

## COOKE BRACE POWERS UNITED INTO FINAL

As reported in last week's issue of The Chapter, an outstanding victory for Cornforth United by 5 goals to 1 over Simonside Sports Club powered the side into the final of the Durham County Trophy, at the expense of their Carcraft Durham Alliance opponents. In the semi-final, which was played at Simonside, the visiting Cornforth side began well and soon deservedly took

the lead, thanks to a well-taken goal from Bradley Cain. With 20 minutes of the first half played, United doubled the lead when Steven Parnaby broke through the home defence before chipping the goalkeeper from outside the penalty area. It was not all plain sailing for United as the hosts hit back to open their account and half the deficit just before the

interval. The second half, however, really saw Cornforth take complete control of the semi-final, with John Cooke netting twice in the first 15 minutes of the half, before Johnathon Hare grabbed United's fifth and final goal in the latter stages of the game. United will meet Whitehall F.C. in the final on a date to be determined.

## UNDER 13'S DEMOLISH OPPOSITION WITH A 9-0 WIN

Ferryhill Town Youth Under 13's, sponsored by Coxhoe Kitchens, faced second placed Thirsk Falcons in a top-of-the-table clash at the weekend.

The lads put on a display of dominant possession, with their first goal being scored at 11 minutes when Connor Dunlavey rounded the 'keeper after Liam Dalglish's defence-splitting through-ball.

The second came ten minutes later when Nathan Carr hit the back of the net after Dunlavey's great run down the left.

Carr made it three five minutes later with a precise finish from Dunlavey's flick-on. Adam Robinson calmly made it four at 33 minutes from a superb cross from Thomas Knight.

Second half play was very much like the first, with the lads being in complete

control of the game and playing some attractive football, despite the heavy pitch.

They soon made it 5-0 when Dunlavey was first to another excellent Carr ball. Thomas got the 6th on 47 minutes with a superb run and finish from the right.

Dunlavey got his hat-trick on 50 minutes with another cleverly-worked goal involving Carr and Dalglish. Dunlavey made it 8-0 with his fourth of the game on 55 minutes.

Carr wrapped things up in the last minute when he lashed home a Knight cross to claim his hat-trick and Ferryhill's 9th.

Final score 9-0 with Man-of-the-Match going to Connor Dunlavey for another fantastic attacking display.

Ferryhill Town Youth Under 10's, sponsored by Flymo, played away to Mount

Pleasant Rangers.

Ferryhill conceded two goals early on in the game, however Josh Gash scored their first before half-time.

The second half produced a goal from Joshua Pearson as well as another from Man-of-the-Match Josh Gash. The game ended with a 3-3 draw.

Reegan Mitchell received Man-of-the-Match in the second game, which ended 2-0 down for Ferryhill.

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## FOOTY SHORTS....

Despite scoring four goals away from home, Wear Valley Sunday League Division One side, *Ferryhill Celtic*, returned home without a point as their hosts, St John's Chapel, went one better to run out winners in this league encounter by 5-4.

There was something of a shock in the Over 40's League Premier Division when mid-table *Chilton Community College* lost by 4 goals to 3 to Marden, the win being only their second league victory of the season. Last week's Over 40's League fixtures included a Division Three match between *West Cornforth* and visiting Hartlepool Station Hotel, and a fourth round tie in the Kip Watson Villa Real Cup involving *Ferryhill Greyhound* and *Chilton Community College* - fellow Premier Division sides.

## LEAGUE VICTORY FOR VETERAN BOWLERS

Playing in Division Four of County Veterans Bowls League, Ferryhill, currently sitting in third spot in the table, gained a resounding victory in their most recent clash with bottom Gateshead B. The Ferryhill team won the match by 60 shots to

Sunderland Catholic Club Over 40's League Kenny Ball Cup saw *West Cornforth*, mid-table in Division Three, overcome fellow Division Three side Rutherford to progress to the next round of the competition.

23, thereby gaining 5 points to their opponents nil. Ferryhill took over the third place in the league table after Parks A lost by 4 and a half points to half when they travelled to meet second in the table, Durham B.

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## HENDERSON COMMUNITY HOUSE WIN COMPETITION THANKS TO PUBLIC

It has been announced that Henderson Community House in Chilton will receive a facelift, after becoming winners of a competition held by building contractor, Mears.

