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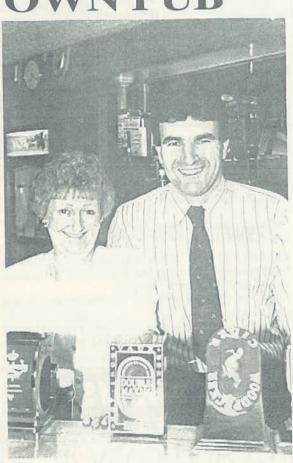
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Sunday Lunches were always full and the Bar meals were excellent value and very popular with

It is a demanding job being Golf Club Stewards and Dave and Barbara often worked 17 hours a day at the height of the season.

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Dave and Barbara only leased the Bar and Restaurant at Woodham and it was their ambition to own their own business, and it is this which prompted them to leave Woodham.

They have bought a well established business, which will present them with new challenges as they work to build up trade and try new ideas to improve the service.

The Goads will also have the benefit of living on the premises which did present some inconvenience for them at Woodham.

'We look forward to welcoming Newtonians to our Pub and Restaurant at Sedgefield where they can expect the same high quality and service" said

We wish Dave and Barbara every success in their new venture.

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British Gas officials? Currently, if you have any complaints against a meter reader you can complain to the Gas Consumer Council.

Will this governing body deal with complaints against people working for a subcontracted private company? Meter reading is not a free service provided by British Gas, it is paid for by householders with a gas supply as part of their bills. As we pay for the service, which has a long standing record for efficiency, courtesy and honesty, we should surely have a say who comes into our homes and who they are answerable to should changes considered.

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Wednesday 18th Jan - Finance Committee - 7.15pm

Wednesday 25th Jan - Full Counil - 7.15pm

#### THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

Sedgefield District Council have organised some Countryside Events for the next few weeks, as follows:

Sunday 22nd January - Tree Planting

Continuing with our project to introduce a wider variety of trees and shrubs to Rope Moor Wood. Meet at 10.00am at the northern entrance to the wood on Burnhill Way, just south of Acle Burn, Newton Aycliffe.

Sunday 12th February - Woodland Management Launch of a new project at Middridge Wood, 1/2 mile east of Middridge Village, We will meet at 10.00am on Middridge Lane, about midway between the junction with Greenfield Way (site of petrol station) and Middridge Village. Come along for the whole day or just for the morning.

For more information on these and other Countryside events call Graham Clingan on 0388 816166 ext 4487

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## Gardens Guild A.G.M.

The Newton Aycliffe Gardens Guild Annual General Meeting will be held in The Cubby at 7.30pm on Monday 6th February 1995 - all members welcome.

The Sales Hut will be open on Sunday mornings January 15th and 22nd from 10am to 12 noon

Bob Carr Hon Secretary

## **Aycliffe Company** To Build Their **Own Factory**

Roman Ltd. of Hurworth Road have applied to erect a new factory at the junction of Whinbank Road and Whitworth Avenue.

The new site will allow for further expansion at a later date.

Roman wish to re-locate from their present leased premises as soon as possible and hope to create 44 new jobs.

Kite Flying has become one of the fastest growing adult sports in England and to keep up with the trend Bishop Auckland College have introduced Kite Design into their Art and Design curriculum.

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Students from all over the region are being given the opportunity to develop their skills in this exciting new field of design.

Mr. Goodman, England's most knowledgeable authority on the subject, recently visited the College. He organises International events when up to 700 kites take part in a mass kite fly. Art & Design GNVQ students at intermediate and advanced levels joined in a workshop led by Mr. Goodman which included a

video and discussion abo oriental imagery.

He then demonstrated I kites and spent the after noon assisting students cr ate their own designs.

"To successfully comple their Course students mu undertake a project on o ental art and this worksh has helped them end mously" said Tutor Yvon Sewell.

The kites have been d played in the College, but is intended to exhibit the along with other elemen of work, including screen prints, and posters at loc tions to be announced in t Spring.

For further information ris the College on (038 603052.

