



Great Aycliffe Town Council NEWSLETTER



15th July 2016

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Great Aycliffe Town Council present **FUN IN THE PARKS 2016**

FREE : Fun Fair : Punch and Judy : Balloon Modelling : Magic Shows : Face Painting
Plus FREE games and much more to take part in - come along and join the fun!! 11am - 3pm EACH DAY



Town Park



Simpasture Park

Day	Date	Park
Wednesday	03 August 2016	Town Centre
Friday	05 August 2016	Oak Leaf Park
Wednesday	10 August 2016	Moore Lane Park
Friday	12 August 2016	Horndale Park
Wednesday	17 August 2016	Woodham Park
Friday	19 August 2016	St Oswald's Park
Wednesday	24 August 2016	Aycliffe Village Park
Friday	26 August 2016	Simpasture Park



Moore Lane Park



Woodham Park

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION TELEPHONE 01325 300600



Horndale Park



Byerley Park



West Park



St Oswalds Park



Aycliffe Village Park

FUN IN THE PARKS IS OUR CAROUSEL EVENT — it visits 8 of our parks during 4 weeks of the schools' summer holiday. This year we have changed the days to Wednesday and Friday. For all the venues and parks please view the above schedule.

Each event offers entertainment for children including Punch and Judy shows, magician, face painting, small fairground rides, balloon modelling, bouncy castles and fun games and it's all FREE.

We are really excited about Fun in the Parks this year as we have several new additions to the event. The fun kicks off at the Town Centre Park on Wednesday 3rd August 2016, and we close the event at Simpasture Park on Friday 26th August 2016. We are going to have a Punch and Judy Show, magician, balloon modelling, face painting, small fair ground rides and a large inflatable at all the events.

At the Town Centre we will have an extra Face Painter, the Animal Train inflatable and a Football Competition held by Newton Aycliffe Youth FC. At the Oak Leaf Park on 5th August, we are having an animal theme with a visit from Krafty Kritters with their unusual and interesting animals, an animal track hunt and the Animal Train inflatable which is always popular.

In addition at Moore Lane on 10th August we are having a Mad Hatters Tea Party, with themed games and a fancy dress competition. At Woodham on 17th August we are having a Teddy Bears Picnic with a visit from Oakey the Bear, all the children are asked to bring their teddy bears along to join the fun.

The best part is that it's all FREE. The fun starts at 11am until 3pm.

This event is aimed at children between 3 and 8 years, for safety reasons height and age restrictions apply to inflatables and fairground rides.

COUNTRYSIDE ACTIVITIES

Great Aycliffe Town Council are providing a series of public events across the town to keep the children amused during the summer holidays. All events are FREE of charge but booking is **essential to confirm your place.**

SCALES AND TAILS NATURE ENCOUNTER

Thursday 4th August, 10.30am - 11.30am

Come along, meet and learn about exotic animals which have cousins that live locally in the wild within the Town. This ever popular event needs booking in advance by contacting Great Aycliffe Town Council on 01325 330 700. Meet at Moore Lane Eco Centre

BALSALM BASH Monday 8th August 6pm - 7.30pm

Here is your opportunity to put something back to the local community. Himalayan Balsalm is an invasive plant which originates from Asia. It out

competes many local plants with vigorous growth and so conservationists are keen to control the spread of this plant. Pull on your work gloves and spend whatever time you can offer to help remove this weed from Woodham Burn. Meet at: the Town Park buildings

ARTS FROM THE WOODS Tuesday 9th August 1.30pm - 3.30pm

Join a local artist to collect natural arts material found locally within woodlands to create an arts feature at Moore Lane Eco Centre. Booking is essential by contacting Greenfield Arts Centre on 01325 379 048. Meet at: Moore Lane Eco Centre

POND DIPPING Tuesday 30th August

This popular event gives you the opportunity to hunt for the various creatures that make the ponds at Aycliffe Nature Park their home. Equipment is provided, please wear suitable clothing and footwear. Booking is essential by contacting Great Aycliffe Town Council on 01325 300 700. Meet at Travellers Green car park.



