



# Great Aycliffe Town Council NEWSLETTER



7th July 2017

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Great Aycliffe Town  
Council present . . . .

## FUN IN THE PARKS 2017

**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	PARK
26th July	TOWN CENTRE PARK plus 2 Face Painters, Craft Marquee, Zoo Train Inflatable and a visit from the RSPB
28th July	OAK LEAF PARK plus Farmyard Flyer, Zoo Train Inflatable and visit from the RSPB
2nd August	WOODHAM PARK Teddy Bears Picnic, bring your favourite teddy bear along
4th August	ST OSWALD'S PARK Paw Patrol Hunt
9th August	MOORE LANE PARK Dot and Zooky will be teaching Circus Skills and a Circus Inflatable
11th August	HORNDAL PARK
16th August	AYCLIFFE VILLAGE PARK
18th August	Final Venue SIMPASTURE PARK plus 2 Face Painters and Bumpy Carz



Moore Lane Park



Woodham Park

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION TELEPHONE 01325 300600**



Horndale Park



Byerley Park



West Park



St Oswalds Park



Aycliffe Village Park

There's an Event  
near You  
at the

Aycliffe  
Festival

14-30 July 17

Murder  
&  
Mystery

Party  
in the  
Park

Funfair

STEM  
Educational  
Show

Cream  
Teas

Golf  
Tournament

Tea with  
The  
Mayor

Live  
Music  
Nights

Family  
Fun  
Days

Cocktail  
Competition

Fun for  
the whole  
family

Summer  
Fetes

Heritage  
Centre  
Open  
Days

Full details of all Aycliffe Festival Events are on page 2



# AYCLIFFE FESTIVAL EVENTS

## Sunday 9th July

Catch a sneaky peak of what's to come at our Party in the Park. Look out for the Big BRASS Bus at Tesco where you can enjoy some warm-up performances and join in some 'have-a-go' workshops courtesy of pBone. From 11am-1pm on Sunday 9 July, Newton Aycliffe.



## Thursday 12th - Sunday 16th July

### FUNFAIR FOR ALL AGES

Moore Lane Park - Wed-Friday 5.30 pm - 8.30 pm

Saturday 1.30 pm - 8.30 pm - Sunday 2.00 pm - 6.00 pm

Admission to the fairground is free but prices will vary depending upon the ride. Big and small rides and side stalls.



## 15th - 30th July

### HERITAGE EVENT

St Andrew's Church

Thursdays during July from 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm - Admission Free

The Church is over 1200 years old and will display the famous Saxon stones and general church and Aycliffe Village history. Come along and look up your family history. For more information, contact Dawn Herbert, Tel 300040



## Friday 14th July

### PARTY IN THE PARK

Town Park, Burn Lane - 6.00 pm – 9.00 pm - Admission Free

The Big BRASS Bash returns to Aycliffe with an even bigger and brassier line-up for 2017! Grab a picnic and enjoy performances from Artistas del Gremio, Ooz Band and Mr Wilson's Second Liners, then to close the night we have a fabulous collaboration between our favourite boys in blazers, Hope and Social and new brass supergroup, Back Chat Brass. PLUS Catch a sneaky peak of what's to come from 11am-1pm on Sunday 9 July at Tesco, Newton Aycliffe. Look out for the Big BRASS Bus where you can enjoy some warm-up performances and join in some 'have-a-go' workshops courtesy of pBone.

### MUSIC NIGHT

Newton Aycliffe Working Men's Club, Sheraton Road

7.45 pm – 11.00 pm - Tickets £2 .00 from P Morrison

or the bar at NAWMC and on the night at the door

Dance the night away to live Music Night featuring local band, Ocean, a four piece covers band based in the north east who know just how to create a proper party atmosphere. Ocean are supported by solo vocalist Micky Rich who will take you from the days of rock 'n' roll to modern day classics. A really great night guaranteed. Tickets and more information is available from P Morrison Tel: 07801 395492



## Saturday 15th July

### PCP SUMMER COMMUNITY FUN DAY

Pioneering Care Centre, Carers Way - 10.30 am – 2.30 pm

Come along and enjoy a free fun packed family fun day with lots to do for everyone including, craft workshop, biscuit decorating, face painting, gardening activities, soft play and bouncy castle. Learn more about the art of science, visit the petting zoo, meet the magician and watch a Punch and Judy show. We are also expecting a visit from the local fire service, mascot characters mixing with the crowds and much more. Our on-site Coffee Shop will be open throughout the event to serve a range of tasty, healthy snacks, light meals, sweet treats and refreshments. The Pioneering Care Centre and its grounds are fully accessible, the event will be open to all and there will be no entrance fee.

