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# Dream Comes True for Cancer Campaigner Anna

**EXCLUSIVE**

Newton News Exclusive by Ron Eyley



The dream of cancer campaigner Anna Louise Swabey to raise £100,000 for research into brain tumours, the biggest killer of people under the age of 40, has come true. Sadly, the 25-year-old from Newton Aycliffe never learned of her great success. News that her milestone target had been passed was announced by Brain Tumour Research Campaign Chairman Wendy Fulcher on Friday morning at Anna's funeral service. More donations are expected in the days ahead. Anna died at home in the early hours of Friday, September 16, the day before she was due to marry fiancé Andy Bell. And nobody was in the least surprised when it was a case of standing room only at Wear Valley Crematorium as Roger McAdam conducted the Humanist Service which saw Anna's friends travel from abroad and many parts of the UK, to say their final farewells. The service was designed to be a celebration of Anna's life. Those attending were asked to

wear only bright clothes – and did so. Tributes from family and friends during the service included comments like 'truly inspirational', 'a real fighter', 'vibrant', 'loving', 'incredibly talented', 'determined', 'funny', and 'a brilliant light for us to follow' as well as descriptions of how Anna brought 'happiness, love, laughter and fun' to all who knew her, 'making our world a brighter and better place'. The service began with Deep Purple's 'Smoke on the Water', the theme music of Leicester Tigers Rugby Union Football Club, of which Anna and her family were avid supporters. Frank Brown's poem "Sometimes" was read by Anna's sister, Victoria, and was followed by Anna Kendrick's Cup Song which contained the prophetic words 'You're gonna miss me when I've gone'. Personal memories of Anna were related by friends from various parts of Anna's life – Anna Doherty, Olivia Cook

and Bex Davis, who were to have been her bridesmaids, and 'bridesman'-to-be Danny Forth.

There was music from Kodaline, 'The One', which Andy and Anna had chosen to be played at the first dance on their wedding day, and Van Morrison's classic 'Brown Eyed Girl'.

Anna's father, Keith, delivered a moving and often humorous eulogy and there were more words from Roger MacAdam which featured Lennon and Maisie's 'Ho Hey', the song that would have concluded Anna and Andy's wedding ceremony. Family and friends left the service to the instrumental version of Jubel by Klingande.

At the gathering which followed at Woodham Golf Club, there was an opportunity for well-wishers to post favourite photographs of Anna on a special Memories Board and to leave personal messages on a farewell tree. (Rotarian Michael Dalton, who introduced Anna to the Rotary Club of Newton Aycliffe, where she became an honorary member, is pictured examining

some of the photographs left on the Memories Board).

Donations on the day of the funeral will be shared between the Brain Tumour Research Campaign and Marie Curie.

Anyone wishing to make a donation to the Brain Tumour Research Campaign can do so by visiting <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/InsideMyHead>

Just days before she died, it was announced that Anna was to be honoured by Rotary

International in Great Britain and Ireland with its highest accolade – a Paul Harris Fellowship. It will now be presented to her family.

Rotary's national president, Rtn Eve Conway, said this week; "Anna was an inspiration to us all. She was an outstanding Rotary UK Young Citizen of the Year award winner earlier this year and a wonderful, beautiful and brave person who touched the lives of everyone she met".

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## European Languages Day



Thursday September 22nd September saw St John's transformed into a sea of colour, excitement and flair as the MFL department hosted the European Day Of Languages on behalf of the Catholic Partnership. Ten schools along with ten of their top Year 8 or 9 linguists converged on St John's for a day that will live long in the memory. Students and staff were met with a hot chocolate and croissants and a welcome talk by Mr Robertson, Head of MFL, describing how languages open doors throughout life and how important it is to ensure we continue to develop linguists of the future despite the decision to leave the EU. Students were separated into mixed groups which were named after key cities in Europe, to show respect and solidarity for those who have suffered terrorism in previous years. The number of sessions on offer gave everyone an incredible experience of not only European languages

but world ones too. All students spent time studying Portuguese language and culture, French via Fairy tales and children stories, Japanese language, craft and tradition and Spanish music and culture, not to mention a beginner's guide to Russian. One of the most impressive parts of the days for everyone at St John's was watching students from all corners of the region come together and celebrate languages as one, making new friendships along the way. Finally, St John's Sixth Form MFL students who had been following groups around the sessions provided names of the top linguists and these students were awarded a prize for their outstanding effort throughout the day. The final act of the day was to take some group photos to keep as a reminder of what was a special day, not only for St John's as hosts, but also every student and member of staff involved. We can't wait for the next one!

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The event finishes at the Locomotion Museum with free refreshments free Steam Train rides and entertainment by Thornhill Primary School, Tearaways, Roller Skaters, MAD Choir, Gymnasts and Durham Youth Band. Come along to this family event and make a contribution to the NSPCC.

## AGNEW A.G.M.

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A couple who left valuable jewellery in a box of goods were asked to call back to see if they had made a mistake. The did return and said they were aware of the contents and wanted to help the Community Kitty - the value of the jewellery was £400 and Honest John thanks them for their generosity.

John also thanks DISC for allowing him free space in their premises, Val his assistant volunteer, donors and customers.

## Councillors' Surgeries

Shafto, Central and Neville Ward

Councillors Sarah Iveson and Jed Hillary will be in attendance at St. Mary's Meeting Room, Burn Lane on Saturday 7th October from 11am - 12 noon.

## WHAT TO DO ON THURSDAY NIGHTS

Why don't you come on down to the Phoenix Club (British Legion) for the Country Music Night?

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An open letter from concerned residents from Clarence Chare road in response to the article in the Newton News, week ending September 23rd regarding Off Road parking at Gilpin Road.

Clarence Chare residents were extremely upset as to why they were allocated this facility in the first place and secondly that once again local Councillors appear to have forgotten the Clarence Chare area. Residents cannot understand what investigations went into this off road parking prior to the allocated funding, and how the local Councillors backed this project when for many years we have asked for this facility, only to be given various excuses as to why it could not be implemented in our street.

The Clarence Chare area always has congestion as a well used road by vehicles, a bus route and now large trucks carrying building materials to the new housing development at Clarence Court, day and night, causing damage to the roads.

Whilst I understand congestion in Newton Aycliffe is a problem for many and personal parking is a major concern, I do acknowledge many of the areas that received off road parking were in desperate need, however many areas receiving this facility were not! I can understand there is more traffic flow in Gilpin Road however, I would like it noted that it is not a bus route, nor do the large trucks/lorry's use this road on a daily basis, unlike Clarence Chare which is a main thoroughfare. Clarence Chare has been overlooked again and we appear not to have a County Councillor championing our cause.

## Great Food at ROF59

Dear Sir,  
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# Shoppers Asked How to Make Council Budget Cuts

Everyone from supermarket shoppers, to theatregoers, leisure centre users and market stallers are having their say on how to make budget savings in County Durham.

The North East's largest council is asking the public to help it decide how to save a further £29million next year and alongside an online option and Area Action Partnership (AAP) events right across the county, there are roadshows in supermarkets, leisure centres, theatres and even a market.

The consultation started on September 5 and there have been a wide range of venues and consultation sessions on offer.

On September 22nd Durham County Council's Leader, Cllr Simon Henig, took to the road to ask shoppers in Tesco at Newton Aycliffe what they thought of the savings proposals. Afterwards Cllr Henig said: "It's really important that we listen to what the public have to say and by taking our consultation on the road we are giving even more people the chance to do just that."

"It's clear that the people we speak to find it just as difficult as ourselves to make the budget savings we have to find but by taking the consultation out to people we are getting a really broad



range of views.

"There are still more events to come and I hope many more people will get involved."

Over the past five years Durham County Council has already reduced spending by more than £180million, with residents and businesses playing a key role in helping

shape where cuts should be made.

People can also pre-register for the remaining AAP local sessions or take part online at [www.durham.gov.uk/budget](http://www.durham.gov.uk/budget) Photo: Cllr Simon Henig meets shoppers at Tesco at Newton Aycliffe as part of the council's budget roadshows.

# Durham Constabulary 'Top of the League'

New data indicates that victims of crime and anti-social behaviour in County Durham and Darlington are more satisfied with the service they receive than victims elsewhere in the country.

The Victim Satisfaction Survey, which is carried out on behalf of Police Forces, shows that 91 per cent of victims were satisfied with their whole experience in the quarter to end of June, after receiving support from the Police to help them cope and recover from their ordeal.

