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New CCTV Installations

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Bill's 1000 Mile Challenge New CCTV Installations



We are absolutely overwhelmed at the tenacity of the fabulous 100 year old Bill Cooksey, as he takes on this mammoth 1000 mile tricycle challenge over the coming weeks for our NHS Charity. We are very grateful to Newton News and, through them, the engagement with BBC's Phil Chapman, to follow Bill's progress and, hopefully, inspire the community to get behind Bill, showing him how proud we are of him for taking on this challenge.

Bill has already fundraised for us previously, walking 10 miles every day for 10 days during 2021 and now, as he heads towards his 101st birthday on 19th August, he felt he needed a new challenge to keep him active and motivated. Bill's ambition and drive to take on 20 miles a day Monday to Friday for 10 weeks is outstanding. He is targeting to finish on 10th August and we really hope the community can get behind him on what will be a great achievement.

Pat Chambers

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Those looking to cause anti-social behaviour in Newton Aycliffe will be targeted as a new project sees the installation of CCTV cameras across the town.

The project – led by the Neighbourhood Policing Team – is a first for County Durham and Darlington, seeing partners tirelessly work together to install five Rapid Deployment CCTV cameras.

The cameras are installed in key locations that are experiencing anti-social behaviour and allow the police and partners to gather evidence on offenders causing problems for residents which can then be used as evidence to prosecute them. They can also be moved very quickly to different locations dependant on the issues that are affecting residents the most. Project lead, PC Mike Welch, said: "This project has been months of hard work and learning by all those involved in making this happen. "I hope that the installation of these cameras reassures residents that we are listening to your concerns and taking positive action to improve confidence within our community."

"Newton Aycliffe is full of amazing people and when we all work together it shows what we can achieve."

"This project puts Newton Aycliffe on the map for implementing long term sustainable problem-solving initiatives between key partners and since the introduction of one camera, which was given to us on a loan agreement, we have seen anti-social behaviour reduce in Newton Aycliffe by more than 50 per cent."

Inspector Sarah Honeyman added: "I am delighted that our partners, the GAMP AAP, county councillors, Durham County Council, Great Aycliffe Town Council and Livin have funded this initiative and enabled the purchase of the CCTV cameras to be used across the GAMP area."

"These cameras will assist the police in the detection and prevention of anti-social behaviour and crime and support our aim to ensure Newton Aycliffe and Middridge continue to be safe and enjoyable places to live and work."

The project is GAMP funded from all seven of the town's county councillors, supported by funding from Great Aycliffe Town Council and Livin.

Brian Riley, GAMP Coordinator, said: "Great Aycliffe & Middridge Partnership fully support the CCTV cameras for the Aycliffe area."

"This project has shown again what can be achieved when all key partners work together. Durham County Council, GAMP, Livin and Great Aycliffe Town Council have all worked alongside the local Neighbourhood Police Team to bring this project together, which will hopefully help to reduce antisocial behaviour in the Aycliffe area."

"A big thank you to all partners involved from the GAMP Board." Great Aycliffe Town Council's Mayor, Councillor Ken Robson, added: "The Town Council has been concerned at the increasing anti-social behaviour problems in the town in recent years, having experienced an increasing number of incidents in its parks. This has impacted on staff welfare and safety and spoiled the public's enjoyment of the Council's facilities. The Council is keen to work with the Newton Aycliffe Police Team and other partners such as Livin and Durham County Council to address the problems, and the Rapid Deployment CCTV Camera Project offered an ideal opportunity to work together to address the problems."

A spokesperson for Livin said: "As part of our local offers we were keen to support the police with this re-deployable camera for the Western Estate and since the camera was installed a number of local residents have told both Livin employees and the police how much safer they feel."

Daniel del Soldato, Head of Communications at WCCTV Ltd, said: "WCCTV is incredibly proud that our market-leading deployable cameras have yet again proven their value in preventing crime and assisting with the prosecution of offenders."

"With the proactive approach Durham Police have taken, supported by our camera technology, there's no place to hide for those who wish to engage in anti-social behaviour."

Durham Police and Crime Commissioner, Joy Allen, added: "I am delighted to see excellent partnership working and cooperation delivering such positive results. These new cameras will undoubtedly make the communities of Newton Aycliffe safer and more secure and I hope other towns and partnerships will follow Newton Aycliffe's lead."



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Gravity Enduro Race



Dear Sir,
My name is Aaron Durham and I was born and raised in the town of Newton Aycliffe. For the last 22 years I have been serving in the British Army as a Royal Engineer. This year I was selected as one of the Royal Engineer Corps team riders and last month I participated in the Royal Engineers mountain bike training camp and had my first Gravity Enduro Race, representing the Royal Engineers, in Llanfyllin Wales on 12th June 2022.

The event was round two of the five Army Inter Corps Enduro Race Season and started at 9.30am.

To complete a loop, on average, takes a rider between 2-3 hours to complete the six stages. It consists of six mountainous up and downhill rides, the times which count are the six downhill elements of the race. All

race runs were recorded, using a rider worn timing chip, then totalled up for a combined time issued at the end of the race.

As a team we won round two of the Army Inter Corps Enduro Race Season, we also had the first individual, who was Elliot Downes, in a time of 8 minutes and 55 seconds for 600 meters descending difficult rocky, rooty, loose and technical downhill terrain.

I managed to finish in the top half of the field and I am slowly making my way up the rankings, if I can manage to stay rubber side down for all six runs, with no offs next time, I should finish a little higher in the table.

Aaron Durham



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U14's Claim First Win



Sedgfield Water Polo Club played their first U14 league game at Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre since before Lockdown, with many of our younger players making their debut for the club on Saturday 21st April. Everyone played amazingly well and had a very enjoyable afternoon with the team leading the way throughout the whole match against Grantham, scoring some fantastic goals and learning first-hand how competitive and enjoyable a water polo match is. The balcony was packed with supporters to cheer on the young team; many parents had never seen a full length water polo match and were pleasantly surprised at how fit their children were. The final score was a very well deserved 19-15 win and our players are looking forward to the challenges they will face during the remainder of the league.

