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Chilton brothers run for charity The fun starts again at St Luke's

Two brothers, Kyran and Cameron Richmond from Chilton, tackled the 4km Junior Great North Run last weekend for a charity close to their hearts.

Eleven year-old Kyran from Denebridge Row, was born a healthy boy on 8th June 2003. When he was 6 years-old his eye sight started to deteriorate quite rapidly. In March 2011, after numerous tests and hospital visits, his family received the devastating diagnosis of Juvenile Batten Disease, an extremely rare neuro-degenerative disease, for which there is no cure. He is just the third person in the North East to be diagnosed with this disease.

Kyran now has no vision in his left eye and very little in his right, with blindness sadly inevitable. He suffers from night terrors and epilepsy, for which he takes daily medication, and will eventually lose his ability to walk, talk and eat before developing dementia and needing 24 hour-a-day care.



Kyran (right) and Cameron (left) Richmond tackled the junior Great North Run for charity.

Kyran, who attends the Oaks Secondary School in Spennymoor, and his 15 year-old brother Cameron who goes to Ferryhill Business and

Enterprise College, used the run to support a campaign which was set up in Kyran's name, in order to raise awareness of the disease. It was also used to raise money for Kyran's trust fund to meet his future needs and the Batten Disease Family Association, which supports the family and facilitates research into the condition. Kyran completed the run aided by his father Carl Richmond, 41.

Debbie, Kyran's mother commented, "Cameron finds Kyran's down days upsetting, so this is a way of doing something with him, for him. We're grateful for the support people have given."

"Lots of people want to know Kyran is making use of the funds they raise now but we also want the best for him in the future, to make his life as comfortable as possible and to aid research, every little helps."

To support Kyran, visit www.kyranrichmondfundraising.co.uk or search for him on Facebook or Twitter.

Following the Summer recess, the popular children's groups are to restart at St Luke's in Ferryhill. The Mother and Toddler Group is open to any carer and child (from birth to pre-nursery) on a Wednesday morning, between 9.30am and 11.30am, at a cost of £1 per child. There are age appropriate toys and activities for the children and refreshments are provided.

For older children, the Early Birds group is from 6pm to 7.30pm on a Friday. The Phoenix Group is held on Monday nights from 6pm to 7.30pm, when Youth Leaders offer games, activities and themed nights.

A spokesperson commented, "We aim to provide a safe environment where the children can have fun and develop new friendships."

Charity Concert

Durham Constabulary Brass Band are holding a charity concert in aid of Grace Haven Orphanage in Burma.

The event takes place at Mainsforth Community Centre, Ferryhill Station, on Saturday 20th September from 7pm till late.

A tombola, raffle and a licensed bar will also be available on the evening. Tickets cost £5 each and can be purchased at the door, from Yankee Candle Shop Ferryhill or by contacting Marian on 01388 773418 or 07803 575 987.

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Karen Simpson

6th September

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wherever you are.
Miss you



Love
Ethan
xxx

Birthdays

Jeff Wayman

13.09.14

Happy 50th Birthday

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Dorothy Joyce

10.09.14

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Birthdays

Valerie Pearson

11th September



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Brody Meek

10/9/13



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September 12th

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David & Family

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John Wilson

30th



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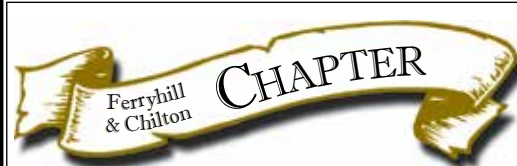
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Ferryhill in Bloom winners' presentation



Ferryhill in Bloom Winners 2014 at the Free Masons' Lodge.

Following the Ferryhill in Bloom July judging of gardens and allotments around the town, a Presentation Evening was held at the Free Masons' Lodge in Ferryhill on Tuesday 2nd September.

