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The Pioneering Care Centre in Newton Aycliffe welcomed members from the Durham Masonic Benevolent Fund to see first-hand the work needed to renovate the Hydrotherapy and gladly accepted a generous donation of £1,000.

got the PCP in touch Benevolent with Committee following a recommendation from Robbie Davison from the Aycliffe Lodge. Gaskarth, PCP Carol Chief said, "As a Executive registered charity without statutory funding, PCP is relying upon grants, donations and community fundraising to help us

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target £410,000 to replace the Hydrotherapy Pool. have been astounded at the level of support and generosity to date. After a chat with Robbie we made an application to the

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the Province of Durham who awarded us £1,000. Every penny received takes us one step closer to making this ambitious project a reality. We've raised about £300,000 to date but cannot rest on our laurels; all contributions are very gladly received!" by older people, those with physical disabilities, children and young people and adults with learning disabilities. After 20 years of use it is now in need of a total overhaul. Not only

Benevolent Committee of

larger pool, more changing facilities, sensory equipment and better ceiling hoists. Not cheap but much needed and we would like to thank Durham Freemasons for their kind donation."

Christos A Katsambis, Jack Richardson and Stewart Bell from the Benevolent Committee presented PCP with the cheque and were keen to hear about the therapeutic benefits of Hydrotherapy and to learn during 2018-19 over 19,000 Hydrotherapy Pool appointments were offered to people without the need for a medical/GP referral. If you would like to know more about the 'DIVE IN' campaign please call 01325 321234 or email:

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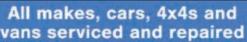


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All Household Waste Recycling Centres will be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

For more information, visit www.durham.gov.uk/hwrc or call 03000 261 000.





Academy Appoint Head Boy & Head Girl



Adam Lenahan, Angel Woods, Sydney Etherington, Hannah Cox, Sonny Fielding.

Woodham Academy are very proud this term to have appointed Sonny Fielding and Hannah Cox as Head boy and Head girl for the current academic year. Although the academy has always valued the role of students in leading the school and helping drive Woodham forward, this is the first time these actual posts have been introduced. The appointment follows a rigorous process where students had to apply in writing and outline their credentials for the position as well as their vision for the role. The candidates were then interviewed by a formal panel which included Andrew Bell, Headteacher and Sean Barnett, Chair of Governors. The panel was unanimous in its praise for the quality and maturity of all the candidates on display.

Mr. Bell said, "I am delighted that in my first year as headteacher of Woodham Academy, I am able to count on the support of Sonny and Hannah and their team as we work together to maintain the excellent progress Woodham Academy has made in recent years. I believe this appointment

shows the unity between the staff and student body we are fortunate to have here and reflects the calibre and leadership skills of the students we produce. The way all the students approached their interview was exceptional and it was a delight to see first-hand the confidence and intelligence brought to such a

challenging experience."
Sonny and Hannah will be supported in their role by Adam Lenahan and Sydney Etherington as Deputy Head boy and Deputy Head girl respectively as well as Angel Woods who will be lead ambassador for the various academies within Woodham, including

Sports, Leadership and Performing Arts. Collectively, they will lead the team of Y11 student ambassadors who help staff run clubs and activities and offer support to younger students at the school.

All new appointments began their official duties last week when they addressed a large number of future parents and students at the recent Year 6 open evening. Here they outlined, from a student's perspective, all the opportunities that Woodham Academy offers.

Champion Motorsport Guinness Record holder brings his Driving Experience Day to Darlington Arena on 20th October 2019. Paul's driving abilities are awesome, so it is no surprise

Paul Swift, Top Gear stunt driver, seven times British

that he is in great demand. He is often in front of the cameras filming for car manufacturers or as seen with James Corden for Confused.com and last week he appeared on the Gadget Show using his hair-raising driving skills to test the road worthiness of dashcams. He recently completed an advert for Shell where he zigzagged down the Andes avoiding a gigantic metallic monster and Top Gear Live viewers saw him performing a stunt beneath an archway of JCB

Participants who sign up for the experience day can sit behind the wheel of one of the high performance vehicles, such as the Ford Focus ST or the Ford Mustang, drive the set course and learn some of the techniques knowing that you have an expert beside you. Christmas is coming. Treat yourself or a loved one to an unforgettable day. Access the website www paulswift.com or follow Paul on social media for further

Charity Shop

On Saturday 12th October Aycliffe Town Centre Management have kindly allowed Great Aycliffe Cancer Support Group to open the Community Shop up for ONE week of great bargains. During the week they will have Refreshments on sale along with homemade cakes, a Macmillan Primary Care Nurse popping in along with the Cancer Awareness Team from the PCP for anyone with questions relating to Cancer, open from 9.30am until 3pm. The Charity Shop with a Difference will have for sale men's, ladies and kids clothing, toys and bric-a-brac, all funds raised will go towards providing vital services for cancer patients and their families. If you have any questions please call 07762 258696.

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NASSL RESCUE DOGS

In last weeks Newton News one of our rescue dogs was advertised as Free to Good Home, this was a printing error. Home checks are carried out prior to any animal being adopted and a fee is also associated with the adoption, that has always been our policy and remains so.

Pauline Wilson

National Animal Sanctuaries Support League



OCTOBER ENTERTAINMENT

Friday 11th - LGBT Halloween Party £5.00 Entry

Saturday 12th - "Beyond Madness" and Disco with Lee - £6.00 per ticket

Sunday 13th - "Acoustic Weller" and Disco with Lee - £2.00 on the door (Afternoon solo artiste "Jon Doc" £1.00 Entry (Evening)

Thursday 17th - "Line Dancing" £3.00 Entry, Tanya Turner

Friday 18th - Karaoke & Disco with Lee FREE Entry Saturday 19th - Fab solo "Chris Tame" & "Andrea" £3.00 Entry

Sunday 20th - Karaoke & Disco FREE entry (Afternoon) "Andy Max" and Disco - £1.00 on the door (Evening)

Thursday 24th - "Line Dancing" £3.00 Entry, Dave Lisley

Friday 25th - Halloween Party
Fancy Dress and Games, Face Painting - £2.00 Entry

Saturday 26th - Fab duo "Hot Wire" and great solo artiste "Jess Wilks" £3.00 Entry

Sunday 27th - Karaoke & Disco with Gary FREE entry (Afternoon) "Amy Stevens" £1.00 on the door (Evening)

Thursday 31st - "Line Dancing" £3.00 Entry, Honky Tonkin

Weekly Offers on Draught Beers and Spirits

A Blast From the Past at North Yorkshire **Moors Railway**



This weekend, passengers of all ages will be transported back to the 1940s for a weekend filled with the camaraderie and community spirit of World War II, as North Yorkshire Moors Railway (NYMR) hosts its ever-popular event, Railway in Wartime, from Friday 11th until Sunday 13th October 2019.

Railway in Wartime tickets

cost just £27 for adults/ concession, £13.50 for children and families (two adults and two children) for £56. Multi-day tickets (oneday, two-day and three-day ticket options are available). Carer tickets are available with a full paying fare.

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Saturday 12th October - "Pistoleros"

We are a diverse rock band fusing together rock, blues, folk and punk and anything we care to play. All the bands we've ever admired fused elements of multiple music genres and by doing so always remained exciting and unpredictable.

Saturday 19th October - "Straightshot"

Saturday 26th October - "TBC"

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BYERLEY PARK HARVEST FESTIVAL



Tuesday morning, Bverlev Park Primary School invited KS1 parents to come and enjoy our Harvest Festival. To start the performance, the Reception children sang 'Big Red Combine Harvester'. Then all of KS1 stood up and sang 'Autumn Leaves'. After, the Year 1 children performed a play called 'The Enormous Turnip'. When Year 1 had finished fabulous their performance, the Year Two

children said some things about the harvest. They called it 'What is Harvest?' To finish the performance off, all of KS1 performed 'Thank You God for the Harvest'. All of the school donated to Newton Aycliffe Food Bank. We would like to give a special thank you to Vicky Bain and Catherine Halford for helping us donate all of the food to the food bank. By Millie, Jessica and Edith

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NORMAN CORNISH EXHIBITION AT GREENFIELD ARTS

Greenfield Arts in Newton Aycliffe the next of the centenary celebrations Norman Cornish's life and work opens on Thursday 10 October and runs till the 11 December.

This exhibition focuses on the challenges Norman had to overcome to become a successful professional artist and included are 15 works that have never been on public display before. There's a real charm to

these works - a portrait of Little Sheila in pastels on the back of a Cadbury chocolate box, the miners on the pit road on a page ripped out of the Radio Times, the Signal Cabin at Trimdon where he used to get off the bus to court his future wife Sarah, and an early oil painting on board of the pit gantry now owned by Norman's grandson. The works very much tie

into the theme of overcoming adversity, Norman painted and sketched on all sorts of surfaces, whatever was available.

An important part of exhibition's time at Greenfield Arts is the

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opportunity it many locals from those at primary school through to older adults to engage with Norman's story and his work. Workshops with Year 10 students and members of the Men's Cree at Greenfield Arts will encourage them to think about the issues the work evokes and the social context of the time and they will respond by creating work that reflects challenges, opportunities now in our community and in their culture, which will be showcased in an exhibition at the end of the Cornish run (16.12.19-20/12/19)

"Greenfield Arts is delighted to host this exhibition, curated by the family, exploring the determination and perseverance of Cornish in his journey as an artist", commented Katy Milne, Director of Greenfield Arts. "Our programme, 'Inspired by Cornish', encourages the young people and the wider community to reflect on their own skills and attributes through a range of high-quality creative opportunities including a project with an exhibition response. sketchbook workshops, primary school activity and an arts award

project. Dorothy Cornish added, "There is a growing interest in the schools to engage in a study of the life and works of Norman Cornish. I'm delighted to be involved at Greenfield Arts, offering interactive learning to primary schools through a cross-curricular approach and using Norman Cornish's artwork

as inspiration."

