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Moon project volunteer seeks to engage schools in programme



Global programme, Lunar Mission One, plans to put millions of our private 'digital memory boxes' below the Moon's surface to be preserved for millions of years.

A Ferryhill volunteer with Lunar Mission One's Global Space Programme is looking to raise awareness for Lunar Mission One (LM1) and engage schools in his

home town with an educational space programme. Jett Pease, 26, says that his goal is to build a legacy and help pilot an education programme within schools,

colleges and groups in Ferryhill and across the county.

In November and December 2014, LM1 launched a kick starter campaign to secure funds to send a lunar spacecraft to the unexplored region of the south pole of the Moon in 2024.

The spacecraft will drill down to between 20-100 metres to collect and analyse lunar rock that is 4.5 billion years old.

It will also assess the Moon's South Pole to see whether a future permanently-manned lunar base is feasible.

Exploring the moon in this way will provide us with a better understanding of the health hazards that need to be overcome and the opportunities for using surface materials to help sustain human habitation. Investigating the moon's deep space radio astronomy is also on the agenda and will provide a better picture of the Earth's surrounding magnetic field when compared with alter-

Quiz night at St Luke's

A quiz night with a pie and peas supper will take place at St Luke's Centre on Friday 6th May starting at 7pm.

Tickets for the event are £5 for adults (children go free of charge) and they are available at the Friday Lunches or can be paid on

the door.

A spokesperson said: "Everyone is very welcome to come along for a fun night with questions for all."

For any further information contact St Luke's office, which is open on Mondays from 5.30-7pm.

Free health and well-being course

Residents in Ferryhill who have been inspired by the summer months ahead to trim down and live a healthier life are in luck!

The Wellbeing for Life Service and Chilton Community College have teamed up to offer a brand new free lifestyle course, starting on Tuesday 3rd May from 6pm until 7:30pm, and every Tuesday thereafter in the college.

The course helps to support people on a number of health and wellbeing

issues including weight loss, healthy eating, gentle exercise, how to stop smoking and how to increase confidence.

Techniques are also offered in stress management and relaxation.

A spokesperson said: "We can offer mini health checks and a weekly weigh in to help you get ready for summer. To book a place or for more information call or text Jacklyn on 07833 593421, or just pop along on Tuesday at 6pm."



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Donate for a new defibrillator at Cleves Cross Primary School

The Friends of Cleves Cross, a group which raises money for Cleves Cross Primary School, has yet to meet its £2,000 target. This money will go towards purchasing a defibrillator to help people in the community who have suffered a sudden cardiac arrest. Statistics suggest that heart attack patients who have defibrillators used on them are ten times more likely to survive. Using a defibrillator has also been described as a more successful method of restoring normal cardiac rhythms than manual CPR (cardiopulmonary resusci-

tation). A defibrillator already exists at Dean Bank Community Centre and was purchased by the Dean Bank Residents Association. The second defibrillator in the community will be kept at Cleves Cross Primary School, in a secure container, and will be activated via a code which is obtained by phoning 999. Jackie Whittaker, from Friends of Cleves Cross, said: "The equipment will be sited on the outside of the building so it will be accessible to everybody in the local area.

"This is not just about getting the defibrillator, but also raising awareness of the devices and getting people used to being around them so that they know what to do and don't panic if they need to use it. "We need to raise about £2,000 which will be used to both obtain the equipment but also provide first aid training for the schools and community. "Even if we just saved one person, it will have been worth it." Donations for the new defibrillator can be made at the school.

Board meeting

The 4 Together Partnership Board will be holding their AGM and Board meeting on Wednesday 4th May between 5.30pm and 7.30pm, at Chilton Community College, and local people are invited to go along and observe the proceedings. People can raise any local

neighbourhood issues that they would like the Board to address and these should ideally be put in writing and sent in advance. If you would like to register to attend the Board meeting, call 03000 267210 or email fouraap@durham.gov.uk.

Ferryhill Annual Town Meeting

Ferryhill Town Council is holding an Annual Town Meeting, to which they invite members of the

public, on Thursday 12th May from 6pm to 8pm at St Luke's Parish Centre. The purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for local groups to share their plans for the forthcoming year whilst also reflecting on their recent successes. The meeting will help to facilitate the exchange of ideas and information between the town and various stakeholders, and will encourage partnership working between everyone. Representatives from the following local organisations will be giving presen-

tations: Ferryhill Business & Enterprise College, the Police, Ferryhill Town Council, 4 Together AAP and Neighbourhood Plan Committee. Before the meeting, the Mayor of Ferryhill, Councillor Pauline Crathorne, will be presenting the Mayor's charity cheques to her chosen charities. Following the meeting refreshments in the form of tea and biscuits will be served and a further opportunity will be provided for the people present to exchange information on an informal basis.

