



New Recruit for Local Police Team

A new recruit to the policing team in South Durham plans to bring fresh ideas to make the communities she will be serving even safer.

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Lauren Wray, 22, from Peterlee has recently been recruited to the safer neighbourhoods unit for Chilton, Newton Aycliffe, Sedgefield, Shildon, Spennymoor and Ferryhill.

Lauren said: "I joined Durham Constabulary as part of the business administration business apprenticeship scheme six months ago. I've thoroughly enjoyed my time with the organisation and when the opportunity to apply for the position within the safer neighbourhood unit came up I jumped at it. "My previous jobs have been

public facing, working in customer service and sales, and public I'm looking forward to putting

the skills I developed in those roles into practice again as I get out and about to meet members of the community and offer advice on how they can stay safe."

Jayne Burdess-Sergeant Hoseason said: "I am delighted to

welcome Lauren to our team. She is perfectly equipped to handle the challenges that her new role with bring

"Lauren will be focusing on our existing strong Neighbourhood Watch schemes throughout these areas and assisting residents in starting up new schemes. She will be working closely with the neighbourhood policing teams through community events and police and community together (PACT) meetings, and is already making her introductions with existing Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinators in her area. "Lauren will bring fresh eyes

and ideas to community safety. She has already started getting out and meeting people in the locations she will serve and I look forward to seeing the positive impact her hard work will no doubt deliver.'

Dear Sir,

As you may have heard. I am no longer Deputy Leader of the Town Council. One corollary of this is that my role as Labour Group Press Officer will cease. In that capacity, for more than 20 years, I have been the councillor tasked to speak for the Town Council Labour Group in the Newton News, but that is now at an end. The loss of my media role, of

course, does not mean the end of my role as Ward councillor for Avcliffe North & Middridge. With my two colleagues, Joan Gray and Mike Dixon, I am still here for residents' issues and complaints.

In this respect, may I make one last plea for readers to sign up to my councillor blog on www. bit.ly/JDClare. I have always that councillors believed

History repeats itself as the

Romans return to County Durham for the Bank Holiday

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weekend.

TOWN COUNCILLOR LOSES DEPUTY LEADERSHIP

May I finish by thanking the Editor of Newton News for his kindness and latitude through the last two decades.

John D Clare

I am mistaken

should be transparent and accountable, and my website records everything I do as

a councillor, shares useful notices and updates ... and provides a means for residents to seek help, ask questions, and challenge me where they think



Based in Middlesbrough "Jump the Gun" is a rock cover band with a wealth of experience in live performance. With a varied set of classic rock tunes from Deep Purple, Van Halen, Thunder, Black Sabbath, Whitesnake, ZZ Top and many more. The band was established in 2005 by semi pro vocalist Tony Thurlow who's vocal style is very much like the artistes he admires; Ronnie James Duo, Glen Hughes and David Coverdale to name a few. John Thornton is an experienced player who complements the music with his tasteful lead and rhythm work. John also provides the ethereal keyboard sounds via guitar synth! The band has been through several line up changes since the beginning but the theme has always remained, to bring classic hard rock to music fans all over the north east. The latest change in line up brings new members Paul (bass) formerly of The Paul Rodgers Story and Mike (Drums) from League of Souls. A new live show that will hopefully leave the audience wanting more.

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Nursery Help Garden Party Dear Sir

Dear SIT I would like to say a great big thank you to Windlestone Nursery, Windlestone Lane, Rushyford for providing the lovely plants for Lifeline Community Action's Garden Party last weekend. They were

really lovely. It was also lovely to see so many people having a great time and celebrating our fifth anniversary. Looking forward to the next one.

Well done to all the volunteers who helped to make it a great success

Sheena Stephenson

Flower Demo

National Demonstrator, Lorene Dyer from Coventry, will demonstrate 'A Touch of Romance' at the next meeting of Shildon and District Flower Club at Shildon Civic Hall at 7.30pm

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We are appealing to your generosity - please help us to help more people who have reached crisis point. One in three people that access our services have either thought of or tried to take their own lives. Just imagine the impact your donations will have to those who have lost all hope! Helping Hands receptionist Linzi Nicholls is waiting for your call now: 07936 431262 or please email lifeline. action@googlemail.com for more information. "Please be the change that you want to see in a hurting life"

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Volunteer collectors Anne Molyneux, Norma Caygill and Pamela Lovelass

Dear Shoppers, Thank you all for your generous donations to our bucket collection in Tesco on 15th/16th May. The total amount raised for Christian Aid was £831.82. Not only did we raise a fantastic amount but we also

shopper said: "Thank vou for doing this." An old lady said: "Oh, I was hoping you would be here." So, all the organising makes it all worthwhile with comments like this and it lifts our spirits. It was a pleasure to meet you

Of course, none of this would be possible without the support of Tesco and the help of the staff on the day. We do appreciate it and want to thank the management

of Tesco for allowing us the space and time in their store for this collection. Christian Aid reaches out to

people all over the world in tragic circumstances like the recent earthquake in Nepal where people lost their lives, their homes, their livelihoods. It's great to know that the good people of Newton Aycliffe have reached out to them in their hour of need. On behalf of Churches Together in Great Aycliffe and Christian Aid, I wish to thank you all for your tremendous generosity and support.

Yours sincerely, Anne Molyneux Secretary, C.T.G.A.



The Company would like to thank the Fire Brigade confirm that on the evening of Friday 15th May the site experienced the breakout of a localised fire in one of the Assembly Plants.

No one was hurt in the incident and we have worked with our internal teams and the Fire Brigade to ensure the plant is totally safe to recommence activities and it has now returned to normal operations. A full internal investigation is underway. We would like to sincerely

and Emergency Services for the outstanding and professional support given to the Company in this incident and also to recognise the exceptional actions of our own employees in safely evacuating the plant in minutes and taking all appropriate actions to control the situation. We could not have expected more from either group. Peter Gallone. Plant Director



Woodham Burn







Jill Kelsey and baby Benjamin

CATS ADOPTATHO

Back by popular demand is the "Cats R Us Adoptathon" if you are thinking of adopting a cat.

Cats R Us in Shildon is the place to come to meet some special guests that will be visiting for the day, forlorn felines looking for a home are going to be available for viewing. Come along to the Adoptathon Homing Show on Saturday 23rd May 12noon until 3pm at Cats R Us Unit 10D Dabble Duck, Shildon, Co Durham, DL4 2RA.

An opportunity for people who are interested in rescuing a cat to meet the cats looking for their forever homes. A cat may be reserved on the day but won't be adopted until a satisfactory home check is done, which may or may not be done there and then.

Entry free with donations of cat food welcomed. Even if you are not thinking of adopting come along and do some cat cuddling, we will have lots of kittens available for viewing and cuddling that day plus a raffle, tombola and refreshments. Come along and support the Shildon Town Mayor's chosen charity!

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Collection Scheme

Dear Sir.

