

Newton News

Incorporating The Newtonian - Newton Aycliffe's Free Community Magazine

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Stephenson Way Litter Pickers



PLEASE NOTE:

Due to bank holiday closure on 2nd and 3rd June there will be no edition of the Newton News on Friday 3rd June

See page 2 for full story

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Classic Car & Motorcycle Show Year 5's Go Litter Picking

Passionate petrolheads can enjoy a day out among 400 vintage vehicles, when the North East Classic Car and Motorcycle Show returns to the North East on 22nd May. The annual event will once

again be staged at Sedgfield's Hardwick Hall Hotel, bringing together classic cars and motorcycles, with a number of top awards up for grabs. The family friendly event will also offer a number of stalls and

food and drink outlets. Those who have vehicles dated no later than 2007 can exhibit in the event, with everyone who takes part receiving a commemorative plaque and the chance to compete for awards including Pride of Ownership, Club of the Show and Car of the Show. The decisions on the winners will be made by a panel of experienced judges, with the whole event overseen by commentator Richard Lee, a regular at the events. Tickets £9 for adults and £4 for children can be bought on the day or in advance from show organisers, Classic Shows, at www.classicshows.org at a discounted rate up to Friday 20th May. Further details are available by contacting Classic Shows at info@classicshows.org or calling 01484 666776. The event runs from 10am until 4pm.

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For details please ring 01325 311525



On Tuesday 10th May and Wednesday 11th May 2022, Year 5 from Stephenson Way Academy and Nursery volunteered to take part in a student organised litter pick. We decided to organise this because during our geography lesson we learned about the impacts on earth when people litter.

Two year 5 girls, Olivia and Miyah, were shocked at how much rubbish there was around Newton Aycliffe. Because of that, they decided to organise a litter pick for the whole of year 5. Olivia and Miyah wrote a letter to Steve Cooper from Great Aycliffe Council saying that they wanted to do a little pick and help our environment.

Steve Cooper told us about the effects littering can cause on our environment. Some of the effects are that animals can get badly injured and plants can die out due to the polluted air. One class went on a litter pick around Woodham Burn. When they did this they picked up several bags of rubbish. Some of the unusual things they found included: a broken chair, two scooters and a lot of different other things. Steve kindly donated some litter pickers to our school so we can continue to keep our school grounds tidy, and get rid of the litter that blows onto our playground. We are all looking forward to using them!

We hope that other people follow after our actions and help provide a better environment for us all. Thank you for reading our article. From Olivia and Miyah



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Saturday 28th May - 'Sneaky Blinders'

Saturday 4th June - 'Trilogy'

For more information on bands go to www.turbiniapub.co.uk or 313034

Aycliffe Labour Party Meeting

The meeting will be held on Thursday, 26th May 2022, 7.30pm at The Navy Club, Bluebell way, DL5 7PW. All members are welcome, new and old! Simon Hocking Aycliffe BLP Secretary

THE BIG CLUB

Sheraton Road, Newton Aycliffe

Forthcoming Events

CONCERT HALL

Saturday 21st May: Sorry - Cancelled

Friday 27th May & Friday 24th June:

'Nev & Jo Kids Disco'

Saturday 28th May: Not to be Missed

'Soul Capital' Superb Soul & Motown - £5c/c

Saturday 4th June: 'Nev & Jo Family Show'

Sunday 5th June: 'Rehearsal Comedy

Show with Legends of Rock' - £10 c/c

Saturday 16th July: The Brilliant 'Matrix' - £5 c/c

UPSTAIRS

Saturday 21st May: 'Michelle B'

Saturday 28th May: 'Eric Clark'

SHERATON BAR

Sunday 22nd May: 'Marcus'

Sunday 29th May: 'Mark Judd'

FRIDAY 3rd June: 'Pete Pevilee'

Armchair Aerobics

Lifeline Community Action Charity are starting to run Armchair Aerobics sessions from Tuesday 24th May on an afternoon from 2-3pm at St Clare's Church Hall. These sessions are

run by a qualified armchair aerobics instructor and are lots of fun. If you struggle with mobility or just want to meet new people and improve your mental health then why not come along and give it a try. Sessions are FREE to all that attend. If you are interested and would like to book a space, please contact 07936 431 262 or email officelifelinecommunityaction@gmail.com

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Funding Available

The GAMP Project Callout is now OPEN

The Great Aycliffe & Middridge Partnership (GAMP) Board has a budget of £144k available, and applications are invited for projects from community & voluntary or not-for-profit organisations and groups. Grants of between £5,000 - £20,000 are available for project applications which support our key 'Community Recovery' priority. Important: anyone applying for a project over £15,000 MUST have a minimum of £10,000 capital expenditure included in the project.

Prospective projects must take place in the GAMP area.

Our focus this year will be on an overarching 'Community Recovery' priority theme, and projects should aim to address at least one of the following key issues:

- Employability initiatives
- Advice and Guidance
- Mental Health & Wellbeing
- Organisational sustainability
- Food provision and support
- Social Isolation
- Support for the Voluntary and Community Sector
- Tackling antisocial behaviour
- Support to small businesses (through a third party, not-for-profit organisation to complement existing DCC and external opportunities)
- Emerging Community Issues
- Targeting Older Peoples Social Isolation

(A proportion of the available funding is aimed at specifically supporting community-led initiatives that improve outcomes for older people who are socially isolated, and encourage participation in activities and projects that provide opportunities for them to contribute positively to their local communities. For the purposes of this fund an older person is someone over the age of 50 years.)

Groups are permitted to apply for more than one grant, so long as one funding allocation is not reliant on another.

Applications can be submitted for either capital or revenue funding (or both), and projects which include a specific element of capital spend are encouraged. If you need advice on the specific definitions for capital/revenue, please get in touch. Project proposals must also include a minimum of 5% match funding (either cash or in-kind, or both).

All eligible applications will be assessed and ranked by a panel of GAMP Board members, to determine which projects will be awarded funding. Prospective projects should have a planned start date no earlier than November 2022 to allow time for the appraisal process.

Please contact us for an application pack, or if you'd like further information, email: gampaap@durham.gov.uk or telephone 07834 147211. The closing date for applications is 12:00 noon on Friday 17th June 2022.