In addition to Junior and Senior sessions, the club now offer a beginner session on a Saturday afternoon for those wishing to try this fun and exciting sport. All sessions need to be booked in advance, so please check our website for further info and joining instructions. Contact us, call: 07579 030 598 or email: sedgfieldwp@hotmail.com

Unboxing Donations



SPORTS DAY 2022

Aycliffe Town Centre
Sat. 9th July 2022
11am to 3pm

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- Boxing • Dancing • Cheer Leaders • Karate • Ballet •
- Irish Dancing • Clubbercise • Axe Throwing and more

Performance Times:

- 11.15 to 11.30 - Clubbercise
- 11.45 to 12.00 - Infinity (Younger Dancers)
- 12.15 to 12.30 - RDA Silver Swans (Ballet)
- 12.45 to 1.00 - O'Hehir School (Irish Dancing)
- 1.15 to 1.30 - Zanshin (Karate)
- 1.45 to 2.00 - Infinity (Senior Dancers)
- 2.15 to 2.30 - Nemesis (Cheer Leaders)

Over the last few weeks the 'Friends of Woodham Burn' group have been working hard behind the scenes to spring back in to action after Covid.

As a school we are raising funds to provide children of all ages with a valuable outdoor space, with the view to providing something that would interest and engage every single one of the children not only in school, but reaching out to the wider community through our Out of School Club.

Behind the scenes, the group have started reaching out for help, letters and emails have started to make their way out and we have so far had a lovely response. So much so, that we are running an amazing 'Launch Raffle'.

Special thanks must go to Middlesbrough Football Club, The Majestic Theatre Darlington, Cobblers Hall Public House Newton Aycliffe, The Candyman Sunderland, and the amazing charity 'Knit for Peace', for donating prizes for our launch raffle.

'Knit for Peace' contacted us following an email to see if they could provide us with some raffle prizes or even wool, that some of our talented parents could make prizes with. It was to our great surprise when we were contacted by Dame Hilary Blume, the Founder/ Director of the Charities Advisory Trust. Dame Hilary had taken the time to read our email and she had researched the school. She felt that they could offer to not only provide us with raffle prizes, but with items that have been knitted and crocheted by amazing people across the UK.

During Whit week the parcels arrived and all 17 boxes were transported into school for the children to help unbox.

The children enjoyed the activity and are very much looking forward to being able to help with fundraising to create an outdoor space to be proud of.

Should you feel that you could help by donating raffle prizes, equipment for use in our outdoor space, or would like to know more about our plans to see if/where you could help, then you can contact Mr. Damian Sparrow (Head of School – woodhamburn@durhamlearning.net) or Mrs. Caroline Catmull (Friends of Woodham Burn - c.catmull500@tearchwayfederation.co.uk) via email or on 01325 300230.

N.A.F.C. FIXTURES

The Ebac Northern League have released the fixtures for the 2022-2023 season. Brian Atkinson will open his first full season as Manager with a home game against his predecessor. Newcastle Benfield will be the visitors to Moore Lane on opening day (Saturday 30th July) with Colin Stromsoy bringing with him three players who featured for the Newtonians last season.

As usual, it will be a hectic start to the season with nine league games planned before the end of August. In addition, the FA Cup will get underway on Saturday 6th August with the draw expected to be made on 8th July.

Aycliffe's first trip to League newcomers Pickering Town will be on Tuesday 23rd August. While the season will end with a Cumbrian double-header as we visit Carlisle City on Saturday 15th April and Penrith on the 22nd.

The Ebac Northern League is aware of a couple glitches in the fixture list (eg we're listed for games on both 29th & 30th August) and will be addressing them ASAP. The fixture list is always subject to change due to cup matches, weather related postponements, etc., so please keep up to date via our website www.newtonaycliffefc.co.uk and social media.

Season Tickets are now on sale and are valid for all home League games and Friendlies. Prices: Adults £100, Concessions £60, Under 18s £40 (accompanied under 12s are admitted free). Details of how to apply are on the website.

Newton Aycliffe FC 2022/2023 Season

Sat July 30th, 2022	Newcastle Benfield	H
Tue August 2nd, 2022	Seaham Red Star	H
Tue August 9th, 2022	Redcar Athletic	A
Sat August 13th, 2022	Tow Law Town	H
Tue August 16th, 2022	Crook Town	H
Sat August 20th, 2022	Sunderland RCA	A
Tue August 23rd, 2022	Pickering Town	A
Mon August 29th, 2022	Bishop Auckland	A
Tue August 30th, 2022	Guisborough Town	H
Sat September 3rd, 2022	Heaton Stannington	A
Tue September 6th, 2022	West Auckland Town	A
Sat September 10th, 2022	Thornaby	H
Sat October 1st, 2022	Northallerton Town	H
Wed October 5th, 2022	Whickham	A
Sat October 8th, 2022	West Allotment Celtic	A
Tue October 11th, 2022	Whitley Bay	H
Sat October 15th, 2022	Ashington AFC	H
Sat October 22nd, 2022	Whitley Bay	A
Sat October 29th, 2022	Carlisle City	H
Sat November 5th, 2022	Penrith	H
Sat November 12th, 2022	Seaham Red Star	A
Sat November 19th, 2022	Redcar Athletic	H
Sat November 26th, 2022	Crook Town	A
Sat December 10th, 2022	Pickering Town	H
Sat December 17th, 2022	Guisborough Town	A
Mon December 26th, 2022	Bishop Auckland	H
Sat January 7th, 2023	West Auckland Town	H
Sat January 14th, 2023	Newcastle Benfield	A
Sat January 21st, 2023	Whickham	H
Sat January 28th, 2023	Tow Law Town	A
Sat February 4th, 2023	Sunderland RCA	H
Sat February 11th, 2023	Heaton Stannington	H
Sat February 18th, 2023	Thornaby	A
Sat March 11th, 2023	Northallerton Town	A
Sat March 18th, 2023	West Allotment Celtic	H
Sat March 25th, 2023	Ashington AFC	A
Sat April 15th, 2023	Carlisle City	A
Sat April 22nd, 2023	Penrith	A

Scarlet Straight up to Speed

Scarlet Whitaker Dunn was straight up to speed at Warden Law Circuit, Sunderland.

