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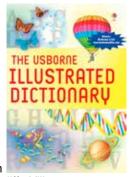




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Rotary Newton Aycliffe Distribute Dictionaries 4 Life

Dictionary 4 Life is an initiative supported by Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland and a project first undertaken by Rotary Newton Aycliffe several years ago. The Usborne Illustrated Dictionary 4 Life has 1,000 illustrations, 10,000 entries and 20,000 definitions, printed in full colour on paper from sustainable forests and every year our club places an order for over 400 of the dictionaries. On delivery, the books are distributed to every pupil in year 6 of 11 primary schools, this year at a cost of more than £1,400. Included are all those schools in



Newton Aycliffe and also Heighington and Aycliffe Village. This mammoth task was, for a few years, co-ordinated by Rotarian Pat Henderson-Pickersgill and has now, for 7 years or more, been carried out by Rotarian Mary Waine and Friend of Rotary, Clive Bennett. The books need to be unpacked, each one labelled, then repacked and loaded onto a truck, kindly loaned by Clive, for delivery to the schools. The photograph on the front page shows Mary getting to grips with the enormous amount of work (410 this year) and many thanks to them both from President Gary Blenkinsopp and the club.

It may surprise readers to know that there are children who live without a single book in their home and do not have access to the internet. Therefore, we at Rotary are proud to be involved with Dictionary 4 Life and think this is a very worthwhile project. Our grateful thanks go to those of you in the community that always support our fund-raising with a donation which enables us to continue with such work.

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"Flu (also known as influenza) is a highly infectious illness caused by the flu virus. It spreads rapidly through small droplets coughed or sneezed into the air by an infected person. Protection from the vaccine gradually decreases and flu strains change over time. Therefore, new vaccines are made each year and people at risk of flu are encouraged to be vaccinated every year. The flu vaccination is offered to people in at-risk groups. These people are at greater risk of developing serious complications if they catch flu, such as pregnant women and elderly people". Dr. Ruth Lund, GP Partner.

If you have received or about to receive your COVID Booster vaccine then please ensure you leave a sevenday gap between appointments. We have started booking for flu vaccine appointments being delivered at both Bewick and Heighington Surgeries (appointments through the week and weekends). You may get a text from us which informs you when you are eligible to book; texts also provide you with a link to book your appointment yourself without having to call us. You can still ring us to arrange this after 10am, Monday to Friday on 01325 316637. We are managing this campaign in age-specific categories to manage demand:

- Between 23rd September and 1st October, only over-65s to contact the surgery to book an appointment.
- After 4th October all eligible groups can contact us to book a flu appointment.

For any further clarity required please refer to our website at **bewickcrescentsurgery.nhs.net**

Woodham Academy's Head Boy and Head Girl 2021-22



Woodham Academy are delighted to announce the appointment of James Clark and Jennie Harrison as Head Boy and Head Girl. The candidates were interviewed by Andrew Bell, Headteacher, Vikki Fawcett, Head of Year 11 and Sarah Aitken, Leadership Academy Co-ordinator. The appointment was based on a rigorous process, following a letter of application and an interview, in which the standard of applicants was exceptionally high, making the selection process difficult.

Mr Bell, Headteacher, said "From Year 7, James and Jennie have embraced every aspect of the school's ethos, demonstrating outstanding commitment and participation throughout. Both have shown excellent leadership qualities and dedication to all of their subjects, making them ideal role models for younger students." James and Jennie will be supported in their role by Harry Brumwell and Amy McCarthy, as Vice Head Boy and Vice Head Girl respectively and will oversee the launch of the new Student Ambassador Programme, designed to support younger students and assist staff with clubs.

Woodham Academy are exceptionally proud of the maturity and dedication all candidates have shown and are looking forward to working with them this year.



REME Association. South West Durham Branch monthly meeting will be held at 8.00pm on Wednesday 29th September 2021 at the Scout Centre, Bluebell Way, Newton Aycliffe. All serving, exserving and any members with an association to REME welcome. "Arte et Marte"





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Retired Town Clerk made Freeman of Great Aycliffe

Following the Town Council Meeting on Wednesday 15th September, a ceremony was held to bestow the prestigious and rare accolade of 'Honorary Freeman of the Town' on the recently retired Town Clerk, Andrew Bailey, in recognition of his contribution to the Town Council and the parish of Great

Andrew is only the fourth person to receive this honour, following on from former Councillors Don Vickers and Eric White and current Councillor Bob Fleming. Andrew started working at Great Aycliffe Town Council in 1989 as Director of Leisure and Environment, eventually taking on the role of Town Clerk in 2006. He retired in May this year after 32 years of service. During his time working for the Council, Andrew made a huge difference to the town. leading on the construction of the Town Park and West Cemetery, the extension of the Council Works Depot, the development of



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the Great Aycliffe Way and the improvement of numerous parks and play areas across the town.

The Mayor of Great Aycliffe, Councillor Mrs. Sandra Haigh, had the honour of presenting Andrew with a commemorative scroll to recognise his long and distinguished service to the Council and the Community. Councillor Eddy Adam, who tabled the original motion to award the honour, led the tributes while Councillors Arun Chandran and Bob Fleming both gave speeches recognising Andrew's knowledge, character and integrity, his many achievements over the years, and thanking him for his contribution and service to the Council and community.

