

UPPER TEESDALE AGRICULTURAL SUPPORT SERVICES LTD. SPRING 2014 COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



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Friends of UTASS update

Well we are now well into our third "Friends of UTASS" year and we would like to take this opportunity of sending our Friends a massive thank you for your continuing generous support this year. The 2014 form is now available. Our **Annual £100 draw for our registered Friends** was drawn in December and the lucky winner [W P Williamson of The Howes, Colby] donated their £100 back to UTASS. UTASS funds were boosted by a fantastic £5135 during 2013.

A full range of services on offer for Young People at UTASS

<u>Girls Sessions:</u>	Mondays	6-8pm	<u>8-13</u> yr olds	<u>50p</u>	
<u>Mixed Gender Drop In sessions:</u>	Tuesdays	occasional off-site visits			
	Wednesdays	<u>[Cookery]</u>	6-8pm	<u>8-19</u> yr olds	<u>£1.00</u>
<u>UTASS Youth Club:</u>	Thursdays	6-7.30pm	<u>8-11</u> yr olds	<u>50p</u>	
		7.30-9pm	<u>12-19</u> yr olds	<u>50p</u>	

Durham County Council Animal Health Office

All Animal Health enquiries & movement documents now need to be directed to:
Durham County Council, Environment, Health & Consumer Protection
EHCP [Animal Movements], PO Box 617, Durham, DH1 9HZ

General enquiries to -Tel 03000 261016 and Fax 01388 766660 (for AML1's)

A Home or at Work Chiropody service for Upper Teesdale

Rachel Logan MCFHP, MAFHP, a fully qualified foot health professional has set up her Visiting Practice in Teesdale providing foot health treatments [corns, calluses, verrucas, warts, fungal infections and routine nail care]. We have arranged sessions here at UTASS where we can get the price reduced to £15 per person [as opposed to £20/£25]. To book an appointment contact Rachel directly on 07825 314487
Our next booked day at UTASS is Thursday 3rd April 2014 from 9.30am till 12.30pm.

UTASS's YOUNG PEOPLE's Information

What's on at our Drop In during Spring 2014

March'14

Monday 10 th	Girls Night
Wednesday 12 th	Cookery [Healthy Eating]
Thursday 13 th	Youth Club and Drop-in
Monday 17 th	Girls Night
Wednesday 19 th	Cookery [Healthy Eating]
Thursday 20 th	Youth Club and Drop-in
Monday 24 th	Girls Night
Wednesday 26 th	Cookery [Healthy Eating]
Thursday 27 th	Youth Club and Drop-in
Monday 31 st	Girls Night

April'14

Wednesday 2 nd	Cookery [Healthy Eating]
Thursday 3 rd	Youth Club and Drop-in
Monday 7 th	Girls Night
Wednesday 9 th	Cookery [Healthy Eating]
Thursday 10 th	Youth Club and Drop-in
Monday 14 th	Girls Night
Wednesday 16 th	Cookery [Healthy Eating]
Thursday 17 th	Youth Club and Drop-in
Monday 21 st	<u>Closed for Easter</u>
Wednesday 23 rd	Cookery [Healthy Eating]
Thursday 24 th	Youth Club and Drop-in
Sunday 27 th	<u>Drop In Car Boot Stall at the Mart</u>
Monday 28 th	Girls Night
Wednesday 30 th	Cookery [Healthy Eating]

May'14

Thursday 1 st	Youth Club and Drop-in
Monday 5 th	<u>Closed Bank Holiday</u>
Wednesday 7 th	Cookery [Healthy Eating]
Thursday 8 th	Youth Club and Drop-in
Monday 12 th	Girls Night
Wednesday 14 th	Cookery [Healthy Eating]
Thursday 15 th	Youth Club and Drop-in
Monday 19 th	Girls Night
Wednesday 21 st	Cookery [Healthy Eating]
Thursday 22 nd	Youth Club and Drop-in
Monday 26 th	<u>Closed Bank Holiday</u>
Wednesday 28 th	Cookery [Healthy Eating]
Thursday 29 th	Youth Club and Drop-in

All enquiries to either jen@utass.org gina@utass.org theo@utass.org
or to 01833 641010

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS & CHAPERONES NEEDED

Could you spare a couple of hours once every 2 months – particularly on a Thursday evening? If so we'd love to hear from you. Volunteer Drivers would need to be aged over 25 with a clean driving licence with D1 (mini bus) category held and appropriate Criminal Records Bureau checks will need to be undertaken. **Contact Jen at either 01833 641010 or jen@utass.org**