70 Glorious Years

On Saturday June 4th at 10.00am, our Coffee Morning will take place in the Church Hall, especially decorated for the occasion. All the work of the Knit and Natter group as well as the newly formed Wednesday group. The pupils of Year 6 at St Francis Junior School have made a Banner to commemorate this joyous Platinum Jubilee. We are so proud to display the banner to you at this event.

Our grateful thanks go to the pupils and staff for this special contribution to the celebrations.

Refreshments will be served, including cream scones plus a Right Royal Raffle fit for the occasion.

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Girl Power Raises Over £500



An afternoon well spent, with nibbles, a drink on arrival and beautifully decked stalls with handmade goods – with all ticket funds for charity. Organised by kind hearted charity worker, Annette Allan, the fund-raiser was held at the Sweet Rose Ice Cream Parlour, Spennymoor, and support was nothing short of 'sweet' with smiles all around. Annette, said: "The money raised supports and falls under the Ian Larnach Cancer Care Charities. Ian was my brother who died from cancer. He set this charity up when he was first diagnosed and we fund-raised for cancer charities together up to his death in 2019 and the family have continued to do so in his legacy.

Raising a total of £509, Annette is splitting the funds three ways, with one third of the donation going to her workplace, the Pioneering Care Partnership (PCP), to support its leading partnership project, Macmillan Joining the Dots.

Paula Spark, Macmillan Joining the Dots Facilitator for South West Durham, said: "The donation will see Joining the Dots able to offer the people we support opportunities to make memories with their loved ones.

"Joining the Dots is a free service for those in County Durham who are aged 18 and over that have been diagnosed with cancer, so support is really valuable as one in three people can be affected

by cancer in their lifetime."

The event took place on Sunday 24th April, 2022, with tickets at £10 per person, with all funds towards the three causes including Macmillan Joining the Dots, the Great Aycliffe Cancer Care Group and the Fawcett Trust.

Guests got to explore stalls with products and services from Belles Boutique, Temple Spa & Dee, The Flower Child, Ells Beauty and Ann's Little Melts. A lucky number board game with a range of prizes donated by the stall holders and supporters was the shining star of the event, with luxury prizes galore.

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Aycliffe Cricket Club Scoreboard Report



Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club's 1st team, sponsored by Franks the Flooring Store, continued their winless start to the season with a 100 run defeat away at Stokesley 2nd XI who currently sit bottom of the NYSD 2nd division table. The home side opted to bat first and scored an impregnable 279 for 9 in their allotted 50 overs. Luke Telford (sponsored by Mal and Jean Pattinson) deserves credit for bowling a marathon 15 overs in such difficult circumstances, finishing with the respectable figures of 3 for 58 and he received good support from James Layfield-Carroll (2 for 33) and Adam Gittins (2 for 50). In reply, a number of Aycliffe batsman made good starts, but unfortunately none of them went on to convert it into the much needed bigger score. Captain Chris Palmer top scored with 25 off 34 balls and other contributions came from George Slatcher (22 off 37 balls), Luke Telford (21 off 25 balls) and Dan Weldon (17 off 22 balls) as their side were eventually bowled out for 179 from 38 overs.

The 2nd team had a difficult afternoon when they hosted promotion hopefuls Billingham Synthonia 2nd XI and were well beaten by 124 runs in their NYSD 4th division game. The visitors opted to bat first and piled up a match winning 229 for 3 declared after 34 overs. In reply, 15 year old Aycliffe stand in captain Tom Dearden (sponsored by Kevin Burton) top scored with a patient score of 23 from 80 balls. The only other batsmen to reach double figures were Jai Sander (14 runs from 45 balls), Adam Shaw (14 runs from 14 balls) and Harrison Pearson (13 runs from 22 balls) as Aycliffe were eventually bowled out for 105 after 36.4 overs.

The u17's began their season with a battling performance at home to Hartlepool in the NYSD cup and were eventually beaten by just 8 runs. The visitors batted first and scored 116 for 5 in their allotted 20 overs with Owen Smith (2 for 16) and Ramzan Hussain (2 for 19) the pick of the bowlers. In reply, Aycliffe were struggling at 45 for 5 despite some resistance from Matty Greaves (15 runs) and Jai Sander (13 runs). However the tail fought back superbly and a club record 8th wicket partnership of 36 between Daniel Heaton, who top scored with 19 runs and Leo Stout 11 runs, and a quickfire 13 from Adam Shaw, nearly won it for Aycliffe in a tense finale, but they were eventually bowled out for 108 with just 3 balls of the innings remaining.

The club's u15's team put in another superb performance, this time to beat Darlington at home by 100 runs in the NYACC and setting a new u15's club record for the largest victory margin. Batting first Aycliffe scored a huge 191 for 3 in their allotted 20 overs and this was another u15's club record for the highest innings total thanks to some brilliant batting by captain Tom Dearden (53 retired off 34 balls), Harrison Pearson (50 retired off 30 balls) and an unbeaten 29 off 19 balls by Leo Stout. In reply, the visitors were restricted to 91 for 3 from 20 overs with Tom Norman, Dan Heaton and Leo Stout each taking one wicket.

On Sunday, 15th May, the club hosted its first senior ladies cricket festival of the season involving teams from Newton Aycliffe, Castle Eden, Sacriston, Sunderland and two teams from Beamish Cricket Clubs. The event was a big success and all the players had a very enjoyable afternoon.

If any ladies are interested in cricket and fancy playing the game, at either junior or senior level, regardless of ability, then please do not hesitate to contact our Club's Ladies Cricket Manager, Tina Greaves, on 07917 694055, who will be happy to help.

Photo: Group photo of all the players who took part in the Newton Aycliffe CC Ladies Cricket Festival.