Andrew commented "This is a fantastic honour and something that I did not expect or work for", and made a brief speech recognising the contribution and support he had received from former colleagues and councillors.

Have a Say on **Local Issues**

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

The Great Aycliffe & Middridge Partnership board will be meeting virtually on Tuesday 28 September 2021, between 6pm and 8pm via Microsoft Teams, and members of the public are invited to observe proceedings. Board members are due to receive update presentations in relation to Durham County Council's Towns & Villages Regeneration funding, as well as the Council's Library services at the meeting.

Anyone who would like to attend the virtual meeting should register in advance by emailing gampaap@durham.gov.uk so that we can forward a link to join the meeting. Great Aycliffe & Middridge Partnership is one of 14 Area Action Partnerships set up by Durham County Council in 2009.

RIP Keith Belton

Keith Belton, a native of Newton Aycliffe, founder, leader and piano player of the Tees Valley Jazzmen, has passed away. He has been an immense figure in the North East Trad world for many years. We will be paying tribute to Keith on 'Jazz Time' on Aycliffe Radio on Sunday 26th September 6.30-8.00pm (repeated on Tuesday 8.00-9.30pm).







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New Exciting Exhibition "It's Your World Now!" at Greenfield Arts

Greenfield Arts are delighted to welcome back artist and photographer Elaine Vizor to the Greenfield Gallery.

The exhibition 'With or Without' is an imaginative and innovative exhibition that explores techniques and approaches 'with or without' a camera. This body of work demonstrates different ways of capturing light and is in two contrasting parts. The



work is vibrant and reflects Elaine's artistic expertise and reflects upon changes through the recent lockdown.

The exhibition will run from Thursday 16 September to Wednesday 27 October 2021 and will include a programme of activities and creative challenges. There will be a cyanotype workshop led by the artist, where you can create wonderful pieces of work and explore the skills of cyanotype, the first form of photography. Later in the season there will also be the chance to capture light in darkness in our Night Light Photography session and learn more from Elaine about this innovative and vibrant technique. Just visit our website or contact our friendly team to find out more.

We look forward to seeing you soon. The Greenfield Gallery is open from 10:00 - 21:00 Monday to Thursday and 10:00 to 16:00 each Friday. Greenfield Arts are committed to offering high quality arts activity that helps stimulate creativity, questioning and enquiry. Please visit the website www.greenfield-arts.co.uk to see our full autumn programme and to sign up for our monthly newsletter. You can contact our friendly team by emailing info@greenfield-arts.co.uk or by calling 01325 379048.

Constance Heather Castle

Heather Castle passed away on the 2nd September 2021 from Advanced Motor Neurone disease an illness she battled for 8 long years with dignity and courage.

Heather was a school teacher at Byerley Park School from 1984 until her retirement in 2002. A dedicated professional teacher who delighted in teaching young children and educating them in clever ways and reassuring them when starting school if they were unsure of themselves.

Her funeral was held on Friday 17th September in St. Mary's Church, Coxhoe, her family church where she was christened, confirmed, sang in the choir and married her husband Clive. The Castle family would like to thank the following local agencies and people for helping to look after Heather over the years:

The staff at St Teresa's Hospice in Darlington for their considerable professional care in looking after Heather during her respite periods and in her passing.

The staff and Bryan Shepherd of Whitehouse Funeral Services for their advice, kind attention to detail and their professionalism in preparing Heather's Funeral.

The Peaseway Surgery doctors and the medical staff for their support given to Heather over the years together with Lloyds Pharmacy staff, and the The Village Pharmacy staff at Woodham for their considerable help in supporting Heather through this disease. To the children and staff of Byerley Park School who lined the route at the school as the cortege passed. To all local friends and colleagues who have sent sympathy cards, flowers and other gifts to the house and who have also donated to the Motor Neurone Disease Association, and a special thank you to our friends and neighbours in Wynyard Court for their considerable support to Clive and family during this difficult time.

Thank you all The Castle Family





One book, 'It's Your World Now', by Barry Falls, has captured the imagination of every pupil at Sugar Hill Primary in the first two weeks of this new academic year.

Prior to the summer holidays pupils did not have their usual transition days to meet their new classroom staff, due to Covid19. It was then decided, when the children returned to school in September, that there would be dedicated time, in the first two weeks, to ensure staff and children were able to engage in a wide range of creative activities based on this whole school book. Oracy is high on our school agenda and there has been lots of talking, so children and staff have really got to know each other and quickly established positive relationships. Children across school have amazed staff with their creativity and skills of cooperation and collaboration.

There are three main lessons in the book. Lessons that are important for children and adults alike. Lesson 1 is the world is full of wonderful things. How true this is and something we may have forgotten with Covid19. Lesson 2 is things will not always go your way. This lesson has really helped our older pupils to further develop their resilience and what we call 'bouncebackability'. Lesson 3 is vital. The children have all been reminded that we are all different, we all achieve in different ways and that we must remember that no matter what, we are loved.