This news comes only months after Ron Hogg was re-elected and changed his job title to Police, Crime and Victims' Commissioner. Ron said 'I would like to offer Chief Constable Mike Barton, and the rest of the Constabulary, my strongest congratulations. These results show that they are supporting victims in a sympathetic and comprehensive way.

It is right that a victim is put first, and I will be looking for additional ways to ensure victims' specific needs are met.'

Earlier this year Ron and Barry Coppinger, the PCC for Cleveland, commissioned the Victim Care and Advice Service (VCAS) to support victims of crime, and refer them to organisations that can cater for their individual needs. This service is available whether the victim

has contacted the police or not. Ron has promised to commission other services which are customised to the circumstances of individual victims, which will be launched later this year.

Responding to the result announced today, Chief Constable Mike Barton said "Being a victim of crime is not a pleasant experience and therefore it is vital we give them the care and support they deserve. Every day we endeavour to place victims at the heart of everything we do. These latest results show we are moving in the right direction but we certainly won't be resting on our laurels."

## New Club for Stoke Victims

A new Stroke Club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, 10-12pm at the Pioneering Care Centre, Newton Aycliffe.

It is very relaxed and offers people a chance to meet others in similar situations and catch up over a cup of tea and biscuit. We would love to grow and welcome people who have had a stroke to come along. If you would like to find out more please contact Danielle Cottrell on 0191 4978328 or Danielle.cottrell@stroke.org.uk

# GOLDEN COUPLE DONATE TO HOSPICE



Butterwick Hospice were delighted when former Councillor Vince Crosby and his wife Joan contacted them to tell them that for their 50th Wedding Anniversary they requested not to receive presents or gifts but asked family and friends to donate to Butterwick Hospice.

The couple are celebrating their Golden Wedding on October 8th at the Park Head Hotel. Vince and Joan met at a dance at Spennymoor Town Hall, he was a dental technician at the time with the Army and Joan was working at West Auckland clothing factory. They were married at St. Charles Church in Spennymoor in 1966 and

went on to have two sons Kevin and Michael, and now have 3 grandchildren.

The money raised from the couples generosity will assist with the expansion and continuing improvement of the Butterwick services in response to the needs of people in the local community. The Hospice requires £2,800 each and every day of the year to cover essential costs.

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## Help Aycliffe Teenager in a Modelling Career



Sarah Jane Williams the Aycliffe Teenager set on a modelling career has meetings planned with Alba Website Solutions in November and perhaps an involvement with Motor Sports at Croft.

She has also modelled for Stylish and can be seen on their website. Last month she was the model for Just Winning Apparel, Strive Sports Wear and Jerry.

Sarah-Jane is now up for the face of JD Sports and would appreciate as much local support as possible. To support her, please follow the link below and like her photo, it will count towards the final decision.

<https://faceofjdjdsports.co.uk/?entry=0DFB3217338245F28EF5A97AE9C05207&p=9>

If you would like more information or to enquire about how Sarah-Jane can enhance your events, please ring her manager on 07931 850058.

## Film Show

The "FEEL GOOD FILM SHOW" at St Clare's Church on Tuesday 4th October features "Hachi - A Dog's Tale" starring Richard Gere and Joan Allen, and both are upstaged by an Akita puppy, a puppy who grows into a dog that can teach us all about true loyalty and love.

I won't say what the story is but if you come then bring hankies; but please come, it is the loveliest dog's tale, based on a true story. Tea, coffee and juice will be served at 1pm, included in the £2, children £1, and the film starts at 1-15pm.

A variety of chairs are provided for your comfort, and tables so that you can bring a spot of lunch to eat while you enjoy a great film in friendly company. **EVERYONE IS MOST WELCOME.** For further details ring Ric Hargreaves 01325 316755.

## M.P.'s Thanks

Can I offer my thanks to everyone who donated prizes and bought raffle tickets at our Macmillan Coffee Morning, we raised £256 for this much used and cherished charity, if you have a winning ticket, please call my office on 01325 321603 to claim your prize, many thanks.

Yellow 476, Blue 326, Green 16, Green 46, White 746, White 816, Yellow 421 White 831, Yellow 496, White 786, Blue 481.

Paul Trippett  
Office Manager and Senior Caseworker to Phil Wilson MP

## GAMP Support Town's "Shine" Choir



The Shine Choir with GAMP Officer Adam White (back centre)

Shine Choir was established two years ago and is a growing group of 53 young people between the ages of 5 and 15 years, who meet weekly on Monday evening. The Choir is made up of children from church groups and local schools throughout the GAMP area and is 'free' to join.

## Greenfield Cree Men Earn Another Award

Our fabulous Cree Men at Greenfield Arts have again received recognition for the valuable contribution they have made to the community. They were recently invited to be guest speakers at the Suicide Prevention Conference in Durham where they spoke eloquently about what Cree means to them and the projects they have engaged in since it was formed.

The Cree group which is supported by Public Health funding and developed by Greenfield Arts has encouraged the group of men to explore new activities outside their comfort zone and to think positively about their well-being. Their achievements have been both wide-ranging and far-reaching - from creating striking sculptures to practical (but elegant) refurbishments, they have produced work of the highest standard with remarkable commitment in a friendly social setting.

The group have been together since 2011 and have grown in numbers and confidence, Katy Milne and Richard Agar who lead the group are very proud of their achievements "It is very humbling working with these amazing men. "They give their time every week and generate such amazing outcomes for others to enjoy. I'm so proud of the many projects they have been involved in and the fantastic pieces they have created. One of the highlights on display at the moment are the little free libraries. In particular the delightful palace green library in Durham which is designed to celebrate the cathedral and castle, it's incredible. Well done." said Katy

The awards were presented by Catherine Richardson of Public Health, Durham County Council. Catherine conveyed the importance and value of Cree in the region and how significant it is in relation to well-being as well as the substantial contribution the groups make to the community. The ceremony was held at The Durham Centre in Belmont where longstanding members of the Cree group Philip Clark and Daniel Robertson spoke alongside Richard Agar. Members Eddie Woods and Ken Robson were also in attendance and the group were

worthy recipients of the award for their contribution to Cree and Community. Philip Clark was delighted with the award which they were not expecting on the night "We were all shocked and surprised but obviously really pleased that the work of the Cree group has again been recognised" said Philip.

The Cree Men are presently working on the Little Library project, the first two of which have been installed at Greenfield Community College (both at the Aycliffe and Sunnydale site). They have recently been commissioned by New Writing North to extend the reach of this fabulous resource and a further library can be found in Durham with others due to pop up in and around the region in the near future. If you would like to know a bit more about our Cree group please contact our team on 01325 379048 or email [info@greenfield-arts.co.uk](mailto:info@greenfield-arts.co.uk)

The Choir performs throughout the year at a range of community events, for example, they sang extremely well at the Rotary Club's Christmas Carol Service and the Mayor's Civic Carol Service. The Choir also performs and produces a show twice a year in St Clare's Church Hall.

Supported by GAMP through the Neighbourhood Budget allocations of Durham County Councillors, Eddy Adam, Kate Hopper, Sarah Iveson, Jed Hillary, John Clare, Mike Dixon and Joan Gray.

Funding was used to help purchase specialist equipment, for example, a sound system (including words on screen) so that our children with hearing disabilities can participate more fully. Microphones for the smallest voices were also purchased along with a custom built ramp and rail system, so that members with mobility issues can access the stage more safely and without the need for assistance. Currently, some members of the Choir need to be carried onto the stage by volunteers as they can't use the steep steps onto the stage.

In addition, stage seating and a new stage fire curtain will also be purchased. This will make the stage area safer and more conducive for members with additional needs, for example, hypermobility issues.

The equipment and adaptations to the stage area will also benefit a number of other community organisations who use St Clare's Church Hall, for example, Brownies/Guides, youth clubs, older persons groups, Messy Church, church choir, Women's Fellowship and the various community film clubs.

Shine Choir also received a Small Grant from GAMP to purchase T shirts for all their members.

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## SACA News

Last Friday 23rd September School Aycliffe Community Association held our first fund raiser by having a quiz night, this proved very successful and was well attended.

Next Wednesday the Ladies section are having their 2nd meeting with a visit from a Skin/Beauty specialist, all welcome meeting starts 7pm just turn up.

Regular events that take place are two Mother and Toddler groups first is bring a ball on Tuesday afternoons 1.15 – 2.45 second on Thursday mornings 10.00 – 12.00.

Also on Tuesdays there is a beginners Ballroom and Latin class starting at 7.30pm run by Sue and also a Knit and Natter group 8.00 – 9.00 pm run by Pat.

Saturday morning from 10.30am there is the Scott Highland Dancing class run by Sarah.