Darlington New Orleans Jazz Club

Temperatures mav dropping as the year moves on - but things will be hotter than ever at Darlington New Orleans Jazz Club when they host two gigs in a row in October

Following last Saturday's highly successful return visit by the Leeds-based Big Easy Swing Band, this weekend will see the club welcoming some brand new faces to St Augustine's, this time from north of the border. On Saturday 12 October Edinburgh clarinettist and

band leader extraordinaire Hamish McGregor brings his tribute to the big hitters of the British trad jazz revival to Darlington. He'll perform his acclaimed 'Ball, Barber and Bilk' show on his iconic white clarinet and feature solos from Colin Steele on trumpet and Dave Batchelor on trombone. The show spotlights many of the trad jazz hits from the 50s and 60s made famous by the bands of Kenny Ball, Chris Barber and the charismatic Mr Acker Bilk.

Darlington New Orleans Jazz Club's world-class gigs come at a very local price of just £10 per person on the door, and there's no charge for young people 15 and under. The Club meets at St Augustine's Parish Centre, Larchfield Street, Darlington where there's Darlington, where there's plenty of free onsite parking. Doors open at noon for a 12:30pm start.

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

Rothmans Pensioners Reunion 2019

The dates for the forthcoming reunions for ex Rothmans Pensioners from Darlington, Spennymoor and Peterlee factories are:

Darlington:
Wednesday 27th November 1pm-6pm at the Dolphin Centre.

Spennymoor/Peterlee:

Thursday 28th November 2019, 1pm-6pm at Spennymoor Town Hall.
To confirm attendance please contact the following organisers for each venue.

Darlington Venue: Giulio - Tel 01325 300942 Liz - Tel 01325 486566 Ken - Tel 01325 269128 Spennymoor/Peterlee Venue:

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500 Attend Conference at Xcel Centre

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Waymark '19, is a two day conference being held at the Xcel centre which will see parishes come together, share, reflect, pray and discern together what God is calling them to do in order to chart a course for the part 5 weeks that for the next 5 years that will develop and grow the Diocese's vision to 'Bless our communities in Jesus' name for the transformation of us all'.

Conference organiser Ian "Since Goulding said: Bishop Paul became Bishop of Durham, we have worked to be a Diocese whose

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calling is to 'Bless our communities in Jesus' name for the transformation of us all'. We have expressed this through 3 core priorities 'Growing churches'. Young and 'Children 'Tackling People' and Poverty'. The The Waymark '19 conference will be an opportunity to encourage us all to reflect on the mission of God in our Diocese and to chart the next part of that journey." Bishop Paul said: "I am

convinced the Waymark '19 conference weekend will be a fresh call from God to us to be those who live as exiles, aliens, as pilgrims in our communities who are called always to live, work and pray for the good of the whole community. As we do so seeking God's blessing in the communities in which we are set, and in

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the Diocese as a whole, then we will discover the future and hope that God has for us as his people.'

As well as looking to chart the course the Diocese will take in the coming years, The Conference will also set the scene for the 2020 Year of Pilgrimage. Bishop Paul comments: "It has been a long process started five years ago when I became Bishop of Durham that has led us to call for 2020 to be simply a year of Pilgrimage; of continuing on our journey with Christ.

"It was never intended to have lots of activities but simply to encourage us all to see and know ourselves to be a Pilgrim people. It has grown a bit from those first thoughts but the core

remains. Primarily simply want to encourage everyone – church members those who are well outside the church, to explore what it means to be travellers through life, and what happens when we do so with Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit. I am really looking forward to discovering more of what it truly means to be a pilgrim through 2020 and to the direction that Waymark '19 sets us on."

The conferences will welcome a number of ecumenical guests as well as Anglican guest speakers Emma Ineson (Bishop of Penrith) and Matthew Frost (ex-Chief Executive Tearfund, Member of the Archbishop's Council).

COUNTY **NEWSBITS** Compiled by County Councillor John Clare

significant Environment Scrutiny meeting, a town council appeal, a Middridge Parish Council achievement, two important consultations, and good news on plastics, Aycliffe Business ... along with ideas of things to do next work Park and the Newton Press to do next weekend and the latest on POLITICAL / Aycliffe Radio.

Find out more about all the following on my blog at: bit. ly/CNB132

COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY NEWS

• DCC Environment Scrutiny meeting, Friday 4 October (Climate Emergency consultation, SUPs update). • Don't say Climate Change,

sav Pollution. DCC's SUP efforts have

been awarded best waste prevention project.

• Winter opening hours at Heighington Lane Household Waste Recycling Centre will be 9am to 3:30pm until the end of March.

• Great Aycliffe Town Šanta THREE flat back, 3 seater vehicles to enable his Christmas Eve Santa Tours to go ahead - please contact rachel.goddard@greataycliffe.gov.uk

Middridge Parish Council: New streetlights for Walker's Lane will be installed 15-20th October.

• The NHS has launched consultations Rehabilitation Services' and

Bishop Auckland'.
• A 'The Pharmacy is for Everyone' campaign to make pharmacies "the first port of call" has been launched.
• Friends of the S&DR

meeting, Thursday October

Aycliffe Business Park is booming at the moment (with good news from Finley, Stiller, and the EMCON 2019 exhibition).

Well done Newton Press shortlisted for the 'Made in the North East' Awards 2019.

· The North East is one of the most welcoming regions to Syrian refugees

THÍNGS TO DO NEXT WEEK

 Durham Book Festival, 5-13 October.

Cornish Norman exhibition, Greenfield Arts, 10 October-11 December.

• Guided walk 'From Romans to Railways in the Gaunless Valley' (5hrs 7.5 miles) – meet 10am Vednesday 16 October Wednesdav behind Hollands Tractors at St Helen Auckland, DL14

'Go Guerilla Girls' protest artists (5-11s), Palace Green Library Durham, drop-in 1-3pm, 19-20 October, FRFF

AYCLIFFE RADIO

The guest on POLITICAL / Aycliffe Radio, 6-7pm, Sunday 13 October will be Phil Wilson MP: bit.ly/ ARLIVE

STOP MS **APPEAL**

Multiple sclerosis (MS) has changed my life in many Both my mum and my friend Beccy live with relentless, painful, disabling condition. Mum was diagnosed in 2007 after years of unexplained symptoms. Then in 2012 Beccy, who was only 31 at the time, discovered she had it too.

More than 100,000 people live with MS in the UK and around 4,320 have it in the North East. People have different types and right now there are treatments that work for Beccy, but none for my mum.

Amazingly, for the first time, scientists believe stopping MS is possible. They can see a future where nobody needs to worry about MS getting worse – that means not living in fear you'll be reliant on a wheelchair, or one day lose your independence.

This has given me incredible hope and it's why I'm encouraging everyone in the North East to support the MS Society's Stop MS Appeal. They need to raise £100 million over ten years to find treatments for everyone with MS, and need all the support they can get. With your readers' help, we can stop MS.

Readers can find out more at mssociety.org.uk/stop

Scott Mills MS Society Ambassador

and broadcaster

Inflammatory Language, Incendiary Ideas

Dear Sir,

I was shocked to read some of the Brexit letters in last week's Newton News. found the viciousness of some of the language very distressing. Worse still

were sentiments expressed by one writer, who declared Parliament to be anachronism ... unfit for purpose" - "only fit to be put down". That Parliament which, remember, is the basis of our democracy and freedom.

Nor are such sentiments just the rantings of a rogue keyboard authoritarian. On Tuesday 10th, Downing Street, in a letter almost unrestrained in its language, issued a briefing which - along with insulting EU countries clearly drew a separation between government' 'Parliament' (rather than seeing the government as the executor of Parliament's will). Add physical force, and that is the language of revolution.

CHANGING THE TONE I have been explicit that I want Brexit over and done with as quickly as possible, so we can move on and begin to address some of the

evils which have bubbled to the surface during the process. Last week's letters confirmed me in this opinion. We are used to seeing it said

that not all of the 17.4 million people who voted to Leave thought that meant leaving on a 'No Deal'. But I wonder how many of them expected also to find themselves part

of a movement which would explicitly try to undermine Parliamentary our democracy?

And I wonder how many of them are happy now to find themselves spearheaded by people who do not blush to write in public that they will "put down" Parliament?

Deal, no deal, or remain, we need to change the direction of the narrative.

John D. Clare

Film Show

The "Feel Good Film Show" at St Church on Tuesday 15th October features the 2011 drama "Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close'

Stars Sandra Bullock, Tom Hanks and Thomas Horn. After 11 year old New Yorker, Oskar, loses his father in 9/11, Oskar finds a key in his belongings and sets out to find the lock; meeting other survivors and learning something of life. 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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Can you sing, play an instrument, dance or have a talent you would like to share?

Under 16s competition will take place: on Friday 22nd November, 6.30pm at **Woodham Academy Main Hall**

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We require your: name, address, contact number, email address, age and

brief description of the act you will perform.

Closing date for entries is Friday 8th November 2019 Entrants must be 16 years of age or under. 2 winners of £100 each, 1 Junior and 1 adult competition Competition run by Avcliffe Radio and Newton News



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Epilepsy Tea Break

Have your readers been inspired by the Great British Bake Off? Their time in the kitchen whipping up biscuits, puddings or cakes could make a real difference to people with epilepsy.

Epilepsy Action's Tea Break on Friday 18 October. People up and down the nation will be popping the kettle on and rolling out their best bakes. The tea parties will raise money to support people with epilepsy in the UK. One in 100 people live with the condition which can be life-altering.

Every cup of tea and sweet treat sold at an Epilepsy Action Tea Break will raise vital funds to support the charity's vital work. Whether it's through our experts on the Epilepsy Action Helpline or our network of local support groups, we're here when people with epilepsy need us. More than that, we are the voice for people with epilepsy, speaking up to ensure people with epilepsy get the best health services and support possible.

