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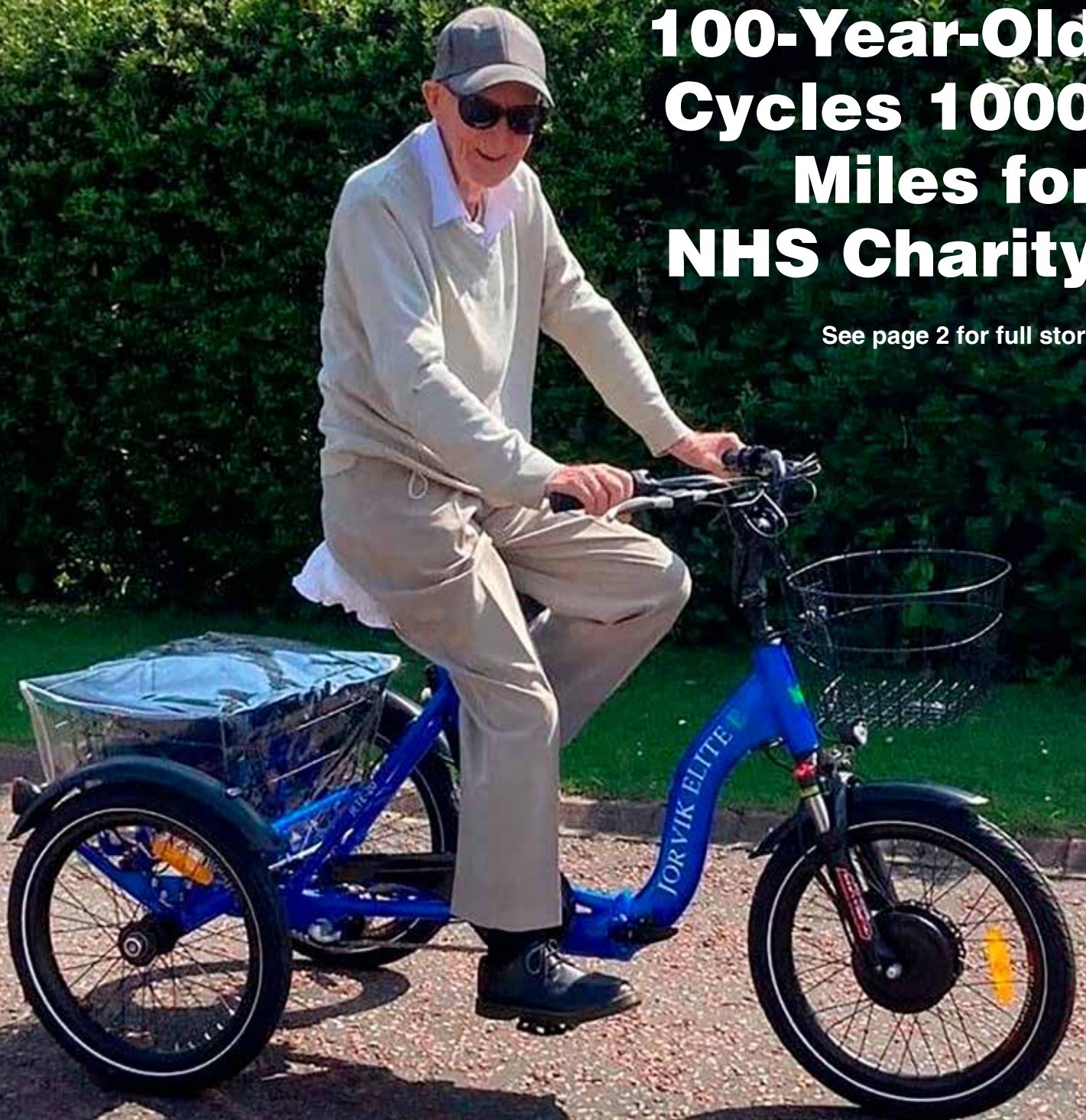
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See page 2 for full story



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ACORN Portable Defibrillator



Popular community group ACORN are thrilled to announce that they have finally received a defibrillator to take along on their bus trips. It has long been the ambition of the group to own a portable defibrillator as they often carry elderly residents on journeys which may be many miles from a hospital.

Members, and residents, of Newton Aycliffe have been raising funds by Domino cards, tombola's and personal donations for a couple of years and recently were able to consider acquiring one, however Covid 19 and a shortage of microchips put back our plans.

A chance came along when Mayor Ken Robson was invited to talk to Rotary Club members at a breakfast meeting and Ken was informed that not only could Rotary help with supplying a unit but they could offer a 10 year extended warranty.

Cllr Ken Robson gratefully received the unit from Rotary Community Chair Tony Jackson at a short handing over ceremony at the Phoenix Club Newton Aycliffe which is base for ACORN who hold their meetings in the club on the second Thursday of each month at 6pm in the upstairs lounge. Accompanying Ken, who is this year Mayor of Great Aycliffe, were members of little ACORNS which is the junior section of the group and who meet at 5.30 pm.

Many thanks to Tony and his team at Rotary and special thanks to all who have supported this project over the years.

