



Enter CIC entertain at the Sage for Sir Tim Rice and Friends

Christmas Shoebox Appeal



The Enter CIC company at the Sage, Gateshead with world famous lyricist, Sir Tim Rice.

On Thursday, 8th October, Enter CIC, Ferryhill's performing arts group performed at the Sage, Gateshead in An Evening with Tim Rice and Friends. The star-studded concert, to raise funds for the venue's youth music programmes and cancer

support charity, Maggie's Newcastle, delivered entertainment of the highest quality. The concert was organised by world famous lyricist, Sir Tim Rice who told the capacity audience that this was a "greatest hits package".

Sir Tim, in his easy fireside manner, introduced songs from Evita, Jesus Christ Superstar, Chess, The Lion King and many others and shared anecdotes about his life in music.

In a packed three hour performance, Enter CIC's young actors had the honour of performing with a whole host of West End stars including Joe Stilgoe, James Fox, Simon Bailey, Siubhan Harrison, Kerry Ellis, Madalena Alberto, Kathryn Tickell, Rick Wakeman, Darius Campbell, Stuart Brayson, Alice Stokoe, the Royal Northern Sinfonia and BBC's Big Band Special presenter Clare Teal. Andrea Flynn, Director of Enter said: "The students, who attend our weekly performing arts provision, relished the opportunity to perform and share the stage with such a star studded cast."

"It would be easy to assume that a young cast would be fazed by working with such eminent performers, but quite the opposite; Enter CIC's young people took to the stage and did what they do best by letting

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The time of the year is rapidly approaching when our children are eagerly anticipating opening their Christmas presents, but not all children everywhere will be so fortunate this Christmas. It is for this reason that the charity Samaritans Purse run their 'Operation Christmas Child' which is more widely known as the 'Christmas Shoebox Appeal'.

Once again, a local group in conjunction with the Methodist Church will be

organising a Ferryhill and surrounding area appeal where shoeboxes will be filled at the Methodist Church on the evenings of November 9th to 11th from 5.30pm to 7.00pm. Members of the public are invited to come along on these evenings to assist in filling the boxes. Any filled shoeboxes, goods to go in the boxes or donations towards transport costs would be gratefully received.

Events at Chilton Library

Chilton Library hosted a Macmillan Coffee Morning recently which raised £64.50, thanks to the sterling efforts of Chilton residents. "Many thanks to all who attended and donated,"

said a spokesperson.

The library will be hosting a Halloween Craft session on Thursday 29th October from 2pm.

Anyone who would like to attend should contact the library on 03000 269518.

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Derek Browning

Local Bodybuilding Legend Dies

1994 saw Derek Browning founder of Allsports Fitness Centre in Ferryhill, make his come back into the Bodybuilding world. Throughout the next 20 years competing at British and International level.. Taking many titles along the way and mentoring many along their own Bodybuilding careers.



Derek sadly passed away on 3.10.2015, Derek will be missed by many but his legacy will continue... Loved and sadly missed by Sue Hall.

Derek Browning's funeral will be held at Wear Valley Crematorium, on Friday 16th October at 10.15am. Drinks to celebrate Derek's life will be held at Dean & Chapter Pub in Ferryhill.. (Next door to Allsports Gym)

All family & friends are welcome to attend

RIP Derek Browning

In Memoriam

Derek Cooper

16th October 2014

A year has gone by
But goodbyes are not forever
Goodbyes are not the end
They simply mean I'll love
and miss you
Until we meet again



*All my love,
Denise
xxx*



Dorothy Garrett

7/10/15

Thinking of you mam
Today & always
We will miss & love you
forever
You were a wonderful
mother in law to Allan



*From his wife Pauline &
family
We will always remember
the good times with you*

Birthdays

Dane Eltringham

Happy 16th birthday
To my little brother & uncle



*Love ya!
Naomi, Bradwell & Luna
xxx*

Dane Eltringham

Happy 16th birthday to our
handsome grandson
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Boy"



*Grandma & Granda
xx xx*

Dane Eltringham

Happy 16th birthday
Love you loads



*Aunty Judith, Uncle Michael
Kurt & Drew
xx xx*

Birthdays

Luke McGowan

16th October



Happy 18th birthday Luke

18!