MAYOR'S CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

OAKLEAF GOLF COMPLEX & OAKLEAF SPORTS COMPLEX

FRIDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2016

(Tee Off Times between 11.30am and 2.30pm)

Entry Fee - £100 per team

(Includes Meal and Presentation Evening)

In Aid of the Mayor's Charities

The Rifles Care for Casualties

Aycliffe Village Hall Association

and Newton Aycliffe Youth and Community Centre

Further Information and Application Forms from Christine Ryder, Mayor's Secretary, christine.ryder@great-aycliffe.gov.uk, 01325 300700 or the Oakleaf Golf Complex.

SENIOR CITIZENS' EXCURSIONS

The Senior Citizens' Excursions are one of the most popular events organised by Great Aycliffe Town Council.

This year they started on Monday 6th June with an excursion to Northumberland and finished on Friday 8th July with the ever popular Blackpool.

Aycliffe residents aged 60 or over had the choice of one excursion to visit the Lake District (Keswick), Northumberland (Hexham), Edinburgh, Scarborough, Blackpool or South Shields for the day.

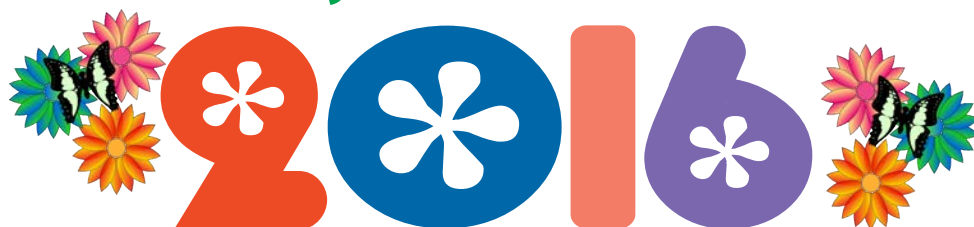


Everyone was

provided with a three course meal and tea or coffee in a variety of settings ranging from a 14th Century Castle in Northumberland to a hotel in Glenridding in the Lake District with magnificent gardens and a private jetty.

All of the excursions offer passengers free time to see the attractions of the nearest neighbouring town or replenish your wardrobe at Boundary Mills at Shiremoor.

Community Enhancement Award



The Town Council wishes to receive nominations from local residents within the Great Aycliffe area for the awarding of Certificates of Merit for individual front gardens, front floral displays or streets that enhance the overall visual appearance of the area. Please return this nomination form to Great Aycliffe Town Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, Co. Durham, DL5 6QF or e-mail the details of your nomination to: info@great-aycliffe.gov.uk before the closing date of Friday, 16th August 2016.

I would like to nominate the following for a Certificate of Merit:

House No: Street:

or Full Street:

Oak Leaf Sports Complex

**SCHOOL AYCLIFFE LANE
NEWTON AYCLIFFE**

01325 300600

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SUMMER JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

MINI ARCHERY

Monday 25th July

11.30am until 12.30pm
and

Thursday 1st September

10am until 11am

£2.90 non members

£2.40 members

For ages 4 to 7 years



ARCHERY

Monday 25th July

and

1st and 22nd August

9.30am until 11am

£3.70 non members

£3.20 members

For ages 8 to 15 years



TABLE TENNIS

Tuesday 16th August

10am until 11am

Thursday 25th August

9am until 10am

£2.90 non members

£2.40 members

For ages 8 to 15 years



TEAM GAMES

Monday 8th August

10am until 11am

£2.90 non members

£2.40 members

For ages 8 to 15 years



MINI ACTIVITY

Tuesday 2nd & 23rd August

9.30am until 11am

£2.90 non members

£2.40 members

For ages 4 to 7 years



CRAFTY KIDS

Thursday 28th July

9.30am until 11am

£3.70 non members

£3.20 members

For ages 8 to 15 years

SPORTING FUN

Thursday 4th August

9am until 10am

£2.90 non members

£2.40 members

For ages 8 to 15 years

FITNESS FUN

Thursday 11th August

9am until 10am

£2.90 non members

£2.40 members

For ages 8 to 15 years

DODGEBALL

Monday 1st & 22nd August

11.30am until 12.30pm

£2.90 non members

£2.40 members

For ages 8 to 15 years

Courses take place during the school 6 weeks holidays, to book your place or for further details please contact us on

