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## Aycliffe - Shildon Jaunt 'An Outstanding Success'



Visitors to the weekend's Family Fun Day at Locomotion and those who took part in the ground-breaking Railway Jaunt from Newton Aycliffe to the Shildon Museum were so delighted with the action-packed programme of free entertainment that they are calling for it to be made a regular event.

The fun day was designed to mark the 191st anniversary of the birthday of the Stockton and Darlington Railway on September 27th, 1825, when it became the world's first public railway to be operated partly by steam.

The jaunt also symbolised the uniting of the two towns - Shildon being part of the birth of the railway and Newton Aycliffe seeing its rebirth with Hitachi.

"We are thrilled that so many people took time to tell us how much they enjoyed Saturday's event and would like to see it repeated and shall certainly look into that possibility", said Trish Pemberton, Mayor of Shildon and Chair of the Friends of the Stockton and Darlington Railway.

Many visitors described the combined attraction as 'an outstanding success'. The day's events at Newton Aycliffe Railway Station began with a musical greeting by Aycliffe and Brancepeth Brass Band. Hundreds of supporters, from babies in buggies to mature bikers and determined wheelchair users,

turned up to be part of the pioneering sponsored Jaunt to Shildon's Locomotion museum.

At one stage, walkers, runners, youngsters with scooters and cyclists of all shapes and sizes were strung out along the tarmac track recently provided by Durham County Council for as far as the eye could see.

"We suspected that the walk

would be popular but were staggered by how many people arrived to take part," said Rtn Syd Howarth who led the team of Newton Aycliffe Rotarians responsible for organising and marshalling the Jaunt along the three-mile route and providing free refreshments at the arrival point.

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## Aycliffe - Shildon Jaunt 'An Outstanding Success'



Busiest helpers on the day were a party of Junior Street Champions from Newton Aycliffe's Junior Neighbourhood Watch who combined pleasure with business by collecting several baskets of litter as they travelled along the path.

Funds raised by sponsorship will be shared between the NSPCC, the Mayor of Shildon's chosen charity, and worthy causes supported by those taking part.

Locals and visiting enthusiasts were welcomed at the starting line by MP Phil Wilson, Durham County Council Vice Chairman Mike Dixon, Aycliffe Town Council Chairman Jed Hillary and Rotary Club President Nora Scott. Everyone completing the walk was presented with an eye-catching, self-guide

walk booklet re-creating the 1825 route of the Stockton and Darlington line from Shildon to Heighington Station.

The printing costs were met by Great Aycliffe County Councillors Eddy Adam, John D Clare, Mike Dixon, Joan Grey, Jed Hillary, Kate Hopper and Sarah Iveson.

At Locomotion, there were official welcomes from Trish Pemberton and Cllr Jed Hillary, with opportunities to meet a group of friendly animals (including alpacas and a giant rabbit), have faces painted, take part in arts and crafts and sporting activities, try a cycling challenge, have a free health check provided by Health Express, learn circus tricks from a pair of colourful clowns, meet local heroes from the police and fire services and see some wonderful woollies created by the ladies of St John's Church and the knitting group at the Foundation of Light.

Inside Locomotion, further entertainment was provided by Thornhill Primary School, the Tearaways from Shildon, Roller Skaters, the Aycliffe MAD Choir, Aycliffe and Brancepeth Brass Band, Athena Gymnastics Club, Durham Music Service and a very talented Woodham Academy guitarist and singer Victoria Witton. Displays of artwork and photographs also proved popular.

For most visitors of all ages, however, the outstanding attraction of the day was the chance to enjoy a free train ride behind the steam engine 'Furness' – thanks to the generosity of local county councillors who picked up the bill.

Later in the day Trish Pemberton hosted tea followed by a civic reception with a talk on the Railway Anniversary with further entertainment from the Durham Music Service.

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## FOREVER ELVIS AT NEVILLE CC

The "Forever Elvis" tribute night at Neville Parade Community Centre will take place on Saturday 15th October, doors open 7pm. Tickets are priced at £4 and are available from the Community Centre. Ticket price includes a Pie & Peas supper. A well stocked bar will also be available from 7-11pm with quality beer, lager, wine and spirits.

### MAD CHOIR

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### Saturday 15th October - "American Girl"

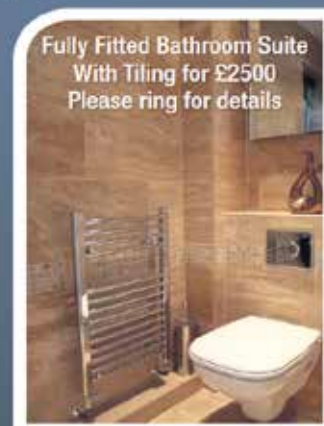
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## Recruitment Boost for Town's Rotary Club



Newton Aycliffe Rotary President Nora Scott this week faced one of the most challenging duties of her year so far when she inducted the club's latest member.

Technical and tooling manager Gary Blenkinsopp of School Aycliffe is so much taller than Nora that she had the greatest trouble pinning on his Rotary lapel badge. When she finally managed it, Nora earned a round of applause from members. Gary became the fourth new member to be inducted into the Newton Aycliffe club within the past month.

Rtn. Syd Howarth, who chairs the Membership Committee, commented: "Rotary's motto of 'Service Above Self' brings into our membership people in this area who want to give something back to the community. Anyone interested in doing that can contact me by e-mail at [syd@newtonnews.co.uk](mailto:syd@newtonnews.co.uk)"

## New Home for Library



Artist's impressions of the new entrance to Newton Aycliffe Library and Leisure Centre and the interior of the Library.

A library is set to begin a new chapter as part of a £1million project to help rejuvenate a County Durham town.

Newton Aycliffe Library will move into newly refurbished premises at the local Leisure Centre later this year.

The scheme, being carried out by Durham County Council, will see the transformation of a number of shop units adjoining the centre and the creation of a new shared entrance and reception for the library and leisure centre.

The work is part of a wider project to regenerate the town centre, creating a new plaza area and bringing vacant properties back into use.

Cllr Maria Plews, Durham County Council's Cabinet member for leisure, libraries and lifelong learning, said: "We are delighted to be starting the construction of the library and new plaza area at the heart of Newton Aycliffe town centre.

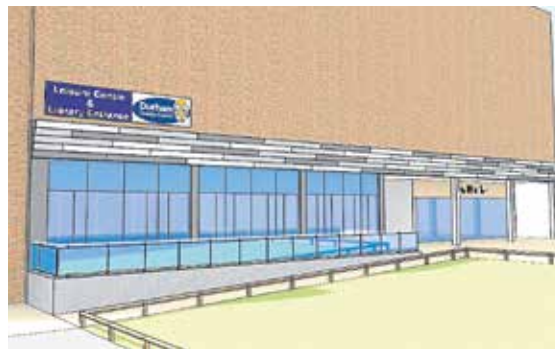
"Co-locating the library with the leisure centre not only means it is likely to attract more visitors, it will also be more cost efficient for the council."

