



Great Aycliffe Town Council

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22nd July 2011

VISIT YOUR PARKS THIS SUMMER



WEST PARK

Infant and Junior Play Areas and Ornamental Lakes



WOODHAM PARK

Infant and Junior Play Areas, Multi Use Games Area



MOORE LANE PARK & ECO CENTRE

Infant and Junior Play Areas, Home of the Eco Centre



ST. OSWALD'S PARK

Infant and Junior Play Areas, Formal Gardens, Picnic Area and Toilet Facilities



SIMPASTURE PARK

Infant and Junior Play Areas, 2 Multi-Use Games Areas and 3 Tennis Courts



NATURE PARK

Woodland Walkways, Ponds, Dipping Platforms and Wild Grassland



TOWN PARK

Infant and Junior Play Areas, Children's Kick-About Area, Skateboarding Facilities, Formal Gardens, Picnic Area and Toilet Facilities



HORNDALE PARK

Infant and Junior Play Areas, Children's Football Kick-about Area

NEW TODDLERS PLAY AREA AT TOWN PARK

A Toddlers Play Area is to be installed in the Town Park.

The Toddlers Play Area will be for use by children from 1 to 3 years old and will cover a shortfall in play provision in the Town Park for that age group.

The new play area will be enclosed and sited adjacent to the Infant/Junior Play Area. A suitable range of equipment for the 1 to 3 age group has been chosen for the project and includes bucket swings, springers, a playhouse, freestanding slide, mini roundabout and large sand play area.

The project has been jointly funded by Section 106 monies from the Redworth Grange Housing Development (Hamilton Close) and Great Aycliffe Town Council.

Work to construct the play area is due to commence in late July.



BYERLEY PARK PLAY AREA CONSULTATION RESPONSES

The Town Council received a great response to their recent survey regarding the future of Byerley Park Play Area. Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the short questionnaire.

The Town Council have had a rolling programme of updating or replacing their play areas over a number of years. Unfortunately Byerley Park area is one of the last to be reviewed.

The Town Council have set aside **£40,000** to fund improvements at Byerley Park Play Area. Although this is not a huge amount it can still make a difference. A whopping **92%** of the people who responded thought the play area needed updating and overall **83%** thought an infant's area and more equipment was needed.

The Town Council are currently contacting a number of play equipment providers to produce a draft scheme to include the most popular items requested by residents in the survey. Some of which are junior swings, springers, infants climbing frame, roundabout, picnic benches. Unfortunately some of the items requested were either too expensive for the funding available or inappropriate for the proposed site.

TARMAC RESURFACING WORKS OAKLEAF SPORTS AND GOLF COMPLEX

Tarmac resurfacing works are due to commence at the Oakleaf Sports and Golf Complex on Monday, 5th September. The work will take approximately one week to complete, weather permitting, and will require the temporary closure of the car parks and access roads, however, these closures will be phased to keep disruption to a minimum for customers. Alternative access routes and car parking will be in operation during this period. The Council apologises for any inconvenience this may cause.

WILKINSON'S DONATE SPORTS EQUIPMENT

Wilkinson's Store in Newton Aycliffe have provided donations to the Council Park Patrol Service for them to purchase sports equipment for use in the Town Park. The Council wishes to thank Wilkinson's for their continued support.

TOWN PRIDE ENVIRONMENT WEEK

11th July- 21st July

Great Aycliffe Town Council and Aycliffe Youth Council have recently worked together to organise a litter campaign in all 10 Primary schools of Great Aycliffe. As part of the campaign members of Aycliffe Youth Council did a presentation to the pupils of each school on the facts and consequences of littering. This was



then followed up with an organised litter pick of public open space near each of the schools to reinforce the message.

During the litterpicks the children were accompanied by their teachers, youth councillors, town councillors and staff from Great Aycliffe Town Council's Town Pride Team.