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Chilton lads to run 100km along Britain's oldest footpath



Chilton lads, Steve Fothergill (left) and Rob Wills, are attempting the 100km Ultramarathon along Britain's oldest footpath, finishing at Avebury Stone Circle.

Two Chilton lads, Steve Fothergill and Rob Wills, are attempting a 100km ultramarathon called *Race to the Stones* in July.

The route will take them along the oldest footpath in Britain, the Ridgeway, starting on 16th July and finishing at Avebury Stone Circle on 17th July.

Steve turned his life around when an old friend encouraged him to take up running because of his poor health caused by diabetes and, in his own words, 'a bad lifestyle'. Steve signed up for the challenge and asked Rob, who has served 11 years

in the Light Infantry local regiment, to assist him in training. Rob eventually decided to take up the challenge for himself.

Steve said: "Running has saved my life. I've never felt better or more alive." The local lads have chosen to help Chilton Scouts, Cubs and Beavers by

raising money, through sponsors, for a minibus which the clubs could use. Steve's sister, Kirsty Britton, is in charge of all fundraising. Donations and sponsorship can be left at the Wheatsheaf, at Chilton Scouts Hall or by contacting Kirsty directly on 07768 741287.

Classified deadlines

On May Day (bank holiday Monday 2nd May), all classifieds for issue 776 of the *Chapter* (dated 6th May) will be received in the Ferryhill and Chilton libraries

until Saturday 30th April at 12 noon.

If you are sending a classified via email, the deadline for this is 11am on Monday 2nd May.

Refuse collection holiday information for residents

Residents in Ferryhill and Chilton are being advised that there will be no changes to their bin collections over the two May bank holidays.

People should continue to put their bins out as usual during both bank holiday weeks, on Monday 2nd and

Monday 30th May.

Refuse, recycling and garden waste bins should be left by the kerbside by 7am on their normal collection day.

Anyone who is unsure what day to put their bin out can download a collection calendar by entering their

house number and postcode into the My Durham section of the council's website at durham.gov.uk.

Anyone who would like to subscribe to garden waste collections should visit durham.gov.uk/garden-waste. Information is also available by contacting 03000 261 000.

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Ferryhill in Bloom competition returns!

Following the success of previous years, Ferryhill Town Council would like to invite green-fingered residents of Ferryhill to enter the town's Ferryhill in Bloom Competition 2016. The categories this year are Front Garden, Back Garden, Back Yard and Commercial Properties, plus 'Best New Entrant' for residents entering the competition for the first time.

Judging is scheduled to take place in early July/

August with winners officially announced during an evening ceremony to be held at the Free Masons.

A spokesperson for Ferryhill Town Council said: "We would like to say a big thank you to Thinford Nurseries for once again sponsoring this event."

To take part in this year's competition, complete and cut out the Entry Form shown below and submit it to John Rogerson at Ferryhill Town Hall by no later than 8th July.

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Poetry Corner

A poem for Queen Elizabeth II On her 90th Birthday

By Nancy Hardy

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To all her subjects she is very dear
At an early age, her life was planned
As Princess Elizabeth to Queen of this land
As a child, her parents guided the way
Knowing Elizabeth would be Queen one day
Journeying to countries near and far
By ship, by plane, by train, by car
Travelling became part of her life
As did her role as a mother and a wife
Problems were met along the way
But our Queen was steadfast come what may
We sat by the radio and TV on Christmas Day
Waiting to hear what the Queen had to say
The Christmas message was for peace we pray
We give thanks we have lived and privileged to
have been
Part of these years with Elizabeth II, our
Queen
May we all raise our glasses in the Queen's
90th year
Happiness to all, good health, good cheer
Let the bells ring out on this special day
When we celebrate Queen Elizabeth II's 90th
birthday
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

Ferryhill residents celebrate Queen's birthday

Ferryhill Town Council celebrated Her Majesty the Queen's 90th birthday by lighting a beacon in the Town Hall Gardens at 7.30pm on Thursday 21st April.

The event commenced at 7.15pm with a brief history of Queen Elizabeth II by the Methodist Deacon Sue Peat, followed by a speech from the Mayor of Ferryhill, Cllr Pauline Crathorne.