Once work is complete, the new-look facility will also offer residents the opportunity to make an appointment to discuss revenue and benefits queries with customer service staff.

Work has already taken place to refurbish the leisure centre's swimming pool area and upgrade the changing rooms. The latest phase of

improvements is now underway and is set to be complete in December. In the meantime, residents can

continue to visit the existing library on Central Avenue and there will be no disruption to services at the leisure centre.



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## MORE TIME FOR CAKE AS LOCAL CHARITY SUPPORTS MACMILLAN

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Workers from DISC, based at Sapphire House in Newton Aycliffe, delivered a table full of cakes to the building's More Time Café where they were then sold in aid of the Macmillan Cancer Coffee Morning.

Students from DISC's Steps 4 Success programme did their bit by collecting money, manning the tombola and decorating the café to help entice customers into making a purchase.

DISC finance officer Siobhan Dalton from Durham said: "There were so many cakes on offer I didn't know which one to choose. In the end, I went for a fairy cake, which was delicious!"

Craig Westwood, also from DISC, said "Even though I've



been on a diet recently, these cakes and the good cause their sale helps meant that for one day only, I can indulge. The lemon drizzle cake has gone down a storm!"

Julie Nisbet, Business Manager at More Time, said: "This is our second year raising money for MacMillan. They do marvellous work and

they're close to the hearts of many of our staff members. Of course, our staff are very charitable and we were proud to make so much money in the coffee morning."

"We were really pleased with the amount of support from staff and the community. S4S and the café team worked extremely hard and were paramount to the success of the event."

More Time is based at The IES Centre - Horndale Avenue, Aycliffe Business Park (near the Blue Bridge).



A number of our ladies returned from the holidays and we were interested by our speaker for the evening Mike Thornton former Head Teacher at Greenfield enlightened us on his times spent on holidays in the outer Hebrides with a slideshow that was breath taking! Our next meeting will be Tuesday Oct 11th for 7.15 pm start in St Clare's Church Hall. For more information please contact Helen 01325 315017

## Rotary Dictionary for Life



For the last ten years the town's Rotary Club has presented dictionaries to all Year 6 children in schools in this area. Photo shows Year 6 students at St. Mary's R.C. School on Friday 30th September. Standing right of Deputy Head Teacher Mrs. Hargreaves, is Rotarian Angela Stevenson who made the presentation.

## Defibrillator Training for Aycliffe Rotarians



Two visitors to Newton Aycliffe Rotary Club suffered suspected heart attacks on Tuesday evening. Fortunately, both survived – thanks to skills Rotary volunteers had acquired just a few minutes earlier involving use of talking defibrillator equipment. International life-saving consultant Barbara Broadbelt paid a return visit to the club to teach the town's Rotarians how to respond when people collapse after a sudden heart attack.

Using two resuscitation manikins as heart attack victims, Barbara (pictured centre) demonstrated use of defibrillator equipment now installed in several parts of the Aycliffe area and then supervised a training session when Rotarians practised their skills.

The simple-to-use machine talks users through the process of using the equipment which has a proven record of saving the lives of people after a cardiac arrest.

Barbara, a member of Durham Elvet Rotary Club and North East District Assistant Governor, has offered to return to the club in the near future to give further instruction to Rotary volunteers.

"It was a most informative session," said Newton Aycliffe Rotary President Nora Scott. "Any reservations we had about using the defibrillator quickly disappeared when we saw how the machine talked the user through the treatment process. We were all very impressed."

The defib was donated to the club and will be taken to various public events including the Jaunt last Saturday. Local organisations

running public events are invited to use the equipment.

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The Council, on 29/09/16 made an Order under Section 14 (1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984, as amended, to close all vehicular traffic a 30 metre length of B6444 Heighington Lane equidistant from the centre of Heighington Station Level Crossing, Aycliffe to enable level crossing maintenance works to be undertaken. The maximum duration of the temporary closure under the Order is 18 months and is required from 08/10/16 and for the duration of the works, anticipated to be on two consecutive Saturday nights (between 7.00pm and 9.00am) and two consecutive Sunday nights (from 7.00pm to 7.00am). However, on rare occasions, alternative dates for closures may be necessary and these will be signed accordingly. **Alternative route:** to vehicular traffic from the eastern side of the closure from B6444 junction with A167 at Aycliffe Village, southerly via A167 to Coatham Mundeville Interchange (J59), south westerly along A1(M) to Burtree Interchange (J58) then northerly along A68 and A6072 to the western side of the closure, and vice versa. A local (non-HGV) diversion will be signed from the eastern side of the closure, northerly via Whinbank Road, left onto Horndale Avenue then south westerly along School Aycliffe Lane to the A6072 Roundabout junction with B6444 to the western side of the closure and vice versa.

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## GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL

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

**Wednesday 19th October 2016**

## Policy & Resources 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 representation 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))

The Press and Public are cordially invited to attend.

"The Public Entrance to the Council Chamber will be open 30 minutes prior to the commencement of meetings".

## Coffee Pronto's Special Service for Everyone



Proprietor Barbara Meredith (left) with staff

For over 10 years Coffee Pronto has served the residents of Newton Aycliffe with high quality food from their premises on Beveridge Way in the shopping centre. It was a case of "Upstairs - Downstairs", a few years ago when the cafe relocated to new premises on the main ground level mall as part of the on-going redevelopment of the shopping centre (we will never forget the lifting!).

Robin and Barbara Meredith (both qualified chefs), created the Coffee Pronto concept which has evolved to where we are today, a fresh, bright, environment where our many customers enjoy our home cooked food and ambience. Huey Watson, also a qualified chef, joined the team recently.

To support the local area and customers, old and new, we have recently launched a Sunday Lunch takeaway and delivery service, which has proved an enormous success. So much so that we have now gone to a seven day a week takeaway and delivery service. Catering for all tastes from our widespread menu, including breakfasts.

Outside catering, buffets and event catering are welcome, which we have been making available for all sorts of our customers' requirements for quite a while now.

Christmas is looming large and we are also pleased to announce evening Christmas Fare parties as the cafe will soon take on a Bistro/Christmas party feel in the evenings along with Christmas Day Fare for home deliveries (no cooking for you!) available to book now.

For all enquiries, whatever your needs, place call Coffee Pronto Catering on 01325 312121 or find us on Facebook.

## NEW ART GROUP

It is proposed to start an informal art group in Newton Aycliffe for drawing and painting. The group will meet at the R.A.F.A. Club in Barrington Road on a Friday afternoon between 1-3pm.

If you are interested please contact Ron Rose on 01325 310865.