Talking about these three 'life lessons' has been the springboard for all children to launch into our brand new project based curriculum for 2021-2022. Projects have started this week and we can't wait to share the outcomes from these projects with our families and local

It is so lovely to see all our children excited to be back at school and to see their enthusiasm as they interact with each other in our engaging new curriculum. It's been fantastic to have parents and carers attending 'Welcome Meetings' in school and we are all delighted to be able to share this positive start to this school year first hand with our families and we have everything crossed that this amazing start to our school year goes from strength to strength. Together everything is possible and we want to say a huge thank you to all our parents and carers for all they have done to help us make this happen. We can't wait to share project outcomes with Newton News readers - watch this space!

Sketch Walk

On Thursday 16th September's walk we met on the Green at Aycliffe Village on a sunny morning and were spoilt for choice, with stone buildings and the wishing well being popular.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact Bill Lowery 01325 311225 - beginners welcome.





We are currently looking for 40 people to join our team! Do you have a friend or a family member that would like to join our team?

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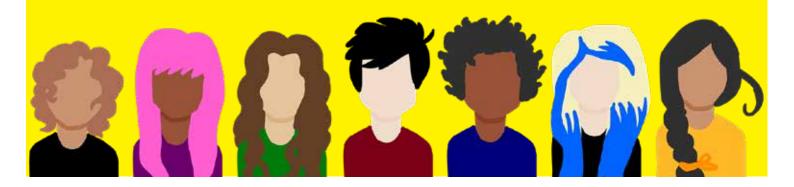
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Creative Forum at Greenfield Arts



Greenfield Arts are delighted to welcome back Creative Forum for the autumn season for their weekly sessions in Studio 2.

The group are a self-led creative group, working together to support and develop arts practice and are supported by Mixed Media Artist Sharron Bates. Sharron and the group have been involved in exhibitions, craft fairs and a series of workshops and activities at Greenfield Arts and their love of creativity is infectious. They are now busy preparing for an exhibition later in the year which will showcase beautiful



pieces of work including batik, monoprint, collage and textile art. The exhibition Emerging showcases their creativity during lockdown isolation and beyond, as they emerge once more a creative group who relish working alongside each other and learning from fellow creatives.

The group are happy to welcome new members. If you would like to know more about the Creative Forum and are interested in coming along to explore and share creativity, contact sharron.bates@hotmail.co.uk

"The group is the perfect place to 'escape' for a few hours and meet up with like-minded people. We welcome all types of creativity and all skill levels. The group is relaxed and inspiring and there's always biscuits!" said Sharron.

It is a lovely space to chat, be creative and share ideas. The success of the group has recently encouraged a new forum at No. 42 in Bishop Auckland which takes place each Monday and will see more creativity flourish throughout the region. Contact Jilly. johnston@aucklandproject.org to find out more.

Greenfield Arts are delighted to host such a creative collaboration and are excited to see the artwork coming together for the exhibition in November. The exhibition Emerging will run from 4 November – 15 December 2021.

Greenfield Arts are committed to offering high quality arts activity that helps stimulate creativity, questioning and enquiry. You can contact our friendly team by emailing info@greenfield-arts.co.uk or by calling 01325 379048 or find out more by visiting www.greenfield-arts.co.uk

Sedgefield Water Polo Club Beginner Sessions

Success in any sporting activity comes from the attention to the smaller details and the recent successes of the Sedgefield Water Polo club can, in part, be traced back to the clubs continuing commitment to providing the opportunity for younger swimmers to get involved with a sport that promotes the development of self discipline, respect, team work skills, a very high level of fitness and a healthy wellbeing.



Thanks to the continuing and invaluable support provided through GAMP funding, Sedgefield Water Polo Club are pleased to confirm they will be starting a new Saturday afternoon children's beginner session for both boys and girls who would like a chance to try this very exciting sport. This offers a natural progression from swimming lessons, while providing great value for money for parents wishing to support their children in a worthwhile sporting activity.

The new beginner sessions will commence Saturday 25th September and be held from 2-3pm at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre, The sessions need to be booked in advance so please check the Sedgefield Water Polo Club website for further information and details on how to join the club. As a welcome to new members your first week is free, so why not come along and say hi, take the time to see what we are all about and join in the fun. Let us know what you think so we can continue to improve the training sessions provided for all of our up and coming water polo players, and if you let your friends know of the great time you are having they may want to be a part of the continuing success of the club.

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A Bad Odour

Dear Sir,

I wonder if any other readers have detected the terrible smell which we've experienced every night for a few weeks.

I would describe it as a cross between fertiliser and disinfectant, and it is in the air from around 11pm. Whatever it is, it actually seeps into the house, and as I write this at 11am I can still smell it from last night. About ten years ago we had a similar thing happening, again produced at night, this time smelling really sickly, rather like fried onion. I drove around and tracked it down to Ineos, phoned the managing director who kindly arranged a meeting with me.

He told me exactly what the chemical was, and was grateful I'd told him because they'd invested tens of thousands in what they thought was an efficient air filtration system. He ordered an immediate halt to production of that particular substance.

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School Aycliffe Community **Association News**

The Committee Members are pleased to be able to announce that we will be open for business from 1st October.

Following a deep clean and adhering to government guidance we will be hosting our first Ladies Night on Wednesday, 7th October 7pm till 9pm – for further details please contact Chris Robinson on 07981 992686.