The Town Council's Environment Officer who helped to organise and pull these events together said "This is a wonderful opportunity to get the children of the town involved in their local environment. Many of the facts about litter clearly shocked some of the children so we hope the message may have been taken on board by them and they grow up to be responsible people who care for their own environment."

If you would like any further information give Steve Cooper a call on 07779090842 or telephone the Town Council on 01325 300700.

SUMMER COUNTRYSIDE EVENTS

Monsters of the Deep

Monday 25th July

1.30pm – 3pm

Find out which creatures live in the large pond at Aycliffe Nature Park by joining Environment Officer Steve Cooper for this enjoyable family pond dipping session. Please bring along your nets, buckets and wellies if you have them. Meet at: The entrance to the Nature Park, off Travellers Green



Mask Making

Wednesday 27th July

1.30pm- 3.30pm

Spend an afternoon making a selection of nature based face masks to take home to scare your family with! Meet at: Moore Lane Eco Centre.

Clay Creatures

Monday 1st August

10am – 12 noon

The event is very relaxing and great fun. Natural air drying clay will be provided to participants to allow them to create a mini masterpiece. A perfect event for the whole family. Meet at Moore lane Eco Centre.

Den Making

Wednesday 3rd August

10am- 12 noon

Here is your chance to help build a temporary den in the Woodlands at School Aycliffe using only the natural material which we find on site. Experts will be on hand to guide and assist you. Please wear trousers and old shoes or wellies if you have them. Meet near the Community Centre, off Menville Close in School Aycliffe.

Welly Hoying

Tuesday 9th August

As part of Fun in the Park try your hand at the traditional countryside game of welly throwing and be in with a chance of being crowned 'Aycliffe Welly Hoying Champion 2011'. There will be various age categories so everyone will have a chance of being a champion! Meet on the Oakleaf Sports field.



Pond Dipping

Wednesday 10th August

10am – 11.30am

During this ever popular event we will discover the many fascinating creatures which make the pond at School Aycliffe their home. Wellies are a must and bring along your nets and buckets if you have them. Meet near the Community Centre, off Menville Close in School Aycliffe.

Ultimate Minibeasting

Monday 15th August

10am – 12.30pm

Spend a few hours at Moore Lane Eco Centre learning all about minibeasts. Coast to Coast Exotics will be bringing along some of their exotic minibeasts to give an interactive informative talk about these creatures; there will be an opportunity to handle the creatures- if you are brave enough!! Environment Officer Steve Cooper will also be leading two minibeasting sessions around the park in search of more local varieties. Booking is essential for this event as places are strictly limited. Please contact Great Aycliffe Town Council on 01325 300700.

Environment Marquee at the Great Aycliffe Show

Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th August

Following last years successful display during the Great Aycliffe Show there will be a marquee full of environmental exhibitors with displays and activities for all the family. Meet at: Oakleaf Sports Complex.

All events are provided by Great Aycliffe Town Council free of charge and there is no need for booking unless stated in the event details.

MAYOR'S CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

OAKLEAF GOLF COMPLEX &
OAKLEAF SPORTS COMPLEX

FRIDAY 9th SEPTEMBER 2011

(Tee Off Times between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.)

Entry Fee - £100 per team

(Includes Meal and Presentation Evening)

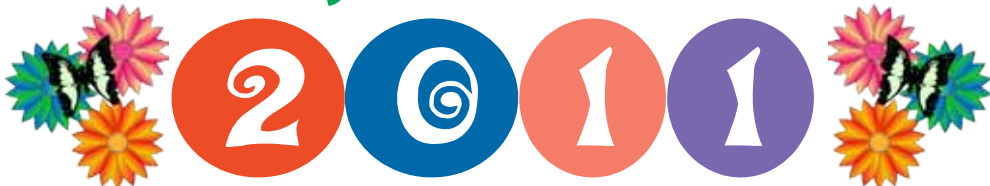
In Aid of the Mayor's Charities

Army Benevolent Fund (North East)

and Local Town Organisations

Further Information and Application Forms from: The Mayor's Secretary
(Tel 01325 300700) or the Oakleaf Golf Complex.

