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Local resident tackles Etape Pennines for Cancer care



(l-r) John Lamb, Geoff Siddle, Ian Tutty, Johnny Gibson, Kevin Handley, Alison Lamb.

Ian Tutty, from Ferryhill, joined the Daffodil Team to support Marie Curie Cancer Care in the Etape Pennines on 20th July 2014.

Marie Curie was the Official Charity Partner of the Etape Pennines 2014, a scenic closed-road cycling event, and aimed to raise

over £105,000, which will help to provide over 5,250 hours of nursing across the UK.

Marie Curie Cancer Care provides free hands-on nursing care to people with a terminal illness, either in their own home or one of the charity's nine hospices. They provided

over 20,700 hours of free nursing care across County Durham last year, as well as providing free care at the Marie Curie Hospice, Newcastle.

The Marie Curie Cancer Care Etape Pennines is England's first closed road sportive, established as one of the UK's toughest following its debut in 2012. The 60 mile course through the rolling countryside at Middleton-in-Teesdale started and finished in Barnard Castle, and featured 2,300 metres of climbing.

Ian commented on his experience, "It's a challenging ride for sure but with panoramic views and speedy downhill sections to look forward to, once you climbed to the top. Beautiful but brutal is how I would explain this course."

"With the help from the owners and customers of Llewellyn's Café in Ferryhill, we were able to raise £450 to go towards Marie Curie's total. I managed to place 101st out of 2000 in 4hrs 14mins and my legs were stiff for 3 days after, but it was worth it for a great cause".

Children's holiday entertainment

The entertainment in Ferryhill Library this week is Liz Million's Stories and Art Workshop on Thursday 31st July, 2pm - 3.30pm. Next week's entertainment will be Donna Walton's 'Art & Textiles'

Workshop on Thursday 7th August, 2pm - 3pm.

The sessions are suitable for children aged 3 years to 11 years and are free of charge.

For more information contact the library on 03000 269 530.

Police Open Day

The Spennymoor neighbourhood beat team are holding an open day for residents of Ferryhill to go down to the station and see what they get up to!

The open day will take place on Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd August at Spennymoor Police Station, based on Wesleyan Road. The morning session runs from 9am - 12noon, while

the afternoon session will run from 1pm to 4pm.

"Come along and see the dog section, traffic units, custody and CSI," said a spokesperson.

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Sister Margaret,
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Anne Patterson

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Birthdays

Alharnie Jade Wilson

1st August

Happy 16th Birthday
Alharnie



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xxxx

Alharnie Jade Wilson

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1st August



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Birthdays

Sol Hemmings



Happy 8th Birthday Sol
hope you have a fantastic
day.



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Mam, Dad, Kaitlyn and
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Gary Armstrong

30th July

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A Golden Couple



Deputy mayor of Ferryhill, councillor Ken Campbell, presents a bouquet of flowers to Allan and Eileen Tate.

The deputy mayor of Ferryhill, councillor Ken Campbell, went along to the home of Allan and Eileen Tate from Cavenish Court, Ferryhill, on Friday 25th July and presented them with a lovely bouquet of flowers in celebration of 50 happy years together.

Allan, 72, was born in Coxhoe and Eileen, 70, is from Low Spennymoor. They met at the Gaiety Dance in Ferryhill in 1962 and two years later they were married at St. Andrew's Church in Spennymoor in 1964. Allan went to Cornforth Lane School and was a keen footballer, receiving coaching from Jackie Milburn. He left school and studied mining engineering at Bishop Auckland College,

then started working for the N.C.B. at Tursdale, Bowburn, Thrislington and Mainsforth. He then worked for Cripps, A. G. Wild's, and Courtaulds, and in 1979 he joined Smart & Brown's fridge freezer section, before becoming a foreman in Thorns cooker section, retiring in 1990.

Eileen worked at Smart & Brown's and then left to have family. She went back to work there when the children were older. She was also a dinner lady at Dean Bank School for over 25 years.

After they married they lived in Church Lane for 27 years before moving to their current address in 1991. The lovely couple have two children, Andrew and Angela, and five

grandchildren.