Further to the letter in last week's Newton News about people not paying the garden waste collection fee and instead using the general household bin

to dispose of garden waste. I anticipated this would happen when the charge was in the proposal stage. When views on the charge were being sought. I wrote to the council making this point along with several others. One of the other points I made was, that although I did not totally object to the charge, I would prefer that the collections carried on a little later into the autumn and started a bit sooner in Spring. Where I live in Woodham at least three loads which fill my bin at the end of the season are from leaves falling into my property from public land.

Not only do I have to spend time gathering them up I also have to pay to have them taken

away and at the end of the year I am left with a full bin of leaves preventing me from disposing of my own garden waste early the following year.

I have relatives in Newcastle and Nottingham who also pay $\pounds 20.00$ per annum but have collections right through the Winter apart from the Christmas

period. My email to the Council was never acknowledged. but having read their reply in the Newton News I see the solution - put as much as I can in the general household bin as I am not prepared to pay for petrol to take the leaves to the recycling centre on top of the £20 charge. Apart from all the above points struggle to see where is the saving, when the collection vehicle has to cover the same route, using the same amount of fuel to collect less compost material? Margaret Davison

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Unfair Garden Waste Hewitts Help Aycliffe Charity YOUNGSTERS HELP

A TEAM of legal eagles are preparing to push themselves to the limit on an Armystyle assault course to raise money for the Education Centre for Children with Down Syndrome in Newton Avcliffe.

Partners, solicitors, representatives and support staff from Hewitts, one of the

region's largest legal firms, are already in training for Armageddon III, a gruelling charity fundraiser in June. The day-long challenge, held at Bishop Auckland Rugby Club, on Saturday, June 6, will see teams taking part in a series of endurance tests,

such as commando duels and

As well as the endurance challenges, there will be a climbing wall, bouncy castle and barbecue for spectators. Partner, Darren Brown said: "We will get muddy, we will get wet but we will undoubtedly have fun."

As the team prepares for the challenge they plan to post regular updates on the Hewitts website (www.

Supporters will also be able to keep up-to-date via Facebook (www.facebook. com/HewittsSolicitors) and Twitter (@HewittsLawyers). Darren added: "We are proud to be undertaking this challenge in support of ECCDS which provides care and support for children with Down Syndrome and their families. The work the ECCDS undertake is vital to the continuing care and development of the children and we would be grateful to anyone who wishes to

champs by visiting the Just Giving page via the Hewitts website (www.hewitts.co.uk/ news/96/a-tough-legalchallenge).

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A lady took this picture in Aycliffe Town Centre and it's been shared on Facebook. Sam Broad, Jack McGill, Cameron Neill and Charlie Hirst, all students at Woodham Academy, got talking to a homeless gentleman in Newton Aycliffe town centre and decided to help him.

They went to "Love Thy Cupcake" owned by Sam Broad's mother Saffron who donated Coffee. Noodles and Cakes for this gentleman. They also obtained sweets and pop for him from Heron. I think these young people are amazing and should be very proud of themselves for being such caring boys. They didn't just hand over the food and drinks they

actually stayed talking to him for some time listening to his stories. Their parents should be proud that their sons have such big hearts to do something like this,

A huge thank you should go to Love Thy Cupcake and Heron, and this is why we should always support our small local shops as they are good caring people. Michael Smith

Editor: The Head Teacher at Woodham, Christine Forsyth, told Newton News she was very proud of her students and their caring nature.

Some cynic commenting on a letter in last week's issue suggested that just as we attract pigeons by feeding them we might now begin to attract homeless people to our town centre.





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Pond dipping on Tuesday 26th May 10.30am – 12 noon at Aycliffe Nature Park. During this ever popular event there will be an opportunity to discover what we can find living in the pond at Aycliffe Nature Park. Bring your nets, buckets and

wellies if you have them and meet at the entrance to the Nature Park off Travellers

Mini-beast Hunt on Wednesday 27th May 2pm – 3pm at West Park near Boating Lakes. We'll be looking for insects around the park which make this area of town their home. The Council's Environment Officer will be on hand to assist in finding and identifying the creatures which we find. Wellies may be required if you have them. Planting Wildflower on

Widnesday 27th May from 3pm to 4pm at West Park near Boating Lakes. Here is a great opportunity to assist in planting a selection of small plants such as Knapweed, Poppies and Cornflowers within the meadow at West Park to help brighten up this corner of the park during the summer months. All tools will be provided.



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Ofsted's "Good" Report for Little Cubs Nursery



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The rating is just one away from 'Outstanding' but, has improved standards since its last inspection five years ago. "Ofsted say the quality of teaching at Little Cubs is good and that staff provided a broad range of activities, experiences and opportunities, which support children to make good

progress in their learning." There are 14 members of staff at Little Cubs, looking after more than 70 children. The latest Ofsted report

praised employees for forging "close and effective working partnerships with parents, supporting children's continuity partnerships

Available

of care and learning". The report added:

develop warm, caring and nurturing relationships with the children. This means that children are happy, behave well and are confident learners.

"Staff

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a good understanding of their roles and responsibilities in keeping children safe from harm. "The dedicated staff team

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Xcel Centre in 2010 to expand to full day care and there are still a small number of spaces left for children. "With our friendly, professional staff team, you can be confident that your child is being looked after the way you would look after them," said Kerina. "Our rooms are age specific, with quality activities and furnishings, from natural wood furniture to home cooked meals, and every part of Little Cubs is aimed at delivering

excellent care. "The link between home and nursery is a key connection and we actively seek ways to continually ensure this is demonstrated in our nursery." To enquire about places at Little Cubs, or for more information. call 0845 450 5871 or email info@xcelcentre.com



Kerina Clark

NEVILLE **COMMUNITY** GENTRE

New Clubs have been added to the programme at Neville Parade Community Centre. "Fit Steps" based on Strictly Come Dancing. Lose weight and tone up in a fun way. Every Friday from 11.30am. Admisison £3.50p - First session FREE!

Dog Training every Sunday at 6.30pm. New Bingo Monday 1st June and Friday 5th June - 7pm. Special Bingo Session on Saturday 4th July - 6 to 8pm. View our Centre for Party bookings - we also have a smaller room for hire for meetings (25 people). Ring 313924

GRANDMA'S CHARIT SKY DIVE AT TEESSIDE

A 69 years old Grandmother from Aycliffe has completed a tandem Sky Dive at Teesside Airport for charity. Margaret Blackburn who four years ago had a hip replacement raised £130 towards converting a room do something different on Wednesday 27th May from for her daughter's friend who has MS and £300 10am to 3pm. Go along to the towards sending disabled students at Middlesbrough College to an outward great fun packed day at The bound centre in Keilder Forest.

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Workshop.

Margaret lives at School Aycliffe and moved here four years ago to be near her son. She still works four days a week teaching at Middlesbrough College and is Treasurer of Great Aycliffe Indoor Bowls Club.