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, 12th August 2011.

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

House No: Street:

or

Full Street:



Bee Orchid Success

Observant visitors to Aycliffe Nature Park have been treated to a rare site this summer with a stunning display of bee orchids during June. This rare orchid which prefers warmer Mediterranean climates has been occasionally seen around the town in ones or twos but this year between 16 and 28 spikes have been recorded on the site- which is believed to be a record for the town.

This striking plant attempts to mimic the appearance of a bumblebee visiting a pink flower. This is to fool bumblebees into trying to mate with what looks like a potential mate and in the process the plant is pollinated.

Watch out for this plant next June in the grassland area at Aycliffe Nature Park.





Great Aycliffe Town Council present

FUN IN THE PARKS 2011



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!!

TUESDAYS 11am - 3pm

2nd August	Town Centre Park
9th August	Oak Leaf Sports Complex With Welly Hoyoing Competition
16th August	Simpasture Park
23rd August	Horndale Park
30th August	West Park

FRIDAYS 11am - 3pm

5th August	Moore Lane Park With clay modelling
12th August	Woodham Park With nature Picture Trail
19th August	Aycliffe Village With Nature Games
26th August	St Oswald's Park With Mini Beasting
2nd September	Town Centre Park

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION TELEPHONE 01325 300600

COURSES AVAILABLE

TABLE TENNIS

for 8-15 years - 10am-11.30am

Monday 25th July

Members £1.60 - Non members £1.85

BADMINTON

for 8-15 years - 10am-11.30am

Wednesday 17th August

Members £1.60 - Non members £1.85

BOWLS

for 8-15 years - 10am-11.30am

Monday 22nd August

Members £1.60 - Non members £1.85

SQUASH

for 8-15 years - 10am-11.30am

Wednesday 10th August

Members £1.60 - Non members £1.85

ARCHERY

Fun Guaranteed

for 8-15 years - 9.30am-11.30am

Thursdays

28th July - 11th August

18th August - 25th August

1st September

Members £3.20 - Non members £3.75

DANCE MATS

for 8-15 years - 12noon-1pm

Thursday 4th August

Members £1.60 - Non members £1.85

MINI DANCE MATS

for 4-7 years - 12noon-1pm

Monday 15th August

Members £1.60 - Non members £1.85



**SCHOOL AYCLIFFE LANE
NEWTON AYCLIFFE**

01325 300600

www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk

ACTIVITY DAY

A Fun Packed Day

for 8-15 years - 9.30am-3.30pm

Wednesday 3rd August

Wednesday 31st August

(Don't forget your packed lunch)

£11 per child

CRAFTY KIDS

Get creative and make something to take home!

for 8-15 years - 10am-11.30am

Thursday 4th August

Monday 15th August

Members £3.20 - Non members £3.75

MINI ACTIVITY SESSION

Big Fun for Little People

for 4-7 years - 9.30am-11am

Wednesday 27th July

Wednesday 24th August

Members £2.40 - Non members £2.75

Oak Leaf Sports Complex
Tel No. 01325 300600

Relax in our Beer Garden with friends and family while the children have fun in our enclosed play area.



SPORTS FACILITIES

Squash Courts

9.15am-10.00pm

Sports Hall

9.00am-10.00pm

Indoor Bowls Arena

9.00am-10.30pm

FUNCTION ROOM

9.00am - 10.30pm

Functions as Negotiated

BAR

Mon-Sat

11.00am-11.00pm

Sun 12.00noon-10.30pm

FOOD AVAILABLE

Mon-Fri 12.00 noon-2.30pm

& 5.00pm-9.30pm

Sandwiches and Hot Meat

Buns only available

2.30pm-5.00pm

Sat & Sun

12.00noon-9.30pm

Traditional Sunday Lunch

served every Sunday

Adult £6.10 Child £4.10

12.00noon-2.00pm

Main Menu & Specials Board are not available during this service

PRE-SCHOOL LEARNING CENTRES

The Pre-school Learning Centres have had yet another successful year this includes the extension of the opening hours at St. Oswald's Pre-School and the recent Ofsted inspection at Woodham Burn Pre-School.