Mayor, Councillor Pauline Crathorne presented awards and certificates to the winners of the competition. The Winners received an engraved shield, a commemorative engraved plaque, a certificate and a gift voucher for Thinford Nurseries. 2nd and 3rd place entries also received a certificate and vouchers for Thinford Nurseries. All other runners up received certificates. Mrs C Higginbottom, a local resident, sponsored a new category of 'Best New Entrant' for front garden, back garden and back yard. The Mayor said, "I was very proud to present certificates and prizes to the hard working people of Ferryhill who go out of their way, giving their valuable time to

looking after their gardens and allotments. If we can reward people for doing this we certainly will. Everyone had a great night at the Free Masons' Lodge so well done to everyone involved, especially our staff and the residents of Ferryhill." Ferryhill Town Council, who organised and judged the competition, would like to thank Thinford Nurseries for their 50% contribution towards the cost of gift vouchers for the event and the Free Masons' Lodge for providing the venue for the presentation. Winners of the competition are as follows:

Front Garden

- 1st - Mrs C Higginbottom
- 2nd - Mr & Mrs B Shepherd
- 3rd - Mrs P Kavanagh

Back Garden

- 1st - Mr & Mrs B Shepherd
- 2nd - Mr G Harris
- 3rd - Miss D Atkinson

Back Yard

- 1st - Miss J Hynd
- 2nd - Mrs V Dixon
- 3rd - Mr D Hayward

Commercial Premises

- 1st - The Manor House
- 2nd - The Ladder Centre
- 3rd - E Cafe

Paxton Street Allotments

- Best Plot - Mr R Barrass
- Most Improved Plot - Mr R Milburn

East End Allotments

- Best Plot - Mr & Mrs James
- Most Improved Plot - Mr & Mrs Chaytor

Mainsforth Row Allotments

- Best Plot - Mrs K Richardson
- Most Improved Plot - Mrs A Warner

Bertha Street Allotments

- Best Plot - Mrs C Dowes
- Most Improved Plot - Mr & Mrs Fowler

Storehouse Allotments

- Best Plot - Dean Bank Primary School
- Most Improved Plot - Mr Bell

Best Overall Allotment Plot

- Mr R Barrass

Best Overall Allotment Site

- Mainsforth Row

New Entrant

- Front Garden - Mr F Cornbill
- Back Garden - Mr A Gargett
- Back Yard - Mrs A Flinton.

Fundraising at Chilton Club

Chilton Club is going all out for fundraising this September with two functions to help cancer charities.

On Thursday 18th September the club plays host to local charity 'The Chyrelle Addams Brest Cancer Trust' Live Against Cancer. This promises to be a fantastic night featuring 14 top class vocalists and the North-Easts premier live band 'The Hunter'. A spokesperson from the club commented, "It's a star studded night out with many popular acts from across the region including the legendary Lorraine Crosby, the girl who sang with Meatloaf, amongst the acts who are donating their time completely free for this special evening out." Tickets are priced at just

£3 and every penny goes to the charity, which helps local people. You can call into the club, pay on the night or even book tickets via the club's website at www.chiltonwmc.co.uk.

On Saturday 27th September the club will be holding its annual 'Macmillan Cancer Relief Coffee Morning' between 11am and 1pm. A spokesperson from the club added, "It's a great chance to meet up with family and friends and to raise money for another great charity. There's a raffle, tombola as well as a great variety of cakes and more. We are trying to exceed our total raised last year and would love to see as many folks as possible for this special day."

Further details on all functions are available on 01388 720294.

Courses available at Chilton College

Chilton Community College, in conjunction with Bishop Auckland College, is offering the following courses:

- **Healthy Takeaway on a Budget**, a 5 week course on Tuesday evenings from 6pm to 8pm, starting on 23rd September.
- **Reiki**, Wednesday evenings 6pm to 8pm for 5 weeks, starting

13th November.

- **English**, Monday 8th September 6pm to 8pm and Friday 12th September 9.30am to 11.30pm.

Courses cost £2.50 per hour but are free for those on certain benefits. For further details ring the Chilton Primary School on 01388 720255 / 721619 or Chilton College on 01388 720911.

This week in History

12 September 2005

England beat Australia in the Ashes series for the first time since 1987 after a draw in the final Test at The Oval.

