



Eva celebrates 104 years



Mayor of Ferryhill, Pauline Crathorne, right, visited Eva Kelly at Tenlands Care Home with a bouquet of flowers as Eva celebrated her 104th birthday on Tuesday 6th October.

Eva Kelly, who was 104 on Tuesday 6th October, celebrated the landmark with family on Saturday 10th October at Ferryhill's Tenlands Care Home.

The low key celebrations involved a visit from Eva's son, Brian, daughter in law, Mary and two grandchil-

dren, Helen and Grahame, to the care home where they all enjoyed entertainment from Janie St John and baking from the home's kitchen staff.

Eva was visited the following week by Ferryhill Mayor, Pauline Crathorne, who popped in to the home

on Thursday 15th October, to offer Eva her congratulations and present a bouquet of flowers.

Eva, a former secretary for the Over 60s Club in Ferryhill, revealed that the secret to a long life is to take care of your body and avoid smoking and drinking.

In fact, Eva is so disciplined she admits she's never played a game of bingo in all her 104 years.

Other top tips include staying motivated, determined, happy and active which is why Eva enjoys a range of hobbies such as knitting, baking and watching soap operas when her failing eyesight permits her.

Born in Auckland Park, Eva and her family moved to Dean Bank where her father worked as a miner. On leaving school she wasted no time and found work at a private hotel near Whitby where her primary role was to cater to the needs of many newlyweds on their honeymoon. She then returned home to Ross Terrace in Bishop Auckland in 1935, married John William Kelly, and

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Gentle exercise makes a difference

For readers who would like to keep active and healthy but are not able to do rigorous exercise, the Wellbeing for Life team has the answer. The Wellbeing for Life programme, designed to support residents who wish to improve their lifestyles, will start a gentle exercise circuit session at Chilton Community College on Monday 2nd November. This eight week pilot programme which is to be run by lifestyle coach, Elizabeth Oakes, will cost just £2 per session and take place during the day between 2pm and 3pm. The exercise session will

last 45 minutes with a 15 minute tea and coffee 'social cool down'.

The tea and coffee will be served by pupils from Chilton Primary as part of their community engagement work.

With limited places available, booking is essential and can be done by calling the college on 01388 720911. Booking is required prior to each week's exercise.

The final session will take place on Monday 22nd December, but if the pilot proves successful there may be an additional course in the New Year.

Consultation event

Naturally Cornforth is holding a public consultation event from 1-5pm on Monday 26th October at Holy Trinity Church Hall in Joseph Hopper Terrace,

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Clive Veitch

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how I miss you,
My heart cannot tell
what to say,
God only knows how
I miss you,
In our home that is
lonesome today



*Love always,
Margaret
x*

Clive Veitch

23.10.2014

Dad, can't believe it's a year
since you went away,
I miss our little chats
every day



*Love always,
Lorraine
x*



Colin Cockburn

22.10.05

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were taken away,
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every day



*Rest in Peace,
Your loving wife Flo
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Craig Anthony Porter

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on a cloud above,
Just for you Craig,
with all our love



*Miss and love you forever,
Mam, Dad & Ryan*

Craig Anthony Porter

21.10.75 - 28.9.13

Happy 40th Birthday Craig

Never more than
a thought away,
Loved and remembered
every day



*Love Leah, Bill, Keira
& Gracie
+ Natalie, Michael, Jude,
Millie & Evie
xxx*

Craig Anthony Porter

21.10.75 - 28.9.13

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Party with the Angels



*Love and miss you lots,
Jane, Shane & Tilly
xxx*

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Kay Cockburn



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Kay Cockburn

23rd October 2015

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& Tom*

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Kay Cockburn

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James Geldard



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23rd October



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19.10.15



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Support staff win national acclaim

Staff at Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College have again received awards for their exceptional support of students at the school.

Last year, Ann Green, who works in the school's Maths department, won a National Award for supporting students to achieve record GCSE results.

This year, the school has secured two additional National Awards for outstanding support with students who have Special Educational Needs.

Support staff Andrea Watts and Carole Calder are to be presented with their award this week.

Mr Brennan, Headteacher said, "We are immensely proud of the work that Carole and Andrea do. They



Andrea Watts and Carole Calder have received awards for outstanding support to students with special needs.

have transformed students' outlook and in some cases their entire lives. They are a true credit to the school

community and we are thrilled that their efforts have been recognised at a national level."