Five community projects in the area were competing for the makeover, however the community centre emerged victorious after receiving the most amount of public votes in the form of text messages and emails.

Henderson House is a community house based in two semi-detached properties leased from Sedgfield Borough Council Homes.

It provides a range of activities and events for residents and room hire to external organisations. Mears will now work with local people, addressing any issues they may have.

All areas of potential improvement will be identified and managed



Facilities at the Community House will be improved.

within an allocated budget. A meeting is to be held this week in order to decide exactly what will be done at the centre, as well as to discuss timescales and budgets.

The original idea was to install a disabled access to the building, however this is yet to be decided.

Others chasing the grant included a car park at Spennymoor Football Club, a sheltered housing scheme for older people in Newton

Aycliffe and a Community Allotment in Shildon.

The community house Chair, Margaret Taylor, said, "We are delighted to win the competition, at first we thought we had no chance looking at the competition. "The people of Chilton and Ferryhill have supported us thanks to everyone who voted. Really, I'm over the moon!"

It is hoped that winning the competition will help in a big way to make the building more accessible to all sections of the community as well as increasing their profile.

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**LEANNE CLARK**  
28 - 1 - 88



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xxxx

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Happy 21st Sis.  
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**LEANNE CLARK**  
Happy 21st Leanne.  
Lots of love,  
Auntie Shirley, Uncle Ian & Jordan.  
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**LEANNE CLARK**  
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Dad & J & family.  
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Love and Best Wishes,  
Molly.

**JACK NICHOLSON**  
February 2nd.



Happy 1st Birthday.  
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Mammy & Daddy, Grandma & Grandad, & Uncle Jimmy.  
xxx

**NEIL BIRBECK**  
January 30th.



Happy 21st Neil.  
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**Birthdays**

**AMANDA SCOTT**  
January 29th, 2009



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Charlotte & family.

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The free course will encourage participants to look at all aspects of a healthy lifestyle, from exercise and food to stress management. For more information, contact Kath or Aimee at the LADDER Centre on 01740 651639.

**THEATRE GROUP APPEALS FOR YOUNG CAST MEMBERS**

Spennymoor Stage and Song is appealing for two local boys to join the cast of their next production, The King and I.

The theatre group is hoping to perform the classic musical in April at the Town Hall.

The group is looking for a ten to thirteen year-old boy to play Louis, Anna's son, as well as a young man to play Chulalongkorn, the King's son.

Auditions for both parts will be held at Rosa Street Chapel on Saturday, January 31st from 10.00am. Anyone interested in

joining the cast should prepare a song, along with a tape of accompanying music.

For more information, call 01388 816400.

**ACTS OPEN DAY**

ACTS Furniture scheme will be holding an Open Day on Saturday, February 7th from 10.00am to 2.00pm.

The event will take place at Unit 4, Coulson Street Industrial Estate in Spennymoor and surplus furniture will be available for a suggested donation.

**DRIVING ON PRIVATE LAND COULD RESULT IN CONFISCATION OF BIKES**

Local police are concerned that off road / quad bikes are being used in Chilton Woods.

Although it seems some residents think it is perfectly legal to ride the bikes there, it is in fact private land and no permission has been granted to ride them there.

This has also resulted in three warning notices being issued for people riding the bikes through the village whilst en-route to the woods, and several complaints have been received by police.

A spokesperson for the police said, "Off road / quad bikes were a popular gift for the youths in Chilton. This is a great idea if the bikes are used with protection equipment and also in the correct environment. If you use your bike in these areas you are risking having them taken from you."

For information about where you can go off road, contact the police's Bikewise section on 0845 60 60 365 or visit bikewise@durham.pnn.police.uk.



Driving quad bikes in Chilton Woods could result in the confiscation of the bikes by the police.

**BEETLE DRIVE**

Ferryhill Methodist Church will be holding a Beetle Drive on Tuesday, February 10th from 7.30pm. "Please join us for our next game," said a spokesperson for the event.