Throughout his life Allen has always been musically minded, playing several different instruments including piano, accordion and trumpet. He is still a keen fisherman, travelling up to Grassholme near Mickleton. Eileen was keen on sewing and knitting and she loved going to the pictures. When her children were young she was highly involved with St. Luke's Church. They both love their holidays, travelling all over the world, but best of all they love being with their family.

They celebrated their special occasion with a family gathering at Hardwick Hall Hotel, Sedgfield, and then a holiday at Strathpepper.

WW1 prayer and remembrance

St Luke's Church in Ferryhill will be open on Monday 4th August from 10am - 4pm for prayer and remembrance. This event is a follow up to the Town Service of Commemoration for the start of WW1, in St Lukes Church on

Sunday the 3rd of August at 6pm.

A spokesperson said, "There will be a short service at 10am then people will be free to make use of prayers and readings which will be available in church throughout the Day."

Ferryhill Six

The Ferryhill Six are holding a Charity Stall on Ferryhill Market on Friday 8th August. "Come along for delicious cakes, biscuits and scones,

also for the sale of various jams, chutneys and marmalades," said a spokesperson. "We always have a good selection of second hand books and jigsaws".

Mini Generation require sponsors

Earlier this year 'Mini Generation' (a dance crew based at Ferryhill's street dance school New Dance Generation) competed in the North East Street dance championships. The crew came 2nd in their age category and qualified for the National championships, which will be held in Kent on 23rd November.

In order to attend the competition and represent the North East, 'Mini Generation' are looking for a local sponsor.

The team needs £200 to pay for all children's entry

fees and accommodation. In return, Mini Generation, will use their sponsors logo on their clothing and flyers.

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2 August 1973

More than 30 people died in a fire which gutted a £2m leisure resort in the Isle of Man.

3 August 1978

The Queen officially opened the 11th Commonwealth Games in Edmonton, Canada.

4 August 2000

Celebrations took place all over the United Kingdom to mark the 100th birthday of Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother.

5 August 1962

Screen icon Marilyn Monroe was found dead in bed at her Los Angeles home.

6 August 1945

The first atomic bomb was dropped by a United States aircraft on the Japanese city of Hiroshima.

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Ringing the changes Dinosaur on the rampage

A new and easy to remember telephone number starts from 1st August for adults and children needing to ring social care services at Durham County Council. The new 03000 26 79 79 line replaces the old 0845 50 50 10 number for First Contact Service (children) and Social Care Direct (adults).

Anyone phoning the old number in the first six months will be advised of the changes and automatically transferred to the new number. The new telephone number will be cheaper than the current 0845 number as it can be included in free minutes from landlines and mobile phones.

Due in court

Luke Michael Todd, aged 19, of Dean Park, Ferryhill, was due before magistrates at Newton Aycliffe to face five charges. Three are related to a road traffic matter on Church Lane, Ferryhill, on 30th March, when it is alleged that Todd drove a Vauxhall Corsa without due care and attention

and that after hitting a VW Caddy Van he failed to stop and failed to report the accident. Two further charges relate to a matter in Market Street, Ferryhill, on 11th June, when it is alleged that Todd drove a Vauxhall Astra without insurance and that he used threatening words and behaviour.

Arrested for suspicion of indecent exposure

Police have arrested a Ferryhill man in connection with a 'flashing' incident, after he allegedly exposed himself a seaside promenade. The incident which happened near Newburn Bridge, on the approach from Hartlepool to Seaton Carew, was witnessed by a woman riding her bicycle along the sea front. The woman, shocked and appalled, then rang the

police. A police spokeswoman said, "A male exposed himself to the caller." The man was described as approximately 25 to 30 years old, with dark hair and was wearing a jumper with stripes and blue jeans. Later a man from Ferryhill was arrested on suspicion of indecent exposure and has been bailed pending further inquiries.



Sophie the life-like animatronic T-Rex prowling the grounds of Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College.

Youngsters preparing to move to secondary school came face to face with a T Rex on Wednesday 23rd July. Twenty-four children attending a summer school programme designed to ease their transition to secondary school, were surprised to see the life-like animatronic dinosaur

stomping around Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College. The appearance of the seven-year-old dinosaur called Sophie was undoubtedly the highlight of the archaeological themed day, ran by Education Group. During the week other activities included a magic perfor-

mance and a circus skills workshop. Lynne Gibson, director for learning at the college said, "The idea is to help year six pupils develop their literacy and numeracy in a fun way and for them to make friends, build confidence and get used to the school before they start here."

