharist

9.30am - Choral Eucharist

4.00pm - Evening Prayer

### ST. FRANCIS

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

6.00pm - Carol Service

11.30pm - Midnight Mass

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

10.00am - Holy Eucharist

### ST. ELIZABETHS

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

7.00pm - Family Eucharist/Blessing of the Crib

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

9.30am - Holy Eucharist

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SUNDAY 22nd DECEMBER

3.00pm - Carol Service

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

4.00pm - Blessing of the Crib

11.30pm - Midnight Mass

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

9.00am - Holy Eucharist

A warm welcome is extended to all

### Christmas Holiday Arrangements for NEWTON NEWS

Please note the Christmas edition of the  
"Newton News" is  
**FRIDAY 20th DECEMBER, 1996**

There will be no "Newton News"  
week ending 27th December, 1996

the next edition will be  
**FRIDAY 3rd JANUARY, 1997**

## UNDER 10's IN END TO END PULSATING FOOTBALL GAME

Newton Aycliffe U10's - 3  
Hartlepool St. Francis - 4

Last Sunday, Aycliffe's Under 10's League game fell foul of the weather but the previous week they entertained 1st Division Hartlepool St. Francis in the quarterfinal of the League Cup and both teams took part in an enthralling, end-to-end, pulsating game.

The visitors' footballing skills were soon evident when a long range shot flew past the post after only 10 seconds and soon afterwards a mix-up in the Aycliffe defence enabled the visiting centre forward to take advantage and give them an early lead.

Aycliffe battled back and Mattie Laverick-Elliott right-footed the ball into the corner of the net after a scrambled corner. Shortly before the break however Hartlepool sprung the home offside trap to give them a 2-1 half time lead.

Team Coach Neil Robinson urged the lads just to get the basics right during his half-time team talk. Immediately afterwards both John Johnston and Michael Purves were unlucky when close range efforts sailed over the bar. With Aycliffe continuing to press forward for the equaliser, the visitors broke quickly out of defence to score a third goal. Battling to the end, Matthew Dodds then crossed perfectly for Michael Purves to chip the goalkeeper to make it 2-3.

In the final hectic five minutes, Liam Cooper had a shot blocked on the line, goalkeeper Scott Roscher pulled off two brilliant saves but couldn't prevent the visitors sneaking a fourth.

With 30 seconds to go, substitute David Turgoose cracked home a 30 yard right-footer with his first touch of the

ball but there wasn't time left to mount one final attack.

All in all, against a very strong 1st Division side, the lads were not disgraced in losing their first game of the season. For his all round battling performance, Matthew Dodds was awarded man of the match.

This Sunday (15/12), the team play away to League leaders Kader YCC and a win will enable the lads to leap frog over them. Watch this space!!!

## Aycliffe Unlucky to Lose

Wolviston U12's - 2

Aycliffe Youth U11's - 1

Aycliffe Under 11's were drawn against Wolviston Court Rangers Under 12's in the Cup, and the age difference had a big part to play in many areas of the game.

Wolviston were more disciplined in holding positions and had more power in the tackle and with kicking, particularly dead ball situations.

However, Aycliffe can count themselves unlucky to have lost this game. The team fought hard throughout, and kept their heads up, even when going 1-0 down against the run of play.

Aycliffe's tigerish attack caused endless problems for Wolviston, as their strong defence held out. A second goal before the break left Aycliffe with the almost impossible task of pulling the game round, but they drove on and finally got the feast that they deserved.

Captain, Michael Carr, barked out encouragement as Adrian Clarke and Sean Donnelly joined the game to bolster the midfield, then Ryan Wilson played in Sean who fired home from 20 yards.

Sean's performance in only 20 minutes was enough to earn him Man-of-the-match, but special mention must go to Craig Taylor at right back, and Ryan Stonehouse, sweeper, who were both outstanding. This week's game away to runaway League leaders Fishburn, who have a 100% record from 9 games, but with Aycliffe moving into joint second in the League, having won their last six League matches, it promises to be a fantastic game.