Eleven year old Scarlet returned to Warden Law racetrack after 3 years in her now much faster Honda Cadet 200cc kart.

After a 3 year break Amaron Racing is back in action with 3 generations of racers working together doing what they love.

We would like to thank Andy at PHM Motorsport for the trailer, this is a tremendous help, Rob and Grandad Ron for making this all possible again.

"Within no time at all Scarlet got to grips on track with her Honda Cadet," said Mam Amanda, "She loved every minute, getting faster every session and was keen to listen to advice. I was looking forward to getting back on track and had so much fun zooming round the track!" exclaimed Scarlet.

Thanks to team Amaron Racing, PHM (Peninsula Historic Motorsport) and AW Birds for making this possible. To support Scarlet in her journey please email: mail@amandawhitaker.com



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Durham Gala Banner Design Winner

Dear Sir,
In 2021 The National Education Union Durham held a competition to design a banner to be carried in the 2022 Durham Miners' Gala.

My son, Joseph Ashmore (aged 8), who attends Aycliffe Village Primary School, decided to draw High Force and he was lucky enough to be one of the chosen winners.

On Friday 24th June we were invited, by the NEU Durham, to Durham Town Hall along with the other winners for the unveiling of the banner. Joseph was immensely proud (as are we), to find his idea and design was the entire back of the banner.

He can't wait to join the March on Gala Day with his banner.
Gemma Ashmore



Free Holiday Activity at Greenfield Arts

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Come along and bring your phone or camera, get snappy and enjoy the workshop. The session will run on Tuesday 2 August from 10.30 – 12.00 at Greenfield Arts and is free of charge.

Our crafty holiday activities will run on Monday 22 August 10.30 – 12.00 (Shildon Civic Hall) and 1.30 – 3.00pm (Greenfield Arts). Learn arts and crafts from artist Dawn Belshaw and make something to take home. The sessions are very popular and are suitable for young people age 7+. You can reserve your place via our website using our simple online form or contact our friendly team on 01325 379048 for further information or email info@greenfield-arts.co.uk

The family workshops form part of our summer programme with exhibitions, creative events, projects, courses and activities, check out the website at www.greenfield-arts.co.uk to find our full range of events available over the season.

Greenfield Arts are committed to offering high quality arts activity that helps stimulate creativity, questioning and enquiry. To find out more contact our friendly team on 01325 379048 or email info@greenfield-arts.co.uk



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The event, which is organised by Great Aycliffe Town Council, aims to be a pleasant community walk to highlight this virtually traffic free asset of the town which takes in various parks, meadows and woodlands located within the town.

Town Councillors and Officers plan to attend the event and walk the route, so that members of the public are able to chat to them on an informal basis during the walk if they wish.

The walk will be completed at a relaxed pace, the surface is flat and even throughout so, if you have never walked the full route or it's been some time, this is your perfect opportunity to do it in the company of new people.

Any participant bringing their dogs should ensure they are kept on a lead during the community walk.



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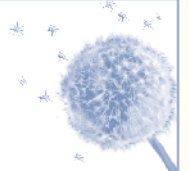


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Neville Community Association

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
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Kinship Care Support Group

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

Great Aycliffe Cancer Support Group

Chilton Catholic Club
Coffee Morning + Tombola
Third Wednesday of month, 10am-12noon
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Woodham Knit & Natter

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

Great Aycliffe Cancer Support Group

Newton Aycliffe Youth & Community Centre
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Contact Allison on 07762 258696 or
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KidzFlicks (Cinema Club for children)

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Contact: Helen McCormick 07716 801262

Messy Church

Meets 4pm on third Saturday of every month
St. Clare's Church, Newton Aycliffe (free)
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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 10am-12noon, every Saturday
St. Clare's Church Hall, Newton Aycliffe

Coffee Morning

10am-12noon, first Saturday of month
St. Elizabeth's Church Hall, Newton Aycliffe

Lifeline Community Action Knit & Natter

LCA Community Hub
17 Beveridge Way, DL5 4DZ
Tuesdays, 10am-12noon
Contact: 07936 431262 or
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Lifeline Community Action Craft Sessions

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17 Beveridge Way, DL5 4DZ
Thursdays, 10am-12noon
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Let Girls Play



To coincide with the Women's Euro Football Finals, which starts on Wednesday 6 July 2022, as England take on Austria, the FA have launched a campaign called 'Let Girls Play'. This initiative is to support the FA Strategic Ambition for every girl to have the opportunity to access football, whether this be at school or through local football clubs.

The strategy will run alongside the current Wildcats programmes, but this initiative will offer an opportunity for a wider range of ages to attend football sessions and enjoy what football has to offer.

If you are aged between 5-18 years old and want to have a go at football, the sessions will be on Mondays 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th July from 6.00pm till 7.00pm. The sessions are free of charge and will be run by qualified coaches from Newton Aycliffe Youth Football Club. Contact Berni Borsberry 07939 045242 to book your place.