We are hoping to start a monthly book club, further details will be on our Facebook page. If you would like to hire our hall, to hold regular classes or one-off events, please contact Tony Robinson on 07807 134942 We would also like to take this opportunity in thanking you for being so patient and look forward to seeing you at a future event at our

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Newton Aycliffe Youth Football News

Aycliffe U10 Eagles v Seaton Carew Lions

League Cup match and from the offset The Eagles put their all into the game and working hard as a team, unfortunately the game didn't go our way. The boys managed to get one past the opposing keeper which was a rocket from Tarek. Unfortunate loss, but a great learning opportunity for the team. Opposition MOM: Tarek, Managers MOM:

Aycliffe U12 Eagles 2 v Hurworth Albion U12's 5

A difficult draw in the opening round of the League Cup, playing a team three divisions higher.

A disciplined backline caught Hurworth offside on numerous occasions, the midfield worked their socks off & the boys took their chances with a well converted penalty and a clinical finish from Charlie. Top class Goalkeeping from Sam, who accepted the challenge of spending the full game between the sticks. Despite losing the game, coaches and parents were very proud of the boys effort throughout and determination all the way to the final whistle. **Aycliffe U8 Wildcats** v FC Hartlepool Blues

The U8's Wildcats continued their impressive start to the season. Ava (2), Macy (5), Elsie and Elizabeth, with her first goal, were all on the scoresheet, whilst Georgia, Brooke and Erin all played their part in what was a solid team performance. All the hard work in training is

Aycliffe U13 Eagles 12 v Coxhoe United 0

All round great team performance and a fantastic result. However, Olly and a defender both went for the ball, nasty collision but Olly still managed to find the back of the net for his 4th goal of the game. Olly however seriously injured his ankle and had to come off and went to hospital, the lads hope he gets back to football ASAP. Six goals in each half and a comfortable 3pts.

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Aycliffe U23 6 v Wearside 1

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Chester-le-Street United 7 v Newton Aycliffe Women 2

A disappointing result but definitely not disappointed with the effort and attitude that all 12 players put in. The women went into the break 2-1 down with a great goal from Katie Smith who added a 2nd early in the second half, 2-2. However, as the home team started to rotate their 7 subs and Aycliffe tiring, CLS went into a 5-2 lead before a strange decision to send off our GK. CLS added 2 more goals before the final whistle. POM: Lottie Hall.

Other results

Stockton Town 2 v Aycliffe U13 Girls 0 Aycliffe Angels Blue 2 v Washington Utd 4 Aycliffe Angels Yellow 1 v Easington CA 5 Whickham Fellside 1v Aycliffe U14 Falcons 3 Aycliffe U17 Falcons 1 v Waldridge Park 1



to let us know if you will be attending

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Coach Trip

On Sunday 26th September 2021, leaving Wilkinson's bus stop at 9.30am, £8 (not including entry fees, if charges are made).

New Friends New Places will be visiting Wynyard Hall Flower and Garden Sale and then Hartlepool Retail Park and 'The HMS Trincomalee' at the National Royal Navy Museum.

Ring 01325 308094 or 07967 901477 to book your seat.

SAFC Supporters | Blackpool Trip Club A.G.M.

To all members of the Newton Aycliffe Branch SAFC Supporters Club for the 21/22 season. The branch is holding its Annual General Meeting on Thursday 7th October 2021 at 7.00pm, upstairs at the Phoenix Club (Legion).

Please attend if you can. If you want to join the branch, the cost is £6.00, or if you want more information call 07368 372568.

The Blackpool Elgin Hotel is the destination with 'New Friends, New Places' social group.

We invite you to join us on our midweek, all inclusive holiday from 21st to 25th March 2022, cost is £227. We visit this hotel three times, at least,

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RUNNING CLUB NEW

In what was a relatively quiet race week, thirty-two Members made it to a parkrun last Saturday morning. The vast majority of those opted for the pleasant surroundings of Hardwick Park in Sedgefield, although the Club was also represented at the Albert, Blackpool, Cheltenham, Darlington South Park, Hackworth, Hartlepool, Riverside and Wetherby events.

Two members came away from Sedgefield parkrun with new Personal Best (PB) times for the event, with Melanie Rowland establishing a new PB of 28:13 for the course, and Donna Jarps improving her best time for the run around the park to 29:43. Continuing his impressive recent form, Peter Tennick also set himself a PB at Riverside parkrun in Chester-le-Street, crossing the finishing line there in 20:26.

Elsewhere, the Snape 10K also took place on Saturday morning. The race, which started and finished outside the Castle Arms Inn, took place over the fields and country lanes around the village, passing through the outskirts of Bedale. First home for the Club was Robert Young in a time of 44:40, and he was followed across the line by his Dad, John Young, in 55:58. The latest race in the Club Championship took place on Sunday at the Sedgefield Serpentine Race, and six Members were in attendance to try and grab vital Club Championship points. The 10K

trail race started at Sedgefield Cricket Club, and the route ventured through Hardwick Park and headed out onto country trails towards Bishop Middleham, before snaking around and returning to the Cricket Club, via Hardwick Park once again.

First home for the Club, and finishing in third place overall, was Paul Dalton in a time of 40:29. Paul also finished first in his Age Category (M40). Andy Talbot was the next Avcliffe runner to cross the line, in 43:17, and in doing so secured first spot in his Age Category (M60).