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## TEENAGER ATTACKED MOTHER AFTER MONEY THEFT ACCUSATION

A local court heard last week that a teenager attacked his own mother after an argument broke out between the pair over Christmas money. The 15 year-old, who cannot be named for legal reasons, is formerly of Ferryhill but is currently in foster care in the Chester-le-Street area. When he appeared at the Newton Aycliffe Magistrates Court, the teenager entered 'guilty' pleas to charges of 'assault' and 'breach of an anti-social behaviour order.' Mrs Alison Nunn, appearing

on behalf of the Crown Prosecution Service, told the court that on December 12th in Ferryhill, the teenager's mother accused him of stealing his brother's Christmas money. As a result of the accusation, added Mrs Nunn, a row ensued during which the 15 year-old held his mother by the throat and punched her in the face. Representing the teenager, Mr Lawrence Petterson told the court that the theft of the money was never proven, however the

defendant accepted that he 'saw red' and that all parties had been drinking. The court was also told that while the 15 year-old had been a regular offender over the past two years, he was currently making some progress with his foster carers. The sitting Magistrates handed the teenager an 18 month community supervision order which will include a three month curfew and a six month requirement to reside as directed by the local authority.

## CHARITY EVENING TO BE THROWN BY CHILTON MAYOR

The Mayor of Chilton, Councillor Alan Bruce, is to host a charity evening at Chilton and Windlestone W.M.C. Entertainment will be provided by duo, 'Two Way Street,' as well as vocalist, Brandon James.

The event will be held on Friday, February 13th from 7.30pm and tickets, priced at £2, can be purchased from Chilton Town Council on 01388 721788 or from Chilton and Windlestone W.M.C. All proceeds from the event

will go to St John's Ambulance and the Ward 14 Trust Fund for Chemotherapy and Radiotherapy at Middlesbrough's James Cook University Hospital. The Mayor will also be holding a Civic Dinner at the same venue on Thursday, April 9th. Tickets for this event cost £18 and can be purchased from Chilton Town Council. There will be a five course meal as well as dancing and entertainment from vocalist, Billy Lort.

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A 19 year-old told police officers, when they interviewed him in connection with an alleged fraud, that he had sold a £1200 television set for £240 in order to raise cash to purchase food for his girlfriend's baby. At the South Durham Magistrates' Court in Newton Aycliffe last week, Christopher Cockburn, of Morpeth Close in Ferryhill, entered a 'guilty' plea to a charge of 'fraud', the offence being committed jointly with his girlfriend's sister in Shildon at the end of September last year.

Ms Jacqueline Gibson, appearing on behalf of the Crown Prosecution Service, told the court that the Homebuy Meter Television Company had installed a 37" LCD television set, worth almost £1,200 at the then home of the defendant and his 18 year-old girlfriend in Shildon's Holly Hill. Less than a month after the set was installed, Cockburn and his girlfriend's sister took the television set to a shop in Shildon's Church Street where the proprietor bought it from them for £240.

In police interview, Cockburn stated that, at the

time, it felt good but afterwards he felt that his actions had been stupid. Representing Cockburn, Mr Bruce Cunningham told the court that this was a case which he found difficult to mitigate, particularly in light of the defendant's 'limited intellectual functioning.' In conclusion, Mr Cunningham suggested to the sitting Magistrates that the Probation Service's 'Think First' programme may be of some help to Cockburn, particularly in view of the fact that 'he seemed not to have thought at all before now.'

A 12 month community supervision order was imposed upon Cockburn which will include the 'Think First' programme. Although an order to pay £240 compensation was made, no order to pay court costs was made due to the defendant's financial situation.

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## ZOOLAB RETURNS TO FERRYHILL LIBRARY



Adam and Laura Batey take a closer look at the Amazonian Giant Snail.

With the Spring Half-Term not far away, Ferryhill Town Council and Ferryhill Branch Library have organised for Zoolab to return to the library to put on an impressive display of animals for children on Tuesday, February 17th. The entertainment will take place in Ferryhill Branch

Library from 1.30pm to 2.30pm and is suitable for children aged 4 to 11 years-old. "Entry is free of charge so bring your children along to join in the fun," said a spokesperson for the event. There are 35 places available and spots can be booked at the library.

## POLICE APPEAL

Police are appealing for information after two cars were damaged in Ferryhill on Saturday, January 17th. The cars belonged to staff working at Dean Lodge Care Home in Dean Road.