01325 300600

Booking is Essential

Sessions are for

ages 8-15 years

(except mini sessions)

Prices from £2.40 Members

& £2.90 Non Members

Please ask on booking

JUNIOR SQUASH, BADMINTON & TABLE TENNIS COURTS



Something exciting is happening during the school holidays at the **OAK LEAF SPORTS COMPLEX** ARE YOU AGED BETWEEN 8 & 15 YEARS? AVAILABLE MONDAY - FRIDAY BETWEEN 9AM & 4PM?

YOU CAN PLAY SQUASH, BADMINTON OR TABLE TENNIS

at our special rate of £1 per person

BUT, that's not all,

EQUIPMENT HIRE IS FREE TOO!

COBBLERS HALL / BURN LANE PROPOSED PLAY AREA

Consultation has now been concluded on the proposal to provide improved play facilities and create a 'pocket park'.

A total of 41 responses were received via an electronic survey with a further 10 paper responses.

Results indicated:-

50 people agreed a mini park with play activities

1 person did not agree

32 people asked for provision for a full age range

20 asked for 6-14 age groups only

46 people agreed with including a MUGA (4 did not)

Public desires and expectations were very high, both for the amount of play equipment and security and environmental enhancement.

The total budget that is available, jointly, from Durham County Council and Great Aycliffe Town Council is £155,000.

The Town Council will maintain, inspect, insure and undertake grass cutting for the period of the lease.

Therefore, it is likely that this will be able to provide a small MUGA, 6 – 14 age group play area (some equipment available to be used across both younger / older age groups), access paths and seats and litter bins. Further enhancements may continue in future years, subject to budget constraints.

Currently, a lease of the land is being sought from Durham County Council in order that the Town Council can proceed.

Play equipment companies will be approached informally for ideas for equipment before seeking formal tenders.

Estimated timescale for the project completion is August 2017.



(Pictures for illustration purposes only)

Town Pride Environment Week

The Town Pride Environment Week took place as part of the Aycliffe Festival from Monday 11th July until Monday 18th July with presentations and litter picks taking place across the whole town.

The Town Council



organised an informative presentation to every school, undertook 6 litter picks with 6 schools taking part.

The children as usual had a great time while learning about litter and the impact on our environment.



MURDER MYSTERY

Saturday 30th July 2016 at 5pm

Oak Leaf Sports Complex
School Aycliffe Lane
Newton Aycliffe
DL5 6QZ
Tel 01325 300600

Hot Beef Sandwiches for adults and Hot Dogs in a Bun for kids

Tickets are £3.50 each or £12.00 for a family of 4 ticket

Tickets are available from the Bar from 1st June 2016

Think you can solve the murder?



Oakleaf Golf Complex School Aycliffe Lane Newton Aycliffe DL5 6QZ

Membership Special Offer

9 Months for the Price of 8

Unlimited Golf until 31 March 2017

Adult 7 day	£225	Junior 18 - 21	£125
Adult 5 day	£200	Junior 14 - 18	£50
Over 60 - 7 Day	£200	Under 14s	Free
Over 60 - 5 Day	£175		

Green Fee Summer Special

Play between 1pm and 5 pm Monday to Friday
For a special price of
£10 per round (adults) £7.50 per round (concessions)

18-hole course, floodlit driving range, buggy hire, changing facilities and shop.
Coaching available from PGA Julie Welch.
Bar and catering available at the Oakleaf Sports Complex.