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Y3P Challenge Update



The training for the Y3P challenge continued last weekend with a hike to the top of Pen y Gent. The first of the 3 peaks in the challenge. Part of the 6 Bells Group were accompanied by their wives who will form the support team on

the challenge day taking place on 30th May. Event organiser, Richard Mallender, commented, "it was a good hike up for those of us who had not done the hill before, despite the blustery conditions and was great to familiarise ourselves

with the first part of the Y3P route." The group of friends, fondly known as the 6 Bells Group, will do the full Y3P challenge to raise funds for MND charity. Please type in the following link address to donate to this very worth cause. Thanks in advance. This weekend it is hoped the group will test themselves in training by walking up Ingleborough the final peak in the Y3P challenge at 2,372ft. <https://okt.to/zrqSAW>

Messy Church

Messy Church will take place on Saturday 21st May, registration from 3.30pm for a 4pm start. We will be finding out about Pentecost and the Holy Spirit. All are welcome for crafts, Allsorts biscuit decorating, kite making, map reading and much, much more. How do we receive the Holy Spirit? Let's find out together. Enjoy pasta and garlic bread together with a bowl of fruit salad to follow. Ending with a short story, prayer and a song. All are welcome, come along and have fun. Free to all (donations gratefully received). St. Clare's Church, Newton Aycliffe, please do come in time for us to start at 4.00pm. If you require any further details please message our Facebook page – Messy Church at St. Clare's and at home.

Wear Valley Gala and Richmond Aquathlon

The 14th and 15th of May saw the welcome return of the Wear Valley Level three gala. As always a well run event with competitors from Killingworth in the North to Richmond in the South.

Sedgefield 75 swimmers were Charlie McEwan, Ellis Dickinson, Zoe Hodgson, Emma Price, Ruby Hancock, Charlotte Lee, Evie Weston and Jessica Bell. The training leading up to the event had gone really well and although a lot of medals were won the most pleasing thing about the weekend was the way the swimmers supported each other and the fact that most of the swims were faster than the times entered.

Charlie took Gold in the 50 Back, the 50 FS, the 100 Fly and Silver in the 50 Fly. 15 year Ellis won the Bronze Medal in the 200 FS and was placed 4th in the 100 IM and 8th in the 50 FS. 12 year Zoe took the Gold Medal in the 50 FS. 15 year Emma took the gold Medal in both the 200 IM and the 100 FS. 14 year Ruby was placed 7th in the 50 Breast and 9th in the 50 FS. 14 year Charlotte was placed 4th in both the 200 and 100 Breast and 6th in the 50 Back and 8th in the 100 FS. 14 year Evie took the gold medal in the 100 IM, the 200 Fly, the 100 Fly, the 200 Breast and took Silver in the 100 Breast and the 50 FS. Jessica was the youngest swimmer competing and she



took Gold in the 100 Breast and Silver in the 50 Breast. Bronze in the 100 IM and was placed 5th in the 200 IM and 6th in the 50 FS and 7th in the 50 Fly. Thirty five events were swum producing 11 Gold, 4 Silver and 4 Bronze. A pleasing weekends work from a really great squad! On Saturday the 14th May Susan Rees and Melonie Rowland, two of the swimmers from the recently

formed Sedgefield 75 Masters Squad, took part in the Richmond Aquathlon. This was a 500 metre pool swim and a 4 kilometre run along the banks of the river Swale in absolutely perfect conditions. Susan was placed second in the female 40 to 49 age group and Melonie took fourth place in the 50 to 59 age group. This was a well organised and friendly event. Well done to both of them!

GREAT AYCLIFFE TOWN COUNCIL

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

Wednesday 25th May 2022 - 7.15pm
Parish Meeting

NOTE:- Further information on Public Participation and Public Questions can be obtained by visiting the Council's Website: www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk

NB: This is not a meeting of the Town Council, but a meeting of local government electors in the Council's area. Any queries about the Parish Meeting can be made to the Town Clerk on 01325 300700



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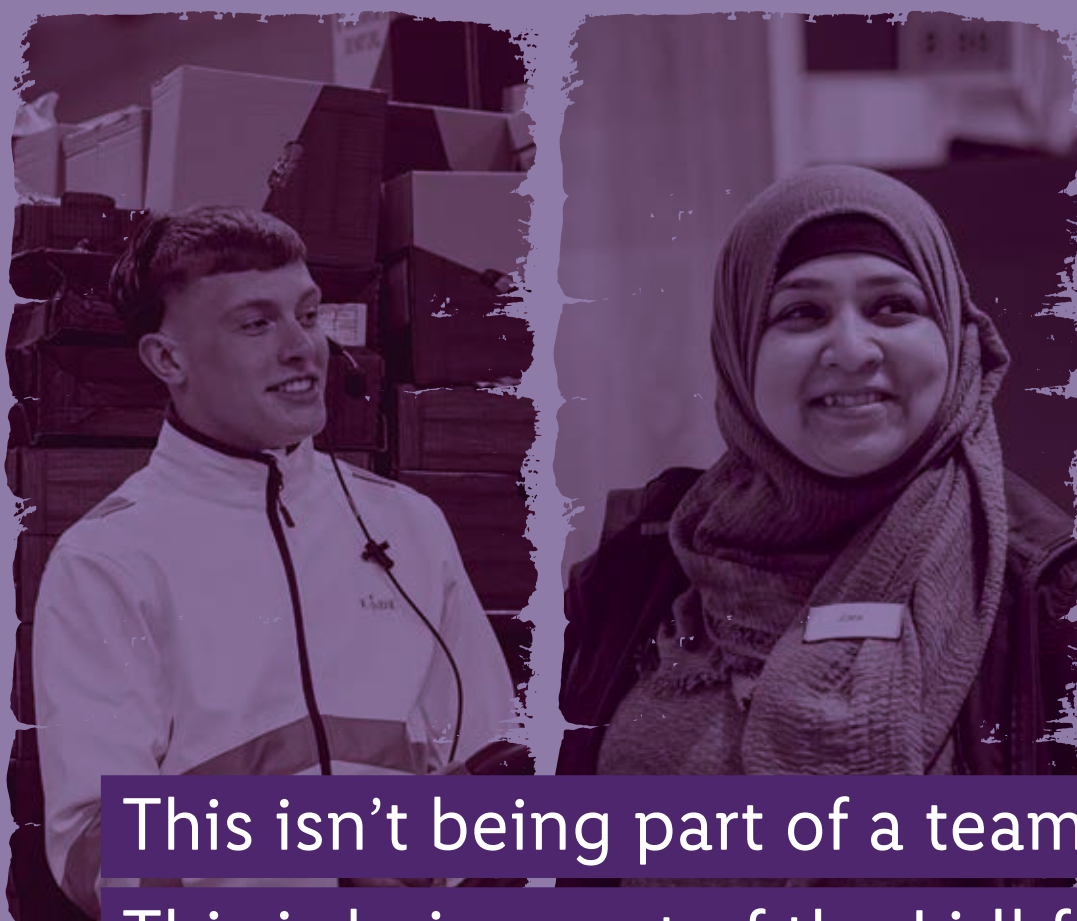
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Community Groups