# The Greenfield Centre

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## PRE-ENROLMENT TAKES PLACE:

TUESDAY: 10th JANUARY, 6.30-8.30pm WEDNESDAY: 11th JANUARY, 6.30-8.30pm THURSDAY: 12th JANUARY, 6.30-8.30pm TUESDAY:
Cake Decoration/Sugarcraft - Italian (beginners)
Making the Most of Yourself (begins 10-1-94)

Vegetarian Cookery - Painting & Drawing
R.S.A. Word Processing - Knitting Club (begins 10-1-95)
Taekwondo (begins 10-1-95, 6.30-8pm)
Youth Activities (begins 10-1-95, 6.15-8.30pm)

WEDNESDAY:
Basic Education - Calligraphy - Dressmaking
Computer Literacy - Floral Art (begins 11-1-94) Fly Tying - Pottery & Cermaics - Local History
Holiday French - Massage & Aromatherapy
Car Maintenance - Self Defence for Women - Yoga
N.A. Youth Football Association (6-7.30pm)

#### THURSDAY

Decoupage (beginners) - Egg Decoration (Faberge Style) German (intermediate) Dried Flowers & Craft Work (begins 12-1-95)

Holiday Spanish - R.S.A. Word Processing Sign Language - Massage & Aromatherapy Aerobics (begins 12-1-95, 6-7pm) - First Aid Gymnastics (7-11 years, begins 12-1-95, 6.30-7.45pm)

THESE COURSE BEGIN FROM TUESDAY 17th JANUARY (unless stated otherwise)

Courses run from 7-9.00pm (unless stated otherwise)

### Get Fit at Greenfield

The Greenfield Centre run many courses for all interests (Tel 300378 for details), but at this time of the year their fitness based activites are just what the doctor ordered after Christmas binges. Taekwondo on Tuesday, Yoga on Wednesday or Aerobics on Thursday are available - Telephone for times.

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# **PUBLIC** USE

Durham County Council Health Care Officer, Nigel Porter, has responded suggestions Councillor Don Fraser on the use of the Hydrotherapy Pool by people from the Community.

The new pool, opened last year at the Aycliffe Training Centre, on the Industrial Estate, could bring great benefit to numbers of people seeking relief from arthritic and other similar disorders.

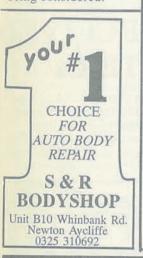
Mr. Porter is happy to allow greater use of this facility when not being used by clients at the Training Centre.

There would have to be trained personnel in attendance at these sessions and sufficient helpers to support users.

The Clients and helpers must also have medical clearance before using the pool.

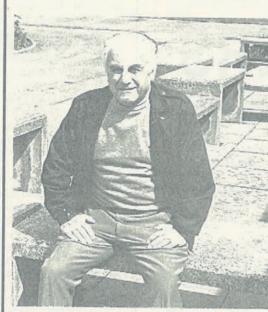
There is a possibility the pool could be used outside normal hours providing the same conditions were adhered to and the cost of keeping the pool open was met by the

users. Councillor Fraser took the opportunity to enquire if other facilities at the centre could be available privately and this is being considered.



# **EX TOWN** COUNCILLOR DIES

THOMAS ELDRETT 3/10/1919 - 21/12/1994



Tommy who was born in Ferryhill, left school at 14 and joined the Coal Board where he worked from 1934 until 1939.

He joined the Navy (Fleet Air-Arm) and attained the rank of Chief Petty Officer, and saw active duty throughout the war.

He was on the "Indomitable" and was torpedoed and bombed three times. Tommy left the Navy in 1952 and rejoined

the Coal Board where he studied and in 1964 moved to South Wales as Area Training Officer for South Wales and Somerset Board.

He moved back to Durham in 1969 and worked for the Paper Training Board and then Remploy, retiring in 1979.

During this period and after retirement he also worked as a Sports Attendant at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre where he realised the need for the community to be aware and be trained in water safey. He therefore formed Newton Aycliffe Life

Saving Club and the Club under Mr Eldrett's guidance, developed to include Sub-Aqua.

In 1979, Newton Aycliffe Life Saving and Sub-Aqua Club attained the Golden (SAA) "Club of the Year" award.

He received Presidential Commendations from the Royal Life Saving Society in recognition for his services.