Ken Robson

100-Year-Old Cycles 1000 Miles for NHS Charity

Fresh from walking 100 miles for a local NHS charity that helped to make, what was believed to be, palliative care more comfortable for him, miracle man William (Bill) Cooksey was due to complete his latest fundraising challenge on 9th August – cycling 1,000 miles.

The 100-year-old RAF veteran and former teacher from Newton Aycliffe, who is also profoundly deaf, has been cycling 20 miles per day, using the carriage clock from his mantle piece to keep track of time. His walking effort in 2021 raised just over £3,000 for County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust Charity and it is hoped that this latest challenge could surpass that.

Bill said: "You wouldn't believe how valuable the work County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust Charity does - it is a charity supplying items which aren't deemed 'vital to patient care' but which are so valuable to making hospital stays and treatment a more comfortable experience. From the chairs your visitors sit on, to toys and colouring books on children's wards, even fridges for the nursing staff to store food in to keep them replenished while caring for patients around the clock - it's all provided by the charity."

Bill is due to celebrate his 101st birthday on 19th August, as Charity Development Manager, Pat Chambers, explains: "There are no words to describe how grateful we are for Bill's support. Having made a miraculous recovery from end-of-life care in March 2020, there seem to be no limits to what this wonderful man can achieve."

"We'd encourage everyone to support him via JustGiving, join us to welcome him over the finish line on 9th August, and also to send him birthday cards this year - they can be sent care of the charity office and we know they would mean so much to him."

Bill's military career included four years in the Middle East, as well as working on board an air sea rescue flight supporting the 8th army in Benghazi where, following an emergency landing in Cyprus, he and his comrades were forced to live in the Welling Bomber for six weeks.

You can donate to Bill's fundraiser here:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/BillCooksey>

Mr Cooksey will be celebrating his 101st birthday, next Friday

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Saturday 20th August - 'ToldYaOnce'

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Options Social Club Returns

There were smiles all around as a member-led service for adults with learning and physical disabilities relaunched its popular evening social club!

Celebrated with a fun-filled summer party, the Pioneering Care Partnership's (PCP) Social Club welcomed new and returning members, with special guests including Cllr Ken Robson, Mayor of Great Aycliffe, along with his wife Elaine, the Mayoress.

Hosted at the Pioneering Care Centre in Newton Aycliffe, the relaunch was nothing short of sweet, with fresh fruit meringues, activities and much more on offer.

Carol Gaskarth, Chief Executive of PCP, said: "Our Social Club has been dearly missed following a two-year hiatus. It's good to be back to provide adults with learning and physical disabilities the opportunity to have fun, relax and unwind, make new friends and take part in a wide range of activities."

"I would like to thank the Great Aycliffe and Midsriddle Partnership (GAMP) and the local Councillors who continue to support the Social Club with funding, without which we would not be able to run this popular social evening."

The Social Club takes place every Thursday from 6:30pm to 8:30pm and is only £4.00 per session, with funds contributing to weekly activities, resources and staffing.

If you would like to find out more about PCP's Options service, visit www.pcp.uk.net/options-social-group or contact options@pcp.uk.net



Garden Guild

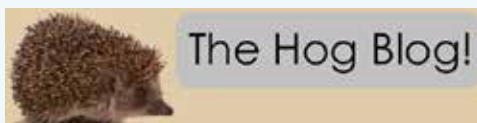
Great Aycliffe Garden Guild (GAGG)

GAGG has great pleasure in announcing their first ever Open Day. The purpose is to bring people and community groups together to inform them of progress and plans for the future. There will be several stalls and local groups attending and you will get the opportunity to make a pledge to join.

Saturday 24th September
Clarence Chare Allotment Site

11.00am to 3.00pm

Carol Payne
(Acting Secretary)



Sorry but this is short and sweet because things are very busy here. Firstly thank you Carrie for allowing me to be a part of Pride Fest last Saturday, Marlene, Eloise and Isobel did a wonderful tombola. Thanks also go to Carl who kindly helped me carry the tables back to the car, Valerie, Jackie and John who visited with a donation. My time is best here because I have a record number of babies in rescue, fundraising is important to keep this rescue running efficiently, so, I want to thank everyone who bought raffle tickets on Saturday too.

Tip of the week: Please continue to put some water out for our prickly friends, the ground is hard and food is also very difficult to get. If you need advice please email me on pricklyhaven@yahoo.com or The British Hedgehog Preservation Society on 01584 890801.

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Paul Howell MP Welcomes Minister to Farmers Mart

On 2nd August, Paul Howell, MP for Sedgefield, welcomed Andrew Griffith, the Minister for Exports to the Darlington Farmers Auction Mart (DFAM). As well as visiting DFAM, Mr Griffith visited the Darlington Economic Campus, where the Department for International Trade (DIT) have a base and the Minister and civil servants visited various sites around Darlington and the Sedgefield constituency. The Minister met with Mark Dent the DFAM chairman, Laurie Norris from the National Farmers Union, and local farmers Clare Wise and Billy Maughan and listened to what the DIT can do to boost British farming exports around the world. He heard where farming opportunities could exist and what could be done to help promote high quality British produce and facilitate smooth trade. Billy Maughan said: "After discussing the opportunities for the export of British food



with Paul at the Great Yorkshire Show it was great to see Paul raise the issue with the Minister in Parliament and fantastic that the Minister found time to visit us to discuss them further.