## Peace of Mind With Home Gas System

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Ian Printy, British Gas Home Energy Operations Manager - New Business, said: "This product has been tested for several months in the South East of England by British Gas and it has proved popular among home movers who, in most cases, are not aware of the history of the appliances in their new home. It may also help them to sell their existing home if they have a safety certificate to show to any potential buyers - rectification work to unsafe gas appliances can often be an expensive additional expense, the last thing anyone needs when moving home."

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## Health Worker Through to Finals



Nursery assistant Lindsay Routledge is through to the national final of the Edexcel Awards for Educational Excellence.

The 18 year old is the Northern Schools Winner in the vocational category after being selected for the prestigious award while studying at Spennymoor School.

Lindsay gained a Distinction in her BTEC Advanced GNVQ Health & Social Care - despite being the only student on the course.

During the course Lindsay did a work placement with the Health Alliance at Sedgefield District Council. She also undertook a research project looking at young people's attitudes to substance abuse.

The findings helped the Health Alliance Group update its education programmes and have been incorporated into Personal and Social Education courses for schools.

Lindsay is now working full-time at a private nursery and hopes to study sign language and playgroup teaching skills in the evening.

She said: "I always knew I wanted to work with children. I chose the BTEC GNVQ in Health and Social Care course because it taught me childcare skills. It is a very broad and versatile course and has allowed me to explore other career options."

Lindsay will find out if she has won a national award on 21st January 1997 at the national award ceremony in London.

The Edexcel Awards for Educational Excellence are presented annually in recognition of students' outstanding achievements.

## CLUB GALA RECORDS FALL

On Sunday 24th November, despite the snowy conditions Sedgefield 75 ASC held its Autumn Gala. To the delight of the spectators six clubs records were broken:

Scott Carpenter	25m Freestyle	17.28
Janet Bowden	25m Breaststroke	19.96
George Carpenter	50m Freestyle	32.84
Andre Raisbeck	50m Freestyle	36.03
Matthew Bowden	100m Breaststroke	1.19.58
Zoe Mitchell	100m Breaststroke	1.26.33

Congratulations to all those who took part in the event especially Samantha Walker and Katie Hewitson who received improvement awards.

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The service will be attended by Civic Dignitaries from the surrounding area and Councillor Moran would also like to cordially invite members of the public to join him in this celebration of Christmas.

## Letter to the Editor

# WE WELCOME NEW ACT ON DOG FOULING

Dear Sir,  
I welcome the news of the new 'Dog Fouling' Act and will certainly be encouraging Sedgefield Borough Council to designate areas in and

around Foxton Close as 'Poop Scoop' areas.

For too long certain dog owners on this estate have walked their dogs the few yards from their own house to a public lawn and encouraged their dogs to foul there and then walk away.

I would also disagree with the notion of it being a minority of owners who allow this.

Certainly around this area I have yet to see anyone clean up after their animal! The usual sight is of a dog messing up a lawn with the owner several yards away, looking elsewhere, presumably pretending not to be with it. Why not let their dogs mess on their own gardens?

I for one welcome the day when action is taken against these selfish and irresponsible people.

Yours Sincerely  
'Observer'

# Your Health Problems Explained on Tape Recordings

County Durham Health Authority has launched a new service offering health information on tapes which can be accessed by **FREEphone 0800 592697** between the hours of 9 am and 7 p.m. Monday to Friday.

You just ring the number and ask the operator for the tape number you require. The information is then played to you.

Outside office hours a code number is needed to access the system. In Durham it is 03.

Tapes vary in length from 5 - 15 minutes and copies of the directory have been

distributed to GP Surgeries, Health Promotion Units, NHS Trusts, Libraries, the Council for Voluntary Services, appropriate Voluntary Organisations and Self Help Groups, and Community Health Councils (the patient's voice) across County Durham.

Individual copies can be obtained by telephoning the Health Information Service on Freephone 0800 665544 between 9am and 7pm on weekdays.

Dr. John Woodhouse, the Health Authority's Director of Public Health said: "It is important people have access to a wide range of reliable information on health and health services. This new service is an added bonus and has already proved successful in other areas providing independent, confidential and free advice and information."

