



PENPAL GREETING CARDS FOR CARE HOME RESIDENTS

STUDENTS AT King James I Academy have created penpal style Easter greeting cards for elderly residents in two local care homes, Eden House Care Home and Church View Care Centre.

Cards were created by Media and Art pupils in Year 9 and in Sixth Form and each was hand coloured and embellished with care to make them completely unique.

"All the cards contained a short letter from each student to tell the recipient a little about their life, favourite subjects, hobbies and hopes for the future," explained Media Teacher, Miss Davies.

"The intention was simply to reach out to elderly residents and show that others are thinking of them in times when visiting may be limited," she added.

The cards were delivered by Miss Davies and received by Tracey McKerr, Wellbeing Coordinator at Eden House, and Jenifer Parkinson, Manager at Church View.

Tracey and Jenifer thanked the students for their kindness, which brought warm smiles to the homes' residents.



The Easter service was held in the ruins of the lost medieval chapel at Auckland Castle.

BISHOP OF DURHAM LEADS UNIQUE EASTER SERVICE AT AUCKLAND CASTLE

A **UNIQUE** open-air service was held at Auckland Castle this Easter Sunday.

Led by The Rt Rev'd Paul Butler, Bishop of Durham, the service took place in the atmospheric ruins of the long-lost medieval chapel, and reflected the type of worship that

would have been offered during its 300-year history.

The chapel was constructed during the early 14th century during the rule of Prince Bishop of Durham, Anthony Bek (1284-1310).

The magnificent building, which housed two

chapels, would have dominated the Auckland Castle site and the surrounding landscape as a statement and symbol of the ruling Prince Bishops' power and status.

It was uncovered over a number of years during excavations - some of the most extensive ever

undertaken on a Bishop's palace in Europe in recent years - beneath the Castle's lawns by archaeologists and volunteers from Durham University and The Auckland Project, before being revealed to the public in a

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Thomas Wales is the founder of Baccanalia, a new entertainment festival for Bishop Auckland, childhood home of comedy great Stan Laurel.

NEW FESTIVAL FOR BISHOP AUCKLAND

BISHOP AUCKLAND was once the childhood home of comedy great Stan Laurel, a pupil at King James School.

A bronze statue of Arthur Stanley Jefferson, one half of Laurel and Hardy, stands in the town's Theatre Square, where his father had once been manager of the Eden Theatre.

More than a century later, another former King James School pupil is launching a new entertainment festival to bring smiles and laughter to local people.

Thomas Wales is founder of Baccanalia, a new two-day entertainment festival running at Bishop Auckland Town Hall on 30 April and 1 May with a line-up of high quality entertainers from TV, stage and the live comedy circuit.

Wales was inspired to create Baccanalia after coming home to Bishop Auckland during the Covid-19 pandemic, following more than a decade working on live festivals and events across the UK and Australia.

"Growing up in Bishop Auckland, I always knew about the town's links to Stan Laurel and the fact that we went to the same school," said Thomas.

"The town is trans-

formed now and has carved out a place for itself on Britain's cultural map.

"When I got home, I started to think about events that would make arts and culture accessible for all and engaging for the communities in the towns and villages around South Durham, which is how Baccanalia was born."

Audiences are invited to spend the early May Bank Holiday weekend watching comedy, cabaret, magical performance, storytelling, family-friendly workshops, burlesque, drag, silent disco and club nights.

"I looked back in time for inspiration, past Stan Laurel in 1902-3, to ancient Rome and the Romans who were posted here at Binchester Fort and passed by on the old Dere Street supply route," explained Thomas.

"The Romans loved a good party and threw lavish events to honour Bacchus, the God of wine and good times. So I thought, why not do the same today for local people.

"Baccanalia is a different kind of entertainment experience.

It's a locally produced 'multi-gen' festival aimed at local people of any age and generation.

"Our line-up includes Paul Sinha (*The Chase*), magician Tom Brace, an improv musical, an audience determined murder mystery and comedian Katie Pritchard performing her debut show for the Edinburgh Fringe festival."