Apprentice chef to cater for prestigious oyster festival

Chelsea Layfield, 20, from Ferryhill, is to swap her waitress uniform for chef's whites in preparation for one of the region's most prestigious social events. Miss Layfield will help prepare more than 900 seafood dishes at the Oyster Festival at Hardwick Hall Hotel in Sedgfield on Friday 19th September. After serving as a waitress in the hotel's restaurant, the Rib Room Steakhouse and Grill, she discovered a passion for food and is taking a step towards furthering her career in the kitchen. Chelsea said, "I began

working in the kitchen last year and I'm currently working towards my level two NVQ in catering, which I should be finished by October. "It's great to be able to do something which I really enjoy and the hotel has been very supportive of my career. "The Oyster Festival is one of the highlights of the North-East social calendar so it's a great experience for me to be working on such a high-profile event alongside the head chef." John Adamson, managing director of Ramside Estate

and owner of Hardwick Hall Hotel commented, "Chelsea has proved to be a great asset to the kitchen staff and I'm confident that she'll impress us all in September when she's presented with her biggest food challenge to date." This year's Oyster Festival is on Friday 19th September and features performances from American soul singer Alexander O'Neal and comedian Terry Alderton. Tickets cost £140 per person. For more information or to book contact 01740 620253 or email info@hardwickhall.co.uk.



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Phones, food and satnavs are distracting drivers

Hundreds of drivers, passengers, cyclists and pedestrians have been injured across the Durham and Cleveland Police areas in the last five years due to one or more of those involved being distracted. A week-long initiative began on Monday, 28th July to highlight the problem and try to reduce the number of road-users being hurt. When casualty reduction experts looked into the issue they were shocked to discover that between 2009 and 2013 no fewer than 855 casualties in the two force areas could be attributed to at least one of the drivers/riders involved being distracted. This amounts to around 5% of total casualties (killed, seriously injured and slightly injured) which is a similar proportion to drink-driving. A motorist is distracted when they pay attention to a second activity while driving, which means they are more likely to fail to spot hazards. 'Second activities' can include talking on a mobile

phone, texting, changing a CD, using satnav equipment or even just using one or both hands to eat. "Drivers who divide their attention because they're on the phone or otherwise distracted are significantly increasing their risk of causing a crash," said Chief Insp Alison Jackson, head of the joint Cleveland and Durham specialist operations unit. "Tests have found drivers speaking on phones are four times more likely to be in a crash that causes injury, whether on a hands-free or hand-held phone. Their crash risk remains higher than normal for up to 10 minutes after the call has ended," she said. Over the next week road policing crews across Durham and Cleveland will be paying particular attention to any motorists they see not paying full attention to what is in front of them. Offenders could be issued with a fixed penalty notice or in more serious cases could face prosecution.

Police are keen to stress texting isn't just about messages but can also involve responding to emails, social networking, inputting navigational data or using other applications. Texting drivers have 35% slower reaction times and poor lane control. Research into the impact of sending or receiving text messages in young drivers found the amount of time drivers spent with their eyes off the road increased four-fold. They made 28% more lane excursions and 140% more incorrect lane changes. In a large-scale study of commercial drivers, which monitored the impact of them texting at the wheel, their crash risk increased to 23 times that of a driver paying full attention. In terms of enforcement, in the five years between 2008 and 2012 (most recent whole-year figures available) there were 4,991 people caught using a mobile phone while driving in Cleveland, and 7,215 in Durham.

Serious collision in Ferryhill

Officers are appealing for witnesses after a motorcyclist was left with serious injuries following a collision with a car in Ferryhill recently. The collision, which involved a green Suzuki Grand Vitara car and a silver Harley Davidson motorcycle, happened on Osbourne Terrace at the junction with Linden Road in the town at about 7.30am on Saturday 19th July. The rider of the bike, a 50-year-old man from Ferryhill, suffered

serious chest injuries and was taken to James Cook hospital in Middlesbrough where he was treated for his injuries. The driver of the car, a 57-year-old man from Ferryhill, was uninjured. Anyone who saw the incident and has information that might help police enquiries into the collision is asked to contact PC David Egglestone or PC Mark Gibbin from the Cleveland and Durham Specialist Operations Unit on the non-emergency number, 101.