# "ASK" SHOW THE RIGHT XMAS SPIRIT

Elderly residents of Hawkshead Court were entertained with a medley of festive and old time songs by ASK (Aycliffe Support in the Community) volunteer group.

ASK whose aim is to promote community spirit, health and well-being in their neighbourhood, have been practising at their base at the Silverdale Community House over the past few weeks. They were a little

anxious on the night but soon got into the swing of it.

ASK's warmth and enthusiasm was received and returned by residents of Hawkshead who joined in singing and clapping with vigour.

The warden of Hawkshead expressed thanks to ASK for considering the elderly community.

The event was a great success raising Christmas and Community spirit.

## SWIMMING RESULTS

Last weekend 7th Dec. at Blyth's Annual Christmas Graded Gala, Sedgefield 75, with one of the smallest entries (six swimmers), claimed 2 Gold, 2 Silver, 2 Bronze, one 4th position and had two reserve finalists. **Sarah Kelly** (13), collected Gold in the 100m Freestyle (1:08.51) event and Silver in the 100m Backstroke (1:19.57).

**Michael Turnbull** (13), collected Gold in the 100m Freestyle event in a time of (1:03.56), Silver in the Breaststroke (1:26.3) and Bronze to complete the set in the 100m Butterfly event (1:17.95).

**Tarryn Samuel** (12) finished in Bronze medal position in the 100m Backstroke event and was reserve finalist in the 100m Freestyle event.

**Alison Storey** (14) took 4th position in the 100m Backstroke event in a time of (1:22.81).

**Stephanie Surtees** (12) was reserve finalist in the 100m Breaststroke and **Vicky Blair** achieved some personal best times.

Coach Paul Concannon stated that all the swimmers had performed well, putting in some superb performances.

## Free Xmas Party for Woodham Kiddies

Members of Woodham Community Centre are reminded that their children are invited to a Christmas Party, free of charge, on Sunday 22nd December, in the Main Hall.

The Party starts at 2pm and is for ages 2 - 11 years.

Entertainment and a Disco will be provided and parents are welcome to stay with their children.

Please reserve your place(s) by adding your name to the list at the Centre.

## SANTA'S IN TOWN!

The Town's Rotary Club have arranged for Santa Claus to be in Somerfield's Superstore on Saturday 14th December from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Children can talk to Santa and make their requests for Christmas and Mums and Dads are invited to make a contribution to the purchase of Christmas Hampers for our town's needy families. The Rotary Club acknowledge with thanks the kind help and support received from the Management and Staff of Somerfields.

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## Letter to the Editor

# LITTER AND BAD PARKING

Dear Sir,  
Having read your article on the powers to allow retribution against owners, who allow their pets to foul public areas, with which, as a dog owner I agree, I wonder if similar measures cannot be taken against general littering of these same areas; the parking of vehicles on grassed areas; on pavements and in places

marked as 'No Parking' or 'No Parking or Unloading' areas?

One only has to observe the junctions of Dalton Way and Greenwell Road to see a very public demonstration of this.

These practices seem to go on with the people involved suffering no comeback.

A Woodham Village Resident.

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## 4 - 0 WIN PUTS AYCLIFFE IN 2nd PLACE

Aycliffe Under 16's played away to Billingham New Park on Sunday 8/12.

The pitch was very muddy up the middle of the park so Aycliffe's instructions were to play out wide. The game kicked-off twenty minutes late due to the home team not getting the nets up - no referee and not even a proper match ball. When the game finally got under way Aycliffe pressed forward at every chance.

Early chances were missed but good football would be very difficult in these conditions.

Aycliffe opened their account with good play by David Clay who put a great ball in for Gareth Richardson to tap it in and make the score 1-0.

The Aycliffe midfield were really working hard in the mud and in the 26th minute Tony Briddick hit a 25 yarder against the bar. In the 28th Minute Tony got the ball, beat two men and slotted it through for David Clay to make it 2-0 to Aycliffe.

It was really one way traffic for Aycliffe but they could not put their easy chances away so half-time saw the score at Aycliffe leading 2-0.