This was followed by prayers from the Reverend Gary Norman after which the Mayor lit the celebratory beacon.

Afterwards, those attending the event were invited into the Town Hall to view a photographic exhibition



Residents attended the lighting of the beacon to mark the Queen's 90th birthday along with the Mayor of Ferryhill, Cllr Pauline Crathorne.

marking each year of Queen Elizabeth II's reign. Light refreshments were available for the residents to enjoy during the exhibition inside the hall.

Volunteer seeks local schools to join space programme

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native methods.

The mission will also see a digital memory box - filled with photos, videos, stories and even strands of hair from earth - buried on the Moon forever.

This has been described as the 21st century equivalent of a time capsule - we will be preserved for millions of years.

Jett is proud to be doing his part to promote LM1's missions. He said: "I recently emailed LM1 asking about becoming a volunteer. I said I didn't live in London so I couldn't be

part of the office but asked if there was something I could do from home. It is amazing to be on board." Schools in Ferryhill that want to take part can email schools@lunarmissionone.com. If they register their name,

address and the details of a contact/coordinator, they will be added to the list of schools to participate in the programme and will be informed of details on how to get started in early May. For more information, visit www.lunarmissionone.com.

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Cheryl to 'Brave the Shave' for cancer support



Cheryl Robertson, who lost both her mum and nana to cancer, will 'Brave the Shave' on 18th May to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Cheryl Robertson from Dean Road, Ferryhill is taking part in *Brave the Shave* on 18th May, the third anniversary of her mum's passing, to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Cheryl said: "Any cancer charity is close to my heart, having lost my nana and mum to the illness.

"My dad also suffered from cancer but it is currently in remission.

"I usually take part in *Race for Life* with my sister, my niece and my daughter but, unfortunately, I have a knee injury which prevents me

from taking part this year.

"I still wanted to do my bit though, and thought that braving the shave would be a brilliant way to raise much needed funds for a wonderful charity who have helped my family through some of our toughest times. "My mum was diagnosed with cancer in August 2012 and, unfortunately, it had spread and wasn't treatable.

"She had a few courses of chemotherapy which we hoped would help extend her life a little, during which she lost most of her hair.

"She took the decision to shave her head and I followed suit a few months after my wedding.

"She was incredibly brave through the whole process and was a constant pillar of strength for us all, even when she was at her most vulnerable.

"She lost her battle on 18th

May 2013 surrounded by her family in a Marie Curie Hospice.

"We miss her acutely every day and I hope that she would be proud of me as I know my dad is.

"He is a huge supporter of any fundraising event I have taken part in to raise money for cancer charities. "I am sure she would take great delight in seeing me with a shaved head again."

Cheryl has met her target of £200 (including cash donations) but if anyone would like to sponsor the brave 28-year-old they can do so by visiting <https://bravetheshave.org.uk/shavers/cheryl-robertson/>. Every penny raised via *Brave the Shave* goes to Macmillan Cancer Support, which provides patients with support from diagnosis, through treatment and beyond. Visit bravetheshave.org.uk for more information.

Call for witnesses



Fires have been started at Clarence Wood with stakes from vandalised tree shelters.

The Woodland Trust is asking the public in Ferryhill to help prevent incidents of vandalism, theft, motorbike trespass and anti-social behaviour at Clarence Wood.

The wood, formerly known as Low Hill House Farm is being created on the old reclaimed Dean and Chapter Colliery Site between Ferryhill and Low Spennymoor. Damage has been caused to tree shelters used to protect new planting from damage by voles and rabbits and there is increasing motor and quad bike trespass which is spoiling the area for walkers.

Fires have also been started, gates ripped out, and littering is a excessive

problem.

A spokesperson for The Woodland Trust said: "If we can succeed in establishing Clarence Wood, it will provide local people both in Ferryhill and Spennymoor with a great local amenity. The site covers 173 acres and is free for anyone to walk in and enjoy."

The local police are committed to patrolling the site to try to stop these problems and seize vehicles trespassing on site. However, support from local people is also required. Anyone who witnesses anti-social behaviour at Clarence Wood is urged to contact police on 101.

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Chilton seeks litter volunteers

After the Ladder Centre's 50 Plus Group, from Ferryhill, kindly donated five hours to litter picking and collected a total of 22 large bags of rubbish around the Chilton Cemetery and the paths leading up to the bypass, Chilton Town Council is trying to organise a group of volunteers from Chilton to do the same. A spokesperson for the Town Council said: "We would like to organise a group of willing volunteers to pick litter around our

town.

