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## Defibrillator for St. Mary's



Father Anthony Cornforth the latest 24 hour public carried out a dedication of access defibrillator, now

fitted to the outside of St. Mary's Church. He praised the efforts of all those involved in providing this potential life saving equipment. He also asked us all to remember the many dedicated people in our emergency services for their daily efforts to keep us safe. Pictured with Father Cornforth are Andy Robinson, Joan Bain, Trevor Taylor, Calum Taylor, Drew Hill, Rachael Taylor, Liz Kengyelics, David Sutton-Lloyd, and Margaret Taylor. Following the early death of their daughter, Seonaid Taylor-Hill, from a heart condition the Taylors were determined that in her memory good could be done, and by helping provide potential life saving equipment their hope is that other families are spared from their loss.

The St. Mary's unit is the second 24 hour unit that the Taylor family has helped raise funds for. The first was at Neville Community Centre, with support from the Community Centre Committee, newly formed Neville Residents (Chaired by Heather Brewster), and GAMP funds from Councillors Sarah Iveson and Jim Atkinson. Their campaign "Kick it 4 Senoid" has, and continues to raise funds, to further support this cause. Both units have now had a small memorial plaque fitted with the simple heart felt message "In Memory Senoid Taylor-Hill saving lives". Pictured centre is Drew Hill, Senoid's son, who with Liz Kengyelics, Andy Robinson and Joan Bain were representing all those at St. Mary's who have helped contribute to this project. This latest installation follows on from the first 24 hour unit fitted to Woodham Community Centre just over two years ago.

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## Rocket into a Reading Adventure This Summer



The annual Summer Reading Challenge returns with a moon-bound mission, sure to keep kids hooked on books over the holidays. Durham County Council libraries will once again offer kids an exciting way to keep up with their reading over the break from school, with fun materials produced by The Reading Agency. This year offers a stellar theme, as super space

family, the Rockets, need help to track down books that have been nabbed by aliens. Space Chase lets young space cadets read books, solve clues and collect special stickers to complete their very own mission folder.

Cllr Joy Allen, Cabinet member for transformation, culture and tourism, said: "This year we have an extra-terrestrially fun theme, inspired by the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing.

"Children's reading can 'dip' during the long summer holidays if they don't have regular access to books or lack encouragement to read for pleasure. The Summer Reading Challenge offers a free, fun and accessible way to encourage young people to keep up a love of reading, and all the benefits that come with it.

"As well as visiting the library to take part in the challenge, by becoming a library member anyone can access our Library Online to browse the library catalogue, request an item or renew an item already on loan. Or, use the BorrowBox app to access eBooks and eAudiobooks - there are thousands of stories to get lost in this summer."

The Summer Reading Challenge blasts off in all Durham County Council libraries on Saturday 13 July. No booking is required. Ask at your local library to collect a free space adventure pack.

Find your nearest library at [www.durham.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.durham.gov.uk/libraries)

# FREE Summer Holiday Activities at Greenfield Arts

Greenfield Arts are delighted to offer free family focused holiday sessions during the summer holidays.

The summer activities will run in July and August and will be held in Newton Aycliffe and Shildon. The sessions include our popular craft sessions with Dawn Belshaw, be inspired by our exhibition and create something wonderful to take home in 'ARTiculate Yourself'. New for this season we have a fabulous musical opportunity as 'Your Voice' songwriting workshop makes its debut - would you like to write and perform your own song?

Come along and learn how with our resident musician and songwriter John Melvin.

We are also thrilled to be offering free creative activities at community partner events, Horndale Community Day, Thursday 15th August, at Greenfield Community College 10:00 - 15:00 and Shildon Fun4All Event on Saturday 3rd August, 11:00 - 13:00 at Hackworth Park, Shildon. Our summer sessions are inspired by our season of exploring identity, developing our voice and being part of an extraordinary community. You can book your place



via the online enrolment form on our website, just follow the holiday link. If you would like any further information about our holiday sessions, would like to join our mailing list or

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## Sara Davies Shortlisted in Entrepreneur Awards

Sara Davies MBE, founder of Crafter's Companion, has been shortlisted in the Creative Industries of the Year category at the NatWest Great British Entrepreneur Awards.

The Great British Entrepreneur Awards celebrate the stories that have taken entrepreneurs to where they are today, regardless of size or turnover.

There are 60 finalists across the North East region in 11 categories, including Creative Industries, Disruptor, Scale-Up, Start-Up, and Young, as well as new additions; Food & Drink and Health & Beauty. The event will take place on October 29 in Newcastle and regional winners will progress to the national awards ceremony.

Sara Davies MBE, founder of Crafter's Companion said: "When I set up Crafter's Companion from my university bedroom 14 years ago, I knew I had a really great idea but I never imagined that the company

would grow to the size it is today.

"I'm so thankful that, as an entrepreneur, I've had a strong support system. It started with my family always being there when I needed them and now I have the support of my fantastic, dedicated staff. I'm so thankful that I've been counted as a finalist among so many brilliant entrepreneurs but I would love to win this award to celebrate all of our achievements so far, as well as all of the exciting things that are yet to come."



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## NEW DEFIBRILLATOR FOR ST. MARY'S

We now have 12 units (Greenfield College although on the outside of the building is not accessible from 10pm till 7am). We still do not have the total coverage I would like, that is a 24 hour unit within 500 yards radius of everyone. Newton News has already produced two centre page pull outs showing all the locations and I am sure will keep this updated.

I am in discussions with several parties and hope we will continue to achieve further coverage.

Whilst providing the public with 24 hour access to potential life saving equipment is important, awareness and education of CPR and defibrillator use is just as important. Since

the first unit was installed two years ago, with support from GAMP, we have now provided free awareness courses to 391 people. Further awareness courses are now planned to run at Neville Community Centre, Aycliffe Village Community Centre and St Mary's. These are being supported by GAMP funds from all 7 of our County Councillors, British Heart Foundation and North East Ambulance Service.

Venues, dates and times for the next 8 weeks will be published in Newton News next week or contact as follows.

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# Silverdale House Summer Activities

Western Area Community Centre, Silverdale House, are restarting their activities after the fantastic refurbishment of the Centre by Livin.

Newton Aycliffe Junior Neighbourhood Watch are part of the steering group to organise the smooth running of the centre along with other groups. The Junior Neighbourhood Watch will hold a Tiny Tots group on a Tuesday and Friday from 9.30am until 1.00pm; a Children's Disco on a Friday from 5pm until 8pm; young peoples games and activities on a Saturday morning and litter picking on a Sunday starting at 11.00am.

Our group for older people 'New Pathways Together' will start again when we will welcome older people, especially local residents, dropping in for a cup of tea etc. We do have a licence for bingo but this will have to be clarified/verified with DCC and Livin.

Williamfield Residents Association will restart with their monthly meeting and for the people who cannot attend during the day an evening session will be held.

On Saturday 31st August there will be an Open Day. During the holidays The Junior Neighbourhood Watch will be organising several coach trips and Livin will be funding a Coach Trip.

Other groups will be also be holding activities at Silverdale House.

# Team Warrior Raise £1000 for MND Association



After raising £1000 for the Mara Unit at their last Charity Fight Night, Team Warrior decided to host another one, with the nominated Charity this time being the MND Association (Motor Neurone Disease). The Charity fight night was held at Ferryhill Leisure Centre on Saturday 13th July 2019 and had over 250 people in attendance. The night was a great success and again Team Warrior, with the help of everyone involved, managed to raise £1000 for the MND Association. The fighters came from all

over the UK and 2 of them flew in from the Netherlands, as they wanted to help raise money for this cause. There were 13 fights in total, with a girls and boys tag team as well, which were all very exciting. Team Warrior has only been established for 2 years, but is continually growing, in both stature and reputation. If you would like to be part of something rewarding, and be successful, visit our website [www.teamwarrioruk.co.uk](http://www.teamwarrioruk.co.uk) to find your nearest Club.

## HUB OF WISHES THANKS LIVIN'

The Hub of Wishes mental health charity, in keeping with the Western Area Community Centre refurbishment, also recently had their centre renovated. Many thanks to Livin' who have supplied and fitted a super modern kitchen - this has made a huge difference to staff and kitchen volunteers.

Thank you also to staff and volunteers who gave their time to help decorate and assist with the refurbishment.

Small charities often don't have the funds to make improvements to their environment. Recent funding has made it possible to decorate the ground floor of the centre, put down new flooring, purchase new chairs, blinds, curtains, etc. As our environment directly influences our wellbeing, everyone at the Hub of Wishes is thrilled to have a comfortable, bright but calm space to enjoy.

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## A BRILLIANT COMMUNITY SPIRIT



Olivia Forster and Evie Willis, both 11 years old, were active in their community last week, voluntarily choosing to litter pick the area. Both girls start at Woodham Academy in September after attending Vane Road School.

"We were having a family barbeque and the girls had been playing with a ball out on the green when they decided to come in for some bin bags and go and litter pick. They had said to themselves that they were only collecting the tiniest amount of litter in the world but every bit helps" said Olivia's mother. I told them that they were making a bigger difference than what they realised, as this action may inspire others to follow suit who will further contribute to making the environment better.