St. Oswald's Pre-School



The opening hours at St. Oswald's Pre-School were extended in September 2010, this has been very successful and has enabled us to provide both full and part time places.

The extended hours have also enabled us to be more flexible to the needs of parents.

The Pre-School is open 8.45am to 3.30pm each weekday day during school term time.

Woodham Burn Pre-School

The children and staff of Woodham Burn Pre-School are celebrating after their recent Ofsted inspection

The inspectors stated that "overall the quality of the provision is good. Staff's very good understanding of children's individual needs creates a highly inclusive environment. This promotes children's welfare and supports the very good progress they make in their learning and development. High quality and readily available resources give children good opportunities to initiate spontaneous activities in many areas of learning. Partnership working is excellent and self evaluation is effective. Consequently, the capacity for continuous improvement is good".



For further information on the Pre-Schools please contact Jackie Swainston on 01325 319880



Great Aycliffe Show

Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th August

11.00 am - 5.00 pm

School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe

A great weekend for all the family

Punch & Judy Shows, Face Painting, Handcraft & Horticulture Competitions, Football and Golf Tournaments. Have a go at bungee trampolining, quad biking, water walking, climb a rock wall or try the roller coaster simulator.

Rabbit Show, Pigeon Show, Craft Demonstrations, the Fire Service Extermination Competition plus the Playhouse Marquee with dance displays, solo vocalists and tribute bands Glee and Abba Fever.

The best in arena entertainment too with Imps Motorcyle Display team, Elaine Sheepdog Trials, Medieval Battle Re-enactments, Fly Ball and a Sword Fencing Display.



Plus Vintage Vehicle Display and Medieval Living Display

Fairground rides, on-site catering, trade and fundraising stands and lots, lots more



For more information, telephone 01325 300700 or visit our website at www.great-aycliffe.gov.uk

HANDCRAFT & HORTICULTURAL EXHIBITION
HOME PRODUCE - TROPHY FOR BEST ENTRY Please note that all items will remain on display until 5.00 pm on Sunday. Jars/containers used to have plain covers (i.e. no trade names) and in jars no less than 340g.

- Class 1 A Jar of Home Made Strawberry Jam
- Class 2 A Jar of Home Made Blackcurrant Jam
- Class 3 A Jar of Home Made Lemon Curd
- Class 4 A Jar of Home Made Marmalade (not jelly)
- Class 5 A Jar of Home Made Chutney (any variety)
- Class 6 One Fatless Sponge cake (no filling)
- Class 7 Decorated Victoria Sponge Sandwich (top only) to be cut
- Class 8 Four pieces of Tray Bake (not pastry based)
- Class 9 Gingerbread (7" square or 8" round tin)
- Class 10 Six Melting Moment Biscuits
- Class 11 Dundee Cake (8" square or 9" round) - made to Bero Recipe
- Class 12 Four Almond Slices
- Class 13 Plate Apple Pie - short crust pastry
- Class 14 Chocolate cake not iced (one cake cut, with butter cream filling)
- Class 15 Four pieces of flapjack
- Class 16 Four Scones (2 fruit and 2 savoury)
- Class 17 1lb White Loaf (made with bread making machine)
- Class 18 1lb Wholemeal Loaf (made without bread making machine)
- Class 19 Egg Custard
- Class 20 Date & Walnut loaf
- Class 21 Tea loaf
- Class 22 Lemon drizzle cake (loaf tin)
- Class 23 Any item of Sugarcraft
- Class 24 4 Sausage Rolls - Shortcrust
- Class 25 Egg and Bacon Pie - Shortcrust pastry top and bottom (sauce or tea plate size)
- Class 26 Pastry Savoury Flan
- Class 27 "Celebration of a Royal Wedding" to include 3 whole items of Home Produce from classes 1 - 24 only. Accessories allowed for effect. Space allowed: 3' x 2'.