Tel: 01325 310820 or see www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk for further details



UPDATE

The Great Aycliffe Neighbourhood Plan submission version was sent to Durham County Council, as the Planning Authority, on Monday 27th June 2016. They will then undertake a further 6 week consultation to gather any further views on the Plan. The date of the consultation has yet to be determined. Any additional comments must be made to Durham County Council after they release the consultation information.

It is hoped that the final piece of the process, the Referendum, will take place in November 2016 after the independent examination has taken place.

Aycliffe Festival

FESTIVAL FUN FOR GREAT AYCLIFFE

Eighteen days of fun and entertainment are on offer to you when the Aycliffe Festival comes to town. Events of all kinds will be held from Wednesday 13 July to Saturday 30 July. The Aycliffe Festival is co-ordinated by and supported with grants and assistance from Great Aycliffe Town Council. The events take place in a number of venues in Newton Aycliffe and Aycliffe Village, with free entrance to most of them.

There will be something for everyone to enjoy - including a free evening Party in the Town Park to launch the Festival, featuring four modern brass bands who are also taking part in the Durham Brass Festival. This wonderful event is on Thursday 14th July from 6pm – 9pm, why not bring a picnic tea?

There are also Music Nights at the Working Men's Club and Aycliffe Village Hall, Pie and Peas Suppers and other events with live entertainment at Neville Community Centre, a Golf Competition, Tea Dances, a Heritage Event at St Andrew's Church, Family Fun Days and a Pet Parade at St Clare's Church. Parishioners are also invited to meet the Mayoress of Great Aycliffe for afternoon tea.

As the Festival takes place during the school summer holiday and there will be a number of free events for children of all ages to enjoy, including Fun Days at Agnew Community Centre, Neville Community Centre, the Pioneering Care Centre, Rose Lodge Care Home and St Elizabeth's Church, Magic Shows with Professor Nincompoop and Discos under 12s and 12-16 age groups. Go Ahead Training have organised a STEM event – Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths made fun – you can build your own Raspberry Pi and try out the F1 Challenge Track Race.

As the Festival draws to a close, there will be a Murder Mystery Night at the Oakleaf Sports Complex – will you be able to solve the crime?

A list of events is shown in this Newsletter, but a programme detailing events, times, venues and any charges will be provided to every primary school student in the Parish and are also available from some shops and community centres. Full details are available on Great Aycliffe Town Council's Website www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk or telephone 300700 to request a copy.