The girls did not make a big deal of it and just came back in to show us how much they had managed to clear. Later a post appeared on Facebook, by a neighbour who applauded the girls for their litter picking, as she had seen them doing it and had gone out to tell them 'well done' and also helping by putting some rubbish in their bin bags from the grass and path.

It is lovely that the girls have had messages of support from the community, which reinforces to them that they can make a difference and inspire others to do the same.

## Road Works on St. Cuthbert's

A road traffic notice has been issued for upcoming road works on St. Cuthberts Way.

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## "WHY DO MPs DALLY?"

Dear Sir,  
On the social side, Government(s) have persistently failed to act in a situation developing between religions over the question of meat and other products. The law allows for food to meet religious requirements for consumption within that religion. While specific exemption is made on religious grounds there is no specific restriction to consumption, only within that particular religion. Conflict is arising in the marketing of such food because the Government, despite widespread requests and petitions, will not regulate the clear marking of the product. As a result the consumer does not know the source. Yet our MP's have banned such foods in Parliamentary restaurants. The public are increasingly demanding the same right of choice. It's called democracy. Parliament prefers privilege. It ignores the people - until

they will no longer be ignored. Why do MP's dally on? Similarly with so many of our innovative scientific and technological industries where Britain ranks as world leaders. All allowed to be bought by foreign countries. It seems as if politicians do not appreciate their real value to our country, rather than the short term cash inflow when they are sold. Again why does the Royal Navy have too few ships? Why is our Army stretched too far? What are our MP's actually doing when they 'oversee' Parliament on our behalf? For my part, I dream of a world without Politicians. Sadly, we need them as they can (mostly) expose the lies that other nations tell us. The identical reason why other countries need Politicians. A sort of mutually beneficial, self generating, job market. Yours faithfully  
J D Whittaker  
The Bridle



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## MPs ARE NOT TRAITORS

Dear Sir,  
I wish to object to the publication in Newton News of the letter headed "MPs Don't Follow Their Own Laws". Not only is it misleading, in that a referendum result is not legally binding and Parliament is entitled to not implement the result, but the language used in it is particularly objectionable. MPs are not "traitors" for not wanting to ruin the UK by allowing a no-deal Brexit. And to say they should be removed by force amounts to threatening behaviour, surely? To engage with the issues involved in Brexit is one thing; to publicly threaten others with violence is quite another and I am surprised that someone with such views is not also prepared to identify themselves. Yours faithfully  
Eileen Brewis

## "In Total Agreement"

Dear Sir,  
I respond to the article "MP's Don't Follow Their Own Laws", whoever he is he is very astute and knowledgeable, and I thank him for his insert. Everything in this article, I believe, is correct about our MPs, we pay council tax for these services, but it is not about money, it is about serving your constituents to the best of your abilities, and we are not getting a fair deal from them. I voted to leave, yet individuals in the Labour party only do what is in their interests not ours, and try to get into power by any means, after they are

successful it all goes down hill. I also believe Jeremy Corbyn will never get to be Prime Minister. I was a Labour man until this farce came about, I will not vote Labour again until I see someone with intelligence, dignity, and a passion to really do what is needed to get our great country back to its proud self. I believe this will not happen until we leave the EU. People are a thousand times worse off with a Tory government in place, just look at the state of our roads, housing and social care system and hospitals, it is a nightmare to get an appointment for the serious illnesses, people are dying - this is 2019 not 1919. Men have stood on the moon, yet people are still dying due to Tory cuts and Mr Corbyn obviously has no standards, you only have to look on TV when he comes out of his "home", the garden is a disgrace, he always looks dishevelled and scruffy. I will not be voting for anyone now until there is someone with a conscience. So, there it is, in my opinion, but thanks again to the man who inserted the article. GT  
Name & address supplied

## BEAUTIFUL FACILITY

Dear Sir,  
This week I took my elderly father to St Oswald's Park. After a few false turns we found the car park. What a beautiful, well equipped and cared for facility this is for the residents of Newton Aycliffe. I think I last visited 40 years ago when dad played bowls there! Yet at 11.00am in the school holidays there were only a handful of visitors. If you are looking to entertain children over the summer I suggest you head up there with your picnic! Name & address supplied

## COSTA LOT TO PARK

Dear Sir,  
I visited Costa Coffee with a friend, whom I had not seen for some time, and we parked in the car park next to the premises. We had a good old catch up, had lunch, several coffees and ended up staying for 2½ hours. A few days later I received a £100.00 parking charge notice through the post from Civil Enforcement Ltd for overstaying my free 90 minutes parking - if paid in 14 days it would be reduced to £60.00. I went back to Costa and spoke to the staff. They confirmed that the car park did belong to them but was "monitored" by a private company. They also confirmed that the premises had CCTV inside and therefore I felt that this would easily prove that we had been inside the entire time we were parked. They said that lots of customers had been in complaining that they had also been fined. When I revisited the car park the parking signs were in place and quite visible, however none of us had noticed them. In fairness, I admit, we were probably too busy chatting. There was also a huge floor to ceiling sign inside Costa advising that you need to register your vehicle if staying for over 90 minutes, but this had certainly not been there on our visit.

I appealed the fine stating that we were inside Costa Coffee the entire time and CCTV could prove this. However, this week I received a letter to say my appeal was unsuccessful. I also contacted Costa's head office to complain and was basically told they would not interfere on my behalf. Yes, hands up, we should have noticed the signs, although clearly we are not alone in this. I just think Newton Aycliffe residents should be warned that if they stay too long without following the procedure they most certainly will be fined. I am absolutely disgusted by this and that will certainly be my first and last visit to Costa. Name & address supplied

## SEWING & QUILTING CLASSES

A new sewing and quilting class is to begin on Tuesday 10th September from 6.30 to 9.00pm. The classes will be held in the meeting room at School Aycliffe Community Hall and will include refreshments. The classes are for beginners and intermediates and will run for 4 weeks. Places are limited at £40 per person which is payable on the first night. For further information and to book a place please contact Jacqui Jennings on 07921 872721 or email jennings2@btinternet.com

## School Aycliffe Association Activities

A big thank you to all those that attended our cuppa and cake morning - a fab turnout - thank you Christine Robinson and her team of helpers. **Our Afternoon Tea is SOLD OUT** Dates for your diary! **Saturday 2nd November** Start your Christmas shopping early and enjoy a fab day out at York Designer outlet, £20 per person, pick up and drop off at School Aycliffe Community Hall - lose the crowds from the very busy market - please contact Georgette on 07952 758118. **Tuesday 5th November**

Watch the fireworks from the warmth of our hall where hot dogs and soup will be on sale. Timings and cost to be confirmed **Friday 13th December** A Christmas Quiz will be held on Friday 13th December. Quiz Master Stephen Quigley - further details to follow. **Tuesday 31st December** New Year's Eve Party with Robson Field further details to follow but please feel free to bring your own drink. Our hall is also available for hire for parties, meetings and groups, please contact Tony Robinson for further details on 07807 134942.



## MRI SCANNER APPEAL

If you would like to make a donation to our MRI appeal or get involved:  
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The Howarth family, in memory of Syd Howarth, MBE, are offering the residents of Newton Aycliffe the opportunity to nominate an individual or organisation, who have excelled over the last year. The nominees must be from Newton Aycliffe and the winner will receive a plaque and £250 to go towards their own or another local charity. Those nominating must give the name and address of the nominee along with reasons why this individual or organisation should win (up to 250 words). Closing date for nominations will be 31st August 2019 at which time those that were nominated will be published in the Newton News and the Howarth family will choose the winner. The winner will be awarded the prize on Tuesday 22nd October 2019 (Syd's birthday).

**Entries to be sent via email to:**  
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**or posted to:**  
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 Newton Press  
 Blue Bridge Centre  
 St. Cuthberts Way  
 Newton Aycliffe  
 DL5 6DS



## Enjoying the Sunshine



On Monday the children at St. Joseph's all went to the beach, except the nursery children who brought the beach to St. Joseph's! They enjoyed playing in paddling pools, using water squirters and running in and out of the sprinkler. They played in the sand pit and made sand castles and water channels. After all the water and sand play they sat

and had chips and ice lollies. The children had a fantastic day and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The nursery will open again in September and we have spaces for morning only children and 30 hours children. Children need to have passed their third birthday, but you can apply now and we will put you on our list.



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## Obituary - Peter Beaty MBE

Peter Beaty was born in Carlisle in 1931. At the age of 4 he moved with his parents to Hett Mill near Tursdale, and only a year later saw them move once more to the Crossing's at East Howle, a small mining village.

Peter attended East Howle Junior School until he was fourteen, and then started work at North Eastern railways at Ferryhill Station. He was a member of St. Columbus Church at East Howle and he took his first Service at fourteen years of age. He then continued as a lay preacher for sixty years, preaching in numerous Anglican churches, and on two occasions reading in Durham Cathedral.

Peter joined the RAF at seventeen and served for nine years. When he was demobbed he worked for Clydesdale, a TV and radio shop in Darlington and within four months was made manager of his own shop in Crook, and later promoted to Area Manager controlling 16 stores.

Peter then moved to Ferryhill and it was there that he met Elsie, the love of his life. They were married in St. Luke's Church 61 years ago, a church where Peter had also founded the church lad's brigade. They lived in Lanark Terrace and Peter worked for a local biscuit company. He then got a job as an area manager for the country's first brokerage business, selling for over 30 companies.