At present on the 2nd Saturday of each Month there is a book swap from 10.00am

There will be other regular events taking place soon please watch out for announcements.

The hall is situated at the bottom of Eastfields Road.

## WOODHAM ACADEMY HOLD OPEN EVENING



Woodham Academy recently welcomed prospective students and their parents into school for their Open Evening.

The school invited all Year 6 students from primary schools in Newton Aycliffe, Chilton and Shildon to the event. The evening consisted of a welcome talk by Head Teacher, Christine Forsyth, followed by a tour of the school.

Students and parents had the opportunity to take part in a number of activities in the different departments including visiting Eerie English for their scary Shakespeare games and face painting. The

Food Technology department baked fresh scones, as well as offering visitors a bush tucker treat for dessert.

The Humanities team decorated their department with a 6ft volcano and smoke machine, a selection of army uniforms for visitors to try on and a DIY cross atlas for students to make.

Science welcomed visitors with creepy crawlies and explosions, whilst the PE department held football, gymnastics and trampolining for those keen on sport.

A further Open Day was held on Friday 30th September.

## LCA Give Away Event

Lifeline Community Action Baby Basics are holding a Give Away event on the 6th October 2016 between 11am and 1pm at the Western Area Community Centre, Silverdale Place.

They have a large amount of clothing to give away to fit 5 years to adult including school uniform items.

Baby Basics Project Manager, Sheena Stephenson said "This event is a great opportunity for people to come to the centre and see if we have any good quality clothing they could use.

Storage space is a premium for us and we hold these events to allow the community to take away clothing which doesn't fall into the Baby Basics remit, which is primarily the under 5's,

However there will be the opportunity for those who qualify to also receive baby products too. We welcome anyone who thinks we may be able to offer support to come along and see us."

## Arlington Support Reservists

Liam Armstrong left school and joined the armed forces then started at Gestamp as a temp but was laid off when they had a downturn. Liam joined DPE and was made permanent as soon as possible.

Liam has trained on several presses and is now one of the key setters running the new Seyi 500 and 600 ton presses. "Arlington is delighted that Liam has decided to remain as an Army Reserve and has our full support," said Steve Dale General Manager.

Liam previously a Royal Engineer in the Regular Army (2008-2011) recently applied and was accepted into the Army Reserves as a REME (Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers) soldier.

His family are very supportive and his Army Reserve career choice, which also fits well with his commitment to his partner and growing family. His employer Arlington actively endorse employment from the Armed Services.

He now attends Drill Nights on Tuesday in Aycliffe and



Left to right: Frank Hewitt, Reservist Liam Armstrong, LCpl Army Recruiter Sarah Orton, W.O. Darren Rhodes

the occasional weekend, where he continues to develop and train in his chosen trade, Recovery Mechanic. This is in the footsteps of his father, who is a long serving member of 124 Recovery Company as a Recovery Mechanic - like father like son.

Arlington Supervisor Frank Hewitt worked in glass as a Production Manager for 21 years. He started as a Supervisor at what was DPE Automotive. In 2011 after a factory in Germany burnt down, we made seating assemblies for Nissan at Sunderland.

In 2012 he was appointed Factory Supervisor and in 2014 became Production Manager. Since then changes to the culture through 5S and lean techniques, the company is now profitable with a happy workforce for which Frank is personally proud.

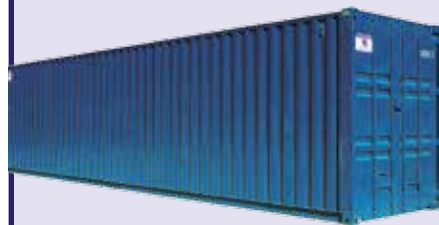
"I cannot wait to get to work on a morning and work with them, we are all optimistic about the future here now as part of the Arlington Group of companies" said Frank.

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## Great Castle Bake Off



L - R: Kevin Richardson from MacMillan, Tom Parkin Apprentice Engineer and Ian Dolman M.D.

Staff at Linde Castle Ltd helped in the fight against cancer by supporting the Macmillan Coffee Morning, held on the 9th September,

at their facility on Aycliffe Business Park.

Staff worked hard baking delicious cakes, and rivalry was strong for the accolade of the best cake. No coffee morning would be complete without a 'guess the number of spots on the cake' competition, which was duly completed. As a result, staff raised an excellent £302 to support the Macmillan charity. In addition, Workshop Engineer Tom Parkin took part in the London Triathlon, also in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support and raised a magnificent £850.

Ian Dolman, Managing Director, said 'Denise Facey, Sales Administrator, who championed the event put a tremendous amount of time and effort into arranging it to achieve a successful result for Macmillan, and a morning enjoyed by all those staff that took part'.

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## RESIDENTS' MEETING

The Residents Association welcome the people of Horndale, Greenfield, The Chase, Byerley Park and Alston Crescent areas to their meeting on Wednesday 5th October at 6pm.

Refreshments will be served at the venue Greenfield Arts Centre at 5.45pm. Your local Councillors PACT Officers and Park Wardens will be in attendance if available to give updates.

Please come along and give your views on the future of our area.

## Raffle for Cystic Fibrosis Hospital Ward



left & right: Hollie and brother Thomas with Parents Angie and Mike centre. Tesco Manager Helen and Joe Riley at their side.

Cystic Fibrosis sufferer Hollie Williams with family and friends raised £154.00 on a cake stall and raffle at Tesco last Saturday. Parents Mike and Angie bought all the prizes themselves as a fundraising effort to provide children in the ward with various games to keep them occupied while having treatment or operations. They could not stay to raise more money as Hollie felt unwell.

"I wish to thank Tesco for all their support and say that Angela, Shirley and Joe are a big credit to the town's Supermarket. A lady aged 91 and Norma Norton made a donation and I thank them and those customers who supported our stall" said Angie.

Many people don't understand cystic fibrosis and how many people suffer from this horrible genetic disease. People do die and like Cancer the hope is for a cure one day. Public support in fundraising is so important for research into the condition as many brave children like 12 year old Hollie are fighting a long battle.

The Hospital Ward needs comfortable leather chairs, TV's, X-boxes and indoor games and if anyone can help it would be much appreciated. At the moment the children just sit there bored and feeling miserable. if you can help please contact Angie on telephone 01325 495991 or 07501 464949

# New Coffee Shop & Drive Thru on Business Park

The opening of EHL Coffee Shop & Drive Thru is taking place on 20th October 2016, once it is open we will be the only Coffee Shop & Drive Thru on the Business Park offering the ideal meeting place for colleagues to gather for lunch, business people to meet to discuss work in a relaxed environment as well as the general public who pass through.

It will be the first independent drive thru in the country, and will provide the perfect service for all factory workers and employees of surrounding businesses to grab a quick bite or drink while on the move during their busy days.

EHL UK believe in product growing from strength to strength, which is exemplified by their successful Building Maintenance & Facility Service Company, Gym and now Coffee Shop & Drive Thru. When EHL UK took over The Oaks Centre it was derelict, in a terrible state of disrepair and structurally poorly maintained. Now it's a beautiful refurbished building with new tarmaced roads with a lush greenery surrounding.

The large Gym offers a great and safe service to the business park as well as the surrounding housing estates where anyone can go, feel comfortable and get endless support from our professional and experienced staff. The Coffee shop will create 6-8 jobs, where EHL have appointed a manager in preparation for the smooth running of the Coffee Shop & Drive Thru.



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## Heighington Firefighter Receives an Award



Left to right; Phil Innis: District Manager, Simon Thirtle, Mal Woodward Watch Manager, Richard Fretwell

An emergency 999 lady operator took a call from a man who was extremely distressed. The operator passed the information to the local fire fighters. In this incident information was limited to an address, a fire and the possibility that someone was trapped upstairs, and then the line went dead.

The fire fighters arrived at the block within minutes and found a man perched on the roof of a 32 storey block with smoke coming from three windows on different floors. The operation to contain the fire and rescue occupants was handled by a very professional team who made decisions on site to deal with potentially a very We are proud to report that the officer in charge was from Heighington - Malcolm Woodward, who along with his colleagues received an award.