*Love
Mam, Dad & Kieran
xxxx*

Anniversaries

Stephenson

October 18th



Happy Ruby Wedding
Anniversary Colin & Lynn



*Lots of love,
Nicola, Joe, Lynsey, Aaron
& Reece
xxx*

In Memoriam

Pat Bihari

5/10/15

A dear sister and auntie.
Always on our minds,
forever in our hearts



*Love always,
Jeanette, Kenny, Michael,
Leanne & Jemma
xxx*



Birthday Memories

Shirley Maddison

18.10.40 - 2015

Thinking of you as always
Especially today what
would have been your 75th
birthday
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happier times
Never forgotten



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Billy, Sheila, Angela, Gary
and all the family*

Andrew Dolphin

15th October



Happy birthday

21!

*Lots of Love from
Mam, Dad & Sarah
xxx*

Birthdays

Dane Eltringham

15.10.1999

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*All our love
Mam & Dad
xxx*

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Ferryhill Annual Christmas Fayre

Ferryhill 2000 Committee & Ferryhill Town Council would like to invite residents to attend Ferryhill's annual Christmas Fayre on Friday 27th November.

The Fayre, which is organised by Ferryhill 2000 Committee in partnership with Ferryhill Town Council will commence at 2pm with children's fair rides, refreshments and a Craft Fayre which this year will take place indoors at St. Luke's Parish Centre.

A candle-lit procession involving children from the local primary schools will leave St. Luke's Church at 4pm.

The procession will be led by Father Christmas in his sleigh and will make its way to the Town Hall gardens

where carol singing will take place at 4.15pm. The official switching on of the town's Christmas lights will then follow at 4.30pm.

Any adults and children wishing to take part in the procession are asked to meet at St. Luke's Church at 3.45pm.

Because battery operated candles are no longer available, the 2000 Committee will issue free glow sticks to anyone taking part in the procession.

Santa has also promised to make an appearance again this year and will be visiting the E-Café from 4.30pm-6pm to meet local children and give out presents in a specially designed grotto.

Tea & coffee will also be on sale in the E-Café as well

as the chance to test your luck on the tombola.

There are still stalls up for grabs at this year's Craft Fayre so why not take up a stall and put your goods on sale.

This is a popular event and stalls are quickly taken up so book early to avoid disappointment.

Stalls are available at a price of £20 with a limited number of charity stalls also being available at a reduced rate of £10. Tables and chairs will be provided as a matter of course.

Anyone interested in holding a stall at this year's event or for any queries about the Christmas Fayre should call John Rogerson at Ferryhill Town Hall on (01740) 652157.

Bike Stolen In Helmsley Close



A bike similar to this one was stolen in Ferryhill recently.

A bike, similar to the one pictured above, was stolen from outside an address in Helmsley Close, Ferryhill on Thursday 8th October around 6pm.

A spokesperson said: "If

anyone has any information relating to this incident, they should contact the police on the non-emergency number, 101, quoting crime reference number SL1501586."

Keith raises funds with cycle from Chilton to Yorkminster



Pictured above is Keith Robson who set off from Chilton to Yorkminster on Sunday 4th October. It took Keith five and a half hours to cycle the 68 miles, raising £250 for Windlestone Methodist Chapel in the process. A spokesperson for the church said: "We would like to thank Keith and everyone who sponsored him."

Town and County Councillors' surgery

Ferryhill Town and County Labour Councillors will be holding a surgery on Friday 16th October between 10am and 12 noon in the Council Chamber in Ferryhill Town Hall.

Councillors will be available at the surgery to give local residents the opportunity to discuss any local issues.