In the second half Aycliffe started where they left off and continued to press Billingham back. After 6 minutes of the second half Richard Bryan was brought on for Gareth Richardson who had a knee injury.

After 10 minutes of the second half Stuart Douthwaite stormed out of defence, ran 50 yards and put a great ball through for Richard Bryan to score Aycliffe's 3rd goal.

Aycliffe went further ahead after 15 minutes when Tony Briddick made a brilliant solo run to hit the ball into the corner of the net to make it 4-0.

Aycliffe were so dominant that Billingham could hardly get out of their own half. On the one rare occasion a Billingham forward beat two Aycliffe defenders, rounded the goalkeeper and with an open goal 2 yards away Stuart Douthwaite made the tackle of the match to clear the ball.

To be honest Aycliffe should have made double figures easy because so many chances went begging. No excuses for the forwards, Billingham should have been dead and buried but as it was they were let off the hook with this 4-0 defeat. This win puts Aycliffe in 2nd place in the League.

I must mention the storming display of Stuart Douthwaite and Tony Briddick - unlucky for Stuart that Tony was so outstanding. Man-of-the-match was Mr True Grit - Tony Briddick. Lets keep it going lads. Keith and Mike.

*I would like to take this opportunity to apologise for the mistake in last week's report concerning Mr and Mrs Martin's son, Louis Martin, please accept my apologies of this miss-under-standing.*

## PERSIMMON'S NEW HOUSE STYLE AT AVON PARK



A new house style is now available for the first time at Persimmon's Avon Park development in Newton Aycliffe, which combines the luxurious features of a four bedroom home with the price of a three bedroom semi.

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"This style of house has been one of our most successful house types throughout the region," adds Helen. "Following the popularity of the three bedroom semi-detached Surrey, we had many requests for more of this type of affordable property, and the response we are getting to the Chatsworth at Avon Park is very positive, especially from first time buyers and families!"

The Chatsworth is a well appointed house which features a fitted kitchen - with gas hob, fan assisted oven and extractor hood - and spacious through lounge-dining room. The master bedroom has an en-suite shower, and there are two additional double bedrooms and a Victorian style family bathroom. This property additionally has an integral garage and is fitted with gas fired central heating.

Avon Park is a well established development situated off Bluebell Way, and has beautiful open countryside. The development is ideally located for commuting to the major centres of Durham, Darlington and Middlesbrough.

To find out more about Avon Park, please contact Jan Pounder on 313899. The sales office is open Thursday to Monday from 10.00am to 5.00pm. Otherwise, you can call Persimmon's 24 hour Helpline on 0500 500 455.

## AYCLIFFE FIRM FEEDS 25,000 PEOPLE A DAY

A 25% increase in turnover to £20 million, has seen Newton Aycliffe based Eures North East, grow to become the region's leading provider of work-place catering services.

Part of Compass Group, the world's largest food services organisation - which this week announced a 76% rise in turnover from £1,505.8 million to £2,651.9 million - Eures feeds more than 25,000 people a day across the region at locations ranging from major manufacturing sites to

company boardrooms.

Formed last year, the company is one of fourteen regional Eures businesses operating throughout the UK and the increase from last years £16 million turnover figure has come through more than 20 new contract gains over the past 12 months.

Fergus Walsh, Business Development executive at Newton Aycliffe office, said: "We have won new contracts in each of our target sectors - distribution, financial and legal services, manufacturing, engineering and food and drink - and the results have been very encouraging."

Mike Stangroom Eures North East Managing Director, pointed out: "Our name change to Eures in February, when we came under the global banner of Compass Groups work-place catering operations, gave added impetus to our business and has helped us in the development of relationships with clients who have similarly structured organisations - a strong regional presence and either national or multinational operations."

"They are looking for service providers with the flexibility and resources to meet their needs in an ever-changing environment, and as a work-place caterer, our success is based upon developing true partnerships with clients to design and deliver appropriate solutions to their feeding requirements."

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## BORO AFTER THE COUNTERFEITERS

Boro supporters can help the Club protect its most important income line by phoning a new hot-line telephone number as the Club plans to get tough with counterfeiters.