Holding your own Epilepsy Action Tea Break couldn't be simpler. Everyone who signs up by 14 October will get a handy toolkit, filled with baking inspiration and ways to make their event a success. For a free pack, visit epilepsy.org.uk/teabreak or call 0113 210 8851.

Yours faithfully Natalie Warnock Chief Baker **Epilepsy Action**

Dates Announced for Bishop Auckland Food Festival 2020

A food festival that attracted more than 29,000 people in April will serve up even more tasty treats. celebrity chefs and culinary inspiration when it returns next year.

Organiser Durham County Council has confirmed the 15th annual Bishop Auckland Food Festival will take place on Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 April 2020.

Traders can now apply for stands at the festival, which prides itself on showcasing the finest produce the region has to offer, along with exciting street food inspired by international cuisines.

Last year, the event attracted more than 29,000 people to the historic market town, boosting the takings of local businesses and more than 150 traders.

of people Hundreds enjoyed demonstrations by celebrity chefs including BBC MasterChef copresenter Gregg Wallace who described Bishop Auckland as "one of the Wallace nicest, friendliest places I've been."

Feedback was extremely positive, with more than 90 per cent of the visitors surveyed rating the festival as good or very good. Ninety-six per cent of visitors and 100 per cent of the local businesses surveyed also agreed the event was good for Bishop Auckland.

Next year's offer looks set to be just as appetising, with



The full line up of celebrity chefs will be announced in early 2020. To stay up to date with the latest festival news, visit www.bishopaucklandfoodfestival.co.uk or follow @ bishfoodfest on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

organisers preparing an it showcases the many irresistible menu of famous faces, interactive cookery demonstrations, live music. children's entertainment and more.

Cllr Joy Allen, Cabinet member for transformation, culture and tourism at Durham County Council, said: "Bishop Auckland Food Festival's success means it is now a key event on the foodie calendar and a well-deserved shines spotlight on the region's gastronomic heroes.

'It's a wonderful day out for the whole family, but it is so much more than that. The festival brings vital income into Bishop Auckland and has helped develop County Durham's reputation as a culinary destination.

"By attracting visitors from outside of the area, visitors

other attractions our beautiful county has to offer, encouraging people to come back throughout the year and boost the economy further." Traders can apply for a pitch online www.bishopauckland foodfestival.co.uk

Urgent Need For Wet Cat Food & Litter

NASSL are putting out an appeal to support animals in need. We have lots of cats and kittens for rehoming, a home check will be completed and there is small adoption fee to help support other animals in need.

Drop off points are Tesco, Honest John, Grannies Choice and Julies Pet Shop. Please help NASSL support animals in need. Thank you

MEMORY WALK

Dear Sir, Rose Lodge Care Home Way, Cobblers Lane, Newton Aycliffe DL5 4SE will be uniting to walk the 5 mile Great Avcliffe Way walk on Saturday 12th October at 10am, to raise money in support of the Memory Walk for the Alzheimers Society. Dementia affects many people in our society and at Rose Lodge this is a cause close to our hearts, not only because some of our residents live with this illness, but also to ensure that one day a cure will be available to future generations. If anyone would like to

join us for the walk please do come along and show your support, meet new friends and enjoying the scenic Aycliffe Way. The walk will commence from Rose Lodge Care Home and end back at the Care Home with cups of tea/ coffee for all walkers and an opportunity to meet our residents and look around the care home.

We look forward to seeing

POINT MISSED

I am happy to respond, as requested, to GS of Woodham's letter of last week in order to set the record straight. I am sorry if my comments about an autistic teenage climate change touched activist a nerve in relation to the writer's autistic son, but I think the writer has totally missed my point, which is that it is a political stunt to parade young, cute, wronged, autistic Greta in front of a United Nations climate change conference, and have her scowling and snarling through a hatefilled rant at her seniors for causing climate change.

Maybe venting such anger is a trait linked to her autism (she has Asperger's Syndrome - a milder autism spectrum disorder which affects people in different ways), maybe not, but it's inappropriate to blame it on the rest of humanity mankind is not deliberately destroying the planet, and we can't all hate our ancestors for cutting down trees, burning fossil fuels and eating meat to survive. GS is mistaken in accusing me of attacking young Greta. My attack was directed at those who put her on a platform and those who hang on her every word as though she is a fount of knowledge and experience. when she is just an angry,

who doesn't even attend school.

Another key point missed is the potential harm of followers getting behind such a subversive and threatening message. Only this week some 'activists' tried to spray paint over a government building. Such 'activists' care a lot less about the environment than I do. Their aim is to cause political unrest. This is despite our government doing more than just about all others to lower emissions

already. It also beggars belief that she should be encouraged to stir up schoolchildren to not go to school, because there's no point, because the planet

is going to be destroyed!
I am sorry GS's son is autistic but pleased to hear he is wonderful. I have friends and relatives with autistic children and I know how challenging they can be, especially if they are high on the spectrum. John Snowball

Great British Bark Off

K9 Pursuits are holding a Charity Coffee Morning and Baking Competition on Saturday 19th October from 10.00am to 12.30pm.

They are supporting the Paws Up charity for Retired Police Dogs Benevolent Fund and also the Dogs Lost Trapping Team North East. Everyone is invited to come along for a coffee and cake, and, if they want to, they can enter our baking competition.

All are welcome including your dog, as long as they have proof of vaccination or Titre result.

This is going to be a fun morning raising money for two great charities.

The categories for the baking competition are:

A Bake (cake, cup cakes biscuits etc) for human taste buds or A Bake for doggy taste buds (cake, muffins or biscuits etc). There will be a raffle and also prizes for the winners of the baking competition. For details ring 01325 301177.



I write in connection with newly, publicly, disclosed aspects of the E U attitude to Brexit which may be of interest to your readers. address Thev certain hidden aspects of the May Withdrawal Agreement intended to which are binding remain upon GB even after a Brexit departure.

During the last few days there have been revelations by such notable authorities as Major General Julian Thompson, Rear Admiral Roger Lane-Nott and Gwynthian Professor Prins, in consultation with Sir Richard Dearlove, expressing their serious concerns for the future of Britain's safety, security and the effects upon Britain's Intelligence Services. The web addresses I have read are: - https://youtu.be/jafhL57BQcU and https:// youtu.beFXEJav7DB6E if anyone wishes to learn of the specific allegations,

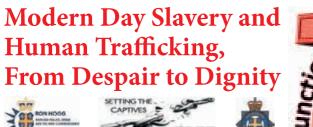
in which names are named. Apparently there are more "revelations" to follow.

In view of voting facing our MP'S this week - and the newness of these disclosures I have forwarded these details to our Member of Parliament - just in case he was unaware of their release. Other than that I make no comment.

Yours faithfully Douglas Whittaker

















on FRIDAY 18th OCTOBER 2019 at WOODHAM GOLF CLUB

Burnhill Way, Newton Aycliffe, DL5 4PN

This event is organised by Junction 7 and sponsored by the Durham Police, Crime and Victims Commissioner.

- How to spot the signs of modern day slavery and trafficking,
- How partners can work together
- How to ensure victims are supported and recover from their experiences

AFTERNOON PRESENTATION: 12.30 to 3.00pm

(Free admission - Refreshments available)

Presentations and Guest Speakers with representations from Junction 7, Durham Constabulary, Durham Police Crime and Victims Commissioner's Office, Gang Masters Labour Licensing Authority and Samantha Poling BBC Panorama.

EVENING PRESENTATION: 6.00pm to 11.30pm

3 Course Meal with Live Band and DJ. Charity Auction hosted by Ron Hogg Special Guest Appearance by Samantha Poling (BBC Panorama) Tickets for the evening Event are £25.00 per person

> For more information or to book a place contact: junc7tion@gmail.com or call 07783 539167

XMAS FAIR

getting into the Christmas spirit this November with annual Christmas their Fair, an evening of seasonal festivities and shopping galore!

Admission to the event is FREE with entertainment to enjoy and a variety of gift-stalls to explore. Santa Claus will also be joining the Fair, all the way from the North Pole. A visit to the magical Santa's Grotto is only £1.50 per child, including a present from Santa's sleigh. Jacksons Coffeehouse will be open on-site throughout the evening, offering festive treats and Christmas drinks from renowned Italian Coffee Company Illy Caffè.

Xcel Christmas Fair The will be held on Wednesday 27th November from 5.30 8.30pm. You can find the Xcel Centre on Long Tens Way, Aycliffe Business Park, DL5 6AP.

Following the success of previous years, this year's Fair promises to be even bigger than ever and a great way to kick off the festive Season!

XCEL VANE ROAD VICTORY! Macmillan Fundraiser



Vane Road's Key Stage 2 Cross Country team were in action last week as they took part in a competition against 10 other schools at Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College. Remarkably, the Girls and Boys Year 3/4 teams both finished in 1st place, as did Year 5/6 girls and boys teams!

All children deserve a huge amount of credit for achieving their team gold medals,

there were some exceptional individual performances from Sam B, Hannah B, and Jackson R, who finished 1st place in their respective races. There were also fantastic performances from Olivia B, Clayton F, Ava A and Bethany B. These teams will now go on to represent the Sedgefield area in the county finals in

Coach Trip

New Friends, New Places Coach Trip on Sunday 3rd November - Lunch at Dobbies Garden Centre, Birtley and then to either Eldon Square Christmas shopping or Boundary Mills

If it is inclement weather (rain or snow), further details to be given later. Ring 308094 or 07967 901477.



WILFRED McGORRIGAN

Died on 1st October 2019 Aged 94

Wilf joined the Durham Constabulary Force in 1947, aged 22, and served as a police cadet and constable, then applied to join the dog section

On 18th April 1952, police dog Julie produced a litter of "red puppies" and in May 1953, he was allocated Rusty.