Peter and Elsie were determined people, always looking to improve their lives. They moved to North Close in Spennymoor where Allison, their only child was born.

Peter, Elsie and Allison moved to Newton Aycliffe in 1975 to Byerley Park and then into Ainsty Hunt on The Chase, and Peter, although still working full time, carried on with his charity work. He was instrumental in saving Greenfield School from closing, even taking a petition to Downing Street. One of the biggest successes was when he took over the dilapidated Over 60's Club that had had no money spent on it for over 32 years, and transformed it into the Neville Community Centre. Peter started up a 24 hour help line for Senior Citizens, as well as getting involved with having the nearby shops renovated.

Peter's charity work went on and on, and it probably would still be going on if his illness had not intervened. As well as his success in his working life, he also did so much fund raising for different charities, always thinking outside the box and always on a large scale. He chartered Concord to come to Newcastle and also the Orient Express and started the first ever Great North Run driving a Cadillac and wearing a Stetson.

Peter was a true gentleman with huge charm and charisma and was respected by all who knew him. He



was a natural born salesman with a remarkable tenacity to find the next sale. A natural leader, larger than life with an infectious laugh and amazingly creative ways of getting people motivated and involved. You always knew when Peter was in the room!

It is no wonder that Peter was awarded an MBE in the Queens Honours list in 2010. It was a complete surprise to Peter, for unbeknown to him Allison, his daughter, friends David Smith and Val Raw had written about all of his charity work in helping others, and Allison joined him, Elsie and Grandson Jake at Buckingham Palace for this very special day, when Prince Charles presented him with his MBE, so richly deserved. Peter and Elsie also attended the Buckingham Palace Garden Party after receiving his MBE.

Throughout Peter's life, from a very early age, he dedicated himself to helping others and hopefully his legacy will live on in his grandsons, Jake and Isaac, who he was devoted to and who have already received awards for their charity work.

Unfortunately in the last few years Peter's health deteriorated and he passed away peacefully in St. Clare's Court Care Home on Sunday 7th July. Peter's family would like to thank the staff at St. Clare's Care Home for their devoted and loving care of Peter in his last years.

## A TRIBUTE

Dear Sir,  
I read with great sadness of the recent passing of Peter Beaty. Myself and many other people had the privilege to have known Peter for some time, mainly in connection with Neville Parade Community Centre. Peter, by his dedication and inspirational hard work and loyal colleagues rescued this very run down centre, raising money for its overall refurbishment, new roof, windows, floors and central heating.

He achieved this by holding auctions, table top sales and many more fund raising activities etc. I shall never forget the one day a week luncheon club; delicious dinners and desserts cooked by volunteer chefs followed by bingo sessions and twice a week evening ones run by Jim, Peter's Brother-in-Law, a loyal hard worker too. Peter told me he'd like to retire as he grew older but try as hard as he could, nobody would volunteer unless they were paid! Peter ran this centre for free. Summing up, it says it all for me "a good Christian and a leader among men". PS: Peter should in time be written into the history of Newton Aycliffe to honour his life and times.

Yours sincerely  
Joan Lawler

## Thanks Peter

Newton Press and Newton News would also like to add it's condolences to Peter's family.

On behalf of the residents of Newton Aycliffe that were helped by Peter's work ethic and his caring towards their wellbeing over many years, we say 'thank you'.

The excellent community spirit displayed by Mr Beaty has to be applauded, commended and remembered. Without his input the town of Newton Aycliffe would be a different place.

**Do You Know?**  
Lifeline Community Action has 2 emergency aid projects in Newton Aycliffe?

Helping Hands project works from St Clare's church on a Monday and Friday 10 - 2pm  
Supporting people through the provision of basic household goods and clothes.

Children's Blessings project is currently based in Stainforth Close on a Tuesday and Thursday 10-2pm  
Providing clothing and goods to help families with babies and children.

Contact Linzi 07936431262 for more information

**Lifeline Community Action**

## Wheels to Work Scheme to Help Job Seekers

A new scheme has been launched in Newton Aycliffe to help people get established in their first six months of employment by providing them with much-needed transport to get to work. The project has received Area Budget funding from the Great Aycliffe and Middridge Partnership as part of the 2018/19 project Callout. The Wheels to Work scheme is aimed at ensuring that travelling is not a barrier for those starting in a new job role or training.

Anyone aged 16 years or over, who has a provisional licence, will be able to hire one of 30 mopeds, when needed. Individuals will have the option to loan either a 50cc moped for £25 a week, or a 125cc for £30 a week.

The cost will cover Compulsory Basic Training (CBT), protective clothing, a heavy duty lock, insurance, breakdown cover, servicing and maintenance of the moped. At the end of the loan period individuals may be offered the opportunity to purchase the moped, working with the project lead to ensure this is an affordable option. Since joining the Wheels to Work scheme there have been 16 applications made

in the GAMP area, with several of these currently being processed.

Susan Matthews, Wheels to Work Project officer said: "If you are in the Great Aycliffe and Middridge area then I would encourage you to get in touch to see if this scheme can be of benefit. The referral process can also look at other possible transport solutions such as car sharing as well as a scooter loan. We are looking forward to offering residents in the GAMP area the chance to take up work or training opportunities where lack of transport has up to now been a barrier."



**REME Association, South West Durham Branch monthly meeting will be held at 8.00pm on Wednesday 31st July 2019 in the Scout Centre, Bluebell Way, Newton Aycliffe. All serving and ex-serving members of REME are welcome. "Arte et Marte".**

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a visit from Oakey the Bear; bring your teddy bear along with a picnic

**Wednesday 7th August**  
Moore Lane  
Dot & Zooky will be teaching Circus Skills, Bungee Trampolines, Tattoo Artist and Bubbleologist

**Friday 9th August**  
Horndale Park  
a visit from Marshall, Skye & Chase at our Paw Patrol Park

**Wednesday 14th August**  
Aycliffe Village Park  
a visit from Mickey & Minnie Mouse, Disney themed hunt

**Friday 16th August**  
Simpasture Park (final venue)  
plus two Face Painters, Crazy Cottage & Bumpy Carz

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**Oak Leaf Sports Complex**



# 106 Miles in 32 Hours



Two soldiers from Newton Aycliffe recently completed the arduous four day march in Holland, also known as 'The Walk of the World'.

The Four Day Marches is a multi-day walking performance event in which tens of thousands of hikers participate each year. People travel from all over the world to Nijmegen to walk for four days in the beautiful Waalstad region of the country.

Warrant Officer Class 2 Carl Milburn and Corporal Martin Redhead, both attached to the Light Dragoons based in Catterick Garrison, were part of an 11 strong team from the regiment, entered into the Military Division

of the competition. The team performed superbly covering the 170km (106 mile) course in an excellent moving time of 32 hours carrying 10kg plus water and finishing with a complete team. After four

days of walking, the team took part in a wonderful military procession along the Via Gladiola and received the well-deserved Four-Day Cross (Medal), a nationally recognised military honour in Holland.

## N.A.S.S.L. - WE NEED YOUR HELP

NASSL (National Animal Sanctuaries Support League) are currently desperate for tin cat food, tin dog food and cat litter.

If you are able to help, the drop off points are: Tesco's (Newton Aycliffe) and Honest John's (Newton Aycliffe).

They are also looking to raise funds for veterinary care for animals, if you have any bric-a-brac or items you no longer require or need, please telephone 01325 321855 and they will arrange collection.

# Newton Aycliffe History Lesson

## PART ONE

Newton News are running a seven week series on the history of Newton Aycliffe. This series was written by County Councillor and local historian John D. Clare and will run from the ice age to present day. If you miss any of the weeks, you can catch up on our website at the end of the run [www.newtonnews.co.uk](http://www.newtonnews.co.uk)

This series will compliment the 1950's Beamish exhibition to run in the town centre from 24th July until 14th August and will include various displays of memorabilia.



During the last Ice Age an ice sheet higher than Ben Nevis slid down across Britain from Scandinavia as far as Cardiff. Whatever was there at the GPS coordinates which now mark Newton Aycliffe we do not know, because the advancing ice not only removed any surface features or archaeological remains, it literally ground down the existing landscape to slit and clay ... which it then dumped in a thick layer when, eventually, it melted. Nature literally wiped the slate clean to start again.

Eventually, those huge glaciers began to melt faster than they advanced. And because this process doesn't happen smoothly, it so happened that one glacier paused, perhaps for a century or so, at 54.61° N, 1.53° W. During that time, it ground out a shallow bowl in the place we now know as The Carrs. And it dumped a huge pile of clay and rocks - in what is called a 'terminal moraine' - in a great arc stretching from Brafferton in the east, round through Aycliffe and Woodham, to Windlestone in the north.

So it was therefore out of the aftermath of the last Ice Age, that the landscape which we now know emerged, completely new and waiting for humankind to shape it into Newton Aycliffe ... although, of course, it is more true that that landscape has shaped our settlement than the other way round.

If you drive up Lime Lane past Wade's Quarry, and stand on the bridge over the A1M and look north, you will appreciate the size of that terminal moraine - landscaping by Nature on a scale beyond anything we could hope to achieve. And it always used to excite my students to know that, 12,000 years ago and up at least until Roman times, a large lake - Aycliffe Lake - formed behind that moraine, stretching back as far as Sedgefield.