Margaret was brought up on a farm near Bedale and lived in the area all her life. She taught at Westlands School for children with behaviour learning and difficulties in Thornaby



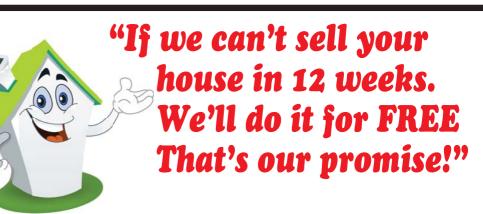
retiring at 60 got bored and went to work part time at College Middlesbrough teaching IT, English and Maths, working with students who have a wide variety of learning needs. Last year she spent two months travelling solo around Australia with a

for over 20 years and after

rucksack and a pensioner's

bus pass. She spent her last birthday at the Swedish Ice Hotel with Grandson Leon (11) under the Northern Lights.

Margaret is a bit of an adventurer and her hip operation gave her a chance to continue living a very active life. She only just recently sold her motor bike!



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Proposed Welfare Hub Councillor Resigns **Extension at Agnew**

There is still time for you to look at the proposed plans for the welfare hub which is to be attached to the Agnew Community Centre.

The purpose of this hub is to provide for those in the local community who are less fortunate.

Plans will be on show from

the Great Aycliffe Show.

0900 to 1700 Monday to Friday, if there are any questions you would like to ask, Ron or Joan who are usually on site would be pleased to either answer your question or come back to you with the answer.

Plans will remain on show until the end of the Month.

Rotary Club Community Fair

to Launch Aycliffe Festival

Free Stalls for Town Organisations

Dear Sir, I will always remember the feeling waiting to hear the results of the Newton Avcliffe West Ward local council elections and being elected to serve on the Great Aycliffe Town Council for the people of West Ward. It was a true honour that people

believed in a young person to represent them! Since then I have learned so much – not just about the workings of a council, but also about communities and



Dan Summers

the struggles people face in their

day-to-day lives. I stood because I wanted to make a difference and I believe I have. I fought hard with other councillors to reinstate the Great Aycliffe Fireworks Display and played key roles on various committees working groups including the youth centre and youth council. I believed it was very important the youth had a voice on the Town Council and I hope I have been a good representative for the people of Aycliffe.

Last year I was offered a job in the south of France and was out there for half of the year. The council agreed to allow me this time, not just to learn new skills but also to find more about the person I am. I believe it helped me become a stronger and better person. Although abroad I was still campaigning and talking to people on social media and after returning home jumped straight back into council meetings feeling far more confident than before

I was given the chance to return and it has been a very difficult decision, because I realise that I cannot possibly represent the people of Aycliffe while being abroad. This being the case I have decided to resign from the Town Council as I honestly believe it's the right thing to do. It has been one of hardest decisions I have ever had to make.

I have loved being a councillor and people I have met along the way have taught me so much about life and our community. Indeed, I would hope that one day to seek re-election at a time when I can commit fully to being a councillor; but for now I need to develop my life and a career. I would like to thank my local Labour councillors for tutoring me though these past couple of years and supporting me. It really has made a difference to my life and I hope my being a councillor had a positive impact on residents' lives as well. Most of all I would like to thank the people of the West Ward for giving me this chance to make a lifference Cllr Dan Summers



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BACK PAIN RELIEF SESSIONS AT WOODHAM

Free Yourself from Back Pain, 10.00 - 12.30, with David Fleming £25 / Early bird: £22 if paid

before 24th May and slow

This gentle and workshop teaches gently, safe and you easy movements to relax chronically contracted muscles that contribute to back pain and is of special interest to those with chronic back pain, fibromyalgia, scoliosis, sciatica or any other acute condition that can result in muscular pain. The workshop is an excellent introduction to Hanna Somatics for those who are new to this work. Dancing the Spine, 1.30 -

3.00, with Amanda Franklin £15 / Early bird: £12 if paid before 24th May The focus of this workshop

is the Spinal Cord, where we will be playing with movements of the bottom section (pelvis), middle (rib cage) and the top section (head), particularly sensing mobility and stability for spinal health. By extending, flexing and rotating we get to really feel this amazing



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structure within. Come and play! Both workshops £35 / £30 if paid before 24th May The workshops will be led by David Fleming and Amanda Franklin of Access Movement in Leeds. They are both Black Belt Nia teachers and Aerial Yoga teachers. David is also a

Somatic Movement coach The workshops are open to all ages and levels of ability. Further details: http://www supplechange.co.uk/freeyourself-from-back-pain/ To book a place, please contact Anne Cosgrove on 0776 214 8661 or email anne@supplechange.co.uk



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the day. The last Fair had The Rotary Club of Newton Community Sporting or Aycliffe are delighted to Group whatsoever this is the around 800 visitors during the announce and respond to opportunity to showcase your day long event and enabled popular demand that once many of the stallholders to cause. again the Community Fair will be held in the Leisure At the last event there were attract new members to their

nearly 80 different stands. Centre in Newton Aycliffe There is nowhere else Town Centre on Saturday 4th July, 10am - 4pm. This where you can promote and demonstrate your activity to will be at the very start of the the public at absolutely NO COST to you, your Club or Organisation. On top of that Celebrations that are replacing the Club will give a prize of £50.00 to the best stand on If you run or belong to any type of Social, Charitable,

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Please send this form to Newton Aycliffe Rotary Club, Newton Press, St. Cuthberts Way, Aycliffe Business Park. DL5 6DX. Hand in to Newton News agents, Youngs in the Town Centre or Walkers Butchers, Simpasturegate.



Clubs and volunteers to their organisations. So whatever your interest, your Club or Organisation do not miss out and register on the attached application form or email r224curtis@

Volunteer to Help a **Child Learn to Read**

National children's literacy charity Beanstalk with offices in Avcliffe has issued an urgent call for heroes to come forward during National Volunteering Week (1st-7th June) to help transform the life of a child in need in their local community. Last year, more than 5000 children across County Durham left primary school unable to read to the required level. Beanstalk, which is part of the Read On, Get On coalition, aims to overcome this urgent issue through providing one-

to-one reading support through volunteer reading helpers. Beanstalk reading helpers are heroes to the children they help, improving their reading ability, transforming their ability, transforming their confidence, and allowing them to reach their true potential.

Janet Skeen, Beanstalk Manager for North East and Yorkshire said: "At Beanstalk Beanstalk we want to ensure that each and every child has the ability and confidence to reach their true potential. This can be only achieved with the support of

the local community and the dedication of our excellent reading helpers who transform the lives of the children they work with. However, there are many more children in County Durham

who require a reading hero so if you believe that you can make reading enjoyable rather than feared, we urge you contact us and find out how you be a hero to a child." Each

Beanstalk reading helper supports three children and sees each child for two and sees each child for two 30 minute sessions a week, during term-time, for three terms With Beanstalk's during term-time, for three terms. With Beanstalk's support, the child's approach to learning and enjoying reading is transformed. 93% of all children supported by Beanstalk reading helpers

make meaningful improvement in their reading ability. To find out more, or to become a Beanstalk reading helper, call Beanstalk on 020 7729 4087 or visit http://www. beanstalkcharity.org.uk/ reading-helpers

COUNCIL REVEAL NEXT STEPS ON COUNTY PLAN significantly different plan; or

Printed below a chronology and statement regarding the County Durham Plan - the regeneration blueprint for the next 20 years in County Durham. Background/chronology:

