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## MRS GALAXY UK LOCAL WINNER

Local girl, Kayleigh Atkinson, 27 from Newton Aycliffe, has won a place in the prestigious final of Mrs Galaxy UK.

Kayleigh recently won the title of Mrs County Durham Galaxy 2018/19, meaning she will be competing in the grand final in March 2019, with women from all over the country!

Kayleigh believes that beauty comes in all shapes, sizes and ages and started pageantry after losing 58lb with Weight Watchers. However Kayleigh said she was still labelled as 'over weight'. (According to the BMI Scale), Kayleigh wanted to share her success and her love for being confident in your own skin despite what others may think, which is when she found pageantry.

Kayleigh's platform is to promote body confidence and a healthy mindset towards dieting as well as beating mental health stigma. This is important for Kayleigh as she is a children's nurse working in the mental health sector and is beating stigma like this daily.

Kayleigh said "pageantry is so misunderstood and I wish I could give everyone a ticket to come and see what it's all about. Pageants are about supporting local causes, helping the community and raise money for charities that need public support. Pageants have enabled me to be the best version of myself and I love who I am today. This is all with thanks to the Galaxy Pageant system for being empowering of 'just be you'. Honestly, I don't think I

would have pushed myself to support charities like I have done, if it wasn't for pageantry and I am proud to say I have raised in excess of £3,000 for charities such as Be Brave Bears, Bullies Out, The Christie Charity and a few more".

The winner of Mrs Galaxy UK will travel to the USA with contestants from all over the world, to compete in the Mrs Galaxy International final, which is being held in the summer of 2019.

This is a chance for me to



use the crown to support all my community efforts, and raise my platform even further. Winning the pageant would work as my partner in crime to stamp out pageant stigma and continue all the hard work, passion and commitment for the system that I have demonstrated so far.

The international final is a once in a lifetime opportunity and will be a truly amazing experience. The UK has enjoyed some amazing success at the Galaxy International Pageant with them winning an international crown 9 times and had placements in every division for the past 4 years!

If you would like to come along or you are interested in pageants yourself, then here are the details: The final is being held in March 2019 at Park Hall Hotel, Lancashire and is set to be an exciting and glamorous event! Early bird tickets are out now at £25 and can be purchased from the Galaxy Pageant website.

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So if you are a local business, have an event coming up, or interested in pageantry, please get in touch and I would be happy to support in anyway I can! Visit my facebook page Kayleigh Atkinson Mrs County Durham Galaxy 2018/19 and follow my pageant journey Thank you Kayleigh Atkinson "Never give up on your dream, it doesn't have an expiry date".



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Regards  
Paul Arnold



# Disney Dance Opportunity During the Summer

Woodham Academy's current students, Sydney Etherington and Georgia Thelwell and a former student Lisa Robinson, had a fantastic opportunity this summer. They travelled to Disneyland Paris to perform with Disney's Dream Maker Events on the main stage as part of a dance performance. Sydney, Georgia and Lisa



are dedicated to dance and are exceptionally talented performers. The students raised their own funds to help them get to Disney, where they stayed with the team at the Disney Hotel. The students were selected to be a part of the dance team at a dance competition in Newcastle, where they were scouted by Craig Wharmby; a choreographer from Liverpool. His dance company offers fantastic opportunities to young talented dancers, where they can travel around the UK and Europe to perform at events. All three girls have trained with Claire Walton's Dance School, now with Nadine's Academy in Hartlepool, Dance City in Newcastle and RAD Ballet in Bishop Auckland. They have also represented Woodham's Dance Academy throughout their time in school. As well as all of this, Sydney and Georgia are ambassadors for dance wear brands. Sydney and Georgia have now been selected to perform with

Craig Wharmby, at Alton Towers in October, at the huge 'Scarefest' Halloween Event. Both girls have also been successfully selected to be a part of Woodham's Thailand Experience. This followed a competitive application and interview process where a total of 14 students were offered a place. The students will be travelling to Thailand next summer, where they will have a once in a lifetime opportunity to volunteer in an elephant sanctuary for a full week, living with and helping orphaned elephants that have been rescued from the tourist trade. Woodham Academy is extremely proud of their students' achievements, both in and out of school. Well done girls!



Williamfield Residents Association are holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 28th September 2018 from 11am until 2pm in the Western Area Community Centre, Silverdale Place. Everyone Welcome.

# Protocol to Safeguard Young People Launched

The Philomena Protocol, named after the patron saint of babies, infants and youths is the first of its kind in the country being introduced by Durham Constabulary. Building on the success and learning from the Herbert Protocol (an initiative to support adults who are at risk of going missing), the Philomena Protocol will roll out into 48 children's homes across the force area by later this year.

Working alongside partners in the council, it encourages carers, staff, families and friends to compile useful information which could be used in the event of a young person going missing from care. The streamlined joint approach is a step towards protecting some of the most vulnerable, young adults in County Durham and Darlington. Any child who is at risk of wandering or going missing for any reason is encompassed within this protocol. Durham Constabulary's Crime and Harm Reduction Inspector Rachel Stockdale said: "It is important we have in place a sensible, joined up approach to prevent young people from going missing in the first place, and ensures that the procedures for when people do go missing are robust and effective."

The scheme protects the young and vulnerable whilst respecting and understanding their need for independence. Deputy Chief Constable, Jo Farrell said: "There is nothing more distressing than when a young person goes missing and does not return home when expected. "The Philomena Protocol will help adults to locate the young person and return them to safety as quickly as possible." If used effectively, the protocol will develop links between residents, families, care providers and our local police teams which will ensure that there are well established relationships within all sections of the

communities served by Durham Constabulary. The scheme will save time and resources but most importantly it has potential to save lives of our vulnerable people, by working with children's homes to establish patterns of behaviour, places they frequently visit, keeping an up-to-date photograph and medication list on hand and if they do go missing completing a standardised form which will make the emergency

services response to the enquiry more efficient. Ron Hogg, Durham Police, Crime & Victims' Commissioner said: "This new protocol is a fabulous idea, and will help to further enhance the excellent partnership working in place across County Durham and Darlington. It will help to protect our young people when they are at the most vulnerable, and enable services to respond quickly."

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# So Much For Democracy Students say "Thank You Tommy"

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 Are we going to see the balanced books this year that will justify the amount being requested from the UK?  
 The alternative is to assume that this accountability is no longer forthcoming by the EU hierarchy. Or will I be proved wrong and fully audited and balanced accounts produced this year?  
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On the 11th November 2018, the 100th Anniversary of the ending of the First World War is to be commemorated. The statues of Tommy, which have been erected at St. Clare's Church and in Aycliffe Village, will be the focus of celebrations on Sunday 11th November 2018.

Woodham Academy is launching a project throughout our local schools in which it is hoped that every child will be given an opportunity to take part in a unique occasion. As part of their historical research during the summer holidays, some Woodham Academy pupils have



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## COUNTY NEWSBITS

Compiled by  
 County Councillor John Clare

Here are my County Newsbits for the week, including: a very important DCC Cabinet meeting, a wonderful Police Protocol, an amazing success for the Xcel Centre, a Town Council meeting, proposed parking restrictions, three consultations which need your response ... and ideas of things to do. More info and this week's vlog on my blog at: [bit.ly/CNB53](http://bit.ly/CNB53)

**COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY NEWS**  
 • DCC Cabinet meeting, Wednesday 12 September – Proposals for Aykley Heads, Reports of the Health and Wellbeing and Safeguarding Boards, Council Finances and Performance.  
 • Town Council Policy & Resources meeting, Wednesday 12 September – grants, budget, Aycliffe Radio.  
 • The 'Philomena Protocol' to safeguard young people in care has been launched in County Durham.  
 • The Xcel Centre is to host a major conference for the oil and gas industry.  
 • Proposed new waiting restrictions – Greenfield, UTC, Hurworth Road and Welbury Grove.  
 • The DCC Budget consultation has been extended to 19 October.  
 • Appeal to residents to complete the GAMP Area Action Partnership spending priorities for 2019-21.  
 • Voluntary Sector Survey (closes 5 October).  
**THINGS TO DO**  
 • Summer Holiday – the Musical, Darlington Hippodrome, 25-29 September (tickets £14.50-£37).

• Harvest Festival and Harvest Home, Beamish Museum, 29-30 September (entrance fee).  
 • Scaling the Heights, Durham Oriental Museum, 1-3pm, Saturday 29 September.  
 • Muddy Mayhem, Hardwick Park, starts in waves, 10am-2pm, Sunday 30 September.  
 • 193rd birthday of the Stockton & Darlington Railway, Head of Steam Museum Darlington, 10am-4pm, Sunday 30 September, FREE

produced models. Pupils are to be asked to write a letter to say a Thank You to Tommy.