Despite his parkrun PB the previous day, Peter Tennick had a strong run, completing the tough course in 46:12. First lady home for the Club was Trish Kay, in a time of 58:17, and Trish was followed closely by David Stothard, who finished in a time of 59:23. Eve Doe secured herself some valuable Club Championship points, completing her run in 68:51. Taking on the Essar 2021 Chester Half Marathon on Sunday, Paul Rands impressively continued to build on his substantial improvement this year, recording a new Personal Best of 1:41:58 for the Half Marathon distance. If you have any queries about the activities of Aycliffe Running Club, please visit our website www.ayclifferunningclub.org.uk, or contact the Club's Secretary, Donna, at ayclifferunningclub@ gmail.com

Oktoberfest Comes to Newton Aycliffe



The time has come for Oktoberfest number two for Newton Aycliffe. Our event this year is celebrated by several additional German beers to our regulars. Pints of beer range from £3.30 to £4.50 and Steins (two-pint mugs) of the German beer options are available. Ably backed up by Bockwursts, pretzels and many flags and decorations, we are also delighted to open our doors fully again with acoustic soul music on Friday night - back by popular demand. Despite what the name suggests, Oktoberfest starts in September and finishes in October - although if you want to go to experience the real thing in Germany - you will need to wait until next year. All the more reason to experience it earlier here in Newton Aycliffe! Currently the headlines are full of news regarding a beer shortage and whilst there is no denying the reduced availability, we have proudly managed to secure a selection for your delectation and delight. If our continuing efforts pay off, we will also have another four German beers.

Talking about space, we need to say that Saturday is booking up pretty fast as this article goes to press. It is thoroughly recommended to book a table for then to avoid disappointment. Whilst many people have ventured out to The Aviator in the past few weeks, we would like to extend a warm welcome to those who have not visited us before. We pride ourselves in having COVID suitable distancing for seating, both inside and out.

Live music is now a feature of the bar and we have a fantastic selection of events booked throughout the rest of the year. Keep your eyes peeled for our monthly event lists which we will be delighted to start in October. In addition, New Years Eve planning is well under way with our awesome music line up already booked and tickets will soon be available to purchase.

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This should now become a regular feature in the town, raising funds for local charities.

The next Craft Fair will be held in Neville Community Centre on Saturday 2nd October, 1pm until 4pm.

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Last Tuesday saw me at the BEIS select committee, where we were having a pre legislative brief as regards the downstream oil resilience Bill, a pretty dry subject but actually very enjoyable as the witness was so on top of his knowledge and a pleasure to listen to. At that time, I didn't know that it would be my last attendance at the BEIS select committee for a while as I have now been placed on the Nationality and Borders Bill for the Committee stage. The Nationality and Borders Bill is my first Bill committee and will occupy every Tuesday and Thursday for me for the next 5 sitting weeks. The first two are taken up with evidence and then we have 3 weeks of lineby-line review.

We also had a session of the APPG on left behind neighbourhoods where we discussed the impact of climate change initiatives. It was interesting that one of the conclusions was that some of the things that need to be done to help these communities also help climate change, as opposed to doing them purely for the climate change agenda. We need to be aware that sometimes we can do the right thing to help the climate, but the core reason is correct for other reasons too.

I had the pleasure of attending a dinner where the key speaker was Air Marshall Ian Gale MBE who is the Director-General of Joint Force Development Strategic Command and he gave us a briefing on the Battle of Britain which was fascinating. Last Wednesday was a full day starting with meeting the team Backing British Farming before a DL (Delegated Legislation) on Merchant Shipping Pollution. This was followed by a briefing with the Board of Trade Advisors before I dashed off to the Excel Centre (Docklands, not Aycliffe!) for the DSEI exhibition, (Defence and Security Exhibition International). This event covers the full spectrum of defence and security and it was great to catch up with several Sedgefield based businesses. Once back in Westminster, that night, I had the opportunity to host a dinner for a number of businesses interested in the potential space hub development at

It was back to Aycliffe on Thursday and a catch up with the team. Friday saw me meeting a law business recently moved into my constituency and then to the office for a couple of constituent meetings before meeting the Head of Greenfield Community College and having a tour of the school. This was followed by an online discussion along with some local councillors hosted by Livin where we debated the concerns of stigma associated to social housing.

Saturday was all about meeting people, I started at Hurworth Grange where they had a fantastic fair happening before going to Durham to the Fire Service Training Centre at Bowburn where they were holding an

open day in memorial of ACFO Dom Brown. Dom was appointed ACFO when I was on the combined fire authority and sadly was diagnosed with a brain tumour and has since passed away, he was such a nice man and Saturday would have been his 50th birthday. RIP Dom. I then went back to Hurworth for a couple of hours, it was great to see so many people enjoying themselves.

Monday, in Westminster, I introduced the launch of a report on "No Place Left Behind" which was hosted by the Left Behind Neighbourhoods APPG before asking a question of the veterans' minister in Defence questions where the minister complemented both our Veterans Community Hub and the efforts of our centenarian William 'Billy' Cooksey. It was a privilege to get a mention for them in the House.

This was followed by legislation that temporarily suspended the pensions triple lock. This is for one year only and will be reinstated next year. The reason was due to the statistical peculiarity of wages falling due to Covid last year and then more than recovering this year. Government last year protected pensioners by giving them 2.5% when the triple lock rules would have meant they got nothing and this year, because of the peculiar maths, they would have received over 8%. Instead, they will get just over 3% which is more in line with everyone else's real position over the two years.