April 25, 2014 – Durham County Council submits the County Durham Plan to

Government October/November 2014 -Examination in Public held. February 18, 2015 - Harold Stephens publishes his interim report post examination. Findings include:

• The vision for a successful local economy incorporates unrealistic assumptions about jobs growth; • The Strategic Economic Plan

is 'evidently very ambitious';The objective assessment of housing needs is too high; · The spatial distribution is

justified particularly for Durham City; · The process and evidence relating to the proposed amendments to the Green Belt

boundary are flawed: and • The proposed Western and Northern Relief Roads are not justified, deliverable or environmentally acceptable. The Report gave the council

three options: Continue the examination but Inspector concludes that he would then find the Plan unsound; b. Suspend the Examination

- but Inspector believed that the Plan could not be rectified within a reasonable timescale and would require a

Withdraw the Plan. February 25th, 2015 – businesses and employers businesses and employers attend a breakfast event called by Sir John Hall in support of the Plan.

https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=p34-TUffRwo April 2, 2015 – the council meets with the Planning Insects with the Haining Inspectorate (PINS) to outline its concerns. PINS offers a 4th possible 'hybrid' option involving a further Examination In Public (EIP)

session to discuss the council's concerns April 21, 2015 - Following positive signals from both Government and the PINS the council writes to the Planning Inspector, Harold Stephens, requesting he reopen the examination to consider our serious concerns regarding his interim report. May 8, 2015 – Mr Stephens

responds confirming he will not reopen the examination as requested.

May 15, 2015 - Council lodges Judicial Review papers at

Thanks from

Council's

Past

Chairman

Leeds High Court. May 18, 2015 – deadline to submit Judicial Review. STATEMENT:

Ian Thompson corporate director of regeneration and economic development - said: "Following a constructive meeting with the Planning Inspectorate we had hoped there would be further examination in public hearing sessions to explore the points we referred to in our letter to the inspector. "Consequently, it

disappointment that as a the Planning Inspector has now declined to reopen the examination so that our concerns can be fully explored in the public domain. The impartial advice we have received since the inspector's report was published supports our commitment to the soundness of the Plan's chance to programme Arduino microcontrollers. They had fun carrying out a number of physical changes such as forecasts for job creation and homes. We maintain the Plan offers the best prospect for lighting LED's, using buttons and creating temperature economic growth and a once in a generation opportunity to see our county deliver on its sensors In May they have started learning how to write code for the Arduino and are looking potential to safeguard the sort

of life we want every resident to have the opportunity to strive for.

"We have explored every option and opportunity in our efforts to demonstrate this, which has included employing independent planning experts to review our business-backed predictions for growth.

We now have no choice but to pursue this matter through the courts by way of a Judicial Review. This is not a decision we take lightly. This is not the position we hoped to be in.'

GREENFIELD STEM CLUB GETS CODING!



With the help of STEM lp o. Tony Swan field College's Toology, Ambassador Greenfield wick, STEM (Science, Tech-nology, Engineering & Maths) Engineering & Maths) Club has recently looked at computer coding with a purpose. In April students had the

forward to the next few weeks, where they will be continuing

to learn how to write computer

code (C++) and start work on

code (C++) and start work on different projects including producing wearable tech. Tony Swanwick is an ambassador for STEM, arranged by STEMnet who help put schools in touch with STEM Ambassadors across the country. Tony is based locally and has been a great help in this one of many

great help in this one of many

projects Greenfield's STEM

the past few years. The club meet weekly after school and are supported by Greenfield staff in exploring their enthusiasm for these

club has been involved in over

Spring Sale

If goodie gift bags filled with treats, food hampers, bottles, cakes, pies and bacon sandwiches sound good to you, then come along to our SPRING SALE ON our SPRING SALE ON SATURDAY 30th MAY at 10am. There will be lots to tempt you, enjoy a bacon buttie and a hot cuppa, or perhaps something sweet from the homemade cakes, biscuits, pies and jams that will be on offer.

Support St. Clare's Sale and help raise money for church funds. St. Clare's is opposite the Thames Centre and warmly welcomes the community of Newton Aycliffe to come along and enjoy the morning.

Shildon Model Railway Exhibition at The Loco

Shildon Model Railway Open Days Exhibition is on 6th & 7th June at The Locomotion Museum, Shildon DL42RE Nearest Station: Shildon. (100 yards). On Arriva Bus routes. Free Admission.

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wonderful people I have met: the good souls, personalities and characters that make Durham such a special place. I want to thank each and everyone for their kindness hospitality and and willingness to share with me their achievements and

special moments. I also want to thank everyone,

including your own publication, for the support you have shown to my two chosen charities - the Great North Air Ambulance and Butterwick Hospice. With the financial support and raised profile they have received, they will be able to continue to provide vital and valued services to the people of the county. Cllr John Robinson JP Outgoing Chairman of Durham County Council



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Aycliffe Care Home

Burnhope Way, Newton Aycliffe DL5 7ER have two positions available for

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Aycliffe Firm Wins Leeds **Shopping Centre Contract**

Newton Aycliffe construction company Finley Structures has been awarded a multi-million pound deal in the building of a £650m shopping development in Leeds.

The family firm, which recently completed steelwork on Hitachi Rail Europe's factory was handed a 2,300-tonne job to construct a major part of Victoria Gate, in Leeds city centre.

Victoria Gate is an exciting addition to the vibrant shopping scene in Leeds, and includes the Victoria Gate Arcade, currently being constructed by Finley Structures, with stores, restaurants, cafes and leisure space linking Victoria Quarter to the John Lewis store. The development is expected

to provide 1000 retail and hospitality jobs and 1000 construction jobs. Finley Structures was awarded a 20-week contract from Sir Robert McAlpine's Manchester

for some time, and to get on to

Hammerson's supply chain is

a major coup for the company. "It's another indication of how

far Finley Structures has come

in the last three-to-four years, with large-scale projects like

company to have scored a

KPI for Health and Safety and over 80% during the month of

February, but they are the first and only to have achieved this

in our region within the last 12

months". Victoria Gate, formerly known

as Harewood and Eastgate Quarters, is planned to open in

Charity Ball

A charity ball is being held in aid of the Olivia Mae Foundation on June 6th at

The charity established by Ebac's MD Pamela Petty,

aims to support families during difficult periods when

their child is in hospital, with

all proceeds from the event

going to those with children

being treated at the Freeman

The black tie event, taking place from 7pm - late, will include: Buck's Fizz

Reception, Three Course Meal, Raffle Dancing.

If you would like to donate

Tickets cost £30 each,

Crook Golf Club.

late 2016.

praised Finley

2,300 tonnes of steel, after being recommended for the job following the successful completion of Nissan's new car plant in Washington.