Tommy was the Area Examiner for the Royal Life Saving Society and this involved him in the examination of all clubs in the North East, inleuding the Police at Durham Constabulary.

He also formed and ran a club, whilst carrying out these duties, to teach local Senior Citizens to swim.

He served as a Town Councillor and played an active part in the Town's Development

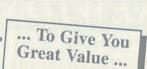
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# VILLAGE AND TOWN PARISH **CHURCHES** TO

The Durham Diocesan Pastoral Committee is proposing to unite the Parishes of Aycliffe Village and Newton Aycliffe to estyablish a Team Ministry for the whole of Great Aycliffe. The existing Churches shall both be Parish Churches of the new Parish and belong to the Archdeaconry of Auckland and Deanery of Sedgefield.

A Rector and two Vicars will form the Team Ministry and it appears the Vicarage at Avcliffe will become redundant.

The Vicar of St. Andrews has already informed his congregation he will be leaving the Parish.

The Church Councils of St. Andrews and St. Clares will be meeting to discuss the proposals. The number of clergy to serve the area is to be reduced and both parishes feel it is right to explore the possibilities. "A Team Ministry is the preferred option, but it is still at the consultation stage, and no final decisions have been made" said Rev. Peter Baldwin, Rector of St. Clares.

'A meeting of both Church Councils will be held in February when it is hoped there will be an opportunity to discuss the options." he added.

# S.D.C. INSTALL CLOSE CIRCUIT SYSTEM

The District Council is to spend £15,000 to provide a Close Circuit Television system within the Reception area at the Green Lane offices.

high level This security system will provide good surveillance for staff and visitors offering better protection says the S.D.C.

Shildon company, Echo Northern, who submitted the cheapest tender, will install the equipment

## SUPPPORT FOR NEW WOODHAM SCHOOL PETITION REQUESTED

The campaign for a new Junior and Infant School at Woodham is gaining momentum as more parents in that area come to realise the difficulties they may have to face.

Shortage of school places in the town only lead to larger classes and that could mean a poorer standard of education for all our children.

Newcomers to the town feel cheated that they bought new homes in new areas expecting all the usual facilities to be provided including a school. Schools are an important part of any large community - just as vital as roads, shops and other services; and the Education Authority has a duty to ensure they are provided.

The planners have earmarked sites, but the premises have yet to be built.

Local campaigner Derek Dunning is organising a petition to draw attention to the problem. If you support the need for a new school please complete the form below.

We the undersigned, believe a new Junior and Primary School is needed in Woodham Village

Address	Name	 		
	Address	 	***************************************	0

Signed .....

Please return this slip to: Derek Dunning

9 The Bridle Woodham Village Newton Aycliffe DL5 4TH

## Christmas Crib **Attacked** The Nativity Scene on display outside St. Clares Church has

been a welcome addition to the Christmas Decoration in the Town Centre area. For the first time this Christmas the back of the display was forced open and two figures removed.

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## Sanyo F.C. Fightback to win

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through the first half. It remained 0-1 till half time. After heated discussions at the break Sanyo came back and started playing their normal game and got well on top.

But against the run of the game Queens scored again. This just spurred Sanyo into more effort and soon after M Meredith pulled a goal back from a pass by M Cane.

It was then all Sanyo and they equalised when P Foster curled a shot into the top corner. In the closing stages D Summerill started a move from his own area and continued to run the length of the pitch to finish a 3 man move with unstoppable shot.

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# Aycliffe Hosts Contest

On the 18th and 19th February Sedgefield District Table Tennis Club are organising the Sedgefield District Two Star Open Junior Table Tennis Tournament at Aycliffe Newton Leisure Centre.

This is the second year that the event will have taken place at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre attracting in excess of 100 new players from both the north East and Scotland, Cumbria, Derbyshire Nottingham.

The cost of promoting the tournament in terms of hall hire at Newton Aycliffe Leisure centre is £400 and the club are financial seeking assistance to offset some these costs from the District Council.

## Indoor Football

Indoor Football Courses arranged for the first week of the School Holidays were a great success with 29 children attending. Prizes and certificates were presented at the

conclusion of each

course.