Just a quick reminder that a constituency advice surgery will be taking place at Middridge Village Hall on Wednesday 29th September. Appointment slots are available from 17:45 onwards so please get in touch by email, paul.howell.mp@parliament.uk if you'd like to book an appointment.

We continue the release process from Covid with more relaxations on international travel but please remember Covid has not gone away yet so please respect it. Hands, Face Space and fresh air remains a sensible approach.

Stay Safe Paul Howell Member of Parliament for Sedgefield

Lost Shopping Bag

Dear Sir.

I would like to ask if anyone found a shopping bag at Tesco's last Thursday, 16th September?

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Mrs M. Hutchins

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Weekly Hog Blog

There's never a dull moment when you have a Hedgehog Rescue but it's great to meet some wonderful people, firstly Joanne and Nev, Community Spirit for a wonderful donation, Lorraine Elliott for her support with the rescue and not forgetting June who has been a wonderful friend and supporter, and of course I can't forget Pat and Fred for their friendship and support with some beautiful babies that need to be overwintered. Any hog under 300g won't be released until spring now.

We have one beautiful female that will have to stay with us for the foreseeable, Hattie, brought in today with some nasty wounds to the back of her neck, she will need to heal and the added complications are that all her spines will fall out, these are her only form of defence, we don't want to release in the middle of winter, whatever the size of the hog! Thank you Lesley and Steve for bringing her in and the very kind donation.

Can I mention to all readers that marking wild hedgehogs, when they visit gardens, is not in the hedgehogs best interests, a clearly marked hog that we can see, predators can also see and move in to attack them, adults babies and juveniles alike don't stand a chance against magpies, crows or anything else. These poor hedgehogs have enough to contend with as it is, without us making their lives even more challenging.

Here is another date for your diary, on Saturday 4th of December this Rescue is having a Christmas Fair at the Scout Hall in

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Newton Aycliffe Football Club - Junior Section

U9's Blacks put in a very assured performance against Boro Rangers Reds in the League Cup and never stopped competing all game, unfortunately it wasn't their day. Man of the Match being awarded to Finley.

U9's Whites faces Silksworth and Hall Farm and produced some really encouraging passing and movement, in the second half especially. Although it wasn't to be their day, there were positives to take from the game MOTM was a tough one but goes to Ryley for his improvement on the pitch. Massive well done to all the boys though!

U10's Juniors were dominant away at Skelton. Two goals in the first 5 minutes, Marley setting up Charlie & Ernie for the goals. We got another 2 before half time, Marley again creating for Tyler to score. Then Jonah set Charlie up for his 2nd. Second half, Skelton scored but the boys didn't let it affect them & went on to score 2 more. A cross from Daniel setting Dom up to flick it home & a great ball across the box from Mason for Jonah to finish. A great all round performance. MOTM: Marley.

U11's lost to a very good Boro Rangers Blues in the Cup. Evan grabbed a great goal & MOTM was Jack.

U12s faced Billingham Hornets away in the Cup. We started well and both sides had early chances. Hornets took the lead but we grabbed one back, Alex scored, making it 4-1 at half time. Callum slotted one away second half, 4-2. Hornets grabbed another against the run of play, then Ethan smashed one home, 5-3. Unfortunately we just ran out of steam and Hornets went on to score 2 more. Proud of how our players played with respect all game, FT 7-3 Hornets. Scorers: Alex, Callum, Ethan. MOTM: James.

U13's Blacks were fantastic at home to Deerness Valley Storm. Playing some superb football, Jayden & Alex both scored to take us 2 nil up at HT. A second half jumble about, saw us score 3 more, Cody with a stormer and Danny Boy grabbing 2. All lads were outstanding & with signing Robbie fitting in great. Proud coach to

see the lads passing so well and sharing the goals. Well done all, FT 5 nil winners.

U13's Whites faced Division 1 Boro Rangers Green. The score line was probably inevitable and Rangers were run away winners, but we got one goal scored by Henry. Aycliffe never gave up despite the score line so all the team were awarded man of the match. Credit to Borough players who not once showed any lack of respect despite the gap in ability.

U14's travelled to Guisborough in the first round of the League Cup and produced a quality performance, running out 11-2 winners. Scorers were: Tyler S x 6, Niall x 2 Tyler R x 2 Aidan x 1. MOTM was awarded to Connor.

U15's travelled to Skelton Utd, we travelled with only 12 players available due to injuries and illness. We won the game comfortably, coming away 14-0 winners with the goals coming from, Reece x 4 Leighton x 4 & 1 each for Jake, Tom. Jordan, Alex. Cole and Josh. well done lads, continuing last season's great form.

U16's played Annfield Plain at home in their first game of the season. Anthony gave us the lead with a deflected cross in minute one. Annfield began to get a foothold in the game, and equalised shortly before halftime. We started the 2nd half poorly, Annfield both taking the lead then going further ahead, giving them a 3-1 lead. Aycliffe dug in however, dominating the final 25 minutes, the best we have played in a long time. Matthew pulled the score back to 3-2, following in to smash home. Brandon then won a penalty following a 'meaty' challenge, seeing Charlie equalise from the spot. We were unlucky not to go on and take all 3 points, FT 3-3. Scorers: OG, Matthew, Charlie. MOTM: Brandon.