Meet the Team



THE BELLRINGERS OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, HEIGHINGTON

Chris Enzor has been ringing bells for 53 years. His wife Anthea, who is also Tower [Bell] Captain, a mere 47 years. Chris told me, "Here at St. Michael's the 6 bells have been ringing out across the centuries, both good news and, yes, bad news too, for the residents of Heighington and beyond. Even wartime was catered for when the toll of a bell was a warning, so, to resolve the problem and to allow practice to go ahead, the bell tower was fitted with 6 tiny bells which still hang on the walls, one for each of their bigger cousins and known as a Seage's apparatus. These were used to make much less of a sound when rung." Inventive or what? Ask to see them. Anthea would be happy to give anyone the tour. The inventiveness continues, so, for all you techies, read on. With the aid of a grant from the Durham & Newcastle Diocesan Association of Church Bell Ringers, a simulator was purchased which, with a computer, allows all six bells to be rung without a sound, which is good for training. The clappers must be silenced first by tying them to the side of the bells. But it does not end there. A learner can ring one bell and the computer puts in the sound of the other five without them being rung at all. So very clever and means that practice can be done with just a teacher and the computer, saving frustration for the learner and precious time for the ringers. Contact Anthea for further details and to see the simulator in action at Holy Trinity, Darlington. Anthea informs me, "Almost anyone can learn to ring. You do not have to be a good musician, good at maths, or very strong. It is within the capabilities of most people. Ringers come from all walks of life and all you need is enthusiasm and a willingness to commit time to your new hobby. And, of course, the bells have a history all of their own, but that is another story for another day."

Presently, at Heighington, there are 5 or 6 beginners coming along at 7pm on Wednesday's, with about the same number to support them. The session continues until 9pm for the 11 regular ringers, who then adjourn to the pub (sounds good). Practice also happens on the 2nd and 4th Monday's 10.30am until 12 noon. Do you fancy learning the ropes? (Definitely a pun intended) Anthea would be delighted to hear from you.

Email: heighingtonbells@gmail.com

Photo: The bellringers in action.

St Francis' Pupils Become Popstars



The children and staff of St Francis' C of E Junior school were joined by Rach from, an amazing charity run project, Pop UK. Rach came into our school to teach us seven songs with incredible moves. Each song had its own very important message for the children to spread with their beautiful voices. We were also joined last week by Jim, from Pop UK, to record our own CD with our songs. The children were incredible and we all enjoyed our popstar experience. Just when we thought it couldn't get any better, on Wednesday, last week, we even held our own pop concert at St Clare's church. We invited our parents and carers to have the most amazing Popstars experience. The children sang and danced their socks off. They were amazing! The audience participation was incredible too! We can now all add popstar to our CV's. We would like to thank Reverend Ann and her fantastic team at St. Clare's church for letting us use the church for our concert, going the extra mile in supplying parents, children and staff with refreshments and for always being there for us. You continually help us shine bright and be the best we can be!

History Talk

On Wednesday 6th July, 7.00 for 7.30pm in Aycliffe Village Hall, Gordon Henderson will give a talk on 'Update on Binchester and Finds'.

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Andrew Firth Memorial Cup 2022

On Saturday, 2nd July, we will be holding the second Annual Memorial Football Tournament in honour of our friend and ex player at Newton Aycliffe Sports Club, Andrew Firth. Last year's event was very successful and helped raise much needed funds for local charities. We are hoping this year will be no different. The event will be held at Newton Aycliffe Sports Club, within the football grounds. We will be raising money for Man Health and Great Aycliffe Cancer Support Group - both of whom will have stalls available on the day and are ready to offer any support to anyone who needs it. Doors open at 11.00am (entry is £2 on the door), with some live music to get the day started, and the football tournament commencing at around 12pm. The tournament will consist of four teams, Firth's Family and Friends, Newton Aycliffe Sports Club, Cobblers Hall Over 40s and The Roundhouse. Last year's winners, Firthys Family and Friends, will kick off the tournament against Newton Aycliffe Sports Club.

A food kiosk will be open and there will be a beer tent along with children's entertainment in the form of face painting and balloon modelling. There will also be raffles and other draws held on the day.

Once the football is finished the music will continue. The live entertainment will be provided by local artists Chris Mardula as well as Baz Elkin and Mille Bradley, with a selection of great covers as well as some of their own material. Come down and join us for a great day for a worthy cause and help us raise as much as we can for the chosen charities.

Student Exhibition at Greenfield Arts



Greenfield Arts are delighted to showcase the artwork of Year 11 Students at Greenfield Community College.

The exhibition, 'Alchemy: The Transmutation of Matter' demonstrates the wealth of creativity in Painting, Photography, 3D Design, Graphics and Textiles. It will run from Monday 4 July to Friday 8 July with a preview from 6-8pm on Monday 4 July 2022.

The exhibition is a brilliant opportunity for students to see their creative work in a professional gallery environment as well as a chance to highlight their skills and celebrate their achievements.

The exhibition forms part of a summer programme of events, projects and exhibitions and is open to the public. The Greenfield Gallery opens from 10.00 – 9.00 Monday to Thursday and 10.00 – 4.00 each Friday.

To find out more, contact our friendly team on 01325 379048, visit our website www.greenfield-arts.co.uk - or email info@greenfield-arts.co.uk - Greenfield Arts work closely with Greenfield Community College to devise and deliver a quality arts programme for young people that supports student learning and school improvement.

Senior Citizens Trip



Thank you GATC. We had an amazing visit to The Black Sheep Brewery, with free tasters of their lager, beer & cider which went down very well. Followed by a free lunch which was extremely tasty. Then the coach took us into Ripon where we ambled round the market buying some locally made cheese. Then we walked round the beautiful cathedral. A wonderful day was had by us all, so thank you again.

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Ladies Taster Golf Lesson

On Wednesday 13th July from 6-7pm with PGA Golf Professional instructor, ring to book on 01325 319977.