# Running News

On Saturday in the North East Harrier League at Wallsend, Newton Aycliffe continued their effort to gain promotion from the Third Division and finished in 2nd Place. First to finish for Aycliffe in 9th position out 307 runners was Colin Gibson, followed by Chris Guy, Pete Milburn, John Burnside, Alan Wilks, John Sean Lenegan, Dave Middleton, John Armstrong, Dave Askew and Sugden. The next race in the

series is this weekend at Peterlee and Aycliffe hope to confirm the second place in the Division.

In the North Yorkshire League at Acklam on Sunday Sue Cruddace, the Aycliffe Chairman continued her recent successes and finished in 11th position in 17 minutes. Helen Morgan also ran well.

In the mens race Ray Todd, Colin and George Hinde and Joe McCready performed admirably.

# IAM NEW TEST FOR **MINIBUS DRIVERS**

The Institute of Advanced Motorists has introduced a new IAM Driving Test specially tailored for the estimated half million drivers of minibuses operating in the UK.

The majority of minibus drivers are volunteers helping schools, charities or other organisations. Almost all have one thing in common, they have had no formal instruction in driving a passenger carrying vehicle and have done no more than pass

Many may not appreciate that driving a minibus, particularly when fully loaded with children or the elderly, is very different from driving a normal car. Often, the vehicles are merely vans which have been adapted to carry passengers by adding windows and seats.

Coach drivers have to undergo medical checks as well as taking a special driving test which includes examining their knowledge of the mechanics of the vehicle and the regulations regarding the carrying

There is therefore a wide gap between the knowledge and skill expected of a professional coach driver and that of the average minibus driver. Nationwide, there is no shortage of resources for driver training. Local authorities and other organisations are offering instruction as, indeed is the Institute itself, through its subsidiary company, IAM Fleet Training Ltd. However in the light of the recent Government announcement that exemption was to be sought from stringent safety rules to be imposed by the new EU licensing systems, the IAM feels that there must be more effort to test volunteer minibus drivers. Earlier this year, the IAM urged the Department of Transport to remember the old adage that "prevention is better than cure" and called for more encouragement of minibus operators to train and test their drivers. IAM Chairman, Michael Robotham said "Surely headteachers and the like should demand a

certificate of competence for drivers of minibuses in the same way as they are required to have a certificate of mechanical fitness for the vehicle." The new Minibus Test will be based on the existing IAM Advanced Driving test and cost the same £27). It will however test the particular skills that minibus driving demands.

The Darlington Advanced Motorists can offer training for MINIBUS DRIVERS, if required, arrange for them to take the Test. For further details please contact Mrs. Kathleen Hill, Secretary, 148 Durham Road, Spennymoor Tel. 01388 812323

# **NORSK HYDRO** PASS PVC KNOWLEDGE TO SCHOOLS

Mr. Geoff Richards, Director of Hydro Polymer recently launched a "School Science Supplement to the Norsk Hydro book, 'PVC and th Environment' for use in Secondary Schools. He presented Mr. Keith Mitchell, County Durham'

Director of Education with the first copy at th Company's Newton Aycliffe site. Also present wer Mr. David Hall, Managing Director of Count Durham's Training and Enterprise Council an Miss Jane Ritchie, Manager of the Durham Business and Education Executive.

The supplement was compiled and written by M Tim Randall who is a member of the Count

Durham Curriculum Support Group.
The project was funded equally by Hydro Polymer and the Training and Enterprise Council. Based o an idea from the Durham Business and Educatio Executive, the package has taken six months t complete and will be made available, free of charge to all Secondary Schools within County Durham Hydro Polymers is also providing part funding of an In Service Training day for teachers. This wi be provided on the company site at Aycliffe t maximise the possibilities offered by this package Mr. Richards said "Hydro Polymers is pleased t have the opportunity of extending it's knowledg and experience of PVC process and products t schools, by translating them into a form relevan to the National Curriculum and directly usable b teachers in the classroom.

## PLANS FOR **AYCLIFFE SHOW** UNDERWAY

Five acts have been ordered by the Town Counc for this year's Great Aycliffe Show, which will be held on August Bank Holiday Weekend.

Organisers of big events, such as this, have to go in quickly to book artistes and already the Counc has committed £3,750 to the Show.

New attractions for the Committee to conside include Pony and Trap Rides.