Free family day out promises superhero fun at Sedgefield

For anyone looking for a free family fun day out, the Police and Crime Commissioner's office is holding a *Celebration of Superheroes* at Sedgefield Racecourse.

The event, which takes place on Saturday 31st October from 10am to 3pm, features activities ranging from a Halloween and superhero fancy dress competition to bouncy castles, ball pool and many more.

Demonstrations from real life local superheroes such as the police, fire and ambulance services are available and there's also the opportunity to interact with police dogs, Jet and Ben.

If taking your children to CSI-themed treasure hunts, experiencing fire engine aerial platform rides and learning about the heroic mountain rescue team appeals to you, then

telephone 03000 264631 or email enquiries@durham-pcc.gov.uk for additional information.

Alternatively, you can visit the commissioner's website at www.durham-pcc.gov.uk to answer your queries.

A spokesperson said, "Go along for a day of fun! There's no need to worry about the weather as both indoor and outdoor events are on offer."

Cornforth seeks planting volunteers

Cornforth In Bloom is looking for volunteers to plant bulbs in the Cornforth Graveyard on two dates: Saturday 24th October at 10am and Tuesday 27th October at 1pm. Prospective volunteers are encouraged to wrap up warm and wear sturdy shoes.

A spokesperson said, "It is work likely to get your clothes dirty so don't wear your Sunday best!"

"Hand tools are useful to take along but don't worry if you don't have one. Anyone can volunteer."

For more information, contact Cornforth House on 01740 652000.

Play bus at library

Dean Bank Children's Centre is holding a play bus for children on Monday 26th October from 10am-12 noon at Chilton Library. The play bus includes infant-friendly activities such as soft play, ball pool, ladders, slides and swings.

Call Dean Bank Children's Centre on 03000 269 021, search Facebook for "one point Ferryhill" or visit the website: www.startcountydurham.org/deanbank to book a place or for more information about the event.

Eva's 104th birthday

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in Ferryhill.

A spokesperson for Tenlands Care Home said, "All the staff would like to congratulate Eva on turning 104 and we all hope she's had a wonderful time."

Also in her extremely active and relatively eventful life, Eva endured a six-year separation from her husband Billy when he was called to serve in the army, and stayed involved with Mainsforth WI throughout its entire existence before joining the Over 60's Club

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Leeds Christmas shopping trip

Chilton Residents Association are holding a Christmas shopping trip to Leeds on Saturday 21st November. The ticket cost is £9.50 per person with pick up from

The Wheatsheaf at 8.30am and returning from Leeds at 4pm. Anyone interested should contact Margaret Taylor on 01388 721204.

Coffee morning

Ferryhill Methodist Church is holding a special coffee morning on Friday October 30th from 9.30am until 11.30am.

There will be a variety of stalls including bric-a-brac, tombola, cards, cakes, and raffle. All are welcome to attend.

Poppy items for sale

Ferryhill Town Council is selling the following poppy items with immediate effect: Friendship bracelets; flexi rulers; adult and kids' wrist bands; hair clips and pencils - all in various colours.

Other commemorative items on sale are bugs, tattoos, erasers, reflective tags and 2015 enamel poppy pins. The Town Hall Office is open from 9am to 4pm Monday to Friday.

Pop up Café screens Hotel Transylvania

St Aidan's Church Hall will host a Pop Up Café for children with a screening of Hotel Transylvania,

followed by some food on Tuesday 27th October from 10.30am. The event is free and all are welcome.

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Budding entrepreneurs at FBEC



Grace Raper, Abigail Davison, Leah Brechin and Molly Bromley enjoyed an enterprise day, delivered by Rainbow's End, at Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College.

