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UTC South Durham Host HRH The Duke of Kent

UTC South Durham welcomed His Royal Highness, The Duke of Kent, to open their new specialist Mechatronics Lab, meet staff, current students and industry partners on Tuesday this week.

The Duke of Kent arrived in County Durham in the morning and his first stop in the region was UTC South Durham to see how the UTC supports young people to prepare themselves for outstanding careers.

UTC South Durham specialises in technical level engineering and advanced manufacturing, for students aged between 14 and 19, and is based in Aycliffe Business Park, the largest business park in the North East.

Students study academic qualifications (GCSEs or A-levels), learn technical skills and spend time with employers to understand the world of work.

Principal, Tom Dower said, "It's fantastic for us to be host to a member of the



royal family and have the opportunity to showcase the region's students, their abilities and our unique facilities. The focus of the UTC is to help young people get ready for the world of work and find meaningful, technical and academic careers. We receive excellent support from our founding

organisations, The University of Sunderland, Hitachi Rail Europe and Gestamp Tallent, alongside a wide range of local and regional businesses and national employers. We are delighted that our very first cohort are moving onto apprenticeships with these employers or starting great university courses."

Mechatronics is the combination of electronics engineering and mechanical engineering and many companies are struggling to find well-educated employees in these technical areas. The new Mechatronics Lab houses industry standard equipment. Tom went on to say, "Working in collaboration with businesses in the STEM sector to meet the needs of the industries that surround us is at the heart of what we do here. The UTC has responded to the gap in skills and the demand of students to develop this course. The skills they are developing make our students very employable. We are very proud of what they have achieved in such a short time; their future is bright."

Applications for Year 10 and Year 12 for academic year 2019/20 are currently open, to apply visit the website: www.utcsouthdurham.org or call us on 01325 430 250 for more information.

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Sunday 14th	Sheraton Bar: Vocalist "Bobby T" followed by "Craig Johnson" - Free entry
Saturday 20th	Music Lounge: Vocalist "Tracey Dee" Free entry
Sunday 21st	Sheraton Bar: Talented Vocalist "Tracey" followed by Vocalist "Michael" - Free entry
Friday 26th	Music Lounge: Adult Halloween Disco Free entry
Saturday 27th	Music Lounge: Vocalist "JJ Jackson" Free entry
Sunday 28th	Sheraton Bar: Vocalist "Howie B" followed by Howey's Karaoke - Free entry

"It's Not Over Till It's Over"

Dear Sir

'It's not over till it's over', as a phrase, is a blunt tool, but sometimes it is appropriate, why else would people stand in pouring rain till the Ref blows his whistle at 95 minutes, when the team were five goals adrift at half time; Worry not! This is not about anything as important as football, it's about irresponsible governments allowing people who are not fully aware of all the necessary detail to take the rap, for making a decision, which should it turn out to be the wrong one (which it has) will leave them 'Off the hook'; You will note that the brave Mrs May (Who is currently up to her backside in crocodiles) never misses a chance to remind us of who made the decision to leave! It was us, and so whatever the outcome, we will forever be to blame; Remember, if the government wants to go to war, we will have no say in the matter, and will be sent by them to fight it!

In the early 1970s I voted in a referendum to join the 'Common Market', and my sole reason for doing so was that wine would become cheaper! At least though, I did give it some thought, less than half the population even bothered to vote;

I no longer agree with referendums, let the people who get the big money and the glory make the mistakes and stand or fall by them; If, however, we get a chance to back out of this crazy mess we are in I think we should, and charge the next government with the task of sorting the problems involved with being 'European'; The money men, who were going to do well out of dealing in China and America, will have to cry in their beer and find another way! Theresa thinks it's 'Cut and dried', but, 'It's not over till it's over'.
Neil McKee

50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS



The Mayor, Councillor John Clark and his Consort Bernadette Moore presented a bouquet of flowers and a commemorative card to Billy and Pat Gibson on their 50th Wedding Anniversary on October 5th.

Billy, formerly of Coundon Grange, and Pat, originally from Bishop Auckland have lived on the town since 1971, when they first moved to Silverdale Place for a short time then to Stephenson Way for many years with their daughter, Sharna and son, Simon.

The couple first met at Bishop Auckland Town Hall Dance on New Year's Day 1966, apparently Billy was the only one of the lads who could still stand up and dance at the same time.

It was a momentous year and one Billy always remembered as he never got to see the World Cup Final except through the Rediffusion shop window as he was going to meet Pat off the number 4 bus. Pat was a dressmaker at Gillyflowers and latterly, a dinner lady at St. Joseph's Primary School for many

years. Billy was an apprentice moulder and engraver at Bonds, St. Helens, West Auckland and afterwards worked at Torringtons, Darlington for over 25 years. They celebrated their anniversary with their family, Sharna, Martin, Simon and Katie, followed by a holiday abroad as they couldn't afford a honeymoon when they got married.

They both love gardening and socialising and are enjoying their well-earned retirement.

Their tip for a long and happy marriage? Give and take and show respect for each other and Billy quietly suggested to 'just say yes!'

NE Councils Call for Fairer Funding

All 12 North East councils have today called on the Government to ensure funding is distributed fairly in the forthcoming spending review.

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has been consulting on options for distributing elements of revenue support grant in 2019/20 and asking local authorities for their feedback. Cllr Simon Henig, Chair of the Association of North East Councils (ANEC) and Leader of Durham County Council, said: "We have responded to the consultation with a unified voice across the north east and a clear message - any funding that Government identifies for 2019/20 must be distributed fairly, and not simply handed to the most prosperous areas of the country."

"Local authorities across the north east are struggling with huge pressures in our children's services and we urgently need Government to address the issues we are facing with a fair distribution of funding in 2019/20. We have faced the steepest reductions in funding and are seeing the greatest increases in demand for our statutory social services and this has to be recognised"

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We've secured some top gigs including support slots for Brother Strut, Heatwave, Temperance Movement, ASWAD and Wilko Johnson, at venues including Wembley Arena and the Royal Albert Hall. Recent gigs have included sell-out shows at the Georgian Theatre, Stockton, 'Shildonbury' Festival, 'Saltburn Live Festival', 'The Sage', Gateshead and the 'O2 Arena London'.

One of the band members is a former Finalist, Drummer of the Year, at the British Blues Awards, Newton Aycliffe's very own Ian Halford. This is a must see gig.

Sunday 21st October - "GateCrashers" (4pm)

Bio: The Gatecrashers are a fun-loving, versatile and entertaining rock, pop, soul and R'n'B band, who will rock you gently - or rock your socks off, depending on what you want out of your party. They'll deliver classics from the sixties right the way up to the very latest tunes with the sort of energy and charisma that will have you dancing in no time at all. Recent gigs include the main stage at 'Tall Ships Race' as well as 'The Great North Run' several appearances on the main stage at 'Stormin The Castle' and headline spots at 'Rede River Rocks Festival' and 'Rothbury Music Festival'.

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Thur 18th - Line Dancing - Colt Murphy - £3

Fri 19th - Karaoke / Disco - Free

Sat 20th - Steve Allan Trio - Great Trio & Lance Newman - Great Act. £3

Sun 21st - Bingo 12 til 2pm - Karaoke / Disco - **Evening** - Bingo & Patrick Gee, Terrific Male Vocalist. - £1

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Heighington WI Calendar

Heighington Womens' Institute (WI) celebrated our 100th this year.