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1900-2200 - Dancing Through The Decades  
2200-0000 - Wind Down Zone

**Saturday 1st October**  
0600-0900 - John Clayton  
0900-1400 - Weekends with "The Mystery Years"  
1400-1500 - Everything 80's  
1500-1800 - Craig Andrews  
1800-0000 - Dancing Through The Decades

**Sunday 2nd October**  
0600-0900 - Easy Like Sunday Morning with John Clayton  
0900-1400 - Michael Weadock with "The Mystery Years"  
1400-1500 - Everything 80's  
1500-1900 - Wes Stakes  
1900-2200 - Non-Stop Star Radio  
2200-0000 - Wind Down Zone with John Clayton

**Monday 3rd to Thursday 6th October**  
0600-1000 - Star Radio Breakfast with Wes Stakes  
1000-1400 - John Clayton  
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## NORTHERN SOUL CLUB

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## LOSS OF PENSION FOR TEACHING ASSISTANTS

Dear Sir,  
I would like to take this opportunity of replying to the article regarding "Teaching Assistants Compensation" in last weeks edition.

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from us here we are faced with a big reduction because our working time does not match other workers within our designated grade. Despite this, we cannot work flexi time or take holidays out of school time, because it would not benefit the schools we work in. So on the one hand we have to be graded with certain other job roles but we cannot access their working practices. As we work in schools we cannot work when the children are not attending, similar to teachers, but they remain "untouchable" yet working in the same environment.

The supposed increased compensation is actually our salaries which we will receive over a two year period. What it does not mention is the loss of pension as a consequence of a salary reduction. While

the LA comment "it is with heavy heart that we agreed in May to the dismissal..." they seriously need to look at what our role exactly looks like. We signed an initial contract in good faith, which did include school holidays, which is how schools work, but now this has changed dramatically.

We challenged Councillors to work shadow staff at our school surprisingly, they refused. It may have been too much for them to see exactly how long we work after the children have gone home, meetings we attend and how stressful a day can be. Perhaps those within the same Grade do not experience such emotional challenges in their duties while we face aggression and abuse, sadly on a daily basis.

D.E. Motivated  
Name & address supplied

## Irresponsible Dog Owner

Dear Sir

I know this subject has been raised before, but I'm writing about a particular problem in Lockyer Close over the last few weeks.

Early in the morning, before I leave for work around 7:30am, somebody is allowing their dog to "do it's business" right in the middle of the road on a fairly regular basis, without cleaning it up!

I have seen at least eight neat piles and associated pools over recent weeks. I can't believe that a loose/stray dog (or even a fox perhaps) is visiting the street on a regular basis at roughly the same time.

I would be grateful if you could print this e-mail, in the hope that the owner sees it and will take the necessary action before I report this elsewhere. A concerned resident.

Name & address supplied

## Roman Design Flair at London Exhibition



Roman the Shower manufacturers from Aycliffe is exhibiting at the Sleep Event on 22nd and 23rd November 2016 at the Business Design Centre in London and will be featuring new Hotel Bathroom concepts.

It will be their 10th time exhibiting at Sleep and Roman will present their unique and unrivalled project capabilities. All products on the stand will encompass Roman's bespoke capability and vast experience within the UK and International Project market.

This year at the Sleep Event will see them present their full including bespoke showering solutions and bespoke Solid Surface (fabrication and moulding) across the bathroom. Roman's Sleep Stand will feature 3 room sets, which will showcase different hotel bathroom styles with each incorporating showering solutions with integrated Solid Surface fabrication with shower trays; walls; vanity tops and basins – offering structure for the whole bathroom. One of the room sets is a twin shower enclosure and toilet cubicle with mirrored glass on the toilet door and frosted glass between the toilet cubicle and enclosure.



All Roman's products are manufactured at their headquarters in Newton Aycliffe and they are very proud to be a British manufacturer and being part of the Made in Britain Campaign. David Osborne, Managing Director of Roman, commented: "The Sleep Event provides Roman with the perfect platform to demonstrate our Showering Solutions and Solid Surface fabrication capabilities, which we manufacture and supply for the Hotel sector. Our bespoke capabilities and vast product range, allows complete freedom of design to match any Clients requirements."



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The Wellbeing for Life service supports people to live well, by helping to address the factors which influence their health. The service will build capacity to enable people to be independent, resilient and maintain good health for themselves and those around them.

Health Trainers can support you and your community to improve your wellbeing, signposting you to other local services where necessary.

To start your smoke free journey, contact the Wellbeing for Life service by freephone: 0800 8766887

Visit the website at: [www.wellbeingforlife.net](http://www.wellbeingforlife.net)



## Papal Blessing for Golden Wedding Couple

Terry and Patricia Spellman of Sheraton Close celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary with a family meal at the Blacksmiths Arms on Saturday 24th September.

Town Mayor Jed Hillary called with a bouquet of flowers on behalf of the Town Council and heard that the couple first met at ballroom dancing classes held in Durham.

Terry was an apprentice plumber who lived in Spennymoor and Patricia from Sacriston collected money on her bike from account clients of the Co-op.

The couple courted for 5 years before getting married at St. Bede's RC Church at Sacriston, moving to Spennymoor to live. The harsh winter of 1962



brought a change of job for Terry and he worked for Black & Decker for 20 years making power tools until made redundant and taking

employment with Cummins in Darlington where he worked for 25 years until retiring. The couple moved to Newton Aycliffe in 1970 to be near

Terry's parents and never regretted this move to our lovely town with lots of open green spaces, trees and flowers. Terry was a social member at the Big Club, British Legion enjoys knitting reading, walking and bringing up her three children.

Daughter Ann Marie is a Staff Nurse at Darlington Hospital and she has two daughters Katie & Emily.

John and his wife Pam live in Liverpool and Paul is currently studying in Rome to be a Priest. Having this connection with the Vatican, Paul was able to obtain a Papal Blessing for his parents which was a wonderful surprise presented to them as a framed, signed and sealed document.

## Flower Demo

The next meeting of Shildon and District Flower Club will take place on Monday, 3rd October at 7.30pm at Shildon Civic Hall.

Prepare to celebrate all things autumnal as acclaimed demonstrator, John Chennell, from Wellingborough presents an evening of flower arranging entitled Seasonal Splendour. Free to members. Visitors £5 on the door. Members are reminded that annual subscriptions of £26 are now due and can be paid on the evening.

## GOOD AYCLIFFE COMPANY

Dear Sir

I am a woman living on my own and needed some garden jobs carried out. I know a neighbour who had work done by Alan from Alpine Gardening who was very happy with work done, so I rang for a quote.

Alan came and gave me a reasonable price and he started work during which I asked for some extra work to be carried out like trimming back conifers and removing trees.

This was carried out efficiently and the workmen were polite and very pleasant. They arrived each day promptly and always explained what the day's work entailed. I had an old garden swing and other items which he removed and nothing was any trouble for them.

I am completely satisfied with the work but wanted to say this company excelled by being so helpful and I would recommend them highly. They sorted all my problems in the garden and I now have a new fence and gravelled garden. It is so nice these days to know some people are kind and helpful.

Tracey Saiger

## Business Premises Cleaned Inside and Out



Left to right: Croxdale Manager Brian with Hollie, Steven and their child

Orca Cleaning Services is an external cleaning specialist company created by Newtonian Hollie Smaldon and her partner Steven Holmes from Croxdale.

They formed a company to offer high quality exterior cleaning and maintenance packages at an affordable price which includes repair work to ply roofing, cladding and resin flooring and the cleaning of these surfaces. They offer a one stop shop for all essential industrial and commercial cleaning and maintenance work.

Steven has over 16 years experience, qualifications and knowledge in the industrial arena, beginning working in resin flooring restoration and repair for five years. He then went on to gain further experience and qualifications in singly ply roofing an innovative and hard wearing roofing material used widely on industrial and commercial units.

Steven has worked for many years in this area in industrial cleaning, where the idea for Orca was developed. It is a local family company looking to expand and create jobs as they grow.

Orca clean almost any surface to an extremely high standard using only eco friendly and cost effective techniques with top of the range machinery.

"We strive for perfection in our work and provide free building inspection on all major components as part of the service, offering fantastic maintenance and cleaning contracts" said Hollie.

## Harvest Festivals in Town's Care Homes

The Pastoral Team of the Parish of Great Aycliffe have once again been doing their rounds of all Care and Nursing Homes on our town. The theme has been Harvest Thanksgiving and all of homes kindly agreed to make a collection for our local Food Bank, which was very generous of them.

We started our travels at Lindisfarne Care Home and the following week saw the team visit Rose Lodge and Aycliffe Care Home. On the third week of September, Woodham Grange and Bethany Care Home plus their Day Centre welcomed us for their Service. It is always a humbling and moving experience visiting all

these homes as for some who have no family it is the only visitors they see. We visited Defoe Court Home on October 6th, which is the day all their homes hold a Harvest Service, consisting of Hymns, a reading and short time of prayer. Anyone can take of Holy Communion or have a blessing, and this means so much to the residents who take part.