On 7th and 8th October, Year 6 students from local partner primary schools had the opportunity to take part in an enterprise day at Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College, delivered by Rainbow's End, a local education provider. The aim of the day was to create a new board game. Groups needed to decide the rules of the game, the theme and how the game is won. Students then needed to make a list of the materials they would need to make the game. In the after-

noon students created an advert, produced a film and worked on their sales pitch. Jenny and Liz from Rainbow's End were thrilled at the response from the young people who took part in the enterprise day. Jenny said, "The whole day went with a buzz of excitement and the creativity was exceptional. Students worked very hard in designing an advert and producing a film. We are always delighted when an event creates a lot of smiling faces. The young people were animated, bright and

energetic and obviously having a lot of fun. I think we've seen a number of budding entrepreneurs of the future here at FBEC." Rainbow's End's enterprise events allow young people to get involved in creative thinking and generating ideas. They learn enterprising skills that can turn an idea into a thriving business. All the activities are based around fun so that young people enjoy themselves and are encouraged to think that anything is possible.

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Ferryhill History Society talk

Tim Brown, guest speaker for the Ferryhill History Society on Wednesday 28th October, will present an intriguingly titled speech at the Eldon Arms in Ferryhill

Station from 7.30pm. *The Cowley House Murders* will recount the murders of two farmers near Sedgfield on 10th November 1828. The killings sent

shockwaves through the district and events surrounding the disturbing case had far-reaching effects. All are welcome to attend the chilling talk.

Ferryhill choir sing a little bit of Christmas

ViVo, the Ferryhill-based choir, will be presenting *Village Voices! Sings... and a little bit of Christmas* at the Spennymoor Settlement Everyman Theatre on O'Hanlon Street, Spennymoor on Wednesday 18th November.

Tickets to the show are only £5 each and can be purchased from Hybrid Multimedia on 30 High Street in Spennymoor or the Theatre Box Office, which is open on Saturdays from 10am to 12 noon. Alternatively, you can visit

www.spennymoorsettlement.co.uk for a secure online payment or phone the Theatre Box office on 01388 816430. Doors to the theatre open at 7pm with the show starting a little later at half past.

Disabled club fundraiser

Chilton Catholic Club is hosting a bingo, tombola and much more in aid of the Disabled Club on Friday 30th October from 7pm. A spokesperson said, "The event also includes

optional Halloween fancy dress and a performance from the brilliant duo, Dave Lee Michael and Trudy." Readers who fancy an entertaining evening are encouraged to go along.

Zumba Gold class

A Zumba Gold class will start with a taster session at St Luke's Parish Centre on Tuesday 3rd November from 10-11am. Zumba Gold includes several dance styles and is targeted to an older, less

fit audience to improve general good health. A spokesperson said, "The intention of Zumba Gold is to move more and have fun. No lycra, just loose fitting casual clothes. Come along and give it a go!"

WI celebrate harvest festival

On the evening of Wednesday, 7th October, members of Ferryhill Village WI and their guests celebrated the Harvest Festival. "What a fantastic show of

food on the bring and buy stall," said club President, Sylvia Bell. "The items were auctioned and the proceeds went into the funds. "We were also entertained by two ladies who showed all the members how to

make proddy mats. "After the demonstration we all enjoyed a delicious hot roast beef and onion gravy sandwich. "Thanks to Joy who did all the arrangements for the sandwiches; she also collected the beef and buns. And thanks again Joy from all your committee and members. "Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th November when it will be our 88th Birthday party. "We will have a fashion show by Bonmarche and once again, guess what we will be eating! All who come along will be made very welcome."

Co-op Poppies of Remembrance

The Co-operative Funeralcare is selling handmade Poppies of Remembrance to support the Royal British Legion (RBL). In 2014 they raised £278.77 for the RBL and would like to thank everyone who contributed. A spokesperson said: "The

poppies have been kindly crocheted and knitted for us by members of the community and are available for a donation to RBL at Ferryhill Funeralcare in Parker Terrace." Anyone wishing to receive more information should call 01740 651329.

Hoots Halloween at Ferryhill Library

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Homes and communities business, livin, is one of 48 housing providers taking part in the national social housing rents campaign, which is offering five prizes of £1,000 in shopping vouchers between them. As part of the campaign, which is run by Bacs Payment Schemes Limited (Bacs), the not-for-profit organisation behind Direct Debit in the UK, livin tenants signing-up to pay by Direct Debit will be entered into the prize draw.

Anyone who already pays this way will also be entered into the draw.

Arranging to pay rent by direct debit is livin's preferred method of payment, therefore in addition to this, it will be running a quarterly draw to win one of three shopping vouchers worth £150, £100 and £50. Not only could signing-up to Direct Debit land the windfall, but paying this way is convenient, simple and offers peace-of-mind that rent payments won't be forgotten or missed, plus payments are protected by the Direct Debit Guarantee in the unlikely event of an error.