Over the course of the year we have held a number of events (choir performance, craft fair, afternoon tea, etc) and we have raised funds.

The ladies decided to use some of the money to support the MRI Scanner Appeal at Darlington and Bishop Auckland hospitals.

One of our speakers at the beginning of the year was Carole Burn who runs Prince Bishop Alpacas at Headlam, following a very successful evening she contacted us, suggesting a calendar featuring our ladies and the alpacas.

Hence the idea was born and rather than just donate the money we decided to use it to produce a calendar featuring some of our ladies topless, wearing Victorian bloomers with strategically placed



alpacas. There were several brave volunteers and the Sister of one of our ladies, Shelly Newnham, agreed to take the photographs. We now have our calendars and hope to raise £1000 for the appeal from our initial print run of 200, which sold out within 4 days. But don't worry we are ordering more. Each month has a themed shot.



The calendar was launched on the 5th October and coincided with a secret yarn bombing of the area around West Green in Heighington (see photos). The calendars are available for a minimum donation of £5 and can be obtained from Karin Allison (01325 307040) or the Spar Shop in Heighington.

New Bargain Buys to Create 30 Jobs

The official opening of a brand new Bargain Buys store to the residents of Newton Aycliffe took place on Friday 5th October, offering massive savings and fantastic bargains during the Store Opening Day Only Specials.

The new store is located at the Newton Aycliffe Shopping Centre and was officially opened in a ribbon-cutting ceremony by the Deputy Mayor at 10am.

With stylish homeware products, as well as a wide variety of toiletries and top branded confectionery and drinks on offer, they provide amazing value so customers can kit out their homes and stock up on branded household essentials for less. The Newton Aycliffe store has recruited over 30 new members of staff (part and full time) from the local area to become part of the Bargain Buys team.

The newly designed store has been modelled to enhance the shopping experience for customers. It also makes it even easier to find all the bargains and savings on offer every day on branded household and food products; staff are being

retained from the previous Poundworld store.

To kick-start the official opening, there was over £3,000 worth of giveaways. The first five customers in line received a double faux leather bed for £19.99 (RRP £99.99). The next 10 customers grabbed themselves a Hyundai steam mop for £14.99 (RRP £39.99), and then the next 15 customers took home a glass TV stand for only £9.99 (RRP £49.99)! Finally, for the next 175 customers, a washable rug was available for £4.99 (RRP £9.99).

The Property Director, Gerry Loughran, commented: "We are pleased to be opening a brand new store to the people of Newton Aycliffe with loads of fantastic branded products, all at bargain prices, and look forward to opening another 50 stores over the coming months, creating over 1,000 jobs."

"The team is working hard to deliver an outstanding shopping experience, great service, and an enjoyable shopping environment for all our new customers."

CAST YOUR VOTE

Dear Readers,

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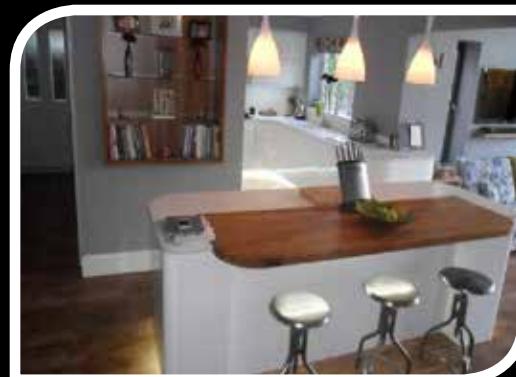
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Local Councillors Kate Hopper and Eddy Adam are holding a Ward Walkabout at 9.30am on Wednesday 17th October. Meeting at the corner of Sid Chaplin Drive and Burnhill Way.

Where available, representatives from partner organisations will be in attendance. We look forward to meeting local residents who are welcome to join us, or, if they have any concerns they wish us to look at, but can't make it on the day, get in touch using the contact details below.

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Join us for a ghastly afternoon of ghostly fun on Friday 26 October 2018, 3.00pm – 5.30pm at the Pioneering Care Centre in Newton Aycliffe.

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can visit us at the Pioneering Care Centre, Carer's Way, Newton Aycliffe, DL5 4SF. To find out what other activities we have planned please visit our website: www.pcp.uk.net. Or follow PCP on Twitter: @PioneeringCare and Facebook: @PCPandCentre

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING SUCCESS

The Pioneering Care Partnership, a leading health and wellbeing charity, showed its support for the millions of Macmillan professionals and volunteers, who support those affected by cancer. The Pioneering Care Centre held a Craft and Coffee Morning on Friday 28 September to raise awareness and fundraise on behalf of this worthwhile charity.

The event was well attended, with staff and volunteers getting involved by baking up a storm! With many tasty treats on offer, attendees were spoilt for choice and the amazing range of craft stalls presented an early opportunity to start Christmas shopping. In total the event raised over £370.



PCP would like to thank everyone who donated or attended in support of this amazing charity. For further information about PCP please contact us at the Pioneering Care

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Media Students Meet LA Film Producer



Jamie Margolin, a film producer and cinematographer from Los Angeles has visited King James I Academy to talk to Sixth Form Media students about this exciting but highly competitive industry. Jamie has worked on a selection of TV series and movies, including the documentary series, 'After the Raves', which is currently available on Netflix. He agreed to visit the Academy following a recent film shoot on the remote Isle of Eigg, off the west coast of Scotland, where he was working on a new American TV show called 'Islands Without Cars'.

Students heard about the advantages and disadvantages of working in the film industry and gained useful advice on how to work around a budget, the importance of lighting and camera work and how to use props and costumes to their advantage. This advice will be hugely beneficial as students will soon be creating their own film as part of their course.

Year 12 student, Logan Ladd said: "The interview has helped me to gain a much better understanding of the film industry, with particular regards to camera work. It also helped me to understand the benefits of working in the industry, as well as the struggles. It was very inspiring."

Article by Year 12 student, Kyle Blood



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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 Sunday 4th November 2018** 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 22nd November. Winners will be notified by post (to home or school) by Wednesday 14th November.

Further information is available from Rachel Goddard, Great Aycliffe Town Council, Oak Leaf Sports Complex, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe. Tel: (01325) 300600.

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Academy to Raise Funds for Children in Need



On Friday 16th November 2018, Woodham Academy will be taking part in Children In Need. In previous years, the students, parents and carers of Woodham have supported this incredibly worthwhile cause by kindly donating their time, money and resources.

Last year, we raised an astonishing £1,600 for Children In Need. The proceeds from this fundraising went on to support local children's charities. Woodham would be grateful



if students and parents could, once again, support this highly deserving cause. This year, Children In Need are particularly encouraging students to turn their hobbies and interests into fabulous fundraising ideas.

School Pupils Go Multi-Lingual to Celebrate Diversity



Thousands of children have taken part in activities to boost their linguistic abilities thanks to grant funding.

The annual European Day of Languages, celebrated on 26 September, is a time to recognise the hundreds of languages spoken across Europe and thousands spoken around the world.

Pupils across County Durham, from nursery-age children to sixth form students, enjoyed a range of activities designed to promote language learning, with lessons involving everything from French boules to singing, and from pretend phone conversations to Bake Off competitions.