"Farmers in our area and throughout the country are proud to produce food to some of the highest standards in the world. There is real potential to both build on existing markets as well as develop new ones throughout the world. As farmers we are keen to see these markets develop and today was a fantastic opportunity to discuss how the government can help this vision be delivered. A key ask was around getting people on the ground in key markets such as the middle East and parts of Asia to promote what we have to offer in terms of quality, sustainability, and traceability." Paul Howell said of the visit: "I was delighted to bring Andrew Griffith, the Minister for Exports, to Darlington Farmers Auction Market today to meet local farmers and the NFU. They were able to tell him how Government can help them take advantage of export opportunities arising from trade deals and the importance of maintaining import standards. He was joined by his team from both London and Darlington. Having some DIT officials based at the Darlington Economic Campus really makes it easier for them to meet and relate to my constituents." Photo caption: [L-R] Clare Wise, Laurie Norris, Paul Howell, Andrew Griffith, Billy Maughan and Mark Dent.

Sketch Walk

Thursday 4th August

We met at Midridge village hall car park to complete the rained off walk from the previous week. We headed up Walkers Lane, leaving the shelter of the car park into a strong cross wind (really cross) ruling out sketching the farm buildings. We made our way to the bridge over the railway and made the best of it using the shelter of the pillars on the parapet. Then down to the old quarry, reclaimed by nature, it was an oasis of calm and warmth. We then made our way back along a tree lined lane (disused railway bed) to the outskirts of Midridge. 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.

A Day in the Life of

The Mayor and the Random Reiki Master

Recently, as Mayor, it was a pleasure to accept a donation of £140 from Cllr Phillip Hawkins for the Mayors chosen charities. Cllr Hawkins presents two shows on Aycliffe Radio, the community based Around Town and the international Random Reiki Master Show, and he is a published author with a number of books to his credit and has agreed to donate the royalties from future book sales to the Mayors charities. Cllr Hawkins has supported a number of charities over the years but, on becoming a councillor, he felt it was important to support some of the local and lesser-known charities, and, in doing so, show support to those councillors who will take on the role of Mayor in the future.

Around Town recently hosted MP Paul Howell, as a guest on its 'A Day in the Life of' series, a Member of Parliament, and I, as Mayor, have agreed to be a guest on Around Town when scheduling allows, to discuss 'A Day in the Life of' the Mayor of Newton Aycliffe.

Cllr Ken Robson

Mayor of Great Aycliffe Parish Council



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Dated: 12th August 2022



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Pride Music Festival Puts Aycliffe on the Map

Aycliffe Radio have once again brought a successful first to Newton Aycliffe - previously entertaining crowds in Aycliffe Town Centre with small festivals, blue light days, sports days, local organisations, Christmas lights and, not forgetting, the many drive in events during the Covid pandemic at ROF59 Arena.

On Saturday 6th August, Aycliffe Radio, in conjunction with Sponsors Aycliffe Town Centre management and McDonalds, brought to Newton Aycliffe its very own first Pride Festival.

At one point, when ticket sales were lagging, there was discussion about cancelling the event, but Carrie and Paul Howarth (Aycliffe Radio) pushed ahead with an expanded publicity campaign across the whole of the north east, including collaborating with BBC Look North, ITV regional news, Pride Radio, setting up Aycliffe Pride Festival Facebook page and many other outlets who assisted in pushing the event to make it a huge success.

All the artistes performing on the day were magnificent, entertaining and interacting with the audience, ensuring everyone had an enjoyable day.

Our brilliant stall holders also had a profitable day, many of them selling out the stock they had brought, our burger van had to refill their stock of buns and meat, twice! The organisers would like to give a special thank you to the event sponsors (Aycliffe Town Centre management and McDonalds), MC for the day, drag queen, 'Lavender Love', all the fantastic volunteer marshals; especially Tyler and Anthony, who worked tirelessly to ensure the sound was perfect. Northern Productions Ltd for their assistance and advice and ROF59 for the use of their land

A final 'well done' to main organiser, Carrie Howarth. All profits from the event are to be donated to local charities, £250 each will go to Five Acres, Great Aycliffe Cancer Support Group, Lifeline and Lavender Love's chosen charity, The Charlie & Carter Foundation.

Aycliffe Pride Festival will return in 2023 on Saturday 1st July - make a note in your diary now, join the Aycliffe Pride Fest Facebook page to keep updated. Members of the Facebook page will also be asked what they would like to see at next year's event.

**Reserve the date for next year
AYCLIFFE PRIDE FEST
Saturday 1st July 2023
ROF59 Arena**



MC, Drag Queen, 'Lavender Love', who is in the final three of the MX Drag England competition and could be crowned the best Drag Queen in England on 20th August.



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My granddaughter, Chloe, took this lovely photo of a very busy bee recently. Photo supplied by Brenda Millington of Newton Aycliffe.

Durham Miners' Could Win Worldwide Recognition

Redhills, the miners' hall in Durham, may be among only 900 global sites of UNESCO world heritage status. They include the Pyramids and the Taj Mahal.