The letters may be written on the basis of Tommy being a relative, friend, colleague, mate, or fellow soldier.

This is not a competition, but it is hoped that an anthology of letters may be produced. Each school will be asked to select a number of items to be included. It is hoped that we may be allowed to participate in the celebrations, when representatives from each school will lay a bag containing their letters near to the statue.

If that is not possible, another suitable event will be arranged. Where schools also wish to produce models, drawings and pictures, an attempt will be made to arrange somewhere for the items to be displayed. As the aim is to provide

an opportunity for as many people as possible to participate, adults who also wish to submit a letter or piece of artwork, are asked to contact John S. Denham – [johnsdenham@sky.com](mailto:johnsdenham@sky.com)

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Pam Lovelass

## Working Together To Improve Health And Wellbeing

Successful work to improve the health and wellbeing of people in County Durham will be outlined to councillors next week. Durham County Council's Cabinet will consider the latest annual report from the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB) when it meets on Wednesday, 12 September. The report gives an overview of work the board has carried out over the last 12 months, along with projects earmarked for the future. Key achievements are also outlined, including the creation of the County Durham Integrated Care Board to lead on work towards the Government's target of creating a fully integrated health and social care service by 2020. Teams Around Patients (TAPs) are already operational across Durham, Dales, Easington and Sedgfield (DDES) and North Durham (ND) Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) areas. These multi-agency teams work to reduce avoidable hospital admissions and permanent admissions to care homes, reduce delays in the transfer of care, and improve the health and wellbeing of older people and those with long term conditions. Other achievements include:

- The continued success



*Cllr Lucy Hovvels MBE, Cabinet member for adult and health services at Durham County Council and Chair of the County Durham Health and Wellbeing Board*

of the Wellbeing for Life service which runs a 12 week programme to help people improve their wellbeing, become more active and achieve and maintain a healthy weight

- Oral health improvements, such as the introduction of tooth brushing schemes in nurseries in deprived communities as part of the County Durham Oral Health Strategy
- The County Durham Joint Commissioning Plan 2017-2018 Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) has been approved. The HWB has also adopted principles set out in the SEND Promise, a charter for and written by young people

with special educational needs

- The Healthy Weight Alliance has continued its work to halt the rise of obesity across the county by 2022. Work is underway to deliver the Sugar Smart campaign, which encourages organisations to help communities reduce their sugar consumption
- Durham has been chosen by the Local Government Association to pilot a project exploring how to improve the scale and pace of mental health prevention and early intervention initiatives
- The HWB has agreed the recommendations of the County Durham Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment 2018-21, which looks at the current provision of pharmacy services. The County Durham HWB was set up in April 2013. It includes representatives from the council, CCGs, Healthwatch, NHS foundation trusts, County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service and the Police, Crime and Victims' Commissioner. Cllr Lucy Hovvels MBE, Cabinet member for adult and health services at Durham County Council and chair of the HWB, said: "It's great to see the work of the HWB is being recognised. We will continue to build on our success to improve health and wellbeing and reduce inequalities across the county."

Vice Chair Dr Stewart Findlay, chief clinical officer at DDES CCG, said: "This report highlights the joint working arrangements between partners across Durham and demonstrates how they are driving up the quality of care our population can expect. "I would particularly like to comment on the development of TAPs which wrap primary, community and social care around small populations of between 30,000 and 50,000 people. This is the driving force behind the integration of health and social care at a very local level." Cabinet will be asked to note the achievements and future work detailed in the report, which can be found at [www.countydurhampartnership.co.uk/article/8546/](http://www.countydurhampartnership.co.uk/article/8546/) Documents

## Macmillan Coffee Morning

St. Clare's Court are hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning on 24th September at 10.45am and would like to invite you to come along and join us for cake and coffee, we will also be selling lots of goodies including home baked cakes, biscuits and scones. So come along and support us and meet our residents and staff team.

## Woodham Playing it by the Book

A local school has come up with a novel way to promote reading over the summer. Students at Woodham Academy were invited to join a Reading Club, which granted them the opportunity to win a Kindle electronic reading book, books and book vouchers, if they agreed to keep a reading log over the six-week break. The school – whose reading efforts were singled-out for praise by Ofsted recently – is keen to endorse reading as a life-time activity, rather than just something which is done during school time. To do this they have installed a reading area, a library and employed specialist staff; diligent readers can also find themselves in receipt of one of the school's annual reading awards, or can take part in their annual Book Exchange.

According to statistics from the Department for Education, one in five children in England cannot read effectively by the age of 11; and 16 - 24 year-olds have lower levels of literacy than almost anywhere else in the developed world. This is not surprising, perhaps, given that only 26% of 10 year olds in Britain profess to 'like' reading, and only 37% of children in England read for pleasure on a daily basis. Woodham Academy is seeking to re-address this imbalance by rewarding those who continue to read for pleasure after their transition to secondary school, and by highlighting the importance of reading in achieving good exam grades and in being able to go on



to the college, or the job, of their choice. The school's first priority was to ensure its pupils sustain their reading levels over the long summer break, rather than regress by the three months the government estimates, if they do not continue to read regularly. Upon returning to school, Reading Club members will have continued to

have their reading progress monitored and will be granted privileged access to the Reading Rooms during breaks and some evenings, to ensure they keep up their good habits. In addition, a number of older students have agreed to act as Reading Ambassadors – to ensure the readers have everything they need to succeed.

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# Grand National Boost Honeymoon To Cyprus

## For Air Ambulance

The saddlecloth carried over the Grand National winning line by Irish trained racehorse Tiger Roll is being auctioned off to raise money for the region's air ambulance. The Great North Air Ambulance Service (GNAAS) hopes to raise thousands of pounds in the auction, which is live for ten days on eBay.

The saddlecloth which bears the name and number of Tiger Roll and which is signed by jockey Davy Russell, has been framed alongside pictures of the racehorse and an official racecard.

It was donated to GNAAS by ex-jockey Steve Charlton, from High Etherley in County Durham. Mr Charlton, who is now the National Hunt jockeys' valet in the North, last year donated 2017 winner One For Arthur's saddlecloth, which raised £2,700 for GNAAS.

He said: "It's just good to put something back. Working in this industry, and the amount of nasty accidents you see out there on the course, it becomes very clear just how important the air ambulance is. And this is just my way of helping to support them."

Ruth Davey, events coordinator for GNAAS, which is totally reliant on donations to survive, said: "Thanks to Steve we are able to offer this highly sought-after item for sale during National Air Ambulance Week."

"Tiger Roll was a hugely popular winner of the National, so we are hoping there will be a few people ready to own a piece of racing history. All of the money raised will go towards supporting our helicopters and their crews, so we hope people get a bit daft with the bidding and raise a good sum for our charity."

Tiger Roll is a three-time Cheltenham Festival winner and is owned by Michael O'Leary, CEO of Ryanair.

In March he won the Glenfarclas Cross Country Chase at the event, before going on to the Grand National at Aintree where he beat Pleasant Company in a thrilling finish to take the title back to Ireland.

To bid, visit [bit.ly/TigerRollAuction](http://bit.ly/TigerRollAuction)

The auction lot is for one side of the saddlecloth – the other will be sold by another charity later in the year.



Julie and Eddy Adam have been together for 34 years and finally tied the knot on Saturday 1st September, 2018 at St. Andrew's Church, Aycliffe Village. Eddy proposed to Julie at his 60th birthday party in front of 100 guests at the Big Club. They have been together for 34 years, bringing together

two families, 5 children and now have 12 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild with another on the way. Politics and the Labour Party brought them together and is still a strong influence in both their lives. Eddy and Julie have lived in Newton Aycliffe for over 38 years. Eddy is proud to be a member of Newton Aycliffe Rotary Club, a Town and County Councillor and is a Lecturer at Darlington College.

The bridal party consisted of Best Man Shaun Firth and Sister of the Bride Anne Firth (representing their Dad); Maid of Honour was Mary Dixon; Bridesmaid Sarah, Rhiannon, Gail, Amanda, Lily, Molly and Rosie and the Ushers were Christopher Adam and Connor Hughes.

The couple held their reception at the Woodham Golf Club before honeymooning in Paphos, Cyprus



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with PCSO 6642 Chris  
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## POPPIES FOR ARMISTICE DAY



The ladies at St Mary's Sewing and Knitting group are still hard at work knitting poppies for the armistice day memorial. So far the group have amassed over 500 poppies from their own work and donations from others.