The events were funded with small grants, issued by Europe Direct Durham, an information service supported by the European

Commission and managed by Durham County Council.

Cllr Olwyn Gunn, cabinet member for children and young people's services said: "Activities like these are hugely important in encouraging young people to learn languages, which can have a real impact on their future job prospects."

"In our ever increasingly interconnected world, an understanding of other cultures and an ability to speak more than one language are skills that employers really value. We often forget that only 6% of the world's population speak English as their first language and that 75% speak no English at all. European Day of Languages reminds us that not only is learning another language fantastically useful but it can also be great fun."

"Alice in Wonderland"

Acorn Players are in rehearsal for their forthcoming show "Alice in Wonderland" to be performed at Woodham Academy on November 22nd, 23rd and 24th at 7.15pm. Ticket prices are Adults £3.50, Child £2.50, Family Ticket £10.00 (2 adults + 2 children). Tickets can be booked via Brenda on 01325 311816 or pay at door. Come and support our local group for a great night out.





Open day

Heighington CE Primary School

We would like to invite parents to our Open Afternoon for children starting Reception in September 2019

This will be an opportunity to find out more about our school and ask any questions that you may have.

Please join us on :

Tuesday 16th October at 4pm in the school hall.

Children are welcome to come and visit our Reception classes too.

Please contact the school office for more information.
Telephone 01325 300326 Email: adminhcep@brandh.darlington.sch.uk

A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF

A talk by Caroline Peacock entitled "A Year In The Life of the High Sheriff of County Durham" will take place on Thursday 25th October at 7pm.

The venue for this special talk is St. Andrew's Church, Bolam.

Tickets are priced at £8.00 to include refreshments, admission is by ticket only which are available from Rev. Lissa Scott on 01325 312134 or Roz Blacklock on 01388 835845

HONEST JOHN'S LATEST DONATIONS

Honest John would like to record the following donations:

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John's new address is Unit 29, Durham Way South.

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The CATS Youth Theatre Group are into final rehearsals on their latest production which is "Grease" (The Musical), which will be performed at the Civic Hall, Shildon on Thursday 18th, Friday 19th and Saturday 20th October at 7.30pm plus a matinee on Sunday 21st October at 2pm.

The production will include many of the well known songs such as "Summer Nights", "Greased Lightning",

"Sandy", "We Go Together" and many more, including some other songs from the 1950's too. Forty years on after the movie, and this popular musical is still going strong. This two hour family show has something for everyone to enjoy. Tickets are priced £5.50 Adults and £3.50 Children and can be prebooked by ringing 01325 313363 or 07747 826324.

A Vote on the Brexit Outcome?

Dear Sir,
I feel that Eileen Brewis was being disingenuous when she stated in her letter in last week's Newton News that our MP, Phil Wilson, supports a vote on the Brexit outcome.

The so called People's Vote is not intended to be a vote on 'Deal or No Deal', rather, it is intended to also offer the option to remain in the E.U. That is, to deliberately ignore the democratic will of the majority of voters who voted LEAVE. However, a straight 'Deal or No Deal' Referendum would be preferable to another General Election.

We are in the position that we are now in because our Parliament voted to put the

decision of Remain or Leave to the people to decide and were so out of touch with the feelings of the voters on the matter that they had made no plans on how to implement a LEAVE decision. (Politicians getting it all wrong again?)

If we have a re-run of the Referendum and the result is the same, does Eileen Brewis think that our Parliament, which has spent two years squabbling and lying to the voters (80% + of voters at the last election voted for a party who promised to implement the strict LEAVE mandate) is capable of implementing our proper exit from the E.U.?

In a Parliamentary debate on Brexit our MP stated that he was opposing a motion. His reasoned argument for doing so was, simply, that his father, a pitman, had been made redundant twice! This does not strike me as the cogent argument of an MP who has, "an insight into the processes of trade etc."

I do not profess to be an expert on international trade as practiced by the E.U. Indeed few of our MP's will so profess, since for the last 40 plus years these matters were dealt with exclusively by Brussels. However, I respect the views of the European Research Group, with the ex. Government Brexit Secretary, David Davis and Jacob Rees-Mogg as members.

I suggest that Phil Wilson avails himself of their research which demonstrates that there need not be a hard border in Northern Ireland if the E.U. to apply its customs and trade rules in a similar fashion that it does at other external borders and with other third party trading partners. For Example, the E.U. Rules require livestock to be checked at external borders. In Holland the checking is done 16 miles away from the border port of Rotterdam.

I disagree with Eileen Brewis that the benefits of leaving the E.U. were not accurately reported. Taking back control of our money, law making, trade and borders seem to be pretty definitive benefits to me. The difficulties being experienced in Leaving is down to the fact that MP's told lies just to get elected to thwart Brexit. The Momentum / Labour party is now stating that they will vote down ANY deal and may even support another referendum with a Remain option! Where was that in their Manifesto?

Politicians find themselves unable to take a united position on Brexit because some who now oppose Brexit got elected on a Manifesto which promised that the Labour/Momentum would implement Brexit. Our MP, Phil Wilson voted for Brexit Article 50 to be implemented and then has voted against his Party's Manifesto promise to LEAVE the E.U. What he is doing is as undemocratic as a second Leave/Remain vote!

As for Neil McKee's insinuation that the Tesco price rises are due to Brexit, I would only point out that, even before the Brexit vote, another, cheaper, supermarket was available adjacent to Tesco. He may even discover that his weekly shopping bill will be less than it was at Tesco before the Referendum!

Yours sincerely,
Alastair P G Welsh

Greenfield Students Sharpen Up For 'The Big Draw'

Greenfield Arts are once again delighted to be part of the world's largest drawing festival – The Big Draw. This year artist Jilly Johnston will be inspiring students at Greenfield Community College to draw upon their imagination and create a collaborative installation to remember.

Every student at Greenfield will have the opportunity to take part in the event and are being given the chance to be 'playful' to spark originality and creativity. Throughout the week students will work in pairs to create their own colourful 'instructable', taking turns to complete a drawing that is unique but will form part of an immense piece of artwork to be proud of.

Katy Milne, Director of Arts and Creativity at Greenfield Arts has been responsible for the activity, alongside artist Jilly Johnston. "We are delighted to be part of this campaign for drawing and play has always been an important part of art" said Katy "it will be powerful to see the whole school come together with

thousands of ideas and over five hundred drawings that will culminate in a vibrant, collective piece of art".

The artwork will be installed at Greenfield Arts ready for the New Year to form a colourful welcome in the foyer area for students, staff and the wider

community. If you would like to know more about the many projects and activities at Greenfield Arts check out our website www.greenfield-arts.co.uk or call our friendly team to sign up for our regular newsletters on 01325 379048.

Academy Raises £394.33 for Macmillan



King James I Academy has raised a grand total of £394.33 for Macmillan Cancer Support at their annual World's Biggest Coffee Morning fundraising event.

Thanks to generous donations from staff, students and their families, a wide variety of biscuits, cakes and savoury items was available for all to enjoy in both the Sixth Form Common Room and the main Dining Hall throughout the day.

Nick Grieveson, Head Teacher at King James said, "Fundraising events are an important part of our Academy events calendar and our Academy Council and Student Support Workers work hard to organise a wide range of activities to support both local and national charities throughout the year. Not only does fundraising bring our school community together, but it also gives our students a great sense of achievement and encourages them to get involved in their local community."