And one more interesting feature. The ice-cold waters

gushing from that post-glacial lake quickly cut an exit through the loose clay and rubble at the point we now know as Aycliffe Village - the waterway we now call the River Skerne. But, for a while, the water also ripped out a deep valley just to the west of Woodham School.

Have you ever wondered why Woodham Burn, for no apparent reason, suddenly turns back on itself at Williamfield Way and flows north into an ever-deeper channel? How did such a small stream cut such a huge valley, \*\*into a hillside\*\*?

The answer, of course, is that it didn't cut the channel - a post-glacial torrent cut that valley, and little Woodham Burn simply adopted it as it struggled in that new wasteland to find its way towards the sea.

I will leave you with just one more thought. When we say 'last' Ice Age, of course, you will realise, we mean 'last' in the sense of 'most recent', not 'last' in the sense of 'the final one'. It is highly likely that, in some century to come, the glaciers will return.

And what will remain then of all our endeavours before an advancing wall of ice a mile high?

# SCREWFIX SEARCH FOR BRITAIN'S TOP TRADESPERSON

In its tenth year, Screwfix is proud to announce that its Britain's Top Tradesperson competition is now open, and plumbers, electricians, builders and carpenters from Newton Aycliffe can put themselves forward for the top prize.

The annual competition by Screwfix, aims to celebrate the outstanding work and professionalism of UK tradespeople, resulting in one exceptional individual winning a £20k trade bundle, comprising of £10k worth of tools, £5k tech and £5k to go towards future training.

Screwfix, which has a local store based here in Newton Aycliffe will shortlist the UK's top tradespeople to take part in a semi-final, before picking the top 10 finalists, who will travel to Screwfix LIVE at Farnborough to meet a panel of judges.

Caroline Welsh, Director of Brand and Marketing at Screwfix said: "As Screwfix celebrates the 10th anniversary of Britain's Top Tradesperson, our goal is to find someone who is the embodiment of their trade. The search is on to crown someone who not only champions their trade, but also acts as an ambassador to help futureproof the industry and encourage future generations."

"Since we launched the competition in 2009, we have seen record levels of entrants year on year and we are excited to see what this year has to offer. We know from talking to our trade customers how much they enjoy taking part, and with such strong competition we will be looking for one high calibre individual"

Past winners include Plumbing and Gas Engineer, Michael Cairns from Edinburgh and 2018 winner, Carpenter, Stuart Roache from Northampton. Speaking from experience on how winning the competition can transform your livelihood, 2012 winner, Michael Cairns said: "Being named Britain's Top Tradesperson was such an achievement. It has allowed me to lay a stable foundation and further invest in my business, I now employ 15 people and continue to see year-on-year growth. It genuinely changed my business for the better."

2018 winner, Stuart Roache added: "Winning the competition last year changed my business forever and created so many fantastic opportunities. The accolade is the ultimate recognition a tradesperson can receive. I would definitely encourage others to enter; the rewards are life changing!"

Entries are open until 4th August 2019 and you can enter at: [Screwfix.com/btt](http://Screwfix.com/btt)

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# Aycliffe Beekeepers Play Cafe Summer Sessions Looking for Members

Have you been toying with the idea of keeping a hive of bees?

A new association, Aycliffe Beekeepers, offers a warm welcome to anyone interested in the welfare of honey bees and beekeeping and invites you to our open day and inaugural general meeting on Sunday 8th September 2019. Refreshments and 'meet the beekeepers' from 2.30pm, the AGM begins at 4.00pm.

We will be meeting at Moore Lane Eco Centre in Newton Aycliffe DL5 8AG. Information will be available about beekeeping and our Autumn training course for new beekeepers. You will be able to talk to experienced beekeepers and enjoy a cup of tea at the same time.

You might want to enter our logo competition - the

prize for non-members is a tour of the apiary and a year's free membership, subject to status.

For further information please contact the acting secretary, Clare, on 01325 308283 or secretary. aycliffebka@gmail.com, or Facebook Aycliffe Beekeeping Association.

## COFFEE MORNING

A Coffee Morning will be held at St. Elizabeth's Church in Woodham on Saturday 3rd August at 10.00am.

Home baking, bargain book stall and raffle plus refreshments will be served. Why not stock up for the holidays and join us for a relaxing morning.



Play Cafe's banner had a first airing on Monday at the pop-up Café event, hosted at Woodham Village Community Centre. 30 people enjoyed pizza and salad followed by fresh fruit and ice cream. Children found friends there that they didn't expect, and that always makes play a pleasure for them. David Sutton-Lloyd enlightened us by showing us how to digitally peel away a person's T-shirt and skin to reveal the workings of our bodies beneath! Ah the wonders of technology and the mobile phone! After David's short presentation

about defibrillators on the town, family members and volunteers are signing up to undertake a course on their use.

Thank you to David and centre staff for the hire of a lovely venue. Everyone enjoyed their day with you at Woodham.

Play Café is supported by Tesco, County Durham Foodbank, GAMP funding from our seven County Councillors, Big Club and the Rotary Club.

David is in the centre of the picture with some of our volunteers, under our new easy to spot banner.

## National Campaign Showcasing Durham



Visit County Durham is encouraging visitors to enjoy the county's heritage attractions through a series of amazing experiences, with the launch of their This is amazing. This is Durham national marketing campaign. The campaign, delivered in partnership with Beamish, The Living Museum of the North, Durham Cathedral and Durham University aims to showcase the county's heritage attractions, activities, and events to help drive overnight stays.

The campaign, which is also supported by The Bowes Museum, Locomotion, The Auckland Project and a further 31 of the county's tourism businesses, includes a media partnership with the Evening Standard and Independent online. Central to the campaign is a series of bitesize videos that showcase experiences, with all activity directing visitors to the dedicated campaign website - thisisdurham.com/amazing.

Michelle Gorman, managing director of Visit County Durham, said: "Visitors are always looking for something new, and this campaign highlights how the county's fascinating past is animated by 'don't miss' experiences at award-winning attractions. From climbing the 325 steps and taking in the breathtaking views from the top of Durham Cathedral's Central Tower, to getting hands on with history at Beamish, The Living

Museum of the North, we're inviting visitors to bring the county's past to life through unique activities, appealing to families and a younger millennial audience".

The campaign showcases a range of historic experiences, including: the new 1950's Town at Beamish, The Living Museum of the North, guided tours of UNESCO World Heritage Site Durham Castle with student guides, climbing to the top of the newly opened Central Tower at Durham Cathedral, exciting exhibitions at Palace Green Library, the story of the world's first railway town at Locomotion, stepping inside the home of the Prince Bishops as Auckland Castle reopens later this year, and the year-round programme of world-class exhibitions at The Bowes Museum.

In addition, the campaign also showcases accommodation, activities and many more attractions that make the county such an appealing destination.

This is amazing. This is Durham is now live on www.thisisdurham.com/amazing and will run until December 2019.

Photo: From L-R Carys Harper from The Auckland Project, Michelle Gorman from Visit County Durham, Rhiannon Hiles from Beamish Museum, Hannah Fawcett from The Bowes Museum, Sarah Price from Locomotion and Ruth Robson from Durham Cathedral in Beamish's new 1950's Welfare Hall.

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

#### SUNDAY

9-10am	Church Service	Xcel Centre
<b>Crooners Sponsored by MV Mobility</b>		
10-11am	Crooners Show	Alan Brown
11-12pm	Reiki Therapy with	Phil Hawkins
12-1.30pm	Sports Round Up (R)	Darren & Lee
2-4pm	Bear Blues Show	Colin McNeillie
4-6pm	Folk/Celtic/Rock Show	Steve & Col
<b>Political Sponsored by Whitehouse Funeral Service</b>		
6-7.30pm	POLITICAL	John D. Clare
• 28th July	Joy Allen and Samantha Townsend	
8-10pm	After Eight	JAG
10-12am	Paul's Down Time	Paul Kjenstad

#### MONDAY

9-10am	Amy in the Morning	Amy Stevens
10-12am	Golden Years	Paul Baker
12-1pm	A to Z of Pop	Richard Smith
1-3pm	Paul Baker in the Afternoon	Paul Baker
5-6pm	Teenage Tunes	Ellarae Bower

**"Through the Decades" Sponsored By Woodham Golf & Country Club**

6-7pm	60s Show	Karl Simons
7-8pm	70s Show	Peter Rush
8-9pm	80s Show	CAD
9-10pm	90s Show	Paul Baker
10-11pm	00s Show	Producer Dan
11-12am	Teens Show	Andy Fittes

#### TUESDAY

10-12am	Golden Years	Paul Baker
12-1pm	A to Z of Pop	Richard Smith
1-3pm	Paul Baker in the Afternoon	Paul Baker
3-5pm	MusicMania	JAG
<b>Sports Show sponsored by Honest John</b>		
6-7.30pm	Sports Round UP	Darren & Lee
• 30th July	Ian Wilkinson (Tennis)	
7.30-9.30pm	Northern & Classic Soul	Kevin Sowerby

#### WEDNESDAY

10-12am	Golden Years	Paul Baker
12-1pm	A to Z of Pop	Richard Smith
1-3pm	Paul Baker in the Afternoon	Paul Baker
<b>Community Connect sponsored by ROF59</b>		
5-6.30pm	Community Connect	Amy & Carrie
6.30-8pm	The Independent Show	Joey Collins
8-10pm	Alternative Aycliffe	Gary & Alby

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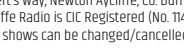
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8-10pm	BeatRoote	Graeme Roote

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10-12am	Golden Years	Paul Baker
12-1pm	A to Z of Pop	Richard Smith
1-3pm	Paul Baker in the Afternoon	Paul Baker
4-6pm	Councillor DJ	John D. Clare
6-8pm	Tech-House/Trance Mix	PVR Studios
8-10pm	Guest Presenter Session	
• 2nd Aug	Nathan Abbott Plus Guest MC Supa	

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# Excelpoint Expands with Four New Staff Members

Following record sales during 2018 and with ambitious plans for further growth throughout 2019, Excelpoint the North East based software innovator is delighted to announce the appointment of four new members of staff to further strengthen its team.