He was stationed at Police Headquarters in Aycliffe where the first kennels for Durham were established, along with Serge Cessford and PC Hedges Sergeant

In November 1955, Wilf was newly promoted to Sergeant and based at West Hartlepool.

In May 1956, eleven Durham dog handlers and their dogs competed at the A.S.P.A.D.S. Ch. Working Trials at Barnard Castle (a record 10 Dobermans from one force).

Wilf competed with Rusty (Joseph of Aycliffe) and won the open stake and later went on to win another championship trial making Rusty a working dogs champion.

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The first training course for police dogs in Durham commenced in May 1958 1958 with nine handlers.

The first Durham police 'dog handler of the year

searching, work.

November Inspector Cessford retired and Wilf was promoted to Inspector and later to Chief Inspector in charge of the dog section, in which post he remained until he retired in 1976 after 30 years service.

Beveridge Hall.

at King James



staff at families in tragic times so Students and King James I Academy raised £324.13 show our support." Macmillan The Academy organises Cancer Support at their annual World's Biggest Coffee

Morning event. Cakes and biscuits were baked and faked by many enthusiastic contributors at the school and sold both in the Main Dining Hall for students in Years 7-11, and in the Common Room for Sixth Form students who also included savoury goods to boost donations. Student Support Workers who organised the event said, "Sadly, cancer has affected many of our families at King James so Macmillan is a charity that is close to our hearts. Many of us know first hand that Macmillan provides an invaluable service to

have

we are always pleased to

each year this event as part of an extensive fundraising calendar. fundraising Some help charitable efforts organisations in Bishop Auckland area, whilst others such as this support worthy national causes. Planning is already underway for a range of Christmas fundraising activities and events including a Community Festive Fair on Saturday 30th November.

Photo: Sixth Form Mentor, Linda Dixon and Careers Adviser, Anne Goddard pictured with some of the Sixth Form Academy's



Karen Lynn Jones

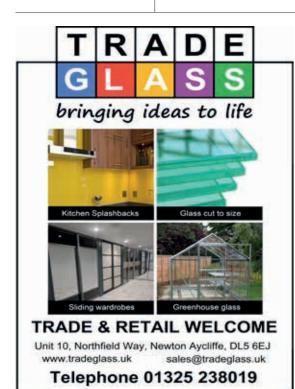


It is with great sadness that we announce that our former CEO, Karen Lynn Jones, lost her battle to cancer on Monday 30th September.

Karen was our colleague, boss and most importantly, friend. It has been through her sheer determination and ambition the partnership has become the fantastic charity it is today.

Karen played a major role in the development of services and projects which have helped change the lives of so many people, not only in Cornforth, but in communities across County Durham.

Our staff team will never be the same, she has left a space no one will ever be able to fill, and her team are heartbroken. All our thoughts are with Karen's family and friends at this sad time.





with four handlers from Durham all with black dogs. The first full initial course commenced at Harperly Hall, Durham in August The first national police dog trials were held at Hutton, Lancashire in May 1959.

competition was held in 1960 when eighteen dogs competed in obedience, and criminal

Wilf also commenced dog training classes in Newton Aycliffe based in the



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vou interested in political matters, but turned off by confrontational circuses like Question Time, with their shouting-eachother-down, avoiding-the-question, and Party pointscoring? If so, POLITICAL / Aycliffe Radio may be the programme for you.

POLITICAL is a political discussion show local politicians where and listener-guests talk about political issues politely and respectfully. Host John D. Clare insists that the ethos of the show is kind and Guests are given a platform to share their opinions on air - and it is left to the listener to decide whether they agree or disagree

A GOOD LISTEN

The show is built around a number of regular features. The first half is mainly taken with a 'Big Story' - topics planned up to Christmas include Brexit (27 October and 3 November), DCC's #YearofCulture (10 November), Community Action (24 November), the Climate Emergency December), Mental Health Matters (8 December) and Growing the Economy (15 December). There are also each week three 'Other Stories' chosen by listeners in an online poll ... along with listeners' favourites 'Moment of the Week' and 'The-Song-That-Inspired-

There is a Facebook page accompanying the show (at bit.ly/PAR2019) which generally successfully - we insist adheres to the ethos of the radio show. Each show, therefore, finishes with 'Listeners' Comments' section, when we look at the comments and questions listeners have been making in a live online Facebook thread which accompanies

The result is informative.

interesting interesting ... and a good listen! The show usually airs every Sunday, 6-7.30pm. Aycliffe Radio is currently available online only, so you need to go online at bit.ly/ARLIVE to listen. (There is also an app, and you can usually listen in by telling Alexa to "Play Aycliffe Radio".)

AN EXCITING TWEAK The next two weeks, however, will be slightly different. POLITICAL is delighted to announce that, this week, our sole guest will be Sedgefield MP Phil Wilson; and next week we will be welcoming Darlington Conservative candidate Peter Gibson as our sole guest-for-the-week. These interview-shows will retain many of the features listeners expect, but will be an hour long and (because our guests are busily committed) will be pre-recorded. The 'Listeners' Comments' thread will still be open, however, for people to share and debate their reactions to the interview.

These one-to-ones with prominent politicians are a step-up for Aycliffe Radio, we hope that listeners will appreciate the opportunity to listen to significant political figures, hopefully other prominent and regional national politicians may wish, in future, to come onto the show (they will be very welcome).

So, why not log on at 6.00pm on Sunday evening, and either comment to the radio or have your say on the Facebook feed!

POLITICAL / Aycliffe Radio is sponsored by Whitehouse Funeral Services (01325 318600), and we are honoured that they regard the show as sufficiently serious and respectful to lend their

Candeliters Celebrate 60th Anniversary

On 17th October 1959. Margaret and Walt Young were married at West Hartlepool. They first met when Margaret was 17 and Walt was 18.

Margaret was working as a chemist assistant and Walt was serving in the RAF, based at Seaton Snook Tech site near Seaton Carew.

Their first meeting was on a Saturday night at Seaton Carew, Margaret was out with her friends and Walt was out with some mates from the camp. It had started to rain and Margaret had been waiting the bus home and Walt was waiting for the liberty bus to camp. Fate took a hand that night, as both buses were very very late, so Margaret and her friends and Walt and his pals took shelter in one of amusement arcades nearby.

Cutting a long story short Walt was playing a pinball machine near to where Margaret was standing, when he heard a quiet voice say, "sorry, but he's taking me home" and Walt saw a beautiful young lady pointing at him and immediately thought his luck was really in!

Walt escorted Margaret and her friends to the outside and as luck would have it a taxi was 'dropping' someone off and Walt, with his hero's hat on, went over to the taxi and asked how much it would be to take his party up to the town.

Having negotiated his final funds to the taxi driver, the girls started to get into the taxi, Margaret was last and after she had sat she gave Walt a peck on the cheek and said 'that was very nice of you' and waved good night through the taxi as they drove away.

Walt did not see Margaret for another 3 months and again fate took over. Walt had to pick up a prescription in West Hartlepool and through sheer luck for him, there was Margaret waiting to serve him.

As things went on they saw each other and spent may happy days together on days away and outings. Walt was posted to Aden.

where he was for 18 months, and again Walt's luck was in and Margaret waited for him.

The couple spent their honeymoon in London at a small private hotel, which was very eventful in itself The first night was spent with Margaret helping to deliver a baby and, due to staff shortage, Margaret and Walt were asked by the owner, due to her having to be at the hospital with the new mother and baby, if they would mind 'doing the breakfasts for the other guests'.

Eventually the couple settled down in Newton Aycliffe in 1962, where they still remain, and have seen the town develop into a lovely place to live with lasting friendships.
Around 1963/4 Walt and

Margaret decided to start a folk club in the then Oak Tree pub, they always







remember that first opening night with stage fright and wondering if anyone would turn up - they had no need to worry because, with the help of Syd Howarth and the Newton News, the night was a huge success and grew to be a big part of the music revolution of the 60s and 70s together with a great number of popular musicians and there were Newton Aycliffe

people helping along. Margaret and Walt became known as the Candlelite Duo and were later joined by Edwina Robinson and Dave Milner and helped by Ray Renteurs, who collectively became the Candeliters and enjoyed playing around Britain as well as TV and radio.

Due to pressure of work

for the group management

of the Candelite Club was given to a committee to operate and continued operate and continued successfully and still exists at the Sports Club.

Margaret and Walt ended up as the 'Candelite Duo' and toured the UK and France, making lots of friends and memories along the way.

They officially retired from the business in 1985 and to wind it all up in a great way they performed their final gig at the Round Table's Senior Citizens Christmas Party at Walworth Castle. They still enjoy singing and still have a little session now and again in their home.

Margaret and Walt will 60th celebrate their wedding anniversary Thursday 17th October

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Crooners Show Alan Brown Reiki Therapy with Phil Hawkins Sports Round Up (R) Darren & Lee Bear Blues Show Colin McNeillie Folk/Celtic/Rock Show Steve & Col John D. Clare POLITICAL

• 13th Oct: Pre-recorded interview with MP Phil Wilson · 20th Oct: Provisional - interview with Peter Gibson (Tory) Sunday Set List Sean Lawless 8-10pm

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Paul's Down Time

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

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Community Connect

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18th Oct - Nathan Abbott with Carl Booth

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Modern Day Slavery

Churches across the Church of England's Diocese of Durham are fighting to end slavery and trafficking across the North East by raising public awareness.

Throughout October, churches in Stockton will be placing 30 'End Slavery Now' banners in prominent places across the community. These will move from town to town, across the Diocese, challenging the practice and giving a helpline number for those trapped, or those who might have spotted someone who is at risk.

The Revd Canon David Tomlinson who campaigned to stop 'Steven' a victim of modern-day slavery being deported said: "Even though most people think that slavery only exists overseas, modern slavery in the UK is thriving. The British Government estimates that tens of thousands of people are in modern slavery in the UK today.