The Boro Bootleg Hot-line was set up following a meeting of Trading Standards Officers and Club Officials at the Cellnet Riverside Stadium last week - and Boro want fans to phone in and let them know if they suspect traders of selling goods covered by the Club's own rights.

The Club is now working closely with all of the local Trading Standards Authorities in a bid to stamp out the increasing trade in bootleg Boro merchandise, which is often cheaper but far poorer quality than official goods from the Club shops.

Boro's Chief Executive Keith Lamb said: "We are determined to clamp down with all our might on these traders who jump on the bandwagon and profit from the Club's name with merchandise of inferior quality. Our retail outlets are a vital source of income to the Club, helping us to bring in the money to buy the Juninho's and Ravanelli's of the future."

"The street trading is rife and we are working hard with the Trading Standards Authorities to stop it. But we can't be everywhere and we're asking our supporters to act as our

eyes and ears. There's only two places where official merchandise can be bought that's our two shops at the stadium and in the Cleveland Centre. So if fans see any good being sold that they believe are being passed off as Middlesbrough F.C. gear then we'd like them to tell us about it on the new Hot-line number. "We will come down heavily on anyone selling products covered by our rights. Anything which bears the name of the Club's star players or sponsors, or which has the likeness of official Club merchandise is covered by these rights."

Dave Kitching, Trading Standards Team Leader in Stockton, added: "This problem has increased with the Club's profile and continues to grow. It's now time to stamp it out. People aren't getting what they think they are paying for when they buy many of these goods because they are of a inferior quality, while Middlesbrough F.C., as a legitimate seller, is suffering at the hands of these counterfeiters."

The new Boro Bootleg Hot-line number is 0990 134 185. Callers are asked to provide details of the location of the alleged infringement, the product, the seller's location and the time they were there. Calls cost no more than 10p per minute.

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## NEW TICKETS LEFT FOR SCHOOL SHOW



Stars of the Greenfield Show, Catherine Turgoose (left) and Helen Booth were interviewed on the radio.



Greenfield Teacher, Peter Simpson and pupil Claire Deighton at the Darlington Radio Station.

Last Sunday night, Greenfield School were invited to appear on Radio A1FM to talk about 'The Puzzle Box', their forthcoming musical being performed on 16th, 17th and 18th December. Writer of the musical, Peter Simpson and Choreographer Claire Deighton took along two of the 'stars' of the show, pupils Catherine Turgoose and Helen Booth to the A1FM studio (see photo) and they all took part during a half-hour slot on Gary Burgham's show.

Catherine and Helen acted out part of their stage roles whilst Peter and Claire explained how the musical developed from scratch into a full blown, all-original production.

There are only a few tickets left for the show and these are available from Greenfield School, Tel: 300378/300386.

## LECTURER BECAME STUDENT



Robin Laycock a lecturer in Electrical Engineering and Computing at Bishop Auckland College went back to being a student in order to help Georgie the Barn Owl. Robin joined the do-it-yourself Woodwork Class on Tuesday nights at the College and made nesting boxes for Georgie and other endangered birds. Robin says "It all started last summer when I was visiting The Owl Centre at Muncaster Castle in Cumbria, which is part of the World Owl Trust. I noticed an appeal asking for help to provide nesting boxes for the owls and decided that it was a practical way to get involved to help protect these endangered birds. "Many people think of conservation being only in third world countries and forget about our own wildlife. In the United Kingdom we have 36 bird species on the danger list, and it would be such a shame to lose these beautiful birds from our countryside." Before being given to the Owl Centre, six year old Georgie was a child's pet. He is now too tame to be used for breeding purposes or to set free.

## WOOLWORTH'S STAFF HELP DISABLED CHILDREN

WOOLWORTHS have raised a staggering £630 for charity.

Over the past seven months, your local Woolies have been fund-raising for its company charity 'Whizz Kids' - an organisation which gives disabled children a little more independence with electric wheelchairs. The most recent money-raising event was a raffle for a Christmas hamper, compiled together from donations from the Woolies team. The hamper was won by Mrs Andrews. £63 was raised from his raffle, but that's a mere drop in the ocean to what has already been mustered.