OUTREACH FACILITIES: UTASS, 9-11 CHAPEL ROW

Teesdale Citizens Advice Bureau, Tracey Wills – Fortnightly on Mondays - 9.15am – 1pm

Durham County Council – 1st TUESDAY of the month [10.30-11.30] environmental issues; bus passes; any council services

Durham County Carers – Fournightly on Fridays

Robyn Peat, Partner, George F White available on the first Monday of every month for professional and business advice at UTASS. Free appointments can be made through UTASS (01833 641010 or info@utass.org) or by phoning George F Whites on 01388 527966

Sales / Wants & Services

Sales & Wants: We have a wide range of these on our website and Office notice board

Services: Molecatchers; All aspects of Tree Surgery; Cattle Foot Trimming; Accounts and Record Keeping, computerised or manual; Plumbing & Joinery Work; Combs & Cutters sharpened; Catering; DIY Livery; Mobile Sheep shower; VAT & Book Keeping/ Financial advice; Dry Stone Walling; Farm & Garden Services; Animal Minding; Creative cakes; Fencing, tree planting, hedge laying; Sign work; Leatherwork; Stone Crafts; Wool Crafts, Spinning & Weaving Class; Computer & Additional Services; Larch Wood Gates made to order; painting & decorating

Please call in, check our website www.utass.org or ring 01833 641010 for more information

Middleton-in-Teesdale & Newbiggin Parish Council

Vacancy For Parish Councillor

Are you interested in becoming a Parish Councillor?

Could you make a difference?

If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor and would like to know more about what is involved please contact our Parish Clerk on 01833 640957

Clerk of the Council

3 Newtown, Middleton-in-Teesdale

Barnard Castle

County Durham

DL12 0TH

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Etape Pennines 2014 Cycle Race through our Upper Dales

The organisers of this event are hosting a community meeting on

Tuesday 25th March at Eggleston Village Hall at 6.30pm

All are welcome.

Any queries please get back to me [Selena Colmer].

Regards

Selena Colmer, Project Director,
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Durham County Carers Support at UTASS

My name is Helen Fothergill and I am the local carers support co-ordinator for Durham County Carers Support.

I am working from the UTASS office every other Friday and will next be here on 14th March 2014.

On the 28th March 2014 I am holding a coffee morning drop-in between 11am and 1pm for any existing carers and also for any carers who have not already registered with us to meet me.

This would be an opportunity for people who are unpaid carers for family/friends/neighbours to pop in and have an informal chat, I would appreciate the opportunity to meet up with existing and potential new carers.

Many thanks and looking forward to meeting up with you at UTASS

Helen Fothergill, Carers Support Co-ordinator.

Durham County Carers Support. 1 Hutton Close, South Church
Enterprise Park. Bishop Auckland. DL14 6XG.

Tel. No. 01833 600572. Email: Helen.Fothergill@dccarers.org.uk

NE First Credit Union Opportunities at UTASS

UTASS is now a contact point for NE First Credit Union since the recent amalgamation of Gateshead and Cestria Credit unions with Durham County Credit Union.

NE First Credit Union is participating in the ground breaking developments under the government's Credit Union Expansion Programme.

In line with our efforts to encourage economic wellbeing amongst our children and young people UTASS is working with NE First Credit Union to develop a Young Savers group.

At present all young people signing up are given £5.00 incentive starter savings. Gordon Jones is available on Thursday evenings (between 6pm and 6.45pm) to sign up new young savers and collect savings.

If you want to know more about the credit union and/or our Young Savers group please contact Gordon at UTASS on Tuesdays and Thursdays or email gordon@utass.org

FUNDRAISING EFFORTS

Throughout the year we endeavour to raise funds towards the costs of the activities and support we offer for our children and young people. If you are able to help us by donating raffle or tombola prizes this would be most helpful.

Diane Spark, supported by G.F. White staff (along with some of our young people) will be undertaking a sponsored "Pennine" walk on 15th March 2014 to help raise much needed funds.

To donate or sponsor Diane please contact UTASS.

We are delighted to announce that we have once again booked:-

An evening with DAVEY ARTHUR & SON [Patrick Arthur]

A gathering of tunes & songs, stories & famous folk

At UTASS, Middleton-in-Teesdale, DL12 0SN.

SATURDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2014

Doors open 7pm Supper 7:30pm, Davey Arthur from 8:15pm

Admission £12 [Friends of UTASS £10] includes supper, bring your own drink

A Charity Auction will be held on the night

Tickets: UTASS 01833 641010 or info@utass.org



UTASS Presents

A Decade of Carnivals: Middleton's Magical Memories

An Interactive Exhibition of Photographs Taken by John Wilkinson Between
1979-1988



To be held at UTASS



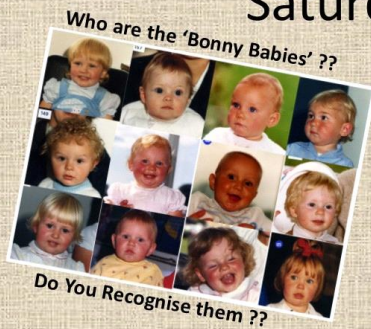
Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th March

10am - 3pm

Admission:

£1 for Adults - Children Free

Refreshments will be on sale



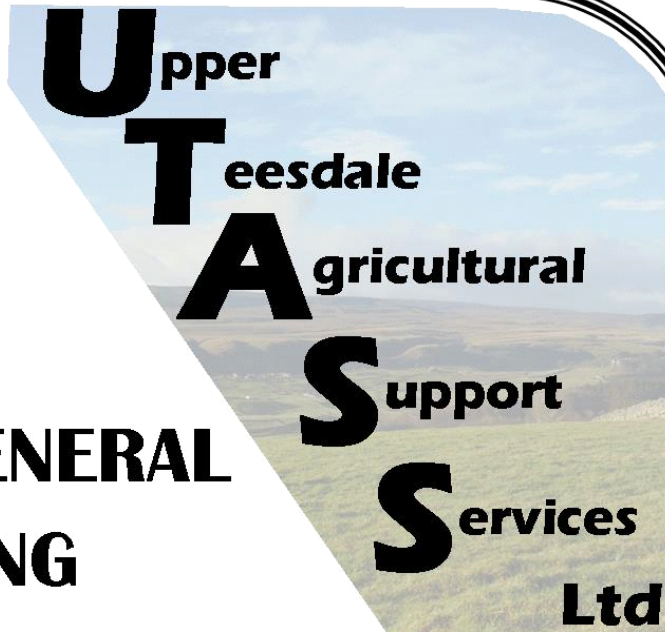
**There will be games to keep the children occupied,
PLUS Competitions with a CASH PRIZE!
We will also be taking orders should anyone want copies of
any of the photographs, either a hard copy or an emailed copy
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE !!**

UTASS Calendar for 2015

From feedback received whilst out and about selling our Christmas cards in December and by numerous requests from members we will be putting together a 2015 calendar, which will be on sale in November/December later this year.

So we'd like to invite members to submit topical & monthly appropriate photographs of the Durham Dales for inclusion.

Please contact Emma at Utass (Mondays & Fridays) or email emma@utass.org



**ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING
OF MEMBERS**

Tuesday 18th March 2014

At 7.30pm, At the UTASS Office

Andrew Rowbotham

(local food ambassador & restaurateur) will give a talk about his passion for using local produce and his “foody” work in Teesdale.

Photographs of the Middleton-in-Teesdale 1970's & 1980's carnivals (taken by John Wilkinson) will also be on show and a hot supper will be available.

For catering purposes please let us know by
FRIDAY 14th March 2014 if you will be joining us.

To confirm attendance please contact UTASS on 01833 641010
or email info@utass.org

Durham Dales Enterprise Community Interest Company

Durham Dales Enterprise CIC are holding car boot sales at the mart on the last Sunday of every month from April – September at only £6.00 per mart pen:-

(27th April; 25th May; 29th June; 27th July; 31st August & 28th September'14)

Fundraising opportunity: We are looking for local community groups to run the café on the above dates to raise funds for themselves (one group per date). Expressions of interest to hayley@utass.org

Does anyone have any photos of the mart in years gone by? We are creating a project with some of the children who attend UTASS to help create a name for the new business units. We are working with Gary Chaplin from DCC to create a selection of 'hands on' workshops. If you could either drop photos in at the UTASS office or send them via email to hayley@utass.org

We are now looking for prospective tenants for the business units at the mart. If you are a 'new start' or 'growth' business, please get in touch to be added onto the application list hayley@utass.org
Application forms will be sent out by the end of April.

For all local businesses and those thinking of starting up in business: Middleton Hub and South Durham Enterprise Agency are working with Jane Shaw from Blue Sky Think & Durham Creatives to hold a selection of workshops and a business enterprise event later in the year (a potential opportunity for free marketing). This will be a pilot project which aims to encourage other villages in the North East to do the same and help promote their community. If you are interested in participating or finding out more, there will be an evening held at UTASS on Tuesday 25th March, 6 – 8.30pm.

Contact hayley@utass.org or marzia@theenterpriseagency.co.uk to register.

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