"Most people are trafficked into the UK from overseas, but there is also a significant number of British nationals slavery. The most common countries of origin Albania, Vietnam, are Nigeria, Romania and Poland.

"Most commonly people are trafficked into forced labour in industries agriculture, such as construction, hospitality, manufacturing and car washes. Many women and girls are trafficked for sexual exploitation.

Many people, again mostly women and girls, also end up in domestic slavery. Others, particularly children, are forced into crime such as cannabis production, petty theft or begging.

"Typically, a person coming from a situation of poverty and lack of opportunity gets an offer of an apparently good job in the UK. Often the victim has to take a loan from an agent to pay for the recruitment fees and for the journey. When the person arrives in Britain, the job and the conditions they were promised are completely different

"Their passport is taken

away, and they're told they need to pay off the debt before they can leave. Violence or threats are practice, both common against the victim as well as their family back home.

The Revd Gemma Sampson, Champion of the Diocesan response to Modern-Day Slavery said: "We believe that the tools to end modern slavery already exist within the local community and that the Church, which is present in all communities and at the heart of many, has a primary responsibility in ading these efforts.

"The Diocese of Durham, supported by The Clewer Initiative, is working to enable churches to develop strategies to detect modern slavery in their communities and help provide victim support and care. It involves working with the Church locally, identifying resources that can be utilised, developing partnerships with others. and creating a wider network of advocates seeking to end modern slavery together."

The initiative forms part of the Church of England's approach to eradicating modern slavery and is funded by the Clewer Sisters (an Anglican order of Augustinian nuns founded in 1852 to help marginalised

NEVILLE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Our next monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th October at 6.45pm in Neville Community Centre.

will be There presentation from guest speaker Carol Gaskarth, Chief Executive of the Pioneering Care Pioneering Partnership and the next selection of Community Association activities will be released.

Refreshments will be available from 6.30nm. Come down and join us for a cuppa and a chat.

Churches Respond To Defibrillator Update

The campaign to provide 24 hour public access potential saving ed ner with life equipment, together awareness and defibrillator usage training, has taken another leap forward.

Firstly I would like to thank Mrs Annette Sowden (Head) of St. Mary's School together with Liz Kengyellics, Miss Mandi Miles, Andy Robinson and all of the other staff for their

Following on from the installation of a Defibrillator on the outside of St. Mary's Church by the Taylor family via the Save it 4 Seonaid fund in memory of their daughter, the school organised several awareness sessions (supported by GAMP, North East Ambulance Service and British Heart Foundation).

Over sixty of the pupils aged over ten years old together with twenty members of staff took part, taking the numbers trained to date to nearly five hundred. We followed this with the first session of key personnel at St. Mary's Church.

On Monday a meeting with Livin following discussions over the last few months which saw them generously agree to help provide another public defibrillator unit on the outside of the newly redone ARK building at West Ward. We also made progress with fitting another public access unit in the Simpasture area near the shops. Livin near the shops. Livin have, in their sheltered accommodation unit at Simpasture, a Defibrillator which was donated to them by "Honest John". John has agreed that he would welcome this unit being made available 24 hours to the public. Generously anonymous donor another from Middridge, who has already provided support for the unit on the outside of the Bay Horse, has provided an outdoor cabinet for the Simpasture unit.

We will over the next few weeks be purchasing and installing the new units.

We are planning, from the end of October, further free training and awareness courses to be held at the ARK, Simpasture area, St.

Halloween Spooktacular

Let your little monsters run wild this All Hallows! The Pioneering Care Centre will be hosting a frighteningly fun and free family event Thursday, 31st October from 10.00 -14.00 filled with haunting activities that will cast a spell on children; keeping them occupied all day!

Get hands on in pumpkin carving or make some wonderful Halloween crafts and take home your spooky creations. Fall into a trance watching a dazzling magician and enjoy a special Punch & Judy show! The Centre will also be filled with crafty stores for children and adults to dive into – fun for all the family!

No booking required. For more information about PCP please contact us at the Pioneering Care Centre, Carer's Way, Newton Aycliffe, DL5 4SF tel: 01325 321234 email: enquiries@pcp.uk.net website: www.pcp.uk.net or follow PCP on Twitter: @PioneeringCare and Facebook: @

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As you can see most of the Care and Nursing homes on our town have been very busy along with the residents.

Please vote for YOUR favourite by phoning Pam Lovelass on 01325 316841 OR 07779 942347. You can leave a message (slowly) telling me which home you have voted for.

Please do vote as it makes the residents so happy knowing someone does care for them. All votes will be added up and the results will be published in next week's edition of the

A very big THANK YOU to Paul and the staff at Newton News for helping with this. Also THANK YOU to all the homes who kindly made a donation of food to the local FoodBank at this Harvest Time.

God bless you all.



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70 New Apprentices for Council | A Magical Family | Woodham Academy



Dozens of young people have been given their first step on the career ladder after starting apprenticeships with the north east's largest council.

Durham County Council received over 1,000 applications for more than 70 apprenticeship opportunities, which vary from Intermediate (Level 2), Advanced (Level 3) and Higher (Level 4) to Degree (Level 6).

The apprentices, who range in age from 16 to 37, will be working across most council departments in roles ranging from business administration

to bricklaying; civil engineering to financial management; and horticulture to highways.

The council's chief executive Terry Collins welcomed the apprentices at a twoday induction. As well as meeting managers from across the authority and trade union representatives, they learned more about the organisation and how it works

Cllr Andrea Patterson, Cabinet member for Corporate Services and Rural Issues, including human resources, said: "An apprenticeship is a great way to begin a career. I'm delighted that we are giving these young people the opportunity to earn a wage and gain valuable skills, working with experienced staff who can share their knowledge and help them to develop.

"Recruiting apprentices not only benefits us as an organisation but also the county as a whole as we're investing in our own young people."

To find out more about apprenticeship opportunities at Durham County Council, visit www.durham.gov.uk/apprenticeships

Arts and Science School and

is committed to providing

students to reach their full potential. A recent Ofsted

report commented that the school 'has a warmth and

friendliness to it'. We are very proud of our staff and

students who together help

everyone to be the best that

support

opportunities to

A Magical Family Experience is Coming to Beamish

A Magical Christmas is coming back to Beamish Hall after last year's much loved event. The magical family adventure woodland walk takes places behind Beamish Hall and consists of a team of magical characters waiting to make your kid's dreams come true with a live theatrical performance.

Construction for a Magical Christmas has already taken place in the background of Terror in the Trees, Beamish Hall's month long Halloween event. The terrifying walk will be whisked away with a magic wand, and replaced with all things feel good as the Hall gears up for a month of Christmas festivities.

The theatrical live performance attraction will include new characters from last year, who will create a bespoke experience for each child with on cue responses to every child's questions and wonders about Christmas.

Young adventurers will be

able to create their own elf name which will help them along their journey along a secret pathway that only elves know. You will meet the magical characters who live there before mixing magic with Santa and becoming an honorary elf.
Within the Enchanted
Woodland Beamish Hall have created a world filled with illuminations, magical snow machines, interactive props, projections, and theatrical performers to lose yourself in. Along the elf hidden pathways their interactive sets have been specially commissioned for A Magical Christmas which means that this is a unique experience not to be found

anywhere else.
No Christmas event would be complete without an appearance from Father Christmas and his elves. Young adventurers will complete a secret mission to help Father Christmas fly again, taking home a bottle of glitter to sprinkle on Christmas Eve.



Woodham Academy Specialist Day



Tuesday 24th September saw students at Woodham Academy participate in the school's first Specialist Day of the new academic year. Each year group focused on a range of different activities based on the schools PSHE programme.

programme.
Year 7 students investigated
Great British values and
friendship. This promoted
the idea of respecting people
of other faiths, beliefs, and
religions.
The whole of year 8 worked

The whole of year 8 worked with the Durham Education Business Partnership as part of an interactive careers workshop entitled 'Duck Day'. The various tasks helped to develop and improve students' team working skills.

working skills.
Year 9 began the annual
Apprenticeship Challenge.
Each tutor group was
paired with a company
that offers and promotes
apprenticeships and went on
a site visit. They returned
for lunch and then worked
in teams to develop a
presentation and collage
based on what they had learnt
about their organisation
and apprenticeships. The
companies involved in this
year's event are 3M, South

West Durham Training, Lucite, The Pioneering Care Partnership, and The Highways Agency (Carnell) Relationship and Sex Education was the focus for Year 10. Topics covered included LGBTQ, E-Safety, Self-esteem, teenage pregnancy, friendship and peer pressure, and preventing exploitation.

Finally, year 11 students took part in a careers carousel. They spent time learning about the many opportunities they have when they leave Woodham. Queen Elizabeth Sixth Form College, Darlington College, Bishop Auckland College, Durham Sixth Form Centre, the UTC, as well as the National Apprenticeship Service and National Citizen Service where all present to speak to each tutor group about the courses and activities they offer.

'Delivering a wide and varied range of activities throughout the year to our students is essential in helping them to develop into well rounded citizens and members of the locally community and society' explained Dave Walker curriculum leader for PSHF

Students Show Acts of Kindness

Students of Greenfield Community College have been reacting positively to a call to action following their student led conference 'Make it Matter' led by Greenfield

'Make it Matter' is the result of hundreds of students having a voice and a say about things that matter to them. The successful conference last term created actions for the whole school to try, test and notice the impact of. Students created actions to share with their tutor groups which included being kind and respectful to others, supporting diversity, caring for the environment and understanding wellbeing.

Students have returned to school this term in readiness to share their ideas and make their school a better place to learn, grow and achieve their goals. Each tutor group has been given a 'Make it Matter' action research booklet created by the students, to share their ideas in their Time4Success lesson and are exploring how they will achieve their goals for themselves and the school. Further initiatives will include practical onsite recycling, well-being Wednesday and random acts of kindness.