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This event is FREE, however those wishing to attend must apply for a wristband.

To be eligible for a wristband you must:

- Reside in the Parish of Great Aycliffe
- Supply proof of your address with a recent utility bill or driving licence

One person may apply for their families wristbands, please note limited number of wristbands are available.

You will be able to apply for your wristbands by bringing one the above documents to the Oak Leaf Sports Complex from:

Monday 15 October until all bands have been distributed.

Wristbands are available from Reception between 9.30 am until 9.00 pm

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

CHILDREN RAISE MONEY FOR CHARITY



On Friday 28th September Year 5 from Aycliffe Village Primary School hosted a coffee morning to raise money for the charity Macmillan Cancer Support. All children from the school helped by bringing in lots of delicious cakes. There were cakes of all shapes and sizes, including homemade cupcakes, crumble cake, jam tarts and giant marshmallow cakes. One set of cakes had edible animal toppings.

After assembly, Year 5 collected all of the cakes and set them out in their classroom. Firstly, all of Key Stage 2 had the opportunity to come and buy cakes. Then Key Stage 1 bought

their cakes. The donations were collected by Charlotte and Morgan. Altogether a total of £131.15 was raised by the school.

During the morning, some of the School Council went with Mrs Sutherland, Head Teacher, to the coffee morning in the village hall. All of the money raised by the school was combined with the village hall (who had been supported by Acl Scout group) and together they had a total of over £400.

"It was a successful morning," said Olivia. "We all enjoyed ourselves."

Reporters: Olivia, Chloe, Ethan, Ellie, Morgan and Charlotte.

TRUE DEMOCRACY

Dear Sir,

An observation in response to the letter from Eileen Brewis about BREXIT in the Newton News of 5th October.

I don't know the lady's age and whether she took part in the 1974/5 vote (referendum) which took us into the Common Market.

Unfortunately the people were deceived by Edward Heath the Prime Minister when he told us that we were simply voting for a tariff-free European market in goods and services. He did not tell us that he had signed up to 'ever closer union'. Had he done so and explained what that meant I and probably many others would not have voted in favour.

Now we know what 'ever closer union' entailed and obviously many people expressed their dislike when asked to vote for our continuing membership of what is now called the 'European Union'.

Such membership entails: it costs us billions of £s a year; a European Parliament which shunts between two locations at great expense every year, and whose purpose is not obvious; we have an unelected Commission, which has considerable power and influence over our country; supporting the EU we have a huge bureaucracy against which there are statements of incompetence and alleged corruption; sizeable salary and pension costs; and worst of all the ECJ which can overrule our own Supreme Court.

In 1974/5 we were not asked to vote for any of that and we did not vote for any of that. And we speak of democracy!

We have had 2 Referenda on

this subject, this time those on the Remain side want another Referendum because they do not accept the result, which did not happen on the first occasion.

No UK government since World War 2 has received a majority of the popular vote but they still assumed power. Somebody has claimed that a Macmillan Government in the 1950s did have such a result. As a teenager in the 1950s I was not interested in politics so cannot say whether that is correct.

Mrs Thatcher achieved circa 40% of the popular whereas Mr Blair had 34% but still had a massive majority in Parliament. Those do not reflect TRUE DEMOCRACY and we claim to be the home of democracy.

In none of those elections was there an outcry for a rerun of the vote.

They were simply accepted, but our first example of TRUE DEMOCRACY is now under pressure to be rerun because some do not like the result.

As for all the potentially disastrous predictions of the outcome of Brexit, they are, as usual, exaggerated and should be ignored as usual.

An afterthought occurs to me. We fought the Germans twice in the 20th century to thwart their intentions of overrunning Europe and that cost us many lives and significant debts which we only cleared in 2005.

Those countries we fought to defend are now quite content to be controlled by German power in the EU!

Yours truly
Frank Haylett
Heighington

Woodham Burn Young Writers Competition



In the Summer Term, Year 1 children from Woodham Burn Community Primary School took part in a competition with Young Writers. This is a National competition and their task was to create their own riddles. The riddles were fantastic and captured the creativity of these young writers during their poetry topic. We were delighted to find that 13 of the Riddles are to be published in a book alongside other poets aged 5-7.

Mrs Barry, their class teacher last year, is extremely proud of the achievements of all children who took part. She explained that, 'the children worked extremely hard last year with their writing, developing their creative writing skills which was evident in the success of all of our children'.

We celebrated their achievements in a whole school assembly where parents, staff and pupils

shared in this wonderful achievement. Mrs Edwards, the Head Teacher, praised all children now in Year 2 and looks forward to seeing their fantastic writing develop further as they progress through the school.

TICKETS PLEASE

Dear Sir,

Please could you mention in Newton News that Newton Aycliffe Railway Station now has a ticket machine in operation.

I used it to travel to Newcastle last Thursday thinking I could still pay on the train but there is a sign above the machine saying not to board the train without obtaining a ticket first or you could be fined.

There were only 5 of us and none of us had realised we needed to purchase tickets, luckily we all arrived there early enough and had time to use the machine.

I think it could be busy at peak times, so best get there in time to buy or collect tickets before boarding the train.

Helen McLean

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DARLINGTON DANDER GALA Funding Available!!



Sedgefield 75 had 21 swimmers competing at the Darlington Dander Gala on Sunday 7th October. It was the first gala after the summer break and the results were excellent.

One of the advantages of this gala is that swimmers of all ages and abilities can compete. That the Dolphin Centre is a superb aquatic facility is a factor that relates to good results.

The swimmers competed in a total of 98 events which meant it was a hectic day, superbly handled by our team managers Cheryl Price and coach Emma Craig. Sincere thanks to Julie Walker our Competition Secretary for all the pre-gala preparation. This enabled Chief Coach John Moore to have a restful day watching each swimmer in detail.

Swimmers competing were Ethan Craig, Mathew Wimbury, James Hodgson, Niall Coulthard, Thomas Curran, Jake Andrews, Liam Hughes, Mateusz Wilczynski, Oliver Turnbull, Lewis Turnbull, Charles McEwan, Robert Price, Charlotte Lee, Emma Price, Pippa Sanderson, Katherine Lee, Chloe Harding, Katelyn Craig, Leah Smith, Zoe Hodgson, Georgia Leybourne.

The competitive range was huge with Leah and Niall competing at National level and Lewis Turnbull training in the Development C3 Group and competing in his first gala. Medal winners in session 1 were Niall Coulthard (15 years): Gold in 100m IM, Bronze in 50m Fly, 50m Breaststroke and 100m Backstroke. Mateusz Wilczynski (13 years): Gold in 50m Fly. Liam Hughes (11 years): Bronze in 50m Fly. Ethan Craig (10 years) Bronze

in 50m Fly. Thomas Curran (9 years) won Gold in both 50m Fly and 100m Freestyle. Matthew Wimbury (13 years): Silver in 50m Breaststroke and Bronze in 100m Backstroke. Emma Price (10 years): Gold in 100m Breaststroke, 100m Fly and 50m Backstroke. Charlotte Lee (10 years): Silver in 100m Breaststroke. Chloe Harding (12 years) took the Silver medal in 50m Backstroke. Kathryn Lee (13 years) took the Silver medal in 100m Fly. Leah Smith (14 years) won Silver medals in both 100m Fly and 50m Freestyle.