Sisters of Support

St. Clare's Church Hall 1st & 3rd Tuesday,
7-9pm, Contact via FB: @sistersofsupport
Mental Health Support for Women

Neville Community Association

Neville Community Centre,
Neville Parade, Newton Aycliffe DL5 5DH
3rd Tuesday (except Aug & Dec) 6.45pm.
Contact: Heather Brewster 07751 385250

Newton Aycliffe Women's Institute

St. Clare's Church Hall
Second Tuesday of each month, 7pm
Contact: Christine Robinson 07981 992686

School Aycliffe Ladies Group

School Aycliffe Community Hall
First Wednesday of each month, 7pm
Contact: Christine Robinson 07981 992686

Shine Children's Choir

St. Clare's Church, Newton Aycliffe
Monday's from 5-6pm, Free for ages 5+
Contact: Helen McCormick 07716 801262

Rotary Newton Aycliffe

Hallgarth Hotel, Coatham Mundeville
Tuesdays (except after Bank Holidays) 6.30pm
Email: rotarynewtonaycliffe@outlook.com
Facebook: @rotarynewtonaycliffe

Kinship Care Support Group

Costa Coffee, Greenwell Road
1st and 3rd Thursday, 10-11.30am
Email: jane.harmer@kinship.org.uk
Tel: 07943 865601

Citizens Advice

Newton Aycliffe Library
Monday & Friday, 10am-1pm 0808 278 7821
Website: www.citizensadvicecd.org.uk

Woodham Knit & Natter

Meets 1-3pm, every Monday
St. Elizabeth's Church Hall, Newton Aycliffe
Contact: Milly 01325 313819

Tiddlers & Toddlers

Meets 9.30-11am, every Wednesday (term)
St. Clare's Church Hall, Newton Aycliffe

Welcome Cafe

Meets 10am, every Tuesday
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Reunite & Reconnect

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Befriending Group

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Sensory Parent Support Group

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Acorn Ukles

Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre
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New Friends, New Places

The Turbinia, Sid Chaplin Drive
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Men Talking Together

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Junction 7 Thrive Mens Group

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Junction 7 We Are Not Just a Mothers Group for Ladies

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Greenfield Community Badminton

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Under 11yrs 1pm-2pm, 11yrs+ 2pm-3pm.
First week free
For more information contact peterwalton1@aol.com or Community Sports 01325 379048

Community Activities

Aycliffe Village Jubilee Breakfast Drop-in

Saturday 4th June, 10am to 12noon
Aycliffe Village Hall, Aycliffe Village

KidzFlicks (Cinema Club for children)

First Saturday of every month at 2pm, £1.
St. Clare's Church, Newton Aycliffe
Contact: Helen McCormick 07716 801262

Messy Church

Meets 4pm on third Saturday of every month
St. Clare's Church, Newton Aycliffe
Free event: Faith, fun and fellowship with
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Contact: Helen McCormick 07716 801262

Walk and Talk

Meets 3.30pm, 1st & 3rd Sunday
St. Clare's Church Hall, Newton Aycliffe
Contact: Rev. Daniel 01325 962096

Coffee Morning

Meets 10-12noon, every Saturday
St. Clare's Church Hall, Newton Aycliffe

Coffee Morning

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Lifeline Community Action Knit & Natter

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Is the Highway Code Law?



The government says that many of the rules in the Code are legal requirements, and if you disobey these rules you are committing a criminal offence.

The Highway Code alone is not a legal document and the rules outlined in it are not official road laws, but that doesn't mean you can't be fined if you break one of the 307 regulations set out in the Government-issued book.

A number of the points outlined in the Code are backed up by official traffic laws, meaning you can be fined, prosecuted or disqualified if you ignore them.

For example, if you're found guilty of causing death by dangerous driving, the maximum penalty is 14 years' prison and an "unlimited fine."

Rule 242: You MUST NOT leave your vehicle or trailer in a dangerous position or where it causes any unnecessary obstruction of the road. (Laws RTA 1988, sect 22 & CUR reg 103).

Rule 243: DO NOT stop or park opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space. DO NOT stop or park on a bend.

The photographs shown were taken on a typical Sunday morning outside the Bethany Centre on Woodham Way, clearly showing drivers disregard for other road users and the Highway Code.

I ask that these drivers find alternative parking nearby, for example the disused car park at the rear of the now closed Huntsman Pub, before a serious accident occurs due to restricted views of oncoming vehicles.

Repeat offender's details will be noted and passed to relevant authorities.

A disgruntled Woodham resident.



Arriva Bus Service

Dear Sir,
Picking up on Tony Knight's letter, from a previous edition. Sorry to hear about all the trouble he has had with the no. 7 Arriva bus service.

At first, and still ongoing at times, Arriva, as with others, have had two key problems. 1) Covid, both getting it and/or being in contact with people who have it, has had an impact on drivers.

2) Worldwide lorry driver shortages has led to many bus drivers leaving to go to drive lorries, in some cases getting paid twice as much.

The no. 7 had recently reduced its frequency to try and off set this. Although back up to four an hour. Due to this service, intended as a more frequent service, it is easier to take drivers from this service to put them in less frequent services, say only hourly etc.

While these are having an impact day to day as to how many drivers can come in etc, we, of course, feel the impact.

Looking ahead, County Durham (possibly Darlington?) are looking to introduce a new system late this year or maybe early next year. It will be large E-Boards/bus stop posters to replace the normal bus stop posters. They will be able to show more real time info, along with intended service info. Also, if a bus is cancelled this should also be displayed. Therefore, hopefully, when it comes and, hopefully, having the ability to inform every bus stop with these along the route, we should get a better idea of what's going on. I certainly am looking forward to these changes.

Mark Morris

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RUNNING CLUB NEWS

Several Members began their weekend with a parkrun on Saturday morning, with the Club represented at the Cotsford Fields, Darlington South Park, Durham, Hackworth, Hartlepool, Sedgfield, Town Moor and Wilmslow events.