Baccanalia Festival is supported by Bishop Auckland Town Hall and further funding has been received from Bishop Auckland Town Council to stage Bishop Auck-

land's Christmas Town, as well as multi-day celebrations for the Queen's Jubilee extended Bank Holiday weekend from June 2 to 5.

All Baccanalia events take place at Bishop Auckland Town Hall.

Performances are individually ticketed and are available online at www.baccanalia.co.uk/festival or by calling the Box Office at Bishop Auckland Town Hall on 03000 266600.

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The Rt Rev'd Paul Butler, Bishop of Durham, leads the service at Auckland Castle.

BISHOP LEADS UNIQUE EASTER SERVICE

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special exhibition in early 2020.

Although its existence had been documented, the chapel's location had remained a mystery since its destruction in the 1650s by Sir Arthur Haselrig, following the English Civil War.

The very special Easter service, held at 3.30pm on Sunday, 17 April, celebrated the achievement of rediscovering the chapel while also serving to mark this moment in the history of Bishop Auckland before the remains are reburied for their protection.

The Bishop of Durham, said: "The discovery of Bek's Chapel has been a wonderful addition to our knowledge of Auckland Castle.

"It was very special to hold an open-air service in the remains on Easter Sunday afternoon.

"We used music, prayers and readings, some of

which we can be sure were used here by John Cosin when Chaplain to Bishop Neile in the 1620s.

"It was a wonderful way to celebrate with the archaeologists of Durham University and The Auckland Project on Easter Day."

The service was a short, standing-only celebration of Easter Day, which acknowledged the chapel's connections with the past and commemorated the work of those who have worked diligently to uncover it.

Alongside local dignitaries, guests at the service included local volunteers and archaeologists from Durham University who worked to excavate the chapel as well as Founder of The Auckland Project, Jonathan Ruffer.

John Castling, Archaeology and Social History Curator at The Auckland Project and PhD researcher at Durham University, said: "The discovery of this fantas-

tic jewel in the crown of medieval Auckland Castle has been the result of a great deal of hard work by many of those involved in the strong partnership between The Auckland Project and Durham University's archaeology department.

"As we've excavated the chapel, we've encountered remains like shoe-lace ends, clay-pipes and personal religious items that have given us a feeling of closeness to those who built, worshipped in and demolished this magnificent building.

"Marking this latest chapter in the archaeological re-discovery of the castle's medieval past with a service that provided a powerful connection to those who walked here before us, is an immense privilege."

You can follow The Auckland Project's Facebook, Instagram and Twitter accounts for updates and special event announcements.



PCC, Joy Allen at the pledge signing.

YOUR PCC MONTHLY UPDATE

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR – and how best to tackle it – matters a great deal to local people, judging by the feedback I've received from County Durham residents while I was developing my police and crime plan.

I'm extremely grateful to the 2,000 plus people who took the time to complete my survey, and as Durham's Police and Crime Commissioner, would like to reassure all those respondents that your views do count.

Without doubt, anti-social behaviour is a stain on society, and addressing it requires input from everyone, not just the police. For this reason, I'm delighted to have signed a pledge with Durham County Council and local housing associations that commits us to continue working together to find solutions.

It builds on the strong relationships we already have in place and enhances communication and collaboration. The other signatories to the pledge are Alan Boddy, Chief Executive of Livin; Bill Fullen, Chief Executive of Believe Housing; Jo Ray, Executive Director of Customer Services at Karbon Homes; John Johnston, Chief Executive of Bernicia and Adam Clarke, Executive Director of Customers at North Star Housing.

Our pledge, which feeds into my wider plan, vows to put those affected by anti-social behaviour first. It states that we will promote awareness, make reporting easier and set out who we are, what we do and the service those affected by

anti-social behaviour can expect. It also promises that we will share intelligence, promote joint working and maximise the impact we can have collectively on community safety within County Durham.

Housing associations are an essential part of the fabric of local communities and tenants should be able to feel safe and comfortable in their homes. Anti-social behaviour spoils those communities and, if not dealt with effectively, it can ruin residents' quality of life.