"It seems ironic that people from Ferryhill are kind enough to give up their time and effort to clean Chilton, of which we are very grateful.

If any individuals or local groups are interested in volunteering, call into the Town Council office, Monday to Friday between 9am and 3pm.

Alternatively, you can telephone 01388 721788 by no later than Tuesday 31st May to leave your details.

Food Bank update

The Ferryhill food bank will be open on Wednesday 4th May from 12.30pm-2pm. A spokesperson said: "We

are unable to be in St Luke's Centre on Thursday 5th May because of the police commissioner election."

Landlord failed to provide references

A Ferryhill landlord has been ordered to pay over £500 by a court after failing to supply tenant references.

Nichola Barker was ordered to pay £572 by magistrates at Darlington after she was unable to pass on reference checks on a tenant to Durham County Council. The Dean Bank, Ferryhill Selective Licensing designation was set up in 2013 to ensure properties are managed appropriately and licenced under the Housing Act 2004.

Landlords must carry out reference checks on all prospective tenants and must provide the results to the council on request.

In this particular case, the defendant failed to provide evidence of suitable tenancy referencing checks and was charged with failing to

comply with a condition of her licence.

Barker, 40, of Glebe Houses, failed to attend the hearing and was found guilty in her absence. She was ordered to pay costs of £330, a victim surcharge of £22 and a fine of £220. After the case, Sarah Robson, Durham County Council's head of economic development and housing, said: "It is crucial that satisfactory references are obtained from all prospective tenants in the area for selective licensing.

"Barker failed to adhere to the conditions of her licence in not providing them for her tenant and now has a conviction and a hefty bill to pay as a result. This case should act as a warning to her and other landlords in this area that we will enforce the licensing policy."

Cleves Cross Primary pupils design e-safety leaflets



The leaflet, designed by Year 5 pupils at the primary school, aims to increase parental understanding of the power of the internet and what can be done to keep children safe.

Year 5 Pupils at Cleves Cross Primary School have been busy designing leaflets about staying safe online. Not only are they sharing the leaflets with children and families in their school, they are also sharing with other children and families from all the local primary schools.

Classroom teacher Mr Blood said: "With the growing use of technology in society and it being announced in 2015 that over 86% of households in the UK now have internet access, it has never been so important to educate both our children and parents about its safe use.

"When used safely, the internet can offer us a wealth of information and

can also be a great vehicle for socialising and having fun. This is why we decided to create some leaflets to help parents understand what their children do when browsing the web and where they can go for further support and guidance. Hopefully, these leaflets will help increase parental understanding of the power of the internet and what to do to help their children stay safer when browsing."

The initiative is supported by Approach Too and

Councillor John Lindsay. Councillor Lindsay added: "I believe that this project is one of the best ways for children and parents to be made aware of the dangers posed to children using inappropriate social media sites and that, following recent news items relating to sexting and other similar cases of online bullying, every effort should be made to reduce this problem. The children having produced their own leaflets helps strengthen the message."

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Broom Cottages pupils help to promote road safety

Pupils from Broom Cottages Primary School have recently been out with the police checking the traffic going past their school. Pupils helped the police record the number plate of any car found to be going above the speed limit so a warning letter can be sent out.

The initiative is designed to raise awareness amongst children about road safety and to warn motorists to reduce their speed and take greater care, especially near schools.

PCSOs Louise Armstrong and David Evans then visited the school to host a speed awareness assembly where the children were told about speed limits, how to keep safe in a car and how to keep safe as a pedestrian.

PCSO Louise Armstrong said: "Speeding is a real



Pupils helped police record the number plates of speeding cars.

concern to a lot of people. We have been told by residents that they often see motorists driving above the speed limit and in a manner which sometimes leaves them feeling unsafe outside their homes."

Glenys Newby from Approach Too added: "This is an important initiative that involves the police and all the primary schools in Ferryhill and Chilton

working together to create a safer environment for everyone in their community to live in.

"It's not just about raising people's awareness of making roads safe but it is also working with tomorrow's drivers."

Police, pupils and Approach Too are continuing to team up to help reduce speeding on the roads in Ferryhill and Chilton.

Letters

Have your say...

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Ferryhill Banner group, I would like to thank everyone who came along to take part and support us at our Quiz Night fundraiser on the 16th April at the Surtees Arms public house. It was a great evening and we hope to have more events in the future.