## SANTA RECEIVED 1150 LETTERS

Childrens letters to Santa Claus proved as popula

as ever at Christmas with nearly 1150 received through the five post boxes around the Town. The Post Boxes were organised by the Town Council who forwarded all the letters to Fathe Christmas for a personal reply to each child



# Undercover Youngsters **Used to Trap** Illegal Sale of Cigarettes

Consumer Protection Chiefs in County Durham have made a New Year Resolution - to stem the illegal sale of cigarettes to under-age children. And for the first time they will be helped in tracking down unscrupulous traders by young 'undercover'

Durham County Council's Director of Consumer and Scientific Services, David Holliday, warned traders to be on their guard to prevent the sale of cigarettes and tobacco products to young people under the age of 16.

"The sale of cigarettes to children is a criminal offence which we take very seriously" he added.

"During 1995 we will be carrying out test purchases of cigarettes and tobacco products, enlisting the assistance of young people. Anyone caught selling cigarettes to minors will more than likely face prosecution and fines of up to £2,500.

"If any parents believe that their children are buying cigarettes from shops, we would urge them to let us know any details."

Durham County Council's tough new approach follows evidence that despite sending circulars to all known tobacco retailers in the County on two previous occasions reminding them of their responsibilities with regard to the law, some shops were still selling cigarettes to children.

Last September, Mr. Holliday's officers carried out a surveillance exercise at locations near to 12 schools in 12 different towns in County Durham Children, apparently under the age of 16, were seen smoking at nine of the locations and in circumstances at three of them which suggested that illegal under-age sales were taking place.

But Mr. Holliday said that without evidence of an under-age sale, obtained by a test purchase, it was

difficult to take matters further.

Cllr. Mrs. Christine Smith, Chairman of the County Council's Public Protection Committee said the Authority had a statutory duty to consider each year an enforcement programme aimed at preventing the sale of cigarettes to children.

"It is quite obvious that stronger action is now needed to tackle this problem" she said.
"We have discussed this latest enforcement tactic

in great detail and retailers have nothing to fear if they abide by the law. I am sure the vast majority of responsible traders will support the action we are taking"

Retailers who are in any doubt about their legal obligations regarding the sale of tobacco products can obtain advice by telephoning the County Council's Consumer Scientific Services Department at Durham on 0191 383 3583 or at Darlington on 01325 34600



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# HOLIWAYS **EXPAND INTO** RAPID FIT, MOT & BODYWORK

Ford Main Dealer, Holiways, of Horndale Avenue, have taken over the former Target Express premises further down the road to expand their business. The large premises will be converted to a Rapid Fit Tyre and Exhaust Centre with Body Repair Workshop and MOT Vehicle Testing facility. John Hardy took full control of Holiways last year after the Construction Group went into liquidation. John made an offer for the garage and now owns the business which has always been successful The existing access off Hilton Road will be used for tyre and exhaust replacement, carried out while

Access to the new Body Repair Workshop which will also include a spray booth/oven is via Leaside

Conversion work is progressing steadily with an open day envisaged early February.

The new Rapid Fit business will be run by a manager, to be appointed, and 4/5 new jobs will be created.

Matthew Hardy, John's son who now works at Holiways, told "Newton News" they were keen to be open to offer this top class service to Newton Avcliffe and District.

'We are constantly striving to expand our business in an attempt to give our customers the best possible quality and service " said Matthew.

## **MOTHER &** TODDLER **GROUP AT** MFIELD

A Mother and Toddler Group started at Elmfield Primary School on Wednesday 11th January between 1.30 and 2.45pm

It is in response to local mothers who feel there is a need for affordable, easy to reach facilities for mothers with children under school age.

It is free to join.

Little ones will be able to benefit from playing alongside each other, while Mums have the opportunity to meet, have a cup of tea and a

Mums don't have to have children at the school to join. All mums and toddlers from the area are welcome, just come along on Wednesday afternoon. It is hoped that the group will be well supported as a community project by local mums and perhaps other members of the community for example, by donating toys and equipment or to help out in other

If you would like more details either call in or contact Liz Shaw, Community Worker on 01325 364694

## Banknote **Detector** Sells Well

Security pens to detect counterfeit bank notes sold out from Newton Press Stationery Shop, as soon as the notice appeared in "Newton News".