And, if a bid by an international consortium is successful, it could mean that Durham

City becomes one of the few places to have two World Heritage sites.

Durham Cathedral and Castle already hold UNESCO status.

Redhills has been selected as one of eight 'workers assembly halls' to be put forward for the prestigious UNESCO world heritage status. These buildings had the common goals of community, welfare and democracy and to preserve this unique heritage and provide a source of reflection for future generations in the shaping of their world.

The consortium includes similar halls in Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Finland and Canada.

The Workers Museum in Copenhagen is spearheading the bid and hopes that UNESCO will consider it in 2024.

There were originally 74 applications to join the group, and it is a testimony to the importance of the Durham miners' history, heritage and culture that it has been chosen to be among those who represent the best in the world.

Durham Miners Hall, known as Redhills, opened in Durham City in 1915. It was paid for by two hundred thousand working miners, the hall was a democratic hub and the heart of the Durham Coalfield. From Redhills, collective decisions were made, transforming the cultural and social fabric of County Durham; homes for aged miners were commissioned, healthcare for sick and injured miners provided, and welfare halls and reading rooms were built. It provided these services to the people of the coalfield a generation before the national welfare state was established.

Redhills is Grade II listed, with its 'Pitman's Parliament' named by Historic England as one of its '100 irreplaceable places'. It is ranked alongside the Palace of Westminster as one of the country's top ten landmarks in England's power, protest and progress history.

Redhills charity CEO Nick Malyan said: "To be considered for UNESCO World Heritage recognition is a demonstration of the international significance of Redhills. The Miners' Hall embodies English working-class democracy, telling a powerful story of struggle and collective achievement. While the nomination and judging process will take time, we welcome the opportunity to ensure the Durham coalfield's story is heard on the global stage it deserves."

The charity has teamed up with Durham University's Prof Robin Coningham to progress the UK leg of the bid. Prof Coningham, holder of UNESCO's 2014 Chair on Archaeological Ethics and Practice in Cultural Heritage, said: "Redhills and all it stands for is hugely significant. The Durham miners were social reformers on a scale rarely seen across the world.

Their memory and achievements should be recognised as being of world heritage status. It will be a privilege to work with the Redhills team to bring this to reality."

As the project develops, a steering group for the local community will be formed; anyone interested in joining can sign up for project updates at <https://redhillsdurham.org/signup/>



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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

Hall Garth 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

Great Aycliffe Cancer Support Group

Chilton Catholic Club
Coffee Morning and Tombola
Third Wednesday of month, 10am-12noon
Everyone welcome.

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
1st Thursday of month 6-7.30pm
(except January/August)
Contact Allison on 07762 258696 or
Janice 07874 709014

Greenfield Community Badminton

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

Befriending Group

Pioneering Care Centre,
Carer's Way, Newton Aycliffe, DL5 4SF
Every Tuesday, 12.30-1.30pm
Contact: befriending@pcp.uk.net
or ring 01325 321234

Sensory Parent Support Group

Meeting every 5-6 weeks at
Tree Tops Children's Occupational Therapy,
Eldon Road, Aycliffe Bus Park, DL5 6UL
Contact: spdpsgnee@gmail.com

Sensory, Dyspraxia, Gross/Fine Motor Difficulties

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

PCP Summer Fair

at the Pioneering Care Centre,
Carer's Way, Newton Aycliffe
Friday 19th August, 10am - 2pm
Summer stalls and activities

Tiddlers & Toddlers

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

Welcome Cafe

Meets 10am, every Tuesday
St. Clare's Church Hall, Newton Aycliffe

Acorn Ukcs

Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre
Every Wednesday, 1-3pm
Learn to play the Ukulele
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New Friends, New Places

The Navy Club, Burnhill Way
Every Tuesday, 1.30-4pm
Get together and trips
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Men Talking Together

Unit 14A, IES Centre, Aycliffe Business Park
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Acorn Community Association

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Website: www.citizensadvicecd.org.uk

KidzFlicks (Cinema Club for children)

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Messy Church

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Coffee Morning

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

Hub of Wishes

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Email: thehubofwishes@gmail.com

Website www.hubofwishes.co.uk

Lifeline Community Action Knit & Natter

LCA Community Hub
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Tuesdays, 10am-12noon

Contact: 07936 431262 or
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Lifeline Community Action Craft Sessions

LCA Community Hub
17 Beveridge Way, DL5 4DZ

Thursdays, 10am-12noon

Contact: 07936 431262 or
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Lifeline Community Action Tea Dance

St. Clare's Church Hall, Newton Aycliffe
Thursdays, 1.30-3.30pm

Contact: 07936 431262 or
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Lifeline Community Action

Children's Dance Classes

St. Clare's Church Hall DL5 5NT
Thursdays 5pm-6pm or 6pm-7pm
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Contact: 07936 431262 or
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Learning Together - Homework Group

Email: Sam@learninganewway.co.uk
Saturday, 10.30-12noon
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Neville Parade Art Group

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Logico, who have recently moved into larger premises at Aycliffe Business Park in Newton Aycliffe, are regular supporters of north east community events and are proud of their local roots, this being reinforced by their commitment to raise vital funds for local charity, the Bradley Lowery Foundation, in their latest fundraising campaign. Launched in 2019, Logico have gone from strength to strength under the leadership of its managing director, Lisa Fleming. Through her guidance and unwavering support of the transport industry, Logico has quickly gained UK-wide recognition, achieving Authorised Auditor Status for the DVSA Earned Recognition programme, the only north east company to achieve this and Lisa being only the third woman to have gained the accolade.