## Monday Tea Dance

Readers of Newton News are being invited to take to the large dance floor at Coundon & Leeholme Community Centre at Leeholme (DL14 8HN), for their weekly Monday afternoon Tea Dance.

Live music is played by local organist Graeme Scarlett and dancing is from 2pm - 4pm with a break for Tea or Coffee and fresh home made cakes.

Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the afternoon, new and non-dancers are also encouraged to take part whatever your standard.

Admission is payable at the door and is only £3 including refreshments. Local buses stop outside the centre, and for car owners there is ample free and safe parking. Further details are available from Pam Hymas on 07868 654604.

## £500 For Defoe Court



Sarah Todd, Home Manager at Defoe Court, was delighted to receive a very generous donation of £500 from Honest John for the Residents Fund. "The donation will go towards Christmas festivities and in house treats for all our residents thanks to Honest John" said Sarah

## CLEAN-UP SQUAD



Officers PCSO 7858 Steven Gill and PCSO 7430 Gavin Laycock were this week working with Great Aycliffe Town Council's Park Wardens to remove graffiti from a garage. The damage was caused to an 89 year old woman's property. #RespectYourStreet

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## ACORN PLAYERS

Thanks to the generosity of the public Anne Harland & Jan Woodhouse raised £98.18 on their Halloween stall on Saturday 24th September. All proceeds go towards the Acorn Players forthcoming show "Jack and the Beanstalk" to be performed in mid February 2017.

Would you like to be a Princess? or maybe a King or Queen? or even a Giant? There are many wonderful parts, no experience needed, so why not come and join our group. We would love to see you - 7 to 97years old - it doesn't matter. Rehearsals at the RAFA Club, Mondays 7 to 8:30 pm, apart from the first Monday of each month.

## Crafter's Open Second Store

GLOBAL craft brand Crafter's Companion with their HQ at Aycliffe welcomed thousands of visitors to the launch of its second UK store over its opening weekend.

Visitors from all over the

country attended the launch of the store, at Dobbies Garden Centre and Shopping Village in Chesterfield.

The store was officially opened by the company's founder and craft TV shopping star Sara

Davies MBE on Friday. The new Crafter's Companion outlet has been designed to attract more people into craft and provide a community hub where customers can explore the latest tools and products.

Throughout the weekend, visitors were able to enjoy a number of demonstrations led by several craft celebrities. These included TV shopping stars Debbie Shore and Sheena Douglass, who travelled to the region to run sessions and celebrate the launch.

Sara Davies MBE said: "Opening a store in Chesterfield was a big step for us so soon after we launched our first store in the North East, so it's great to see the launch weekend go so incredibly well. "Dobbies Garden Centre and Shopping Village has such a great reputation and the feedback we have received so far from everyone visiting our new store has been brilliant. We can't thank all of our customers enough for their continued support."

"We've put so much hard work into making the store a success, so it's been great to see people from the local community and beyond the region enjoying themselves and really getting involved with the activities."

The new store, which is the result of a £250k investment by the multi award-winning Crafter's Companion, includes a central hub for workshops and group sessions, dedicated demonstration areas and themed shopping sections.

The store will be open to the public Monday - Saturday from 9am-6pm and on Sunday from 10.30am-4.30pm.

There will also be regular workshops available for booking.

The outlet joins several other brands at Dobbies Garden Centre in Chesterfield, such as Edinburgh Woollen Mill, Holland and Barrett, Lakeland, Pets at Home and Cotton Traders. The extensive garden centre also houses a farm shop, food hall and a restaurant.

Crafter's Companion, which was founded in 2005, specialises in manufacturing and distributing crafting tools and products, which are also sold online via its website, on TV shopping channels across the world, by independent retailers and in its own retail stores.

For more information, visit [www.crafterscompanion.co.uk](http://www.crafterscompanion.co.uk)

## Youthy FC on Charity Jaunt



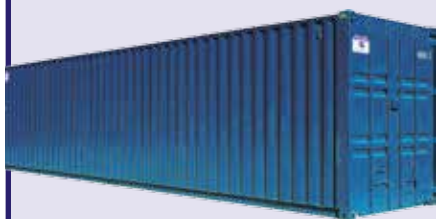
On Saturday 1st October, the Rotary Club organised the Aycliffe Jaunt and Newton Aycliffe Youth FC came out in large numbers to take part in this community charity fundraiser. Around 35 players gathered sponsors for completing the walk from Aycliffe Station to Shildon Locomotion Railway Museum. The players were well supported by their families and friends.

Secretary Berni Borsberry commented "We are an FA charter standard community club and the club is a keen supporter of community events especially when money is being raised for charity, on this occasion the NSPCC. The club gives a big thank you to everyone who attended"

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## P.A.C.T. Meeting

Police And Community Together



The next "POP IN" PACT meeting for the Woodham Ward of Newton Aycliffe will be held on Tuesday 18th October 2016 at 10:30am at Woodham Community Centre, St. Elizabeths Close, Woodham.

Thank you,  
PCSO 7430 Gavin Laycock  
Email: [gavin.laycock@durham.pnn.police.uk](mailto:gavin.laycock@durham.pnn.police.uk)

## Bewick Bakes for Macmillan

Staff and members of the Patient Participation Group of Bewick Crescent Surgery hosted a Macmillan Coffee afternoon on the 30th of September. Louise Trowell Macmillan Primary Care Nurse attended the event to raise awareness around cancer and screening. Patients were invited to purchase tea or coffee and cake for £1, as well as guessing the amount of spots on the cake with all proceeds going to Macmillan.

The coffee afternoon also spilled into the Saturday morning flu clinic, and a total of £279 was donated with great thanks. We are already planning how we can make this bigger and better next year.

## NEW ALPHA COURSE

St. Mary's R.C. Church invite you to their Alpha course which begins on Tuesday 11th October at 7p.m. in their meeting room. The course will be an opportunity for adults to explore the Christian faith in an informal, relaxed and friendly setting. Each session will include a talk, small group discussion and refreshments and will provide an opportunity to ask any questions that you may have, however simple they may be. Topics vary from 'Who is Jesus?' to 'How can I make the most of the rest of my life?' For further information and questions please contact St. Mary's on 313611. Entry is via the back door from the car park at the rear of the church [please ring the bell] We look forward to meeting you.

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On Saturday 15th October at 8pm, NASSA is hosting the return YEARS GONE BY. They entertained us in February and are back by popular demand

YEARS GONE BY are one of, if not the premier duo in the North of England. Bringing you the very best in hits from the 60's to the 90's, along with audience participation and a sprinkling of real cabaret comedy.

Featuring tributes to Elvis and Freddie, they also include props and costume changes and an excellent light show to deliver classics from the biggest acts to go on stage, The Beatles to Bryan Adams, The Shadows, Meatloaf and many more.