Among the priorities set out in my new police plan are improvements to how residents can report crime, better crime prevention advice in communities and enhanced measures to tackle anti-social behaviour, including support for victims.

It addresses recurring themes such as speeding and off-road vehicles as well as using established partnerships for local problem solving – freeing up communication lines so that agencies and residents can feed in 'soft intelligence' to the police.

In line with my plan, I've met with registered housing associations in their local communities so we can discuss localised issues and look at the police initiatives being implemented to deal with anti-social behaviour.

I'm encouraged by the progress we're making and would like to extend such collaborative working arrangements to Darlington Borough Council and local housing providers.

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Annemarie Federie won the Brass Category Final of the 2020 BBC Young Musician competition.

MUSIC SOCIETY CONCERT

BISHOP AUCKLAND Music Society's second concert of the 2022 season will take place at 7.30pm on Friday 6 May at Bishop Auckland Methodist Church.

Performing will be Annemarie Federie on horn and Dafydd Chapman on piano.

At the age of seventeen, Annemarie won the Brass category final of 2020 BBC Young Musician competition.

In 2021 she won joint first prize at the Gianni Bergamo Classic Music Award and was a semi-finalist at the ARD International Music Competition in Munich.

Dafydd is at the Royal Academy of Music studying classical piano.

He spent most of his childhood studying at the junior Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama. He won numerous prizes there, most notably the 2015 Junior Conservatoire Concerto Competition, performing Chopin's *Concerto No.1*.

The programme will include music from Beethoven, Glazunov, Debussy, Shumann, Bowen, Strauss, Back and Dukas.

Tickets for the concert are £14 in advance from Brotherton's music shop at 205 Newgate Street or from the Music Society treasurer, Brian Varley by calling 01388 606075.

Tickets can also be purchased on the door for £16.



Former St Andrew's pupil, Nick Walton flew in from North Carolina to help its current pupils to officially open the new Reading Den at St Andrew's School.

SPECIAL GUEST OPENS READING DEN AT ST ANDREW'S SCHOOL

PUPILS AT St Andrew's Primary School welcomed an ex-pupil, all the way from North Carolina, USA, to their Easter Extravaganza show.

Ex-pupil, Nick Walton, lived in South Church Bishop Auckland, as a young boy.

He saw the school being built in 1972 before he enrolled there two years later in 1974, studying at St Andrew's until he left in year 6 to live in America.

Recently, Nick, who is now an aeroplane pilot with American Airways, searched the internet for his school and found their website.

He saw that the children were raising money to buy new books for their library and got in touch with the Headteacher,

Mrs Nicola James, and offered to buy new books for the school.

With his generous donation, Mrs James bought books about being a pilot, planes and airports to put in the "Aspirations" section of their school library, with the hope that they will inspire the children to have dreams of being a successful pilot and see the world, just as Mr Walton did when he lived in Bishop Auckland.

On Friday 8th April, Nick and his wife Amanda, visited the school and met the children to share and enjoy their Easter celebration as a guest of honour at the official opening of the school's new Reading Den.

The Den is a space where children can read

and enjoy books during their playtimes and lunchtimes.

Nick said, "This is an amazing space, I wish I had had something like this when I was a boy."

His wife added that, "this is where you would have found me at recess."

The Headteacher was delighted to welcome the couple to the school and hear the memories Nick had of being at St Andrew's Primary School - previously called Henknowle Primary School - nearly 50 years ago, especially as they will be celebrating their 50th birthday in November this year.

She said, "It was wonderful to meet Nick and show him around the school and for him to meet the children and staff."

"The children were so proud to show off their school and tell Nick about all the things they love about St Andrew's."



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APPRENTICESHIPS AT COUNTY COUNCIL

ALMOST 100 new apprenticeships are on offer with the North East's largest council.

Durham County Council is recruiting apprentices across a wide range of occupations from entry to degree level, offering people the chance to earn as they learn. The scheme is the authority's

largest apprenticeship recruitment campaign to date.