At the close of the Service we always have our "leaving song" which means we always go home leaving a lot of smiling and happy people. This time we had a special song written about harvest time, and the residents loved shaking their tambourines,

maracas and other musical instruments. In fact Gordon our church organist who plays the music for us, had to do several "encores". It was a very happy and stimulating time and God is always there with us all, and I'm sure he was smiling too at all the fun we were having.

This kind of outreach is really worthwhile and I could not do it without the help of members of our churches. This year the team lost a valued member, Norma Caygill who was my right hand person for several

years, and is truly missed, not just by me but all of our church family.

My heartfelt thanks go to each and every person who came along. Please try and think about our Residents in all of our care homes, and if you feel you would like to contribute to their welfare by helping out, I am sure if you approach any of the homes mentioned, and see their manager, they will be delighted to point you in the right direction. Thank you.

Pam Lovelass  
(Pastoral Assistant)

## Messy Harvest Church

Messy Church at St. Clare's will be celebrating Harvest Time on Saturday 8th October at 4pm. Harvest time is a great opportunity to say a great big 'THANK YOU' for all the good things we enjoy and also a time to think about others and how we can help. FARM AFRICA is the charity that Messy will be supporting this year and our activities, celebration and food will all reflect that. Come along to plant seeds in your own take home pots, make a delicious fruit salad, print with vegetables and get very messy making clay flowers. Then we can all sit down and enjoy a tomato pasta tea with garlic bread and our homemade fruit salad.

WE ASK THAT YOU ALL COME IN YOUR WELLY'S - and help to give hunger the BOOT! All are welcome to Messy Church, come along it's great fun and we look forward to meeting you. Please check out the facebook page Youth/childrenst.clares for any more details or to contact team leader Helen McCormick.

## TESCO'S NEW STYLE DINER OPENS



L-R: Manager Kate Shaples, Adrian Burkett, Rebecca Cooke, Ben Davies, Denise Wright, Amanda Peacock

Tesco's new exciting Café has now opened after its refurbishment and is open from 8am-7pm Monday to Saturday and 10am-4pm on Sunday.

Based on an American Diner, the café offers comfortable surroundings to enjoy Costa Coffee, breakfasts, Light bite or even an evening meal with excellent value for money.

The breakfast menu starts from £3.99 for a full English Breakfast with 8 items or for those wanting a heartier option £5.99 for 12 items.

Hot meals are served from 12noon up until 7pm with choices such as wraps and jackets to high quality freshly cooked food from £5.99 such as BBQ Burgers or Fish and Chips.

The children's menu is equally exciting offering healthy options such as Chicken Fingers or Penne Pasta from £2.49.

Why not visit Kate and her team to try out what is on offer, or treat yourself to a coffee and



cake whilst shopping in store. We look forward to seeing you soon! Up until 25th October spend £4 and over to receive £2 off from a special voucher available in store!

# BE A ZOMBIE

Prefer to chase than be chased?  
Got a taste for the dramatic?  
Bit of a prankster?

Fancy a day of **FREE**, fun, fear-filled frolics?

We need you! We are looking for volunteers willing to unleash their 'inner zombie'! Dress up (there's a competition for the most spine-chilling zombie) and come along to scare the living daylights out of our would-be survivors as they run for their lives!

**FREE ENTRY - Over 18s Only!**  
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Hamsterley Forest, County Durham, DL13 3NL

Registration hotline **01388 603 003** or online at [www.butterwick.org.uk/beazombie](http://www.butterwick.org.uk/beazombie)

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# BE A ZOMBIE RUNNER

Butterwick's inaugural Zombie Run is here!

Pricing:  
1-4 People - £30pp  
5-8 People - £27pp  
9+ People - £24pp

Sign up if you dare!

Be afraid - be VERY afraid because it's the end of the world as we know it! We have reports that blood-thirsty, flesh-hungry zombies are heading this way - and only you can save yourself!

The safe zone is Hamsterley Forest - get there, run for your life, negotiate the 5k course including obstacles and evade the zombies to reach the de-contamination chamber and you're safe! Can you make it?

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## OAK LEAF GOLF DAY FOR G.N.A.A.S.



A Charity Golf Day held at Oakleaf Golf Course on 30th July 2016 in aid of Great North Air Ambulance Service, and the total raised was £335.00.

80 players from the Oakleaf Golf club took part and it was Geoff Archer (captain) is shown with Harriot Langstone from GNAAS receiving the cheque.

## 'Robotic' NHS Staff

My wife 88 yrs old is crippled with spinal arthritis and needs to be conveyed in a wheelchair to hospitals and care homes. Transport to hospitals is provided by NHS ambulance, but at 95 years of age I have to provide transport to Care Homes and fortunately, I have access to a truly remarkable taxi firm who are fully equipped to do the job.

Recently, my wife had to be transported from our home to a care home, and then later in the week to Bishop Auckland Hospital. The taxi driver used his common sense, but the Moving someone with my wife's condition from a wheelchair is a painful process be kept to a minimum.

On this occasion the taxi journey involved one transference and the ambulance journey involved two - doubling the pain and distress to my wife.

This was because the ambulance crew declared my wife's wheelchair was not 'fit for purpose' because (and I quote) "it does not have the correct labels attached to it." This is just one episode from our experiences over the last two years which indicate the robotic attitude NHS staff are forced to take under the present system. I think 'the system' needs to be changed and I wonder if other readers have had similar experiences.

Name and Address supplied

## LABOUR TO SELECT CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2017

Dear Sir,  
On October 6th 2016, the selection meetings to choose Labour Party candidates to stand and represent our Party and town in the May 2017, Durham County Council elections will be held at The Navy Club.

I am one of the candidates seeking selection for a position in the Aycliffe East ward. I am comfortably retired so this is not about the money, which, for the first two years - if elected - I will donate to a range of Aycliffe East good causes.

So what do YOU get:-  
• I am not working full-time, as is one of the present incumbents of Aycliffe East. Therefore, when asked why I have not chased up residents concerns my excuse cannot be 'I have a full-time job and only 'infrequently' attend County Hall.

This subversion of the democratic process has to stop!  
• I will not hold constituency surgeries at "out of the way places" (a respected clerics observation, not mine). My surgeries will be by appointment only, at my home or the home of the resident or a place of their choosing.

• I will be accessible to all especially anyone who feels let down, like Teaching Assistants.

• I will not pack selection meetings with my extended family members and friends, who would vote for me regardless.

I am not a fan of Jeremy Corbyn; I am a fan of socialism,

## W.A.S.P.S. RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

A meeting of the association will be held in the Coffee Lounge of Simpasture Court on Tuesday the 4th of October at 6.30pm. We will be discussing plans for 2017 so if you have any ideas or would like to help benefit the area please come along and have your say.

## Aycliffe Hit 8 to go 3rd

Newton Aycliffe bounced back in fine style from Saturday's loss to Penrith with a resounding win over West Allotment Celtic. Some players were absent for Celtic, but this shouldn't detract from Aycliffe's performance which included some sharp passing moves. For the second game running Dennis Knight got an early goal, running onto a Zak Boagey through ball to slot home. They were 2-0 up after 10 minutes when John Campbell was somewhat fortunate when a clearance hit him, the ball ending up in the net. Ashley Coffey made it 3-0 on 25 minutes from short range after a looping Aaron Brown cross. Captain Paul Garthwaite headed home a Campbell cross just after the half hour mark, to make it 4-0. Campbell then broke through the defence for

his second to make it 5-0 at the break. He completed his hat trick with an identical finish to make it 6-0 on the hour.

Celtic, to their credit kept going and were rewarded with a Dale Pearson penalty for 6-1. Aycliffe completed the rout with further goals from Knight and Coffey to make the final score 8-1.

The win takes Aycliffe back up to third in the Northern League with 19pts. Saturday 24th sees the visit of Marske Utd to Moore Lane. The Seasiders had a comfortable 3-0 when the two sides last met just six weeks ago, however, Aycliffe's form has improved considerably in the intervening period. Meanwhile manager Peter Dixon has strengthened his squad with the addition of Michael Riley signed from Newcastle Benfield.

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## Aycliffe's MAD Choir in Concert at Xcel



MAD (Make a Difference) Community Choir will be performing their 3rd Annual Charity Fundraising event on Wednesday 5th October at the Xcel Centre. It will be a night of "Sensational Sounds of the 70's" an evening of nostalgia not this occasion by the Xcel Creative Team.