The group meet on a Wednesday between 1 and 3pm, anyone is welcome to join them or to drop off donations of red wool.

There are also various other groups around the town producing wool poppies, which Newton News will feature over the coming weeks.

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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. For further details ring Ric Hargreaves 01325 316755.

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# SWD REME Association Donate To Supportive Charity



The South West Durham REME (Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers) Association had the pleasure of donating to the very worthwhile local charity SUPPORTIVE. The branch made a presentation to John Davison

the Chief Executive Officer and Clair Wood a Snr Carer, whose father Arthur is a member of the association and suggested this years charity fund raiser beneficiary. The money was raised by members of the REME association from various fund

raising event held throughout the year.

Mr. John Davison said; "We are extremely grateful to the REME Association for their kind donation which will benefit our charity greatly."

Philip Rolfe (President of the REME Association) can be seen presenting Mr. John Davison, (Chief Executive Officer of Supportive) with Clare Wood to the far right alongside the REME members.

The cheque was presented at the Aycliffe Scout Centre, which is where the REME association hold their meetings.

Supportive is a professional quality volunteer support service that is managed from their base in Ferryhill. They offer premium care and reliability to people of all ages in the cities, towns and villages in the County Durham area, and have a full 100% good rating from the Care Quality Commission (CQC)

## Sergeant's Blog NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING

By Sergeant Andy Boyd



'If you go down to the woods today, you're sure of a big surprise', well the male person riding the off road bike was when we jumped out on him as he raced through the Burn!?! Rider nil, police one!! Newton Aycliffe Beat Team are getting out as much as they can to stop and seize off road bikes and quads, increased foot patrols have been carried out in relation to these and anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the areas of the Burn, Cobblers Hall and Dandy Cart. You may have seen pictures of seized bikes on our Facebook page!?

Over the last month, the beat team has also nominated 3 targets in the Newton Aycliffe area who cause significant levels of ASB.

These individuals have been getting a platinum service from the beat team with a 'zero tolerance' approach to their offending, regular visits to their home addresses, and at the same time trying to address the reasons why they offend. These individuals cause a great deal of harm to the community and place significant demand on the police and partners. The idea is that when the particular problem has been solved, or at least dramatically reduced, that another target takes their place.

There has been some great results in the last month around burglary and theft. A male was

arrested on the 14th August whilst breaking into a commercial premises on Heighington Lane after an alert member of the community contacted us regarding banging coming from the address. The police attended and caught the individual, who after admitting to his crime, he was entered into the Checkpoint programme ('Checkpoint' is a programme which aims to reduce the number of victims of crime by reducing reoffending, which will also make all our communities safer places to live and work. For more information about this please visit the Durham Constabulary website).

On the 26th August, a male was arrested leaving the scene of a burglary at Vane Road School by the beat team. Again, this was after a call was received from a local resident who reported noises coming from the premises. This male has been released pending further enquiries. On the 29th August a prolific shoplifter was caught by the beat team in Newton Aycliffe town centre, this male was charged with 4 offences and bailed with conditions not to enter Newton Aycliffe.

Common thread here is the fantastic assistance we get in Newton Aycliffe from the community reporting suspicious activity, we are eternally grateful for this support. Compared with July 2018, crime is down by 8% and solved rate up by 4%, we strive to maintain this performance with your help!

We have also attended a number of events around the town including the Horndale Family Fun Day and Tesco Fun Day, again there are a number of photos of these events on our Facebook page, one of our very own Inspector Honeyman who braved having a snake around her neck. Please follow our page to see all the photos and details of future PACT meetings.

## Hub of Wishes AGM

The Hub of Wishes mental health charity based in Newton Aycliffe held its Annual General Meeting last week, which was well attended. Since moving into the current premises at 10-11 Silverdale House some years ago, we have grown. We operated four days a week, then obtained funding to open on a Friday and this year we again received the funding to continue this.

Our membership has steadily increased and this year we have had more day trips out which allows people who otherwise can't get out to explore new places. We have worked with Bishop Auckland college offering a range of accredited courses including Introduction to Counselling, Food Hygiene, First Aid to name a few. Members gain much from the courses and this will continue. We have various daily activities and our health walks/exercise sessions on a Friday are proving very popular.

Our Evening Service is a new venture and operates every Wednesday evening from 6-9pm. We recognised the need for those who work days or have daytime commitments to be able to access help in the evening.

We offer stress busting, confidence building, coping strategies, recovery plans, one-to-one's emotional support and signposting to relevant organisations. Everyone is welcome - if you are interested please come along and chat to Vicki or Joanne to find out more.

Thanks to more coverage in the media mental health issues are being openly discussed but there is still more work to do regarding the stigma surrounding mental health.

At Hub of Wishes you will be among people who understand how it feels to be very low or going through difficult times; you will be accepted and supported, so don't be afraid to come and speak to Vicki or Joanne. If you feel unsure about coming to the centre for the first time, it may help if you telephone and speak to one of them first.

If you would like to know more or are interested in becoming a volunteer or member, please contact Vicki Lawrence or Joanne Howe on 01325 300121. Email: thehubofwishes@gmail.com) Check us out on www.thehubofwishes.co.uk, facebook and YouTube.

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## Engineering Excellence



Engineering students at Woodham Academy achieved record results with this summer's exams. Not only was the pass rate 100%, but students overall gained one and a half grades above similar students nationally.

Woodham Academy engineering teacher, Peter Groves, attributes students' success to the rich and engaging curriculum in engineering. Every term during the three-year course, students visit engineering plants or take part in a masterclass led by engineers from local companies. Recent visits include Husqvana, Gestamp, Nissan UK and Ardmore Craig, allowing students to compare how theory is put into practice in a range of settings. The school's strong links with a range of companies allows all students to complete a work experience placement in line with their career aspirations.

Headteacher, Christine Forsyth, said, "Engineering is at the heart of the economy in Newton Aycliffe. We are proud that students leave us with the qualifications required to take up apprenticeships or to pursue higher qualifications and to develop their careers. This year's superb engineering results, together with above national pass rates in both mathematics and English, puts Woodham students at the front of the jobs queue."

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# Greenfield Students Visit Historical Krakow

Students from Greenfield Community College have travelled to Krakow, Poland as part of their History studies. The Year 9 and 10 students travelled to Hotel Wilga, which was lovely place by a little tributary river near Krakow where they could take in some of the amazing architecture of this beautiful Polish city and some Polish ice cream! Staff and students ventured into Krakow's Stary Miasto (old place in English) to view the stunning cloth hall and buildings in the old town, learning more about the culture and history of the city. They then travelled to the site of one of the most serious crimes in the history of the world. The Nazi concentration/death camps of Auschwitz camp I and Auschwitz camp II-Birkenau where over 1 million Jews and other ethnic minorities

were murdered by the Nazis. The staff and students spent 2.5 hours in stunned silence while the guide Richard described some of the countless atrocities that took place there. What really hit many of the young people was seeing the two tons of human hair. It moved many of the students and teachers to tears. Mr Johnson, Subject Leader in History, described the experience "For me it's difficult to put into words but deeply moving and harrowing place which shows where racism can go to its ultimate extent. Just to think from that initial thought in someone's mind that someone is inferior, that hate can grow to the extent of the horrors that were seen in this terrible place. People need to come here so that this type of thing doesn't happen again." The trip also included a



river cruise along the River Vistula seeing the stunning Wawel castle on the banks of the Vistula, which was the HQ for the Nazi Governor of southern Poland in World War Two, and earlier the seat of the Polish Kings. They also visited the Jewish quarter of Krakow and

learned about the efforts of Oskar Schindler's metal manufacturing factory where he managed to save the lives of so many of his Jewish workers ('Schindler's List'). The overall experience was rewarding and reminded students of the resilience that was shown by individuals when faced with such adversity and the impact of this period in history. This was just one of the valuable opportunities that have been available to students at Greenfield Community College, during the summer students were given the opportunity to visit France to learn more about history and the WW1 Battlefields. A group of students also travelled to Morocco to take part in the World Challenge. These have invaluable learning experiences adding an extra dimension to a full and busy learning programme. Greenfield Community College are committed to helping young people reach their full potential. If you would like to find out more about the many opportunities available to young people why not come along to one of our open evenings on Thursday 27th September 2018 from 18:00 - 20:00 (Shildon site) and Thursday 4th October 2018 from 18:00 - 20:00 (Aycliffe site). For information please email [contact@greenfieldschool.net](mailto:contact@greenfieldschool.net)

## Heighington Matters

Centenary of the end of the First World War

Over the decades the parishioners of Heighington have celebrated and commemorated events of the past. Many of you will remember our Queens celebrations over the years, the 150th anniversary of the Darlington & Stockton railway, the dinner to remember the Battle of Trafalgar and the events simply organised to bring the Parish community together. September 11th 2018 is the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War – the War to end all Wars. I feel that in keeping with the tradition that the parish has maintained for many years we should organise an event to commemorate this time in history when the guns on the Western front in France stopped firing. So if you feel the same way and you are willing to help organise an event please contact me as soon as possible so that if we have sufficient volunteers we can move forward.