Medal winners in session 2. Oliver Turnbull (12 years) won Bronze in 100m Backstroke. Mateusz Wilczynski took the Silver in 100m Breaststroke and Bronze in 50m Freestyle and 100m Fly. Thomas Curran won Gold in both 50m Backstroke and 50m Freestyle. Niall Coulthard took the Gold medal in 50m Backstroke and 100m Fly. Emma Price won Gold in 100m Backstroke and Silver in 50m Fly. Leah Smith took the Gold medal in 50m Fly and the Silver for 100m Freestyle.

A grand total of 31 medals linked with many personal best times was without doubt a great club performance and one of which we could all be proud. However, the highlight of both sessions was the 8x50m mixed Freestyle team events, with a team in the 12 years and under as well as the 13 and over age groups. Although neither team won medals, to watch boys and girls of different age groups swim their hearts out for each other was very special. Special thanks to our friends from Darlington ASC for putting on a really well-run and friendly gala

Are you part of a not for profit group that works in the Great Aycliffe and Middridge Partnership (GAMP) area? Do you have a project idea that requires funding?

Great Aycliffe & Middridge Partnership has three funding streams now available, for projects within the Great Aycliffe and Middridge village areas.

Welfare Reform

JAZZMYN TRAINING WITH CHAMPIONS



Spectrum skater Jazzmyn Loring, aged 8, attended a training session with top skaters at Walsall this weekend.

The skating star who gained bronze at British Championships went along to gain knowledge and expertise from three previous British Champions Chris Fox, Paul McIlhone and Neil Emms.

The 25 skaters taking part from all over the country learnt about fitness, posture and technique which is hoped

to support their development for further national and international skating. The day consisted of 8 hours of on and off skates training.

Jazzmyn was congratulated by the coaches for her focus and ability. Her coach at Spectrum Roller Skating Club, based at Shildon Sunnydale Leisure Centre said, "Jazzmyn has the right mind set, attitude and self motivation. She is an asset to the club and shows great aptitude for the sport."

There is a total of £10,000 available for schemes which respond to local needs and circumstances resulting from welfare reform / employability / poverty type issues.

Youth Fund

We have £12,242 available for schemes which provide youth activities for 11-19 year olds in the GAMP area (or up to 25 years for those with special educational needs or disability).

Older Persons Social Isolation Fund

We have an allocation of £25,000 for projects which help improve outcomes for older people who are socially isolated.

How to apply:

Please contact the GAMP Team for further information and an Expression of Interest form in the first instance – please tell us which funding stream you're interested in so we can send you the correct paperwork. You can email us: gampaap@durham.gov.uk or telephone: 01325 327441. All completed expressions of interest must be submitted by 5.00pm on Wednesday 21st November 2018. Potential projects should have a start date no earlier than March 2019.

Woodham Burn Children Enjoy Boxing Sessions



Woodham Burn Primary School are bringing boxing session for the children in partnership with Sedgefield School Sports Partnership (SSP). There are many benefits of this physical sport for children including: Exercise - Boxing is a very physically demanding sport. It requires the person participating to have both strength and stamina. Self Defence – allowing

children to be able to defend themselves if they ever need to. This can be an extremely valuable tool for children to learn because the world can be very dangerous.

Stress Relief – It can be used as a form of aggression control. Children have to deal with a lot of emotions throughout their lifetime. Boxing will give them a release and allow them to let out their stress in a positive way.

Discipline - By teaching boxing mechanics will enable children to effectively be in control and be disciplined.

Strength - Boxing can help increase overall strength. This can lead to increased bone growth, increased weight loss, and overall healthier being. The more muscles and strength the children have, the healthier they will be.

Hobby - By giving them a hobby that encourages being active and physical, the children will ultimately reduce the amount of time they have to participate in the hobbies that could cause them to be unhealthy.

Mrs Edwards, Head Teacher said "Boxing is an excellent vehicle for teaching children about self-control and how to feel better about themselves" Mrs West, Teacher said "the boxing is an inclusive sport and has provided an opportunity for some children to try the sport that otherwise might not get the chance to do so"

Miss Roberts, PE Lead said "boxing has given girls the opportunity to try the sport as well as boys, it is a sport they have never tried before and to see the enthusiasm on their faces and the realisation that they believed in themselves is wonderful to observe"

Annabel, year 6 pupil who is a school buddy said "if you don't like PE this is something you will really enjoy if you try it, I love it" Daisy, year 5 pupil said "it helps me with self-defence but it's also incredibly fun"

Youthy Football Report

The season is well underway and all of our teams are enjoying the games coming thick and fast.

Bishop Auckland Women 0 - 6 Newton Aycliffe Women

Today the women travelled the short distance to face Bishop for the third time this season, the women needed a good result after last week's defeat. With only 12 players for today's match and one of them with an injury everyone had the instruction to let the ball do the work. Aycliffe won the toss and opted to swap ends playing into the wind in the first half, straight from the kick off Aycliffe were on the attack, the ball fell to Katie in the box who calmly slotted the ball past the goal keeper 0-1. Then 6 minutes later Katie got her second 0-2. The midfield 5 of Lottie, Lucy, Amber, Matilda and Helen were working well creating chances for the front two of Katie and Naomi. Then in the 13th minute the ball broke for Lottie on the left, she took her chance well, leaving the keeper with no chance, 0-3. Bishop then started to get a foot hold in the

game but the back 3, Hallie, Molly and Martha, were equal to everything making Courtney's job in goal very easy. Half time 0-3. Second half one change with Nicole going on for Helen and a formation of 4-4-2. It took a while for the women to get going in the second half but on the 50th minute a great ball into Naomi who struck the ball on the volley leaving the keeper no chance, 0-4. Matilda and Lottie switched wings to counter the threat from Bishop, this paid off on the 77th minute a great through ball to Matilda saw her clean through on goal, she took her chance well beating the keeper at the near post, 0-5. Bishop still weren't giving up but the defence and keeper weren't going to give up their clean sheet. Then on the 86th minute a cross in the Bishop box and one of their players handled the ball, ref blew for a penalty. Katie stepped up she had already missed one penalty this season but not this time, bottom left corner, 0-6. Final whistle went not long after, great game, great result.



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RUNNING CLUB NEWS

This weeks racing was completely varied with members taking part in road races, trail races, fell races and cross country.

The racing began as is often the case on Saturday with the local park runs being the venue. Three members achieved PB's. At Sedgefield Jane Quigley in 28.54, Melanie Rowland in 29.11 and over at Shildon, Craig Robinson in 30.11.

Also on Saturday it was the first cross country meeting. This meeting was part of the Harrier League and took place at Wrekenton, Gateshead. Although the weather conditions meant the ground was good to run on it was still a tough course. There were only two of our ladies taking part on this occasion and for them it was two laps of the course totalling approximately 4 miles. Michelle Jane was first home in 29.07 followed by Sandrine Boinet-Hewitt (on her first cross country event) in 40.22.

It was then the turn of the men for whom the course was approximately 6 miles (3 laps). Mark Wade was first home in 35.29, followed by Dez Fielden 37.58, Paul Dalton 38.21, Martyn Knox 43.41, Richard Campbell 44.27, Trevor Needham 46.28 and Rob Nicholson 51.48.