At Cotsford Fields parkrun, Clare Stradling ran a Personal Best (PB) for the event (25:30), whilst at Sedgfield parkrun, Craig Robinson recorded a new best time for that course, finishing in 27:49.

On Sunday, three Members took on the Sunderland Stroller's Pier 2 Pier race, which is one of the most scenic runs in the North-East along the coastline from South Shields to Sunderland following the coastal paths. First home for the Club was Rob Young, who finished the seven-mile run in 48:44. Jayne Rudd was next across the line for the Club, completing her run in 1:07.05, with Steph Colvin not far behind in 1:08.14.

Two Members headed to Durham to take on the Trail Outlaws' Durham Trail 10 Mile Race, which started at Maiden Castle. Paul Dalton finished the tough, undulating race in 1:11.39, which saw him finish in Third Place overall, and first in his Age Category (M40). Richard Campbell completed the race in 1:18.23, finishing third in his Age Category (M40).

Shaun Dodd took on the Fox and Hounds Fell Race, hosted by Esk Valley Fell Club. Unfortunately, the results were not available at the time of going to print, so we will revisit the outcome of this race next week.

On Monday, 16th May 2022, John Surtees headed to Jarrow to participate in the North-East Masters Athletics Association's (NEMAA's) 3000m race. Running in Heat Five, John completed the race in 9:34.5, good enough for Second Place in his heat.

If you have any queries about the activities of Aycliffe Running Club, or are interested in joining the Club, please visit our website www.ayclifferunningclub.org.uk, or contact the Club's Secretary, Donna, at ayclifferunningclub@gmail.com



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Watercolour Artist Returns to Greenfield Arts



We are thrilled to welcome back renowned artist Sarah Hill to Greenfield Arts this summer. Sarah will be returning to lead a workshop in watercolour this May in our bespoke Studio space. The workshop offers the chance for you to create your own artwork in the session and learn more about working with watercolours in a relaxed creative environment. The session will take place on Friday 27 May 2022 from 13:30 – 16:00. Find out how to get the best from this medium, enjoy the class and meet like-minded people. Relax and enjoy the workshop which includes tea, coffee and biscuits and a chance to learn new skills.

Watercolour with Sarah forms part of our summer festival programme with colourful, creative activities for all. There are also sessions in felt-making, cyanotype and mixed-media collage and a range of free activities for young people. Just visit our website to find out more and browse our full programme.

Greenfield Arts aim to promote and stimulate creativity, questioning and enquiry to encourage our community to explore a greater understanding of themselves and the world around them. To achieve this we collaborate to produce and commission high quality dynamic and stimulating arts and creativity.



For anyone who took the time to read last weeks blog, the little hog that was found on the golf course passed away the following day, the injuries he sustained were quite extensive, the poor soul was out there like that for quite sometime, it's very distressing for myself and all rehabbers across the country to witness some of the awful things that happen to them. All we ask of finders is, if you see a hedgehog out during the day this is not normal behaviour, being of nocturnal persuasion, if you do see one out during the day get him or her out of harms way, put in a high sided box with a towel or something else soft and get help, time really is of the essence because it takes three or four doses of medication before we can see any improvement.

Can I also say that these poor souls that are lucky enough to end up in our rescues do get a second chance at a really lovely life when released, if a place is unsafe to return to they will be found somewhere else to live with support feeding and other hogs. We have a lot of hogs at Woodham Village.

Many thanks to Gill, she has been busy knitting, and donating to this rescue, some beautiful items. We have got so many wonderful things I will have to do a fundraiser very soon!

Hoggies in rescue are doing very well, thank you Alison for bringing Jimmy in as soon as she saw him, poor soul has a broken back leg, he has been to Grange Vets to have his leg examined thank you Angela for being there for him. We also thank Lucy for bringing in Billy, she acted straight away too, he has sore back legs and an upset tummy, both hogs are responding to treatment and to Carol, who rescued a female, she is also gaining weight.

The British Hedgehog Preservation Society have a database of rehabber numbers please get these poor souls the help they so richly deserve and ring 01584 890801.

Free Jubilee Creativity at Greenfield Arts

Greenfield Arts would like you to join us for a special day of creativity with our 'Craft to a Tea' activity for all the family at Greenfield Arts on Tuesday 31 May.

The day begins with free family crafty fun with professional artist Dawn Belshaw, join Dawn and make something amazing to take home and display in our foyer to celebrate this special anniversary. The session for young people will be run from 10:30 – 12:00 at

Shildon Civic Hall and from 13:00 – 14:30 at Greenfield Arts. The activity will be fun and crafty and is suitable for age 7+.

For our celebrations we are offering a lovely free creative felting-making workshop for adults too. Learn new techniques and enjoy a workshop with artist Dawn Belshaw, learn the art felt-making and enjoy an afternoon session celebrating with others.

'Craft to a Tea' is supported by County Durham Community Foundation and is sure to be a very special occasion for all.

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Greenfield Poets Reach Final

Students from Greenfield Community College have excelled and been chosen to be finalists in a prestigious UK poetry competition.

'Poetry By Heart' is a national competition where students across the UK can enter and have an opportunity to perform their poem at The Globe theatre in London. The competition was promoted to the students in Key Stage 3 and 4 in English lessons and the students could decide if they wanted to be part of it. They browsed independently through the different genres and categories of poetry on the official website until a poem spoke out to them - a poem that they were intrinsically motivated to learn. The whole objective of the competition is to be able to recite and perform their chosen poem from memory.

Y11 students 'kick-started' their preparations in an enrichment class. Students gave up their own time and spent a number of weeks meeting with Mrs Davison on a Thursday evening to practise learning their poems. The students rehearsed them to a point where they could confidently have them recorded by video and sent off to the organisers.

Eight students took part in the recordings: Jack Lowe, Amy Errington, Sophie Capstack and Erin Davison from Y11; Grace Hardy from Y10; Owain McTighe and Hannah Lawson from Y9 and Alfie Hardy from Y7 and the standard was very high from all of our students. Well done.

From over 1000 entries nationwide around 90 finalists have been invited through to the next round of judging! Three of those students are from Greenfield Community College: Jack Lowe, Amy Errington and Owain McTighe. All three have been invited down to The Globe, in London to watch Shakespeare's 'King Lear' on Sunday 19 June and then to take part in a variety



of poetry workshops including having an opportunity to perform on the stage at The Globe.