Manager John Saint is delighted with what has been achieved. He said: "'Whizz Kids' are a smashing charity, and we're backing them all the way. We as a team are delighted to be raising this kind of money for them.

"We couldn't have raised this without the help from the people of Newton Aycliffe. They too, along with my team members, have been the backbone of events, and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank them wholeheartedly. I can only hope that we will be as successful with future raffles and events for our charity."

The fund-raising for 'Whizz Kids' is an ongoing feature with Woolworths, so further cash injections are inevitable for this very much worthwhile cause. Meanwhile, children of

Newton Aycliffe can still enter the Woolworths 'Children's Christmas Card Competition', but the deadline to hand in your design is this Sunday (15th Dec.)

The competition has two age groups. The first from 5-8 years, and the second from 9-12. Design your Christmas card on a folded A4 sheet of paper, leaving the back to write on your full name, age, telephone number and address, then simply post it into the Woolies special post box at the front of the store.

The 5-8 group winner will receive the 'Toy Store' video, while the 9-12 winner will receive the 'Babe' video.

Two runners up from each group will win Woolies goodie bags. Winners will be decided by the Store team on Wednesday 18th December. Look out for results in the 'Newton News'.

## New Manager at Farmways

A graduate in agriculture of the University of Aberdeen, Douglas Chalmers has been appointed Feed Business Manager for the farmer-owned co-operative, Farmway of Darlington. He joins his new company, which is the dominant co-operative in the North East and Yorkshire, at a time when Farmway has achieved a lead in the industry by gaining approval for its feed mill under the Ministry's Beef Assurance Scheme. Farmway is one of the first mills in the country to be approved so far in the scheme.

It gained success on the basis that there had been no meat and bone meal stored or used on Farmway's Mill premises at Piercebridge near Darlington since July 1992 - a date which the co-operative easily met, as it decided in 1988 to enforce a ban on the use of the meal in the mill.

## Look After Your Elderly Neighbour

### COLDWATCH HINTS

Following these few simple tips can help older people stay warm and well this winter, without running up huge fuel bills.

- Try to keep a constant temperature of 21°C (70°F) in all rooms. If this isn't possible, try to keep one room warm and warm up the bedroom before you go to bed. Close your curtains and use draught excluders to keep the heat in. Wearing a vest or T-shirt under your clothes and a thin scarf or neckerchief indoors will protect you from draughts.
- Make sure you have at least one hot meal a day and drink plenty of hot drinks, especially before going to bed, it will help you keep warm. Why not keep a vacuum flask at your bedside in case you wake up feeling cold?
- Keep active! Don't sit for prolonged periods without getting up and moving about and try to take a little exercise each day - it will produce extra heat inside your body. Just walking up and downstairs can keep you warm!
- If you go out, always wear gloves and cover your head with a hat or scarf as a lot of your body heat is lost through your head. Several light layers of clothing under your coat are better than thick bulky layers. Warm insoles in your shoes will keep your feet warm.

### SIX TIPS ON HOW TO BE A GOOD NEIGHBOUR THIS WINTER.

If someone is ill or lying injured, they can't always ask for help. Keep an eye out for your older neighbours, particularly during cold weather - you could save a life. These are signs you could look out for:

- A home is in darkness when there should be someone in.
- Post and newspapers are stuck in the letter box.
- The milk is left out on the doorstep late in the day.
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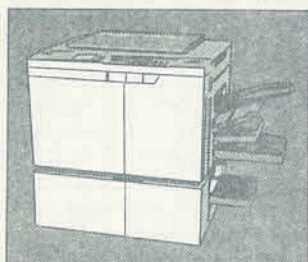
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**LIVE BENTLEY** Mam 1 Nana, died 10th December 1989. Reunited with Dad and Grandad Tommy, died 24th June 1975. We had to part with Mam we loved with all our heart, you won't come back, we know it's true. But someday Mam we will be with you. Loved and remembered always, daughters Olive, Olga and sons Robby and Tom.