On Sunday five members attended the Wynyard 10k Trail Race. As expected this course takes place around the trails of the Wynyard Estate. Peter Milburn was the only man taking part and he was first home for the club in 40.29 followed by Bev Phillippo 59.10, Eve Doe 1.11.24, Jan McLuckie 1.16.37 and CarrieAnne Ingledew in 1.26.38.

Paul Dalton travelled to Penrith where he took part in the Stoneybeck 10k, he completed this in 37.34 and was 1st Vet 40.

Next up was the Redcar Running Festival. This is an event that has grown in recent years. Initially just at 5k and Half Marathon there is now also a 10k event included. All of the races comprise an out and back course along the front and I think all members agreed that it wasn't the most pleasant, coming back into a headwind.

We had only one member taking part in the 5k this year. Jane Burnside completed this in 30.34.

In the 10k Richard Holland



was first home for the club in 41.51, followed by Mark Bainbridge 46.09, Trish Kay 49.19, David Stothard 53.32, Gemma Holland 58.33, John Richardson 1.00.03 and Sam Baronowski in 1.08.55.

Four members took part in the half marathon. First home for the club was Angela Sutherland in 1.48.15 followed by Rob Nicholson in 1.56.49, Ian Baronowski in 2.06.21 and Susan Clark on 2.21.38.

Last, but certainly by no means least, Sunday saw one member take on a fell race, The High Fells of Thrunton Half Marathon. This event takes place near Alnwick. Julie's description of this race was 'Fell racing isn't good for running style, your hips go flying in strange directions, ferns are dangerous and may cause faceplanting in a bog, when you enter such a race expect an additional mile or so to be added to the distance but most of all, expect to bizarrely enjoy it and have an amazing social experience with wonderful people'. Julie managed to complete this in 4 hour 8 minutes.

JUNIORS FC ROUND UP

The football season moved in to its second month as the Aycliffe Juniors teams continued their seasons with both league and cup action.

The **Under 7's Whites** maintained their unbeaten start to the league campaign in an exciting game against Bishop Juniors. The lead changed hands a number of times as they battled to a 6-5 win. Jack scored a superb five goals and Tyler added one.

The **Under 7's Juniors** played a friendly game against Shildon on Saturday. They proved to be too strong for their opponents and a hat trick each from Daniel, Jonah, Jack and Dom were added to by goals from Kai and Jak P in a comfortable win. Their winning weekend continued with a 10-3 League Cup win at Whinney Banks on Sunday. The scorers were Kai (5), Jack (4) and man of the match Daniel.

The **Under 8's** were up against Stranton in the Challenge Cup. They faced a two goal deficit with eight minutes left but a great team effort and two goals from Evan forced the game to end as a 2-2 draw. The game then went to penalties to decide who would go on to the next round, saves from Trent and successfully taken penalties from Alex, Sam and Alfie won the game for Aycliffe.

The **Under 9's** took on Marton Royals at Woodham in the Challenge Cup. They secured a 4-2 win with two goals for Thomas and one each for Preston and man of the match Oliver. The development game ended in a 4-0 loss for the Aycliffe team.

The **Under 10's 'Clarets'** played Marton Blues at Woodham. They created many opportunities but could not get the finishing touch often enough. A competitive game ended 5-1 to the visitors.



The **Under 10's 'Whites'** had a tough cup clash against Leven Juniors from the top Division. Resilient defending kept the game goal less at half time. The higher league team then broke through in the second half and won 3-0. In the development game James scored a screamer but Leven won 5-1.

The **Under 11's 'Black'** also lost out to Leven 8-1. The Under 11's 'Whites' kept their cup run going with a 9-0 second round win at Wolsingham. Aidan (4), Ollie (2), Will, Jack and Harvey were great scorers and Aidan was named as man of the match.

The **Under 12's** came away 9-1 winners from their trip to play Stockton Hardwick in the cup. Man of the match Charlie B got a brace and there was a hat trick for Zak as well as goals for Jake, Alfie, Charlie E and Thomas.

The **Under 13** Russell Foster League team travelled to Gateshead Redheugh and found themselves 5-1 down at half time. A superb fight back brought the scoreline to 5-5 with Aycliffe having five different scorers in Herbie, Sam, Taylor, Noah and man of the match Charlie. However the hosts then finished the strongest to win

7-5.

The **Under 13's TJFA** League team hosted fellow Division one side Stockton Town in the League Cup. The visitors won the match 3-1 with the Aycliffe goal coming from a superb

Charlie Bunton strike after a neat Maradona turn.

The **Under 14's** hosted Billingham Juniors in the cup and moved through to the next round with a 2-1 win. Callum Fraser got both the goals



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Similar problems happen at the junction with Barrington Road, vehicles turn right out of Barrington Road when vehicles are waiting to pass the parked cars between the Bus Stop and the junction (which are not helping being parked there). Again the vehicles on Pease Way (the major road) have right of way, not the vehicles coming out of Barrington Road.

Then there is the roundabout at the junction with Emerson Way, vehicles turning right out of Emerson Way have priority over vehicles coming down Pease Way, all vehicles must give way to vehicles coming from the right, basic rules of the road/highway code. I have had a number of near misses due to drivers not giving way to the right who give you funny looks or the finger when you blow your horn, even though they are in the wrong.

There is, of course, the traffic calming/pinch points which are a joke (cars are also parked too close to these), which are supposed to slow the traffic, but some drivers seem to see it as an opportunity to see who can get there first. The answer to this would be to either remove them completely or replace them with chicanes where the drivers have to slow to be able

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Tea will be harvest soup and bread for us all to enjoy and of course followed by cake. Messy Church begins at 4pm with our doors open from 3.30pm for playdough, colouring and registration.

A warm, welcoming engaging family church which shares fun, faith and fellowship together each month. Please come and join us, there will be a donation box to give thanks for our time together. Check out our facebook page Youth/childrenst.clares for our latest news and photographs.

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BUILDING COMMUNITIES

After the success of County Durham Tees Valley Rescue Mission, working alongside people in the West Ward area of Newton Aycliffe, we have put on a range of events including Community Breakfasts, BBQs, Ladies Afternoon Tea, Film Nights, Computer Clinic, Bacon Butty Thursday, Craft Club also providing for the Hungry Holidays and Fun Day programmes. We provided 1308 free packed lunches and activities for our community over the summer holidays. We are still going to help contribute our services to the West ward of Newton Aycliffe. As our mission statement is continuing "Building Communities" and building up awareness on Modern Day Slavery. "County Durham Tees Valley Rescue Mission are proud to announce the launch of our new project Junction 7. Junction 7 will be launched

on the 22nd October 2018. Junction 7 will be operating an Emergency Community Food Bank from their base at 7 Silverdale Place, Newton Aycliffe DL5 7DZ, to serve all the Communities of Newton Aycliffe. The aim of the Food Bank is to offer a variety of food services for the needs of Newton Aycliffe. We will also be offering one to one advice and an Advocacy Service, where you can come and have a friendly chat and a cuppa in confidence to see what other services are available or we can sign post you to. Newton Aycliffe has so many services that are there to help people, we have a large list of organisations. If you have a service that you can provide to people of Newton Aycliffe, please contact us so we can add you to our list and add your leaflets to our notice boards.