Over the past few years of the Choir's existence they have been fundraising throughout with an average of four performances a year. Musical Director Evelyn

Lodge says "The community is the heart of what we do. We are the community, serving the Community in raising funds for local charities. We rehearse in Woodham Community Centre every Wednesday night at 7pm and at 8pm we turn the rehearsal over to our second group of singers, Aycliffe Gospel Choir. Most of MAD members stay for the Gospel Choir rehearsal but there are also members who come along just to sing Gospel Music."

The first Gospel Choir concert will be at The Cubby on Friday 4th November to support the work of that organisation. Tickets are just £3 available from Sonia Scott or The Cubby.

Evelyn added "We are always looking for new members and there is no audition process - we want to remain all-inclusive as singing has many health benefits not to mention the social aspect."

**How can you join? Just turn up! What if I can't sing? We don't care!**

Talking of the social aspect we also now provide a "MAD Connect" night every two months in the form of a quiz night or something similar. This is to provide members of the community an opportunity to come along and meet new friends and have some fun. They can come as a team or come on their own ... we will always find someone for them to join up with.

The next MAD Connect Quiz Night will be at the Woodham Community Centre on Wednesday 12th October. You will be assured a warm welcome (and a cuppa), and this is a free event.

If you'd like more information please call Sonia Scott 01325 310 991

## HAVE YOU GOT NEWS FOR US?

We are always interested in local news stories. We like to feature good news and interesting items on achievements & community service

**Tel: Syd 01325 300212**  
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## Children's Book Club

Newton Aycliffe Library are re-starting its children's book club in September, which takes place in the library on a Tuesday evening from 4.30 - 5.30 pm every 4 weeks.

We will be recommending, reading and discussing junior fiction, as well as taking part in quizzes, treasure hunts and crafts all based around children's books.

If your child is interested in reading and is aged 8 - 11 contact the library on 0300 269 519 or call in for more details.

Adults reading groups We also have two reading groups for adults which are held in the library to read and discuss the books. It's also good a chance to meet up with people who have similar interests in books. One group meets on a Thursday evening at 5.30p.m. - 6.30p.m. and the other group meet on a Friday from 10.00 am - 11.00 am.

For more information please do not hesitate to either call in to the library in Newton Aycliffe or ring 01300 269519.

## GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL

**Dates and Times of Statutory Meetings of the Town Council and its Committees**

**Wednesday 12th October 2016**

**Environment Committee  
Recreation Committee  
7.15pm**

### QUESTION TIME

A period of up to 20 minutes has been set aside for an elector to ask questions, give evidence or make representations on any item of business included on the agenda of the Council, and its Committees.

If members of the public have any questions it would be appreciated if they could make them known prior to the start of the meeting. Agendas/Reports are available on the Council's Website on the Friday afternoon preceding the meeting. ([www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk](http://www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk))

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# 7 GOALS IN 7 DAYS FOR AYCLIFFE STRIKER

Striker John Campbell went one better than his Tuesday night hat-trick as Newton Aycliffe beat Marske United 5-2 in fine style. The result maintained Aycliffe's third place position in the Northern League with 22 points from 11 games. The two sides had already met in the League this season with the Seasiders comfortable 3-0 winners in the reverse fixture in August. However, as both teams found themselves with a potentially free Saturday thanks to their FA Vase exemptions the League brought forward the game from the planned date in January.



John Campbell

Both sides set away playing good football in windy conditions, trying to work an opening for their strikers. However, there were few chances early on. There was a lengthy stoppage on 20 minutes following an injury to Michael Riley, with Andrew Ferrell coming on as his replacement. This was a debut for Ferrell who had just signed from Bedlington, where he was manager until recently. The breakthrough came in the 40th minute when Campbell hit a sweet strike into the corner of the net to make it 1-0. In injury time Campbell repeated the feat, this time in the opposite corner, to make the half time score 2-0. Marske started the second half brightly, and pulled one back on 50 minutes through former Aycliffe player Jamie Owens, following a scramble in the box. Aycliffe kept attacking and were rewarded when Dennis Knight scored direct from a

free kick, past the wall and goalkeeper Robert Dean's dive. Alan Harrison came on for injured captain Paul Garthwaite after 75 minutes. Marske pulled it back to 3-2 through a Nathan Mulligan penalty on 85 minutes. However, Aycliffe kept pushing and spared their fans a nervous finish when sub Harrison did well to control the ball and played an inch perfect pass for Campbell to run onto and finish one-on-one to make it 4-2. Aycliffe kept attacking to the last, and in the 93rd minute Dennis Knight skipped through the defence to square it to Campbell to tap in for his fourth and Aycliffe's fifth. Final score 5-2. Aycliffe have two more home games this week to bring to a close their sequence of five consecutive matches at Moore Lane. Incredibly the first 3 games have seen a total of

23 goals, impressive by any standards, and testament to the entertainment value of Northern League football. Aycliffe play Washington for the third time this season on Tuesday night (ko 7:30pm). The Nissan based club put Aycliffe out of the FA Cup in a replay in early August so the team will be looking to make amends. They welcome Newcastle Benfield on Saturday 1st October (ko 3pm).

## Running Club News

There was an excellent turnout for Aycliffe at the recent Redcar Half Marathon on Sunday 25 September. The route started and finished at Redcar seafront and was all on road. First home for the club was John Surtees in an excellent time of 1:24:57, he was followed by the first lady home, Tracey Surtees in 1:37:35. Next came Dave Blewitt in 1:39:30, Martyn Knox in 1:41:50, George Dixon in 1:41:57, Susan Blackburn-Rees in 1:44:49, Trish Kay in 1:48:41 and placing 1st in her age category of female over 55. On the same day Susan Cranswick competed in the Loch Ness Marathon and recorded an excellent time of 3:26:22, a new personal best. Club runner Martha McBarron competed in Haltwhistle Half marathon and placed 1st in her category female over 55 in a time of 1:48:55.

On Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd of October it will be the start of the national development boxing championships held at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre. Boxing starts around 13.30. Aycliffe Amateur Boxing Club will be represented by 4 very capable boxers, SENIOR: Blake Stanbra

- 69kg, Jake Bird - 64kg, JUNIOR: Jack Roddam - 52kg and Molly Hughes - 42kg. This is the first round of the championships to find the champions to represent the Tyne Tees & Wear amateur boxing association in the Prequarter-final, after that move on to the quarter final, semi-final and final.

## Youthy FC Round-up



With the weather changing youth football is certainly heating up for all Newton Aycliffe football teams.

**Under 10 Eagles 3 - 1** Stockton. Blues

The Eagles were dominating from the beginning Owen scored a long range shot from the corner flag powering it in to the top corner. There was some excellent defending and Dan Heaton made two outstanding saves. The second goal came from a pass slotted in from Ashton into Noah. The third goal was a long range shot from Joe the keeper didn't stand a chance. Although they score one back the defence stood strong with some good tackles from Jack and Sam.

**U13 Hawk's 11 - 3** Hylton Rangers

The U13's Hawks were away at Sunderland on Saturday morning to play Hylton Rangers. The pitch was a bit roller coaster shaped and on a slope. The lads started well again, and quickly took the lead. They again played some great passing football and had the opposition chasing the ball for long periods of the game. When they got the ball they did punish the Hawk's with 3 well taken goals. The final score was Hawk's 11 - 3 Hylton. Our goals came from Jaydon 2, Adam 2, Dylan 6 and James 1. A good performance by all the lads but MOTM was Evan Bailey-Thompson a solid reliable performance in defence with some great runs forward.

Supporter of the week goes to the opposition coaches Chihuahua who came on and played for a while then peed all over the Hawks coach Jonathan Gallagher's kit on the sideline. Bishop Auckland Girls 2 - 4 U15's Girls

A very blustery morning at Hunwick saw the u15 girls up against their local rivals Bishop Auckland Girls. First half was 50/50 chances from both teams but Katie B managed to get through and hit the back of net leaving 0-1 HT. Bishop scored not long after the start of the second half with a further goal

from Katie B following. Bishop then stepped up and scored again. With a good passing move between midfielders and strikers saw Katie B get the ball and pass to Molly to score the 3rd. It was Aycliffe pushing now with shot after shot until a final goal from Katie B to complete her hat-trick sealed the game. 2-4 FT. Brilliant game from all girls today and a debut for Ashleigh.

**U17's 5 - 2** Dawdon Welfare Dawdon Welfare travelled to the Oak Leaf knowing a win would take Aycliffe up to second in the league.

We started off in poor fashion conceding after some poor defending after only 2 minutes. This was the only shot Dawdon had in the first half as the rest of the half camped in their half with wave after wave of attacks from Aycliffe. It took Aycliffe till the 20 minute to score with a good header into the bottom corner by J Batman. Aycliffe then took the lead 10 minutes later with a tidy little finish from D Godfrey. Half time 2-1 more importantly 35 chances created to there 1. The first 20 minutes of the second half was all one way traffic but Aycliffe still couldn't find the back of the net.