U18's had their first league game at home to Northallerton, a tense hard fought game resulting in a 3-2 win. Couldn't ask for any more from the lads. Two goals from Lewis H and one from Evan T seen us home, fantastic result considering we had seven players six weeks ago - couldn't be more proud.

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Happy 21st Birthday Have a fantastic weekend lots of love from all the family xxx

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Rotary Charity Golf Day

Last week our club held its annual charity golf day and organisers, David Hogg and Robert Manners, out and about from early morning. were more than pleased that



we were blessed with beautiful weather. President Gary Blenkinsopp and Tony Jackson were also out early, driving a golf buggy (they were hours, think they got lost) placing information boards across the course, which looked stunning. So many thanks to Hall Bros. and Woodham for hosting the day. (And who is that guy who photo bombed the golf buggy picture?) The winning team was Norton Ancients 1 and the trophy, in memory of the late David Thompson, a Rotarian and keen golfer, was presented by Glenys Thompson. An amount in excess of £4000 was raised and will be donated to the Multiple Sclerosis Society UK, Motor Neurone Disease Assoc. and other Rotary charities. A huge thank you to our sponsors, who numbered more than 35, particularly Husqvarna who donated a robotic mower, the players and volunteers, without whom the day would not happen and not forgetting our grateful thanks to Woodham catering team for the excellent evening meal.

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Birthday Remembrance

Jackie Piggott

4th October Thinking of you on your 88th birthday, my precious Husband. AlÍ my love, my darling. Love, Norah xxx

George Reed

23rd September Remembering special Dad. Today it is your birthday a day that I find hard. You never wanted any fuss, but always loved your card. It breaks my heart to know that you are no longer here.

I know before this day has passed I will have shed a tear. I never cease to miss you or never cease to care, for in the corners of my heart, you stay forever there.

I love you so much Dad, what more is there to say. I hope all the angels sing for you, on this your special day.

Forever in my heart, Michelle xxxxxxx

George Reed

23rd September I'm sending a dove up to Heaven with a parcel on its wings. Be careful when you open it, it's full of beautiful things.

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birthday Happy George, all my love today and always. Yvonne xxxxx

George Reed

Thinking of you on your 70th birthday George. Loved and missed always. Loving Mam and Sister Edith xxx

Sporting Force Veterans Gym

On the 25th of August we opened our Sporting Force Veterans Gym, made possible thanks to funding from Veterans' Foundation and having received a Pride of Britain Award and also a thank you to Dyaco UK for fitting out our veterans' gym. In the Sporting Force Gym tri-service veterans will receive free gym memberships, personalised fitness and nutrition programmes and a peer support network. Our gym will welcome both those wanting to improve fitness levels for endurance and challenge events and those starting out on their fitness journey.

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Obituary

Rosemary Mooney



6th July 1933 -9th September 2021 (age 88)

Rosemary peacefully in the arms of loved ones on the afternoon of Sunday, 19th September 2021, following a long and brave fight against Dementia.

Beloved Wife of Peter ney (deceased March 1987) Mooney much loved Mother Annette, Paul. Gillian and Clare; devoted Gran Emma, Rebecca, Lee, Gavin, Shaun, Poppy, Joshua, Marnie and Issie.

Rosemary's Funeral Service will be held at St. Clare's Church, Newton Aycliffe at 10.00am on Wednesday, 29th September, followed by a private family burial.



Keith Belton

September, peacefully in hospital after a short illness. Keith, aged 82 years (late of Witton Park and Newton Aycliffe). Sadly missed by his partner Sheila; much loved Dad to Russell Duncan; and dear Father-in-Law to Sue Jackie; proud Grandad to Fraser, Sydney and Prentice. He will be sadly missed by all his family and many friends.

Funeral on Thursday 7th October. Would friends kindly meet for Service in Cockton Hill Methodist Church. Bishop Auckland at 1.30pm followed by Committal and Cremation at Wear Valley Crematorium at 2.30pm.

George Thompson Peacefully, at home on

15th September, aged 83 years. Devoted Husband of June; loving Dad of Gary and Colin; Fatherin-Law of Nicola and much loved Granda of Ashleigh. Also a much loved Brother, Brother-in-Law

Uncle. Will family and friends please meet for a Service at Wear Valley Crematorium, Coundon on Monday 4th October 10.30am.

Alan Blacklock In Memory of Janet Ruth Rayman 29th September 2019

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In Memoriam



18th September 2019 My beloved, it has been two years, your soul mate has shed many tears. Special times and memories are in my heart, so you can be sure we are never apart.

From your loving Husband Alfred and loving family

Amanda Susan Renwick

Did you know God has

a garden in his Heaven

up above? There he

puts his special ones

who will tend to it with

I'm sure that's where

Alan will be, with

smile, I hope he'll be

there waiting with

a cauliflower that's

Always in our hearts,

never ever forgotten,

Loving Wife Margaret and all your family

love you forever.

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loving,

his

mine.



