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Red Lion hosts charity weekend

There are several charity fundraising events taking place at the Red Lion pub in Shildon from Thursday 13th until Sunday 18th June to raise funds for Butterwick Hospice. The events have been organised by Dale Robinson, who is taking part in a Himalayas Trek & Community Project for Butterwick Hospice in October. The fundraising kicks off with a quiz night on Thursday 13th where you can pit your wits against the other teams. The quiz is followed on Friday 14th by a Race Night. So, if you are feeling lucky go along and join in with the race night and pick the winners! The night also includes a blind auction. On Saturday, you can go along and support Heatha Clarke as she has her head shaved! You can also watch as some brave blokes have their legs waxed at the same time! The fun comes to a head on Sunday when there will be Competitions & Tournaments, including Lucky 13, a Pool Handicap and a Domino Handicap. You can also take part in a Balloon Handicap. Meanwhile, the following week, from 10am on Saturday 22nd June, people will be desperately racing to reach the Red Lion as quickly as possible to win the Big Butterwick Drop Off. Teams will be dropped off at an unknown destination and will have to make their way back to base! Call in to the Red Lion or call 01388 779345 for more information. You can also sponsor Dale’s Himalayas trip any time though her Justgiving page through her Justgiving page www.justgiving.com/ Dale-Robinson53

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In Memoriam

George Giles
Died 7th June 1993
A Dear Dad.
A little tribute small and tender, just to say we still remember, never more than a thought away.
Martin, Susan and Children
Emma and Children

John Metcalfe
11 June 2009
Like falling leaves
Time slips by
But memories of you
Will never die
Loved forever,
Beryl and Family xxx

Harrison Jr Palmer-Denham
Happy birthday to our “Habbo”
Loads of love
Aunty Sarah, Uncle Brian
and Lucy Constance xxxx

Died 7th June 1993
Ann Hill
From all the 31 Sunnydale alcoholics
Happy 70th Birthday
11th June
70!

Harrison Jr Palmer-Denham
Happy 4th Birthday
When your eyes are shining brightly it’s nice to see, that one day you will for certain become all you’re meant to be.

Chloe Bayham
Happy 13th Birthday
Lots of love from, Nnona, Grandad & Uncle Lewis xxxx

Chloe Bayham
Happy 13th Birthday
Love
Mammy and Daddy xxxx

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Happy 13th Birthday
Love
Nana, Grandad & Leigh xx

Shane Norman
8/6/95
Happy 18th Birthday
“Rock On”
All our love,
Mam, Dad, Greg
& Grandma xxxx
Also Happy 22nd Birthday
Greg
All our love xxxx

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Happy 70th
From June, John, Donna, Gary, Nathan

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Rocking in the aisles at St John’s

Two young fans, Laura Edwards and Katelyn Service, pictured with Steve during the interval of his concert at St John’s last Saturday night.

Saint John’s rocked last Saturday night as singer Steve Berry treated an all age audience to a mix of hits from the last forty years of popular music. Covers of Meatloaf, rubbed shoulders with Neil Diamond, Tom Jones, and Elton John. As the night progressed there was dancing in the aisles as the increasingly appreciative audience got into the spirit of the event. Revd David commented ‘People think that church is boring, they are so wrong! Church at its best is about life in all its abundance, about celebration, about joy, and yes, even about dancing in the aisles.’ Called back for two encores, Steve was so well received that he was immediately rebooked for a Christmas concert so, for those who missed out, there will be another chance to enjoy his talents in early December.

New number and times for library

Shildon Library’s telephone number has changed. It is now 03000 269526, which is a Local Call rate. You can also contact the library via email at: shildon.lib@durham.gov.uk.

The library also has new opening times:

- Monday 10am - 6pm
- Tuesday 10am - 7pm
- Wednesday Closed
- Thursday 10am - 7pm
- Friday 10am - 5pm
- Saturday 9:30am - 12:30pm

Old Shildon Homing Society

Last weekend, on Sunday 2nd June, the birds of the Homing Society Club were liberated at 7am in Maidstone, 225 miles from Shildon. The first bird arrived back home at 12.45pm. The results were as follows: (1st) Jewkes, Son & Harbron; (2nd) Stott & Son; (3rd) Jewkes, Son & Harbron; (4th) Smith, Alderson & Spark; (5th) JB Young husband; (6th) Jewkes, Son & Harbron.
Salvation Army sale

The Salvation Army, Cross Street, Shildon is holding a Jumble Sale on Tuesday 11th June from 9am. Admission is free and refreshments are available.

Lost and found

The following items have been handed in to the Town Crier’s offices over the past fortnight: Three pairs of glasses, a bunch of four Yale keys, a car key, a Blackberry mobile phone with an identifying message on the welcome screen. Please call in at the office if you can identify any of the items as belonging to you.