For more information, contact Amy Johnson, Tel 01325 321234 or e-mail amy.johnson@pcp.uk.net



## Sunday 16th July

### AFTERNOON CREAM TEA

Aycliffe Village Hall - 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm

Refreshments available at individual prices. Cream Teas for sale with tombola and other stalls.



## Tuesday 18th July

### FULL STEM AHEAD

Recreation Centre, Beveridge Way, Newton Aycliffe

Year 5 and year 6 children will learn from real life engineering companies through fun activities that could be relevant to the careers these children will eventually choose. There will be a live Science presentation, Sub Sea Robotics , Toothpaste to Oil activity, Locomotion building activity, VEX Robotics program 'BEE Bots' 3m showcasing latest breathing apparatus, Gestamp Welding simulator, UTC 3D printing, Sports in Engineering from Darlington College ETC. Hydarm Building an Earth Mover, South West Durham show casing the latest Engineering skills workshop, Bishop Auckland College ICE Bridge and more.



## Fri 21st & Sat 22nd July

### FLOWERS FOREVER

St Elizabeth's Church 10.00 am – 2.00 pm - Admission Free

A display of all kinds of flowers but none of them real. You will be able to view sugar craft, art, photographic, paper and other kinds of hand made flowers.

For more information contact Mrs Duffin, bduffin@btinternet.com or Tel: 313819



## Saturday 22nd July

### MAYOR AT HOME

Great Aycliffe Town Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane from 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm. Free Entry

Meet the Mayor of Great Aycliffe for afternoon tea. Please let us know if you will be coming, so we can cater for you. Contact Sharna Stretch Tel: 300700

### COCKTAIL NIGHT

Oakleaf Sports Complex - 7.00 pm - £5 per person

Think you could audition for a new version of the film 'Cocktail' or do you not know how to whip up a milkshake, never mind a Manhattan or Martini? Find out which one you are by coming to a fun night with a mixology contest plus games and prizes for the best cocktails made. Tickets available from the Bar at the Oakleaf Sports Complex. Telephone 300600 for more information.



### SUMMER FETE

Rose Lodge Care Home - 2.00 pm – 5.00 pm - Admission Free

A free and fun-packed day for people of all ages. Featuring bouncy castle, various stalls, tombola, raffle, pop up vintage café and refreshments.

For more information, contact Ms N Wheatley, Tel 271301 or e-mail roselodge@cwch.com

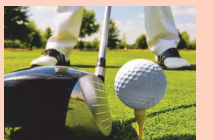


### FUN DAY

Agnew Community Centre - 10.00 pm – 2.00 pm - Admission Free

An event with a multitude of activities including bouncy castles, rodeo bull, penalty shoot out, giant floor games, garden slide, soft play, face painting and an inflatable gladiator game.

For more information, contact Ms J Taylor, Tel 321504, e-mail agnewcentre@gmail.com



### STABLEFORD GOLF TOURNAMENT

Admission Free

Open to any resident of the Parish with an active handicap (max 28 for men, 36 for women and juniors) and also open to Oakleaf Golf Club members. Categories: Men, Ladies, Seniors and Juniors plus nearest the pin and longest drive. Trophies and vouchers for winners. For more information contact Mr Wanless on 07484 176901 or the golf shop on 310820.

## Friday 28th July

### MURDER MYSTERY NIGHT

Oakleaf Sports Complex - 5pm – 9.30 pm

Think you can solve the murder? Hot beef sandwiches for adults and hot dogs in a bun for the little mystery solvers. Tickets are £3.50 each or £12.00 for a family of 4 available from the Bar.



## Saturday 29th July

### SOCIAL EVENING WITH BETCHA BY GOLLY WOW

Aycliffe Village Hall - 7.30 pm – 11.00 pm - Admission £10.00

Music night with the award winning vocal harmony group 'Betcha By Golly Wow' with the sounds of Motown and Soul music. For more information and tickets contact Keith Johnson Tel: 314735



## Sunday 30th July

### FUN DAY

Agnew Community Centre

10.00 pm – 2.00 pm, Admission Free

An event with a multitude of activities including bouncy castles, rodeo bull, penalty shoot out, giant floor games, garden slide, soft play, face painting and an inflatable gladiator game. For more information, contact Ms J Taylor, Tel 321504, e-mail agnewcentre@gmail.com



*This information is accurate at the time of printing. Further information on all the events is available from our website [www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk](http://www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk) or by telephone 01325 300700.*



# FREE SUMMER ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES

**Booking essential unless stated by contacting Great Aycliffe Town Council on 01325 300700. Children to be accompanied by an adult.**

## THURSDAY 27TH JULY – WILD OUTDOOR ART

1.00pm – 3.00pm

Let nature inspire you to create some masterpieces using natural materials. Activities aimed at ages 5-10 years. Moore Lane Eco Centre.