**Parking on Paths**  
Heighington village was not built for cars – we all know that so it is important that we park sensibly. It is illegal for anyone to park on the pavement but throughout the village many of us do mount the kerb to leave space for vehicles to pass on the road. Unfortunately, however there are many times when vehicles pull too far onto the path stopping pedestrians, mothers with push chairs and anyone with a mobility scooters from getting past resulting in people having to use the road. So to all drivers, if you do park on the path please do so leaving space for people to use the remaining strip of pavement. For those residents living at the bottom of Darlington Road, it would also help if your cars could be left closer to the wall to allow people to use the ramp at the edge of the pavement which will also allow drivers leaving South View to be able to see the traffic coming down the hill.

And finally – Parents driving their children into School  
All parents should be aware of the protocol when driving their children into and from school. It is important for the safety of every single child that you drive slowly, adhering to the one way system and parking in allocated areas. Please do not park on the road leading up to the school gates, in Hopelands Court or on any yellow line otherwise you are likely to receive a hefty fine  
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11-12am Teens Show Owen Dickinson

#### TUESDAY

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9th Oct - Sharon Whitehead (Aspire Fitness)

7.30-9.30pm Northern & Classic Soul Kevin Sowerby

#### WEDNESDAY

1-5pm Afternoon Aycliffe Paul Baker  
5-6.30pm Tea Time Out Amy Harrison  
6.30-8pm Community Connect Phil Hawkins  
8-10pm Alternative Aycliffe Gary & Alby  
10-12am Garage/Indie Show (Repeat) MC Supa

#### THURSDAY

2-6pm Afternoon Aycliffe Paul Baker  
6-7pm Mystery Year Paul Baker  
7-8pm "Throwback Thursday" The Doctor  
8-10pm "Beat"Roote Graeme Roote  
10-12am Rock Session Craig "CAD"

#### FRIDAY

9-12noon Amy in the Morning Amy Harrison  
2-6pm Afternoon Aycliffe Paul Baker  
6-8pm Tech-House Mix PVR Studios  
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#### SATURDAY

8-11am Kitchen Floor Fillers  
11am-1pm Kent Collective Daz Kent  
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## New Defibrillator at Woodham Burn Primary

Woodham Burn Primary School has taken delivery of a public access defibrillator (AED).

The defibrillator has been positioned in the main school Junior reception area and during term time the wider community have access to it should the need arise.

Head teacher Mrs Edwards said: "Having access to defibrillators in school and the community is vital and we feel honoured to have this life-saving piece of equipment in our school. "In return, we would like it to be used as a community public access defibrillator during school term time while school is open. "Hopefully, we can help raise awareness of the importance of knowing where community defibrillators are located throughout our school community."

We hope this defibrillator never has to be used but the

easy-to-use machine could mean the difference between life and death for someone suffering a cardiac arrest.

Jay Steward, Chair of Governors – who is the chief pilot of the local Great North Air Ambulance Service obtained the AED through Cardioproof, a non-profit organisation founded and based in the North East of England whose primary objective is to significantly improve survival from sudden cardiac arrest, through raising awareness, increasing the number of people able to perform CPR, and improving the availability of community defibrillators across the region. Jay said "Having witnessed first-hand the result of a successful use of an AED during the course of my work I understand the value of as many of these being located in and around our community as possible. Put simply they save lives"

## Coffee Morning in Memory of Keith



On Saturday 29th September we are holding our annual Macmillan Coffee Morning in memory of Keith Sams (wor lil Keiffy), at the Scouts Centre, Bluebell Way from 9.00am till 3.00pm.

In memory of Keith and friends, Peter Williams will be BRAVING THE SHAVE at 1pm.

There will be cakes galore, coffee and tea, a raffle, tombola stall and other stalls.

So please come along and join us - help us raise as much as we can for a wonderful cause. This is our way of giving just a little bit back. We hope to see you all there.

You can also burn the calories away after eating the cakes at The Scouts Centre monthly Northern Soul night which starts at 7.00pm, £3 on the door.

## Council To Consult On 2019/20 Budget

Residents in County Durham are being invited to have their say on their local authority's budget plans for next year.

Durham County Council needs to make further forecasted savings of £35.3 million over the next four years in addition to the £224 million it will have achieved during the period 2011/12 to 2018/19. Frontline services will continue to be protected with savings coming from efficiencies, reduced costs and increased income; previously agreed savings; and reserves.

The council will also be continuing to provide a number of schemes which are already helping to ease the burden of spending cuts on the county's residents and businesses. This includes the Local Council Tax Reduction Scheme, which offers eligible residents a discount of up to 100 per cent on council tax; the exemption from paying council tax for care leavers up to the age of 25; and an initiative which is currently supporting more than 450 small and medium-sized businesses which faced the steepest increase in charges following the government's revaluation of their properties in April 2017.

Members of the public can have their say on the budget proposals by visiting [www.durham.gov.uk/consultations](http://www.durham.gov.uk/consultations) or by attending one of a number of Area Action Partnership

(AAP) meetings taking place over the coming weeks.

The meetings will also give people the chance to find out more about the council's work with residents to develop a new vision and priorities that will set the tone for the delivery of services over the next 10 years.

Cllr Simon Henig, Leader of Durham County Council, said: "Since government funding cuts began in 2011, we have consulted with residents each year on our budget proposals and the feedback we have received has been key to our approach to making savings.

"Our priority since 2011 has been to protect frontline services. However, this will become more difficult over the coming years with further reductions in Government resources.

"We will continue to look for new ways of working but the sheer scale of funding reductions we will face in future, coupled with growing demands for services means we need to be clear about our priorities going forward.

"Refreshing our vision and priorities will enable us to reflect these changes as well as the changing needs and aspirations of our residents and, most importantly, they will steer our work over the next decade."

A list of AAP meetings is also available at [www.durham.gov.uk/consultations](http://www.durham.gov.uk/consultations).

## Musician Signs Worldwide Deal With Sony ATV



### Mark John Race

Mark is a 22 year old musician who was born and bred in Durham City. He has always been a keen musician, playing in school bands, choirs and musical productions (attended Durham School); Mark was awarded a music scholarship at the beginning of secondary school.

Mark began playing cover gigs around the North East at the age 17 and reached the national final of a singing competition called TeenStar, where he had the opportunity to perform at the O2 Arena in London, subsequently performing all over the country, building a good fan base and partnering with some prestigious brands such as Diesel and Bodos Schloss (London).

Over the years Mark has amassed over 20,000 followers across social platforms. At 19 Mark was scouted by an independent label in London, called

The Animal Farm, after the release of my first single "Slipping Away", he then went on to release a few singles with them with some success.

During this time he also studied at both Edinburgh and Durham Universities before being scouted by the LA based band Raynes, approximately 18 months ago.

### Raynes

Raynes was formed a few years ago, after members Mat Charley and Joe Berger, both from North Dakota, decided to start playing music together at The University of Mary.

They were scouted by LA music manager Gonzo Lubel who invited them to play a showcase and after the show, decided he wanted to represent the band as their manager.

The band and Gonzo were then looking for a lead singer and came across Mark Race on Instagram. After a week or so of phone conversations Mark was flown to LA to meet the band and the rest of the team and so Raynes was officially born.


After numerous months of writing sessions and meetings. The head of A&R for the East Coast at Sony ATV publishing (Rich Christina) wanted to meet the band. They flew to New York and were offered a publishing deal shortly after.

Raynes are now in the process of being paired with Sony ATV producer's and songwriters to record their debut single/EP.

Here is the link to the bands EPK: [www.raynesmusic.com/epk](http://www.raynesmusic.com/epk) (it's all just acoustic versions of the tracks at the moment).

