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Regeneration celebration



Mayor, Councillor Elizabeth Bruce with Graham Moor from the Northumbria Blood Bikes.

To celebrate the regeneration of the Pavilion at the Miners Welfare Recreation Ground, Chilton, a Family Fun Day was held on Saturday 25th July.

Both Chilton Town Council and Friends of the Miners Welfare have successfully secured funding of

over £50,000, allowing the Pavilion to have new windows, heating, kitchen, toilets and alarm system installed.

A large number of local residents attended along with civic dignitaries. The Mayor, Councillor Elizabeth Bruce, hosted a Charity

Coffee Morning and £202 was raised for this year's nominated charity, which is the Friends of the Miners Welfare.

During the day the Mayor also handed over a cheque for £1,400 to the Northumbria Blood Bikes who were her chosen charity for the last civic year.

At a recent meeting members have agreed that the Pavilion can be used for meetings and events. The Council have agreed a rate of £5 per hour for the facility rental, it should be free to community groups in the summer months only and will be £3 an hour in winter. Within the Miners Welfare Recreation Ground there is a play area suitable for under 5s, pitch & putt, floodlit tennis courts (small charge) and Councillor Christine Potts has also secured a grant for an outdoor ping pong table.

The Town Council are hoping to secure funding for a crazy golf course. Anyone wishing to express an interest in using a room needs to submit a letter to the Town Council, or for further information on the Miners Welfare Recreation Ground, telephone 01388 721788.

Fayre this weekend

The Ferryhill Summer Fayre will be held at Dean Bank Park on Sunday 2nd August, from 11am to 4pm.

Arena events will include New Dance Generation, line dancing, a pipe band and a dog show.

Characters from Disney's Frozen will be at the event from 12 noon to 1pm and will host a children's 'Frozen' colouring competition. The event will also include a junior fun fair, vintage cars, stalls, climbing tower, Pat's Puppets, free face painting, coconut shy and four inflatable attractions (gladiator duel, penalty shoot-out, bouncy castle and bungee run). The police will be

carrying out bicycle marking and there will also be a licenced bar, burger van and ice cream van, whilst tea, coffee, cakes and sandwiches will be available at the bowls pavilion.

Entry to the event is free and free parking facilities are available on the park.

Anyone wishing to have a stall at the Summer Fayre, provide static attractions or take part in the arena events should contact John Rogerson at the Town Hall on 01740 652157.

Application forms for the fun dog show are available from the Town Hall or you can register on the day before 12.30pm.

Free dinner club

St. Aidan's Church is holding a free dinner club for children every Tuesday throughout the summer holidays, in collaboration with Chilton Food Bank. The free meals will be

served at 12.30pm.

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Janice Foster

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Love Leanne & Kendra
xxxx



Kelvin Bradley

Always remembered



Holly & Katie



Claire Avery

27th July 2002

God's garden must be beautiful, he always takes the best, It broke our hearts to lose you, as we laid you down to rest.

We smile through our heartaches for you didn't go alone, And part of us went with you, the day God called you home