Helping to support businesses throughout the UK with transport compliance and training, Lisa is a passionate supporter of her local area and regularly hosts and is involved with charity campaigns, when she found out more about the amazing work that the Bradley Lowery Foundation does, she jumped at the chance to be involved. The Bradley Lowery Foundation was established in 2017 following the death of six year old Bradley Lowery, who lost his life to Stage 4 High Risk Neuroblastoma, a rare and aggressive form of childhood cancer. After Bradley's mum, Gemma, started a fundraising campaign to get Bradley treatment in the USA, which was not available in the UK, with the support of thousands of people, over £1.3 million was raised, these donations provided the funding base for the charity.

Now in its 5th year, the charity has not only raised vital funds for treatment and equipment, not yet available on the NHS, but has raised awareness of Neuroblastoma and childhood cancers. The race night, held on the 30th September, will bring together the



great and the good of the north east business community and is a fabulous opportunity to network, enjoy the racing and, of course, have a flutter, while raising funds for this important charity. "When I found out more about the work the Bradley Lowery Foundation are involved with, I was delighted we could help in a small way," said Lisa, Logico managing director. "As a growing north east company, I feel it's part of our responsibility as business owners to try and give back to our local community when we can and this is a great way of doing just that. We've got lots of activities planned for the evening, I'm looking forward to bringing everybody together and, of course, raising lots of money for the charity in the process." Limited sponsorship and table packages are currently available with an option for every budget, for more information, please contact Logico at hello@teamlogico.co.uk



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Can I please give a huge thank you to Catherine and her staff at Aycliffe Wildcats under 13s for what they have done for my granddaughter, Demilee Wilson, for what they have done for her to achieve being scouted and signed by an academy if it wasn't for their hard work and commitment to her I feel she may have been missed in the system. I know it broke Demilees heart to leave a team she has been with for six years but her talent moved her on.

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First League Win for Water Polo Junior Men

Sedgefield Water Polo Club's Junior men's team travelled to Maltby Leisure Centre for their first Wakefield & District league match of the season against Rotherham on 10th July, winning with an impressive score of 10-19. The age range of the team is from 13-23.

The game got off to a very close start with both teams having a strong start and being very well matched, with Sedgefield just edging ahead at the end of the first quarter. As the match continued, Sedgefield managed to pull away from their opponents by working well as a team and communicating with each other in the water. This match was a fantastic start to the Junior Men's campaign and everyone is very much looking forward to the remainder of the season. Well done to Kyle Alderson, 13, for making his debut in the junior men's team. 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: 07579 030598 or email direct sedgefieldwp@hotmail.com



N.A.F.C. REPORT

Saturday 6th August

Emirates FA Cup

Ashington 3 v
Newton Aycliffe 2

Newton Aycliffe fell at the first hurdle in this season's Emirates FA Cup despite taking a two goal lead in the first twenty minutes.

The Newtonians were drawn away to Ashington who, like Aycliffe, had taken two wins from the first week of the season.

The Colliers have strengthened their squad over the close season, bringing in several new players, while Aycliffe were somewhat depleted due to injuries.

However, it was the visitors who took the lead in the 14th minute thanks to a Callum Munro goal. The defender's cross hit the post, and an Ashington player, before finding the net. Three minutes later Munro grabbed his second. Liam Jarvie found space on the right and squared to Jamie Owens. The centre forward passed to Munro whose initial shot was blocked but he was able to bundle the rebound over the line.

Ashington pulled a goal back five minutes later. A good run down the wing saw the ball crossed into the box for Lee Mason to score from close range.

Aycliffe maintained the lead into half-time but, ten minutes after the re-start, Ashington levelled the score through Lewis Suddick.

Worse was to follow for the visitors on 69 minutes when Dean Briggs fired an excellent shot past Adam McHugh and into the Aycliffe net. Both sides had chances in the time left in the game, the best coming five minutes from time. Jack Oliver hit the post, the rebound falling to Oscar Taylor whose shot flew high over the crossbar.

With that, Aycliffe's Emirates FA Cup came to an end. Attention now moves once again to the League with a trip to Redcar Athletic on Tuesday 9 August followed by two home games: Tow Law Town on Saturday 13th August and Crook Town on Tuesday 16th August. Aycliffe were due to play Sunderland RCA away on Saturday 20th August. However, that match has now been postponed due to RCA's progression in the FA Cup.

Forthcoming Fixtures:

Saturday 13th August (H) Town Law Town
Tuesday 16th August (H) Crook Town
Tuesday 23rd August (A) Pickering Town
Saturday 27th August (H) Esh Winning - FA Vase
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Photo by Yvonne Wood, Aycliffe's Callum Munro forces the ball over the line for Aycliffe's second goal against Ashington.