Instagram: @raynesmusic and @markjohn.music (personal)






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# WORLD COULD BE YOUR OYSTER AT CHARITY EVENT

The countdown is on for one of the largest events on the North East's social calendar - and there are just a handful of tickets remaining.

The 15th annual North East Oyster Festival will be held at Hardwick Hall Hotel, Sedgefield, County Durham on Friday 28 September.

Organised by Ramside Estates which owns Hardwick Hall, the event raises vital cash for local good causes and will this year once again support Butterwick Hospice Care. Singing sensation Gabrielle, the voice behind 1990s classics such as Dreams, Give me a Little More Time, Walk on By and Rise, will be the star guest on the night as she performs a string of her famous hits.

More music will come from Mr Wilson's Second Liners, a North East band which takes inspiration from the New Orleans brass blowing genre and gives it a modern twist with cover versions of dance favourites.

The band pays homage to the diehard days of the Hacienda and the 1990s club culture with their unique take on classics such as Blue Monday, Step



On and Voodoo Ray. Irish musicians Emerald Thieves will also be helping to get the guests on their feet and dancing, and are set to follow more Irish music from the JJ Galway Band.

Aside from the music, comedy star DJ Ivan Brackenbury, the inept hospital radio host created by Tom Binns, will be bringing his unique brand of humour to the party, which will once again be compered by popular North comedian, Steve Walls.

John Adamson, director of Ramside Estates said a small number of tickets are still available, but expects them to sell out within the next week.

"The North East Oyster Festival is now recognised as one of the region's most popular fundraising events on the social

calendar, and once again we have just about sold out ahead of the day," he said.

"We have just recently added a Mr Wilson's Second Liners to the programme on the day and I think this year will probably be the best line up we have ever had."

"The North East Oyster Festival is a fun day to remember, but it also raises a lot of vital cash for charity. Tickets are selling very quickly now and with just a few weeks to go I'd advise anyone who hasn't bought one yet but plan to, to do it soon or they may end up disappointed."

The event, sponsored by Great Annual Savings Group along with a number of other local and national businesses, will include a Champagne reception, three-course fruit de mer menu, oyster stalls and complimentary lager, beer and wine.

Tickets for the 15th annual North East Oyster Festival cost £145 plus VAT per person, and are available by calling 01740 620 253 or by emailing: events@hardwickhallhotel.co.uk. More information on the event is available at www.theoysterfestival.co.uk

## Stars & Cars Roar Into Ramside

Celebrities and supercars descended on a North East hotel last week (14 September) for a special evening of entertainment.

Ramside Hall Hotel, Golf and Spa, at County Durham, hosted A Night with the Cannon Run on Friday 14 September, with professional drift drivers, stunt drivers and celebrities among those who attended. The Cannon Run, a unique driving experience which takes those who love driving on routes around the UK and Europe, stopped off at the hotel as part of its annual September Slammer Run, which also took drivers through the Peak District, the Lake District and the Northumberland National Park.

Celebrities taking part in the run included Jodie Kidd, Shane Lynch, Dapper Laughs, professional drift driver, Baggsy, BMX rider, Harry Main and stunt driver, Buttsy Butler, among others.

And guests to the event enjoyed a three course meal, live entertainment, supercar display, charity auction and charity passenger rides, with money raised going to The Brain Tumour Charity. The charity aims to fund new research, raise awareness of brain tumours



and provide support and information to people with a brain tumour and their families and friends.

General manager at Ramside Hall Hotel, Tim Boyd, was delighted to welcome the Cannon Run team to the hotel.

"We hold a really wide variety of events at the hotel, but the sight of more than 60 supercars pulling up to the grounds was really something to behold," said Tim.

"It was fantastic to host the drivers taking part in the run and provide them with a wonderful evening and comfortable stay before they headed off to Edinburgh on the next leg of their trip. "The event was a huge success, with lots of money raised for a very deserving cause."

For more information on Ramside Hall Hotel, Golf and Spa or to book, visit [www.ramsidehallhotel.co.uk](http://www.ramsidehallhotel.co.uk) or call 0191 386 5282

## Police Notice

An investigation is underway following a two car collision on the A68 near Toft Hill, Thursday 13th September.

The incident, involving a green Vauxhall Astra and Silver Kia, took place at about 7.30am, between Witton-le-Wear and Toft Hill.

One male driver was airlifted to James Cook University Hospital, in Middlesbrough, with injuries described as critical.

The other male driver and a teenage boy were taken to the same hospital with serious injuries.

The A68 was closed for nearly seven hours to allow investigation work to be carried out.

Police are keen to speak to anyone who witnessed the incident and particularly anyone with any dash cam footage from between 7.20am and 7.30am.

Witnesses should call Durham Constabulary on 101, quoting incident number 55 of September 13.

## HAVE A SAY ON LOCAL ISSUES

Residents in Great Aycliffe & Middridge can find out how local issues are being tackled when the local area action partnership holds their next board meeting later this month.

The Great Aycliffe & Middridge Partnership board will be meeting on Tuesday 25 September 2018, between 6pm and 8pm at Middridge Village Hall, and members of the public are invited to go along to observe proceedings. Local people can also raise any local neighbourhood or policing issues that they would like the board to address. These ideally need to be put in writing and sent in advance of the meeting.

Board members will be receiving an update presentation on Durham County Council budgets, as well as an update on the Co Durham Food Partnership. There will also be three project proposals being put to the board for approval from Councillors' Neighbourhood Budgets. Anyone who would like to attend the meeting should register in advance by ringing 01325 327441, or by emailing [gampaap@durham.gov.uk](mailto:gampaap@durham.gov.uk). Great Aycliffe & Middridge Partnership is one of 14 Area Action Partnerships set up by Durham County Council in 2009.



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## 100 Years Remembrance

Sunday 11th November 2018  
St. Clare's Church War Memorial



Newton News has started an appeal for poppies to adorn the railings outside St. Clare's Church War Memorial for the 100th Year Remembrance of Armistice Day. We are appealing for local residents to make or purchase woollen poppies and fix to the railings ready for Sunday 11th November Remembrance Day Parade.

To see the railings covered in red poppies would be a great accolade to the fallen who will be remembered on this special 100th anniversary. Poppies can be purchased from Crafters Companion, or you can knit your own from the instructions opposite.

There is a group at St. Mary's who meet on a Wednesday 1-3pm (Knit and Natter Group). This group are actively knitting woollen poppies. Anyone is welcome to attend and join in or drop off balls of wool. Contact Margaret Lee on 01325 316963. Crafters Companion also hold a Wednesday knitting group 2-4pm.

An appeal is now published for donations of red wool to help with the construction of the poppies at the Knit and Natter Groups. Red wool and black buttons are requested and can be left at St. Mary's on a Wednesday between 1-3pm, Newton Press offices or Crafters Companion.

### KNITTED POPPY PATTERN

(Large Poppy) - 3.5/3.75mm (UK 9), DK Yarn, Black Button  
Cast on 120 stitches.  
Rows 1 to 4 Knit.  
Row 5 Knit 3 stitches together across the row - 40 stitches.  
Row 6 to 9 Knit.  
Row 10 Knit 2 stitches together across the row - 20 stitches.  
Row 11 to 14 Knit.  
Row 15 Knit 2 stitches together across the row - 10 stitches.  
Break off yarn with long tail and thread back through remaining stitches and pull tight.  
Join edges with mattress stitch.  
Use a black button to sew to centre of the poppy.



# Coates Retains Title Lead at Silverstone

Heading into the penultimate event of the season BRDC Rising Star Max Coates headed the Renault UK Clio Cup and had every intention of extending his points advantage. Despite setbacks over the weekend the North Yorkshireman still heads the championship table, albeit by a slightly reduced margin. The Harron Homes sponsored Pyro Motorsport driver posted the fourth fastest time of Saturday's qualifying session. His second-best time gave him a third-place grid slot for the second of the two races to be shown live on ITV4 the following day.



The Primex Plastics and PLASgran Recycling backed car initially lost places at the start of race one but was in

the leading train of 6 cars. On lap four, contact at the rear of Coates car caused him to spin into the gravel, he was unable to re-join which meant he suffered his second retirement of the year.

On the opening lap of the second race Coates was again in the battle at the front of the race, however, the Clements Limited driver ended the first lap in 7th position. Despite his best efforts he couldn't catch the podium battle before the end of the race and he had to settle for fourth place at the finish line. The results of the race remain provisional due to later decisions from the clerk of the course and stewards of the meeting and following appeals.