Forever in our hearts,
From Mam, Graham, Kelly,
Nicola & Nyomi
xxx



Birthdays

Grace Ann Britton

3rd August

Happy 21st Birthday



All our love,
Mam, Dad & Sarah
xxx



Birthdays

Liam Wilson



Happy 21st Birthday



Lots of love,
Mam, Simon & Nathan



Lauren Robson

2nd August



Happy 21st Birthday



Lots of love,
From all the family
x



Hayley Louise Gamsby

29th July

Happy 21st Birthday to a special Daughter



Love Mam, Dad & Meg

Hayley Gamsby

Happy 21st Birthday to a special Sis



Love Bradley & Emma

Birthdays

Hayley Gamsby

Happy 21st Birthday to a special Auntie



Love Lucas-Jay
& Sophia-Brooke

Hayley Gamsby

Happy 21st Birthday to a special Girlfriend



Love Ryan



Luke Murphy

3rd August



Happy 21st Birthday to a very special Son



Love from Mam, Gary,
Laura & Katie
xxx

Luke Murphy

3.8.15

Happy 21st Birthday



Love Dad, Kay, Lucy & Will
xx

Luke Murphy

3rd August

Very Happy 21st Birthday to a special Grandson



Lots of love,
Gran & Granda



Birthdays

Ebony



Happy 1st Birthday Ebony



Love you loads,
From Mammy
xxx

Ebony



Happy 1st Birthday



Lots of love,
Gran & Grandad,
Liam, Dalton & Grampa Alf
xxx



Lisa Askew

29th July



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Birthdays

Lisa Askew

29th July



Happy 40th Birthday



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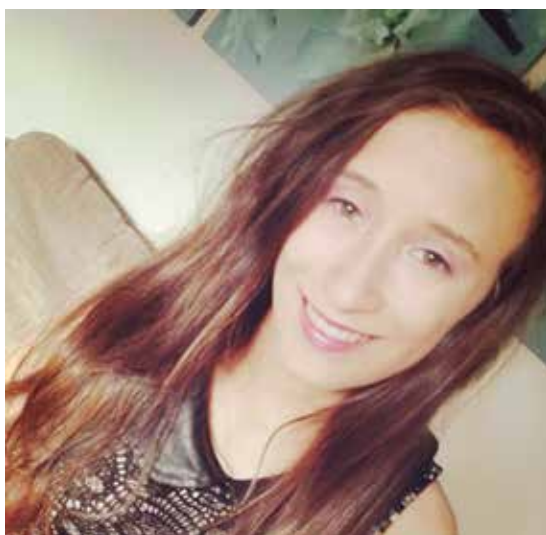
Questions remain unanswered over Ferryhill teen's death

The inquest into the death of a Ferryhill teenager concluded this week, although questions remain unanswered for the teenager's family.

Fifteen year-old Rebecca Whittle, who was a deliverer for The Chapter, passed away on 12th September last year following an unexplained anaphylactic shock. On the day of her death, Rebecca had been at a friend's house where she consumed an energy drink before beginning to feel unwell. She then went home and delivered her paper round before going back out to meet friends at around 8.30pm. Her friends momentarily lost sight of the teenager, before they found her lying face down on the ground. They helped to pick up Rebecca, who was hyperventilating, and gave her short bursts of her inhaler. They then helped her home where she was sick several times and collapsed in her mother's bedroom.

After calling for an ambulance, two paramedics arrived at the scene and gave the Ferryhill Business and Enterprise student CPR. A third paramedic Stephen White, subsequently arrived and tried several times to clear her airway before administering adrenaline. She was taken to University Hospital North Durham where doctors were unable to save her.

Consultant pathologist



Rebecca Whittle, 15, died from an anaphylactic reaction to an unknown trigger.

Chandrakant Patel concluded that Rebecca died of an anaphylactic reaction, resultant of an unknown cause. However, the teen's family remain convinced that the energy drink she had consumed earlier in the day may have played a part.

In a statement released by her family they said, "We as a family, agree with the verdict of anaphylactic reaction. The trigger has not been identified, but we still have concerns about the energy drink as a contributory factor." Immunologist Desa Lilic disagreed, however, stating that allergic reactions to such drinks were extremely rare and that it was more unlikely in Rebecca's case as she had previously consumed the drinks without any adverse reactions, and that several

hours had passed between consumption and the allergic reaction.

Rebecca's family were also very concerned that adrenaline - potentially life saving in such cases - was not administered until the third paramedic arrived, due to the first two technicians on the scene not being qualified.

Their statement continued, "We are extremely concerned, following the coroner's inquest, that Rebecca had not received adrenaline immediately.

"Rebecca only received this when the third paramedic arrived. During the inquest it was identified this should be administered immediately.

"We want the NEAS to review their protocol as we don't want this happening to another family."

Coroner Andrew Tweddle concluded that Rebecca died from an anaphylactic reaction to an unknown trigger.

The Chapter would like to extend its deepest sympathies to Rebecca's family and friends at this sad time.



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Art & Photography Exhibition

Ferryhill Town Council and Ferryhill 2000 Committee would like to invite residents and visitors alike to view this year's Art & Photography Exhibition, which will be taking place from Monday 3rd to Sunday 14th August in the upstairs room of the Town Hall.

The exhibition gives local artists and photographers the chance to show off their talents and also to sell their work.

This year's display will also

give visitors the chance to vote for their favourite pieces of work in six categories, namely; Best Artwork by Under 18s, Best Artwork by Over 18s, Best Photograph by Under 18s and Best Photograph by Over 18s. Winners will each receive a prize and certificate.

For more information about the exhibition, contact John Rogerson at the Town Hall on 01740 652157.

Toddler group closure

Immanuel Christian Fellowship in Ferryhill has sadly announced that its Parent and Toddler group, known as 'Rainbow Tots' will be closing temporarily after its last session on Wednesday 29th July.