When	Location	Event Details	Starts
Thursdays in July	St Andrew's Church	Displays of Saxon stones and church history which is over 1200 years old. Look up your family history.	2.00pm
13 - 17 July	Moore Lane Park	Funfair for all ages	
Thursday 14 July	Town Park	An instructional visit to a school and a town centre performance by a brass band as well as a Party in the Park event during the evening as part of the Durham Brass Festival.	6.00pm
Friday 15 July	Great Aycliffe Town Council Offices	Mayoress at Home. Meet the Mayoress of Great Aycliffe and enjoy an afternoon tea.	2.00pm
Saturday 16 July	Agnew Community Centre	Bouncy castles, rodeo bull, penalty shoot out, giant floor games, garden slide, soft play, face painting and gladiator game.	10.00am
Saturday 16 July	Neville Community Centre	Pie & Pea Supper with Kinexus Band	7.00pm
Saturday 16 July	Rose Lodge Care Home	A free and fun-packed day for people of all ages. Featuring entertainment, games, tombola, raffle, food and refreshments.	2.00pm
Saturday 16 July	Pioneering Care Centre	Enjoy time filled with a variety of free activities and information such as planting seeds, healthy eating, health checks, bouncy castle, ball pool, animal antics, Punch and Judy, face painting, arts and crafts, bike marking, magician, cake stall, golf pro and much more.	11.00am
Sunday 17 July	Aycliffe Village Hall	Cream Teas for sale with tombola and other stalls	2.30pm
Monday 18 July	Excel Centre, DL5 6AP	Science, Technology, Maths & Engineering made fun with many interactive, fascinating displays.	9.30am
Monday 18 July	Neville Community Centre	Disco for under 12s	6.00pm
Wednesday 20 July	Neville Community Centre	Tea Dance with Music from the 40s by Kinexus	2.00pm
Thursday 21 July	Neville Community Centre	Children's Entertainment with Bouncy Castles, Face Painting etc.	10.00am
Friday 22 July	St Elizabeth's Church	Family fun with children's entertainment - bring a picnic.	4.00pm
Friday 22 July	Newton Aycliffe WMC	Live Music Night with a Group and Solo Vocalist Tickets £1.00	8.00pm
Friday 22 July	Neville Community Centre	Disco for ages 12-16	6.00pm
Saturday 23 July	Neville Community Centre	Pie & Pea Supper with Elvis Tickets £4.00	7.00pm
Saturday 23 July	Neville Community Centre	Display of dolls houses and miniatures created by enthusiasts.	10.00am
Saturday 23 July	Oakleaf Golf Course	Open to all residents of Newton Aycliffe, with or without a handicap. Followed by a Fun Competition for junior residents of Aycliffe.	TBA
Saturday 23 July	St Clare's Church	Pet Service in the Church followed by a Pet Parade competition for any pet. Also crafts photo display, stands and refreshments.	10.30am
Sunday 24 July	Neville Community Centre	Live music from Betcha By Golly Wow Tickets £4.00	7.00pm
Tuesday 26 July	Neville Community Centre	Magic and Fun with Professor Nincompoop.	2.00pm
Wednesday 27 July	Neville Community Centre	Children's Entertainment with Bouncy Castles, Face Painting etc.	10.00am
Friday 29 July	Neville Community Centre	Line Dancing	10.00am
Friday 29 July	St Elizabeth's Church	Family fun with children's entertainment - bring a picnic.	4.00pm
Saturday 30 July	Neville Community Centre	Family Fun Day with bouncy castles, slide and soft play.	10.00am
Saturday 30 July	Aycliffe Village Hall	Tickets £10.00 Social Evening with live music (the Smokin' Spitfires), buffet, quiz and raffle.	7.30pm
Saturday 30 July	Oakleaf Sports Complex	Tickets £3.50 each or £12.00 for a family of 4 ticket Murder & Mystery - Can you solve the murder? Hot Beef Sandwiches for adults and Hot Dogs in a bun for kids.	5.00pm

For more information visit our website www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk or pick up a Festival Brochure from one of your local shops Rev: 9 June

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Oak Leaf
Sports Complex

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Two meals
for only
£10.00

From our
Specials Board

**FOSTERS LAGER**
now £2.70 a pint

**JOHN SMITH'S SMOOTH**
now £2.60 a pint

**STRONGBOW CIDER**
now £2.65 a pint

**STEAM MACHINE**
local brewed Beers



Sport

Main Sports Hall with lined markings for:

- 1 x 5 a-side pitch
- 6 x Badminton courts

4 squash courts with viewing gallery

Indoor Bowls Hall - with 4 rinks

Table Tennis Area

Exercise Classes

THURSDAY
OAKLIFE (50+)
9.30am-11.30am

THURSDAY
Fitness Resolution
6.00pm-7.00pm

SUNDAY
Pilates
6.00pm-7.00pm

Junior Squash Coaching

Tuesday

5 - 7 years
4.15pm - 5pm

8 - 15 years
5pm - 6.10pm

With Coach Bill West

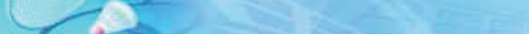


Family Badminton Sessions

Saturday 11 am - 5 pm
Only £5.00

per family, per hour

Equipment hire included
Book a court and receive a free child's meal.



PASS - Fun for kids

Saturday

9.30 - 11am

8 - 15 years

Football, squash, golf, bowls etc

Taken by in-house coaches