Letters

Have your say...

Dear Editor,

On behalf of all of the volunteers involved in making the Community Hub the success it is today I would like to thank Kate Graham for the very supportive content of the letter she had posted in the Chapter (issue 684).

It is also very pleasing to see how quickly the "Guardians and Children's" group has become an active part of the Hub and on behalf of the Community Partnership I would like to formally welcome them to the Hub and wish them every success.

As with all organisations who seek to become active in the Hub, we always try to offer a introductory period in which no rent is charged. This is done to try and ensure that the organisation involved is assisted in becoming a successful addition to the Hub.

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Yours sincerely,
Councillor B. Gibson
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Check 4 life health checks are aimed at assessing the risk of developing serious health problems such as cardiovascular disease, stroke, kidney disease and diabetes.

They are available at most Durham County Council run leisure centres for people aged between 16 and 74.

Lynne Archer, aged 57, from Spennymoor, is one of many people who have already benefited by taking advantage of the checks. She said: "By having this health check I found out I had high blood pressure and high cholesterol, which I wouldn't have known about otherwise."

"I was advised to visit my GP where I was diagnosed with type two diabetes. I now go to the gym three times a week and have drastically changed my

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To arrange an appointment people can contact their local leisure centre or telephone 03000 266 555.

You can find contact details for your local leisure centre by visiting www.durham.gov.uk/leisurecentres.

Students get a taste of the real world!



Students from Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College have participated in a week of work experience.

During the last week of term, Year 10 students from Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College participated in a week of work experience.

Students were given the opportunity to work with a wide and varied number of employers from a multitude of sectors, such as hospitality and catering, manufacturing, retail and care. Work experience provides many benefits, giving students skills and experience that will allow them to stand out to potential employers, as well as helping them choose the right sector to work in.

Work experience supports students with the development of many skills such as team working, communication and commercial awareness, all of which are sought after by employers and training providers. With the raising of the participation age and the changing global climate, the need to develop employability skills is essential to succeed in any employment and training sector.

A spokesperson commented, "The benefits of work experience are vast for both the student and the employer. It offers employers the opportunity to

feedback what they want and need from their employees, allowing students to have a clear understanding and gives them the knowledge to progress within their chosen area.

"Work experience also highlights employment opportunities which students may be unaware of due to an ever changing working environment. "The students have had a varied and enlightening time which would not have been possible without the support of local employers giving up their time and resources to support and develop our students".



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New Chilton Foodbank praised by mayor

A new foodbank set up in Chilton to help cash-strapped residents, has been praised by the mayor on the first day of trading. Chilton Foodbank opened for trade on Monday 28th July under the Durham Partnership banner and is run by volunteers. It will be open between 10am and noon each Monday in St. Aidan's Church.

The project is a result of talks between Chilton Town Council, St. Aidan's Church, the Durham Food Bank and other organisations, after the need for one was raised by the Citizens Advice Bureau. Councillor Elizabeth Bruce, mayor of Chilton said, "If it helps people in Chilton then it has to be a good thing."

"I have no idea how many people in Chilton will use it but there are a lot of people who do need to use

foodbanks. It's a sad state of affairs.

"The Town Council has been involved from the start on this and there are volunteers who are willing to make it work."

"We are aware that people were going from Chilton to Ferryhill to access a foodbank so it must be a good thing to have somewhere in Chilton where they can go for help."

In the UK there are an increasing number of people going hungry every day for reasons ranging from redundancy to receiving an unexpected bill, or simply by being on a low income. Along with rising costs of food and fuel, combined with static income, high unemployment and changes to benefits, people are finding themselves in crisis. Latest figures released by Trussell Trust, which runs nine foodbanks across

the region, show a 463% increase in demand for the services.

Bev Anderson, foodbank project manager for the Christian Partnership said, "We can supply three days' worth of food supplies and we can help point people towards other areas where they can get help".

Anyone wishing to use the Chilton Foodbank must first receive a referral voucher which can be issued by the police, doctors, social workers or by the Citizen's Advice Bureau.

Food bins are located in the Chilton Town Council offices and in St. Aidan's Church, where people can donate tinned and dried foods. Any donations will then be used in the food parcels.

For further information telephone Chilton Town Council on 01388 721788.