Apprenticeships are open to people of all ages. Applicants can be a school leaver, someone looking to return to work after a period of absence or those looking for a complete change of career.

The closing date for applications for the roles is Sunday 8 May, with the positions beginning in September.

Applicants can apply through the North East Jobs Portal at northeastjobs.org.uk.

For further information go to durham.gov.uk/apprenticeships.

TOWN COUNCILLOR JAILED FOR DEFRAUDING NHS AND UNION

A BISHOP Auckland town councillor who defrauded the NHS and the trade union Unison of more than £80,000 has been jailed.

Tanya Tucker denied all eight counts, but, following a fortnight-long trial at Durham Crown Court last month was found guilty by the jury on seven of the eight charges.

The court heard how the 58-year-old, of Walker Drive, Bishop Auckland, defrauded both organisations over a four-year period whilst in positions of trust.

Two of the offences were committed as an employee of the North of England Commissioning Support Unit (NECS) of the NHS, and the rest as an official of Unison's Northern Regional Health Commissioning Branch.

She went on to splash out the money on a car, restaurant bills, hotel stays, beauty treatments and to pay for her honeymoon.



Tanya Tucker was found guilty of fraud at Durham Crown Court.

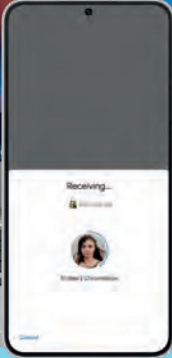
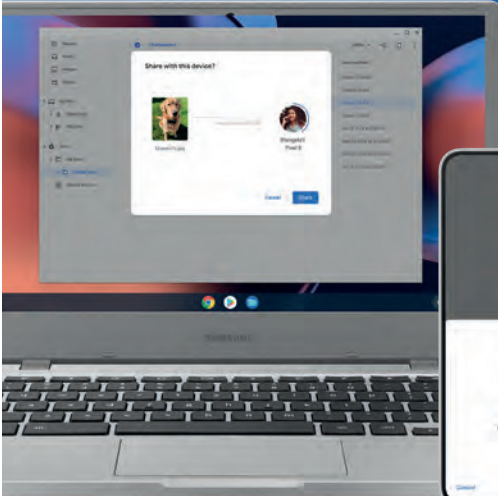
Having adjourned sentencing to allow preparation of background reports by the Probation Service, Judge James Adkin last week sentenced Tucker to 28 months in prison.

Fraud Investigator, Detective Constable Ali Blackett said: "Tucker not only abused her position of trust in both organisations but went to great lengths to hide her deceit so it is satisfying to see justice served."






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Damian Pearson, Community Investment Performance Team Leader at believe housing

MEET THE FUNDERS ONLINE

COUNTY DURHAM-BASED housing association believe housing is inviting voluntary and community groups to hear how it could support their projects through extensive grants schemes.

Members of the Community Investment Team will take part in a virtual *Meet the Funders* event, hosted by the Durham Community Action Share and Learn Network.

The online event will take place at 10.30am on Thursday, 28 April with the team providing information on the grants it offers and how to apply.

This will include details of its Large Capital Grants programme, which is open for applications between Monday 11 April and Friday 13 May, and Small Grants of up to £500 or £1000, which are open for applications all year.

Damian Pearson, Community Investment Performance Team Leader at believe housing, said: "We offer a range of grants to support projects that make a real difference to people's lives and wellbeing.

"So, if you think we can help your organisation to do just that, please join the *Meet the Funders* online event to learn more."

Attendance is free but booking in advance is required and, as spaces are limited, organisations are asked to book no more than two each.

Book your place at durhamcommunityaction.org.uk/event.html/525 or for any enquiries email info@durhamcommunityaction.org.uk.

Online joining instructions will be provided prior to the meeting.