CRAFT SECTION - TROPHY FOR BEST ENTRY

No Soiled or Laundered Work Accepted

Crochet

Class 28 For baby, an article in yarn

Class 29 For a toddler, any article

Coloured Embroidery - pictures not to exceed 30" high x 30" wide (pictures to be framed unless stated otherwise)

Class 30 Needlepoint Canvas Work Picture

Class 31 Embroidered Picture in Cross Stitch using any count

Class 32 Hand embroidered item in Cross Stitch (not framed)

Class 33 A Christmas tree decoration - any media

Class 34 18" x 18" Cushion

Class 35 Miniature embroidery to fit into 2" (51mm) square

Class 36 An embroidered box

Patchwork

Class 37 Any article machine stitched

Decoupage

Class 38 Any picture (framed and glazed)

Jewellery (Theme - Christmas)

Class 39 Any piece of home made jewellery - Beadwork

Class 40 Any piece of home made jewellery - Wirework

Soft Toys

Class 41 Teddy Bear - any media

Class 42 Any Toy Machine Sewn

Class 43 Any Toy all knitted

Class 44 Any Doll Dressed (any size, any media)

HAND KNITTING SECTION - TROPHY FOR BEST ENTRY

Class 45 Any article

Class 46 Sweater in Double Knitting

Class 47 Baby's 20" cardigan ('V' necked)

Class 48 Any Article in 3 ply

WOOD SECTION - TROPHY FOR BEST ENTRY

Class 49 Article in Wood (not painted or decorated, please leave in natural form)

Class 50 Article in Wood (may be painted or varnished)

AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHY SECTION - TROPHY FOR BEST ENTRY

Mounted on card, NOT FRAMED. Overall size including mount not to exceed 12" x 10" to be fixed to card. Rests may be used if desired. Maximum number of photography exhibits per entrant is 25.

Class 51 Black and White print

Class 52 Colour print - People

Class 53 Colour print - Wildlife or Pets

Class 54 Colour print - The Sea

Class 55 Colour print - Landscape

Class 56 Digital Art "Before and After" - digital photograph, enhanced/alterd using computer (print of original and altered image to be on one A4 sheet.)

ART SECTION - TROPHY FOR BEST ENTRY

Display space is flat; rests may be used if desired.

Class 57 Oil Painting (framed, unless on 3D canvas)

Class 58 Water Colour (framed and glazed)

Class 59 Acrylic painting (framed, unless on 3D canvas)

Class 60 Pastel painting (framed and glazed)

Class 61 Any Medium

SCHOOL CHILDREN'S SECTION - TROPHY FOR BEST ENTRY Please ensure that the age of the child is on exhibit. (No names on exhibits please) NO KITS to be used unless stated otherwise

Age 4 - 6 years

Class 62 An original picture (any medium, e.g. paint, felt tip, collage)

Class 63 Clown's face on a paper plate

Class 64 Decorated hard-boiled egg

Class 65 Flowers on iced digestive biscuit

Class 114 Garden on a Tray

Class 116 Funny/unusual vegetable or fruit

Age 7 - 10 years

Class 66 Design for a sculpture

Class 67 A scarecrow model

Class 68 An original picture (any medium, e.g. paint, felt tip, collage)

Class 69 A home-made crown

Class 115 Garden on a Tray

Class 116 Funny/unusual vegetable or fruit

Age 11 - 13 years

Class 70 An original picture (any medium, e.g. paint, felt tip, collage)

Class 71 A scarecrow model

Class 72 4 savoury scones

Class 73 Football Strip Design

Class 116 Funny/unusual vegetable or fruit

Age 14 - 16 years

Class 74 CD Sleeve

Class 75 Airfix, Lego (or similar) model - any subject any size (kits allowed)