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Those nominating need to give the name and address of the nominee along with reasons why this individual should win (up to 250 words).

Closing date for nominations is 31st August 2022.

The winner will be awarded their prize on Friday 21st October 2022 (Syd's birthday).

Entries to be sent via email to: paul@newtonnews.co.uk or posted to:

**Paul Howarth, Newton Press, Blue Bridge Centre,
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Lib Dem Councillors Back £22m Bid to Regenerate Town

Bids totalling almost £100 million including £20m for Newton Aycliffe have been submitted to government to help enhance transport, regeneration, town centres and culture across County Durham. The Joint Administration running Durham County Council has submitted the bids to the Levelling Up Fund for five of its parliamentary constituencies.



If the council is successful, it would see more than £131 million worth of schemes delivered in City of Durham, Easington, North Durham, North West Durham and Sedgefield, that will help to improve transport links, regenerate communities and town centres, and improve access to cultural opportunities.

Following approval from Cabinet in June this year, the bids, which can each feature up to three projects, have been refined to reflect rising costs and fuel prices and support local priorities across the county.

The authority has pledged more than £12.4 million in match funding, including around £2m for Newton Aycliffe, and a further £10 million will be required through its Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP). Cllr Michael Stead, Liberal Democrat councillor for Aycliffe North and Middridge, said: "It's a real testament to the commitment of the Joint Administration running Durham County Council that we submitted five funding bids last week.

"We are committed to regenerating our communities, including Newton Aycliffe town centre, and securing this funding would help to ensure our town becomes a vibrant place to visit once again. Having already secured £20 million for the Bishop Auckland constituency, securing the same for Aycliffe would be brilliant."

Councillor Stead adds: "I expect we are the only council in the entire country to have submitted a total of six strong bids. It's incredible just how much has been achieved in the last year."

The bid for Sedgefield constituency is centred around improving Newton Aycliffe, after many years of the town centre being neglected.

Councillor Nev Jones (Aycliffe East) explains the Sedgefield constituency bid: "A successful bid would see land and buildings in the town centre repurposed to provide improved flexible spaces, a public transport interchange, helping improve bus services, and reversion of surface level car parking."

Liberal Democrat Nev continued: "Travel routes across the town would be enhanced for pedestrians and cyclists, linking employment locations, the railway station, town centre, green spaces, parks and residential areas."

The bid also proposes new cultural attractions, alongside the existing leisure and library services, to improve the town's cultural and wellbeing offer.

The Joint Administration now running Durham County Council is made up of various groups including independent councillors, Liberal Democrats, Conservatives, Green and North East Party councillors, all working together to improve the county.

The outcomes of the funding bids they have submitted are expected to be announced in the autumn, with the council continuing to develop projects to ensure programmes can be delivered if the bids are successful.

Aycliffe Cricket Club Scoreboard Report



Newton Aycliffe Cricket Club's 1st team, sponsored by Franks the Flooring Store, lost a tight game by just three wickets away at Barnard Castle 2nd XI in the NYSD second division. Aycliffe lost the toss and were asked to bat first and were thankful for an outstanding innings by Adam Gittins who top scored with 85, his best score for seven seasons, and he faced 136 balls and hit 13 boundaries and a six. Joe Teasdale (29 runs off 44 balls), Sean Morgan (22 runs off 19 balls) and Tom Dearden (21 runs off 39 balls) also batted well as Aycliffe were dismissed off the final ball of the 50th over with 217 runs on the board. In reply, the homeside batted very positively from the start, but the introduction of the spinners into the Aycliffe attack saw wickets fall at regular intervals. Club stalwart Gittins capped an excellent individual performance when he held onto a catch during Barnard Castle's innings to become the first person in the club's history to take 150 outfield catches for Newton Aycliffe. However, despite some good bowling from Matty Greaves (4 for 51), Luke Telford (2 for 45) and Tom Dearden (1 for 29), Barnard Castle reached their winning target after 41.1 overs and with only three wickets in hand.

The second team had an excellent eight wicket victory at home to Yarm 2nd XI in the NYSD 4th division. After winning the toss, the decision by Aycliffe captain Ryan Patrick to field first proved to be an inspired choice as his youngsters bowled superbly to skittle their opponents for just 71 after 20.5 overs. 13 year old Will Dearden led from the front, taking a senior career best 4 for 15 and he was supported superbly by both 17 year old Leo Mercy (3 for 38) and 15 year old Harrison Pearson (sponsored by Ian Hannant) (2 for 10). A special mention must go to 15 year old wicket keeper Adam Shaw, who equalled the 2nd team club record in an excellent display behind the stumps, claiming four dismissals (3 catches and 1 stumping) during the visitor's innings. In reply, an unbeaten 32 off 30 balls by Ryan Patrick (sponsored by A Star Bathrooms) and 27 runs from 27 balls from 17 year old Jai Sander, helped their side to a comfortable win for the loss of two wickets after just 11.1 overs. The u13's played their final game of the season away to Rockcliffe Park and were well beaten by nine wickets with the only bright spot being a sparkling innings by Joey Hayman, who smashed an unbeaten 31 for Aycliffe.