28th September 2019 It has been two years since you passed away. Our hearts still ache

without you. Love and miss you always Mam and Dad

Joyce Joy

23rd September 2020 A year has gone, Mam. May the winds of Heaven blow softly and whisper in your ear, how much we love and miss you and wish that you were here. Sue & Paul. Barbara & Mike, David & Karen, Kevin & Clare, Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

Violet Downton



24th September 2020 It has been one year since we sadly said goodbye. You are in our thoughts daily and you are missed dearly. With love from your husband Graham, children Anth Wendy grandchildren Kieran, Georgia, Daniel and Ryan.

Maria Mears

26th September 2017 Always in Love from Steve, Andrew, Wayne and Andrea xxxx

Congratulations

Carrie Howarth



24th September Happy birthday to a wonderful Mammy and 'Team Member'. Love from Sebby xx

Happy Birthday, have a great weekend. Love from Mam. Dad and Matthew xxx

Ann & Alan Garner



25th September Happy 50th Golden Wedding Anniversary To our Mam and Dad. Have a wonderful day. Lots of love from Patrick, Annette and all the family xxxx

Ann & Alan Garner

25th September 2021 50th Wedding Anniversary

Thank you to a wonderful, fantastic wife. H.O.L.L.A.N.D. Love from Alan

David Burniston

Happy 21st Birthday All our love, Nanna and Grandad XXXXXXXXXX

Rose Mayoh

Happy Birthday

from Maria, Christine, Ian, Anita Granddaughter Kimberley xx

on 27th September.

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N.A.F.C. REPOR

Match Report by Andy McFarlane Saturday 18th September **Ebac Northern League Division One** North Shields 2 v Newton Aycliffe 3

(Ardelean x 2, Petitjean penalty) Newton Aycliffe headed home from North Tyneside with all 3 points from a game where both sides had opportunities to have changed the outcome of the game. Colin Stromsoy's side started brightly penning their unbeaten hosts in before they started getting a foothold in the game, firstly appealing loudly for a penalty when a ball into the area struck Aaron Brown on what the home side thought was the arm, then again around the quarter of an hour mark with the free-scoring Dan Wilson almost getting on the end of an inviting ball into the six yard box but failing to connect. The home sides pressure paid off after 14

minutes when a quick break down the left side left Cam Cunningham bearing down on goal, Adam Pickford raced him to the ball but it was Cunningham who got there first and he weighted his chip to perfection as it went over the leap of Pickford and nestled in the

Aycliffe levelled up the game minutes later when some good work from Navlor and Jarvie in not allowing the home defender to shepherd the ball out for a goal kick saw the latter disposses him and lay it off to Andrei Ardelean whose strike snuck under Marshall in the Shields goal, to give him his second goal in two games.







Avcliffe took the lead for the first time. moments before the break, when the tireless Jarvie once again didn't give up on a lost cause and snatched the ball from the toes of a Shields defender who took too much time at the edge of the area and, after his initial strike was blocked, had the vision to roll the ball to his left where Ardelean was waiting to pounce and his strike bounced just in front of Marshall whose hand could only direct the strike into the roof of the net, giving the visitors the lead as we went in at the break. The second half was barely 10 minutes old when Wilson succeeded where he failed in the first half by sliding in at the near post to turn home another low cross into the area to level up the score.

Less than a minute later Aycliffe sent the ball forward and, while making room for himself, Ethan Wood was nudged over and, despite the protests from the home bench, the referee was unwaivered as he pointed to the spot.

The ever dependable Jake Petitiean stepped up and, despite the home keepers attempts to disrupt his routine, Petitjean fired his effort far too well for the keeper to get near to. North Shields didn't lie down following falling behind again and despite their possession it took until the 68th minute before the next real chance but, unfortunately for the home support, it ended with Andrew Cartwright getting his name taken by the referee who saw through his theatrical attempt to win a penalty.

With 10 minutes left Col Stromsoy adjusted the formation by bringing on Aiden McGee to snuff out the high balls into the area and himself and Aaron Brown, who made two fantastic last gasp blocks, stood out among a resolute defensive line.

North Shields pressed until the end, even in the fourth minute of time added on, when the referee awarded them a corner from the left and Marshall, the goalkeeper, joined the bodies in the box to try to force home a leveller but Callum Munro, who was a rock at the back, headed clear and that was time up and North Shields unbeaten start to the league season was over as Aycliffe recorded their first league win in 3 games.

Next up Aycliffe visit neighbours West Auckland this Friday night (24 September), kick off is 7.30pm. Aycliffe return to the Beaumont Landscapes Stadium on Saturday 2 October when Redcar Athletic will be the visitors (kick off 3pm).

Photo by Yvonne Wood, Andrei Ardelean celebrates his second goal.

Local Heroes

Do you know any exservice personnel? **Currently serving** personnel? Or veterans from any campaign?



Here at Sporting Force, we're asking for you to nominate your local hero within the 'DL' postcode, so we can give them the recognition they deserve. We will be choosing one a month to appreciate their story and make everyone aware there are heroes locally. During that person's month, we will display pictures, their medals, and stories around their military career. We will have their story on display at the Veterans Community Hub in Newton Aycliffe where the family can attend and honour their nominee. They can be great grandparents to someone who is still alive but are held as a hero in the eyes of the nominator. Please email: shannon@sportingforce.org

why you're putting them forward and your contact details, so we can get in touch with you to find out a bit more information! "As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them. To those in

with who you are nominating, the reason

uniform serving today and to those who have served in the past, we honour you today and every day"