13 September 1977

A mother who said her nine-week-old daughter was killed by a dingo appeared in an Australian court, charged with her murder.

14 September 1984

Joe Kittinger became the first person to fly a gas balloon alone across the Atlantic Ocean.

15 September 2000

Fuel protests which paralysed Britain for seven days, came to an end.

16 September 1977

Pop star Marc Bolan was killed in a car crash in south-west London.

17 September 1944

Allied forces landed behind enemy lines in Holland at the beginning of a operation designed to bring an end to the war.

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Ringing the changes Thousands urged to get online and register to vote

A new telephone number opened on 5th September for people wanting to make payments to Durham County Council.

The 0300 456 2771 number for the Automated Payment Line replaces the old 0845 835 0120 and is available to take debit and credit card payments for the following services:

- Council Tax
- Housing rents
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- Durham County Council invoices
- Garden waste collection

• Blue Badge applications. Callers to the existing 0845 number will still be able to use the service until 21st October. A recorded message advising customers to call the new number will then be available for a further six months.

Calls to the new number are charged at the same rate as any number starting with 01 or 02. If your mobile contract includes 01 or 02 numbers as part of your call allowances, there is a requirement for mobile phone companies to treat 03 numbers in the same way.

Due in court

The following cases were due to be heard by magistrates at Newton Aycliffe recently. Paul Fairless, aged 52 of Church Street, Ferryhill, faces charges that on 18th August, in Ferryhill, he used threatening words and behaviour and had in his possession an offensive weapon, a meat cleaver.

Kenny Carl Glaister, aged 20 of Dunning Road, Ferryhill, faces charges that he failed

to comply with the requirements of a community order made by Sunderland Magistrates' Court on 1st July. It is alleged that he failed to comply with a curfew between 12th July and 1st August and again between 3rd August and 9th August. Vicki Hope, aged 27 of Morrison Terrace, Ferryhill Station, faces a charge of assault, alleged to have occurred on 2nd April, in Ferryhill.

Nearly 43,000 people across County Durham are being urged not to lose their right to vote following changes to the way the electoral register is compiled.

The introduction of Individual Electoral Registration means people are now required to register to vote individually, rather than by household. The new system also allows residents to register online.

While the majority of residents in County Durham have automatically moved on to the new system, 42,806 residents are not registered because they need to provide additional information.

Durham County Council is urging anyone who has received a letter telling them they were not automatically transferred to visit www.gov.uk/register-to-vote and register online.

Colette Longbottom, Durham County Council's electoral registration officer, said: "Many County Durham residents will have received a letter from our electoral services team telling them that they have automatically moved onto the new registration system.

"However, some residents were told that they needed to provide extra information in order to register under the new

system. It's important that they now do this.

"This is the first time that people can register to vote online and it's quick and simple. This should appeal to many young people and students of Durham University so if you've just turned 18 or you've not registered before; get online to register to vote."

The new system has been introduced with the aim of making the electoral register more secure. Anyone in County Durham who has not yet received a letter from the County Council regarding the electoral register should call 03000 261 212 or email electoralservices@durham.gov.uk

Quarry extension gets the go-ahead

Plans to extend the W&M Thompson Quarry in Bishop Middleham have been approved by councillors, despite concerns from residents about pollution, dust and noise.

W&M Thompson, based in Prudhoe, have operated the quarry since the early 1970s.

The 15.7 hectare extension, will mean they can extract a further 5.5million tonnes of magnesian limestone over the next 14 years. After this time the land will

undergo a 20 year restoration period, during which time it will be filled with imported waste, soils and clay and returned to agricultural use.

The stone extracted at the site is used to create aggregate, which is utilised for construction projects across the North-East, and is used in agricultural lime and sold to farmers as far afield as Scotland to reduce soil acidity.

Thompson says the extension will secure 30 jobs, with most employees

living in nearby villages. Durham County Council's planning authority have received 75 letters in support of the application from residents, businesses staff and farmers, highlighting the benefits to employment and the need for aggregate and lime.

Other residents objected to the extension, criticising the move for loss of farmland, pollution noise and road erosion with dirt left on the C46 road and the junction with the A177 by quarry traffic.