Aycliffe's senior ladies team had a comfortable win by 42 runs away at Beamish in the County Durham Women's league.

Photo: 15 year old wicket keeper Adam Shaw who equalled the 2nd team club record of four dismissals in an innings during the Aycliffe home game against Yarm 2nd XI.



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12-08-2022

Cancel October's Price Cap

Durham Liberal Democrats have called on the Government to spare families from soaring energy bills by cancelling October's price cap increase, accusing the Conservatives of "stalling in the face of a national emergency".

The bold plan would save a typical household in County Durham an extra £1,831.60 a year. The 70% increase in the energy price cap, expected to be announced by Ofgem later this month, would be cancelled, with the Government instead paying the shortfall to energy suppliers so that they can afford to supply customers at the current rates.

This would mean a total estimated saving for households in County Durham of £434,112,450 off their electricity and gas bills.

The Liberal Democrats say the estimated £36 billion cost should be met by expanding the windfall tax on oil and gas company profits, and using the Government's higher-than-expected VAT revenues as a result of soaring inflation.

The party is also calling for more targeted support for vulnerable and low income households. This would include doubling the Warm Homes Discount to £300 and extending it to all those on Universal Credit and Pension Credit, while investing in insulating fuel poor homes to bring prices down in the long term.

Next To Me Cots Available

New next to me cots are providing an improved experience and easier access to babies following birth at Durham and Darlington maternity wards. County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust has purchased 30 new cots from Croyde Medical – 15 at University Hospital of North Durham (UHND) and 15 at Darlington Memorial Hospital.

Joanne Templeton UHND Postnatal Ward Manager, at County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust, said: "We are really pleased with these new cots which are providing a better and safer experience for mum and baby. We have 13 on the postnatal ward and two on the labour ward at Durham.

"Every postnatal bed now has these new cots which allows for improved handling of babies following delivery. The cot can easily be moved to be right over the bed or next to it and is height adjustable. This means it's much easier for mum to be closer to baby, you can see and touch baby at all times without having to get up out of bed, baby can be changed in the cot at a height that means you don't have to stoop over and baby can sleep safely next to you.

"We're hugely grateful to our Trust Charity for providing the £28,000 of funding to purchase these new cots and we are hoping to be able to buy additional cots for the labour wards in the future."

New mum of two Marie Passmore from Spennymoor had her baby boy at UHND on Thursday 28th July, she said: "This new style of cot is much better and easier for me to use, especially as I had a caesarean. I can easily move it right over the bed and I can see him much better too, and the little basket is really handy to store wipes, cotton pads and nappies."

Pat Chambers, Charity Development Manager, said: "We are delighted to have been able to help with this investment to help enhance patient care. We do rely on community support to enable us to help our patients across County Durham and Darlington and you can help support our charitable work as your NHS Charity with a text donation. Simply text YOURNHS to 70480 to donate £5. Texts cost £5 plus one standard rate message, or perhaps by organising a fundraiser, please contact the team on 01325 743781 or email cddft.charity@nhs.net "



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Fundraising for Niemann Pick

Andrew Gaskin's goal is to cycle from home (Byers Green) to Santiago de Compostela in North West Spain and raise as much as possible for two charities, Niemann Pick and Marie Curie.

From Byers Green, Co Durham, he will head through the UK down to Dover, then, after a ferry ride across the Channel, follow various bike routes and back roads through France to the Spanish Border. From there, he will be following the Camino de Santiago (The Way of St James), an ancient Pilgrim route across the North of Spain.

Andrew will be cycling on his own and expects to complete the 1800 mile journey in four weeks. Please help raise at least £1800 for 1800 miles for the chosen charities.

Niemann Pick Type C

Andrew's brother-in-law, Jonathan, has

suffered from Niemann Pick Type C since he was a teenager, and Andrew wants to raise funds and awareness for this little-known rare disease.

Niemann Pick is a rare inherited disease that affects the body's ability to metabolise fat (cholesterol and lipids) within cells. These cells malfunction and, over time, die. Niemann Pick Disease can affect the brain, nerves, liver, spleen, bone marrow and, in severe cases, lungs. The money raised will help them carry on their fantastic work.

The GoFundMe link is:

<https://gofund.me/4ca729cf>



In Memoriam

Lee George El-Hakim



11th August 2006

Well my love, it's been 16 years on the 11th August since you left your loving family. Time goes by, but your memories will never die. I see your picture every day, your smiling face. You were my man full of grace.

A true gentleman through and through. A loving Husband honest and true. A wonderful Father so full of love. That's why God took you high above. A man of principles, a good heart. That's why I loved you from the start. They say time heals . .

. . but the pain won't go away. I long to hold you every day. A gentle kiss, a warm embrace, oh God I would love to see your face.

But that's so hard as we all know. God took you 16 years ago. At first I was mad and very sad. Why did you leave us, guess I will never know? They say God only takes the best, so now I lay you down to rest.

My heart is sad but this I know, one day I will be with you, the perfect show! So, until then, sleep my prince, my love, my man. I will love you forever till we join our hands.