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On 29th May, Eric Stapleton from Newton Aycliffe; Michael Fitzgerald and Michael Brown from Shildon, completed the 100 mile London to Essex Charity Ride to raise much needed funds for MIND, the Mental Health Charity. The event saw 20,000 plus cyclists riding through the closed roads of London, then on to Essex and returning to finish on Tower Bridge. They completed the ride in 7 hours and 7 minutes, well under the allocated time of 8 hours.

The lads all said, "it was a fantastic experience from start to finish, chatting to many cyclists on route from all walks of life, raising money for many charities".

MIND is a great charity with a fantastic website. They provide advice and support to empower anyone experiencing a mental health problem. The final total of the funds raised for MIND is £3170.

They would like to thank everybody who sponsored them and for the kind support messages and well wishes.



NAFC Junior Section



On Saturday, 25th June, we held our annual presentation day at Woodham Academy, the first since 2019, due to Covid. Below are the winners of the individual awards.

Key to awards: (POS) Player of Season, (PP) Players Player of Season, (MP) Managers Player of Season, (GB) Golden Boot Award, (MI) Most Improved Player of Season, (SA) Sportsman Award, (POT) Player of Tournament, (MA) Most Assists.

Under 9's Blacks – POS Findlay Ward, PP Tyler Jay Towers, MP Finley Cochrane, GB Fletcher Noble, MI Liam Baird.

Under 9's Whites – POS Josh Outterson, PP Josh Outterson, MP William Beale, GB Oscar Clarkson, MI Harry Lee.

Under 10's Juniors – POS Daniel Collett, PP Maxi Conquest, MP Mason Brown, GB Dom Hullah, MI Samuel Brewer, POT Joan Harrop.

Under 10' Blacks – POS Charlie Dodds, PP Mathis Gordon, MP Rhys Hewitt, GB Rhys Hewitt, MI Oliver Swords-Lee.

Under 10's Whites – POS Jack Richardson, PP Max Holehouse, MP Tyler Waterworth, GB Jack Richardson, MI James Lane.

Under 11's – POS Sam Brumwell, PP Evan Norman, MP Harry Adderley, GB Archie Brown, MI Seth Wightman.

Under 12's – POS Callum Maughan, PP James Brennan, MP Jamie Little, GB Callum Maughan, SA Logan Cator.

Under 13's – POS Fynley Hardy-Toase, PP Keaton Wright, MP Alex Scaife, GB Danny Rutherford, MA Danny Rutherford.

Under 13's Whites – POS Noah Christon, PP Trystan Patton, MP Joshua Churcher, GB Ethan Churcher, SA Danny Dodds.

Under 14's – POS Connor Maitchell / Brad Hughes, PP Connor Maitchell, MP Jack Chapman, GB Mason Wright / Niall Armstrong, MI Liam Byers.

Under 15's – POS Thomas Aspinall, PP Harley Coad, MP Harley Coad, GB Travis Dixon, MI Leighton Hope.

Under 16's – POS Charlie Walton, PP Liam Gibson, MP Brandon Grant, GB Charlie Walton, MI Ashley Jardine.

Under 18's – POS Jack Clarkson, PP Dec Scott, MP Dec Scott, GB Jack Clarkson, SA Gregg Holland.

Chairman's Award went to Vicki Aspinall

Team of the Year went to U13's Blacks

Whilst Thomas Aspinall of the under 15's was also awarded a 10-year service award. The day was enjoyed by over 600 people, with a raffle, football blind card, photo booth and refreshments, all contributing to vital club funds.



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Closing date for applications: 9.00am Wednesday 13th July 2022.

Photo Exhibition

An extraordinary display of 100 photos taken by 5-11 year olds in Heighington, and the surrounding locality, will be held in Heighington Village Hall. The pictures include animals, buildings, street scenes, farms, wildlife, allotments, flowers, playgrounds, trees, pathways, fields, skies, and much, much more.

The exhibition will be held on Saturday 9th July, 3pm-7pm, and Sunday 10th July, 10am-2pm. Entrance is free for children, who will be asked to vote for their favourite photos. Adults entry is £1.00, which includes tea/coffee/juice and a biscuit.

Rare Rockets Share Space with MP



Rare Rockets, shortlisted in the Newcomer of the Year Category at the 2022 Making Your Mark Awards, are a team of experienced, friendly, communications professionals who work with deaf, hearing and professional communities. Paul Howell, Member of Parliament for Sedgefield, recently met up with the team at their County Durham Incubation Centre, based in Newton Aycliffe.

Paul Howell MP said: "The team at Rare Rockets gave me a warm welcome and many insights into how to encourage collaboration and understanding across all sectors of language interaction, community support, training and resources.

"Whether it's letting hearing people know the simple things they can do to improve communication or supporting a deaf person build up confidence in their communication skills with members of the hearing community. The support of Outreach Support Workers helps everyone to find improved ways to work together."

Craig Jones, CEO of Rare Rockets, said: "It was an absolute pleasure meeting Paul Howell MP. I was so proud to introduce my team of both Deaf and Hearing staff, demonstrating how collaboratively we work both bilingually and biculturally. During our business lunch meeting, colleagues and I explained the structure; how Rare Rockets operates, the community we serve, who we work in alliance with, the locality area across County Durham, Tees Valley and North Yorkshire, and the vision of our organisation. Paul's attention to detail was amazing throughout all our discussions and the interest he showed in learning how we deliver the ever-thriving BSL Interpreting Service, PA Community Support and the BSL Training.

We look forward in working together with Paul from hereon in, exploring and soaring to new heights not only here in the North East and nationally too."

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A combination of scheduled meetings in the constituency and rail strikes meant I did not attend Westminster in person last week although I did via Teams a couple of times. The first of these was a weekly meeting with the DEFRA (Department for Environment, Farming and Rural Affairs) team. This is the 30-minute meeting we have each Monday to make sure we understand the ministers' priorities for the week and the support they need.