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**BETH THOMPSON**  
Special granddaughter, happy 2nd birthday, love Granny and Grandad

**TODD** Congratulations on your 18th birthday Stacey. Love from Dad, Mam, Richard and Daniel

**TODD** Happy 18th birthday Mummy. Lots of kisses and cuddles from your little Bethany Jayne X

**STERLING**, Rebecca, To my big sister, happy 8th birthday, love from James

**STERLING**, Rebecca To a special little girl on her 8th birthday love Nana and Grandad XX

**STERLING**, Rebecca, Happy 8th birthday, lots of love Mammy and Daddy

**KELLY LINDA EWIN**  
Happy 18th birthday, lots of love Nige, Anita, Tina, Nikki and Stacey-Lee

**JORDAN CAYGILL**  
Happy 4th birthday, to a wonderful son on the 13-12-96, lots of love Mammy and Daddy

**WINTER** Happy birthday Claire, 13th December. Lots of love Mam and Dad, Darren and Gillian

**WINTER** All our love on your 19th birthday Claire. Deborah and Charlotte

**MARK HUGHES**  
Congratulations on your 21st birthday, December 12th, love Dad and Mam

**MARK HUGHES** Happy 21st on December 12th, love Sue, Wayne and Sarah

**ETHERINGTON** Shelly, Happy 21st birthday on 17th December, love Brian, Joan and Mark

**DENNIS BURKITT**  
Happy 50th birthday, lots of love from Susan, John and Kevin XX

**MANDY WOODHEAD**  
Congratulations on reaching the ripe old age of 21 on the 16-12-96. Lots of love Mam and Dad

**POLLOCK** Happy 8th birthday to a special granddaughter, Jemma, love you lots Nan XX

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY KATIE HILL



Weren't you little and so cute, looking your best in your little white suit, still as cute, but that was then, now you've grown and are TEN. Love & best wishes Mum, Dad & Claire

**LAUREN GUY**, 16th December, Happy 1st birthday, darling, lots of love and kisses from Mammy and Daddy XXX

**LAUREN GUY**, 16th December, Happy 1st birthday to our little sister, lots of love and kisses from Victoria and David XX

**LAUREN GUY**, 16th December, Happy 1st birthday, loads and loads of love from Grandma and Grandad Summerbell

**LAUREN GUY** Happy birthday on 16th December, one today, love from Uncle Mark XX

**LAUREN GUY**, 16th December, Happy birthday to a dear niece, one today, lots of love from Auntie Debbie and Uncle Mark X

**DANIEL WEST** Happy 10th birthday, 16th December, have a lovely day on Monday, lots of love Mum and Dad XX

**DANIEL WEST** Happy 10th birthday Too Army Fan, love Garry and Nicola XX

**DANIEL WEST** Happy birthday Daniel, love from Aunt Margaret

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**Thank You**  
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## PLANS REVISED FOR NEW COBBLERS HALL VILLAGE

The Borough Council is proposing to make some changes to the layout of the Cobblers Hall housing development in Newton Aycliffe.

These changes have become necessary as a result of more detailed site investigations and do not affect most of the Cobblers Hall area.

The character of the area will stay the same, providing a good quality residential location with a series of housing areas set in a comprehensive

landscape framework, linked by a distributor road running north and south of Burn Lane.

The proposed revisions involve:-

\* The relocation of the site for the local centre to a position adjacent to Burn Lane/Burn Lane roundabout, north of Burn Lane.

\* The relocation and extension of the main area for public playing fields and open space to extend northwards from the petrol filling station alongside

Burnhill Way.

\* The inclusion of a site for the development of a high quality and specialist care partnership centre for people and their carers who suffer disadvantage through disability, age or ill health.

\* Reorganisation of the remaining individual housing areas.

For anyone wishing to view the proposed changes to the Cobblers Hall Development Brief, copies are available at Newton Aycliffe Library, Dalton Way, and from the Borough Council's Offices at Spennymoor.

Any comments received will be taken into account before the finalisation of the revised Development Brief.

Any such comments should be sent to the Projects and Plans Section, of the Planning and Technical Services Department, at the Borough Council by 24th January 1997.

For further information please contact Phil Banks at Sedgfield Borough Council on (01388) 816166.

## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

St. Joseph's School would like to say thank you to all those who supported their Christmas Fayre last Friday which was a huge success. The results of the Grand Christmas Draw are as follows:

3726, 2969, 4684, 0598, 0349, 4706, 2885, 0923, 3923, 3389, 4264, 1746, 2508, 4091, 1546, 1581, 1710, 1978, 0680, 2825, 3673, 4651, 1655, 4226, 4093, 4212.

The winning ticket for the separate raffle for a Doll was YELLOW 174 and was claimed on the night.

## Off to Australia

MPW Electrical will finish operating as a service to the people of Newton Aycliffe on the 20th December 1996.

This is because Mark Wilkinson and his wife are moving to Australia. "I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all my customers and wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year," said Mark.

## Overpowering Huntsmen

By MARTIN WALKER

### OTTER & FISH - 1 HUNTSMAN - 9

In association with J&C Coaches.

Huntsman belted Otter & Fish last Sunday, but they still weren't at their best.

The first 20 minutes brought a shock lead for Otter & Fish, but Huntsman equalised straight away through Rob Lothian. They then pulled their socks up, and eventually won with considerable ease.

Lothian went on to score a hat-trick along with Chris Walker, while Jim McCabe and Tony Travis also scored. I scored the final goal late on after being brought on from the bench.

The Man-of-the-match was Martin Haigh and the Minger-of-the-match award went to the unfruitful Wayne Marram.

This week, Huntsman play bottom of the table DPD Heating. Huntsman last beat them away earlier in the season 9-1.

Meanwhile, Archaeologist's have recently found what are believed to be ancient cave man scrawlings in the Ashfield area of Aycliffe.

The words 'Denise you're gorgeous, I'd do anything for you' were discovered only a couple of weeks ago. One representative said they could date back as far as the Garethaurus years.

But Huntsman spokesman Gareth Elvidge described the findings as 'absolute rubbish!!!' Time is fast running out to buy your raffle tickets for the super



Huntsman Christmas Prize Draw 1996. Two great holidays, £33 worth of beauty vouchers from Saks, a traditional Christmas hamper, many other hampers and smaller prizes are up for grabs. You can buy your tickets for just £1 in the Huntsman, Woodham Village, on either Thursday when the Huntsman will host Kev's Quiz night, Friday/Saturday night during Stan's popular Karaoke, or on Sunday night when resident DJ Kevin Hannant will be sounding his stunning collection of Soul classics. Either night, with the prize list totalling around £500, you'd be mad to miss out.

**This week's poser** - What country did Scotland draw with to qualify for the 1986 World Cup Finals? (Answer next week). **Last week's poser was:** Who began his reign as European Footballer of the Year in 1983? (Answer: Michel Platini).

## Letter to the Editor St. Mary's Xmas Fayre Raised Over £1,000

Dear Editor,  
The St. Mary's Parent, Teacher and Friends Association would like to say a very big thank you to everyone who supported their Christmas Fayre on Friday 29th November.

Over £1,000 was raised due to the kindness and generosity of those people who both attended and contributed to the Fayre.

We would particularly like to say thank you to the Mayor and Mayoress Mr and Mrs Moran, who opened the Fayre and to those companies who kindly sent us donations for our Prize Draw. These were:- Black & Decker, Halfords, Flymo, Thorn Lighting, The Royal British Legion (N/A), Fujitsu, Hydro Polymers, Kwik Save, Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre, Spennymoor Leisure Centre, Burger King, Morrisons (Morton Park), Darlington Civic Theatre, Gretna Green, The Showcase Cinema, Teesside Park, Darlington Football Club, SAKS at Redworth Hall, Gillian and Paul Graham at the Poachers Pocket in Middridge - (Old Bay

Horse), Hollywood Bowl (Teesside Park), Great Lakes Chemicals and Somerfield Food Store.

We would also like to thank Mr. Meikle and the staff at the new Somerfield store in Newton Aycliffe, who allowed us the opportunity to hold a raffle in the Store which raised £150 towards the Fayre. And Newton Press who have helped us in a number of ways.

Yours Sincerely  
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