Loraine Henderson has joined Excelpoint as Marketing and Customer Engagement Manager.

Loraine previously managed her own marketing consultancy business, she has over five years' experience on the board of directors at Roman Limited and has worked for national brands within telecoms, cable television and the gas and electricity sectors. She will be responsible for the development of the Excelpoint brand, the implementation of a

new marketing strategy, management of the customer experience, and will support the sales drive. Also joining the sales and marketing team is Costner Brown. Costner has worked for Excelpoint during holiday periods whilst studying for a degree at Leeds Beckett University. He joins the department as Sales and Marketing Executive and

will be responsible for supporting both the sales and marketing activities across the business.

On the technical side, Sarah Orton has joined as Business Consultant responsible for the development of software to deliver customer-specific automated business systems. Sarah joins the team after spending over three years as a Regional Sub-Unit Support Officer



responsible for managing the Army Reserves recruitment process for Newton Aycliffe and Newcastle. Prior to this, Sarah was a telecoms technician supporting EE call centres and data centres with responsibility for telephone, network connection and structure cabling. In her spare time, she is a vehicle mechanic for the Army Reserves and has completed her first year of an HND in Business at Bishop Auckland College.

Caine Longstaff has commenced an apprenticeship with Excelpoint through the apprenticeship supplier Baltic. Caine works within the consultancy team also responsible for the development of customer-specific software systems. Caine has worked as a web developer and has studied for A levels at Durham 6th Form Centre. He has a passion for computers and anything technical and has the ambition to become a software developer. The new recruits are all

based at Excelpoint's head office on Aycliffe Business Park.

Commenting on her appointment, Loraine Henderson said: "I am thrilled to be joining such a dynamic customer-focused business. I originally joined the Excelpoint team as a marketing consultant to support them in the implementation of a new marketing strategy. After only two months consultancy, I felt so at home with the team and realised the exciting opportunities ahead for Excelpoint. I didn't hesitate to accept the offer of a permanent role from Managing Director Ian Brown. I'm looking forward to an exciting future working with the team and helping them to continue to achieve success."

For more information about Excelpoint, please visit [www.excelpoint.co.uk](http://www.excelpoint.co.uk), follow Excelpoint on Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram and Facebook, telephone 01325 328839 or email [sales@excelpoint.co.uk](mailto:sales@excelpoint.co.uk)

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Woodham Community Centre

5:00 & 7:00pm

Contact Sam - 07970 451284

Neville Parade Community Centre

5:30 & 7:30pm

Contact Joni - 07716484472

## TUESDAY

### NEWTON AYCLIFFE

Rafa Club

3:30, 5:30 & 7:30pm

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Methodist Church

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9:30am

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### CHILTON

Eden Arms Hotel

3:30, 5:30 & 7:30pm

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9:30 & 11:30am

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Rafa Club

5:00 & 7:00pm

Contact Nic - 07791 909376

### WEST CORNFORTH

Community Centre

5:30 & 7:30pm

Contact Tina - 07515 934815



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Youth Centre

8:30 & 10:30am

Contact Gordon

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## Brasstastic Experience for Greenfield Students



Students from Greenfield Community College had a fabulous musical experience as part of the Durham Brass Festival last week. The band, Bring Your Own Brass, performed at both our Newton Aycliffe and Shildon sites, getting the crowd going as they sampled their special brand of brass. Students were keen to join in and show their appreciation, getting up on stage, singing and rapping and even forming a conga around the hall! Bring Your Own Brass (BYOB) are a brass band who have been a hit at festivals with an original

mix of hip hop beats, heavy riffs and dance tracks. The band were a great success, performing popular music with a difference.

Greenfield has been an enthusiastic supporter of the festival for a number of years and Greenfield Arts were delighted to once again make this unique cultural opportunity available to students. Greenfield Arts are committed to supporting local events such as the Brass Festival and are thrilled to be able to attract such a vibrant musical performance for the students to engage in as part of their wider learning experience.



## Enrichment Programme

Year 10 students at Woodham Academy were recently given the opportunity to visit Queen Elizabeth Sixth Form College, New College Durham and Durham Sixth Form Centre as part of the school's enrichment programme. This aims to give students an insight into life after leaving school and the various options they have available.

On each trip students were allowed to choose which 'courses' they would like to sample in the morning and afternoon, delivered through taster sessions. At Queen Elizabeth options included A-Level law, maths, English, computing, psychology, sociology, film and media. New College Durham options included hospitality and catering, beauty therapy, early years, hairdressing, graphic design, and uniformed public services. The final visit to Durham Sixth Form Centre offered students sessions including forensic science, criminology, classical civilizations, Biology, Physics, and games development, as well as sports students going to Ramside Golf Club and Durham University for the day. Dave Walker (Head of Careers) said "By giving students lots of opportunities to sample different Further Education establishments, the school hopes students will make a well-rounded decision about what they would like to do after they have completed their GCSEs. The visits are proving very popular with our students impressed at the range of courses on offer at each of the colleges."

## PCP Annual General Meeting

PCP recently celebrated the organisations outstanding achievements at their AGM with staff, volunteers and stakeholders including The Mayor of Great Aycliffe, Councillor Mary Dalton. Carol Gaskarth, PCP's Chief Executive, was delighted to report a record-breaking year for the Charity, stating, "PCP's mission is 'Health, Wellbeing and Learning for All' and we strive to ensure that all projects and services aim to support this goal, 2018-19 has been another great year for us.

"We now deliver 29 projects across County Durham, Tees Valley and Sunderland and the outcomes for clients are phenomenal. Last year the Pioneering Care Centre visitor numbers were the highest since we opened the doors in 1999 and volunteers provided an astounding 9003 hours of support. The organisation provided almost 19,000 hours of respite for carers and the social media campaign for our Cancer Awareness project reached over 81,000 Facebook users!

"Personally my favourite part of the AGM is always hearing from people who have used our services and listening to how they've overcome barriers, developed skills or become



more confident. I continue to be surprised at how readily people are willing to share their stories and want to thank Sam, Vicky, Thomas, Phil, Gillian, Helen and Gareth for describing their journeys - it's not easy to get up in front of a room full of people and they did

a great job.

"It is a real privilege to lead a team of dedicated, skilled and experienced staff and volunteers. We work tirelessly to ensure our projects and services are excellent quality and the breadth of what we deliver is testament to everyone's

hard work and dedication. I'm sure the coming year will be equally as successful as we continue to develop and grow."

If you would like to find out more about the work of PCP please contact Kath Ferry, Chief Executive's PA, Tel: 01325 321234, Email: kath.ferry@pcp.uk.net

## COUNTY CLIMATE EMERGENCY EXPO



County Durham's first Climate Emergency Exhibition took place last week.

As Durham County Council plans for a carbon neutral future, County Hall played host to its first Climate Emergency Expo to showcase projects, services and technologies from across the region that are working to tackle climate change.

The council was joined by the likes of Emerald Biogas, the region's first commercial food waste and anaerobic digestion facility, Eco2 Smart Schools, which helps schools to reduce energy bills, and Innovate UK which launched its rural electric vehicle charge point project that will see 100 electric vehicle charge points installed across rural parts of the county.

Visitors had the chance to trial out electric bikes and

cars as well as get up close to the electronic refuse collectors of the future. Attendees were also able to find out more about walking and cycling routes, energy efficiency measures, recycling, woodland and peatland restoration projects and how to respond to flooding incidents.

Cllr John Clare, Durham County Council's climate change champion, said: "A wide range of partners will have to be involved in reducing our carbon footprint, so it was great to see so many people turn out to the expo to learn more about the opportunities available."

Attendees were also encouraged to sign up to the County Durham Single Use Plastic Pledge and become a climate champion. More information is available at <http://www.durham.gov.uk/climatechange>

## Film Show

### "THE STRAY"

The "Feel Good Film Show" at St. Clare's Church on Tuesday 30th July features the family/dog drama "THE STRAY" starring Michael Cassidy, Sarah Lancaster and Connor Corum.

The story of how a stray dog can impact on the lives of a family.

Everyone is welcome, please come and enjoy. Tea and coffee are served at 1.00pm, included in the £2.00 admission. The film starts at 1.15pm and 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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## WORLD CLASS JAZZ DIRECT TO DARLINGTON'S DOOR

There's a great triple offering of world class lunchtime music when international reedsman John Hallam returns to guest at Darlington New Orleans Jazz Club for three afternoon gigs across August and September.