Marie El-Hakim
George and Kay, Michelle and Alister
Elie Jnr., Solomon and Georgia Grace
(Grandchildren)

Obituary

Glenda Anne Holmes

8th April 1957 - 4th August 2022

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of a much loved Wife, Mum, Daughter, Sister and Nana.

*Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there; I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow,
I am the diamond glints in snow,
I am the sun on ripened grain,
I am the gentle autumn rain.*

*When you awaken in the morning's hush
I am the swift uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry,
I am not there. I did not die.*

We would like to thank the unfaltering dedication, care and compassion provided from Marie Curie, Macmillan and NHS teams.

A Service will be held at 10.30am on Friday 19th August at Wear Valley Crematorium, Coundon, Bishop Auckland, DL14 8PE.

A celebration of Glenda's life will then take place at Newton Aycliffe Sports Club, Moore Lane, DL5 5AG from 11.40am onwards. All are welcome.

Flowers from family only please. However, donations box to Marie Curie and Macmillan will be available throughout the day.

John Nicholson

Of Shildon, formerly of Newton Aycliffe (Big Nick). Peacefully after a long illness on 31st July, aged 81 years.

Dearly beloved Husband to Ann; a much loved Brother of Brenda, Wilfred, Allan, Jeanette, Marion and the late Maureen; a much loved Brother-in-Law, Uncle and Great Uncle.

Will family and friends please meet for a Service at St. John's Church, Shildon on Monday 15th August at 9.45am. To be followed by private Cremation at Wear Valley Crematorium.

Susan Clark

Sadly passed away at home on Friday 29th July, surrounded by loved ones.

A much loved Wife, Mother, Grandmother and friend - she will be in our hearts forever. The funeral will take place at Wear Valley Crematorium, Coundon on Monday 15th August at 1.30pm.

Shaun Harper

13th August 2010
Sadly missed, always remembered.
Glen

Andy Cooper

14th August 2021
One year has passed without you, you are still in my heart and I miss you every day. Andy you were my love, you were my Husband and my best friend. I love you dearly. Your Wife, Maggie. xxx
Sadly missed by all the family.

Aycliffe Archers



On Saturday 30th July, three members of Aycliffe Archers took part in the Durham & Northumberland Archery Association Novice Championship.

All three, Georgia Leeming, Fred Stevens and Dave Pitcairn, achieved gold medals in their category.

Pictured are Georgia and Fred.

Hub of Wishes

The Hub Of Wishes will be holding their Annual General Meeting on Thursday 8th September, 1.00pm at The Hub Of Wishes, 10-11 Silverdale House, Newton Aycliffe DL5 7DZ.

NAFC Junior Section

Under 9's played 3 x 20min games. The first game ended goalless with Jenson Patton pulling off some fantastic saves to keep Aycliffe level against a strong Bishop St Mary's who went the whole of last season unbeaten. The second and third game, St Mary's took control. The three games ended with a penalty shootout, with Jenson pulling some great saves again and Fletcher Tyndall scoring the decisive penalty. MOTM went to Jenson Patton for the third match running.

Under 14's Whites started their 22/23 season with an emphatic 6-1 win away to Ferryhill Strikers, with six different scorers. Henry opened the scoring, after Ethan showed good tricks to keep the ball in play, lobbed the ball across the keeper for Henry to fire home. Centre back Josh scored next, making a nuisance of himself in the box, bundling home Ethan's corner. Ferryhill started the second half better and broke through to pull one back. Noah then scored direct from a corner before Ethan finished after a lay off from Jayden. Jake G finished off a lovely piece of link up play as Noah slid the ball across the six-yard box for him to finish.

Sam finished the scoring, by tucking away a penalty. A perfect performance from the team who all shared the MOTM award.

Under 14's Whites played their second

game in two days with a visit to Coxhoe United. Aycliffe turned on the style again in a dominant performance. Jake G opened the scoring with a beautiful strike from outside the left-hand corner of the box into the top right corner. Aycliffe defended solidly with Joshua, Sam and Charlie keeping Coxhoe quiet to give Aycliffe a half time 1-0 lead. Coxhoe come out strong in the second half, but Aycliffe's defence remained unbeatable. A lovely passage of passing and Aycliffe worked their way down the left side for Henry to score the second. Aycliffe then piled on the pressure, a free kick from Josh was fumbled by the keeper and Jake C slotted home. Coxhoe pulled one back and looked fired up for a comeback, however, from the kick off, another great passage of play saw Tom round off the scoring for another win. Aycliffe ended up coming away with a 4-1 victory. MOTM was Jake C who worked tirelessly down the right wing.

Under 15's travelled to Durham Quakies, it was going to be a tough test as Durham had only lost one game in the Russel Foster premier league last year. It was an excellent game of football with both teams playing well. The result was 0-0 but it was an excellent game of football.

Under 18's continued their 100% pre-season with a 1-6 victory away to Billingham Town. Another impressive performance from all the squad, who welcomed two ex-Aycliffe players back to the club in Zack Blythe and Harry Brumwell. Aycliffe dominated the game, with the passing and interchange play a pleasure to watch. Goals from Zack Blythe, Charlie Walton, Tom Aspinall, Milo Harris (2), and Josh Gibson.



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