Finley Structures operations manager Jim Graham said: "This is a very prestigious contract for us and we're delighted to be doing this work for Sir Robert McAlpine on behalf of Hammerson.

this now becoming run-of-themill McAlpine Structures for its "exceptional" safety performance on the Victoria Gate contract and Victoria Gate contract and regional manager Simon Trevor said: "Not only are Finley Structures the only "Retail is fairly new to us, but is an area we've been exploring office, to fabricate and erect

Young Mother's Hobby **Becomes Business**

Youngsters who have never missed even a half day in class throughout their whole secondary or primary education will

The search is on for County club where the dedicated pupils will be given a tour of the club and have Durham's most dedicated pupils. photographs taken as well

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you think this applies to your child then contact

his or her school for more

contacting schools directly

in order to identify eligible

council is also

information.

The

pupils.

Reward for Dedication

Durham County Council is trying to track down as taking part in an awards teenagers in their final year presentation. of secondary school and children in their last year of To be eligible for an award. attendance must continue to be 100 per cent until primary school who have a 100 % attendance record. the pupil's official leaving date in the summer. If

be invited to a special celebration event.

The evening will be held at Durham County Cricket





Greenfield student with two children. Oskar 4 and Erika 2, recently left her part time job to set up a photography business specialising in babies and children. She is currently operating from home in Newton Aycliffe. It started out as a hobby taking

photos of her own children which were documented on her personal Instagram account (@oskaranderika). But after gaining 30,000 followers family and images + 3 prints. £100 for 12 digital edited friends urged Amy to do it professionally. She has worked with children's boutiques and designer brands from around

world. Amy recieves the clothing and accessories to photograph and promote on Instagram also using photos of her children wearing the

and social media. She's even worked with the Kardashians. and their kid's range. All these accessories and clothing will be available to customers to dress up their children for their photoshoots - if they wish.

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Hospital.

Town Centre Concern

Dear Sir, Sad to see Poundstretcher has gone making the total number

of shops vacant in the town Centre - 20!

What is wrong - why can't we keep shops and attract new ones? Is it high rent and rates? If so

why don't the landlords make some reductions - surely it is better to have some rent coming in rather than none! Onlooker.

Editor: We have requested an update on the Town Centre from the Manager who remains confident Aycliffe will become a successful shopping area when the refurbishment is complete.

Helping Hands Spreading the Word HEIGHINGTON MATTERS

Helping Hands have been overwhelmed by offers of support for their new Baby Basics project. Just one of our advocates is Teri-Ann Smith (pictured) owner of 'BabyBay' on Facebook who wrote the following:

Hi everyone, I have just come across this charity "HELPING HANDS" who do some absolutely fantastic work helping a lot of people. If you have any items that would help out families who are in need please contact them and spread the word. The more we can do to

help this charity out would be greatly appreciated and would benefit a whole lot



of people. I can see that a lot of the frequent users of BabyBay have already



helped and I'm sure it's really helping others! Thank you appreciated. But if we can all Helping Hands dedication continue to support Helping Hands, we will know we are

Helpline for donations or new clients enquiries - 07936 doing something fantastic by 431262

SWIMATHON RAISES £8,000

The town's Rotary Club helped organise the annual Swimathon The town's Rotary Club neiped organise the annual 2...... at Spennymoor Leisure Centre on Sunday 12th May and 38 teams participated, sharing the money raised in sponsorship with the charity of their choice and "Heel and Toe" a charity helping children with disabilities. It is estimated £8000 was raised on the day.

Bewick Crescent Surgery (below) have entered a team each year and the team swam 231 lengths to raise funds for the British Heart Foundation.

Swimmers taking part: Marie Gaffney, Catherine Kavanagh, Aimee Reed, Dr. Chris Stephenson, Nathaniel Stephenson and Jack Stephenson. The late Dr. Brian Jones was team Captain until his death this year and he was represented by his wife Shirley (front left).

County Leisure Contro mo Sper



Members of Rotary and Lions at the reception area



Newton Aycliffe Rotarians Denise Tate and Joanne Jones with Ruth Smith (left) who raised over a £1000 in sponsorship helping the main charity and shared with a charity of their choice: Chemotherapy Day Centre at Sunderland Hospital.

On behalf of Cllr Paul Crudass and I, may I thank everyone who voted for us in the recent Darlington Borough Election. We feel privileged that once again you have placed your trust in us to represent the Heighington and Coniscliffe Ward.

Our Ward is probably the largest area in Darlington, extending from the Baydale pub on the outskirts of Darlington, through to through Killerby, north to the borders of Shildon around the eastern side of Newton Aycliffe and now extending over to Brafferton, Coatham Mundeville and down to the White Horse at Harrogate Hill. It is a beautiful rural area consisting of small villages, hamlets and farms with six Parish Councils and five Parish Meetings, but despite its increased size we will continue to make ourselves available to everyone irrespective of whether you voted for us or not. By the time this newspaper

is delivered, Ruth and I will have stood down as Mayor and Mayoress of Darlington. We have had a fantastic year and we thank everyone who contributed to help make it so, including everyone who has supported me over the years. We have organised several fundraising events ourselves and with those organised by St Michael's Church and Archers Ice Cream we have raised a considerable amount of money for our two charities, The Butterwick Hospice Young People's Unit and the Phoenix Recovery Centre Catterick final amount to be confirmed. Over the year we have



received many mail messages congratulating us on our Mayoral appointment and been humbled by people who have stopped us in the street to say how proud they are, having the Mayor of Darlington living in Heighington. Others living in the Ward including many organisations said they were happy we were chosen to represent the Borough as Mayor.

We thank Cllr Wendy Hillary and her consort Ged for their support and friendship and we wish them well in the future. Whilst it has been a very busy Mayoral year I have still maintained and prioritised my Councillor's responsibilities and now we are back to 'normal' my work load on your behalf will continue as before. Councillor Gerald G. Lee



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DARLO F.C. NEWS AYCLIFFE FC SIGN Falcons Runners Up in Final

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Whoever said close season was boring? Darlington have already dipped into the transfer market signing the rather excellent Rob Youhill from Harrogate RA. Rob is a right winger and a former team mate of Nathan Cartman. Speaking of his time at RA, with Nathan, Rob said, "I would go down the right, cross them into the middle, and he would finish them off. We worked well together, and

middle, and he would finish them off. We worked well together, and what's more, we're great friends off the pitch. There was a mutual benefit in our partnership. Hopefully we can re-create it again." Along with the signing of Youhill it's good to see that Hatch, Dowson, Brown and, player of the year, Tom Portas have all signed new contracts. Like many Darlo fans I'm getting rather excited at the prospect of next season. Fortunately, we don't have to wait too long as we are embarking on a rather full pre-season friendly programme: programme:

Saturday, July 4: v Durham (a) Saturday, July 11: v South Shields (a) Saturday, July 11: v South Shields (a) Wednesday, July 15: v Seaham Red Star (a) Saturday, July 18: v Billingham Syn (a) Tuesday, July 21: v Harrogate Town (a) Wednesday, July 22: v Marske United (a) Saturday, July 25: v Redcar Athletic (a) Saturday, July 25: v Redcar Athletic (a) Tuesday, July 28: v Northallerton Town (a) Saturday, August 1: v Whitby Town (a) Tuesday, August 4: v Bishop Auckland (a) Friday, August 7: v Spennymoor Town (a)

Work is soon due to begin at Blackwell Meadows ready for when the football club makes the move there. It's going to be an interesting couple of months for the Club and us fans.