ABBAY ROAD AND BROOKLANDS, BISHOP AUCKLAND (TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE) ORDER 2022

The Council proposes to make an Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984 as amended, Section 14 (1) to prohibit all vehicular traffic from proceeding on 70 metres of Abbey Road and Brooklands between the access adjacent to number 1 Abbey Road to the link road junction from Watling Road to number 1 Brooklands, and including 25 metres of link road from Abbey Road leading to Watling Road, Bishop Auckland to enable drainage installation works to be undertaken. Alternative route from the northern side of the closure from Abbey Road westerly onto Proudfoot Drive then southerly to the roundabout and north easterly on Brooklands to the southern side of the closure, and vice versa; or continuing southerly onto C130 then easterly to A688 Watling Road roundabout then northwards to the eastern side of the closure. The maximum duration of the Order is 18 months. The proposed works are to commence on 16/5/22 and are anticipated to be completed in 2 weeks. On occasions, alternative dates for closure may be necessary and these will be signed accordingly.

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Jesus (performed by Michael Taphouse) bearing his cross on the way to the crucifixion scene.

PASSION PLAY MAKES A SCENE

AFTER MORE than four years in the planning and two lockdowns, the Passion Play for Bishop Auckland was finally revealed on Good Friday in Bishop Auckland Market Place.

A cast of more than 50 and a backstage team of more than 30 drawn from Bishop Auckland and surrounding areas performed *Don't Panic, All Will Be Revealed!* - the *True Story of Easter* in two performances on Good Friday, 15 April.

Originally conceived as an idea in 2017 following a visit to the *Wintershall* production in Trafalgar Square, Passion Play Bishop Auckland (PPBA) became part of the Wintershall group of passion plays performed nationally on Good Friday under the umbrella name *One Good Friday* and planned its first performance for 2020.

Performance Producer the Rev'd Canon Eileen Harrop said: "In an attempt to recognise the struggles we have faced during the pandemic and to celebrate the true revealing nature of the Easter story, the 2022 performance was titled: *Don't Panic - All Will Be Revealed!*

"The name derives from the idea of Jesus' tomb being revealed to be empty on Easter Sunday and Jesus revealing

himself to Mary and the Disciples.

"It also refers to revealing the true story of Easter, as for many, Easter is more about chocolate and Easter bunnies!

"Supported by the Bishop Auckland Fellowship of Christian Churches, The Auckland Project and the Auckland Castle Trust, this year's performance reflected a new sense of hope for the community and for the region as a whole."

The first performance at 12 noon was opened by the Lord Lieutenant of County Durham, Mrs Sue Snowdon and closed by the Rt Revd Paul Butler, Bishop of Durham, whilst the second performance at 3pm was opened by Bishop Auckland MP Dehenna Davidson and closed by Canon Father Dennis Tindall of St Mary & St Winifrid, Bishop Auckland.

The Bishop Auckland performance, along with a town in the South of England, was the only passion plays performed under the *One Good Friday* umbrella in 2022.

Chair of PPBA and originator of the idea Rachael Masters said: "The cast and performance team are drawn from the whole community, not just churches.

"It represents a community effort and as

such is in the spirit of bringing new life and vitality to Bishop Auckland as it goes through its own regeneration and reveal.

"All members of the team are volunteers, giving their time and skills freely to realise the performance.

"They work mainly through other volunteers, but where additional resources are needed, they use a small group of local businesses to supplement their already formidable talents.

"An example of this spirit of collaboration is demonstrated by the performance standing out from others by having its own original music score composed by local musician Stephen Johnson.

"Stephen was commissioned to compose and produce a musical score passion play a symphonic depiction of the crucifixion of Christ. He used his work on the score as part of his degree, earning himself a First for the magnificent work.

"We really hope that everyone that attended enjoyed the performances which were also live streamed to our Facebook page for those who want to revisit these amazing performances."

They can be replayed by visiting facebook.com/passionplaybishopauckland.



Bishop Auckland Food Festival returns this weekend 23 and 24 April.

FOOD FESTIVAL TRAVEL INFORMATION

WITH JUST days to go until Bishop Auckland Food Festival, visitors are being encouraged to plan their journey ahead of the weekend.

The free event will be returning to Bishop Auckland town centre this weekend, on Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 April.