This is due to many of the

children starting nursery. A spokesperson for the group said, "We will inform you when we intend to start the group again."

"We would also like to thank all the parents for your support over the past three years."

Seaside trip

Chilton Residents' Association will be holding a summer outing to South Shields on Saturday 29th August.

The bus will leave at

8.30am from the Wheat-sheaf, Chilton, returning from South Shields at 4pm. Anyone who would like to go along should contact Margaret on 01388 721204.

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Green Flags fly high above Ferryhill



Dean Bank Park is just one of a handful of sites in Ferryhill awarded the prestigious Green Flag Award.

Mainsforth Sports Complex, Dean Bank Recreation Park, Surtees Doorstep Green and Duncombe Cemetery in Ferryhill are some of the very best facilities in the UK - and that's official.

The four sites are among a record-breaking 1,582 parks and green spaces that have received a prestigious Green Flag Award - the mark of a quality park or green space. The award recognises and rewards the best parks and green spaces across the country.

A Green Flag flying overhead is a sign to the public that the space boasts the highest possible standards, is beautifully main-

tained and has excellent facilities.

Councillor Pauline Crathorne, Mayor of Ferryhill said, "Ferryhill Town Council is absolutely delighted to receive Green Flag Awards for its facilities, which are a credit to the town."

"This award recognises and highlights that people in Ferryhill are benefitting from a green space of the very highest quality".

International Green Flag Award scheme manager Paul Todd said, "We are delighted to be celebrating another record-breaking year for the Green Flag Award scheme."

"All the flags flying this year are a testament to the efforts of the thousands of men and women, both staff and volunteers, who work tirelessly to maintain the high standards demanded by the Green Flag Award."

The awards, which are run by Keep Britain Tidy, reflect the high standards of maintenance needed to keep the sites looking good and excellence in management and good practice.

Judges look at various criteria, including maintenance, conservation and community involvement, as well as how welcoming, healthy, safe and secure open spaces are.

PACT MEETINGS

Police & Communities Together

Bishop Middleham Ward

Thursday 3rd September, 2pm, Cross Keys, Bishop Middleham

Previous issues - Evidence of Poaching taking place at the Nature Reserve at Bishop Middleham.

West Cornforth Ward

Thursday 3rd September, 5pm, Sure Start, West Cornforth

Previous issues - Youths gathering at Elvet Close & Maughan Close, throwing items and causing a nuisance to elderly residents. Contacts: PC Barclay, PCSO Hobson on 101.

Broom & Ferryhill Station Ward

Wednesday 5th August, 6pm, Ferryhill Town Hall

Previous issues - Anti Social Behaviour around Croft Gardens and Mills Buildings.

Chilton Ward

Thursday 20th August, 7pm, Chilton & Windlestone WMC

Youths drinking and setting fires in Millwood Woods.

Ferryhill Town & Dean Bank Ward

Wednesday 5th August, 6pm, Ferryhill Town Hall

Previous issues - Anti Social Behaviour around Croft Gardens and Mills Buildings.

Bikes stolen

Two pedal cycles were stolen from the rear yard of a house on Duncombe Terrace, Ferryhill, between Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th July. They are described as an adult's mountain bike with a black frame and white front spokes, and a child's BMX - XX rated, light blue bike, with dark blue handlebars. If anyone has any information or has seen the bikes, contact PC 2547 Beacom or PC 257 Turnbull on 101. Police Ref: DHM-16072015-0133 Crime. SL1501070.

Unclaimed prizes

There are still several prizes unclaimed from the Miners Welfare Recreation Ground's Family Fun Day. Numbers are as follows;

- Pink 11
- Pink 91
- Yellow 746
- Green 736
- White 371

Contact Chilton Town Council on 01388 721788 if you hold one of the winning tickets.

Ferryhill Six

The Ferryhill Six will be raising funds for Downs Syndrome at the Summer Fayre on Sunday 2nd August in Dean Bank Park.

A spokesperson commented, "Come along between 11am and 4pm, there will

be lots of attractions and stalls for all the family. "As usual we will be selling cakes, pies, jams and chutneys as well as serving teas, coffees and juice in the kitchen. We also have a tombola and bottle stall."



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Summary of Village Atlas now available



Rhianon Radford and James Beeby taking a look at the document.