The next Newton Aycliffe fans meeting will take place on Wednesday 17th June at 7pm in the Iron Horse. We welcome anyone to attend the meetings and look forward to meeting new fans. For those that can't attend the meeting please get in touch with us at dfcaycliffefans@outlook.com or follow us on twitter @ dfcaycliffefans. Keep the faith.

Aycliffe Swimmers Excel



WEAR VALLEY GALA Sedgefield 75 had ten swimmers competing in a twenty events over the weekend of the 16th and 17th May. They were Niall Coulthard, Roman Alvarez, Zac Hodgekinson, Peter Golightly and Mathew Bradley. Leah Smith, Maisie Craghill, Kate Tolley, Lauren Chatt and Katelyn Craig. All the swimmers did new best times and took a total of sixteen medals Niall competed in the 200 FS and the 200, 100 and 50 Breast Stroke and the 100 IM.

Without doubt the star of the gala taking gold medals in all six events. Zac won gold in the 100 Back and Silver in the 50 Butterfly. Mathew took gold in the 200 Butterfly. Roman won silver in the 50 FS. Peter won gold in the 100 Breast and the 100 IM and silver in the 50 Breaststroke. Leah took silver in the 100 Breaststroke. Maisie won bronze in both the 100 Breast and the 100 IM. A really good weekend and an excellent well run event. REGIONAL

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hannah Featherstone and Peter Golightly competed at the Sunderland Aquatic Centre on Saturday the 9th May. This was the first time Peter

had competed at this level and he produced an outstanding performance in the 200 NER Qualifying times.

Breaststroke. Hannah swam in the 200 FS and the 200 IM taking youth gold in both events. She took the silver meal in the 50 FS and was placed fourth the 200 Backstroke. All the swims produced new best time, important as this was a benchmark for the European

Championships in June BOSS OPEN MEET-LEEDS Jessica and Rebecca Hall were the only swimmers who competed at the gala and put in great performances. Rebecca took gold in the 100 Breast and the 100 and 50 FS, Jessica won gold in the 50 Breast. All the swims were

& his signing is an indication that Dixon is determined to strengthen his squad for the

TOP GOALSCORER

Division 1 season.

adds

striker

Newton Aycliffe FC are delighted to announce that prolific goalscorer Mattie Moffat will be joining for the 2015/2016 Northern League next campaign. Club chairman Allan Oliver said: "I am absolutely delighted Moffat rejoins his former boss to welcome Mattie to Moore Lane. It just shows how far Peter Dixon for whom he played in two FA Vase finals at we've come as a club. Who would have thought when we Wembley & regularly scored 20+ goals per season. The former West Auckland were playing in the Durham Alliance seven years ago that we would be able to have considerable players of this calibre wearing an Aycliffe shirt? I'm looking firepower to the Aycliffe attack forward to an exciting forward to an exciting season".

The club's preparations for next season are well underway and season tickets are on sale. frozen at 2014/15 prices. Adults £100, Concessions £60. Contact Bob Wood on 07766 808407 for details.

Claiming Rights

Dear Sir How nice it was to read such a pleasant address from our MP in respect of all the new developments in Newton Aycliffe.

This is especially so considering that all the things he mentions have come to fruition within the last five years which, if I remember correctly, was since a Labour government was in power. P Stones, Eade Close

NAYFC Under 8 Falcons entertained the 21st All Stars in The Challenge Cup Final which was held at Rockcliffe Park. The Falcons were always up against it with a team like 21st All Stars.

They were one of the best teams played, so credit to their boys and the coaches. The boys didn't play as well as they know they can play and found themselves 5-0 down at half time. A bit of a talking to and a

change at the break, the 2nd half was a lot better. Falcons

ENGLAND RUGBY CAPTAIN PROMOTES RUGBY IN SCHOOLS

Tamara Taylor has been in Greenfield and Woodham schools as part of a partnership with the RFU community programme and Newton Aycliffe Rugby club bringing rugby to schools in the Aycliffe area involving 10th an 11th year students. Newton Aycliffe Rugby Club organise further training sessions at Moore Lane on Wednesday evenings 6 pm start. Rugby club head coach Pete Ryans runs these sessions and has been encouraged by the enthusiasm the students have for the game

The Rugby club will continue to organise sessions for other new students who have not tried the game before. The objective will be to arrange another inter school match at the clubs ground early September.

These sessions will continue throughout the summer and will culminate with a mixed



Family BBQ. Year 10 and 11 student wishing to get involved it rugby please contact head Coach Pete Ryans on 07796

172599 Aycliffe Rugby is sponsored by S Cars, Smurfitt Kappa and Whithouse Funeral Service and fully support youth development at the club.



started to play football and managed to pull a goal back through Dylan Stewart from the penalty spot. MOTM was substitute Ryan Usher. A massive well done to all the players because there's not many players out there that

say they have reached a TJFA Cup Final - so the Under 8 Falcons should be proud of themselves for their big achievement. Lastly, thank you to all who came to support the boys, it was very much appreciated.

J&C COACHES presents Disney On Ice Sunday 11th October 2015 ONAICE £39 50 Includes coach and entry ticket

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Black Sheep Brewery Trip Saturday 8th August 2015 £23 adult includes coach fare and tour of the brewery

Yorkshire Wildlife Park Wednesday 12th August 2015 £27.50 adult. £22.50 child

Northumberland Tour Saturday 27th June 2015 £14.50 adult, £12.50 child Locations: Bamburgh, Seahouses and Holy Island



Yorkshire Lavendar Saturday 4th July 2015 £14.50 adult, £12.50 child Malton included

Whitby Regatta 2015 Monday 17th August 2015 £18 adult, £13 child

Castle Howard Proms

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13 Year old Aycliffe Girl Aycliffe Running Club's Charity Day Promising Go Kart Star



13 year old Newtonian Mia Cooper has recently started Kart Racing to MSA level and was at Hooton Park Race Circuit last weekend for her 3rd novice race as the only girl.

She finished second overall and was 1st Novice, an amazing achievement this early in her racing career.

Mia attends Woodham Academy and is currently in year 8. She lives in Woodham after the family moved there from Heighington.

Her Mother, Keely works for a Newton Aycliffe company, ARC Accident Repair Centre who sponsor Mia who became interested in Kart Racing two years ago after watching a race.

The Motor Sports Association have strict guidelines and you need to a licence to race in their meetings which are held all over the country, hosting all the top drivers.

Mia raced at Wigan 3 Sisters track and came 3rd there last month and was 1st novice.



She is hoping to race at Rowrah in Cumbria next and 6 signatures are required from three different tracks to get off novice status. She is one of very few girls who race









NAJFC Under 9's (Russell Foster League) closed out their campaign with two resounding victories - an 8-0 win against Washington Junior Black and a 7-0 victory against Durham Federation Tigers, which saw every outfield player get on the score-sheet across the two games. Despite the scorelines, the hard work and effort from each player

Despite the scorelines, the hard work and effort from each player - from Dom in goal, Ollie & Sam in defence, Evan, Taylor, Isaac and Tom in midfield and Bo up front, was evident from the first whistle to the last. The two victories saw NAJFC secure a 3rd place finish in the league, which is richly deserved for the players and parents efforts!