Visitors can look forward to trying tasty dishes from over 100 traders and watch demonstrations from top celebrity chefs and bakers, such as TV chef and presenter, John Whaite and *Great British Bake Off* favourite, Crystelle Pereira, as they cook up a storm for audiences.

With a host of demonstrations, workshops, and entertainment to satisfy people's taste-buds, the festival is expected to attract thousands of people across the weekend, so organisers are encouraging visitors to think about their travel

arrangements.

An accessible park and ride service will be in operation for visitors which will run between Bishop Auckland College (DL14 6JZ) and the town centre.

Buses will depart from the college from 9.30am on Saturday and Sunday, and the last return bus will depart from Newgate Street at 5.30pm on Saturday and 4.30pm on Sunday.

Return tickets cost £2 for adults, 50 pence for children aged five to 15 years old and are free for those under five.

Town centre car parks will be open, but they may be busy and drivers should be aware of diversions due to road closures for the event.

Information about travel arrangements can be found at www.bishopaucklandfoodfestival.co.uk or follow @BishFoodFest on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for the lat-

est festival news and announcements.

This year the festival is also a key part of County Durham's bid to become UK City of Culture 2025, showcasing how people can get involved in culture through food.

To find out more about the City of Culture bid, submit ideas and leave messages of support, visit www.durham2025.co.uk or follow the Durham 2025 social media accounts at @Durham2025 on Facebook, @Durham_2025 on Twitter, and @Durham2025_ on Instagram.

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Tamzin Iley and Cody Mather with their Young Writers certificates.

YOUNG WRITERS TO BE PUBLISHED POETS

TWO STUDENTS from King James I Academy have been selected from over 5,000 entrants to have their poetry published as part of the nationally recognised Young Writers Competition.

Tamzin Iley in Year 7 and Cody Mather in Year 9 entered the competition in the Academy's after school Creative Writing group, which is run by their English Teacher, Miss Gowland.

The group gives students the opportunity to develop their creative writing skills, share their work with other

aspiring writers and take part in national competitions such as this.

The girls were selected by judges in the competition for their poetry under the theme of empowerment and as a result, both will have their poems published and join the short-list which will lead to the announcement of overall competition winners.

Miss Gowland said: "I am so proud of Tamzin and Cody.

"They are both amazing young writers and I am so happy that they have been recognised for their talent."

BRIDLEWAY NO.6 BISHOP AUCKLAND PARISH. ETHERLEY DENE (TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE) ORDER 2022

The Council proposes to make an Order under the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984 as amended, Section 14 (1) to prohibit all traffic from proceeding on 180 metres of Bridleway number 6 Bishop Auckland Parish, west of Beckett Close between its junctions with B6282 Etherley Moor and Footpath number 9, Etherley Dene to enable new development drainage works to be undertaken. Alternative route will be available to pedestrian traffic from the southern side of the closure from Etherley Moor north onto Beckett Close and the link path onto Footpath number 9 leading west onto Bridleway number 6 to the northern side of the closure, and vice versa. There is no formal alternative route for equestrians and cyclists other than via the road network from Escomb to Etherley Moor via C93 and B6282. The maximum duration of the Order is 6 months. The proposed works are to commence on 9/5/22 and are anticipated to be completed in 2 weeks. On occasions, alternative dates for closure may be necessary and these will be signed accordingly.

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Sport

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Bishop Auckland Cricket Club is actively seeking youngsters to play hardball U13 cricket this summer. The club offer competitive fixtures alongside weekly structured coaching sessions led by experienced and qualified coaches. For enquiries or further information about this and the All-Stars programme, contact Steve Chapman, Director of Coaching by email at steve@bishopaucklandcc.com or call 07787 493354.

CRICKET SEASON OFF TO WINNING START

FINALLY, AFTER a long winter, the cricket season got back underway this month with Bishop Auckland Cricket Club recording wins in both senior team games.

For the First XI, Nathan Rimmington lost the toss in the home game against Wolviston.