## THURSDAY 3RD AUGUST – NEWTON AYCLIFFE POND DIP

10.00am -12.00pm

Come along and discover what creatures live beneath the water. Activities are aimed at ages 5-10 years. All equipment will be provided. Aycliffe Nature Park, off Travellers Greens



## WEDNESDAY 9TH AUGUST – A BIRDY BONANZA

10.00am-12.00pm

Part of 'Fun in the Park'. The Wildlife Trust will be coming along to lead an event for families aimed at helping our feathered friends. This is a drop in session. Moore Lane Eco Centre

## WEDNESDAY 9TH AUGUST - POLE LATHE DEMONSTRATION

10.00am - 3.00pm

Try your hand at using a pole lathe. Expert will be on hand to guide you through this most ancient of arts. This is a drop in session. Moore Lane Eco Centre

## FRIDAY 11TH AUGUST – NATURES PLATTER

10.30am – 12.30pm

Do you have any little Bear Grylls or Ray Mears living with you? Come along and join an expert natural explorer as he scavengers for natural food available in the area. School Aycliffe Community Centre.

# The Residents Said 'Yes'

The Great Aycliffe Neighbourhood Plan received a resounding vote of approval in the recently held referendum, with more than 90% of the 2789 residents who voted voting in favour of introducing new planning policies specifically for the parish of Great Aycliffe.

The official result was:

Number in favour of Yes – 2540 | Number in favour of No – 244

During a long consultation process, the residents of the parish identified their priorities for inclusion in the Plan and, as a result, it includes a number of policies that aim to protect the character of Great Aycliffe, particularly its green and open environment and its individual neighbourhoods, including an area of separation between the town and Aycliffe Village. It also aims to secure a high standard of future development and ensure that an adequate amount of affordable housing is provided, as well as properties for older people and adequate parking provision.



# MAYOR'S CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

**OAKLEAF GOLF COMPLEX & OAKLEAF SPORTS COMPLEX**  
**FRIDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2017**

(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 MRI Scanner Appeal at**

**Darlington and Bishop Auckland Hospitals**

Further Information and Application Forms from Mayor's Secretary, 01325 300700 or the Oakleaf Golf Complex.

# Town Pride Environment Week

The town's local primary schools will be taking part in the annual Town Pride Environment Week organised by Great Aycliffe Town Council and Aycliffe Youth Council in mid-July.

Each school will take part in an interactive presentation about the consequences of litter before being given the opportunity to do a litter pick in the local community.



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 2018**

Adult 7 day	£240
Adult 5 day	£210
Over 60 - 7 Day	£210
Over 60 - 5 Day	£175

Junior 18 - 21	£140
Junior 14 - 18	£55
Under 14s	Free

## Green Fee Summer Special

Play between 1pm and 5 pm Monday to Friday

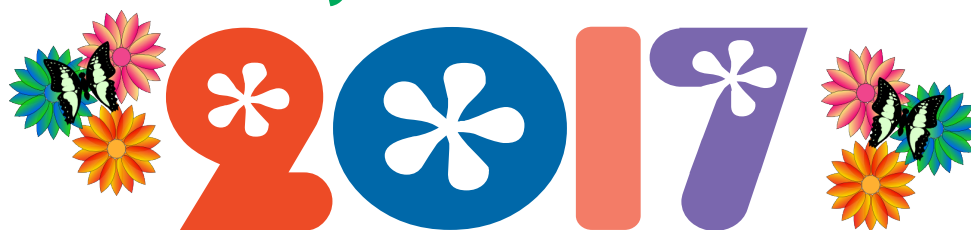
For a special price of

£10 per round (adults) £7.50 per round (concessions)

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

Tel: 01325 310820 or see [www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk](http://www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk) for further details

# Community Enhancement Award

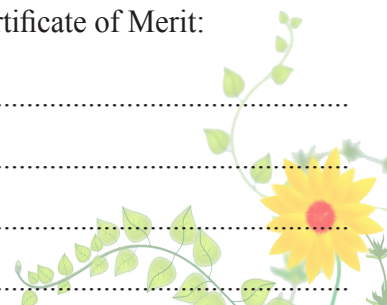


The Town Council wishes to receive nominations from local residents within the Great Aycliffe area for the awarding of Certificates of Merit for individual front gardens, front floral displays or streets that enhance the overall visual appearance of the area. Please return this nomination form to Great 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](mailto:info@great-aycliffe.gov.uk) before the closing date of Friday, 18th August 2017.