I also got news this week that I have been accepted on the Armed Forces Parliamentary Scheme, this is a scheme where members of Parliament can visit military establishments and get a better understanding of our Armed Forces and the incredible work they do. Later last Monday I went to Newcastle for a dinner to discuss inward investment in our region with other stakeholders. Tuesday saw me at NETPark for the first of 3 visits that week, again talking about future opportunities. This science park is a genuine hub of opportunity for our region and it's a real pleasure to support it. Then it was off to meet headteachers at Ferryhill as they are having some ASB issues that I am trying to help them get support for.

Wednesday was a busy day where I took the opportunity to do some things normally not possible as, typically, I would be in London. I started with a Business Breakfast meeting on NETPark at 7.45am before heading to Wingate to join a community walk. It was good to listen to residents I have not seen for a while and to make some new connections. After that it was my privilege to visit Rare Rockets on Aycliffe Industrial Estate. I first met Craig and his team at the Make Your Mark Awards and arranged then to go and meet the full team. They have a business that works to both support deaf people in the community but also support hearing people understand how best to engage with deaf people. Then it was back to NETPark for a meeting to discuss the North East Space Hub before back to the office for a catch up with Nicola from Citizens Advice. Citizens Advice are one of the agencies my team engage with regularly and it is always good to meet properly instead of by Teams.

Thursday saw me at Tesco, Newton Aycliffe, to meet the local manager. We talked about everything from stock levels to the pressures on cost of living and their engagement with local charities. I'm planning to do some pop-up sessions in the store in the near future so, if you see me there, please feel free to come over for a chat. I then visited a farmer who had written on a number of subjects before catching up with the local Pigeon Federation. I now know a lot more about pigeon racing and can represent their interests better. Friday started with the delight of visiting Fishburn Primary school to support the studies they are doing on Parliament, but, in particular, the role of the suffragettes. Elaine Peeke, Durham County Councillor for Bishop Middleham and Cornforth, came with me to the school and was able to provide a perspective about women's engagement in politics, that I couldn't. I also gave them a number of documents from Westminster to hopefully further enhance their studies.

After this it was on to Durham University Business School and then County Hall for a series of meetings with first the Economic Partnership and then the council leadership team. Saturday was Armed Forces Day. I was out and about across the constituency, starting with the raising of the flag with Ferryhill Town Council, then St Luke's for a Community Fair before heading up to Station Town and later to Trimdon Grange Community Centre for their Armed Forces Day events.

It has been a real delight this week to get out and about so much and see so many people. I hope to do much more of this through the summer so, hopefully, I will see many more of you. As always, if you want to get in touch, please email at paul.howell.mp@parliament.uk or call on 01325 790580.

Paul Howell, Member of Parliament for Sedgefield



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Coach Trip

New Friends, New Places are arranging a coach trip to Helmsley and the Lavender Fields on Sunday 17th July, cost £8. Leaving Wilco bus stop 9.00am and Stephenson Way Cemetery bus stop at 9.10am; also Meadowfield Way opposite the old Labour Club entrance at 9.15am. We have just had a very enjoyable trip to Whitby and this trip was asked for by some of the participants of the Whitby Trip. Ring 01325 308094 or 07967 901477 to book and further details.

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Sheena Stephenson

RUNNING CLUB NEWS

This week saw seven runners take part in the Lambton 10k on the site of the famous Lambton Lion Park. Luckily for the runners, the lions are long gone. First back for the club in a time of 56:35 was Trish Kay. She was closely followed by David Stothard in a time of 58:30. Next back was Eve Doe in a time of 1:07:12 closely followed by Richard Tonge in a time of 1:09:42. Susan Clark was next back in a time of 1:15:44 followed by Kathleen Tonge in a time of 1:15:44. Those were followed by Ian Stothard in a time of 1:33:45. Saturday morning was a very busy one for Members with a total of 20 members beginning their weekend with a Parkrun. The Club was represented at the Prudhoe Riverside, Durham, Redcar, Darlington South Park, Hackworth, Hartlepool, Cotsford Fields, Tyne Green and Leazes Park events.

At Prudhoe Riverside, Carley Gibson was taking part at this event for the first time, finishing the course in a time of 29:57. At the same time Mandy Heywood was taking part in her 270th parkrun but first, at Durham, finishing in a time of 29:13. At Hackworth Park Stuart Joyce finished 4th in a time of 22:01. Peter Tennick also took part in his first run at Hackworth finishing in a time of 23:12. In the same event Laura Grainger achieved another personal best for the Hackworth Park event finishing as third female in a time of 27:08. Over at Hartlepool Richard Macfarlane attended this event for the first time finishing in a time of 25:50. At the same time Jayne Rudd attended Cotsford Park for the first time finishing in a time of 28:51. This was also a Personal Best for any parkrun for Jayne and also her 50th parkrun so an excellent achievement. At Tyne Green Paul Dalton completed this event for the first time finishing 4th in a time of 18:47. Claire Stradling also completed this event for the first time finishing in a time of 24:11 and only seven seconds outside of her personal best.

If you feel inspired to start running, or want to run with like-minded people, our sessions cater for people of all abilities. Every Monday we have a Beginner's Run that starts at 6:30pm at the Oakleaf Sports Complex at School Aycliffe Lane. It is a steady run that can be used if you are a beginner, returning from injury or just looking for a social run with like-minded people. It is a very welcoming session and perfect for anyone starting out.