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Enter CIC at the Sage

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their voices soar high and perform with precision, commitment and passion. Every time they took to the stage the audience response was incredible." Enter CIC students participated in an array of musical extracts throughout the night. Judging from the audience's response, particular favourites were *Close Every Door* in which they shared the stage with the wonderful Simon Bailey, *Circle of Life* accompanying Darius Campbell and *Any Dream Will Do* where they performed with all of the stars simultaneously. Enter CIC Upper School students were paid the highest honour by Sir Tim and the creative team as they were given the opportunity to take to the stage in their own right, backed by the Royal Northern Sinfonia and sang *A Winter's Tale*, the Rice and Mike Batt song made famous by David Essex! This was particularly impressive as two of Enter's students, Ben Richardson and Dane Clements, sang the lead parts. As their voices soared and their harmonies rang out

everyone was impressed and delighted. After the performance the upper school received high praise indeed as Sir Tim Rice extended a personal thanks on stage in front of an appreciative full house. Andrea Flynn, Director of Enter said: "Our young people are very special and everyone who meets them and works with them is always blown away by their talent, professionalism, passion and commitment. "We have received such wonderful feedback about our young people and we are so proud of them and their performance achievements. "We would like to extend a very special thanks to

all of the creative team on *An Evening with Tim Rice and Friends*, to all of the wonderful artists, organising committee and of course to Sir Tim Rice for inviting us to be part of this wonderful and memorable event." Enter CIC students are now working towards their next production which is *Ebenezer Scrooge* at Sunderland Empire on Friday 4th December. Tickets can be purchased from Sunderland Empire box office on 0844 871 3022. For more information on Enter CIC weekly performing arts provision, call 01740 655437, or visit www.entercic.org.

Stolen quad bike

A red Honda quad bike, registration number TRX 420, along with a small box trailer, was stolen between 8am and 9.30pm on Tuesday 6th October from West Cornforth.

The rear plastic light casing is distinctive as it has been melted due to a heat source. Anyone with information should contact DC Lambert at Crook CID on 101.

 facebook.com/ferryhillandchiltonchapter

Endeavour to host Disabilities Disco

Endeavour Woodcrafts CIC is hosting the first of what it hopes to become a regular monthly disabilities disco at The Old Fire Station on Darlington Road in Ferryhill. The disco will take place on Friday, 30th October, from 6.30-8.30pm.

Tickets, priced at £2.50, include a soft drink and a hot dog. The first disco, coinciding with Halloween, will be fancy dress. Anyone interested in buying tickets should contact Endeavour on 01740 657676.

Allotment vacancies

Further allotments on Ferversham Terrace are now available and names are being taken for the allocation of vacant plots. Previous applicants should get in touch by calling 07855 960001.

Courses at the Institute

Two courses will be held in early November at the Dean Bank Institute in Ferryhill if numbers are sufficient: A First Aid course is scheduled to be held on Friday 6th November from 9am

to 4pm and the following week, on Friday 13th, a Food Hygiene course will run from 9am to 4pm. For further details, or to book a place, call 01740 657221 or email: dbfinstitute@googlegmail.com.



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Endeavour Arts and Crafts classes



One of Endeavour's students with a card made at its popular Arts and Crafts class.

Endeavour Woodcrafts is inviting new students to join its popular and free over 60's Arts and Crafts classes, held on the last Tuesday of every month. Anyone interested in booking the course should contact Endeavour Woodcrafts on 01740 657676. The next dates available are in January 2016.

Driver injured policewoman

James Allan Carruthers, of High Street, West Cornforth, was found guilty of dangerous driving, having no insurance and two counts of obstructing a police officer after one female officer was dragged along the road, clinging to the van he fled in on the morning of 5th September in Brandon. Carruthers, who has a history of fraud and theft, handed himself in two days later. He received a 16-month prison sentence and a two-year driving ban, which will start after his prison sentence ends.

Town Band among winners in brass band competition



Ferryhill Town Band were successful at the recent Stanley Brass Band Entertainment Contest.

Ferryhill Town Band impressed the judges at the recent Stanley Brass Band Entertainment contest, held at Tanfield School in Tanfield Lea, near Stanley. The band took first place in Section B of the contest, or-

ganised and adjudicated by John Dodd of the Leyland Brass Band with colleague, Martin Armstrong. The contest, which was inaugurated last year, has doubled in size with eleven bands entering from

all over the Durham and Teesside areas this year. A delighted Mr Dodd said: "The event was a huge success. It's the second time we've staged it and it's already going from strength to strength."

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High performance continues at Ferryhill College



Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College students are already gearing up for this year's GCSEs by attending after school sessions as part of its upgrade programme.

Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College is once again celebrating a great year of results.