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Just the golden ticket for dog owners

Dog owners and school-children could strike gold thanks to a new campaign. The Civic Pride team from Durham County Council is set to visit Chilton Primary School to educate pupils on how to be good dog owners. The education sessions are part of the Green Dog Walkers programme, which aims to make more poo bags available and remind people to pick up after their pets. The two-week campaign, which is sponsored by Chilton Town Council and supported by livin, got underway on Monday 8th September and gives dog owners the chance to win a golden ticket and scoop a £25 voucher if they are seen

cleaning up their pet's mess. There will also be free dog microchipping sessions on Saturday 20th September, between 10am and 2pm, at Chilton Pavilion and Bowling Green on the Chilton Industrial Estate thanks to Stray Aid. Dogs must be 12 weeks or over with up-to-date injections to qualify. Pauline Walker, senior civic pride officer at Durham County Council, said, "This campaign educates both youngsters and dog owners on how to be responsible in picking up after their pets. "While the majority of dog walkers are responsible and always pick up their pet's poo, it just takes one or two irresponsible people to have

a negative effect on the environment."

Phil Gray, Chilton Town Council clerk, added, "We are delighted to sponsor the Golden Ticket scheme as it is a great way to engage with dog walkers and promote and reward responsible dog ownership."

The Green Dog Walkers scheme is open to all and those who sign up pledge to hand out waste bags to others who might have forgotten them.

For more information visit www.durham.gov.uk/green-dogwalkers or call 03000 261 000 and to report dog fouling in confidence go to www.durham.gov.uk/dog-fouling.

50th School Reunion

Chilton Modern School, Ferryhill from 2pm on class of 1964, 4th year, Saturday 27th September. If you would like to attend contact Bob on Manor House Hotel, in 01740 650 915.

Summer Fair

Kirk Merrington Community Centre is holding a summer fair on Saturday 13th September, from 10am to 1pm.

There are still some tables left. Anyone wanting to book should contact Carole Irving on 01388 816 126.

Postal changes

Posting a letter is about to change. Letter collection times from post boxes are to be altered, starting Monday 15th September. From that date the majority of post boxes will

only have one collection a day, which will usually take place in the early morning. Later postal collections will only be available from post boxes adjoining post offices.

Bishop Middleham businessman ordered to re-pay £93,000

Geoff Auston, a businessman from Bishop Middleham, has been jailed for fraud and has been given six months to pay £93,443 or else he will face up to two years in jail. Judge Howard Crowson from Teesside Crown Court said that Mr Auston had benefited by £764,374 from his crime. He also noted that he had assets worth £93,443 which he ordered that he re-pay under the Proceeds of Crime Act. His assets include a share in the equity of homes in Bishop Middleham and Spennymoor, a sports car worth £10,000,

two Rolex watches worth £7,650 and more than £8,000 cash in a bank account. Auston previously admitted to fraudulent trading, two counts of false representation and being 'concerned in the management and formation of a company' while he was a disqualified director. He was also involved with a colliery business in Derbyshire when £100,000 disappeared from a miner's bank account and profits were also fraudulently taken from the business. Judge Crowson added, "It is in his interest to ensure

that he does his very best to ensure these assets are realised."

An investigator with the Department of Business, Innovations and Skills, Bob Bussey, commented, "This is a satisfactory result and a reminder to the criminal fraternity that under the powers afforded by the Proceeds of Crime Act we will seek to recover the benefits of any criminal conduct."

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Today I am happy, still I feel sad
Where is the life, which I once had?
Gone is the laughter, gone is the fun
Why do I suffer, what have I done?
I forget where I live – I forget who you are
I think that the bus is really a car
You know you can't ever leave me on my own
For fear that, I may burn down our home
Sometimes I'm alright, at peace with the world
But tomorrow, who knows what the hell may be
hurled
There's naught you can do but stay by my side
Try to swim with me – and go with the tide
For where there's life, there's always hope
Together we struggle – doing our damndest to
cope

Velma Dixon
Parker Terrace, Ferryhill

Tenant wrecked rented home after receiving eviction bid

Liam Goodchild, and his girlfriend Netia Flynn, from Skipton Close in Ferryhill were issued an eviction notice from their landlord, Kevin Scott, who was fed-up receiving constant complaints from neighbours over anti-social behaviour and noise.