The Bennett Renault car now holds a 6 point lead at the head of the table going into the final event of the season at Brands Hatch (Kent) on the 29th and 30th September. Afterwards Coates said, "It's been a weekend of mixed emotions. I was gutted after race one, to not have finished through no fault of my own is devastating at any time, let alone at this stage of the season. The Pyro Motorsport team did a great job to get the car ready for the second race. After

a difficult first lap we had strong pace in the car and I was able to get back to a 4th place finish. I'm looking forward to the final event of the year, the Brands Hatch GP circuit is incredible to drive and we are in the best position possible to win this championship!"

Photo credit:  
Jakob Ebrey Photography

## Squash U13 Durham & Cleveland County Champion

The squash season has started and a hard pre seasons training has paid off for Joseph Billany who turned 11 at the end of May. He already held the U9 and U11 County titles and has now added the U13 D&C County title to his list of achievements!



# TRI CLUB SUCCESS

There's been plenty of action during August for Aycliffe Tri Club. Kicking off the action on 1st August was the club training duathlon, organised and delivered by head coach Dan Halladay. Participating were Mick Casey, Ian Readman, Andrew Greathead and Brett Lambert. The duathlon is a 1 mile run around the oakleaf track, an 8 mile bike around a local loop followed by another 1 mile run on the track. This gives members the opportunity to practise certain elements of their routine. The training duathlon is a handicap event allowing members to finish around the same time. A great event enjoyed by all; just don't mention the traffic lights!!

4th August was the Cleveland Tri Club Steelman event, this is a very challenging half iron man distance so 2km open water swim, 56 mile bike topped off with a half marathon run of 13 miles. Andrew Greathead competed in this event coming in at a time of 5:30:41 which was 21st in his age category; his first at this distance.

The Weardale Triathlon was held the following day at Stanhope. This was a Sprint distance triathlon so 400m open air pool swim, a 15k bike and a 5k run. Andrew Richardson taking part in his first triathlon with ATC finished with a time of 1:18:04 which was 4th in his age category. Brett Lambert came in with a time of 1:20:54 which was 13th in his age group. Tracey Warrior's time was 1:32:49 and 8th in her age group and Kate Blocki 1:36:52 seeing her 7th in her age category.

The final Croft cycling time trial was held on 8th August with club members testing out their cycling pace against the clock at the motor racing circuit. Fraser Kirkley's time for the 10 mile event was



24:39, Michelle Scott clocked 29:17 and Den Dale with 31:31. A tough event which sees competitors cycle all out for the 10 miles!

You may have watched the elite triathletes on the TV representing GB at the European Championships in Glasgow. Susan Brown from ATC competed on the same course representing Team GB age groups. Susan (pictured) competed in the age group Sprint Triathlon on 11th August finishing in a time of 1:16:45. On 19th August Ray Sawyer competed in his first ever triathlon taking on the GoTri event at Hartlepool. Ray has been training with the club a few months now and he decided to 'take the plunge'. He completed the 200m swim, 6km bike and 2.5km run in a time of 42:08. Excellent time Ray, we are looking forward to more events next season!

Also on the 19th August was the Castles Triathlon at Bamburgh Castle in Northumberland. A challenging half iron man distance which was 1.9km sea swim, a 90km bike and a 21km run. The weather conditions and sea current made the

course particularly difficult. Fraser Kirkley, taking on his first half iron man completed in a time of 2:26:08. Fantastic effort.

Finally the 3rd Triology Super Sprint was held at Ellerton Water Park on 22nd August which saw four ATC members participate, with other club members supporting as marshals. Ian Readman completed the 400m open water swim, 10km bike and 2.2km run in a time of 37:50:7 and 6th in his age category, Danny Shoulder completed in 41:07.3 17th in his age category. Special mention goes to Mick Casey who was first in his age group with a time of 44:05.4 and to Jim Wilson who was 3rd with a time of 46:56.2.

Some great achievements in August! ATC are about to commence their winter training schedule in the next few weeks so now is the perfect time to join us in preparation for the 2019 season. If you want to join this friendly group then do get in touch either through facebook or at aycliffetriclub@gmail.com

## Veteran Volleys Winner



The Sports Club played host to Wear United from Sunderland in the County Cup at the weekend which saw them gain their 4th win in a row to go six games unbeaten.

Wear United, playing out of the Sunderland Sunday League 3rd Division, came to Newton Aycliffe unbeaten so far this season but the Sports Club started quickly and after Sean Johnson shot just wide after 5 minutes it was leading goalscorer Kyle Allen that gave the hosts the early lead with a great long range effort which curled into the top corner.

Stu Hacketts shot on 25 minutes came back off the bar and Darren Bosomworths strike also hit the post as the Sports Club maintained the pressure. The visitors equalised on the half hour mark when a corner drifted in and was forced home after some poor defending.

The second half was a very even affair with both sides trying in vain to clinch the winner to avoid a penalty shoot out. A freekick to Aycliffe saw veteran centre half Gareth Boyes volley home from 8 yards out with what turned out to be the winning goal.

This win sees the Sports Club through to the next round and a well earned away fixture to Stockton RSD on Sunday 7th October.

The Sports Club next 2 fixtures are both cup games so a break now from the league until mid October.

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# Juniors Football Report



The second weekend of the football season saw the Aycliffe Juniors TJFA teams competing in the first round of the league cup. Whilst our Russell Foster League teams continued their new league campaigns.

The Under 7's 'Whites' kept up their winning ways with a 2-1 league win against Improtech Soccer Reds, Jack scored both goals.

The Under 7's 'Juniors' played their first cup game against Hartlepool St Francis and won the game 6-2. Kai scored five goals and Jonah added one. The development game was also won with Jack C (2), Jonah and Dom on target in a game that ended 4-1.

The Under 8's faced Hurworth Albion from the top division in their first round game. They battled back twice in the game with goals from George, Sam, Alex and David but ended up on the wrong side of the 6-4 score line. In the

development game Logan and Evan scored in a 6-2 loss.

The Under 9's were given a tough task playing Richmond Town in the cup and lost out 8-2.

The Under 10's 'Clarets' put in a great performance away at Primrose Hill matching a tough physical team. A late goal for the home team gave them a 2-1 win. Harry was the Aycliffe scorer and Harrison was named as man of the match.

The Under 10's 'Whites' were involved in an exciting game at Billingham. Jayden and Ethan scored to put them in to a 2-1 lead however an equaliser came late in the game from the penalty spot and this match ended in a draw. Goalkeeper Ido was the man of the match for the second week running. The development game was won 4-3 with Henry scoring a hat trick and Sam also on target. The Under 11's 'Blacks' lost out by the odd goal in

nine in a tight game against Guisborough Town.

The Under 11's 'White' comfortably beat Acklam in the cup with goals from Aidan (4), Will (3), Ollie (2), man of the match Jayden (2) and Dom.

The Under 13 Russell Foster League team played their first league game at Woodham against Foundation of Light Reds and won 3-1. Taylor's lobbed shot opened the scoring then Kamil's chip made it two before Sam rifled in a great free kick. A late consolation goal was conceded which finished off the scoring.

The Under 13 TJFA League team hosted Stockton Hardwick Youth from a few leagues lower in the structure and controlled this cup game to win 10-1. Zack and Lucas both scored two with a goal each going to Liam, Robert, Frazer and Dom along with a couple of unfortunate own goals.

The Under 17's played Redcar Royals in a league game at home. They came away from a hard fought game as 4-3 winners. The goals came from Marcus BB, Jack B, Lewis H and a screamer from Lewis W to secure the points. Special mention to Andy Burrows who played in goal today as our keeper was unavailable.

the Football Foundation.

## Sunderland Striker Luke Molyneux to Open New Stand at Shildon AFC

Sunderland striker Luke Molyneux will unveil Shildon AFC's new 200-seat covered stand today (Friday 21st September) at 4pm. This is thanks to a grant from the Premier League through the Football Stadia Improvement Fund (FSIF) – the largest funders of non-league football in the country.

The grant has enabled Shildon AFC, who play at Step 5 in the EBAC Northern League Division One, to significantly improve the match day experience for their supporters by replacing the upper seated section of an old dilapidated stand with brand new facilities. As official partner of Shildon AFC, the Sunderland AFC Foundation of Light Academy also play at the site and will benefit from the improvements. In addition to this, the stand will enhance spectator experience for followers of Shildon AFC's development centre in which teams from the age of six attend to play in football tournaments.