The campaign has begun and



one great example is a tutor group who have created a box of proud moments. The tutor group are asking each student and staff to think of something they are proud of, notice the positive and to share it. Already this is having great results and the box was full by the end of its first week! 'Make it Matter' is helping build better relationships between staff and students and helping everyone to notice what is going well.

and helping everyone to notice what is going well.

Katy Milne, Director of Creativity at Greenfield Arts said, "the students have led this work, designed the ideas and are bringing about positive change by taking action and encouraging others to take action too. The work I've seen so far is brilliant. We are excited by this student led work and are looking forward to understanding the positive difference it can make."

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Wednesday 23rd October 2019 - 7.15pm Policy & Resources Meeting

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Juniors Football Report



Not many of our Aycliffe Juniors teams got a game in this week due to the weather conditions, however we are hoping to get back to pormality next week

normality next week.

Our Under 7's Whites
travelled to Durham and
played a great game with
some fantastic defending, the
team working the ball well
going forward and getting
some amazing shots off on
goal. The man of the match
was Regan for his work rate
but the whole team worked
really well together.

The Under 8 Whites faced

The Under 8 Whites faced Brandon FC and it was an inspired performance from all players. Jack got himself a hat trick with Joel and Sammy grabbing a goal each and Tyler won the MOTM award for some excellent play on and off the ball

Our Under 8 Blacks came up against a strong Whickham team who are currently top of that divisions league. Rhys hit the back of the net with an early goal for the blacks. The man of the match from this one was Oliver. The team are hoping for a more positive result next week after a great

FOUND

A ladies black leather glove with a fur cuff was found in the car park at Tesco on Tuesday morning, 8th October. The glove was handed in to Tesco customer service counter. effort from the lads.

Under 13's travelled to Richmond in a rearranged home game in The Challenge Cup. The game proved to be a cracker and somewhat of a goal fest. Jake give the Juniors the lead early before Richmond scored without reply to make it 3-1 to Richmond. Two goals each from Will and Thomas A, gave the lads a 3-5 lead. Thomas A completed his hattrick before half time to give the Juniors a 3-6 lead at the break. Zak made it 3-7 early in the second half before Richmond pulled two back without reply to make it 5-7 and a ensure a tense finish to the game. The lads regained their composure and Charlie, then Daniel, scored to make it 5-9. There was a further goal for Richmond before Will completed the scoring, with his hat-trick. Full time score Richmond 6 Aycliffe 10. A great game played in the rain with Aycliffe Juniors into the next round of the Challenge Cup.

A special mention to our little ladies, the NAJFC Wildcats, who had their first taste of international football at weekend, travelling to the Riverside Stadium to watch England womens team take on Brazil. A great time was had by all! Some of these girls have not been to a football stadium before so it was a great experience for them and what better game to watch than the England Lionesses in action!

U9 EAGLES MARCH ON IN THE CUP

Last weekend the boys travelled to Riverside Juniors on a cold and wet morning. The boys started slowly and found themselves behind after a deflected shot found the back of the net. That's how it stayed until HT.

After a jee up at HT the boys played the football I knew they could. It didn't take long to find an equaliser when Dan sent over an inch perfect cross which found Krystian who managed to beat the keeper. Soon after another great cross from Dan found James at the back stick for a simple tap in. We were now in our stride and added a third through Nathan. Straight from kick off Riverside created a good opportunity but Carter made a great save to keep our lead at 2 goals. This spurred the lads on and James added a 4th. Pep made changes and was rewarded instantly when Evan scored with a nice side foot finish across the keeper to make it 5. The scoring was rounded off when Brandon smashed a shot into the top corner. FT 1-6 and we march on.

Development game was controlled and we created numerous chances. FT 3-0 goals from Riley, Nathan and Fyan

On another positive note the team was complimented by a Leeds United scout on how we played football, gives me so much pride in the work these boys have put in over the past 18 months.

Martin Smails

School Aycliffe Community Hall Events

Macmillian Coffee
Morning - Friday 18th
October 10.00am till
midday. Minimum £3
donation which includes
unlimited tea/coffee plus one
item from the baking table.
Additional items can also be
purchased.

A tombola and raffle will also be available

Shopping trip to York Designer Outlet - Saturday 2nd November, £20 per person. Leave behind the crowds of the outdoor market, and join us for an undercover shopping experience - no need to worry about the weather or the crowds - depart School Aycliffe Community Centre at 8.30am and return at 5.00pm. 105 shops and 14 restaurants including Cath Kitson, Thorntons, GAP, Marks & Spencers Outlet, Fiorelli, Adidas & Reebok Outlet, to name but a few! Please contact Georgette on 7951 758118 to book a place by 26th October

Bonfire Night Celebrations
- Tuesday 5th November,
6.30pm onwards, £3 per
adult and £2 for children
under 12 - this includes soup,
a hotdog and a hot drink.
Please contact Christine
on 07981 992686 by 1st

November - please note that

this event is ticket only.

Annual Christmas Quiz

- Friday 13th December,
7.30pm till 10.30pm, £8 per
person - max of 6 people per
team - includes pie n peas
and nibbles - bring your own

This event is very popular and also half the tickets have been reserved. Please contact Georgette on 07951 758118 to reserve your tickets by 6th December

Date for your diary! New Years Eve Party

music by Robson Field (songs from the 50's and 60's), £15 per person - bring your own food and drink. Please contact Tony on 07807 134942 for further details.

Victory for All Out 'Team 84 Years Young' at Castle Games

September Phil Mcalpine and Troy competed Hemmings The Castle Games, a local CrossFit competition, in the scaled men over 40's category. They completed qualifying workouts, earning themselves a place at the finals held at Middlesbrough Sports Village. At the event Phil and Troy (Team 84 Years Young) completed 4 events before taking on the final workout to reach the top spot on the podium. They finished in second place on three out of the five workouts, storming the weightlifting complex with a combined total of 160KG and completing a 2 x 400m relay in 2 minutes 18 seconds. They found themselves sitting in first place after 3 events and after the weightlifting WOD they were heading into the final sitting pretty. The final workout included a variety of complex movements including axle bar clusters and chest to bar pull-ups. However, they finished in third place with a time of 12 minutes 40, meaning they were able to maintain their lead at the top of the leader board and become The Castle Games Champions. Phil Mcalpine, aged 40 has been a member at All Out for almost 2 years. His wife Danielle and

two children Finnley and William Mcalpine became members first, with Danielle attending classes regularly and the two boys enjoying their CrossFit kids sessions. Finn and Will have since moved up to CrossFit All Out Academy (ages 11 – 16) and are not only continuing to improve and enjoy their sessions, but are excelling in every aspect of CrossFit, showing great determination and effort in every single class. The whole family have really embraced the CrossFit community lifestyle and often travel to support other members competing. They are a very active family and a great example for others both inside and outside of the gym.

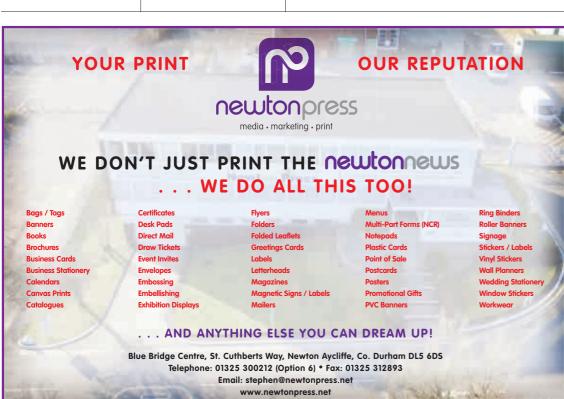
Phil said, "Danielle signed me up for fundamentals at All Out in January 2018 as part of my Christmas present; her and the boys were already members and loved the training involved. Previously I had gone to a general gym and had some personal training sessions, but I struggled with work and having time to get to the gym. After fundamentals I was hooked, the 6am class is perfect before work and even on the coldest winter mornings, getting up for training is a real pleasure."
Troy Hemmings, aged 44, has been a member at All Out for only one year and is the ideal example of keeping an open-mind to strength and fitness, trying new training styles, plus how quickly you can progress in CrossFit if you stick with it and put in the work.

Troy said, "I started with CrossFit about a year ago after being introduced to it



my friend. I had known Tez for a number of years as I was a member at a gym he used to work at. I can remember him telling me about CrossFit and his plans to open All Out back in 2013. Over the years I have trained at numerous gyms focusing on bodybuilding; however in 2018 I started to find my training was becoming tedious and wanted to try something different. I visited All Out to see what CrossFit was all about and remember at the time The CrossFit Open was on; a worldwide CrossFit competition whereby people of all ages and/or abilities partake in one workout a week for 5 weeks. CrossFit All Out was buzzing, everyone was pushing each other on. After that I knew I wanted to try it and I have since competed in many competitions this year including mixed pairs, same sex pairs, mixed teams of 4 and a same sex

team of 3. I have ended up on the podium in 2 of these competitions with a third place and first place finish; I do competitions for fun on the back of training. CrossFit All Out is an amazing place to train filled with inspirational people; it always has an unreal atmosphere. The coaches are fantastic and will help you when and where they can. Head Coach Terry Anderson said, "these guys are what it's all about – in their 40's, enjoying weekly training sessions, gradually progressing and improving to a level where they feel confident enough to enter competitions and enjoy these events. They really pushed themselves on the day and it's great to see them take well-deserved podium spot. We are all very proud of their achievements so far and hope to see them continue to enjoy the sport of CrossFit with us.'







Harrison Wins First Trophy at Rowrah



Dunn from School Aycliffe did his first competitive event at Rowrah in Cumbria last weekend and also won his first trophy!

year old racer exceptionally well throughout the weekend, especially with a big grid of karts and in very wet conditions.