A gold BMW was damaged and a Jaguar car's tyres were let down. Anyone with information should call PC Dave Greenwell at Spennymoor Police Station on 0345 60 60 365.

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## JOBLESS TEENAGER TOOK UNINSURED CAR TO ATTEND JOB INTERVIEW

His failure to catch a bus to attend a job interview in Darlington resulted in a West Cornforth teenager taking his mother's car for which he was not insured. Unfortunately, the 19 year-old became involved in a traffic accident and, as a result, appeared before the South Durham Magistrates sitting at Newton Aycliffe last week.

Lewis James Pearson, of Linden Road in West Cornforth, entered a 'guilty' plea to a charge of 'having no insurance', the offence being committed on January 7th when his Nissan Micra was in a collision with a BMW on Darlington's North Road.

Ms Jacqueline Gibson, appearing on behalf of the Crown Prosecution Service, told the court that whiplash injuries were sustained by the driver and passenger of the

## READING GROUP

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BMW. Ms Gibson added that, immediately following the collision, Pearson stopped and fully admitted his liability at the scene. Ms Gibson also stated that Pearson had already received a police caution for taking the vehicle without permission. Mr John Hardesty, representing Pearson, told the court that the defendant had passed his driving test in January of last year, after which his father purchased the Micra for him to use. As Pearson was unable to afford to insure the vehicle due to his unemployment, his mother insured the vehicle in her name only and

occasionally used it herself. Mr Hardesty told the court that Pearson had made a considerable number of job applications in recent months without success, and that this incident could have serious repercussions upon him in light of the fact that the BMW was an expensive car and that the insurers would be pursuing the defendant in connection with both the damage to the vehicle and with the personal injuries sustained by both its driver and passenger. Pearson was ordered to pay a £100 fine, court costs of £43 and the £15 penalty surcharge with 6 points ordered to be added to his driving licence.

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## LOCAL MAN ADMITS POSSESSION OF KNIFE AND MEAT CLEAVER

A 27 year-old man admitted alternative charges involving knives after a charge of 'using threatening, abusive or insulting words or behaviour' was withdrawn by local Magistrates last week. Appearing before South Durham Magistrates sitting at Newton Aycliffe was Daniel Stefan Kwiatkowski, of Westcott Terrace in Ferryhill, in connection with

an incident which occurred on New Year's Eve in Ferryhill. The Crown Prosecution Service agreed that the charge should be replaced by two other charges of 'possession of a meat cleaver in a public place' and 'possession of a kitchen knife in a public place,' with both charges being admitted by the defendant.

The court heard that the blades of both the knife and the meat cleaver were ten inches in length. After hearing the facts of the case, the sitting Magistrates agreed that a full pre-sentence report should be requested from the probation service, with a steering of a 12 week custodial sentence being given.

## FOOD CO-OP HELPS RESIDENTS GET THEIR 5-A-DAY

The new Food Co-op at Henderson House in Chilton is a popular choice for residents. The scheme, which involves customers pre-ordering fruit, vegetable or salad bags which can be collected the next week, has gone down well in the first three weeks since it was introduced. Each bag is available at a cost of £2.80 payable at the time of ordering and contains at

least 5 different items. There are also Family Box Fruit and Vegetables Selections available priced at £5.00. Additionally, all items can be bought in bulk. Residents have been enthusiastic in their support. One customer said, "The bags are really good value. I enjoyed the grapefruit most last week, it was really sweet". Another commented, "The vegetables were good quality

and you got plenty in." The Food Co-op was set up on January 13th with help from Angelina Maddison, Neighbourhood Manager for Dean Bank and Chilton, and Development Staff from Food Chain (North East) CIC, a Social Enterprise who work region-wide with Community Groups, Schools, Churches and statutory bodies such as Health Agencies and Local Authorities. Once a food co-op is established, Food Chain (North East) CIC then arrange supply of the produce. Orders and collections take place on Tuesday afternoons between 1.00pm and 3.00pm. Anyone interested can contact Mark Davinson at Henderson House on 01388 720152 or e-mail Henderson.house@tiscali.co.uk. Alternatively, go along and find out more.

## A GREAT NIGHT OUT WITH THE NEW YORKERS



The New Yorkers at the Sedgefield Proms in 2008.