After a relatively slow start on a green pitch, the hosts were 42/2 after 12 overs before a fine 50 run partnership between Craig George and Matthew Cowling got things moving a little more fluently.

George was out for a well-made 21 and after the fall of skipper Rimmington, Cowling and Ian Grainger launched a devastating attack on the Wolviston bowlers.

Cowling eventually fell for 82 from 98 balls in a knock that included 4 fours and 4 sixes, the pair adding 140 runs in their partnership.

Ian Grainger was brutal, finishing the innings on 99 not out from only 64 balls which included 5 fours and 7 sixes at a strike rate of 154.69.

The home innings closed on 263/5 after their 50 overs

In reply Wolviston started brightly.

Fish and Mannen played nicely for an opening partnership of 36 before Nathan Rimmington had Mannen caught hooking for the first of his five wickets.

He then clean bowled Andy Fish shortly afterwards and the quest for ten wickets was well underway.

Some excellent fielding from the home side made scoring runs quite tough for the visitors on a slow outfield.

Grainger chipped in with 2/12 to complete a stellar day for himself before the visitors were all out for 128 in the 47th over.

Meanwhile, the season opener for BACC's Second XI was away at Yarm CC.

Skipper Paul Barrow won the toss and elected to field on what look a good bowling track.

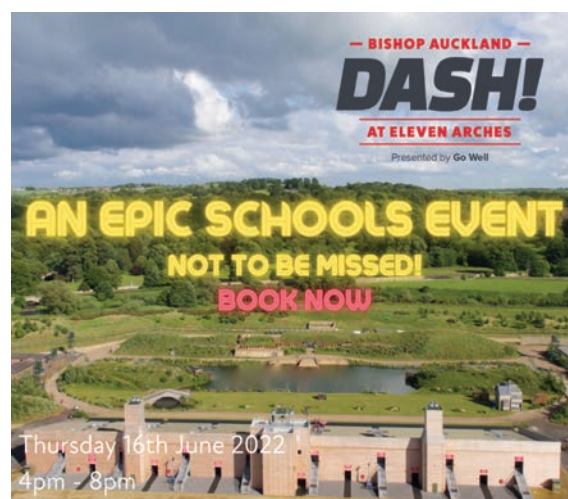
Bishop were rewarded by reducing Yarm to what seemed a relatively low 112 all out.

Thomas Stones and Martyn Howe both took three wickets apiece.

In reply, Bishop collapsed to 21 for 4 before David Jacobs and Neil Bancroft partnership of 49 got the scoreboard moving.

However, Jacobs was then clean bowled for 31 and Bishop still requiring 30 to win.

Bishop's tail wagged thanks to another smaller partnership between the skipper and Marty Howe and the winning run eventually came from a wide with 9 wickets down.



The Bishop Auckland Dash will take place on 16 June.

SCHOOLS INVITED TO ENTER THE BISHOP AUCKLAND DASH

THE INAUGURAL Bishop Auckland Dash will take place on Thursday 16 June from 4-8pm at Eleven Arches, Kynren site.

The Dash is an exciting evening of athletics races and field events, including parents races and a community village of local clubs and sports.

The event, organised by Go Well, a local sports education Community Interest Company based at Chilton Academy, has been funded by local councillors and Area Action Partnerships.

Booking is now open on the Go Well website at go-well.org/events-calendar where you need to register for an account in order to book a place.

Schools can enter one or two teams (stating

the number of teams in the comments box), with a team consisting of 16 pupils. Each team is made up of:

2 x Y3 Girls, 2 x Y3 Boys
2 x Y4 Girls, 2 x Y4 Boys
2 x Y5 Girls, 2 x Y5 Boys
2 x Y6 Girls, 2 x Y6 Boys

The event will include an exciting urban parkland athletics style event around the lake at the Kyren site on Thursday 16th June 2022 from 4-8pm.

The track event will be a 300m 'DASH!' around the lake. The field events are on the grass in front of the seating tribune and will be Chest Push and Long Jump.

All children taking part will receive a free t-shirt to compete in and a participation certificate.

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