Vengeful Mr Goodchild told his landlord, "I hope you've got good insurance" before then causing thousands of pounds worth of damage to his property. The damage caused included; drilling dozens of holes in the bath, coving and uPVC window frames, ripping out piping to the heater and boiler, burning cigarettes into window frames, damaging carpets,

systematically scratching worktops and wooden floors and damaging kitchen units and the bathroom suite.

The 23 year-old, formerly of Rutherford Terrace, Ferryhill, has four previous convictions of criminal damage including squirting superglue into the locks in another Ferryhill property. Yvonne Taylor, prosecuting, said Miss Flynn became the tenant in March 2012 and later moved in Goodchild contrary to the tenancy agreement.

Initial estimates of the damage came to £22,000, but a loss adjuster later quoted £5,650. Judge Howard Crowson said, "It was not just malicious, it

was revenge. It was vindictive and caused a lot of damage."

Miss Haugstad said an immediate jail sentence would impact on Goodchild's partner and children as well as his employer. Mr Goodchild received a nine-month prison sentence, suspended for two years, so he could continue to work and pay Mr Scott compensation. He was also ordered to carry out 180 hours of community work, as part of two years' supervision and was ordered to pay £1,000 compensation.

Judge Crowson told him, "If we meet again, you will undoubtedly serve that prison sentence."

Garden waste collections 2015

More than 190,000 households are being invited to join the County Durham garden waste collection service next year.

From spring 2015 there will be an annual fee of £20 for garden waste collections from the kerbside. It will also be offered to an additional 35,000 properties which are not covered by the current scheme.

Letters are being sent out this month to all eligible

households. By signing up, residents will receive 16 fortnightly garden waste collections between spring and autumn. Anyone opting to take up a three year subscription will get a discounted rate of £50.

Durham County Council's Cabinet member for neighbourhoods and local partnerships, Cllr Brian Stephens said: "With government spending cuts, the only way we can continue to provide

this service is to charge a small annual fee."

Households are invited to subscribe by 1st February to ensure they receive all 16 collections next year. Those subscribing will receive a sticker for their garden waste bin to show they are part of the scheme.

For more information about the service or to find out if a property is part of the scheme, go to www.durham.gov.uk/gardenwaste.

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New ways ahead for local services?

An invitation to groups and communities in County Durham to get more involved in or even take over some local services has resulted in enquiries ranging from libraries to Streetscene services.

The 'Ask' campaign was launched in February by council Leader, Cllr Simon Henig, and has generated interest and questions from communities, the voluntary sector and local town and parish councils. The initial offer was made via presentations to these interested groups, via the authority's 14 Area Action Partnerships (AAPs) and County Durham Partnership Forum, as well as online.

Initial expressions of interest were requested by the end of June and these are now being studied by the council to see how they might work. In addition the 'Ask' offer will now remain

open for the foreseeable future and a framework for supporting groups or organisations wanting to take over local services or assets is being developed. Potential funding streams are also being explored.

It's an approach the council has significant experience in, having successfully transferred five leisure centres in 2011/12. Then in 2012/13 an ambitious review of community buildings saw the authority invest £2.2m and provide a support network enabling dozens of community hubs to be transferred into local ownership.

Cllr Henig says it's an approach that offers real benefits at a difficult time: "Delivering and defending frontline services while making savings of £224m means we must consider new ways of working in partnership with communities.

"However it is also crucial this is approached in a sensible and managed way so that it results in services and buildings which are affordable, cost-effective and sustainable.

"I am pleased to see the range of responses we have had and to extend the offer to talk to us for the foreseeable future. There are real benefits to both residents and the council in pursuing this approach."

The next steps will be to progress the expressions of interest which have been received and to develop a supporting information pack for all those groups and organisations wanting to find out more.