Unfortunately for the Y11 students this clashes with their GCSE Science examination, however the organisers have promised to give them an opportunity to have their magic moment next year. A big well done to all of the students involved, we are thrilled to see the resilience and creativity shown to bring about this achievement.

Greenfield Community College is a Specialist Arts and Science School and is committed to providing extended opportunities to support students to reach their full potential. Greenfield Community College promotes an inclusive curriculum encouraging students to work together to realise an outstanding learning experience. If you would like to find out more visit www.greenfieldschool.net or contact the school by emailing contact@greenfieldschool.net or by calling 01325 300378.

Junction 7 - Food and Craft Festival

Only two weeks to go and we have been very busy finalising arrangements. I will publish the full programme and list of traders etc next week.

The children's fancy dress competition - entries on the day by giving your name to the organisers. Shop window mystery object competition will be drawn straight after the fancy dress. It's time to start getting excited for the first ever Food and Craft Festival in Newton Aycliffe. Come and enjoy a great day out and put Newton Aycliffe back on the map.

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Aycliffe Junior Athletics



We've had a busy few months at Aycliffe Junior Athletics with numerous competitions. Starting the outdoor season off at MSV with The Kieran Maxwell open, we had 4 juniors compete: Megan, Henry, Elizabeth and Elijah. Megan competed in some new events for her and found her love for long jump, well done Megan. Henry ran a fantastic mile on his first track debut, finishing in 2nd place with 5:47. Elizabeth doing a strange start stop technique still managed to match her PB and finish in 2nd place. Elijah, still recovering from injury, managed to pull out a PB in long jump of 1.98m.

Next up was the spring festival CDAN competition up at Chester Le Street, 13 juniors went up to compete and we saw some amazing achievements from the juniors. Well done to Will who finished 2nd, Trinity 3rd and Henry 2nd in their respective age category. The juniors represent the club well.

We then returned back to MSV for The Charles Open Stuart, where 5 of our juniors competed. Again some fantastic results from our juniors. Will, the youngest junior at the event, ran a superb 65m finishing 4th and 600m finishing 7th. Trinity continued to impress with PB's in both the 150m finishing 4th and 600m. Megan knocked a whopping 21sec off her 800m PB and pulled another PB in her long jump. Henry continued his medal streak gaining him a silver medal in the 1500m. Elizabeth ended up the only athlete competing in 150m resulting in gold medal and achieving a PB in triple jump gaining her a silver medal.

Trinity continues to make strides at the park run 5k, a PB of 24:57 knocking a huge 2mins 30sec off her previous result. Fantastic result, well done Trinity. We would like to say well done to all our juniors, you are achieving some amazing results. It's a pleasure to be your coaches. If you are interested in joining the club, please contact Claire at: arc.juniorsection@gmail.com



Parliament Talk

Tel: 01325 790580 - Email: paul.howell.mp@parliament.uk

As I said last week, on Tuesday, I had the privilege of being in the House of Lords for the Queen's Speech. This is a very special occasion on two levels. It is of course a critical part of our democratic process where the Queen communicates the legislative programme for the next session. However, for most people this is recognised as one of the fantastic Royal ceremonial events we do so well and to be sat right in the heart of this, in a seat facing Prince Charles, was just amazing. On the following day I had an invitation to the Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace which made it a week I will never forget. The weather did not really co-operate, but it was still great to be there. In the Chamber debates took place on the Queen's speech for five days, two last week and three this week. Each day has a nominal theme for the day but there is quite a bit of latitude to cross subjects over days. The themes given were: Preventing Crime and Delivering Justice; Fairness at Work, Power in Communities; Making Britain the Best Place to Grow Up and Grow Old; Tackling Short-term and Long-term Cost of Living Increases and finally, on Wednesday, Achieving Economic Growth.

On return from Westminster last week, I visited Fishburn Parish Council, I had joined a number of their Teams meetings during the worst of the pandemic, but it was a pleasure to be able to call in physically. I also had the delight of visiting a farm near Little Stainton which is a mixed arable and livestock farm. I was joined by members of the local NFU and we discussed farming policy and it was both informative and uplifting to be in the countryside as a contrast to central London. I had the opportunity to talk with one of our Clinical Directors to get their perspective on changes to Clinical Commissioning Groups. On Friday, I also had a meeting with the Friends of the Stockton and Darlington Railway as regards the 2025 Bicentennial plans and their hopes to rejuvenate the site of the Locomotion Pub, where the first trains on the route were assembled two centuries ago. I also caught up with Durham County Council as regards both Levelling Up and the bid for County Durham to be City of Culture, as well as talking to the Conservative Women's Organisation.

In response to a criticism in last week's Newton News about my support for the slightly reduced speed limit on the A167 from Aycliffe Village to the Industrial Estate. I really don't see why anyone would be concerned about travelling the road at the reduced top speed instead of the old one, approximately 1/2 mile. It will now take around

6 seconds longer. Is that really a problem? As the saying goes "It is better to be late in this world than to be early in the next!" Back to Westminster and because we are in a new session a draw will now take place for Private Members Bills. Private Members Bills are Bills brought to the house by individual members of Parliament rather than the Government. As there is limited time for Bills in any session, a draw takes place of members who want to propose a Bill and they submit their names. There will be several hundred names in the draw, and you realistically must be at least in the top 20 to have any chance of bringing a Bill to the House. We can enter the draw on Tuesday and Wednesday and the draw then takes place on Thursday, so fingers crossed! My plans for the Platinum weekend are firming up visits to Newton Aycliffe Town Centre and Woodham, but also Brafferton, Sedgefield, Fishburn, Trimdon Grange, Wingate, Heighington and Ferryhill scheduled so far. Hopefully I will see you at one of these but if not, I hope you enjoy whatever you have planned.

If you would like to get in touch with me, as always, you can reach me at paul.howell.mp@parliament.uk.

Paul Howell MP

Member of Parliament for Sedgefield

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 and Annual General Meeting later this month.

The Great Aycliffe & Middridge Partnership Area Action Partnership (AAP) board will be meeting virtually on Tuesday 24 May 2022, between 6pm and 8pm via Microsoft Teams, and members of the public are invited to observe proceedings.