NAYFC ROUND UP

12 Falcons 7-6 Shincliffe. A very gutsy, performance and win for the Falcons with only 10 men. Good, confident display by McKenna Longstaff in goal with a solid and much stronger back line. Scorers were Cole (4) Freddie (2) and Spencer but solid performances from all 10 made it a good team performance and victory against a stronger team who were favourites to win. MOTM given by opposition Callum Brown.

Final two games of the season for the **Under 11 Girls**. First up, Birtley Town, very strong attack and the points were lost, 0-4. Then against Boldon All Stars, the girls re-set and re-focused and Aaliyah scores twice and Teanna made HT 3-0. A further two goals from Aaliyah and for their final game the girls had earned an impressive 5-0 win. 9v9 next season. A strong squad will work hard over the summer with competition for every position. Well done girls great 1st season

Midweek games for the **Under 10 Girls**, both v Plains Farm. Game 1 saw Ocean Tia (1) and Hattie (3) secure a 4-2 win. Game 2 ended in 2-3 loss with

Game 2 ended in 2-3 loss with Hattie netting Aycliffe's two. Final three games of the first season for the girls and up first were Durham & Cestria, the girls needed to put right an early season 3-2 defeat. They duly did running out 5-1 winners Second up, Washington, who went in front only for Hattie to equalise, but alas the girls went down 1-3.

Finally a strong Bishop Auckland ran out 0-9 winners as injuries and changes took their toll. On another day with a fit squad we can get closer to

Bishop - we still have things to work on but these girls are so willing to learn, roll on next season.

Under 10 Falcons v Peterlee Pumas. Great start to the game as the Falcons commanded the game. Unlucky on the counter and great saves from Finley. 0-1 down at HT. Great pressure from the second half and a great strike from Declan 1-1. and a Falcons passed the ball well all game few changes at half time unlucky result 2-1 Pumas! Declan man of the match. Great finish to the season and thanks to everyone! Well done lads! Well done to the Under 8 Eagles who were terrific at Blackpool tournament the last weekend playing some fantastic football and good sportsmanship was shown by every member of the team. Well

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other members of the public was £110.00. If you wish to donate money to the Young Epilepsy Foundation for which Jodie is running the Redcar Half Marathon in September, you can donate at https://www.justgiving.com/Jodie-Mcmaster1/.

The father and son team of John and Robert Young took part in the Pier to Pier race last weekend. This race starts on the beach at South Shields and follows coastal paths to finish about 7 miles later on the beach at Sunderland. In a field of nearly a 1000 athletes, Robert came home 150th in

50:53 and John wasn't far behind 374th in 57:15. On the same day three ladies from the club bravely tackled the

longer distance of the Ripon 10 Mile. Judith Porter was first home in the excellent time of 1:36:50 in 270th position, followed by Vivianne Pow, 353rd in 2:08:02 and Amanda Garvey Kovac, 355th in 2:18:26.









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The U7's travelled to Heighington to play in an end of season tournament. We played 3 group games where we lost 1, drew 1 and won one, playing some extremely good passing football in each of the games and unlucky to lose one of the group games.

We played Heighington in the semi-final which was a very tight game with chances falling to both teams. Heighington made the breakthrough to go 1-0 up before half time. Aycliffe started brightly in the second half and soon equalised through Rhys Galloway.

The game ended 1-1 and went to extra time. Both teams had lots of chances but no one could find the breakthrough. Full time and extra time finished 1-1 so it was going to penalties. We ended up losing on and it was a cruel way to go out after playing some excellent football in the tournament.

All 10 players played excellent football and we managed to finish 3rd in the tournament, losing out to eventual winners Heighington. As this was our first tournament all the players played great football with smiles on their faces. A special mention to Niall Armstrong who won the 'Player of the Tournament' even though he is a year younger than the rest of the team. Well done Jack, Abi, Jack and Damian.

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STILLERS INVEST IN NEW £1.1m WAREHOUSE

Aycliffe family business, Stiller Warehousing and Distribution, is continuing its impressive growth by investing more than $\pounds m$ in a new state-of-the-art storage facility.

40,000 The 40,000 square feet warehouse will increase by nearly 50% the firm's capacity at its premises in the heart of Aycliffe Business Park.

Stiller employs 140 people and has ploughed £1.1m into the unit which will include new a new 21st Century racking system and 'Very Nar Aisle' handling equipment. Narrow

The multi-user warehousing facility constructed by local steel firm Finley Structures, will increase Stiller's storage footprint to 200,000 sq ft and is expected to be completed by August.

It comes just four months after Stiller announced a new £15m three-year deal with food packaging firm Coveris Rigid, which is expected to increase annual turnover from £10m to between £12.5m and £13m this

year. Commercial manager Matthew Stiller said: "We were struggling to accommodate our current workload and order book within the space that existed between our own site and another property we lease on Aycliffe Business Park.

'This is a long-term investment for the company and part of our 10-year business plan to sustain employment and create new jobs in the future. We have a full workload, and this expansion will enable us to be more efficient and take on more business.

Work began on the new warehouse in February, with



Stiller Warehousing and Distribution commercial manager Matthew Stiller next to the firm's new £1.1m warehouse, under construction on Aycliffe Business Park.

initial work carried out by Richardson's Builders of Darlington. Finley Structures fabricated and erected 140 tonnes of steel as well as the cladding, supplied by Tata Steel. The building has been designed by ADG Architects of Darlington and BDN Engineers of Durham.

proud of the fact we have used local companies to build this new development, which is supporting local jobs.

is particularly exciting have this opportunity to "It to have develop a modern and efficient warehouse on our site and we look forward to attracting additional warehousing business"

The new £1.1m facility takes Stiller's overall investment in the last two years to £5.6m, during a time when several neighbouring businesses are

also expanding. Mr Stiller said: "Aycliffe Mr Stiller said: "Aycliffe Business Park is on the up and

upturn in our industry. "But we're not the only companies in our business community DPE, Gestamp Tallent, 3M, Finley Structures and Ebac are all expanding and there's definitely a feel-good factor. 'We've invested heavily in Mr Stiller added: "We're very land and property in the two years and some of that has

been turned into warehousing, storing items for our clients. The third arm to the business is distribution, so it's easy to see how all three sides work handin-hand.

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"There are other development plans already on our radar which we'll be looking to take forward soon, so we're very pleased with our performance at the moment.

"But you can never afford to take your eye off the ball and we continue to run a tight ship which will ensure the long term stability of jobs here in Newton Avcliffe.