Funding options will be pursued and updated presentations will be made via the AAPs, to interested town and parish councils and to voluntary sector organisations.

Healthwatch

Healthwatch is an independent consumer service created to gather and represent the views of the public. They play a role at both national and local level and will make sure that the views of the public, and people who use services, are taken into account.

Healthwatch County Durham meet at Ferryhill Library the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 9.30am-11am and are available for you to talk to.

For further information call: 01325 375967 or visit www.healthwatchcounty-durham.co.uk.



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***Ferryhill 2000 Committee**
Wednesday 17th September 2014
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****Town Council**
Wednesday 17th September 2014 at 7.00pm
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Bad light stops play at Mainsforth

The penultimate league game of the 2014 cricket season saw the Mainsforth 1st XI at home to Castle Eden, who were a couple of places above Mainsforth in the Readers Durham Cricket League 1st division table. Batting first Castle Eden had 145 runs on the board when their last wicket fell. The Eden wickets were shared between the Mainsforth 5 man bowling attack, with veteran bowler David Thompson turning the clock back to return figures of 3 wickets for a paltry 15 runs. The Mainsforth reply started brightly with professional Nawaz in his last league game before returning home to Pakistan hitting 3 sixes in a brisk score of 32 before being caught. Nawaz was well supported by Robert Chismon (21), however with the score at 123 and Andrew Allen on 28 not out and Nigel Milner at the other end on 15 not out, with a victory in reach, the umpires decided to halt play in the rapidly fading light. With the game being

a draw Mainsforth accrued 13 points as a result of their superior run rate compared to Castle Eden's 8 points.

Mainsforth were due to travel to Philadelphia on Sunday for the semi-finals of the 15 over league cup competition. However when a call was received on Sunday morning to say that the ground at Philadelphia was not playable, the Mainsforth club offered at short notice the use of their ground so that the competition could be completed as planned. After frantic discussions with the league management it was decided to switch the venue. The Mainsforth committee and groundstaff then worked miracles to prepare the ground and clubhouse for what proved to be a very busy and successful day. With cellar stocks quickly replenished and food supplies collected together, the first game started an hour behind schedule. Whiteleas booked their place in the

final, defeating Horden in the first semi-final. With the ground filling up, a below par performance from Mainsforth saw them lose the second semi-final to the eventual winners Philadelphia. In making the presentations to the winning team, league chairman Roy Simpson thanked everyone involved at Mainsforth for saving the day.

In the final game of the season the club 1st XI travel to Crook Town Cricket Club with the 2nd XI being at home in the reverse fixture.

The following day, Sunday 14th, Mainsforth are hosting the Tom Blair cup final between Tudhoe and Evenwood, with wickets pitched at 1.30pm. This game will bring the curtain down on the 2014 season at Mainsforth.

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Derby day win

The Celtic played in the Ferryhill derby against The Hub on Sunday in what turned out to be a game full of goals.

The Celtic started the game well in front of a healthy crowd and were 1 up within the first 10 minutes when Kurt Seymour drove a shot from 30 yards out, which flew into the bottom corner. Just 4 minutes later it was nearly 2 when Luke Thompson went past a couple of defenders in the box, only to see his delicate chip go just wide of the post. It was not all one way traffic though, The Hub created a couple of chances through the dangerous Chris Ohara and he got their equaliser on the 20 minute mark. The Celtic then again took charge, Kurt Seymour chipped the keeper from 40 yards, only for the keeper to make a great save and tip it onto the bar, however Luke Thompson was first to react and scored from close range to make it 2-1. The hub refused to lie down and again came

up with an equaliser on 30 minutes, but Craig Winkworth scored the goal of the game, which then put the Celtic once again in front, when he hit a shot from the edge of the box right into the top corner. It was 3-2 to the Celtic at half time.

The second half belonged to the Celtic, with Jonny Agar scoring after a wonderful 4 man move, and the game was rounded off when the outstanding 'man of the match' Jay White ran from the half way line and chipped the ball over the keeper to make the score at full time 5-2 to the Celtic.

A spokesman for the Celtic football club said, "Credit had to go to the hub for a spirited display."

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