This duo will provide a fantastic nights entertainment. Tickets are £4 and are available in advance at NASSA Social Club, The Scout Centre, Bluebell Way Newton Aycliffe. Or if there are any left, on the door.

Later in the month we have the Family Halloween Disco on Saturday 29/10/16 from 1:30pm until 4pm. The children will be entertained by KDO disco. Tickets for this are £2 (under 3's free) All children MUST be accompanied by a responsible adult.

**LADIES NIGHT FOR  
MARIE CURIE**

A volunteer group in Newton Aycliffe is hosting its first Ladies Night to raise funds for Marie Curie.

The Newton Aycliffe Fundraising Group will be holding the event at Moore Lane Sports Club in the town on Friday October 21, and local residents are invited to come along and take part enjoy the evening.

Entertainment will be provided by female harmony group Quartz, and there will be a number of fundraising activities guests can take part in.

Tickets for the evening are £5 and can be bought from Moore Lane Sports Club or by contacting Margaret Welch, Fundraising Group Secretary on [newtonaycliffemariecuriefg@gmail.com](mailto:newtonaycliffemariecuriefg@gmail.com) or on 07526572929

The Newton Aycliffe Fundraising Group will raise vital funds so Marie Curie Nurses can continue to provide free care to people with terminal illnesses.

The group support Marie Curie's major fundraising campaigns such as the Great Daffodil Appeal and Blooming Great Tea Party, as well as promoting fundraising within the local community and encouraging new supporters to help the charity.

Hayley Revell, Community Fundraiser at Marie Curie, said: "The Newton Aycliffe Fundraising Group can make a huge difference locally by helping to raise the vital funds needed to support Marie Curie Nurses, who provide free

care to people with terminal illnesses in their own homes." To join the local Fundraising Group for Marie Curie, or to find out more about the group and other ways to support the charity, please call Hayley Revell on 07711 387976 or email [hayley.revell@mariecurie.org.uk](mailto:hayley.revell@mariecurie.org.uk)

**Film Show****"Up The Junction"**

The "Feel Good Film Show" at St Clare's Church on Tuesday 11th October features "Up The Junction" a drama set in the swinging sixties. It is an all-British film full of great British stars, Suzy Kendall, Dennis Waterman, Adrienne Posta, Maureen Lipman, Liz Fraser, Susan George, Alfie Bass and Hylda Baker, and the film track was made by Manfred Mann. 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.

**News from  
Spectrum RSC**

We had three nominations in the County Durham Sport and Physical Activity Awards for Durham and the Dales. It was a fantastic evening held at Bishop Auckland Town Hall. Our club was nominated for Sports Club of the Year.

We had six year old Jazzmyn Loring representing us in the young sporting achievement award and Nicola Stevens in young volunteer of the year. The night was motivational and inspirational particularly for our youngsters as they got to meet one of their favourite sporting heroes Olympic medal winner Amy Tinkler.

**GREAT AYCLIFFE****TOWN COUNCIL****FIREWORKS DISPLAY  
Saturday 5th November 2016**

5.30pm - Kiddies Fairground  
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**This event is FREE, however those wishing to attend must apply for a wristband.**

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**FIREWORKS SAFETY  
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Please note that all entries must be received at the **OAK LEAF SPORTS COMPLEX**, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, no later than **5.00 pm on Friday 4th November 2016** and should have written **clearly on the reverse** of the poster, the child's **name and home address if made at home, or, school name plus age and school year/class of the artist if made at school.**

The Mayor of Great Aycliffe will present gift vouchers to the value of £20.00, £15.00 and £10.00 (1st, 2nd and 3rd places respectively) in each of the age categories at a presentation in the Function Room of the Oak Leaf Sports Complex on Thursday 17/11/16. Winners will be notified by post by Thursday 10/11/16.

Further information is available from Rachel Goddard, Great Aycliffe Town Council, Oak Leaf Sports Complex, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe. tel no. 01325 300600.



## ALPHA Course Hosted by XCEL



Bear Grylls says that attending Alpha helped him set off on the greatest adventure of his life and answer the question about the meaning of life. Maybe you have wondered the same: What is life about? Why I am here? Is there really a God?

We are excited to be hosting the Alpha Course at the Xcel Centre, Long Tens Way, Aycliffe Business Park, DL5 6AP from 7pm this Monday and you are welcome to join us.

Alpha is for everyone, no question is out of bounds and you are free to discuss as much or as little as you wish. We don't assume any background knowledge of or belief in Christianity and everyone is welcome. It is an opportunity to explore the meaning of life in an informal, fun and friendly environment. The Alpha course consists of a series of talks, looking at topics including 'Who is Jesus?' and 'How Can I Have a Faith?' There will always be food and drink available too followed by discussion in small groups.

For more information or to let us

know you will be attending please email [info@xcelchurch.com](mailto:info@xcelchurch.com)

## Gilpin Rd. Bus Route

I wish to thank and applaud the people who decided that off road parking in Gilpin Road was a much needed facility due to congestion and the several sharp corners which makes traffic flow difficult at times. There are several street corners that come off Gilpin Road.

It is hard sometime for large vans, lorries, bin collection wagons to facilitate any drop off or pick up without some difficulty.

I have seen cars driving much too fast for this road and due to the private houses which are under construction at Clarence Green, and more to be built by social housing Living, it is obvious to me that there will be an increase of traffic using this road when parents take children

## Funniest Night Out of the Year Comes to Darlington

The funniest night out of the year is once again on its way. Back by popular demand for its fourth successful tour of the UK, October and November 2016 are going to be sizzling hot with the return of this family friendly comedy drag show direct from the Canary Islands.

For those of you that have visited and watched this show on holiday in the Canaries, you will already know that a night with the "girls" of MHT will always leave you with a smile on your face and a feeling of happiness and the want for more. For those of you that



have never seen the show, well this is certainly worth a look.

The show started 20 years ago when 2 ambitious young lads left their home and families in the UK to live out their dreams of finding a bar where they could simply entertain people abroad. 20 years later, the show is now seen by over 120,000 people every year across Tenerife, Lanzarote, Gran Canaria and Fuerteventura and offers dazzling costumes, side splitting laughter and live singing and dancing all night long.

Founder, Producer and lead

cast member Paul Carroll says "its a real feel good show that entertains people of all ages. We have families and groups of work mates all enjoying the show from start to finish. The last 3 tours have sold so well that we just couldn't resist returning for a 4th. I have been overwhelmed by the support we have had both in the Canary Islands and in the UK. I really can't wait for the opening night again, its the biggest show we have performed with a cast of 7 and will certainly have the wow factor like never before". The show will be touring for

2 months from the middle of October 2016 and will finish in the West End of London on the 27th of November.