He continued to improve throughout the day, getting faster every session. He dealt with the race format, track conditions and the

home of British Motorsport,

Silverstone, as the Renault

UK Clio Cup championship

leader and after a terrific performance in Saturday's

race looked likely to head

to the final round with an

extended gap. In typical

Clio Cup fashion, the drama

unfolded in Sunday's live

The Primex Plastics backed

driver had looked fast in

pre-event testing in both

conditions on the Friday.

Qualifying was closely fought and Coates secured

3rd on the grid for both

races, just a position behind

Coates settled into race

one and sat 3rd in the RPC

bpi PLASgran car during

the race's early laps. By

began to attack, his chief

championship rival just a

position ahead. The Polydist

sponsored driver found

himself being slowed down

distance

mid-race

his title rival Jack Young.

televised race on ITV4.

"He is improving all the time and building his lines and awareness all the time" said Mam Amanda after the event. "Best of all is he is so happy all the time - well done Harrison, the whole family is proud of you!" she added.

Thanks again to sponsors Land Home Johnson Improvements and NRG Cycles for the support and also to Amaron Racing for running him.

information For more on Harrison visit www. volume of traffic very well. HarrisonDunnRacing.com

Coates Suffers Silverstone Blow

Water Polo **Free Trial**

Sedgefield Water Polo are pleased to announce that we are offering a free trial to anyone interested in taking up water polo as a fun and exciting hobby. This is on Saturdays at 4.00-5.30pm at Newton Avcliffe Leisure Centre. We offer a wide range of training sessions to suit all abilities and operate from Newton Aycliffe and Spennymoor Leisure Centres: with an additional session forming part of Woodham Sports Academy those for attending the school in years 7-9.

We have members aged from 8 years old right through to adult. We participate in the Wakefield and District League at both U14 and U16 ages, in addition to other tournaments within the UK. For those with high aspirations, we hold a 'satellite session' once a week for eligible members which allow progression onto regional and national academies.

Anyone interested in attending is asked to call/text the club on 07579 030598, email sedgefieldwp@hotmail. com or contact us via our Facebook page.

15-point deficit.

Afterwards Coates said,

"After such a promising race one and strong pace

in race two I'm devastated

with how the second race

has ended. Someone else's

mistake has cost me not

only a podium but the lead

of the championship at such

a pivotal time in the season.

I'm more determined than

ever to overturn this mis-

fortune and come back to

Brands Hatch in just over

a weeks' time to put on the

best performance of my

BRONZE MEDAL IN CROSSFIT CYPRUS COMPETITION

On 19th September CrossFit All Out athlete and Coach Vicki Finn Smith aged 35, flew to Cyprus with her husband and Coach Stewart Smith and two close friends, Rich and Sam Gates, who are also members at CrossFit All Out. She took part in The Aphrodite Games, a 3-day CrossFit competition from 20th to 22nd September, in which she qualified in third place. She competed in the Masters Women 35-39 category and over the 3 days Vicki fought her way through 9 tough workouts. Some of these included heavy barbell cycling, a 100m handstand walk, ring muscle ups, cut off rope climbs, strict handstand push ups and dumbbell burpee box step overs.

After missing her flight and arriving late to her destination, Vicki battled her way through her first event early the following day which was a 4000m run, a 500m swim and a sprint to the finish line for time. She was able to complete this in a time of 31:30; setting her up for a successful weekend ahead. One of her highlights from the weekend was hitting a one rep max thruster personal

finish in this event. Vicki was able to hold her own against some superb athletes, one of them being a CrossFit Games masters athlete and after all 9 workouts Vicki landed herself a spot on the podium finishing in third place overall; a fantastic achievement showing that she is able to compete with the

best in the world. She said, "I was thrilled to place Third at The Aphrodite Games, it was a great experience competing against a CrossFit Games athlete. I loved the event as a whole it was very well organised! My best two workouts included the lift where I hit a 1RM thruster personal best and a workout containing barbell cycling with rowing and heavy DT (a CrossFit benchmark workout)."

Head Coach Terry Anderson said "Vicki is a fantastic asset to the box and an inspiration to many. We are excited to see her competing internationally at such a high standard and will continue to support her in the future. All members are fellow Coaches and are proud of the effort Vicki continues to put in to her training daily."





Newton Aycliffe travelled to the coast with a squad depleted by injuries from earlier matches in the season, to challenge Redcar 1st XV in a top of the table clash in the Durham Northumberland div 3. A baptism of fire was about to unfold. With the journey barely out of their system and despite Aycliffe having a slight wind advantage in the first half from kick off, Redcar showed their strength and class by running in several tries to take the lead to 36 - 0 before Aycliffe managed to win a lineout close to the Redcar line and drove on for flanker Phil Sangster to squeeze over for what amounted to be a consolation try. Redcar resumed their running prowess and scored more tries to finish the first half 43-5.

The start of the second half was delayed by 10 mins because the Referee had sustained an ankle injury but was duly replaced by an assessing referee on the side-

The disruption did not halt Redcar's scoring spree who went on to add several more tries including a try by Aycliffe's former coach of last season Ben Durrans, who returned to his previous club this season. The final score was a hurtful 83 -5. Aycliffe kept on going throughout the match. With noticeable big hits put in by Dale Patterson, who also carried well and wing man

Liam Clarey who played his first match of the season and he also put in some great tackles. Scrummage was also a decent feature for Aycliffe who held well against a big strong pack and it was a debut performance from Sam Demery who held his own in the front row. Aycliffe showed good spirit despite the onslaught of tries from a club who only 2 seasons ago were in division 1. If Redcar carry this momentum on it won't be long before they are back up there, well done to them. Aycliffe will rebuild and look forward to the home fixture at Moore Lane after the New

Aycliffe's next league fixture is at home to South Shields on 19th October. The squad will be rested next Saturday probably. This will allow players to come back from injuries and get back to full strength.

Aycliffe will continue to welcome any new players, experienced or not, to their club. If anyone wants to try out during training nights go to Newton Aycliffe Sports Club on Moore Lane, training starts 7pm prompt.
All will be made most

The plan is to reform a 2nd XV, namely The Newtonians, as soon as possible.

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and was followed through by marshals Max was able to re-join the race, albeit with a damaged car and only two team-mate Jamie Bond. The Coates, Young and Bond trio laps remaining. He crossed continued to battle to the the line in 11th place giving him 5 points towards his end of the race, with Coates finishing 2nd and extending his championship lead to 6 championship challenge, a 6-point lead turned into a points.

Broadcast live on ITV4 Max found himself in an early race three-way tussle for the lead, including Young, his championship rival. Max, championship rival. Max, in his Harron Homes backed car was the main charger in the pack and found his way into the lead briefly at turn one before the cars went four abreast into the second complex of corners. Max kept the pressure on and got back to 2nd and pulled the leader back in. The RMB Automotive and Bennett Renault backed driver made a move for the lead at turn one but remained 2nd and came under attack from behind. Unfortunately, Max was hit into the gravel entering Brooklands corner another driver failed in their attempt to overtake. With help from the supporting

racing career. " Silverstone's races can be watched back via the BTCC Motorsport website; https://www.itv.com/btcc/races/btcc-2019-silverstonerace-action. The Clio Cup will conclude at Brands Hatch, Kent, on the 12th and 13th of October. Coates will need race wins to put him in a position to win the championship. He will qualify and have his first race on Saturday afternoon, both sessions can be followed via TSL Live Timing. The season finale in which the championship is likely to be decided will be screened live on ITV4, at 12:45 on the

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makers, assist their peers, and ultimately to raise standards.

Tree Tops has contributed to the 2019 Parliamentary Review and celebrated the publication at a Gala event in the Houses of Parliament on the 4 September 2019. Our article focused on understanding sensory difficulties processing (SPD), in particular the difficulties many our

children experience education from academically underperforming to anxiety and potentially exclusions. The article strives to explain how sensory processing difficulties can result in challenging behaviours and affect a child's social and emotional well-being. Our message was to stress how effective our interventions can be within the school environment to help children access learning, but also give school staff more tools to target many

youngster's complex needs Tree Tops endeavours to educate schools to SPD and understand integrate interventions into the classroom routine. We firmly believe that if Head teachers understood that by working in partnership with Tree Tops all children would have more chance of success whilst reducing the resources needed to support them in the long term.

One of our mainstream schools Thornhill Primary, in Shildon kindly allowed

us to take photos of the children in the motor skills groups to illustrate how our programmes can be integrated into the school day to benefit the children. Thornhill is testament to our belief of the long term benefits of working together. They worked in partnership with Tree Tops for over 5 years and continue to expand our provision into different aspects of education. We are currently working to integrate interventions alongside education into early years whilst still running the daily motor skills groups.

When we were at the Houses of Parliament we met many other small businesses from sectors. The experience highlighted how unique we are, as there are very few children's OT services in the UK, especially ones offering sensory integration treatment interventions. Guest speakers included Gold Olympian winner Denise who

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Chatting to her I did
think of our youngsters
who struggle to overcome some of their challenges so need a lot of support and interventions to facilitate this. Our role at Tree Tops is to educate others to understand the children's difficulties and needs whilst implementing the tools and techniques to facilitate the child's ability to succeed. As Denise stressed, positive experiences with support ultimately lead to enhanced self-esteem and confidence, which is fundamentally important



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campaign has been launched to raise awareness of the services and expert advice on offer in County Durham pharmacies.

There are currently 126 pharmacies in the county that provide a large variety of services, ranging from advice on and the treatment of many minor ailments, to guidance about medicine and stop smoking and drug misuse support.

Community pharmacies play a major part in relieving pressures on the NHS but there is potential for them to help more people, as not everyone is aware of services available and how accessible they

The Pharmacy is for Everyone campaign aims to address this by highlighting the expertise of pharmacists and encouraging people to approach their local pharmacy for advice before

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The campaign is being delivered by County Council, Durham County Durham and Darlington Local Pharmaceutical Committee (LPC), North Durham Clinical Commissioning (CCG) and Group Durham Dales, Easington and Sedgefield CCG. It follows public consultation Healthwatch County consultation Durham that found satisfaction pharmacies in the county is high, but awareness of some of the services they provide is low. This included a lack of knowledge of pharmacy consultation rooms, where the public can have private consultations.