Last year the 400-page Ferryhill Village Atlas was launched following two-years of research with archaeologists, geologists and historians working alongside local residents and schools to trace a full social and natural history of the area from the geology onwards. This research was funded by the Limestone Landscapes project, supported by the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) and 4 Together Area Action Partnership. Now a 40 page summary of the Ferryhill Village Atlas is available free of charge. You can pick up a copy from Ferryhill Library or Chilton Library. If you are unable to get to these locations, you can order a copy by emailing:

walltowall9@hotmail.com leaving your address, and the Ferryhill History Society will send you a copy, subject to availability. An electronic version of both the full Atlas and its summary are available on the Ferryhill History Society website at www.ferryhillarchives.com by using the link to the Lime-

stone Landscapes website www.limestonelandscapes.info/Pages/ferryhillvillageatlas.aspx Tony Devos, Limestone Landscapes programme manager, said, "It is great that local people have been involved in getting together a natural and social history of Ferryhill. These will be important documents for many years to come."

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Police check speeding hot spots



An officer checks vehicle speed on Rock Road, Middletonstone Moor.

Following complaints about speeding, last weekend police conducted speed checks in hot spot locations in Spennymoor and Ferryhill. Over six vehicles were

stopped by officers for speeding between the hours of 6.30pm and 8pm. Areas checked included Dean Bank, Byers Green and Rock Road in Middletonstone Moor.

Not sure of your next step?

Personal advisors are providing support for young people who are deciding what to do next.

Those in year 11 or those who are leaving sixth form are being encouraged to contact Durham County Council's One Point advisors who will be available during the summer holidays to offer advice and answer any questions.

Personal advisors offer information, advice and guidance and can support young people with applications for college, traineeships and apprenticeships. One Point advisors offer tailored support to young people to help them explore the range of choices available to them,

make well informed decisions and overcome any problems they might be facing.

Personal advisors will be on hand at the following local locations;

- Ferryhill One Point Hub, Broom Road, Ferryhill, DL17 8AN on Tuesday afternoons from 4th August. This is a drop in session so there is no need to make an appointment.

- Newton Aycliffe One Point Hub, Newton Aycliffe Youth Centre, Burn Lane, Newton Aycliffe, County Durham, DL5 4HX on Thursday 20th August. This is a drop in session so there is no need to make an appointment.

- Personal advisors can meet young people, by appointment at Tudhoe Moor Children's Centre, Green Lane, DL16 6EX on Tuesday afternoons.

Call the One Point switchboard on: 03000 261 111 to be put through to the relevant centre to book a place, even if you can't make one of the sessions, an advisor may be available to speak to you to provide support and advice on your next step.

The Help 4 Teens website www.help4teens.co.uk/ start also includes lots of information for young people who want to develop their skills and get into a job, course or apprenticeship.

Fun at Ferryhill Library

The entertainment in Ferryhill Library this week is Donna Walton's 'Art & Textiles' Workshop on Thursday 30th July, between 2pm and 3pm.

Next week's entertainment will be Liz Million's Stories & Art Workshop on Thursday 6th August, from 2pm to 3.30pm.

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 269530.

Children's writer and illustrator Liz Million (right) will be visiting Ferryhill Library on Thursday 6th August.



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Information for voters

Households in Ferryhill and Chilton will soon be receiving a form asking residents to check and confirm whether the information that appears on the electoral register for those living at their address is correct.

It's the first stage of Durham County Council's annual voter registration canvass.

The aim of the form is to ensure the electoral register is up to date and to identify any residents who are not registered so that they can be encouraged to do so.

With the Police and Crime Commissioner election taking place across the country in May 2016, this is an opportunity for residents to make sure that when the elections take place they will easily be able to take part.

Colette Longbottom, electoral registration officer at Durham County Council, said, "Anyone who wants to vote must be registered. "To make sure you are able to have your say at the elections next year, simply

check the form when it arrives and return it as promptly as possible.

"If you're not currently registered, we'll send you information explaining how to do this or you can simply go online to apply to register."

It's particularly important that anyone who has moved address recently looks out for the form and checks whether they are registered.

Research by the independent Electoral Commission indicates that across Great Britain, recent home movers are far less likely to be registered than those that have lived at the same address for a long time.

The research showed that 94 per cent of people who have been at their property for more than sixteen years will be registered compared to 40 per cent of people who have lived at an address for less than one year.

The same research indicates that while almost 95 per cent of outright home owners are registered, this is the case for only 63 per

cent of private renters.

Kay Jenkins, head of English regions at the Electoral Commission said, "The annual canvass is an opportunity for people to easily check whether they're registered.

"It's essential for a healthy democracy that everyone who is entitled to vote is able to, and for those who need to, registering is now easier than ever with the online system of registration.