The show will come to the fabulous newly refurbished Majestic Theatre in Darlington Thursday 20th October Whether it's a night out or a

weekend away, there is a show in a place for everyone on this tour, just make sure you book seats as soon as possible so that you are not disappointed as we don't want anyone to miss it.

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# JUNIORS WEEKEND OF FOOTBALL ACTION



**The Under 7's** continued their bright start to the season with a 6-3 win at Sunnysdale against Darlington Youth in the TJFA Challenge Cup. They opened up a 3 goal lead before Darlington pulled two back. However the lads stick at it and won the game with goals from an Alex hat-trick, Oliver (2) and Thomas. A superb effort from all the squad which included Thomas, Dylan, Oliver, Alex, Josh, Lewis, Jamie and Layton.

**The Under 9's** TJFA team won 2-1 against Darlington 21st All Stars again in the TJFA Challenge Cup. They started well and held All Stars back with great defence whilst creating chances when on attack. Aycliffe conceded first then Jayden

equalised with a nice left foot shot after Harvey created space. In the second half Jayden's second goal proved to be the winner in a great display from all the lads. The second game saw goals from James, Jayden then two a piece for Dom and Niall in a 6-3 win. The men of the match were Daniel and Connor.

**The Under 9** Russell Foster League team showed great heart and passion in defeat against top of the table Leam Rangers. Jack Lewis was the man of the match on the day. Robbie, Sam, Henry and Noah were great in defence and forcing several good saves from the Rangers goal keeper.

**The Under 11** Russell Foster

League team faced Shotton away and played well to earn a 3-1 win. It was goalless at half time then Jake showed some nice skill to play Noah in and after he was fouled by the keeper he got up and scored from the penalty spot, 1-0. Taylor's shot was followed by Tom to add the second before Bo scored the third. Shotton managed a consolation goal but could not deny Aycliffe the win. Both the parents and players voted Sam as man of the match for an assured defensive display.

**The Under 11** TJFA side were faced with the visit of Seaton Carew Tigers in the second round of the League Cup. The boys were in unstoppable form with Lucas getting the first goal

before Jacob added a quick fire hat-trick and Zack scored twice to make it 6-0 at half time. Lucas got his second, Zack finished off his hat-trick then Jacob added his fourth to make it 9-0. The scoring was completed with a fine Charlie hat-trick in a comprehensive 12-0 win.

**The Under 12's** (pictured above) were away at Greatham in the TJFA Challenge Cup they started well and Clark opened the scoring. Greatham equalised and then took advantage of some mistimed passing to go 3-1 up. In this exciting game goals from Hardy and Brown made it 3-3 at half time. In the second half Clark's second goal made it 4-3 with Hardy's second opening up a two goal lead. Greatham got one back and the game ended 5-4. Lewis Hardy who had a silky performance on the right side of midfield was the man of the match.

**The Under 15's** were up against Yarm at home in the TJFA League Cup. Aycliffe felt they had the best of the first half but turned round 3-2 down. In the second half the effort got its reward as five unanswered goals came in a 7-3 win. Pick of the goals was a 35 yard screamer from Burrows who scored a hat-trick, Hynes and Stoker added a brace each. A superb victory against a team from the league above.

Another great weekend for the Juniors with the players enjoying their games and getting some good results, if you are keen to get involved then get in touch on Facebook, Twitter or e-mail aycliffejuniors@gmail.com

## Youth Football Round-Up

Another fantastic weekend of football for all of our young players. Win, lose or draw we have over 280 young footballers having fun and developing along the way.

**North Ormesby... 0 - U10 Eagles... 5**

Another great away victory in the Cup today for the lads, from a coaches point of view it was really pleasing to watch as all the lads are trying the things we are working on in training, the lads kept the ball well and were trying to make the right passes at the right time, North Ormesby battled well but we got our just rewards with two goals each from Noah and Owen but well done to all the lads they all did very well. Man of the match was Noah.

**Falcons U10's 6 - 0 Golden Flatts**

Great passing and an excellent team display won us the game. The boys linked up, really well putting pressure on flats from the start and maintained it all the way through to the end. The defence did their job well and helped us keep another clean sheet. Goals from Cole Gaskarth, Alex Beattie, OG, Louis Parnaby and Dylan Stewart x2

MOTM and a clean sheet goes to Ryan Johnson

**Under 12 Girls 12 - 1 Deerness Valley**

On a perfect day for football and the girls were up and running after a first minute corner was headed in by Kate and was quickly followed by Olivia from close range. Alex then weaved passed the defence and after a save from the keeper poked in



the rebound. The girls now stopped doing the basics and this allowed Deerness to score a breakaway goal, for the next 15 mins the girls stopped listening and playing despite Kate getting the 4th HT 4-1. A half time talk re-emphasised what was expected and the way we play. Great response from the girls and they completely dominated the 2nd half, a hat trick from Hattie, Kate completed her hat trick, Olivia tapped in her second and Alex grabbed her 2nd, now the squad were being rotated as Laila, now growing in confidence, found the net for her first ever goal. The final minute of the game found Neve on the edge of the box and she give the keeper no chance.

**Fishburn 1-11 Under 15s.**

After last season without a win and 1 point to our name, with a few heavy defeats along the way, and not too sure if we would still have a team for this season. All this has being wiped from our memories after this weekend's performance and still without a recognised goal keeper, take nothing away from these lads they deserved it today there is still some areas we need to improve in,

but that's for another day.

Today proves that no matter what troubles you face as long as we stick together and work hard things soon change truly proud of everyone today let's keep it going well done.

Goals: Kieron Todd x 4, Aaron Dixon x1, Josh Batey x 2, Josh Richardson x1, Ben Maxfield x, and Jak Kennedy x2.

**Other results:**

**TJFA**

U11's 2 - 7 Spiraie Lads,

U12's Eagles 7 - 0 Wynyard (Cup),

U13's Eagles 2 - 9 Spiraie lads,

Wolsingham 8 - 2 U13's Falcons

U14's Eagles 1 - 5 Thirsk Falcons (Cup),

U14's Falcons 0 - 6 Thornaby FC (Cup)

**Russell Foster League**

U7's 5 - 4 Durham County,

U8's 5 - 2 South Moor Juniors,

U9's 2 - 5 Washington Whites,

U10's Girls 0 - 5 Hartlepool Youth,

U13's Hawks 3 - 10 Jarrow Predator Whites,

U15's Girls 5 - 1 Beamish.