The project was made possible thanks to a £57,027 grant from the Premier League, through the Football Stadia Improvement Fund (FSIF), the sister organisation of

# Aycliffe Progress in Challenge Cup

**Newton Aycliffe 0 v Willington 0**  
(Aycliffe win 5-3 on penalties)

Tuesday 18th September  
Durham Challenge Cup Preliminary Round

Newton Aycliffe progressed in the Durham Challenge Cup, after winning at home to Willington. The score at full time was 0-0, with Aycliffe going through 5-3 on penalties. Both sides tried to play good football in the windy conditions, but their finishing was poor.

Aycliffe had the first chance on 13 minutes, when Stuart Thompson went on a mazy run, but he hit his shot wide. Shields then had a chance for Willington, but headed straight at keeper James Winter from a free kick. Thexton then had a

similar chance, but again Winter wasn't troubled. Aycliffe fashioned a good move on 25 minutes which ended with Marc Costello crashing a shot goalwards, but a good block took it safely into the arms of Graham in the Willington goal.

There then followed a number of shots over the bar, as Tom Gavin and Connor Dunlavy for Aycliffe, and Thexton for Willington were unable to trouble the keepers. Ian Ward had a chance near half-time, but put his header wide. Just

after the restart, Connor Dunlavy got a shot away, but put it just wide. Winter then made two good saves within the space of three minutes, as Willington applied a bit of pressure. Aaron Brown hit a good low shot from distance near the hour mark, which Graham did well to turn away for a corner. Graham was in action again five minutes later when he pulled off a great save from a Ward header.

Both sides pressed for a winner, but didn't create any good chances, and the match went straight to penalties. Aycliffe

converted all five through Thibault Charmey, Dan Mitton, Alan Harrison, Daniel Kent and man-of-the-match Tom Gavin. James Winter saved one, and Aycliffe won the tie. MOTM: Gavin. Cautions: none. Subs: Harrison for Thompson (61m), Kent for Dunlavy (74m). Attendance: 96.



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# WOODHAM SCHOOL OF WIZARDRY



The new school year at Woodham Academy has seen the beginning of the school's first ever session of 'Harry Potter Club'. The club was the brainchild of Year 8 student Kyle Mansfield, who approached Head teacher Christine Forsyth with the idea last term. Mrs Forsyth was extremely impressed with Kyle's ideas for the club

which included a fully costed list of equipment that they required. The first session saw the students making their own wands, which they are excited to put to use in coming weeks. They practised their wand work whilst simultaneously quizzing each other with Harry Potter related trivia. Miss Cheverall, an English Teacher and facilitator of the club said, "What these students don't know about Harry Potter - isn't worth knowing".

In the coming weeks students will be sorted into Hogwarts Houses, host a Halloween Feast, attend a potions class and are hoping to organise some Harry Potter related trips for later in the year.

Miss Thomas, Reading Co-ordinator at Woodham (and fellow Potterhead) was astounded at the turnout.

## Holiday

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"I expected a handful of students, but there were over twenty. At Woodham we try to instil a culture of reading from the moment students start in year 7. In the past five years we have invested a substantial amount of money in our Reading Rooms and are passionate about ensuring students pick up a book in a

world of rapidly advancing technology. I think Harry Potter club is testament to the success of this ethos. They are some of our most popular books and are really standing the test of time".

The Harry Potter Club showcased their spellcasting skills at Woodham Academy's Year 6 Open Evening on Thursday 20th September.

## Northern Voices Choir at St. Mary's

Newton Aycliffe Rotary Club will be presenting a charity evening at Saint Mary's RC Church, Central Avenue, Aycliffe on Saturday November 3rd where the Northern Voices choir will be performing in concert. The choir is considered to be one of the best in the North East and North Yorkshire and will be performing a varied programme of modern and traditional songs.

Father Anthony has kindly allowed Saint Mary's to be used for the event and we are hoping to try and sell as many tickets as possible to raise funds for charity. Tickets are now on sale at £7 each and can be purchased from Walkers butchers and bakers, Aycliffe Framers & Engravers and Aycliffe Rotary Club (Gary Blenkinsopp). ? This would be a great help if this was to be possible. Saint Mary's Church will be open from 6.15 where we will be providing free tea/coffee and cake.

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**Sunday 23rd** We Have Bingo 12 Till 2 Then Disco Dave Karaoke/ Disco Free Entry

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**Friday 28th** - Burnbaby Karaoke / Disco. Free Entry

**Saturday 29th** - Duo Once Bitten And Solo Artist Rebecca Corbett - £3 Entry

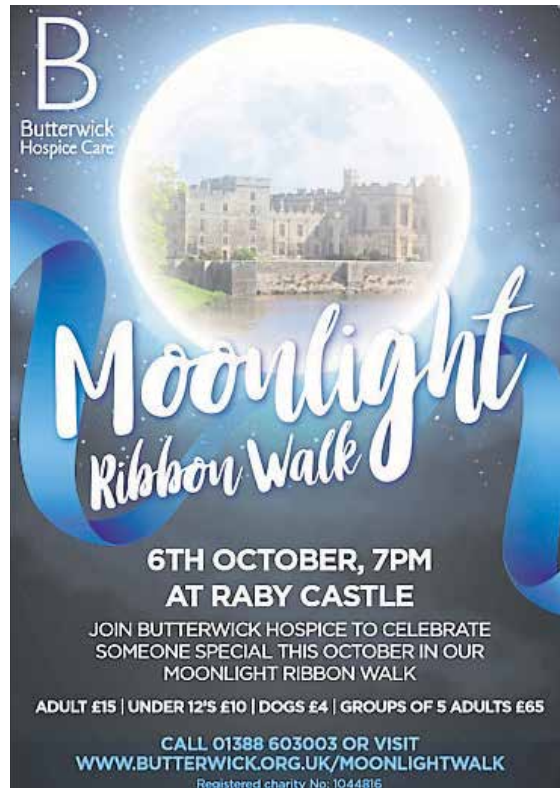
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## The Walk

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## Ribbons

You will receive your ribbon once you have registered, we will be sending out a little information pack with everything you need to know before, during and after the event. Your ribbon will be blue. We encourage everyone to write a message to a loved

one on the ribbon, whether this be in memory of, or just someone who means a lot to you. The ribbon can be written on with permanent maker (which works best).

## What you need

A torch  
Suitable Footwear and Clothing (for all terrains)  
Your ribbons (included in your letter when you register)  
Don't forget to order your glow in the dark items

Yourself, ready for a lovely moonlight walk!

What happens on the night? We ask all participants to arrive between 6pm - 6.45pm on the night of the moonlight walk. This is to register. In this time we have café facilities, tea, coffee and cake available to purchase to keep warm, along with face painting facilities available for an additional charge. The walk will commence at 7pm. There is no toilet on route, however there are toilet facilities at the beginning and end of the walk. Call Milly on 01388 603003 or book your places now at: [www.butterwick.org.uk/events/moonlightwalk](http://www.butterwick.org.uk/events/moonlightwalk)

## Births

**CUNLIFFE** congratulations Lauren, Mark and Daisy Cunliffe on your new little addition to the family. Leo, born on 13th September 2018. Love and best wishes from both families xxxx

## Birthday Remembrance

**NATHAN SOWERBY** 21st September 1972. Treasured birthday memories of a very much loved Son and Brother. Always in our thoughts. Dad and Joanne

**KIRSTY SHEILA HUGHES** On your birthday, 22nd September. If roses grow in Heaven, please pick a bunch from us. Place them in our Daughter's arms, and tell her they are from us. Tell her we love and miss her, and when she turns to smile. Place a kiss upon her cheek, and hold her for a while. Because remembering her is easy, we do it every day. But there is an ache within our hearts, that will never go away. All our love forever, Mam and Dad xxxx

**KIRSTY SHEILA HUGHES** On your birthday, 22nd September. Your birthday is here, but you aren't. I'd send a gift, but I know I can't. So I'll make a wish upon a star, to carry my love to where you are. Love, Nan xxxx

**KIRSTY SHEILA HUGHES** On your birthday, Sister. You played a big part in our life, but now you are gone. The love we have for you will just go on and on. Love you Sis, John, David and Paul xxxx

## Obituary

### RONALD CONSTANTINE

Of Newton Aycliffe passed away peacefully on 16th September, aged 85 years. A much loved Dad, Grandad and Big Grandad. Family and friends please meet for Service at Wear Valley Crematorium (Coundon) on Friday 28th September for 2.30pm. Family flowers only, donations in lieu to SSAFA and Sense, plate provided at the Crematorium.