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

House No: ..... Street: .....

or Full Street: .....







# Fun Learning at St Oswald's Pre-School



St Oswald's Pre-School has had a makeover, both inside and outside, and the children have been enjoying exploring the new features while having lots of fun and learning new things.

New planting areas have been built in the outdoor area and the children have wasted no time in planting lots of flowers and growing their own vegetables – not to mention checking out the wildlife, including a very inquisitive snail! The area now also has a mud kitchen, a large sandpit, construction blocks, water troughs and imaginative play sections for the children to try out new experiences and develop their interests.

Parents are invited to regular 'stay and play' sessions, which have proved very popular and have been enjoyed by children and parents alike. Open evenings for parents to come along and chat to Pre-School staff have also been held.

Because the Pre-School is located within St Oswald's Park, the children have been able to explore the park and all its facilities and enjoy nature walks and exciting treasure hunts.

The inside of the Pre-School has also been re-arranged to allow the children to focus on their creative interests, while still allowing them to explore new areas.

Before the end of term, the children will be going on an outing to Hall Hill Farm and the school year finishes with a graduation ceremony when the oldest children will be leaving to go to primary school.



**St Oswald's Pre-School is open to children from 3 years at a cost of £4 per 3-hour session**  
**Open term-time only, 8.45am to 3.30pm**  
**Funding is available for eligible children for 15 hours from the term**  
**following the child's third birthday**  
**From September 2017, funding will be available for eligible children for up to 30 hours**  
**For further information, visit the Council's website: [www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk](http://www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk)**  
**or contact Julie Gale, Pre-School Manager, on 07968 379009**



## FAMILY BADMINTON

**Saturday**  
**11.00am – 5pm**  
**bookings only**  
**£5 per family**  
**per hour**  
**Equipment hire**  
**included**

## OAKLIFE OVER 50'S CLUB

**Thursday**  
**10.00am – 12noon**  
**£3.00 members**  
**£3.50 non members**  
**this includes**  
**Tea/Coffee**

## OVER 50'S RACKETS & BATS

**Short Tennis – Racketball**  
**Table Tennis – Badminton**  
**Mondays 2pm-3pm**  
**£2 Members**  
**£2.50 Non Members**  
**Tea & Coffee included**

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 Sports Complex

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## BOWLS SPECIAL SUMMER OFFER

**July & August**  
**Saturday & Sunday**  
**6.30pm & 8.30pm**  
**£1**

## JUNIOR SQUASH – BADMINTON TABLE TENNIS COURTS

**£1 per person**  
**Monday – Friday**  
**9am – 4pm**  
**during the school holidays**

## JUNIOR SQUASH COACHING

**Tuesday 4.15pm until 6.10pm**  
**5-15 years - Taken by Bill West**

## PASS

**Play Active Sport Saturday**  
**9.30am until 11am**  
**Members £2.00**  
**Non Members £2.50**  
**for ages 8 – 15 years**

## FITNESS RESOLUTION

**Low impact circuit training**  
**THURSDAYS**  
**6pm – 7pm**  
**Suitable for over 16s**  
**Members £2**  
**Non Members £2.50**  
**Cardio, flexibility, muscular**  
**endurance, balance, strength,**  
**resistance training,**  
**body weight exercises,**  
**aerobic training**

## Bar, Function Room & Catering

**BAR**  
 Extensive selection of soft & alcoholic drinks  
 plus Rijo coffee machine  
 Bar Menu and Specials Boards  
 plus Dedicated Children's Menu  
 Pool Table, Games  
 & Colouring Pictures for Children

## FUNCTION ROOM & CATERING

Our Function Room is ideal for  
 Conferences, Banquets  
 and Private Functions  
 We can cater for up to 60 people  
 Buffets start from as little as  
 £3.40 per head

## SPECIALS BOARD

Two Meals for £10

## CHILDREN'S MENU

Mains only £2.99