Then a terrible error left Dawdon 2 v1 resulting in them scoring, 2-2.

Aycliffe then relied on our keeper to keep them in it with a great save, this kick started Aycliffe with C Bowsher tapped in from a corner, followed by a great team goal capped off by S Ions.

D Godfrey typified the hard work Aycliffe showed tonight when he and S Ions pressured the keeper into making a mistake allowing D Godfrey to tap in.

5-2 great all round squad performance with lots of skill and very hard work.

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### OTHER RESULTS:

Durham City Juniors U7s 8 vs 0 NAYC FC U7s  
U8 Eagles 13 - 1 Shincliffe Juniors  
U9's 3 - 4 Washington Juniors  
U10 Eagles 3 - 1 Stockton. Blues  
Norton and Stockton Ancient Blacks 2 vs 4 U10 Falcons.  
Skelton 2 - 0 U11's  
U12's Eagles 3 - 3 Stockton Town Blues  
Barnard Castle 4 - 2 U13's Eagles  
U13's Falcons 7-0 Billingham Synthonia  
U14's Girls 0 - 9 Washington Juniors  
U14's Falcons 8-1 Darlington Young Bulls  
Under 17's 2 v 2 Farrington Detached



5 or 6 wins in one month are needed to become the national champion but these four are quite capable of doing the business, and they have all the support of Aycliffe Amateur Boxing Club members.

One young man JAMES LEPIODEVIN has made it all the way on two occasions to win the schoolboy championship and the cadet championship, and James has been entered into the national association of boys and girls clubs for young people boxing championships at

Hartlepool on the 22nd of October.

Aycliffe Boxing Club train on Monday, Tuesday & Thursday evening from 6pm, at Acorn House, Durham Way North, Aycliffe Business Park, DL5 6HP, anyone wishing to join or pop in to see what we do are welcome, membership starts at the age of 6 and all coaches are qualified and have been checked by the DBS and are first aid trained. For more information contact Les Gibson on 01325 313855.

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She is a member of Acorn Players and winner of the first "Aycliffe Got Talent" contest. Shanaya sang in the "Joseph" production and played one of the brothers. She has sung at the Sage and performed at many local venues including weddings.

Her dream is to have a singing career using her powerful voice and love of Soul to perform R&B and Gospel songs. She entered the U.K. Open Mic Competition in the 16 to 20yr. old group and on Sunday 18th September secured place in the live regional final. There were hundreds of entrants in front of 5 judges. Shanaya sang a Jennifer Hudson cover for 2 minutes accapello.

The regional final takes place at The Tyne Theatre & Opera House, Newcastle Upon Tyne, on Sunday



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### COUNCIL

- A talk by DCC Chief Executive Terry Collins on the DCC Budget: bit.ly/DCCTCBC
- DCC budget consultation ends Friday 7 October: bit.ly/DCCBC916
- This week's DCC Economy Scrutiny meeting (YEI, DKO, Council performance): bit.ly/DCCEs916
- Last week's DCC Full Council meeting: bit.ly/DCC916
- This week's GAMP Board meeting: bit.ly/GAMP916
- New HWRC winter opening hours, 9am-3:30pm from 1 October: bit.ly/HWRC16
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## Coffee Morning for Charity

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## VOLUNTEERS WANTED

**Neville Parade Community Centre and The Cubby are looking for volunteers to help in the kitchen and with various activities held there. If you can spare a few hours please ring the Chairman Bill Blenkinsopp on 07772 921166.**

## National Hate Crime Week

Hate crimes are increasing and Durham Constabulary wants to take a stand to stop this. National Hate Crime Week runs from Saturday 8th October to Friday 15th. Come to see Durham Constabulary's Community Cohesion Officers Mark and Neil outside the Newgate Centre in Bishop Auckland between 10am and 2pm on Thursday 13th October. The stars of police interceptors will be there as well as the dog section. Neil says "Come and learn more about hate crime. Hate crime damages so many lives, so come along and sign up to support our campaign. Together we can defeat hate and intolerance in South Durham. If you can't come along but feel you've been affected by hate crime call 101 and report it to us. If you don't feel comfortable talking to the police then you can still report it via our partner website True Vision at www.report-it.org.uk. Don't suffer in silence- report hate crimes to us."

## Treat for Little Acorns



Little ACORNS recently visited Flamingo Land with their new T shirts for a day out to say thank you for the work they do in the community.

The trip was only possible thanks to Honest John's donation and Dorothy Bowman for the use of the Aycliffe community bus. The group would like to thank both parties for making this possible and the main ACORN group for allowing us to have a platform from which to work from.

We have a few things in the planning stage for the next few months at our monthly meetings. The group meet on the second Thursday of the month at 5:30 for 30 minutes, which is followed by the main ACORN meeting. These are held upstairs in the Phoenix club, feel free to come along and have a chat or find us at the Halloween Party in the Leisure Centre on Saturday 29th October.

## DO YOU NEED A POP UP BANNER TO PROMOTE YOUR CLUB OR ORGANISATION?

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## Coach Trip To Beamish



On Thursday, 15th September year 3 pupils from St. Mary's primary went to Beamish Agricultural Show. We travelled on a coach by J and C, and our bus driver was called Neville and he looked after us very well. When we first got there we were lucky enough to be given a drink of rosehip cordial and a home-made shortbread biscuit, which was delicious! After that we worked in groups to make a scarecrow. We all found it very tricky trying to keep the scarecrow from falling down! Then we learn

some country dancing, which was great fun. In the afternoon we saw the sheepdog at work herding geese, Rebecca got the chance to help at being a shepherd. We all stood inside the arena ring to help; we had to learn to keep very still. The school award ceremony came next and we were very lucky that we won a few prizes. Rebecca Musgrave came first prize with her vegetables; Leah Greenwell got a second prize with her flowers. In key stage 1, year 2 got a second prize for their Artwork on the seasons and

Sophie Fleming came second for her handwriting. Once all the excitement was out of the way we decided to go into the town. We went inside the bakery, grocers shop and sweet shop, we even got to try some of the sweets! Our final activity was exploring the craft tent. We saw lots of amazing new things here; some of use watched a wood carver at work, some of use watched ladies spinning, while others had a go with the proggy mats. It was great fun. We were very lucky to have such glorious weather too.



# ANOTHER FIRST FOR NEWTON AYCLIFFE

ROF59 is bringing the first Virtual Reality gaming experience to Newton Aycliffe and is being launched at their first Music Festival on 1st October.

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## Thank You

THE FAMILY of the late Doreen Hailes would like to thank the many friends and family who attended the Funeral Service. Also a special thank you to David Scott of Co-Operative Funeralcare, Elizabeth Bland and St. Clare's Church and Stuart at the Newton Press. Thank you also for the kind donations - we raised £310 for the Butterwick Hospice.

A BIG thank you to Aycliffe Framers & Engravers for repairing my sentimental clock. Much appreciated.

## Birthday Remembrance

**GRAEME COOPER.** 4th October 1965. No card, no gift, no birthday wish. Just loving memories of the one we miss. Love always, Clive and Grace xxx

## Obituary

### Ann Prince



It is with great sadness the family of Ann Prince of Russell Court announce her passing peacefully on 20th September. A Humanist Service is to take place on 14th October at 1:45pm at Stockport Crematorium. Any donations to be sent to the PDSA.

**DIXON,** Newton Aycliffe. 26th September, peacefully in St. Teresa's Hospice after a long illness. Barrie, aged 64 years, a beloved Son, Brother and Uncle. Would friends kindly meet for Graveside Service in The West Cemetery, School Aycliffe on Friday 7th October at 11.00am. Family flowers only please. Donations in lieu, would be much appreciated in aid of St. Teresa's Hospice and will be accepted by Whitehouse Funeral Service, Surtees House, Hilton Road, Newton Aycliffe, DL5 6EN. Tel: 01325 318600.