### KEN BARNES

Passed away peacefully on 16th September, Ken, aged 84 years of Newton Aycliffe. A devoted Husband of the late Margaret; cherished Dad to Janice, Kim and Mark; also a dear Grandad, Great Grandad, Father-in-Law and Brother. Will friends please meet for Service in Wear Valley Crematorium, Coundon at 2.30pm on Wednesday 26th September. Family flowers only please.

**DOROTHY HALL** (nee Hunt), Aycliffe Village - An Aycliffe Angel passed away peacefully on 1st September 2018 at Lindisfarne Care Home, her home for the last six years, aged 97 years. Cremation has already taken place.

## In Memoriam

**JENNIFER MURRAY** 25.07.46 - 20.09.15 Three years ago God took you Mam, he took my closest friend. It's left me with a broken heart, I know will never mend. Now all of us do the best we can, but it will never be the same. We'd love to tell you how often that we all still speak your name. But all I wish is that once more before I lower the light. I could kiss you on the cheek and say 'I love you Mam' Goodnight. Love always, Craig, Lisa, Elissa, Jake, Connor, Ruby xxx  
**JESSIE WHARTON** 25th September. No farewell words were spoken, no time to say goodbye. You were gone before we knew it, and only God knows why. May the winds of Heaven blow softly, and whisper in your ear. How much we love and miss you, and wish that you were here. Love, Dave, Sue, Jessica and Layla  
**JUNE RAW** 22nd September 2017. Forever in our thoughts and hearts. Love, Julie, Neil, Amy, Marc, Michaela, Maya and Eva xxxx  
**JESSIE WHARTON** 21-1-1938 to 25-9-2016. Another year without you, but always remembered with many loving memories. The little things mean the most, God bless you Gran. Love, Vikki, Terry, Ashton and Aiden xxxx  
**JESSIE WHARTON** Died 25th September 2016. Gran and Great Gran. Kind was your nature, true were your ways. We will treasure your memory, for the rest of our days. Forever loved. Mark, Jenni, Katelyn, Adam, Isaac, Joshua and Jet

## Congratulations

**EMILY DANSON** Happy 16th birthday (22nd September). Hope you have a fantastic day. Lots of love from Dad, Mam and Tyler xxxx

**EMILY DANSON** Happy sweet sixteen on 22nd September. Love from Granny and Grandad

**DAVID BURNISTON** Happy 18th birthday. All our love, Nanna and Grandad xxxx

### Happy 16th Birthday Demi



Lots of love, Mam, Claire, Connor and Jack xxxxxx

### Happy 16th Birthday Nik Nak



Lots of love, Nana and Grandad xxxxxx

## Thank You

**BRIAN AND MARJORIE VENABLES** Wishing you every happiness as you take your retirement. Thank you for 40 years of friendship and an excellent service in the supply of our carpets and blinds - where will we go now? Also congratulations to you both on your silver wedding anniversary, enjoy your holiday. Lots of love to you both. David, Gail, Zoe Michael, Ken & Val xx  
**DOROTHY HALL** Pat and the family of the late Dorothy Hall would like to thank everyone at Lindisfarne Care Home for the love and care you gave to Mam over the last six years, the Rev. Elizabeth Bland for the beautiful Service and Nick Bell from the Co-op Funeral Care for his support.

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## FIRST MMA SHOW FOR AYCLIFFE

Viper MMA owner Mark Reay will put on his first show in his home town, it will be Marks seventh show, but the first one of its kind in Newton Aycliffe.

The event, "Last Man Standing" will be held at the OakLeaf Sports Complex on Saturday 6th October and will feature fighters from all over Europe. The main event will see local north east fighter Tim Close return to the cage after two years away.

Mark has run his gym on the Business Park for 6 years and says "this is the ideal way to showcase my fighters skills. We have guys that fight in the top shows around the UK and Europe, but nothing beats the buzz and atmosphere of fighting in front of 600 people in your home town."

Mark would also like to give a special thank you to Marvin Ryder and all the regulars at the gym.

We would like to open MMA (mixed martial arts) to people that might not have even thought of it before and show them it's a very skilled martial art in itself.

Tickets can be purchased from Mark at Viper, Acorn House, Durham Way North, telephone 07809 323998, there will be very limited numbers available on the door on the night. Doors open at 6.00pm and the first fight is at 7.00pm.

## NEWTON AYCLIFFE WOMEN'S FOOTBALL OFF TO A FLYER!!



Newton Aycliffe Women hosted local rivals Bishop Auckland Ladies at Moore Lane under the floodlights, home of Newton Aycliffe F.C. The pitch was perfect, and the weather was perfect, and the women's team were looking for a second victory against Bishop after beating them in a pre-season friendly.

Newton Aycliffe got the game started after Bishop chose to switch ends, a well worked move from the training ground saw Katie go close but drifted wide of the post. Bishop from the goal kick found themselves one on one with the goalkeeper, the striker calmly slotted the ball past the goalkeeper it was a certain goal if not for Sami cutting in from left back position and clearing off the line, this was a massive wake up call for Aycliffe Women. 7 minutes into the first half a through ball threaded perfectly for Katie who took her chance 1-0. The 2 strikers Katie and Naomi were linking up well, then 2 minutes after her first Katie added her and Aycliffe second. Aycliffe had

the bit between their teeth but Bishop were resilient, the game was end to end the back 4 of Nicole, Karyn, Hallie and Sami were holding strong and Courtney in goal was equal to Bishops shots. The midfield 4 Matilda, Molly, Martha and Lottie were working well as a unit stringing together some excellent passes. 24 minutes in and Lottie receives the ball in a good position on the left hand side, shaped as though she was going to cross but instead played the ball back to Molly about 40 yards out who struck the ball cleanly catching the keeper off her line 3-0. 3 changes made, Natalie, Lucy and Brogan came on with the instruction to keep it tight at the back and protect the lead until half time. Bishop finished the first half well keeping Aycliffe's defence and keeper busy, HT 3-0. Team talk for manager Helen, was easy, more of the same was required but the focus was a first clean sheet of the season, changes for the second half saw Amber come on as well as player manager Helen. The game started with Bishop on the attack and looking a lot more threatening but the defence led by Hallie were determined to keep that clean sheet. 51 minutes gone Katie broke clear again after another pin point pass and slotted home for her hat-trick 4-0. The game was still not won Bishop were still pushing for their first goal, Aycliffe then handed a debut to Danielle who was playing in her first ever match, she had clear instructions to protect the defence and that's exactly what she did. It took until the 83rd minute for Newton Aycliffe Women to break down the stubborn Bishop defence, Lottie cut in from the left hand side shot but was saved by the Bishop goalkeeper, Lottie was quickest to react to the rebound slotting calmly into the bottom corner 5-0. Straight from the kick off Aycliffe were on the attack again a great ball played over the top of Bishops defence was met by a perfectly timed run by Amber, she still had it all to do, held off the defender and slotted into the bottom corner 6-0. The ref called 5 minutes injury time, the whole team stood strong Bishop were on the attack, an interception set Naomi away she ran into the box turned the defender, had a chance to shoot but unselfishly squared to Katie for an easy tap in 7-0. Shortly after the restart the ref blew the final whistle, a great game, great performances a good showcase for North East

Women's football. Newton Aycliffe Women's team have come through as part of Newton Aycliffe Youth's drive to establish women's football on the town. Starting with the Wildcats which is training for young girls wishing to learn how to play and resulting in a number of teams at different age groups playing competitive football in local leagues. If you are interested or know anyone that is interested in joining in with the fun that is being had then you can do so via the clubs email address [www.nayfc.com](mailto:www.nayfc.com) Newton Aycliffe Women 7 Bishop Auckland Ladies 0 Attendance 75

## 7 Year Old Kart Racer

Seven year old School Aycliffe racer Scarlet Dunn finished 7th on Sunday at the Rowrah 'O Plate' kart racing meeting in Cumbria. It was a very competitive meeting with a big grid of over 20 Bambino karts - 15 of which were the Comer class karts she races!

In only her second ever competitive event, she qualified 5th in the wet and drove super consistently fighting for the top 10 all day as the weather improved - this was also the first time she had competed in the dry. She was supported once again by Grandad Ron Whitaker, who together

with Mam Amanda and Dad Anthony Dunn (both former champion drivers) form Amaron racing.

"After being blustered around overnight with 50mph winds - the wind wrecked several awnings, thankfully not ours - we're all very tired but super proud of our little girl. She did really well and really enjoys going karting." said Anthony.

They look forward to the next meeting at Rowrah in November and some more good practice in between time!

For more information on Scarlet's racing, visit [www.ScarletDunnRacing.com](http://www.ScarletDunnRacing.com)



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