Everything 5p bus

The St Cuthbert’s Care Everything 5p Bus will be in Shildon on Tuesday 11th June. The bus will stop at Sure Start in Byerley Road at 9:15am and will then move on to Civic Hall Square (opposite the police station), at 10am. The next visit of the bus will be the following month, on Tuesday 9th July.

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A report on food hygiene enforcement in County Durham has been published.

The Food Standards Agency carried out an audit on Durham County Council’s food law enforcement service, which is responsible for inspecting more than 4,000 food businesses across the county.

The audit, carried out in November 2012, looked in detail at the arrangements in place to deliver the food safety service, including a review of policies, procedures and record-keeping.

Good practice was identified in several areas of the service and the council is taking measures to further improve its quality and effectiveness. Joanne Waller, head of environment, health and consumer protection, said: “We are delighted that the audit has recognised our continuing efforts to improve the quality of the service in County Durham. “The council is working to address issues that the report has highlighted, and is committed to making any necessary improvements where they are needed.”

The full report can be read on the Food Standards Agency website at www.food.gov.uk/enforcement/auditandmonitoring/auditreports.

This week saw teams from Locomotion: The National Railway Museum at Shildon and The A1 Steam Locomotive Trust working together to help get Tornado’s new support coach onto the rails.

The A1 Steam Locomotive Trust built Britain’s newest steam locomotive, A1 No. 60163 Tornado, at their works in Darlington. The locomotive made its first public moves there in 2008, and since then has seen regular use on the main line and at heritage railways around the UK.

The A1 Steam Locomotive Trust team have now completed the conversion of Mk 1 Brake Corridor Composite (BCK) E21249 into a new support coach for Tornado. The vehicle is a Swindon 1961 built, five compartment composite brake, and originally had three second class and two first class compartments, two toilet compartments, a guard’s compartment and a caged luggage area.

Now one part of the former van area contains a storage and workshop area, while another serves as the mess room.

The passenger area provides seating and sleeping accommodation for the dedicated volunteers who look after Tornado as it travels around the country.

This week, the support coach has been moved from The A1 Steam Locomotive Trust’s works in Darlington to Locomotion by road. Teams from both organisations are now working together to use the museum’s unloading facilities to move the coach from road to rail.

It is anticipated that the coach will then be moved out onto the rail network via the museum’s mainline connection on Friday, 7th June, in readiness for its first run behind Tornado as part of The Elizabethan from London Kings Cross to Edinburgh and return on Tuesday June 11.

Tickets are still available for this train in recognition of the Queen’s Coronation - more details can be found at www.a1steam.com.
Local band play for charity

In an event with a difference, local band, ‘Man With A Stick’ will be performing to raise funds for Butterwick Hospice on Friday, June 21st. Man With A Stick, presents a wide range of musical styles - folk, rock and blues guaranteed to get your feet stamping and your hands clapping.

The event will be held at the Park Head Country Hotel, near Condon, at 7:30pm. Tickets are only £2 available on the door. There will also be a quiz, raffle and meals and snacks available.

For more information or to reserve seats contact Helen on 01388 603003.

Unfortunate set of circumstances

Raymond Robert Potter, of Granville Avenue, Shildon, pleaded guilty to a charge of driving whilst over the legally permitted level of alcohol, when he appeared before magistrates at Newton Aycliffe. At around 10.15pm on the night of 20th May, CCTV captured a Mercedes car being driven in Church Street, Shildon, which hit a kerb before stopping outside of a takeaway outlet. Potter emerged from the vehicle, looking unsteady on his feet and returned to drive off hesitantly, before turning left at the roundabout without signalling. Police followed him and he eventually was stopped in Freville Street, where he failed a roadside breath test and was arrested.

In mitigation it was stated that since his divorce in September 2010 Potter had caused problems with his business with his ex-wife and had run a joinery business with his ex-wife’s home, about a mile away, as she was having a problem with their son and Potter foolishly chose to drive there to help sort matters out. Magistrates described the case as an “unfortunate set of circumstances” before imposing the minimum driving disqualification of three years and fines totalling £360.

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Blood Brothers comes to Shildon

Willy Russell’s Blood Brothers was one of the most enduring musicals in London’s West End before finally closing in 2012. Shildon’s Tearaways production hits the stage this month.

Mickey and Eddie, brothers of the Johnstone twins, Brothers tells the story about the Johnstone twins? Some young people are separated at birth who reunite and become friends in their childhood, unaware of their relationship to each other or the consequences their relationship will bring about.