Class 76 Model made from dough

Class 77 Computer Art - picture created or edited using computer

Class 116 Funny/unusual vegetable or fruit

HORTICULTURE SECTION
LEEKs - COLOUR PORTABLE TV PLUS PRIZE MONEY AND TROPHY FOR BEST LEEK

Class 78 Two Pot Leeks 6" Tight Button

NOVICE SECTION - (For beginners or people who have not yet won a trophy at the show)

Class 79 An assortment of 4 vegetables from the open vegetable section

OPEN VEGETABLE SECTION - TROPHY FOR BEST OVERALL VEGETABLE ENTRY

Class 80 Two Long Leeks

Class 81 Three Onions, not shallots (fresh pulled with tops and roots washed)

Class 82 Four Onions, round under 250g

Class 83 Four Shallots

Class 84 Two Carrots - long root (fresh pulled with 3" tops)

Class 85 Two Carrots - stump rooted

Class 86 Two Parsnips - long root (fresh pulled with 3" tops)

Class 87 Three Beetroot, round (to be cut by Judges)

Class 88 One Cauliflower with 4" stalk

Class 88 One round Cabbage with 4" stalk

Class 90 Three Potatoes - kidney or round

Class 91 Collection of 4 different vegetables (cucumbers and tomatoes not accepted)

Class 92 Best Truss of Tomatoes

Class 93 A Dish of 4 Tomatoes

Class 94 Vegetable Marrow

OPEN FLOWER SECTION - TROPHY FOR BEST OVERALL FLOWER ENTRY

Class 95 Container of Flowers for effect, to face all round (no foliage allowed)

Class 96 Vase of 3 Chrysanthemums - Intermediate (large or medium)

Class 97 Vase of 3 Chrysanthemums - any variety incurve medium

Class 98 Vase of 3 stems of spray Chrysanthemums - any variety

Class 99 Vase of 3 Dahlias - any variety large

Class 100 Vase of 3 Dahlias - any variety medium

Class 101 Vase of 3 Dahlias - any variety small

Class 102 Vase of 3 Dahlias - small pom pom

Class 103 Vase of 3 Dahlias - miniature

Class 104 Vase of 3 Hybrid Tea Roses

Class 105 Vase of 3 Gladioli Spikes

Class 106 Vase containing a single Gladioli Spike

Class 107 One flowering house plant in pot with inside diameter 6" or less

Class 108 One flowering house plant in pot with inside diameter bigger than 6"

Class 109 One Buttonhole, any variety

FUSHCIA SECTION

Class 110 One pot any cultivar bush or shrub (Max pot size 90mm/3.5")

Class 111 One pot any cultivar bush or shrub (Max pot size 127mm/5")

Class 112 One pot any cultivar bush or shrub (Max pot size 154mm/6")

Class 113 One mini std. clear stem 150mm - 250mm (6"-10")

CHILDREN'S SECTION - Under 16 years

Class 114 Garden on a Tray (4-6 years)

Class 115 Garden on a Tray (7-10 years)

Class 116 Funny/unusual vegetable or fruit (under 16 years)

Trophies sponsored by Deco Trophies and Engraving and Gregg Little Testing Centre

GREAT AYCLIFFE SHOW EXHIBITION - ENTRY FORM FOR ALL CLASSES

Class No	Class Description	Number of Entries in Class

I request you to enter the above named Exhibits, subject to the rules and regulations of the Great Aycliffe Show Exhibition which I have read and understood. **Please note that a separate entry form is required for each person** (photocopies are acceptable).

NAME (as to be shown on certificate or trophy).....

FULL ADDRESS.....

..... Post Code..... Age (if 16 or under)..... Telephone No.....

*e-mail (please print clearly).....

*Acknowledgements will be sent by e-mail unless no e-mail address is given. Completed entry forms (photocopies are acceptable) must be received by Mrs. M. Robinson, Great Aycliffe Town Council, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe DL5 6QF or show@great-aycliffe.gov.uk before 5.00 pm on Tuesday 23rd August 2011.