To mark this event we have partnered with other local organisations such as Livin & Involve to bring a Community Double Decker Activity Bus to our area. The bus will consist of a range of activities including Xbox Tournament, Slime Making, Grass Heads and Human Propelled Smoothie Making Bicycle as well as other activities for all age groups (under 8s accompanied by an adult). The bus (Elsie) will be parked at Silverdale Place on the 22nd & 23rd October from 12 noon until 3pm. Lunch will be provided for both days and all the activities will be free of charge except our Tombola Stand.

There have been numerous people who have supported us in what we have done so far. The biggest thank you goes to our volunteers who have a passion in what they do, continuing to always go the extra mile in what we do. We would also like to thank the following - ACE (formerly GACAP), Tesco, Honest John, Woodham Community Centre, MAD choir, Western Area Community Centre, Livin, Harvest Church, Bethany Nursing Home, Eddy Adam, Kate Hopper, County Durham Police (especially Chris Obrian, Mike Welch and Andy Boyd), Children's Blessings, Bike Haul UK, Bolams, Humankind, PCP, Rotary Club, Neville Community Centre, Trussell Trust, Fareshare, Dorothy Bowman for her support in our time in the Western Area Community Centre, Hub of Wishes, local Residents Associations.

We would like to thank all the families and especially the children in the West Ward for all their support.

All the events we do are heavily relied on with donations, we would like to thank everyone who has donated anonymously to these events, without you we wouldn't be able to serve our community.

County Durham Tees Valley Rescue Mission supporting Junction 7.
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MADATHON DONATE DEFIBRILLATOR



Local charity Madathon have donated a portable Defibrillator to Horndale Residents Association which we will use on coach trips and events. We were looking to purchase a Defib unit as we recognise that the majority of people going on our trips are of the older generation, also we can be in the middle of nowhere while travelling on days out. After a chance conversation

Madathon became aware of our plans and kindly offered to donate a unit. A new unit costs approximately £700 so we can use this money for more community based events. Madathon is a local charity who raises money for life saving equipment, Northumbria Blood Bikes, MRI Scanner and much more. Philip Clark Chair
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The name given to this aircraft type, Convergence, is printed on the wing. It is made from expanded foam plastic, similar to expanded polystyrene, with additional plastic parts such as the motor mountings and is primarily white in colour. The wingspan is approximately 65cm (about 2 feet) and it is slightly longer than this. It has two tail fins, which are mounted either side of the tail propeller. Since the fate of this aircraft is unknown it may remain intact or it could have been broken when it landed, for example if it passed through tree branches on its way down. I will be very grateful to anyone who can provide any information regarding this aircraft and a reward will be offered if the aircraft can be retrieved as a result of information received. Please contact the editor with any information you may have. Thank you very much.

Thank You

MANY THANKS to the two gentlemen that helped me when I fell outside Aldi store. They were very kind. Also thank you to Elenor and Melvin for taking me to hospital; our Pam and Gary for staying with me and bringing me home. Thanks to you all. Ann Cook

In Memoriam

TONY MORGAN 17th October 2017. Father in Heaven hear our prayer, guard our Son with loving care. Be a good shepherd, don't leave him alone, love him as we did, when he was at home. Remembered always. Mam and Dad xxxx
TONY MORGAN 17th October 2017. Simple words, but very true. We will always remember you. Wendy, Shaun and Charlotte xxx
EILEEN BURDESS 11th October 2016. Remembering a much loved friend, today and always.
VERA REED 14th October 2014. It's not difficult to remember, we never have forgot. All the things you've taught us; and goodness, that was a lot. Whenever life deals a blow, it seems you are always there. Unexplainable little things, that only we can know. We strive to make you proud of us, as much as we were of you. Love and miss you always. Rest easy Mum. Your family from near and far xxxxx

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COUNTY NEWSBITS

Compiled by
County Councillor John Clare

No Council meetings this week again, but some important Council news and messages, along with a vital hospital campaign and more wonderful business news ... plus lots of interesting-looking events. Find the vlog and more info on my blog at: bit.ly/CNB71

COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY NEWS
 • DCC has recruited 50 new apprentices.
 • DCC has hosted a national energy efficiency conference.
 • DCC bin crews have launched a campaign to stop the abuse, violence and reckless driving endangering bin crew staff and the public.
 • Metal Matters! This week you will have received a leaflet about recycling metals.
 • Alternatives to the charged Garden Waste Collections.
 • Have you supported the campaign to Save Ward Six of Bishop Auckland Hospital?
 • Republished, A Far-Off Bell evokes memories of Middridge a century ago.
 • Aycliffe Radio has launched the Rewind local history show, 7pm, every Wednesday from 10 October – google: 'Aycliffe Radio live' or tell Alexa: "Play Aycliffe Radio".

• Well done to Aycliffe Business Park's – Aycliffe Fabrications (high-quality work); Raisco (helping to build Warburton's R&D centre); Emerald Biogas (planning to run new biomethane-powered trucks); One Gym (expanding operations); and Thrive (doing voluntary work for charity).

THINGS TO DO

• Battle of Neville's Cross walk (3 miles), meet outside old entrance to Durham Johnston School, Redhills Lane, Durham DH1 4AL, 1:30pm, Sunday 14 October, £4.
 • Green GB Week – Electric Vehicle Roadshow, Durham Market Place, 10am-noon,

Monday 15 October.
 • Teikyo Festival and Japanese Zen (5-11s), Durham Oriental Museum, drop-in 1-3pm, Saturday 20 October, FREE.
 • Super Stained Glass (5-11s), Palace Green Library, drop-in 1-3pm, 20-21 October, FREE.
 • Gallery of Monsters, Hardwick Park, 10.00am-4.00pm, Saturday 20 - Wednesday 31 October, £1.
 • History of Health, Beamish Museum, 20-28 October (entrance charges apply).
 • Half-term crafty session at Greenfield Arts, 10:30am-12:30pm, Tuesday 23 October, FREE.
 • PCVC Superheroes event, Locomotion Museum Shildon, 10am-3pm, Saturday 27 October, FREE.
 • Kieran Maxwell Legacy dinner, Thursday 1 November, £35 – phone 07596 193981.

Births

Lilly-Anne Wendy Stott



Shelana & Adam Stott are very happy to announce the safe arrival of their beautiful daughter, Lilly-Anne Wendy Stott. Born at 11.15 am on 9-10-18 weighing 6lb 12oz. We would also like to thank everyone for all their best wishes.

Congratulations



Billy Gibson

Happy 70th from your friends and family xx

Lisa Jane Maddison

Happy 45th, remembered with love xx

SSAFA Big Brew Up Event

Dear Sir,
On Friday 2nd November 2018 The Royal Telegraph, Aycliffe Village will be holding a SSAFA Big Brew Up Event in support of the SSAFA Armed Forces Charity.

The event will commence at 11.00am until 10.00pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and enjoy a cuppa and a slice of cake or alternatively a pie and a pint, whilst raising money for those in the Armed Forces community who are in need. There will be a Grand Raffle and some fun activities throughout the day. We hope you will be able to attend and support a very worthy cause. SSAFA works to provide the ever important specialist services and practical, emotional and financial support to our Forces and their families. Denise Telford

Jayden Reece Lawrence



Happy 10th Birthday

Lots of love from Dad, Nana Maureen, Grandad Alan and Auntie Beverley xxxxxxx

Lost & Found

FOUND A pair of spectacles on the corner of Lowery Road. Call at Newton Press to claim.