The well known songs from the musical are ‘Tell Me It’s Not True’ and ‘Marilyn Monroe’. “

The Tearaways have done their own musical adaptation of this well loved musical. “Some young people are studying this show for their exams at school at the moment.” Performances are on Thursday 27th, Friday 28th, and Saturday 29th June at 7.30pm, with one final matinee performance on Sunday 30th June at 2pm. Tickets for the shows are priced at £4.50 for adults and £2.50 for children and concessions. Tickets can be prebooked by calling 01388 774838 or 07747 826324.

Trial re-listed

Thomas Campbell’s attendance at Newton Aycliffe Magistrates’ Court was excused and the trial re-listed for 19th June. The court heard that the 43 year old, of Clackmannan, Scotland, was currently voluntarily in the care of Social Services and that it was the Crown Prosecution’s intention to review the case in the public interest. Campbell faces two charges arising out of an incident in Shildon on 24th July 2012. It is alleged that the defendant caused an affray, threatening violence and obstructed a police officer in the execution of his duty.

Environmental awards now open

The County Durham Environment Awards 2013 are now open for nominations. The awards, now in their 24th year, are held to recognise and reward the efforts of individuals and organisations whose work has improved and enhanced the environment in County Durham. Nominations for the 11 categories are being accepted until Friday, July 12th. The winners will be announced at an awards ceremony which will be held in October.

Terry Collins, chair of County Durham Environment Partnership, said: “There are many people and organisations in County Durham who put a great deal of effort into protecting and improving the local environment. “These awards are about acknowledging their hard work and their success and we are calling for people to nominate those who are worthy of recognition.” The awards are an opportunity for businesses, community groups, schools, colleges and public and private organisations in County Durham to showcase their environmental achievements.

Individuals who give up their time to improve the environment can also be nominated in the volunteer of the year categories. The categories in this year’s awards are: Built environment • Climate change • Community partnership • Craftsman ship • Greener business • Natural environment • Schools and colleges • Volunteer group of the year • Volunteer of the year - under 18 • Volunteer of the year - over 18 • Waste management The awards are administered by Durham County Council on behalf of the County Durham Environment Partnership. The sponsors of this year’s awards are Groundwork, Livin Housing and Durham Wildlife Trust.

Further sponsorship opportunities are still available and interested organisations are invited to contact the Environment Partnership.

Nominations and enquiries can be made through the Environment Partnership website at www.county-durhampartnership.co.uk/envawards or by calling 03000 265 545. The website also has further details about the awards, including the different categories.
Sports day invite for communities

The Community Games programme provides communities in County Durham with the opportunity to come together for a day of sport and culture on their own doorstep.

The national programme, which is in its second year, offers communities funding and support to organise an event inspired by the Olympics and Paralympics, celebrating the uniqueness of each community.

The event can take place in a local park, a village green or a local community centre.

There were 27 Community Games held in County Durham last year with over 750,000 people getting involved.

Events included torch relay celebrations, Village and Urban games and Family Fun days.

This year the programme opened for applications on April 1st and County Durham Sport, in partnership with the County Durham Community Foundation, are looking to fund up to 30 Community Games before the end of September.

Communities who can apply include local sports clubs, community centres, schools, parish and town councils, workplaces and many more.

For more information on who can apply and the funding available please visit www.countydurham-sport.com or alternatively email countydurhamsport@durham.gov.uk.

Heighington Boys seek new players

Heighington AFC Boy's look forward with a lot of confidence to their end of season presentation event, on Saturday 8th June in the Big Club in Newton Aycliffe.

Structurally and financially the club has never been as healthy and supported as it is now, having recently started an Under 8’s team.

The club is keen to continue this growth, and is seeking both new teams, and players to compliment the existing ones, and if anyone is interested could they contact the following managers for more details:

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Under 10’s - Dave Brassell (07870 777 779)
Under 12’s & 13’s - Jim Barr (7899 862 079)
Under 18’s - Greg Lyons (07748 503 995)

The club is also looking for a new Chairman and Treasurer, and anyone interested in any of these roles should get in touch with Mel Oakes on 07775 855 352.

Tough lessons for the Railwaymen

Shildon Railway Cricket Club experienced some tough lessons at the hands of Dawdon C.C. in their Readers Durham Cricket League fixtures.

On the coast, the home side were put under pressure by Shildon but dug deep to reach 166 for 6 before declaring after 47 overs.

In reply the fragility of the 1st XI batting was again exposed and the visitors crumbled to 52 all out with only young skipper Greg Upton showing any resistance with 28.

At the Sportsfield the 2nd team found form with the bat making 246 all out from 44 overs.

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Next Saturday, the 1st XI visit Philadelphia, with the 2nds, at home, in the reverse fixture. On Monday (10th) the Under 15s visit Evenwood and the Under 13s are at home to Brandon on Wednesday (12th).