Reception class teacher retires after 34 years



Mrs Janet Allen said goodbye to everyone during the school's annual leavers assembly.

Broom Cottages Primary School in Ferryhill bid a sad farewell to one of its favourite teachers at the end of the summer term. After 34 years of teaching, the last ten spent at Broom Cottage, Mrs

Janet Allen said goodbye to everyone during the school's annual leavers assembly. She is looking forward to spending time with her grandson, family and friends, and will be sadly missed by

the hundreds of children she has taught and by the parents and staff she has worked with.

"We all hope she has a long and happy retirement!" enthused a spokesperson for the school.

Poetry Corner

Gala Day

Banners flying way up high
remembering miners of days gone
by.

Crowds gathering, drums beating
Standing room only,

sorry no seating

Followers flocking behind banner
and band

What a sight - it ain't half grand.

Children on shoulders

watching it all

Men and women standing tall.

Cameras flashing capturing the day.

Voices from folk having their say

About a life so tough back then

Tears are shed for those hard
working men.

Velma Dixon

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Tuesday - Bikers Night

Wednesday - Quiz & Bingo Jackpot
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Thursday - Pool team night
(we are looking for new players)

Saturday - Live Entertainment
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Sunday - 3pm - Domino Handicap
+ beer draw (Prize up to 16 pints)

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England shoot for gold in the international event



Local Ferryhill business man, Dave Priestman, receives The P.J. Usher Cup for High Gun England.

Local Ferryhill business man Dave Priestman, as part of the Caledonian Shooting Team, represented England in clay pigeon shooting for the European, Open 'Down The Line' Championships at Bywell recently. The team produced an outstanding performance and won the Gold in the Home international event. Dave was also awarded The P.J. Usher Cup for High Gun England.

Mainsforth Cricket Club

Mainsforth Cricket Club had a disappointing weekend with both teams being beaten. The 1st team chased a Philadelphia total of 198 were in a great position to win before a late collapse saw the last 5 batsmen score only 11 runs between them, which saw them 5 runs short of victory. The 2nd eleven were faced with a score of 219 at home to Philadelphia but were all out for 173 with only 1 over of the game remaining. This weekend sees the 1st XI at home to Tudhoe in a 15 overs per side game, starting at 6pm on Friday 1st August. Saturday 2nd August sees the 2nd XI at home to Easington whilst the 1st XI are away to the same opponents.

Ferryhill Celtic secure place in final

Ferryhill Celtic entertained Ferryhill Legion in the Dougie Wyn Memorial Trophy with a place in the final at stake, in what proved to be a hard fought encounter with both sides fully committed. The first half was an even affair, both sides cancelling each other out with The Legion spurning the best chance from the spot. The second half was a real blood and thunder affair with 2 dismissals and 3 penalties all to the Celtic, and it was the Celtic who finally got on top in the final 15 minutes, creating a couple of great chances with Andrew Agar hitting the inside of the post. Celtic incredibly missed 2 penalties until the cool head of Kurt Seymour slotted the 3rd penalty home to book their place in the final, on Sunday, 3rd August, against Chilton Club at Dean Bank recreation ground, kick off 10:30am. The cafe will be open from 9am with hot food and drinks.

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PACT MEETINGS

Police & Communities Together

Broom & Ferryhill Station
Wednesday 6th August, 6pm - 7pm, Ferryhill Town Hall
Previous issues - Youths congregating at the rear of Peacehaven using foul language, drinking and causing damage.

Ferryhill Town and Dean Bank
Wednesday 6th August, 6pm - 7pm, Ferryhill Town Hall
Previous issues - Youths are congregating around the rear of Peacehaven, Ferryhill Leisure Centre and Gordon Terrace.

Chilton Ward
Monday 21st August, 7pm - 8pm, Chilton & Windlestone Working Mens Club
Previous issues - Antisocial behaviour caused by youths around South Downs and The Pentlands. This occurs mainly between 1900hrs and 2100hrs.

Bishop Middleham and Cornforth Ward
Friday 5th September, 2pm - 3pm, Cross Keys, 9 High Street
Previous issues - Anti-social behaviour in and around the park and village hall area. Youths are congregating and causing a general nuisance. And anti-social behaviour and criminal damage to certain properties.

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