We raised the magnificent sum of £162 which will go towards funding activities around the Durham Miners Gala Weekend at Ferryhill and in Durham.

Thank you once again for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Atkinson,

Stratford Gardens, Ferryhill

Committee bids Chilton youth worker farewell

Wayne Gibson, a member of Chilton College management committee and youth worker for Chilton, has stepped down from the committee this month. A spokesperson for the management committee and users of Chilton Community College said: "Wayne was the youth worker for Chilton when he first came on to the committee in 2004.

"Since then he has fulfilled



Farewell Wayne!

the roles of a committee member, secretary and, finally, treasurer, bringing

in tens of thousands of pounds into the college and Chilton by applying for grants.

"Chilton has lost a valuable asset, but we would like to wish him well for the future as he moves over to East Durham to enjoy his new job role as a project development officer for East Durham Area Action Partnership."

On Wednesday 13th April, forty Year 10 students from Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College (FBEC) visited Durham Cathedral as part of their studies for their History Controlled Assessment.

As part of the visit, students were given a tour of the cathedral by expert guides who catered the visit to the questions the students must approach. The tour was an enlightening experience for the Year 10 students - some of whom had never visited the cathedral before.

As well as seeing where Harry Potter was filmed, students were encouraged to examine the awe-inspiring architecture which

has gained the cathedral the prestigious accolade of being a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The expert guides offered insightful knowledge into this topic which will be invaluable to the students in their upcoming Controlled Assessment.

The students were described as a credit to FBEC and had lots of praise for the tour guides.

One student commented: "Our guides were informative and have prepared us well for our written answers."

Feedback from the two classes showed they had a lovely day out at Durham and now feel well prepared for the ongoing unit.


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Ferryhill Strikers receive funding for new strips



Cllr Pauline Gibson secured funding from Ferryhill Community Partnership for new training strips for Ferryhill Town Youth's Under 11s football team, the Ferryhill Strikers.

On Saturday 16th April, Cllr Pauline Gibson, with Chairman of Ferryhill Community Partnership, Joe Makepeace and Treasurer, John Blowes presented new training strips to Ferryhill Town Youth Under 11s football team, nicknamed the Ferryhill Strikers. Cllr Gibson asked the Community Partnership if it would like to sponsor new strips for the team after hearing how difficult it was for them to buy new training strips. She said: "It was very pleasing and satisfying for me to be able to finance this project."

Celtic complete season as unbeaten champions

Ferryhill Celtic concluded their Durham & District Sunday League Division Two campaign with a 2-2 draw away at Washington and a 6-0 drubbing of second place Framwellgate Moor WMC to complete the season as unbeaten champions. The side have finished the season on 60 points, a massive 16 ahead of Framwellgate Moor who will have to await the outcome of Washington's remaining five games in hand before finding out their final position.

Celtic travelled to Washington on Friday evening and found themselves behind after ten minutes. An Andrew Agar penalty brought the sides level before the home side again took the lead before the interval. However, Shane Todd was on hand to score on the hour and protect Celtic's unbeaten record. It was then back to the King George V home ground for a title party on Sunday against second place Framwellgate Moor. And the party started early

when Marco Linhart gave Celtic the lead inside three minutes. Further goals came from Jay White, Andrew Agar and a Shane Todd double as Celtic romped to a 5-0 half time lead. It was left to Todd to round off the scoring by completing his hat trick in the second half and crown a fine season for the club with a 6-0 win. Celtic conclude the season with their presentation night on Saturday 7th May from 7pm at Llewellyns with music from Neil Gibson.

Aidan and Amiee off to Worlds



Aidan Forster and his sister Amiee have added WTKA Sandee titles to their considerable haul of belts.

On Saturday 23rd April fourteen-year-old Aidan Forster, a student at Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College and his sister, Amiee (8) of Broom Cottages travelled to Sheffield to take part in the World Traditional Karate Kickboxing Association (WTKA) Sandee championships. The championships are intercontinental with boxers taking part from several nations including France Ireland and the Netherlands.

Both Amiee and Aidan performed brilliantly on the day winning their age and weight categories and becoming WTKA champions. Their victories mean they qualify to fight in the World Championships in Italy. However, there is no rest for this dynamic duo as they returned straight back into the gym on Monday to prepare for their next fights. Aidan and Amiee train with Gary MacAllister at the Phoenix Thai Boxing Gym in Shildon.

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