The school has received provisional indications from the Government that it is a school which adds real value for students and improves their GCSE grades beyond that which would be expected.

Mr Freeman who is in charge of raising achievement at the school said: "Current statistics for the school show that,

on average, not only do students meet their target grades but, in 5 out of their 10 GCSEs, exceed their targets; this is much higher than the typical school in England."

Current Year 11 students clearly mean business with this year's GCSE exams and are already attending after school sessions in their droves.

Students accumulated over 250 hours of additional work as part of the school's upgrade programme, with

some students attending almost every evening.

Headteacher, Mr Brennan, said: "We are very proud of our Year 11 students. They have really taken the initiative and are clearly determined to perform well."

"Upgrade runs most nights at the school, with additional tutorials in most subjects. It really makes a difference to a student's final GCSE grade and is part of the reason that the school is achieving record results year on year."

Primary schools cross country event

Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College hosted the annual primary school cross-country event which saw twenty-one schools attend the event on Tuesday 6th October.

A number of sports leaders from Key Stage 3 marshalled the event and 3 talented year 9 runners (Aidan Foster, Olivia Gough, Josh Lee) were the pace makers for each race. The event was a great success and a good opportunity for students,

teachers and parents from the different primary schools to see how high quality provision is at FBEC. Mr Brennan said 'the event was a tremendous success and this week alone, over 800 primary students have visited the school to be part of the activities.'

I would like to thank all of those staff and students who have supported these events and made them successful.'

Dean Bank Fair

Dean Bank Community Centre is holding a "fun-filled" Autumn Fair on Friday 30th October from 9am-1pm.

A spokesperson said: "It's the perfect opportunity to grab a bargain. The fair will be selling children's books - some of which are signed, jewellery, homemade jams and much more."

"For the charitable amongst you, the event offers a chance to support

wonderful charities such as Cancer Research and the Great North East Ambulance, as several stalls have kindly volunteered to donate some proceeds."

The fair will also include a tombola, raffles and refreshments.

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A spokesperson for Butterwick said, "You will find pumpkin carvers, stalls and games. Donning your ghostly ghoul and witches outfits, why not join our Halloween dancers before embarking on the spine chilling scary walk through the Dene and into the darkest depths of the ghostly churchyard?" Prizes will be given to the



winners of the pumpkin carving competition, along with the Halloween fancy dress contestants.

The walk begins at 4pm with judging for both events taking place at 5pm.

Tickets, which are priced at £2 for adults and £5 for children, are on sale now and available online at www.butterwick.org.uk/scarywalk or by calling 01388 603003.

Police warn of 'lock snapping' burglaries

Home owners are being warned to check their locks are adequate, after a number of 'lock snapping' burglaries in the south of the county.

The break-ins occur when thieves manage to snap the cylinder of the lock by applying pressure, and then

gain access to the property using the broken mechanism.

A simple way to prevent it happening is to check that existing locks are up to standard, or upgrade locks to a 'break-secure cylinder'.

An approved locksmith can

offer advice on the standard of an existing lock.

Alternatively, break-secure cylinder locks can be purchased from DIY stores and should bear the upgraded standard TS007. For more details or advice, contact a member of your neighbourhood police team on 101.

Poetry Corner

Market Day

by Gordon Harris, Ferryhill

Friday's market day and without any fuss
 Folks travel there on Scarlet Band bus
 Crowded on after half past nine
 Avoiding earlier 50p fine
 Bus passes waving along the aisle
 Morning greetings and drivers smile
 Gossip created source of chatter
 Enquiring of each other "What's the matter?"
 Our Charlie's in bed, he's got the flu
 Jeanie's bunions are playing up too
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 De boarding at the market square
 Wondering which stalls will be there
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No home comforts for Ferryhill's bowlers