More supplies have been ordered to meet the demand.

The pen, selling at £4.50, leaves a stain on the note if it is suspect.

If you are passed a counterfeit note you must hand it in to the Police at once.

It is a criminal offence to hold or pass on a note which you know to counterfeit.

## **Council Survey** on Bus Shelter

A survey on the use of the bus shelter situated near Remploy, on the Estate, Industrial indicates insufficient useage to warrant the provision of another on the opposite side of the

Over 4 days the Bus Shelter was used by a total of nine people.

The Town Council authorised the survey to determine whether the purchase of a new bus shelter outside Remploy was justified. There has been a call for bus shelters at Remploy for a number of years, and Helical Bar, owners of the Industrial Estate, contributed £1500 towards the cost and one was built.

It would seem logical, if a bus shelter was required on one side of the road, another should be built on the other but the Town Council wasn't convinced it was necessary and undertook the survey to prove the point

#### LOCAL CHEMISTS EMERGENCY OPENING TIMES

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community "The £500,000 improvements includes the creation of acoustic grass banking to reduce noise levels whilst the start and finish lines will move to change the direction of exhaust and noise pollution away from the nearby housing estate. The project will create wealth and jobs for the

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STEVENS congratulations
Martin and Andrea - thanks
for a beautiful for a beautiful granddaughter and niece Kristina Rose all our love Mam, Dad, Julie and Glyn HOWEY Happy wedding anniversary John for the 14th January - thanks for 17 lovely years, love Julie XXX WARD Happy 80th Birthday Grandma Ward, lots of love and best wishes Tony and

WARD Happy 80th birthday Great Grandma Ward, love and kisses Ashley XX ZOE CLARK Happy 16th

love from Mum, Dad, Zena and Tony XXX

PEMBERTON Happy 16th birthday Colin, on Sunday 15-1-95. Lots of love Mam, Dad, Kevin, Paula and Scott JOHN GIBSON Happy 50th birthday darling, love you always, your ever loving

you aways, you ever loving wife Maureen JOHN GIBSON Happy 50th birthday Dad, love you loads, Ashley, Gary and Mandy JOHN GIBSON Happy

50th birthday Johno, love you Shaun and Lisa ALLEN GIBSON

Congratulations on your engagement, John and Joanne, love from Auntie Margaret, Uncle Joe, Chris, Marnie, Jackie, Ian and

Sarah HAZEL Hip Hip Hooray its Hazel's birthday - Many happy returns, don't perm Sam's hair, cos the acid burns - Luv Donna

#### In Memoriam

MARTHA DIXON Sweet devoted mother, from son Neil, daughter-in-law Ann Judith, Sharon and Adrian and Arron Jamie MARTHA DIXON died 14-

1-93. In loving memory of a special wife, mother and grandma, remembered and thought of every day by husband Robert and all the

DENISE TURNBULL Who fell asleep on 14th January 1993. Two years have passed since that sad day you closed your eyes and slipped away, remembering you is easy, we do it every day. It's the heartache of losing you that never goes away. Love and kisses Mam, Dad and brother

Martin XX DENISE TURNBULL 14th January 1993, aged 7. I think of you in silence and often speak your name, I have beautiful memories and your picture in a frame. No words shed a silent tear. For a much loved granddaughter. Lots of

love Nana T DENISE TURNBULL In loving memory of a dear niece who passed away January 14th 1993 aged 7. January comes with sad regret, the day the month we will never forget. In our hearts you will always stay. Loved and remembered every day. Aunty Brenda, Uncle Andy and Jacqueline DENISE TURNBULL died 14-1-93. Two years ago you passed away, but in our hearts you will always stay, love from Uncle Keith, Aunty Jestine, Michael and