DAVE STRADLING. Happy 40th to the best dad in the world! Have a great day! Love Samuel and Jorja xxx
DAVE STRADLING. Happy 40th Birthday! Hope you enjoy celebrating! Much love, Bushy, Laura and Sophie xx

DAVE STRADLING. Happy 40th Birthday Mate! See you in Ibiza! Mark
MEGAN HARRISON, 18th October. Happy 18th birthday to a beautiful Granddaughter, Megan. Hope you have a fab day and don't get too drunk!! HaHa. Love you lots, Nanna and Nev xxx

MEGAN HARRISON Happy 18th birthday Megan. Have a great day. Love, Uncle Wayne, Jay, Parker and Erin xxxxx
MEGAN HARRISON Happy 18th birthday Megan. Lots of love, Auntie Nic, Shelly, Michaela and Lukeny xxxxx
MEGAN HARRISON Happy 18th birthday, hope you have an amazing day. Lots of love, Mam, Steve and Kids xxx
TAYLOR Norma and Eddie (11th October 2018). Congratulations on your Diamond Wedding Anniversary. All our love, Paul, Connie, Daisy, David, Su, Nathan and Arran xxxxx

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3-5pm	Driving Home with "Through the Decades"	Paul Baker
6-7pm	60s Show	Karl Simons
7-8pm	70s Show	Peter Rush
8-9pm	80s Show	Paul Gittins
9-10pm	90s Show	Paul Baker
10-11pm	00s Show	Producer Dan
11-12am	Teens Show	Owen Dickinson

TUESDAY

12-2pm	Afternoon Aycliffe	Paul Baker
2-3pm	Afternoon Delight	
3-5pm	Driving Home with Sports Show sponsored by Honest John	Paul Baker
6-7.30pm	Sports Round UP	Darren & Lee
16th Oct	- Andy McFarlane "Kit Man" from NAFC	
7.30-9.30pm	Northern & Classic Soul	Kevin Sowerby
9.30-12am	Motown Classics	

WEDNESDAY

12-2pm	Afternoon Aycliffe	Paul Baker
2-3pm	Afternoon Delight	
3-5pm	Driving Home with	Paul Baker
5-6.30pm	Community Connect	Amy & Phil
6.30-8pm	Rewind	Amy & Phil

New History of Aycliffe Show with guests

8-10pm	Alternative Aycliffe	Gary & Alby
10-12am	Garage/Indie Show (R)	MC Supa

THURSDAY

12-2pm	Afternoon Aycliffe	Paul Baker
2-3pm	Afternoon Delight	
3-5pm	Driving Home with	Paul Baker
6-7pm	Mystery Year	Paul Baker
7-8pm	"Throwback Thursday"	The Doctor
8-10pm	"Beat"Roote	Graeme Roote
10-12am	UK Number 1s	

FRIDAY

9-12pm	Amy in the Morning	Amy Harrison
12-2pm	Afternoon Aycliffe	Paul Baker

2-3pm	Afternoon Delight	
3-5pm	Driving Home with	Paul Baker
6-8pm	Tech-House Mix	PVR Studios

Guest Presenter Session

12th Oct	Andy Little (from CentralFM, Spain)	
19th Oct	Nathan Abbott 90s Classix	Nathan Abbott
10-12am	Alternative Aycliffe (R)	Gary & Alby

SATURDAY

9-12pm	Kitchen Floor Fillers	
12-2pm	Weekly Edition	Paul Baker
2-4pm	School Disco	
4-6pm	Northern & Classic Soul (R)	Kevin Sowerby

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6-8pm	Evening Session	JimJams
8-9pm	Chart & Dance Remixes	Alan Hastie
9-10pm	Retro Tech House Mix	OZ-DJ
10-12am	Street 'n' Drum 'n' Bass	MC Supa

SUNDAY

9-11am	Aycliffe Goes Country	
11-12pm	Conversations with Mary	Mary O'Sullivan
12-2pm	Sports Round Up (R)	Darren & Lee
2-4pm	Bear Blues Show	Colin McNeillie
4-6pm	Folk/Celtic/Rock Show	Steve & Col
6-7pm	Church Service	Xcel Centre
7-8pm	Politics Show	Owen Dickinson
8-10pm	The Live Rock Show	"CAD"

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N.A.F.C. REPORT



Saturday 6th October
Ebac Northern League Division One
Newcastle Benfield 3 v Newton Aycliffe 0

Newton Aycliffe travelled to Newcastle Benfield and suffered a 3-0 reversal with ex-Aycliffe player Dennis Knight playing a large part in the defeat. Benfield attacked from the kick off, and veteran striker Paul Brayson had 2 good chances in the first seven minutes. He hit the first into the side netting, and keeper Daniel Scott saved the second with his legs. On ten minutes, Brayson won a penalty after a collision in the box, and Knight stepped up to score from the spot. Four minutes later, it was two-nil. A Knight shot hit the bar, and Robson was first to the rebound to nod in. Knight continued to torment Aycliffe, and he had 3 further shots before the half hour, two of which brought out good saves from Scott. Benfield got a third on 33 minutes, when Brayson's free kick was deflected off the defensive wall past Scott. The second half was a more even affair, with no further goals and few chances at either end. Knight and Robinson went close for Benfield, and Aycliffe man-of-the match Shaun Hudson hit the bar with a great shot. Next match is at home to North Shields on Saturday 13th October, 3pm at Moore Lane.

CHARLIE SIGNS FOR MIDDLESBROUGH



Newton Aycliffe Junior Football Club are really pleased to see that Charlie Dawson has agreed to sign for Middlesbrough FC to play for their Academy team for the next two seasons. His superb abilities have been monitored by Middlesbrough in their development sessions from a young age. As he began the current Under 13's

season in superb form he was invited to undertake an eight week trial with the academy team. Fine performances during this trial have led to Middlesbrough FC offering Charlie a contract and with it a great opportunity to further progress his undoubted talent. Charlie, who attends Woodham Academy, has been the lynch pin of the successful

Aycliffe Juniors team from the age of 4. He has led this side to first division titles in the TJFA league from Under 7's through to Under 10's. This is along with many other cup and tournament wins. In this time he has made more than 120 league and cup appearances scoring more than 100 goals. As an Under 11, whilst he attended Byerley Park Primary School, Charlie was a key member of the Darlington and District schools team who won the County Cup and progressed to the national finals. He has also shown great form when playing friendlies for Aycliffe Juniors in Barcelona, Madrid and Milan. Charlie's development at Aycliffe Juniors has been supported by his dad Adrian who has managed this side. The one negative for the club

is that Adrian will now step down from this role so he can continue to support Charlie. We congratulate Charlie and wish him all the best as well as thanking Adrian for all his hard work supporting the junior team. His management success is evident in the fact that there have now been four players from his team signed by academy sides in the last two years with many others invited to development sessions and trials. Vicki Aspinall, Newton Aycliffe Junior Football Club secretary, said that "Charlie has been a superb player for us from a very young age. It is great to see his superb talent recognised by MFC and we all wish him well. It is of course sad to see Adrian step down as manager and all involved are extremely grateful for his hard work with the team".

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