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# TRI CLUB REPORT

On the 18th September Aycliffe Triathlete and local Osteopath & Ergonomist Melanie Rowland represented GB in the standard (Olympic) distance, at the World Age Group Triathlon Championships in Cozumel, Mexico, where she came 40th. She had a fantastic week, taking part in the parade of nations through the town and opening ceremony. Melanie's race was on the final day, and she raced the same distance and part of the same course as the Brownlee

Brothers later on in the day. The swim was a mile sea swim, 28.5 degrees, with fish and changing currents. The scenery on the 40 k bike was amazing, even though she had to keep a look out for tortoises and turtles on the road! The 10k run was brutal! it was nearly 30 degrees, and Melanie ran steadily, taking on all water and ice at every station. It was an amazing experience, said Melanie, especially when you hear your name "Rowland

GB" as you exit the water and cross the finishing line. There was a great atmosphere, with lots of spectators, and athletes who had raced earlier cheering everyone on. Melanie would like to thank her husband, children, Aycliffe Triathlon Club, friends, and patients for their support and kind wishes. This has inspired her to train hard to qualify for the next years world championships in Rotterdam.

# Rugby Club's Winning Streak



Saturday 1st October saw Newton Aycliffe 1st XV take to the road once more to face Yarm. Given Yarm's victory over Houghton one week prior to Aycliffe's, this was unlikely to be an easy fixture. Aycliffe fielded a strong squad, benefitting from a pool of over 40 players who, with high numbers training, had made selection difficult for the coaching staff. The squad included an excellent 1st XV debut from back five forward John Barton.

Aycliffe arrived in good time to facilitate a comprehensive warm-up and were on the pitch ready for the match ahead of the home side. The game began with an Aycliffe kick off which was well chased, and following a period of play between the two twenty twos, Aycliffe managed to take the lead through winger Jon McGuigan who made it two tries from two games. McGuigan was injured in the act and forced to retire from the field to receive treatment, making way for utility back James Cocks, during which time Captain Alex Lineton converted to take Aycliffe into a seven - nil lead.

Aycliffe continued where they left off, working hard in the forwards to suck in the less fit Yarm pack, before releasing their backs who worked a well-drilled move which finished with physical wing James Thacker going over and taking Aycliffe into double figures. The game became fragmented, but Aycliffe pressed on, and following several hard phases, flanker Andy Tonkin crossed to add another try to his personal tally. Shortly after converting Tonkin's try, out-half Lineton took a blow to the head in contact and was forced temporarily from the field, resulting in a backline reshuffle, with James Cocks stepping into ten to cover in Lineton's absence. Aycliffe maintained their composure, keeping ball in hand, and kicking for territory to push Yarm back into their own half. This pressure was rewarded as a break by eight man Andy Littlefair saw him dive over, though he was adjudged to have knocked on and the try was disallowed.

**Half time score Yarm 0  
Newton Aycliffe 21**

The second half saw Aycliffe return to the field with a few changes including dynamic forward Neil Morgan, who stamped his mark on the game by taking the restart safely to give Aycliffe a strong start to the second half. The second half was a much scrappier affair, with Yarm making a constant nuisance of themselves at the ruck, stopping Aycliffe from playing the fast paced and open rugby which they prefer. Despite this, Yarm found themselves again pinned back deep into

their own half, and with the ball tearing from touchline to touchline, Yarm were unable to maintain a defensive line, and were helpless as Vice-Captain Niall Kelly stormed through a gap and over to take Aycliffe into a healthy twenty-six point lead. The following phases were frustrating for Aycliffe, as Yarm continued to infringe at the breakdown, yet saw no penalties given against them, rather appearing to gain from their transgressions as Aycliffe were penalised again and again

for various 'offenses'. This continued pressure told as a strong Yarm maul allowed one of their backs to reach through the tackle and touch the ball down, spoiling Aycliffe's clean sheet. The visitors were not finished, and managed to score

one final try as fullback Adam Gascoigne sped down the left hand touch line to cross taking Aycliffe twenty-six points clear.

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 Jon McGuigan, James Thacker, Andy Tonkin, Niall Kelly and Adam Gascoigne. Three of the tries and were converted by Alex Lineton.

**Final score Yarm 5**

**Newton Aycliffe 1st XV 31**  
The Aycliffe Newtonians fielded their strongest team since reforming last season, with a massive 28 man squad turning out to play Darlington 2nd team. Aycliffe dominated from start to finish and ran out 54-17 winners.

## Hallowe'en Spooktacular

ACORN Residents' Association announce their Halloween Spooktacular will once again be held in the Leisure Centre on Saturday 29th October starting at 6pm. Tickets for the event are priced at £2 each and available from the centre. Under 16's must be accompanied by an adult, there will be a disco, raffle and a light buffet and with loads of fun and games it sure to be a hit once again. ACORN would also like to remind everyone that on Thursday 13th October they will be holding their monthly meeting upstairs in the Pheonix club, the Little ACORNs starting at 5:30 and the adults commencing at 6pm, feel free to come along and have a chat and see what we are about. Keith Lovejoy

## TRI CLUB RACE REPORT

Hello readers, two races to report on this week. Graham Atkins travelled south to enter the European Duathlon Championship Qualifier at Oulton Park on Sunday 2nd October. He came an amazing 5th in his age group, finishing in a time of 2:01:39 in perfect weather conditions, but will have to wait to find out if he has qualified. Fingers crossed. The week before on the 25th September, four of our members competed in the Hartlepool Big Lime Triathlon. Graham Atkins crossed the line in an impressive 1:21:58, 105th overall. Tracey warrior finished next in a time of 1:38:20, 198th overall. Stuart Rimmer followed close behind finishing in a time of 1:39:21, 202nd overall, with James Wilson completed the quad, finishing in a time of 1:51:44, 220th overall.

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 message us on FB.

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The successful candidate will have knowledge of Programmable Logic Controllers including Programming and Fanuc Robots, who understand the Injection Moulding Process. The ability to use Lathes, Milling, Drilling machines and other equipment to fine tolerances, and able to read technical drawings and build equipment from these. Applicants must be educated to ONC (or equivalent) in an Engineering related discipline.

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To provide support to the Technicians and the team in providing effective and efficient machine setting, troubleshooting and tool changing. Ideally applicants will be qualified to Moulding Technology / Standards of Performance, Level 3 or equivalent is preferred. Substantial experience is required in a similar role.

### MAINTENANCE TECHNICIANS

The successful candidates will be responsible for carrying out fault finding activities and undertake timely repair of equipment including injection moulding machine, robotics and ancillary equipment.

The candidates will be time served and qualified to a minimum level of ONC in an Engineering Discipline, will have substantial experience, preferably with an electrical bias. The candidates should be able to demonstrate competencies in hydraulic and electrical/electronic systems within a manufacturing environment, experience of injection moulding machines is essential and robotics would be advantageous.

### ASSEMBLY MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

The successful candidate will be responsible for all engineering activities associated with the assembly factory.

The successful candidate will be a time served, electrically biased multi skilled technician. The successful candidate must have knowledge of Programmable Logic Controllers including Programming and knowledge of Fanuc Robots. The successful candidate must be educated to ONC (or equivalent) in an engineering related discipline.