The campaign will see increased advertising of all services within pharmacies and social media posts to reach a wider audience.

Cllr Lucy Hovvels MBE, Cabinet member for adult and health services at Durham County Council, said: "We are really pleased to support the Pharmacy is for Everyone campaign, as by promoting the role of pharmacies more widely we will make more people aware of the services they provide. This will not only help reduce the pressure on GPs and other parts of the NHS, but it will allow patients with minor ailments to receive the treatment or medicine they need more quickly and access the numerous pharmacy services that aim to improve the health of the local community.

"Pharmacists train for five years and are experts in medicine. They work within the community and can provide advice and services at a time to suit patients. That's why your local pharmacy really should be your first port of call "

The campaign was officially launched Pharmacy in West Rainton, which was named North East Pharmacy of the Year at the English Independent Retail Awards.

To find out more about the services on offer at pharmacies, visit http:// www.durhamlpc.org.uk

Campaign to Make Malta Film Making for Local Teenagers

Media Studies students at King James I Academy have travelled to Malta to gather footage for a series of online travel documentaries; they are now in the process of editing their footage back in the UK.

Malta is an excellent destination for young film makers. It has a rich destination history of media production with Game of Thrones, Gladiator, Troy, World War Z, Captain Phillips and the 1980 musical production of Popeye all filmed there to name but a few. Students visited the Popeye film set at Anchor Bay, which is now a tourist attraction; the Silent City of Mdina, which appears frequently in Game of Thrones; and the capital Valletta, which offered multiple locations connected to WWII history. This international trip gave students the opportunity to gain experience in script writing, TV presenting and filming, alongside the complex planning issues that are faced by producers when creating a product. Once finished, all travel travel documentaries will be uploaded to the Academy website and YouTube for viewing by the general public.

Photo: Students gathered film footage at multiple locations across the island. multiple



READERS' PHOTOGRAPHS



Patricia Pellman visited Seaham on Monday 23rd September to view 'Tommy', above is a photo of the statue for readers to enjoy. Send your photos to paul@newtonnews.co.uk

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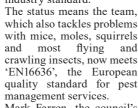
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This is my first publication of Hoggie Blog and as the weather is getting colder and a lot damper I would like to ask all readers to spare a thought for our wildlife.
I would firstly like to thank

the following finders of the three baby hedgehogs I have in my rescue because it would have meant certain death had they not brought them to me. Nicola Jacques for finding Cindi who is gaining weight and doing well, Martin Shires for rescuing Marti, out alone and being too small to survive like Cindi and finally Lucy who was found on Monday by Jacki Craft, poor Lucy was curled up. cold, wet and frightened, out in the daytime, weighs 224 grams and very sore with mange and some abscesses. She is warm and receiving the medical and critical care she needs and deserves.

These little ones will have to remain indoors till next year now, but when they do they will be 100% fit and healthy and go on to have maybe two or three litters of their own, maybe four babies each time which is a fantastic boost to a struggling mammal population.

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Reunion Concert

Framwellgate School in Durham has a long history of talented music students. In the 70's, there was an amazing brass band in the school, with some really talented musicians, which was led by teacher Neil Stephen Smart, who was

an original member of this band, has decided to team up with his fellow band mates to celebrate the glory days of the FMCS School Band back in the 70's, raising funds for both the music department at Framwellgate School Durham Spennymoor Town Band, who will perform alongside the school's own wind band. There is also an opportunity for some students to play side-by-side with Spennymoor excellent Town Band.

Stephen is a freelance French Horn player, living in the South of England. He said "My first taste of playing the French horn was in Framwellgate Moor Comprehensive School Brass Band as it was known in those days. Music for me, like everyone else in the world, is of huge importance in life. Music bonds people together, develops team work. encourages commitment and dedication as well as enhancing social and communication skills for students to use throughout their life. Through the technological age we live in now, I've managed to get in touch with several of my fellow band members and we were all keen to stage this concert to raise funds for music in the school. We cannot think of a better way of doing this than by getting back together and playing again."

Stephen has performed with many of the country's leading orchestras including Welsh National Opera, BBC, London Concert Orchestra, London Gala Orchestra, London Mozart Players, Bournemouth Symphony, City of London Sinfonia, venues including the Royal Albert Hall, Royal Festival Hall, Symphony Hall Birmingham, KKL Luzerne, and Royal Opera House Covent Garden.

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Obituary

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Caitlin Hodgson

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In Memoriam

Wilfred McGorrigan

Retired Police Chief Inspector (Durham Constabulary)

Wilf, sadly passed away Tuesday 1st October, peacefully in hospital, aged 94.

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Norman Robertson

25th October 2016

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Aycliffe's Girl Racer Takes Another Podium

Aycliffe's fast racing girl Scarlet Dunn took another Podium at Rowrah this weekend.

Fresh off the back of her first win last weekend at Teesside, the 8 year old went straight out in the wet conditions and set the 2nd fastest time in Free Practice. She then went on to Qualify 4th and then took a 7th place in Heat 1, a 5th in Heat 2 and a 4th in the Final.

The accumulated results netted her 3rd place overall "Scarlet drove brilliantly in such tricky conditions - it was mixed weather all day and she was consistently fast. This is her highest place finish yet at Rowrah in the Comer!" said Mam Amanda. "The best bit though is she does it all with a smile - she is always happy and loves karting!" Scarlet would like to thank sponsors Johnson again Land Home Improvements and NRG Cycles for the support and also to Amaron Racing for running her.





Saturday 5th October Ebac Northern League Division One Hebburn Town 2 v Newton Aycliffe 1

Newton Aycliffe travelled to league leaders Hebburn Town, and were unlucky to lose 2-1. Hebburn started well and centre forward Armstrong headed wide on three minutes. He then had two further chances. hitting a shot high and wide from a good position, and directing a header from a free kick straight at Aycliffe keeper Adam Pickford. Hebburn took the lead on thirty four minutes when Dibb-Fuller hit a free kick into the top corner of the goal.

Aycliffe responded well with man-of-the match Lewis Walton outstanding in defence and prompting attacks; centre forward Dean Thexton was only stopped by a last ditch dribbling after through the Hebburn Then defence. Marc Costello shot just over the bar following a fine Aycliffe

team move. Hebburn came back and Pickford had to tip over a free kick from Richardson. In first half injury time, Costello had a header cleared off the line following a corner, as Avcliffe searched for the equaliser.

The second half continued in a similar vein, with the sides trading shots. The advantage swung in Hebburn's favour in the 56th minute with a controversial penalty. Armstrong and an Aycliffe player went down together in the penalty box. There were no appeals for a penalty, but one was given, and Armstrong converted for 2-0. Aycliffe responded a minute later; Shaun Ryder chased a ball out wide, kept it in and crossed for Dean Thexton to head in his tenth league goal of the campaign.

Aycliffe pressed for the equaliser. Harrison Aycliffe Webster came on for his debut, and his pace gave the Hebburn defence problems. Aaron Brown headed wide from a free kick, Webster put a shot over the bar after being set up by Thexton, and Ryder hit a free kick into the side netting. Hebburn counter-attacked and Dibb-Fuller had a good chance but pulled his shot wide. Avcliffe continued to press but Hebburn held out for the win.

Next match was away to Easington in the League Cup on Thursday 10th October, kick off 7.30pm. That is followed by a league game at home to Penrith on Saturday 12th October, kick off 3pm.

There will be a fundraising "Curry & Race Night" at the Sports Club on Saturday 2 November. The event will start at 6:00pm immediately after the home game against Ashington. Join the players management for a fun evening of racing, quiz, music & chat & food! Entry is £3 & the proceeds will go towards the further development of the ground. The club is currently working on a project to replace the path to the football ground & install a turnstile. Tickets available at forthcoming home matches.

Photo: Aycliffe's Marc Costello dodging Hebburn tackle Report: David Strickland Photo: Yvonne Wood

N.A.F.C. REPORT GOOD DAY AT THE DANDER



week after their first gala of the season at Middlesbrough, Sedgefield 75 swimmers headed to the Dolphin Centre for the 2019 Darlington Dander Gala. A combined total of 73 swims were completed by 14 young swimmers who earned an impressive 31 medals for finishing in the top three in their respective age groups. Ellis Dickinson swar swam superbly in his first ever competition and achieved his target of under a minute for his freestyle race, and Iona Darnton representing Sedgefield for the first time in competition swam in three events including a particularly impressive 50m freestyle performance.
Pippa Sanderson swam

Pippa personal best times in both of her races and Oliver Turnbull returned with five out of six personal bests including a five-second 100m improvement at Individual Medley which earned him a silver medal to go with his three bronze

Liam Hughes received two bronze medals to go with three PBs from his five races. Matthew Wimbury won breaststroke silver and bronze medals over 100m and 50m.

The Wilczynski brothers Mateusz and Filip again racked up another big haul of medals, Filip taking home six gold medals and 3 PBs from nine events and Mateusz a gold and two bronze

Zoe Hodgson competed in five races, smashing her 50m backstroke PB and Charlie McEwan took a silver and a PB at 50m butterfly and two other bronze medals. Chloe Harding hit three personal best time in seven events and James Hodgson swam four races taking silver at 50m freestyle.

Emma Price and Tom both achieved medals in all five of their races, Emma winning four golds and a silver and Tom two golds and three silver.

Both swimmers "PB'd" in two events and Emma had the distinction of finishing fourth across all age-groups (70 swimmers up to 17 years old) in the 100m individual medley despite being just 11 years old herself.

All swimmers once again conducted themselves and came excellently together as a team to provide plenty of vocal support to their competing team-mates. Lots more hard work in training now before the club heads to Chester-le-Street to test themselves again!



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