John's a great favourite at the club and his career stretches across Europe and America, playing with bands featuring jazz greats like George Melly, Stephane Grappelli, Digby Fairweather and Humphrey Lyttelton. Setting the ball rolling on Saturday 3 August, John is guesting in the front line with brilliant Scottish cornet player Mike Daly, who will be bringing his Dixieland Rhythm Kings band south of the border; a rare delight with their swinging mix of jazz classics.

Next up, John's playing with an all-star lineup at St Augustine's, alongside pianist Tom Kincaid, singer Mellow Baku, Ian Bateman on trombone and trumpeter Andy Dickens. A rhythm section of John Day from Chris Barber's Big Band, Rachel Hayward and Nick Millward complete

the band. Save the date – Saturday 24 August.

And 7 September sees John return with the always-popular 'Mr Men' quartet, featuring John along with Jeff Barnhart on piano, Keith Stephen on guitar & banjo, and Bruce Rollo on bass. Jeff will have people on the edge of their seats with his larger-than-life personality; introducing toe-tapping performances of tunes familiar and obscure. John's world-class sessions come at a very local price of just £10 per time on the door. There's plenty of free onsite parking and no charge for young people 15 and under.

Darlington New Orleans Jazz Club meets at St Augustine's Parish Centre, Larchfield Street, Darlington. The doors open at noon for a 12.30pm start. Teas and coffees are available, and there is a licensed bar. If you don't want to drive, the Parish Centre is just a short walk from the bus stops on Tubwell Row and Darlington railway station. For more information go to [www.darlingtonjazz.co.uk](http://www.darlingtonjazz.co.uk)

## Puppy Landed on Her Paws

A four-month-old Lhasa Apso/Havanese cross puppy has landed on her paws after being adopted by TV and Radio presenter and People's Postcode Lottery Ambassador Judie McCourt. Following an event at Dogs Trust, the UK's largest dog welfare charity, Judie's heart was set on finding a new four-legged friend of her own. On meeting Winnie at the West Sussex Rehoming Centre it was love at first sight.

Judie says: "I'm so thrilled to have Winnie in my life. She melted my heart as soon as I saw her, and I knew I couldn't head home without her. Thankfully she seemed to like me too! She's been settling in so well, it feels like she's always been part of the family."

"We're working on the basics at Dog School puppy classes at Dogs Trust Darlington, they're really helping us learn lots together. Fingers crossed we'll make lots of new doggy friends too! It's so important to me to understand what Winnie wants and needs and I think having this quality time with her in classes will really help."

"I can't wait to introduce her to the rest of the People's Postcode Lottery family – I know they'll fall in love with her, just like I have!"

Dogs Trust's rehoming



centre teams work tirelessly to match dogs in their care with suitable owners, taking into consideration all aspects of the dog's personality and the type of home each individual or family can provide. Each year the charity cares for over 15,000 dogs through its network of 21 rehoming centres in the UK and Ireland.

In 2017 Dogs Trust also launched Dog School throughout the UK, offering low-cost training and behaviour support for dog owners. The series of six-week class programmes supports a dog's ongoing development and equips owners with the tools they need to ensure their pets remain in happy homes as valued members of the

family.

Since 2014 Dogs Trust has received over £9.5million in funding from players of People's Postcode Lottery, which has benefited hundreds of dogs just like Winnie. This funding has meant that all dogs being looked after by the charity are cared for by the very best staff who can ensure that they have plenty of TLC whilst they wait to meet their new families.

Whilst Winnie was only in the care of Dogs Trust for a couple of weeks, the average dog will spend around a month waiting for their special someone. In this time staff will find out as much as they can about them in order to help match them with their own winning family.

## Pathways Renovated

Footpaths in a County Durham church, where rail pioneer Timothy Hackworth is buried, have been renovated.

Bishop Auckland and Shildon Area Action Partnership (AAP), through the neighbourhood budgets of councillors Shirley Quinn and the late Henry Nicholson, funded upgrades to the footpath network and roadway within the Churchyard at St Johns Church in Shildon.

The project, led by Shildon Town Council, included resurfacing works to the existing churchyard footpaths from John Street to Burnie Gardens and the footpaths leading back towards the church to improve access for all.

Daughter of Cllr Nicholson and town councillor Louise Mather said: "On behalf of myself and my sister Rachael, I am extremely proud to represent my father, the late Cllr Henry Nicholson, who funded and supported the renovation of the footpath

network and roadway at St John's Church for the benefit of residents and visitors to the area."

The churchyard is used by the Guerilla Gardening Project, which is a partnership project between Shildon Alive and Shildon Town Council, that gets children involved in gardening, horticultural and environmental projects.

It is hoped that by enhancing the area that the number of visitors would increase to raise awareness of the grave of Timothy Hackworth, the historic rail pioneer, and the Grade II listed Church and War Memorial.

Andrew Walker, coordinator of the Bishop Auckland and Shildon AAP, said: "It's an honour to be able to support St John's Church through funding from Cllr Shirley Quinn and the late Cllr Henry Nicholson. The path is well used by many people in the town and compliments other work that has been recently completed to the town square and war memorial restoration."



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## Inaugural Vélo North Cancelled

Richard Relton, CEO of organisers CSM Active, said: "We are very disappointed to announce that, unfortunately, we have had to cancel the inaugural Vélo North, which was scheduled to take place on Sunday, 1 September, 2019.

"This was a very difficult decision to take but, despite our best efforts, the number of cyclists that signed up was not sufficient to justify the event going ahead.

"We apologise to everyone who had entered and was looking forward to taking part – we hope you understand our reasoning and appreciate that this was not a decision we took lightly.

"We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Durham County Council for its support throughout the planning of the event. We were so excited at the prospect of delivering a Vélo Series event in the North East and are incredibly disappointed that we have not been able to do this.

"Anyone who has registered for the event should have now received an email detailing how they can claim a refund on their entry fee, transfer their entry to Vélo Birmingham & Midlands, or donate their entry fee to the lead charity partner for the Vélo Series – Prostate Cancer UK."

### How to claim a refund:

For riders signed up to take part in Vélo North who have not received an email from CSM Active about how to claim a refund on their entry fee, they are advised to check their junk folder. If no email has been received, riders are asked to email [hello@velonorth.com](mailto:hello@velonorth.com) for further support.

# NEWTON AYCLIFFE JUNIOR FC ANNUAL PRESENTATION DAY CELEBRATIONS

On Saturday 29th June Newton Aycliffe Junior FC held the clubs annual end of season presentation day at Woodham Academy where the club are based.

All of the NAJFC "Footballing Family" inclusive of the clubs committee, managers, coaches, parent helpers, players, parents and guardians alike came together to celebrate each teams and every one of their players season achievements including several tournaments or cup competitions wins.

It has been another fantastic season of football for all our teams and the club celebrations were opened by the Chairman, Nige Slatcher, who provided everyone in attendance with some important club updates and our aspirations for the new season. One very pleasing club development was the formation of NAJFC's new and very successful Wild Cats section for girls.

He then presented the prestigious chairman's award to Damian AcunaOcana who thoroughly deserved the accolade for his commitment to the club whilst holding various club positions over the last 13 years. So, well done Damian and thanks for all your efforts.

The clubs team of the year award was then presented to the U10's Whites who were equally surprised and overjoyed at receiving the award. Nige finished by recognising, on behalf of the club, five people who were leaving their nominated roles and he thanked the following for considerable efforts over a number of years, Michelle & Damian AcunaOcana, Rob Goddard, Adrian Dawson and Neil Patterson.

Following the chairman's opening each team manager in turn invited their team onto the stage to present every player with a well-deserved individual participation trophy which the players get



to keep.

At the end of the session all the club managers were invited back to the stage to present their teams "nominated award winners" which are listed below by category:

### Player of the Year

Under 7 Juniors

Alfie White

Under 7 Whites

Joel Turner

Under 8

Logan Clish

Under 9

Jamie Liddle

Under 10 Whites

Ido Sandler

Under 10

Ashton Heilbron

Under 11

Harvey Lee

Under 11

Jack Gibson

Under 12

Charlie Etheridge

Under 13 - Russell Foster

Lewis Sangster

Under 13 - TJFA

Dom Stacey

Under 14

Jake Watson and

Lewis Hardy

Under 17

Marcus Breden Brown

and Curtis Curl

### Managers Player of the Year

Under 7 Juniors

Kai Dugdale

Under 7 Whites

Tyler Waterworth

Under 8

Sam Brumwell

Under 9

Zeke Dunn

Under 10 Whites

Grace Dobson

Under 10

Danny Rutherford

Under 11

Jack Lowis

Under 11

Jack Gibson

Under 12

Cody Barnes

Under 13 - Russell Foster

Archie Marshall

Under 13 - TJFA

Charlie Bunton

Under 14

Georgie Johnson

Under 17

Damian Lawson

### Golden Boot

Under 7 Juniors

Jack Collingwood

Under 7 Whites

Jack Richardson

Under 8

Evan Norman

Under 9

Thomas Howey

Under 10 Whites

Jayden Hartshorn

Under 10

Kai Thistlewaite

and Ashton Heilbron

Under 11

Aidan Armstrong

Under 11

Jake Smith

Under 12

Zak Seymour

Under 13 - Russell Foster

Herbie Parry

Under 13 - TJFA

Zack Blythe

Under 14

Dylan Maughan

Under 17

Noah Ellis

### Players Player

Under 7 Juniors

Dom Hullah

Under 7 Whites

Jack Richardson

Under 8

Trent Telford

Under 9

Jack Forsyth

Under 10 Whites

Ethan Churcher

Under 10

Josh Thistlewaite

Under 11

James Chadwick

Under 11

Noah Scotchbrook

Under 12

Lewis Dickinson

Under 13 - Russell Foster

Josh Bagshaw

Under 13 - TJFA

Sam Porteous

Under 14

Ben Hitch

Under 17

Elliot Dixon

### Sporting Player Most Improved

Under 7 Juniors

Mason Brown

Under 7 Whites

Jensen Smith

Under 8

Layton Harris

Under 9

Theo Jackson

Under 10 Whites

Joel Hopper

Under 10

Roman Dinsley

Under 11

Aidan Armstrong

Under 11

Alyssa Bower

Under 12

Jake Blythe



## Darlo FC Incentive Scheme

Over 20 primary schools in the Darlington area have all joined the scheme, in which they will be provided with a Darlington FC season ticket to use as an incentive for pupils – such as good behaviour, good work or outstanding achievement – to come along and watch Darlington home games at Blackwell Meadows.