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The CATS Youth Theatre Group are well into final rehearsals for the their musical adaptation of everyone's favourite family musical "Annie".

The show will be performed at the Civic Hall, Shildon and is on Thursday 13th, Friday 14th and Saturday 15th October at 7.30pm, with one final show at 2pm on Sunday 16th October. A spokesperson said "The 53 strong cast of young people aged 9 to 15 years of age are in fine voice to present all the Annie favourite songs, such as "Hard Knock Life", "Tomorrow", "Never Fully Dressed Without A Smile", and many others. There is something for all ages to enjoy in this 2 hour show." Tickets are priced £5 Adults and £3 Children can be pre-booked seats by ringing 01388 774838 or just come along and pay on the door.

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## County Newsbits

Compiled by  
County Councillor  
John Clare

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### COUNCIL

•Last week's Great Aycliffe and Middlesbrough Partnership - GAMP Board meeting: <http://bit.ly/GAMP916>  
•DCC is beginning the works which will see the Library move into a completely renovated Leisure Centre: <http://bit.ly/NALibstart>  
•DLI 'Hands-On' History Offer to teachers and youth leaders: <http://bit.ly/DLIHH16>  
•DCC Youth Offending Service wins three national awards: <http://bit.ly/CDYOS3>  
•Latest local roadworks information for the Newton Aycliffe area: <http://bit.ly/Roadworks71016>  
•Latest report from our MEP Jude Kirton-Darling: <http://bit.ly/JKD2A16>

### COMMUNITY

•NHS Better Health Programme public event - Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre, 13 October, 10am-12pm: <http://bit.ly/NHSBHA16>

•Durham Dales, Easington & Sedgefield CCG consultation on Commissioning Intentions, Spennymoor Town Hall, 4 November, 9:30am-3pm: <http://bit.ly/DDESCCG411>  
•October is 'Taste Durham' month: <http://bit.ly/TisDTD16>  
•DCC Countryside Service Guided Walks - October 2016 to March 2017: <http://bit.ly/DCCSW16>  
•RHS Community Grants up to £500 available for green groups: <http://bit.ly/RHSCG16>  
•Healthwatch County Durham October E-Bulletin: <http://bit.ly/HWCD1016>  
•Woodland Trust tree giveaway: <http://bit.ly/WTTG16>  
•Study - millions have less than £100 in savings: <http://bit.ly/CUU100>  
•'New Bedroom Tax' will hit pensioners: <http://bit.ly/LHA60>  
•County Durham Fuel Banks: <http://bit.ly/CDFB16>  
•Coxhoe needs your vote: <http://bit.ly/HelpCoxhoe>

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## Aycliffe's Front Line NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING

By T/Inspector Mark J Edwards

Hello Newtonians.

This is the first report that I've done for some time so I'm glad to be back at last. As of this week I have returned to my role of Neighbourhood Sergeant for Newton Aycliffe following a very lengthy stint as the acting Inspector for the area. I am happy to report that our new Neighbourhood Inspector - Sarah Honeyman, has taken on the role at last and over the coming weeks I'm sure she'll be making her presence felt amongst the wider community. I'm looking forward to working closely with Sarah and wish her the warmest of welcomes. So what does that mean for me? Well first and foremost I

can focus solely on Newton Aycliffe and Middridge having relinquished responsibility for a larger geographical area, making sure that the NPT are focused on those current and emerging issues and committed to tackling them, whilst hopefully giving you regular updates again such as via this very forum that you're reading now.

I would like to take a moment to thank Simon Schofield who has performed admirably in the Sergeant's role and who has kept my Supervisor's seat warm.

So, getting back to basics with a couple of appeals/information items:-

### Criminal Damage

Between 9pm on Wednesday 28th September and 9 am the following morning the rear windscreen on a blue Citroen motor vehicle was smashed. This matter is being investigated by Pc Simon Schofield on the NPT and would welcome any information readers may have. The reference number for this crime is CR16249.

### Vehicle Crime

Between 6 and 8pm on Thursday 29th September suspects have entered an unlocked Seat Ibiza at Eade Close, Newton Aycliffe where they have removed a Garmin Sat Nav and holder from the vehicle. This crime is recorded under the reference CR16420.

The theft of Sat Nav's from Seat's is an emerging across the south area of County Durham and Darlington - Newton Aycliffe has seen a number of crimes of this nature over recent months. Other offending methods have involved the offender/s smashing the front passenger window and reaching in, then removing the Sat Nav before making off. The reason why the Sat Nav is so attractive is that it is a good brand, no wires are required and they are easy to remove. I would again highlight the importance to vehicle owners of removing all valuables from vehicles when leaving them unattended and ensuring that they are locked. Whilst it may not reduce all crime - as referenced above, let's make the work of these undesirables that much more harder.

### Partnership Working

PCSO's Steven Gill and Gavin Laycock have today worked alongside one of our GATC Park wardens removing some rather unpleasant graffiti from a garage on Gilpin Road - a garage used by an elderly local resident. Whilst unsavoury in nature the efforts taken by the three Officers demonstrates the strong partnership working ethos present in the town.

And that's it for now... until next time.  
**Mark J Edwards**  
Aycliffe Neighbourhood Sgt

## UKIP Branch Meeting

UKIP will be hosting a branch meeting on Wednesday 12th October in Oakleaf Centre, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, DL5 6QZ at 7pm.

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John Grant

07-10-2016

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## HISTORY SOCIETY

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 1500-1900 - Star Radio Drive with Tim Lichfield  
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 2200-0000 - Wind Down Zone

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 0900-1400 - Michael Weadock with "The Mystery Years"  
 1400-1500 - Everything 80's  
 1500-1800 - Craig Andrews  
 1800-0000 - Dancing Through The Decades

#### Sunday 9th October

0600-0900 - Easy Like Sunday Morning with John Clayton  
 0900-1400 - Dave Sherwood with "The Mystery Years"  
 1400-1500 - Everything 80's  
 1500-1900 - Tim Lichfield  
 1900-2200 - Non-Stop Star Radio  
 2200-0000 - Wind Down Zone with John Clayton

#### Monday 10th to Thursday 13th October

0600-1000 - Star Radio Breakfast with Wes Stakes  
 1000-1400 - Craig Andrews  
 1400-1500 - Everything 80's  
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 1900-2200 - The Evening Takeover  
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## Thank You

**HARRY JOYCE.** Joan, Tracey, Stuart and family would like to thank their family and friends for the love and support shown to them during Harry's long illness and since his passing. Furthermore, they will never forget the care and kindness shown to Harry by his carers, nurses and doctors at Bewick Crescent Surgery. Grateful thanks to Bryan Shepherd and staff at Whitehouse Funeral Service and to Rev. Debbie Loughran. Also for the many cards and floral tributes.