## In Memoriam

**AVRIL ALDERSON,** 05/04/39 to 03/10/13. Treasured memories of my darling wife. Always in my heart, always in my thoughts. You will never be forgotten love Jimmy

**AVRIL ALDERSON,** 05/04/39 to 03/10/13. Treasured memories of a much loved Mam and Nanna. You were very special and very much missed. You will never be forgotten. Love Michelle, Laurence, Thomas and Katherine

**GRAEME COOPER.** 6th October 2006. This sad day comes with regret, it brings back memories we shall never forget. You fell asleep without goodbye, but memories of you will never die. We shared many happy days together, and some sad ones too. But the saddest day of all to us was the day we lost you. Love, Clive and Grace xxx

**GRAEME COOPER.** 6th October 2006. 10 years have passed since that sad day, to us you were so special, what more can we say. Our only wish is you were still here today. Never more than a thought away. Much loved and missed, Mam and Dad xxxxx

## Congratulations

## Congratulations

### Ethan Berry



#### Congratulations

Well done Son on gaining your Black Belt in Jujitsu. We are all so very proud of you. All the hard work has paid off. Love, Mam, Dad and family.  
*Thanks to Trevor and Newton Aycliffe Jujitsu*

### Loren Ballantyne



#### Happy 13th Birthday Sweetheart

Hope you have a fantastic weekend. Lots of love from Mam and John-Paul xxx  
Happy 13th birthday to our Sister Loren. Lots of love and kisses from Aimee and Dylan xxx  
To our very special teenager. Happy birthday Loren. Lots of love from all your Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles and Cousins xxx

### Paul Thomas Cooke



#### Happy Birthday

Oh dear, Oh dear. Look who's birthday it is !!  
*From all your friends*

### To John



*From Penfriend  
To Boyfriend  
To Husband*

Thanks for 50 Golden Years. Happy Anniversary. Margaret

### John-Paul Howarth



#### Happy Birthday 30th September 2016

Happy birthday John-Paul, all my love, Lisa xxx  
Happy birthday to our very special Dad. Lots of love from Dylan and Kameron xxx  
Happy birthday John-Paul. Love from Loren and Aimee xxxxx

### Norma & Cliff Moore



#### Happy Golden Wedding Anniversary 1st October 2016 Love from all the family

### Ian Howson



#### 80 Years Young 29th September 2016

Your secret is out now! Happy 80th Dad and Grandad. Love from John, Ruth, Stuart, Denise, Gene, Thomas, Catherine, Morag, Georgina and Smudge xxx

### Heather Sarah Bain



#### Happy 21st Birthday 2nd October 2016

Lots of love from Mum, Dad, Samuel and Grace



### ROSE MAYOH

Congratulations to a wonderful, caring and brilliant Mam. On 27th September it's your birthday, so have a great day. Lots of love, Maria, Christine, Ian and Anita xxxxx  
**ROSE MAYOH** Happy birthday to my fantastic, loving and caring Grandma. Have a brilliant birthday on 27th September. Lots of love, Kimberley xxxxx  
**ELLIE DIXON** Happy 3rd birthday. Love you to the moon and back. From Nanny and Grandad Dixon xxxxx

### Samantha Owen



#### Happy 21st Birthday 1st October 2016

Congratulations on your 21st birthday. Have a fab party. Love, Mam and Dad xxxxx

### Millie Dryden



#### Happy 18th Birthday Treasure

All our love, Gran and Grandad

**DEAN BURNISTON** 40th. Happy birthday on 4th October. Lots of love, Mam and Dad xxxxx  
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## RUGBY CLUB'S CONVINCING WIN TRI CLUB REPORT

Saturday the 24th of September saw Aycliffe 1st XV play their first home fixture of the season against the recently descended Houghton Le Spring 1st team. Given Houghton's reputation for hard running and a scavenging backrow, it was set to be a physical and taxing encounter. With this in mind, Aycliffe fielded a strong squad, including excellent first team league debuts for Dan Bland and Jon McGuigan.

The match saw the first ever Aycliffe Rugby Club mascot, as young William Whitehouse lead the team on to the pitch with captain Alex Lineton.

Conditions were good, and following an intense warm up, Aycliffe were ready for the challenge ahead. The game began with an Aycliffe kick off which was followed by a tough fifteen-minute period as both sides fought hard to gain the ascendancy. On sixteen minutes, Aycliffe took the lead as influential winger James Thacker crashed the ball through the Houghton on one of his trademark storming runs, crossing for the first try of the game. Houghton soon fought back and feeding off Aycliffe mistakes at the breakdown, registered two penalties in



quick succession to take them into a one-point lead. Knowing they had to work harder to stay in the game, the forward pack kept the ball in tight, and following some excellent work around the fringes, flanker Andy Tonkin crossed the whitewash, which was converted by Captain Alex Lineton, putting Aycliffe six points to the good. Houghton soon replied with pressure on the Aycliffe

defence, which held firm, but gave away a penalty which the Houghton ten drove between the uprights to bring the visitors within three points. Half time score Aycliffe 12-9 Houghton.

The second half commenced with Aycliffe receiving the kick, which was taken by powerful loosehead Dan Peck, who slammed into the Houghton defensive line and set a clean platform for the

next phase. The forwards continued to work hard in close, moving the ball wider with the support of a backline unafraid of taking the ball into contact. This pressure from one to fifteen began to tell as some of the Houghton pack began to lose their cool, with allegations of chokes in the ruck and punches at the referee coming to the referee via Aycliffe's Captain. With the referee looking out for foul play, Aycliffe continued with their seemingly inexorable drive toward the line, and several unforgiving phases were rewarded as Aycliffe eight Andy Littlefair dove over the whitewash out wide to take the home side out of reach of a converted try. There was no room for complacency however, and Aycliffe reapplied the pressure from the restart, further frustrating the Houghton back row who were unable to get near the ball, and gave a penalty for side entry. Aycliffe pragmatically decided to kick with Lineton sending the

ball over to take Aycliffe to twenty. Again Aycliffe came hard at Houghton from the restart, with physical phases and one-out ball resulting in winger Thacker again spotting his opportunity and charging over the line. Despite a yellow card for impactful openside Tonkin, the game seemed out of sight for Houghton. Not content to sit back on their laurels, Aycliffe continued as they had all game, hammering at the Houghton line and sucking in defenders which allowed them to release debutant Jon McGuigan who touched down out wide with minutes to go. The game finished with a total of five tries run in by Aycliffe with the backs taking three to the forwards two. Tries came from James Thacker (2), Andy Tonkin, Andrew Littlefair and Jon McGuigan. Three of the tries and one penalty were converted by Alex Lineton. The Final score 32-9 to Aycliffe. Thank you to all our Match Day Sponsor, Whitehouse Funeral Services.

## Aycliffe Teenager Takes British Championship



Jack and Joe Howarth, brothers from Aycliffe Village Chi Taekwondo Club, had great success at the British National Taekwondo Championships in London on September 25th.

The event was held at the Copperbox Arena in the London Olympic Village and proved to be a great event with almost 900 competitors attending over 2 days.

Jack, age 17, who has an apprenticeship at Gestamp Tallent, entered two categories and after 3 tough fights became British Champion in 78kg Juniors, winning gold. He also fought in under 80kg Seniors, which was his first Senior competition and came away with bronze after having two great fights.

Joe, age 13, who attends Woodham Academy, also had 3 tough fights and won bronze. His second fight of the day being the most memorable as he beat a boy who had represented GB in the European Cadet Championships in Romania two weeks ago. The Aycliffe team was one of the smallest with only 16 people competing and they came away with 13 medals in total, which was a great achievement.

Hello readers, we'll start with a couple of results missed from the Kielder Swim that happened on the 17th of September. Sue Brown and David Packham both entered the Mile swim, with Sue finishing 8th overall in a quick 24:57, while David finished 41st in a great time of 35:34.

The following Saturday we had one entrant - David Wilkin - participate in non-other than the Ironman Majorca. He finished the race in an amazing 11:52:31, setting himself a personal best for the distance at this event. He was 172nd in his age group and 901st overall out of over 2000 competitors from around the world and he couldn't have been happier.

On Sunday 25th September, closer to home, seven of our club members made the short drive to Barnard Castle to enter the Teesdale Triathlon. Andrew Sedgwick crossed the line first out of the group in time of 1:20:33, 5th male overall and a brilliant 3rd in his age group. Next to finish was Jez Ladbury in a time of 1:36:49, 39th male overall, 3rd in age group. Alan Kellett was close behind Jez, finishing in a time of 1:38:51, 45th male overall, 4th in age group. Michael Casey finished 6th in his age group, 53rd male overall, in a time of 1:42:25,

while James Wilson crossed the line in 1:47:33, 8th in age group, 63rd male overall. For the ladies we had Tracey Warrior finishing a fantastic 2nd in her age group in a time of 1:46:37, 17th female overall and Anne Kellett finishing an equally fantastic 3rd in her age group, 38th female overall, in a time of 2:02:22.

If you would like any information or perhaps join a club session for free, please don't hesitate in contacting Aycliffe Tri Club via our website <http://aycliffetriclub.wix.com> or find us on FB.

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