Commercial Director Craig Morley said; "We want to see as many youngsters from our local schools as possible attending Darlington home games, and what better way to encourage them by the schools using these tickets as rewards? We attended a meeting of primary school heads at Rockcliffe Park to explain the idea, and it was given a warm reception. Everyone can see the benefits."

The club envisages that the scheme will commence at the start of the new academic year in September 2019.

The scheme is open to all schools in the Darlington and South Durham areas – for details, contact Craig. [morley@darlingtonfc.org](mailto:morley@darlingtonfc.org).

Meanwhile, Quakers continue their pre-season build up with a home game against Middlesbrough Under 23's this Saturday (27th July) kick off 1pm. Quakers have just signed striker Tyrone O'Neill on loan until December 31st from Middlesbrough, and he'll be in the line up.

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## GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL

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

**Wednesday 4th September 2019 - 7.15pm**

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# WHO'S PLAYING HARDWICK LIVE FESTIVAL AND WHEN

With four stages of music heading to the North East's biggest festival this summer, organisers have announced even more acts to look out for and when to see them.

Hardwick Live Festival returns to the grounds of Hardwick Hall Hotel, Sedgfield, from 17 to 18 August, with headline performances from Manic Street Preachers and James on the main stage over the weekend. And festival-goers can also enjoy a whole host of acts taking to the Discovery Stage at the event, with the release of the full line-up and which acts will be playing on which days.

On Saturday, music fans can enjoy Irish country singer Catherine McGrath, who released her debut album Talk of This Town last summer, along with alternative rock band The Joy Formidable, Sports Team, fresh from touring the US, and indie singer-songwriter Zuzu.

Also performing is pop singer Rothwell, who has supported the likes of Justin Bieber and Boyzone, four-piece alt-rock group Bloxx, pop and folk singer-songwriter Mano McLaughlin, and sets from Baltic and Jarpsy. The following day, actor and broadcaster Craig Charles takes to the Discovery Stage to entertain fans with funk and soul classics, as well as comedy-folk band The Lancashire Hotpots, Hyde Park Brass - who recently released their new EP, Powerhouse - and indie-pop trio, Only the Poets. And there will also be sets from Irish multi-instrumentalist ROE, Nottingham rock and roll group Reflekt, five-piece indie rock band The Volunteers, Rivet City and Saint Agnes.

John Adamson, who owns Hardwick Hall Hotel, believes there is a real variety playing at this year's event.

"We always look to cover a range of genres with the artists we book for the festival and this year's line-up is shaping up to be one of our most diverse yet," said John.

"With four stages of music and the new dance arena in the Coachhouse Courtyard, we have something for all music tastes.

"It's shaping up to be a really exciting year for the event and I can't wait to see the acts take to the various stages over the weekend."

Headlining the main stage on Saturday is Manic Street Preachers, with performances from The Zutons, Stiff Little Fingers, Sister Sledge featuring Kathy Sledge, The Sherlocks, The Lake Poets, James Walsh and Feva.

On Sunday, James take top billing, with sets from Lisa Stansfield, Ziggy Marley, Billy Bragg, A Certain Ratio, Tim Burgess, Cattle & Cane and Just So.

Elite club brands Glitterbox and Retro will take over the Coachhouse Courtyard over the two days, with top DJs

including Joey Negro, Horse Meat Disco, Jeremy Healy and Brandon Block.

And this year the festival will welcome a BBC Tees Introducing Stage for the first time, showcasing music from 10 of the regions rising stars, along with a range of local DJs taking to the stage at The Dome.

Tickets for this year's Hardwick Live Festival are currently on sale at £55 for one day or £99 for both days. Concessions are available for children and 13-17-year-olds. Glamping and camping options are also available for those who want to immerse themselves in the festival experience.

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Funding secured through County Councillors Neighbourhood Budget, Youth Fund and Area Budget has ensured schools and local residents continue to receive the community programmes delivered by the Foundation. Working in three local primary schools, the Foundation of Light deliver the 'Tackle It' programme. This programme's focus is around the importance of living a healthy life, whilst

also building on key skills such as teamwork, leadership and communication. A dedicated coach delivers 30 minutes of various classroom activities, then 30 minutes of physical activity to pupils.

To date the Foundation have successfully engaged over 90 young people. They will focus on engaging with a new group of schools after the summer break. The Foundation of Light are also delivering their Family Learning programme across the GAMP area. Engaging with 2 primary schools to date, the programme supports the development of family relationships and encourages

parents and grandparents to spend quality time with their family members. The two hour sessions look to educate learners on topics such as healthy living, Functional Skills and Enterprise, focussing on fun activities and games for everyone to take part in.

The GAMP funded Kicks programme also delivered by the Foundation of Light, currently offers football coaching session on Monday evenings at Greenfield School for 8-12 and 13-19 year olds. Sessions aim to engage young people in a positive manner using the power of football; learners build key skills such as teamwork and communication whilst enjoying a kick-about in a fit for purpose environment. The Foundation of Light have seen great progress across the GAMP area with the partners they have and are currently working with.

Michael Colclough, Head of Operations, Foundation of Light commented: "We continue to enjoy working with members of the public and partners across the GAMP area. We are continually impressed with how our programmes have had an impact and we look forward to building new relationships with the continuation of our work."

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Nominations for a prestigious green awards, which are in their 30th year, can still be made following an extension of the deadline.

People can now nominate individuals, projects or groups for the County Durham Environment Awards up until Friday 2 August.

The awards are organised each year by Durham County Council on behalf of the County Durham Environment Partnership with the aim of celebrating organisations and communities which improve the natural and built environment locally.

Steve Bhowmick, the council's environment and design manager, said: "We've already had some great entries come in, but as this is the thirtieth year of the awards, we want 2019 to be bigger and better than ever before."

"That's why we've chosen to give people an extra couple of weeks to nominate those individuals, projects or groups they think should be recognised for their green work and we'd encourage everyone to do exactly that."

Entrants can be made in the following categories:

- Built Environment
- Climate Change
- Community Partnership
- Craftmanship
- Greener Business
- Natural Environment
- Places and Spaces
- Schools and Colleges
- Volunteer Group of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year - Under 18
- Volunteer of the Year - Over 18
- Waste Management

Anyone can nominate a person or scheme in any one of these categories.

Visit [www.countydurhampartnership.co.uk/envawards](http://www.countydurhampartnership.co.uk/envawards) to find out how or email [environment.awards@durham.gov.uk](mailto:environment.awards@durham.gov.uk) or phone 03000 265 545.

To mark the 30-year milestone, a touring exhibition will explore the past three decades of the awards and how they have evolved into County Durham's foremost environmental accolade.

The exhibition, featuring interviews with key figures from



those 30 years, can be seen between the following dates at the following places:

- 31 July-29 August - Bishop Auckland Town Hall
- 3-10 September - The Witham, Barnard Castle
- 1-21 October - Hardwick Hall Visitor Centre

Previous green achievers will join this year's nominees at the awards ceremony at Hardwick Hall Hotel in Sedgfield on Wednesday 23 October. The touring exhibition will be present for ceremony attendees to view.

People are being invited to share their memories of the awards past and present on social media via the hashtag #EnvAwards30.

## "Customer Service!!"

Dear Sir,  
I would like to thank the couple who stuck up for my son in Boots, Newton Aycliffe on the morning of Thursday 18th July. My son may be 19 years old and 6 foot 3 inches tall, but he has Aspergers and struggles in crowded spaces (noise sensory overload etc.), but had offered to go to Boots and collect something I had on order at the pharmacy section of the store.

The woman behind the counter in Boots laughed and made fun of my son, due to the fact he couldn't pronounce the item and then other staff joined in.

The couple who came to my sons aid told the staff to stop and refused to be served by the woman who initiated the scene.

Can I please remind people that we are all different and we all have different things every day and we need to treat everyone with kindness, care and compassion.

After my son returned home, I went straight back to the store, cancelled my order and had a blast with the manager - I was absolutely disgusted.

My son was distraught and took a few hours to regain calmness. Needless to say I can now understand why people shop online and not in store.