To be in with a chance of winning, tenants simply

need to switch to paying their rent by Direct Debit by 30th October by returning a completed Direct Debit instruction form by post, signing-up online at www.livin.co.uk, or by contacting Customer Services on 0800 587 4538 to arrange over the phone. Bacs' housing sector specialist, Dawneth Perry, said: "This is a fantastic opportunity to win £1,000 in shopping vouchers, but time is running out. Simply switch to paying rent by Direct Debit before the end of October and you could be celebrating. Good luck to everyone taking part."



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Go Ahead coffee

The Go Ahead Club will be holding a fundraising coffee morning on Saturday 7th November from 10.30am till 12.30pm at Chilton Community College.

The club, which operates out of the Chilton and Windlestone Workingmen's Club, is for children with disabilities. All are welcome to attend.

Vote for St Luke's

St Luke's Church has applied for a grant through the 4Together Partnership: Capital Small Grants Application.

The application is to fund a sound system with a Loop to enable people with hearing difficulties to participate.

It will also provide an electronic projector screen with overhead projector.

A spokesperson for the Church said, "These facilities

would be a great asset, available to the church and the wider community, enabling all ages to take part in educational and entertainment activities." The project is eligible for consideration at the public vote on Saturday 14th November at Chilton Community College between 10am and 2pm.

"We hope everyone will go along and support our bid," added the spokesperson.

Veterans' coffee

Veterans at Ease host a coffee morning on the last Friday of every month at the Royal British Legion, Ferryhill Station. The next fundraisers will be on 30th October and 27th November.

There will be no coffee morning in December or January and they will be restarting again in

February.

A spokesperson said, "Tea and coffee are free, but small donations will be accepted for cakes and treats. Juice and colouring sheets are available for children."

"Everyone is welcome to go along with all the money raised being donated to the Veterans at Ease charity."

Residents meeting

The next meeting of Chilton Residents' Association will be held in the Pavilion at the Miners Welfare Rec-

reation Ground, Chilton on Tuesday 27th October at 7pm. All are welcome to go along.

Councillor surgery

Ferryhill Town Councillor Joe Makepeace will hold a surgery on Friday 30th October at 2pm in the Council Chamber in Ferryhill Town Hall.

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Questions

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Thursday 29 October, 4.30pm to 6.30pm
at **County Hall, Durham.**

You can meet adoptive parents and hear about the support that is available to help you and your family.

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Noah bowled over by double gold medal success

Local bowling superstar, Noah Cummings from Chilton, has recently represented England in the 2015 British Isles Under 18s series held at Ballybreaks Indoor Bowls Club in Ballymoney, Northern Ireland. "In the singles I got off to a flying start against a lad from Wales beating him two sets to nil at the end of the first day's bowling," said Noah.

"Coming in to the second day I knew the semi final was going to be tough against a good lad from Scotland.

"I started slowly, going 7-0 behind in the first set but I fought back to be playing the final end 7-8 down and managed to claim a two to take the 1st set by 9-8.

"In the second set I won very comfortably by 14-3,



Noah Cummings celebrates a double gold medal haul to become the British Isles singles and pairs champion, 2015.

to make the final which saw me face another hard game against the Scottish number one seed.

"But I kept my focus and came away 2-0 winner claiming the gold medal and becoming the Under 18s British Isles Singles

Champion for 2015."

Noah also won the gold medal in the pairs after beating Scotland in the opening round, Ireland in the semi finals, and a strong Wales side by 2-0 in the final to collect a second gold medal.

Under 12s continue to impress

Ferryhill Youth Under 12s continued their impressive start to the season with a home win against 21st All Stars Delta.

They started the first half strongly, peppering the visiting team's goal with long range shots.

But it wasn't until they got their passing game going that they broke the deadlock through Kane West.

More goals followed from Josh Armstrong and Luke Minnikin which gave Ferryhill a comfortable lead at half time.

The second half went pretty much the same as the first with Ferryhill

firmly in charge.