"If you have changed address in the last year, it's particularly likely that you will need to register at your new address, so check the form as soon as it arrives."

Any residents who have any questions can contact the elections team on 03000 261 212 or email electoral.services@durham.gov.uk. Register to vote online at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote.

To be eligible to register to vote in England a person must be aged 16 or over (a person may register to vote at 16, but may not vote until they are 18).

Poetry Corner

Hope or Love

by Gary Hodgson, Ferryhill

Hope seems to be something out of reach

Love the moment seems to be the lesson life is

trying to teach

In a world where real love is swept beneath

The noise of hatred, violence and all the forms

of human greed

Hope and love are like strangers that will

never meet

When hope for a better future means keeping

the present noisy human hell neat

'To gain the world and lose your soul' is

something I do not need



Ferryhill Spiritualist Awareness Group



Dean Bank & Ferryhill Literary Institute, St Cuthberts Terrace, Ferryhill Co Durham DL17 8PP

Ferryhill Spiritualist Awareness Group raised a staggering **£800.00** on 7th July 2015 for Acorn Grange residents with an exceptional night of clairvoyance in memory of Terry Nelson. The home took good care of Terry in the latter stages of his physical life. Gareth his son and family wanted to give something back. The money was gratefully received and thanks given from the home.

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Carol Spooner

~ ~ ~ Dates for your Diary ~ ~ ~

4 August 2015 - Martyn Railton - Evening of Clairvoyance - £2.50

1 September 2015 - Irene Wilson - Flower Service - £2.50

Special night of Clairvoyance six mediums coming together on

6 October 2015 - John Pattinson - Michael Jones - Damien Grazer -

Jenny Hepton - Gareth Nelson - Martyn Railton - £5.00

20 October 2015 - Keith Fletcher - Night of Clairvoyance - £2.50

28 November 2015 - York Christmas Shopping Day Trip

5 December 2015 - Debra Chalmers Christmas Special Inc. buffet - £6.50

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Club raises over £1,300 for Zach



Young Zach Parnaby, who, despite being born five and half weeks early, has been a fit and healthy young child.

Paul Mountford, secretary of Ferryhill WMC, has expressed his appreciation for all who attended 'Zach's Charity Night' on Saturday 25th July. The event was held in aid of local youngster, Zach Parnaby, who has been diagnosed with the rare and terminal disease, Krabbe Leukodystrophy, also known as globoid cell Leukodystrophy. The disease is a genetic

disorder of the nervous system that destroys the part of the brain which produces myelin - the protective shield around the nerves. When this happens all the motor functions of the body stop working. In 2014, Zach was a healthy and happy little boy who, despite being born five and half weeks early, had met every milestone and had just about mastered

walking. He is now unable to walk, stand, sit, use his arms or hands and is fed via a tube. Paul said, "We would like to thank all who attended and gave, as we raised £1,342 on the night. Also, thank you to the following for their gift donations; Heineken, Marston's, Sam Smith's, DJ Drinks, Northumbria Leisure, Andrew James UK, The Chapter, A.I.R. and Mr Bobby Kerr."

Off licence celebrates birthday

The Broom Off Licence on Osbourne Terrace, Ferryhill, is celebrating its 40th anniversary this month. Gladys and Harry Turner, who sadly passed away a number of years ago, are still fondly remembered by older customers. The couple's daughter, Linda Laws, now runs the store. She said, "A considerable number of people have worked in the shop over the years and their efforts have been greatly appreciated."

"Many thanks are due to Val Cant, who became my first assistant and to Lynn Stephenson, who was my assistant for 26 years until her recent retirement. "I would particularly like to express my thanks to Lynn for her loyal service. "Many of my customers have become personal friends and I would like to thank all the customers who have helped make the business successful over the years."

Players sought

Ferryhill Town Youth are looking for players to strengthen their squads, under 7s to under 18s. Anyone interested should ring 01740 651508.

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This week in History

30 July 1930 In Montevideo, Uruguay wins the first FIFA World Cup.	31 July 1492 The Jews are expelled from Spain when the Alhambra Decree takes effect.	1 August 1964 The former Belgian Congo is renamed the Democratic Republic of the Congo.
2 August 1870 Tower Subway, the world's first underground tube railway, opens in London, England, United Kingdom.	3 August 1936 Jesse Owens wins the 100 meter dash, defeating Ralph Metcalfe, at the Berlin Olympics.	4 August 1824 The Battle of Kos is fought between Turkish and Greek forces.

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