Every Tuesday we have the main outdoor running session which starts at 7pm. Usually, we meet at the Sports Complex but there are occasions where we meet somewhere else depending on where the session takes place. These sessions are usually interval sessions over various distances and will focus on strength, speed and stamina and is aimed to replicate how you would run in a race. We do this in 3 groups so that the session can fit around people of all abilities. Again, ideal if you want to take your running to the next level and build up speed but also good for all abilities and running with like-minded people. There are some excellent sessions. On Thursday's we meet at Shildon 2000 Stadium with the session starting at 6:30pm. We usually meet at Sunnysdale Leisure Centre from 6:15pm with the option for a warm up around the edge of the track.

There are other sessions that some members will organise and Wednesdays there will be some social runs which can be used as a recovery run and it's also a good opportunity to have a chat with someone as you run. Those sessions usually start at 6:30pm at the Oakleaf Sports Complex but check out our Facebook page before attending any of the sessions to make sure they are still taking place. We start all sessions with a gentle warm up although sometimes at the track there will be activities to get you moving as well as our loud speaker playing out everyone's favourite tunes! All sessions finish with a cool down and some static stretches. We would love it if you came along and tried one of the sessions. We know that once you do, you will be back on a regular basis and it may be YOU that ends up with your name in our race reports. The good thing about running is that you can do it pretty much anywhere and it can be free. Running with others helps keep you motivated and also gives you confidence to push on and do more. Being active is not only good for your physical health but equally important for your mental health. All you need to do is turn up for a session and introduce yourself, 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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Sketching Walks Folk Nite

Thursday 23rd June Walk

Back to our recently visited railway station with another three of the group. Again, a sunny day, no trains running, only the occasional noise of railway maintenance men. The group sketched the three bridges and are looking forward to next week's venue.

If you would like to join us, we meet in Newton Aycliffe or surrounding areas on a Thursday morning. For more information phone Bill Lowery on 01325 311225.

Folk Music Club at Moore Lane Sports Club on Tuesday 19th July from 8pm until 10.30pm.

Tickets are £4.00, payable on the door.

Please contact Joan on 01740 621347 for information.

Neighbourhood Policing

By PCSO Alfie Middleton



Hello to all reading this, The Neighbourhood, Response and Crime teams working out of Newton Aycliffe have been busy responding to a variety of incidents across the area over the past week, including concerns for safety, missing persons, domestic incidents and harassment.

Below is a snapshot of what we have been up to:

On Monday, officers attended an address off Central Avenue working alongside the RSPCA and local vets to rescue a variety of wildlife. This was on the back of information received from members of the public who had expressed concerns about the conditions birds and fish in particular, were being kept in at the address. Under the Animal Welfare Act a number of animals, birds and fish were recovered.

On Tuesday, PCSO Todd completed a Herbert Protocol for a local resident. We have been supporting some vulnerable members of our community suffering with dementia by linking in with them and their loved ones and signing them up to the Herbert protocol. If you know someone vulnerable in this way, please contact us on herbertprotocol@durham.pnn.police.uk or message the Facebook page and we'll get back to you as soon as we can.

Wednesday saw the installation of our new CCTV cameras. This sees five new rapid deployment cameras located in different areas of the town which can move within a short time frame. The project is GAMP funded from all seven of the town's County Councillors, supported by funding from Great Aycliffe Town Council and Livin. So a massive thank you to them, the county council, PC Welch and the Neighbourhood team that worked hard to get them up and running. We really hope that this reassures you that we are committed to reducing Anti-Social Behaviour and Crime in Newton Aycliffe.

On Thursday, Officers attended a year 11 leavers gathering next to the athletics track to the rear of Woodham School. Officers attended after a report of a 100 persons fighting, however when officers attended there were no issues and those there present were enjoying celebrating the end of their secondary education. We are not the fun police and ensured that all present were behaving themselves and properly safeguarded.

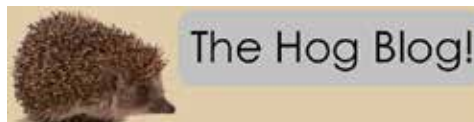
On Friday, PCSO Todd was out in the community with Humankind getting 'Ahead of the Arrest'. This is a joint initiative targeting members of the community who are suffering with drug or alcohol misuse. The aim here is to help those suffering in silence, getting them the support they need before it gets to crisis point, or they are committing offences which lead to them being arrested. This has been running for a couple of months now and around a third of all visited are now engaging with Humankind programmes.

On Saturday we ensured we patrolled the areas that have been reported to have issues based on the calls to Police and the messages on Facebook. We patrolled the Town Centre and Western Area of Newton Aycliffe. We engaged with a number of youths, and in the main it appeared that all were behaving themselves.

Lastly, if you haven't already and have a spare minute, please sign up to 'Keep in the Know' where you can receive regular alerts from the team here on what's happening around the town, such as crime updates and road closures. It's completely free and you can sign up by visiting www.keepintheknow.co.uk/content/pages/sign-up.

Have a good week and stay safe.

PCSO 8737 Middleton



It's been a wonderful week with donations flying in for Prickly Havens very first incubator which has been so helpful. May I say a huge thank you to Jackie, Elizabeth, Hazel and Angela, who specifically called around to donate.



We also have our new babies ready to take up residence inside our new incubator meet Blondie and Babe, both from Hutton Place, not too far from here either, a huge thank you for finding these precious little ones. Blondie was found Friday night, Babe on Sunday night, but earlier tonight a little male came in from an allotment in Ferryhill, they will be here for quite some time to come, hopefully. They will need to be in the incubator till they are 200 grams at least. Should you see a small hog out alone, cold, hungry and very vulnerable to predators, please pick him or her up get them out of harms way, then ring The British Hedgehog Preservation Society on 01584 890801 or Google Hedgehog Rescue Centres in your area.

Congratulations

'Mr Oliver'
Who would have taught?



Huge congratulations to my grandson Jordan Oliver on completion of his Teacher Training. After being educated at Greenfield College, possibly your paths may have crossed as he worked his way through Darlington Queen Elizabeth College, ROF59, Coffee Pronto and the Sports Complex.