Board members are due to receive an updated presentation on the work of the AAP over the past year from the GAMP Coordinator 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.



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Idea to Help Foodbanks

Dear Editor,
The cost of living is sky-rocketing, and more people than ever now seek emergency food parcels. Pressure is mounting on the 2000 UK foodbanks, with unprecedented demand. But imagine a foodbank with 1000 tins of baked beans but no toilet rolls! Often food banks are inundated with one item but have very little of another and asking donors for specific items is challenging - the situation has usually changed by the time the message has spread. To help change this, BanktheFood is a new charity set up to help foodbanks get what they need, exactly when they need it. Readers can help make a difference by downloading the BanktheFood charity app and following their nearest food bank. The app will then ping their phone a real-time list of urgently needed items

when they are at the supermarket, making it easy to add an item or two to their shopping and leave it at the drop-off point when they have finished. The app is free to download and use, and all foodbanks can register. It's a simple way to make a huge difference. Emma Spring, Co-founder & Volunteer, BanktheFood

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Brancepeth Brass Band, Jenna Highfield will be singing songs from the 50's and the Shine Choir will be performing. We also have free fairground rides for the children, they can enjoy a whirl on the carousel, shuggy boats or all the excitement of the teacups.

There will be fun competitions so everyone can take part! The competitions include Best Themed Child (Dressed in Red/White/Blue), Best Decorated Picnic Blanket, Best Adult Hat and Best Child's Hat. Winners will receive a Platinum Jubilee medal. You will be able to have your photo

taken with Her Majesty (cardboard cut-out). We are encouraging people to bring their own picnic, there will be a refreshment kiosk, however, they won't be serving food. The event draws to a close with the Mayor of Great Aycliffe Town Council lighting the beacon at 9:45 pm, this will be accompanied by a piper playing Diu Regnare, a piece of music selected by Her Majesty to be played whilst the beacon is lit. Everyone is welcome at this free event!

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Durham Constabulary are working in partnership with Humankind to get 'Ahead of the arrest'

Are you, or is someone you know suffering with drug or alcohol misuse?

We can offer a range of support programmes to get your life back on track.

Please get in touch with us on the emails below if you're ready to make a change...

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Sgt Boyd - andrew.boyd@durham.police.uk
PCSO Hill - abigail.hill@durham.police.uk

Shildon:
Sgt Lake - daniel.lake@durham.police.uk
PCSO Brown - jessica.brown@durham.police.uk

Humankind:
info@humankindcharity.org.uk



Are you, or someone you know, suffering with drug or alcohol addiction?

Durham Constabulary is working with the charity Humankind to reach out and support people in the Newton Aycliffe and Shildon areas who are suffering with addiction with a new pilot programme called Ahead of the Arrest.

The brainchild of Sergeant Andy Boyd, the scheme sees officers actively engage with members of the community who need help and offers a range of support programmes to get their lives back on track. Sgt Boyd said: "We know that addiction is a major factor for many people who go on to commit crime so this problem-solving initiative is something we hope will break that cycle. It allows us to identify vulnerable people, step in and give them that support to help them get their lives back on track."

"By working with the experts at Humankind, we can give the right support and help people and their families before they get to the point where we are having to arrest them after they commit crimes directly related to their addiction."

The initiative officially launched on April 8, with officers proactively engaging with people who have come to the attention of the police in recent weeks. The idea being that we can help vulnerable people before they regularly come to the attention of the police. 5 out of 13 people engaged with so far have agreed to work with Humankind to address their issues.

"We found one man collapsed outside one address who was clearly suffering from alcoholism and in a state," Sgt Boyd said. "We took him to hospital and on revisiting explained what we could help with and he teared up saying he was so pleased we had stepped in. He is now engaging with several different services and getting that vital support." Sgt Boyd added: "This gentleman is just one of the cases where we have been able to step in and break that cycle of behaviour which not only helps that individual but the whole community."

"I would urge anyone who suffers with drugs or alcohol to get in touch - we want them to know they don't have to tackle this on their own. "Tomorrow is a good day to start on the road to recovery, but today is even better. Help us to help you in getting Ahead of the Arrest."

For more information, email Sgt Boyd at andrew.boyd@durham.police.uk or PCSO Abi Hill at abigail.hill@durham.police.uk in Newton Aycliffe or Sgt Dan Lake at daniel.lake@durham.police.uk or PCSO Jess Brown at jessica.brown@durham.police.uk in Shildon. You can also contact Humankind directly by calling 01325 731 160 or emailing info@humankindcharity.org.uk Lots of advice is also available on their website at humankindcharity.org.uk

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NAFC Junior Section



Roundup 14th / 15th May

A round up of this week's football from Newton Aycliffe Junior Section.

Under 6's Reds played Under 6's Whites in an in-house friendly where both teams worked extremely hard and enjoyed the game immensely.

Under 6's Juniors played three 20-minute games against AJX Academy. It was a good test for Aycliffe and the game was full of goals. MOTM was Colton who worked hard throughout the game and was great in front of goal.

Under 8's travelled to Rutherford AFC, playing three 15-minute games. All games were remarkably close, with Joseph Robinson scoring all three Aycliffe goals. MOTM was Jensen Patton.

Under 9's Whites played against Washington United Gold. Aycliffe played some good football, Harry Lee scored the goal with a lovely bottom corner strike. MOTM was Lucas.

Under 9's Blacks travelled to Dormanstown Rovers. Aycliffe scored six wonderful goals, with a hat-trick from Fin, a goal from Jarrod, Chase and Findlay both grabbing their first goals for Aycliffe. MOTM was Fin Cochrane.

Under 10's Blacks played South Moor.

Aycliffe started off strong and put in a determined performance against good opposition. Harry scored Aycliffe's goal. MOTM was Mathis for an impressive performance.

Under 10's Whites played against Gateshead Team. Aycliffe started slow, but eventually came into the game, with goals coming from Jack (2) and James. MOTM was Zach for his first half defensive display and Jack in the second half for his constant attacking presence and goal.

Under 13's got back to winning ways v Tibs Yellows. Ethan opened the scoring early on after a pass from Alexander. Ethan was tormenting the opposition down their right side and provided an excellent cross for William who finished to make it 2-0. MOTM was Oliver.