Aunty Jestine, Michael and Stephen GATENBY, BILL died 13th January 1990. Time changes many things, but not the memory this day brings, sadly missed by wife Mary and all the family STAPLETON JOSEPH aged 36, died tragically 13th January 1990. Dearly loved husband and father, you

husband and father, you were taken away five years today, you were loved in every way, Joe I miss you so, it broke my heart to see you go, loved and remembered go, loved and remembered every day, till we meet again, R.I.P. Your loving wife Anne and family - God bless XX MADDISON, SAMANTHA 12-1-94. Memories are the sweetest things, they last from day to day, they can't get lost, they don't wear out get lost, they don't wear out and can't be given away. Our memories of you will never fade, you were the best friend God ever made. A clear friend sadly missed, remembered always and forever. Love Collette, Claire, Joanna, Claire, Nicola, Alison and Louise

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SWIMMING D.C.C. Adult classes, commence Tuesday 17th January or Thursday 19th January 1995. Sugar Hill School Pool, 10 weeks, 7 to 8.30pm, enrolment 6.30pm first night FLOWER Arranging classes resume on Tuesday 17th January at Longfield Comprehensive School and at Aycliffe Village Hall on at Aycliffe Village Hall on

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COACH TOURS Saturday 28th January, Granada Studios, Manchester Studios, Manchester (Coronation Street set) depart 8am, return 7pm £20 (including £14 admission charge) - Burnley Mill anbd Blackburn Choc Hover, Tuesday 28th February, depart 8.30am, return 8pm, £15 includes coffee/choca at Blackburn Tel 313024 at Blackburn Tel 313024 at Blackburn Tel 313024 Blackburn Tel 313924 to book

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#### Thank you

A BIG thank you to everyone for the cards and presents received on the birth our beautiful baby daughter Demi Louise Mick, Andrea and Demi

TO MICK thank you for being there when I needed you most, love you always Andrea TO ANDREA thank you for

the best Christmas present ever, our beautiful daughter. Love you stacks and stacks Mick Mac

KAREN & MARK would like to thank family and friends and all of karens customers for the cards and gifts they received on the birth of Aiden Thomas

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LOWES would like to thank family and friends for all presents and cards received on the birth of their baby boy

on the birth of their papy poy Curtis James 27-12-94 HODGSON Tom and Amy would like to thank the family for giving us a beautiful party for our Diamond Wedding Anniversary at the R.B.L. also cards and presents and to thank Councillor John and Mrs Wood, also Rev Peter Baldwin and Rev Michael Wrist. Also the Mayor, Councillor Peter Gowton who presented us with a lovely bouquet which was a big surprise, and a nice one. He also read the Queens telegram and gave a vote of thanks. I would like to thank Barbara and staff for putting a beautiful buffet on - thank you all once again - Amy and Tom Hodgson

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SALKELD, TRACEY 17-1-65. Dear Sister, birthday wishes - Time passes by but our thoughts of you will never die, you are always on our minds, especially on this special day, love Stephen and Carol XX

SALKELD, TRACEY 17-1-65 Silent are the thoughts of all of us together, deepest loving memories will always last forever. Love Kath, Keith, Pamela, David and SALKELD, TRACEY 17-

1-65. It doesn't take a special day to bring you to our minds, a day without the thought of you is very hard to find. Missing you more than ever before. Luv Donna, Lyndsey, Andrew X

LISA ANDERSON (21s When you lose someone you love, the hurt is hard to hid but when you lose you sister, the hurt goes decinside, her smile has got forever, her hands I cannot be the hard side. touch, but I will never ev lose, the memories of n sister I love so very muc God bless Lisa, your lovir sister Louise XXX LISA ANDERSON W

never knew that morning what sorrow the day wou bring, when your lovin heart stopped beating, and we could not do a thing. Ho many times we've misse you, how many times we've cried, If our love could have saved you, you never would have died. Love Man Nanna, Grandad Holme Lorraine, Dean, Auntie Jan and Jason and family LISA ANDERSON Such special friend, so sadl

missed and loved, you memories I'll always hold never ever will unfold. Go bless Lisa, thinking of yo always, love Julie XXX

# No Anti-Semitism Here!

"Newton News" received a letter criticising last week's front page article which mentioned the Town Centre was "Jewish" owned. The correspondent thought we were very insensitive in making the statemen

during the 50th Anniversary of the Liberation of Auschwitz. No offence was meant in identifying the owners as "Jewish" and we would have used the same approach had the owners been German, Arabic or Peruvian. Everyone knows what happened to Jews 50 years ago and that horror is forever

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