## Congratulations

### Jess Graham



**Happy 21st Birthday**  
 10th October 2016

To our gorgeous Daughter Jessica. have a brilliant birthday week. So very proud of the young lady you have grown into. Love you very much and always. From Mam, Dad and Molly (woof woof) xxxxx

### Tyler James



**Happy 2nd Birthday**

To my special Cousin on his 2nd birthday. Love you forever and always. From Michael Charles xxxxx

**Happy 2nd Birthday**

To a special Son on his 2nd birthday. Love you more each day. Love, Mummy xxxxx

**Happy 2nd Birthday**

To a special Grandson on your 2nd birthday on 6th October. Love you loads, from Nana and Grandad xxxxx

**Happy 2nd Birthday**

To a special Nephew, happy 2nd birthday. Love, Uncle Paul and Auntie Emma xxxxx

### Jess Graham



**21 on 10th October**

From a Cutie to a Beauty To a special Granddaughter. Enjoy your special day. Lots of love, Nannie Madge, Auntie Julie, Uncle Peter, Cousins Samantha, Simon, Gabrielle, Lily and George. Love you lots xxxxx



### Fletcher James Daniel Bailey



**Happy 1st Birthday**  
 8th October 2016

Happy birthday to our gorgeous boy! You've brought so much happiness into our lives and make us so proud every day. Lots of hugs and kisses, Mummy and Daddy xxxxx

## Birthday Remembrance

**DAVE WADDINGHAM** (Waddie). 8/10/1934 - 21/1/2016. On your 82nd birthday sweetheart. The first we cannot share. I miss you so my darling and love you even more. I think about you always and talk about you too. I have a million memories, but wish I still had you. What it meant to lose you no one will ever know. I am proud to call you my Husband, my love for you is everlasting and you will be forever in my heart. Your loving Wife Dorothy xxxxx

**DAVE WADDINGHAM** (Waddie). 8/10/1934 - 21/1/2016. Love and miss you Dad. David, Diane, John, Brian, Karen, Mark, Julie, Susan, John, Les, Brian and all your Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren xxxx SIMPLY THE BEST  
**JOE CARRUTHERS.** 3rd October. This would have been your 80th Birthday You will always be in our hearts and will never be forgotten. We miss you so much because we loved you so much. Jean and family

# 65th CELEBRATION



Ronald and Joyce Davison of Sheppards Croft, School Aycliffe, celebrated 65 years of marriage on the 29th September 2016 and the Mayor Great Aycliffe Jed Hillary was among the many to call and congratulate the couple.

They met in 1949 at Chester le Street at the Empire Ballroom during old time dancing and Joyce was Ronald's one and only girlfriend and they were married in 1951 whilst Ronald was in the RAF

They originally settled in Birtley just outside of Newcastle which was Ron's birthplace. They moved around quite a bit as Ronald worked as Branch Manager for the Prudential Insurance Company, living in Hartlepool, Wolviston before he became Manager of the Bishop Auckland branch, settling in School Aycliffe in 1982.

He retired in 1987 and for the first few years the couple went on 'round-the-world-cruise' and many other cruises thereafter.

In 1987/88 Ronald became President of the English Indoor Bowling Association and for that year were hardly at home travelling all over the country to competitions, functions and opening new bowls clubs.

They have two children being Ian and Carole with five Grandchildren, Philip, Mark, Paul, Catherine and Mathew and four great grandchildren, Harrison 9, Ellie 6, Imogen 5 and Jake aged 2.

The family are planning to go to Scotland for a few days after the anniversary but it is

difficult getting all the family together as they are all over the country and in Australia. Carole, her husband, Ian and his wife took Ronald and Joyce for a meal on their Anniversary before they travelled back to Cumbria where the four of them live and work.

The couple were very happy to get a visit from the Mayor on their 60th Wedding Anniversary and were delighted to receive Mayor Jed Hillary 5 years later.

## In Memoriam

**ANDY WOODHEAD.** Another year has passed without you here, always in our hearts, forever near. Love and miss you Andy, Love Gary, Carol & Family xxx

**DOUGIE WHITE** Five years ago we said goodbye to you, it was the hardest thing we have ever had to do. Love and miss you Dad. Love you, from Jennifer and Mark xxxxx

**DOUGIE WHITE** Five years ago you passed away. Forever in my heart you will stay. Love you, miss you. Love, Jean xxxxx  
**AVRIL ALDERSON** 3rd October 2013. Loving memories of a dear Sister, Sister-in-Law and Aunt. Love from Neil, Ann and family  
**KEN MANNING** 8th October 1966. Thinking of you today on our Golden Anniversary. All my love, Eleanor. Loving and loved Dad of Anne, Gillian and Andrew xxxxx

**WILLIAM LITTLE** 8th October 2013. Gone but not forgotten. Always in my thoughts. Your loving Wife, Nancy

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## AYCLIFFE FOOTBALL CLUB WINNING WAYS

Aycliffe started in 3rd place in the league, and maintained that position with a narrow 3-2 victory against Newcastle Benfield. Both sides played good football early on without creating any clear-cut chances. Newton Aycliffe were then awarded a penalty in the 18th minute when Paul Garthwaite was tripped as he was about to shoot. Dennis Knight stepped up to put the spot kick away to make it 1-0.

After half an hour Knight had a chance to increase the lead when he lobbed the keeper, but was unable to convert. Benfield didn't learn the lesson, as on 37 minutes they allowed Knight to break free again and this time the lob over Benfield keeper Andrew Grainger was successful for 2-0.

There were no further incidents, and the half finished 2-0. At the start of the second half Benfield replaced Uddgren with Mechack Kanda; this gave Benfield added movement and he caused problems for

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Aycliffe's defence. However, Benfield found themselves further behind on 77 minutes when Knight completed his hat trick. He received a pass 25 yards out, swivelled and thumped the ball past Grainger's despairing dive for his hat trick and 3-0. Benfield had been in the game, with Moussa Bakhti prominent; they kept working and Aycliffe were grateful to Brian Close for some important interceptions

and headers.

They were unable however to prevent Benfield getting back into the game in the 80th minute when a Kanda cross was converted by sub Liam Hudson for 3-1. They continued to apply pressure, and in the 86th minute a Kanda flick-on was met by Paul Brayson at the back post for 3-2. Grainger made a great save from Knight to prevent Aycliffe from increasing their lead.

Aycliffe then had to dig in and defend their lead until the final whistle. They survived and ended up 3-2 winners.

After a run of 5 home games which has brought 4 wins Aycliffe now head off for 3 away trips. They start on Tuesday 4 October at the League's form team, Seaham Red Star, who have won their last 7 games. They follow that with the short trip to League Champions, Shildon on Saturday 8 October before heading to Whitley Bay the following Tuesday.

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