Ferryhill IBC's run of disappointing results in the County Vets Inter League continued as they were beaten at home by Houghton IBC. Having lost 5-0 away to Durham in the first fixture, the result this time was only marginally better losing out 1-4 to the visitors. The home side started brightly however and after eight ends were on course to win 4-1 with two rinks well ahead. Unfortunately from thereon things went wrong as firstly, R Jefferson's rink conceded eleven shots, scoring only one in return to lose by fourteen and then J Gleghorn's squad, who were comfortably ahead for much of the game, dropped nine shots

on two of the last three ends to hand the initiative to the visitors and lose out by three shots. Only H Wilson's rink, who were always in front, salvaged a point with a seven shot win. Final scores: H Wilson 17-10 A Cover; R Jefferson 5-19 J Hibbert; J Gleghorn 13-16 T Baister. Things don't get any easier as the next game is away to last year's league winners who are favourites again this time round. There was better news in the Durham and District Triples League when Ferryhill's "B" squad visited near neighbours Spennymoor. Following a disappointing defeat at Aycliffe in their last fixture, the team were anxious to get points on

the board and did so with a well deserved 4-1 victory. C Larcombe's rink, for whom Sheila Heath was in excellent form, were the outstanding winners by twenty four shots. The other two rinks shared the points as H Wilson, P Christlow and A Webber recovered from being three shots down to make a late recovery, scoring five shots without reply and win by two. N Grimmer's rink fought back into the game by scoring six at the eleventh end to tie the score but then lost ten shots from the next four ends to hand the game to the home side. Final scores: C Larcombe 36-12 C Bowden; N Grimmer 12-19 G Black; H Wilson 13-11 H Hall.

Mixed fortunes for under 8s

Ferryhill under 8's made the journey to face a Leven side near Yarm for their league game on Sunday morning. On what was a tight, compact pitch there wasn't much space to run into or to spread the ball. It turned out to be a tight match too with both sides tackling and blocking shots to frustrate the other team, with Zach and George working tirelessly in defence. Ferryhill were first to break the deadlock when Jamie got on the end of a pass and coolly finished to give the visitors the lead at the break. The second half was a tense affair and end to end football only produced one more goal when Leven equalised. Kole and Noah came on for Aaron F and Jamie and then

on two separate occasions, Aidan made outstanding saves to keep the match level and secure a point for Ferryhill. Aaron F was named Man of the Match. In the second match, Ferryhill made changes to the side and started the game brightly. Some good entertaining football was played by both sides in another evenly contested game. Aaron S and Sam did well in defence making some good challenges. All the players had plenty of opportunities to get on the ball and play football but the tight pitch made clear cut chances hard to come by. Leven won the game 3-2 and was played in the right spirit. A good atmosphere was created by both sets of supporters and players. Ferryhill are at home to Middleton this Sunday.

Aimee and Aidan keep on winning

On Saturday 26th September Amiee Kate Forster, aged 7 years, from Broom Cottages and her brother, Aidan K Forster, aged 13 years, who studies at Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College both fought in Blackpool at the Celtic Challenge Thai Boxing Championships. First up was Amiee who was outstanding stopping her opponent in the 5th round to win her bout and receive a gold medal. Then, after a long seven hour wait, it was Aidan's turn to fight for a British title. After five rounds it was a close fight but Aidan got the decision, winning the bout and British title. But there was no time for Aidan to rest though as he travelled to Bolton on Sunday 4th October, this time to fight for the vacant English title in the Rising Stars show. Aidan was pumped up for this one, not wanting a close fight again and dominated the fight from the first round, winning the



Aidan Forster shows off his British and English belts while Aimee shows off her gold medal.

bout and the English title. Both Aidan and Amiee train six times a week with Garry and Reece McAl-

lister at the Phoenix Gym in Shildon when they are preparing for their competition fights.

Under 7s remain unbeaten

Ferryhill Under 7s continued their unbeaten start to the season with a 2-1 victory against Darlington Locomotives. Ferryhill took the lead with a long range effort from Logan Tucker for his first goal of the season. Darlington replied on the stroke of half time to go in level at the break. Conner Chaytor came on for the second half and scored within seconds with a run from the halfway line and a neat finish.

Darlington pressed for an equaliser but were denied by strong defending from Ben Dargue and a last gasp save from Jayden Wilkinson. The second game of the day was a goal fest. Zak Lauder scored four in the first half to put Ferryhill 4-3 up at the break. Conner again came on at half time, scoring a further two goals. The game finished 6-5 to Ferryhill. Ferryhill are away to Shildon on Sunday 18th.

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