But a huge thank you to the couple for being my sons voice when he couldn't find his.

Thank you.  
Name & address supplied

### Response from Boots

"We are sorry to hear about this as we always want our customers to feel good in our stores. We have been in contact with the family to let them know we are looking into this and to understand how we can offer a better experience in the future."  
Boots UK Spokesperson

## Loving Home Wanted

NASSL (National Animal Sanctuary Support League) currently have a number of cats and kittens looking for loving homes. Home check and adoption fee will apply to any adopted animal. Please contact NASSL on 01325 321855 for information on cats/kittens available.

There are also a number of dogs looking for a second chance in life, due to their past experience and are fully rehabilitated and ready for loving homes. Please contact 01325 321855 for details.

## Obituary

### Lynn Jones

Age 56, suddenly at St. Aidan's Cottage Care Home, Bearpark, formerly of Newton Aycliffe.

Dearly missed Mother of Christopher; much loved Daughter of Jean and Samuel.

Would friends please meet on Wednesday 31st July at 11.00am at Durham Crematorium for Service, followed by refreshments at the Iron Horse.

Family flowers only please, donations in lieu of flowers accepted on behalf of the Stroke Association.

### Linda Jamieson

Newton Aycliffe

21st July, peacefully in her sleep in St. Clare's Court. Linda (nee Abdale), aged 94 years.

Dearly loved Wife of the late Fred; much loved Mam of Pat; dear Mother-in-Law of Paul; devoted Nana of Tina and Andrew, Donna and Andy; proud Nana Linda of Kira, Leah, Ethan, Niall and Evan.

Funeral on Friday 2nd August. Would friends kindly meet for Service in Darlington Crematorium at 11.45am. Family flowers only please. Donations in lieu, may be given in aid of St. Clare's Court Residents Fund or will be accepted by Whitehouse Funeral Service, Surtees House, Hilton Road, Newton Aycliffe, DL5 6EN. Tel: 01325 318600.

### Jean White

Passed away suddenly on 11th July 2019.

A loving Mother, Nanna and Nanna Jean.

Funeral to be held on 30th July 2019 at St. Clare's Church at 1.45pm followed by a private committal.

With love from your Daughter, Gillian and Grandson Michael xxxx

## Congratulations

### Douthwaite



### Happy 18th Birthday Charlie

on Thursday 25th July

Love from Dad, Nanna, Grandad, Simon and Brian

### Happy 40th Birthday Martin

on Tuesday 30th July

Love from Mam, Dad, Simon, Charlie and Brian

Enjoy Florida x x x

## Birthday Remembrance

### Lester Atkinson

29th July

Your birthday is here, but you aren't. We'd send a gift, but we know we can't. So we will make a wish upon a star, to carry our love to where you are. Love and miss you loads, Sue, Stephen, Kelly, Michael and Eden

### Francesca Porritt

Congratulations and every good wish on your 21st Birthday.

Love and best wishes always from Nana Janet, Uncle Gary, Auntie Kelly, William and Sonny

### Georgia Boyes



### Happy 13th Birthday

Lots of love, Dad, Sarah, Niamh, Imogen, Adam and Maisie xxxxxx



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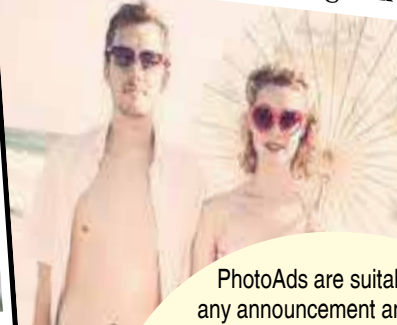


### Happy 21st Birthday

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to our beautiful Daughter on your 21st birthday. Lots of love from Mam & Dad xxx

### Bonny and Clyde Cunningham



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We are currently working on an archive site which will bring you ALL the past issues of the Newton News as far back as 1948!



# Aycliffe Branch of the Sunderland AFC Supporters

Founded in 1994, the idea of four Newtonians, two of whom are still current members, the Branch was formed in order to provide affordable travel for Sunderland Supporters to all of Sunderland AFC home games and suitable away games.

This year is our 25th Anniversary and we are still going strong with the same aims, travelling around, supporting the team and having a good time while doing so. We are a Branch with an excellent reputation within the Sunderland Football Community and we work closely with Officials at Sunderland Football Club to ensure that our members

get exclusive insights, deals and opportunities.

The Branch meets every first Thursday of the month at The Phoenix Club, Newton Aycliffe at 8.00pm, the next meeting is on Thursday 1st August 2019. All current members and anyone else expressing an interest are most welcome.

Membership is £6 for the Season. Home bus fares are currently £9 for adults and £7 for under 18's. Members enjoy discounted fares at the rate of £7 for adults and £5 for under 18's with senior citizens (members who are over 65) receiving a double discounted fare down to £5.

Useful numbers are:

Transport: 07515 019047  
Membership: 07714 785555  
Our opening match of the 2019/20 league season is at home to Oxford United on Saturday 3rd August 2019, KO 3.00pm and the bus will leave The Phoenix Club as usual at 12.00noon. Demand for seats is expected to be high and the committee wishes to remind the membership to confirm or book their seats early through Peter Cairns our Transport Officer, to avoid disappointment.  
*Onwards and Upwards.*

## Butterwick Car Boot Sale

A Car Boot Sale in aid of Butterwick Hospice will take place on Sunday 28th July 2019 at Bishop Auckland College from 10.00am to 12noon. Cars are £7, vans £10 - you can come along on the day or book on our website. There will be refreshments available, lots of stalls and you can even bring along your four legged friend, however they must be kept on a lead. We cannot wait to see you all there! If you would like any more information, call Milly on 01388 603003. [www.butterwick.org.uk](http://www.butterwick.org.uk)

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## RUNNING CLUB NEWS



So after a busy few weeks it was a lot quieter this week for our runners. There was still a midweek race, however, with two full members and two second claim members taking part in the Summer Coast Road 5k. This is a two lap

course along the sea front in Marske. First home for Aycliffe was John Surtees in 16.39, followed by Mark Wade in 17.53, Paul Dalton in 17.53 and Corey Horn in 20.18.

It was the usual high attendance of members at differing Parkruns over the weekend with Mark Bainbridge securing a PB at the Hardwick course in Sedgfield in a time of 21.58. Finally on Sunday we had a few members taking part in the racing at Hamsterley Forest with members taking part in both the 10k and Half Marathon. Not only did they have the terrain and hills to contend with but the weather was very warm which in turn brought out swarms of flies.

In the 10k Rob Young was first home for the club in 48.58, followed by Mark Bainbridge in 50.49, Heather Morgan in 55.25, Bev Phillippo in 1.00.31, Ian Baronowski in 1.03.10, Lisa Dowell in 1.04.35 and Marie Rudd in 1.20.36.

In the Half Marathon Sandra Collins was first home in 2.11.28. She was followed by Rob Nicholson in 2.20.28 and Kathryn Waterworth in 2.34.49.

For anyone interested in joining the club, you can simply turn up at one of our sessions, all of which start from the Oakleaf Complex in Newton Aycliffe. Monday night is beginners run at 6.30p.m., Tuesday is endurance/speed session from 7.00 p.m., and Thursday is a track session and this takes place at Shildon Track. Further details can be found on our website or facebook pages or alternatively you can message the club via facebook for more information.

Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club's 1st team, sponsored by Franks the Flooring Store, gained sweet revenge for losing away at Thornaby 2nd XI earlier in the season when they thumped the same side in their return home game by 123 runs in the NYSD 2nd division.

Electing to bat first Aycliffe captain Sam Telford (29 runs) and fellow opener Adam Gittins (31 runs) got their side off to a good start, sharing a 59 run partnership for the first wicket. However a mini collapse left Aycliffe wobbling on 76 for 4 just after the half way stage. Chris Palmer (38 runs off 55 balls) and Michael Howe (26 runs off 38 balls), lead the revival taking their side to 141 before both were dismissed in quick succession. Jack Slatcher chipped in with a late order cameo, scoring 15 runs from 19 balls as the Aycliffe innings finished on a respectable 176 for 8 after their allotted 50 overs. When the visitors batted they were simply blown away by some outstanding bowling from Aycliffe's Michael Howe (sponsored by Yvonne and Bob Wood), who finished with career best figures of 6 for 29 and Jack Slatcher who took 4 for 22 as Thornaby were dismissed for just 53 from 21.5 overs. This emphatic victory lifts Aycliffe to 6th place in the table, their highest position of the season so far.

The u17's finished their season with a heavy defeat away at Sedgfield in the NYSD Junior league.

Our u12's ended their season with an agonising last ball defeat at home to Sedgfield in the NYACC league. When Aycliffe batted there were some good performances by Harrison Pearson, who top scored with 19, Thomas Dearden hit an unbeaten 14 and Adam Shaw also batted well scoring 11 not out. In the Sedgfield innings, Harrison Pearson and Will Dearden both bowled well, each taking 3 wickets for Aycliffe. The u12's have had an excellent season and, with some other

games still to be played, are likely to finish in a highly respectable fourth place in

the league.

*Photo of Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club's u12's team.*

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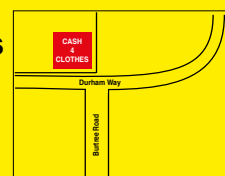
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