The New Yorkers will be making a guest appearance at the Dean Bank Institute next month with their new spring production, 'It's a Great Night Out.' The show features lots of new songs, comedy and dance as well as a fab array of costumes. Enid Bilton-Gale, Wendy Church, George Wilkinson and Rosemary Jones are the New Yorkers show team, whilst John and Sue Hays

are Technical / Stage Managers and Agnes Lynas is Front of House Manager. Tickets, priced at £5, are available now from the Post Office in Ferryhill Town Centre as well as from Enid on 01740 650297. The New Yorkers would like to thank everyone who has purchased their first album. Thanks to the proceeds, the group has been able to make a generous donation to the Great North Air Ambulance.

## POPULAR BARMAID RAISES £800 FOR CHARITY

A charity function, which was held at Chilton and Windlestone W.M.C. in recognition of Brenda Lowerson, a barmaid of thirty years, managed to raise a grand total of £800 for charity. The British Heart Foundation and Motor Neurone Disease Research, the two charities chosen to benefit by Brenda, will each receive a cheque for £400. Brenda would like to thank the many family, friends and

members of the club who all helped in making the night a huge success. Mark Taylor, Assistant Secretary of the club, said, "It has been a great privilege to work with Brenda and help to raise much-needed funds to help support her favourite charities. Chilton Club is a fine example of a club at the heart of the community who is only too pleased to help all charities when we can."

## FERRYHILL STATION IN TOP FIVE PERCENT

Ferryhill Station Primary School is in the top 5% of schools in the country in respect of the 'excellent' progress that the children make. The context of the school, e.g. numbers of special needs children, free school meals, month of birth and where they live, are all taken into account to give a 'contextual value added of progress.'

Head Teacher, Mrs Val Jago, says, "This shows that every child in the school, whatever their ability, has made excellent progress and is a much fairer way of judging a school. "All children in our school, whether special needs or 'high flyers,' do very well and make much more than expected levels of progress. "This happens because we treat each child as an individual and give each child the teaching that he or she needs to move on in their learning. We are all delighted with this result".

## COURSES AT CHILTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Chilton Community College are holding several courses in upcoming weeks. On Monday, February 2nd, a five-week Introduction to Photography course will commence, between 9.30am and 11.30am. Three evening courses will also begin on Monday, February 2nd, Introduction to Desk Top Publishing,

Keep Fit and Salsa. All of these classes will run for ten weeks and will take place between 6.00pm and 7.00pm. On Friday, February 6th, between 1.00pm and 3.00pm, a five-week Introduction to Painting and Drawing class will commence, whilst a ten-week Salsa course will take

place from 6.00pm to 7.00pm. All courses are £20 each or £6 if in receipt of certain benefits. All courses are also subject to ten people or more before then can start. For more information or to book a place, contact Christine or Carolyn on 01388 720255.

## PRIZES UP FOR GRABS

Throughout February at Chilton Library youngsters will be given the opportunity to win a prize. Each time a child takes a book home they will receive a point and the young member with the most points at the end of the month will win a prize. Other prizes will also be up for grabs along the way. For more information, pop into the library or contact 01740 651236.

## MATTING COURSE

The second Matting session at Chilton Library will take place on Thursday, January 29th at 2.00pm. Places are limited so to book a spot contact the library on 01388 720251.

## RAINBOW WHIST AND DOMINO DRIVE

St Michael's Church in Bishop Middleham is to hold a Rainbow Whist and Domino Drive at the weekend. The event will take place on Saturday, January 31st, from 2.00pm in the Village Hall.

Admission costs £1.50 which includes refreshments. There will also be a raffle and all proceeds are in aid of church funds. "Everyone is most welcome," said a spokesperson.

## ROYAL NAVY ASSOCIATION AGM

The Spennymoor and Ferryhill Royal Naval Association will hold the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, February 4th, from 8.00pm at the KGH Club in Whitworth Terrace. All members are requested to attend. The Spennymoor and Ferryhill RNA was reformed in February 2000 and enjoys an active social and business life. It is always on the lookout

for new members and invites serving, reserve or ex Navy, Royal Marine and Merchant Navy members to join. For more information, contact 01388 810197, email spennymoorrna@hotmail.com or visit its website at www.clubtogether.org/groups/spennymoor\_rna.

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