He has been offered a position as a Year 6 Teacher that he begins this month.

It just goes to show that hard work DOES pay off.

Love from Grandma and all the family.

In Memoriam

Jeff Clark

Died 4th July 2002

Treasured memories of my dear devoted friend. Forever in my thoughts.
Joy Marie

Paul Clark

Died 8th July 2009

Memories of my dear friend Paul. Always in my thoughts.
Joy Marie

Barbara & Les Sutton

*Reunited forever
3-7-15*

The years may go
Our tears still flow
On this day when
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Was reunited with our
Dad and Grandad in
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Memories we all have
And in all our hearts
You will always stay.
R.I.P.
All the family

Obituary

Ted Sanderson

(Teddy)

Of Newton Aycliffe tragically passed away on 21st June, aged 14 years.

A dearly loved Son to Angela and Eddie; a treasured Grandson of Lynn and Keith; a dear Nephew to Mel and Katie and a Cousin to Dean.

Family and friends please meet for a Service at Wear Valley Crematorium on Friday 8th July for 10.30am.

Family flowers only, donations in lieu, if so desired, to James Cook Children's Trauma Centre.

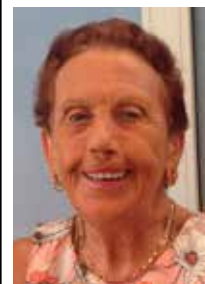
Brian Tripp

Of Newton Aycliffe passed away peacefully on 17th June, aged 80 years.

A dear Husband of Betty; a much-loved Dad, Grandad and Great Grandad.

Family and friends please meet for Service at Wear Valley Crematorium on Tuesday 12th July for 1.30pm.

Ruth Weldon



Wishing a very happy 90th birthday to our wonderful Mum on Friday 1st July.

Thank you for all you do for us, our role model, fabulous Mum, Super Nana and Great Nana.

With lots of love from your children Denise, Linda, Susan, Elaine, Julie, Raymond and Brenda; and from your many Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren.

Aycliffe Cricket Club Scoreboard Report

Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club's 1st team, sponsored by Franks the Flooring Store, were comfortably beaten by five wickets away at top of the table Rockcliffe Park 1st XI in the NYSD 2nd division. Aycliffe elected to bat first and struggled to get any momentum in their innings and were restricted to a below par 165 for 9 in their allotted 50 overs. Sean Morgan top scored with a late order unbeaten 26 off 53 balls and other contributions came from Adam Gittins (24 off 68 balls) and James Layfield-Carroll (23 off 28 balls). In reply, the homeside romped to victory after just 31.1 overs despite some good bowling from Layfield-Carroll (2 for 38) and both Sean Morgan and Luke Telford, who had identical figures of 1 for 25.

The u17's lost by ten wickets at home to Darlington in the NYSD Junior league. Aycliffe batted first and were bowled out for just 77 after 18.3 overs with Ramzan Hussain (18 off 13 balls), Matty Greaves (12 off 11 balls) and Leon Patel (10 off 34 balls) the only players to reach double figures. The visitors quickly reached their winning target without loss after 11.5 overs.

The u15's lost at home by 48 runs to second in the table Richmond in the NYACC league. The visitors chose to bat first and scored 130 for 5 from their 20 overs with Joe Ingman, the pick of the Aycliffe bowlers, taking 3 for 23 from his 3 overs. In reply, only Dan Heaton (26 from 33 balls) and Tom Dearden (23 from 40 balls) managed double figures as Aycliffe were restricted to 82 for 6 from their 20 overs.

The u13's lost by 44 runs away at Sedgfield in the NYACC league. The homeside chose to bat first and scored 115 for 4 in their 20 overs with Joey Hayman, the most successful bowler, taking 2 for 8 from 3 overs for Aycliffe. In reply, Luca Randall (15 runs) and Trent Telford (10 runs) batted well as Aycliffe were restricted to 71 for 8 from their 20 overs.

The u11's lost by 92 runs away at title hopefuls Sedgfield in the NYACC league but there were some encouraging individual performance with the bat by both Joey Hayman (22 off 13 balls) and Phoebe Sproat (9 not out off 11 balls).

On Monday 4th July, for the second consecutive year, Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club were delighted to be asked to host the annual Durham County v Yorkshire County u11's girls match. The game is scheduled to start at 11am, entry is free, refreshments are available throughout the day and all cricket fans are welcome to attend.

RUGBY UPDATE



Newton Aycliffe Rugby Club launched their pre season training campaign last Thursday in order to attract new players and regroup ex players of the club and any new rugby players who may have moved into the town over the last few years.

There is a comprehensive recruitment campaign ongoing to help rebuild the squad for the 2022/23 season. This can include any males over 18yrs who may fancy a new challenge in sport and give rugby a go.

Currently the focus is on general fitness, and some fun ball handling exercises, mainly in the form of touch rugby. Then socialise in the bar afterwards. Over the coming weeks the training will involve ball handling drills, running with the ball, passing and, eventually, tackling drills will be introduced. Unopposed run throughs and mini contact games will be the end product before any pre-season friendlies are introduced.

The official league season starts on 24th September with a home fixture against Northallerton 2nds. Aycliffe Rugby Club have joined the Tees Valley Social League. Consisting of 12 teams that do not have a great distance to travel to away games.

The idea is to bring Rugby Union back to its roots, with the emphasis on friendly competitive games and a good social gathering at the club bars after the matches.

The idea brings great lasting friendships, fitness, good skills of the ever changing game where the RFU constantly adjust rules to protect all players in this great contact sport.

Please come and join the lads at Newton Aycliffe Sports Club, Moore Lane, DL5 5AG. Training starts at 7pm. Message the club on our Facebook page or contact head coach Bob Malvern for any queries, call: 07398 167461.

SAFC Supporters

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