Further goals from Josh, Luke and Kane made the game safe and allowed the home side to make a few changes which saw Matthew Jones notch for the second week running and allowed him to celebrate in style, half removing his top to show off his brother's Hartlepool top underneath! A late goal from Jay Barker made the final score 12-0. Man of the Match was Luke Minnikin.

Both coaches and the home team parents were very impressed with the away team's goalkeeper who pulled off some great saves.

Under 8s score eight

On a damp, grey morning, Ferryhill Youth Under 8s entertained Middleton Knights in a league fixture at the Rec.

Ferryhill went on the attack immediately and were one up inside the first minute.

This set the precedent for the match as the home team sensed goals with every attack.

All four outfield players got on the score sheet with no reply.

Jamie (2) and Aaron F (4) weighed in with 6 goals between them, Zach and George also broke forward when they could and got one each in an 8-0 win.

The goal tally could have been much more if it wasn't for Aidan in the home goal and some out-

standing saves by the Middleton keeper. Jamie was named Man of the Match.

In the second game it was a much tighter affair, mainly due to Noah at the back. Goalkeeping duties were shared between Aidan in the first half and Jamie in the second.

They made some great blocks and saves which allowed the rest of the team to push on for a goal. Middleton, however, took the lead through a thunderous free kick.

Ferryhill's efforts looked like they wouldn't be rewarded until a late equaliser from Aaron ensured the game ended 1-1 for two very good performances and results from an improving Ferryhill team.

Ferryhill Youth Under 9s excel with victory on the road

Ferryhill Youth U9s travelled to Hartlepool Youth on Sunday 18th October. In a game that was fast, physical and attacking, Ferryhill stormed forward from the first whistle.

New to the team, Ruben displayed natural skill in defence, showing great awareness and using his skill to close down Hartlepool and execute some great physical challenges. With the defence line pushing up, Hartlepool found it difficult to get forward and out of their own half.

Maddox, pushing up from midfield, received the ball and fired off a cannonball of a shot which looped up over the defenders and goalkeeper to drop neatly into the net for an amazing opening goal.

The game continued with the visiting Ferryhill team controlling the ball and creating the opportunities. The second half saw Ferryhill fired up and keen to extend their lead.

The home side were equally competitive and it

took committed defending by the visitors to keep the home side out. A number of free kicks and corners were all dealt with by the Ferryhill back line.

After soaking up the pressure, Maddox then received the ball from Kieron and played it to Rio who took it in his stride.

With one thing in his mind, Rio smashed the ball past the keeper to double Ferryhill's lead.

The only mistake in the game from the team led to Hartlepool pulling one back against the run of play.

Ferryhill took it on the chin and continued to attack and with five minutes to go, the ball fell neatly to Owen who knocked it sweetly into the goal finishing the match 3-1.

In the second game, Kacie came on for Maddox as forward with Kylie dropping to defend with Ruben and with lots of energy still in the team and a hunger for goals, they pressed the play yet again and continued to make it difficult for Hartlepool.

A number of chances to take the lead in the tie were denied by Hartlepool's busy goalkeeper.

A great shot whizzed inside the box that only needed the slightest of touches, Kacie rushing in missed the chance by inches.

With all the play just outside the home side's box it appeared a matter of time before Ferryhill scored.

And so it was, as a scramble in front of goal saw the ball ricochet off three Ferryhill players before finally nestling in the net with the goal being awarded to Kacie. A second goal came the way of Mason who had worked tirelessly in attack. But not satisfied with one, he quickly added another to take the score to 3-0.

Minutes before the final whistle Hartlepool worked hard to score a consolation goal and make the final score 3-1.

Rio was awarded Man of the Match by Hartlepool, however the whole team deserved applause for a excellent performance.

(MAGDALENE PLACE, FERRYHILL) (TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE) ORDER 2015

The Council, on 15.10.15 made an Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984, as amended, its effect to close to all vehicular and pedestrian traffic of a 28m length of Magdalene Place that extends north westerly from house nos. 5/6, Ferryhill to enable telecom cabinet and cable-ducting works to be undertaken. The maximum duration of the temporary closure under the Order is 18 months and is required from 26.10.15 and for the duration of the works, anticipated to be 2 weeks. However, on rare occasions, alternative dates for closures may be necessary and these will be signed accordingly. **Alternative routes:** via other local roads and footways in the area.

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