Under 13's Whites entertained Eaglescliffe Elementis Blues in a friendly. Eaglescliffe won 3-2, but Aycliffe put in a wonderful performance against opposition from a higher league. The two goals coming from Tom.

Under 16's travelled to Bowburn Youth United in the final game of the season. Aycliffe dominated with Louis, Liam, Charlie and Anthony Mac going close. Aycliffe conceded a penalty late on, before Charlie lobbed the keeper with a header to equalise. It was heartbreak at the end when a goalmouth scramble was bundled home for a 2-1 win for Bowburn. MOTM was Charlie & Taylor.

Obituary

Geoffrey Cunliffe

Died at home on 14th May 2022 with his family around him. Adored Husband of Allison and a dear Dad and Father-in-Law to Adam and Matthew and Suzanne and Fiona. He was a doting, full of fun Grandpa to Phoebe and George. A much loved Son to Ella and a cherished Brother to Ian. We will all miss him so much. Funeral on Wednesday 25th May 2022 at St. Michael's Church, Heighington at 2.30pm followed by a short service at Wear Valley Crematorium at 3.30pm. No flowers please. Donations, if you so wish, can be made to The Brain Tumour Charity via their website, or left in the church.

Bev Musgrave

Passed away on 30th April 2022. Bev, aged 60 years. Dearly loved partner of Ray; a cherished Mam of Shaun and David; a dear Mother-in-Law of Gemma; the best Nanna of Rebecca, Jack, Jorja-Ann and Lacey also a dear Sister of Elizabeth, Neil and Adrian. Funeral Service to take place in St. Clare's Church on Tuesday 26th May at 11am followed by private burial. All are welcome, please meet at church.

Birthday Remembrance

Peter Woodhead

20th May
What would I give to clasp his hand.
His happy face to see.
To hear his voice,
and see his smile,
That meant so much to me.
The rolling stream of life rolls on,
But still the vacant chair.
Recalls the love,
the voice, the smile.
Of my Dad
who once sat there.
Happy birthday Dad.
Love and miss you so much.
Mandy & John xxxx

Congratulations

Jackie and Lee Swainston



Happy 60th Birthday
to you both.
Love and best wishes
from Martin, Jane
and family xx

Joshua Alexander Joice



23rd May 2006
Happy 16th Birthday
All our love,
Mum and Shaun

Happy 16th Birthday
Joshua
23rd May 2006
Love, Granny
and Grandad

In Memoriam

Louise Cunningham

23rd May 2010
Always in our thoughts and never forgotten.
Loved and missed by Dave, Steven and all your family.

John McFadden (Big John)

Suddenly on 5th May 2022, John, aged 55 years. Much loved Dad of Ricky, Demi, Callum and Bobby-Joe, a best mate and Father in Law of Tiffa and a special Grandad of Lillie and Ava. Funeral Service to take place in St Clare's Church on Tuesday 31st May at 11am followed by private burial. All are welcome at the church. At the family's request, if possible, please wear Newcastle, darts or rock shirts.

Peter Woodhead

20th May
A page in my book of memories,
Is gently turned today.
Wherever I go,
whatever I do,
Memories keep me near to you,
You were everything in life to me.
My Dad,
my best friend.
But although you had to leave me,
You will always be beside me,
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Happy birthday Dad.
Love and miss you so much, Gary xxxx

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Jean Forbes

Peacefully on 12th May, much loved Wife of Derek, loving Mam of Ian, Stuart and Gordon, Mother in Law of Jacqui, Dawn and Sarah, a much loved Nan and Nanny of Kerrieanne, Zach, Sarah, Ryan, Jordan and Courtney and Great Grandma of Otis and Fred. Will family and friends please meet for a service at Wear Valley Crematorium, Coundon on Tuesday 31st May at 10:30 am.

Thank You

Ian Patterson

The family of Ian Patterson, who died suddenly but peacefully at home on 14th April 2022, would like to thank everyone for their kind messages of condolence and for attending Ian's funeral. Thank you also, from Sheena, Nicola and Stephen, to the North East Ambulance Service, Dr. Jose, Father Cornforth of St. Mary's Church, Whitehouse Funeral Services, Thames Diner and the Phoenix Club.

Rosemary Gibson



Who would have thought that she is 80 on the 24th!
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CrossFit Kids and Teens Victory

On Saturday 7th May, five members of CrossFit All Out's Academy group took to the competition floor at The Castle Games after qualifying for the event earlier in the year. The competition was held at Middlesbrough Sports Village. Competing in the mixed teens category (ages 12-14) was Ashton Anderson (aged 13), Finnley Mcalpine (aged 14), and Lachlann Plews (aged 14). Competing in the mixed kids category (ages 9-11) was Aiden Anderson (aged 11) and Alfie Ellis (aged 9). All of the teens and kids tackled three tough workouts, under the support of Coaches



Terry Anderson and Courtne Mills, and parents/members of CrossFit All Out. These three workouts included a variety of movements including box jumps, burpees to plate, overhead plate walking lunges, leg raises, thrusters, and a 1KM run for the final event.

Kids Placing:

Aiden: 1st Place (best place finish of 1st in events 1 and 3)

Alfie: 7th Place (best place finish of 6th in event 3 - 1KM run)

Teens Placing:

Ashton: 9th Place (best place finish of 6th in event 2)

Finnley: 21st Place (best place finish of 14th in event 2)

Lachlann: 5th Place (best place finish of 2nd in event 1)

All kids and teens performed to the highest standard, taking each event in their stride and embracing every second of the day. Their determination shone through and all of the hard work they have been putting in during training was paid off massively. A huge congratulations to Aiden Anderson who previously finished 2nd back in November at the last Castle Games competition; this year he was able to take the top spot on the podium! A fantastic achievement and one we are all very proud of at CrossFit All Out. Head Coach, Terry Anderson, said, "it was great to see all the kids support each other, enjoying it and seeing their hard work paying off. To see them challenging themselves, both mentally and physically, as young people is admirable. We are a very proud team of coaches and parents."



Blood Bikes



On Saturday 7th of May we invited the guys from the Blood Bikes into the store to raise some funds and also raise awareness of what their job consists of, from getting a phone call from Headquarters saying which hospital to collect the blood from then where to take it to.

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