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Greenfield Sports Stars Through to County Finals



Two of Greenfield College's Community Sports teams had success recently as they competed for a place in County Finals. Four boccia teams travelled to Spennymoor Leisure Centre to take part in the Sedgefield Boccia championships. The teams were entered in the under 15 and under 13 events and were delighted that two of the four teams qualified for the County finals which will take place in July.

athletics Greenfield students joined nine other schools from South West Durham for the South West Durham Schools Athletics Championships recently. The standards demonstrated



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by our local athletes was very impressive, with a of County and number National standards achieved

during the evening. Greenfield were delighted with the success of our athletes. Four qualified to represent South West Durham in the County finals in June, with all achieving personal best times and lengths! Jasmine Falconer qualified in the High Jump after jumping a personal best of 1.34m. Adam Lamb took first in the Triple Jump, after jumping his personal best of 10.59m, then took second place in the 100m final with another personal best of 11.81sec. Christina Shodunke finished in first place in the Long Jump, after jumping her personal best of 4.55m and went on to achieved another personal best of 13.93 in the 100m final. Courtnie Mills who has returned to training after a long term injury took first place in the 200m final with an excellent time of 26.99, well ahead of second

place. Other Greenfield athletes who narrowly missed out on a place in the County final include Jessica Catleugh, Ethan Baptist, Emily Farlow and Molly Waine who came in 3rd place and well done to Charlotte Hugill who gained her personal best gaining a silver athletics award in the Long Jump. Well done to all the fantastic sports stars from Greenfield

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Heighington AFC Under 7's AYCLIFFE CRICKET RESULTS **Cup Final Winners** Aycliffe



Team left to right: (back row) Cameron (front row) Kenzie White, Maddox Harcus, Harvey Yale, Layton Collier, Tyler Gibbon, Oliver Paylor Tyler Woodward, Theo Callaghan, Joe Neild

Heighington Under 7's hosted and won their first tournament on Sunday 17th May. The day started slowly for Heighington going down 3-0 against Darlington 21st All Stars. Man of the Match went to Tyler Woodward.

In the second game against Seaton Carew the boys regrouped and went 1-0 up through a Joe Neild penalty, Seaton bounced back with 2 quick goals before Neild equalised, Seaton then went 3-2 in front before Man of the match Maddox



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Callaghan to even up the scores again. Then with the last kick of the game Neild swung in a corner with Callaghan finishing expertly at the near post, to win the game 4-3.

The final group game saw Heighington top the group with a 2-0 win over local rivals NAJFC with a rasping drive from man of the match Layton Collier and a solo goal from Tyler Woodward. This result set up a semi final with NAJFC.

Harcus played through Theo The semi final got off to a great start for the hosts Neild sending Theo Joe Callaghan through on goal who side footed home via the post. NAJFC responded almost immediately with a great strike to make it 1-1. The game swung end to end with chances galore for both teams and the game went to extra time.

Paylor in the Oliver Heighington goal performed heroics making an unbelievable double save in the last minute of extra time to take the game to penalties. Joe Neild, Theo Callaghan and Tyler Woodward all put away their penalties with ease and the scores were tied

at 3-3. Oliver Paylor then saved before despatching his own spot kick. Man of the match Oliver Paylor then saved NAJFC final penalty to send Heighington through to their first cup final. Waiting for Heighington in the final were Darlington 21st All stars who had beaten Heighington in the first game of the day. Heighington settled their nerves with 2 early goals from Man of the match Tyler Woodward and saw the game out with little alarm to

win the cup. Oliver Paylor won the player of the tournament trophy not only for his heroics in the Semi Final, but for doing a job for the team by playing in goal which he had never previously done before!

All of the coaches, parents and club are extremely proud of this amazing group of kids. We would like to thank everyone who helped make this tournament a success including all of the volunteers, referees, teams and parents taking part, and Kevin Stonehouse the former Blackburn, Huddersfield and Blackpool (amongst other clubs) player, and current Newcastle United and Welsh FA scout, who presented the trophies to all of the children.

Newton Club's 1st team team sponsored by Franks Flooring Store were easily beaten at home to Redcar 2nd XI by 89 runs in the NYSD 2nd division. The visitors scored a decent 186 all out in 39.5 overs with spinnner John Cavanagh (sponsored by CVO Fire) the pick of the Aycliffe bowlers taking 6 for 48. Aycliffe struggled throughout

their innings with only Michael Howe (36 runs) and all rounder Cavanagh (19 runs) having any real impact as the home side were bowled out for just 97 runs after 32,5 overs. Avcliffe's first team beat Darlington RA by just 3 runs in the quarter final of the Readman Cup. Aycliffe scored 148 for 8 in their 20 overs, thanks to Michael Howe's excellent 36 and Tom Young scoring 30. Three wickets each from Michael Howe and Sean Morgan helped restrict the visitors in a tense finish to 145 for 7 in their 20 overs.

The second team lost, away at Bishop Auckland 2nd team by just 38 runs in their NYSD division 3 clash. The homeside were asked to bat first and were blown away by some superb fast bowling from Aycliffe's Danny Weldon (see photo) who finished with career best figures of 6 for 16 from his 8.5 overs, the best performance by a second team bowler for 8 years. Acting captain Jack Slatcher bowled well taking 2 for 32 as the Bishops were dismissed for just 98 after 29.5 overs. Aycliffe were bowled out for just 60 after 26.2 overs with only Dan O'Connor

reaching double figures scoring 21. Aycliffe's under 18's lost for the first time this season going down by 7 wickets away at Tudhoe. Avcliffe were dismissed for 107, but there were good innings from Arran Taylor (23 runs), Tom Wickins (20 runs) and Ben Nicholson (18 runs). In reply Tudhoe easily reached their target despite all rounder Wickins taking 2 for 16. The under 15's team put in a

brilliant performance and were desperately unlucky to lose by virtue of losing more wickets as the game had ended in a tie. Tudhoe batted first and scored

Heighington **Teams Miss Out on Final**

The Heighington Under 14's entered two teams into the local Darlington RA, 7-a-side tournament at the weekend. The Hornets won two and drew one, and went out in the league stage.

Hurricanes managed to win 5, and drew one, and made it through to the semifinals, where despite a lot of pressure, went down 2-1 to Spraire Lads, missing out on another final



125 for 3 in their 20 overs, with 13 year old Nathan Parry again the pick of the Aycliffe bowlers taking 2 for 11. Opener Jack Lowery batted

superbly to score a career best 50 not out and Arran Taylor also batted well scoring 32 as Aycliffe's innings finished on a despairing 125 for 4 after 20 overs.

The u13's team had a close defeat away at Darlington despite a vastly improved all round display. When Aycliffe fielded, Kieran Shingler and Matty Greaves both claimed run outs after brilliant direct hits at the stumps.

Leo Mercy bowled a wicket maiden and rooky wicket keeper Luke Grindlay had a good game behind the stumps

taking a very smart catch. In Aycliffe's innings, captain Nathan Parry smashed a quickfire 20, which included four boundaries. Our ull's team lost at home

to Barnard Castle, but special mention for captain Leo Mercy who held a brilliant catch in the deep and then took two wickets, both clean bowled also to Ian Robson who batted well and hit two boundaries.

Aycliffe all rounder Lucas Pilling played his first game for Durham County u12's, scoring 17 runs off 19 balls. He also bowled three overs and took one wicket for just seven runs as his side easily defeated Durham School to cap a memorable debut for the talented youngster.



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