



UTASS

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Supporting our Communities in the Durham Dales



Spring 2017
Covering March, April & May



Spring 2017
GEORGE F. WHITE

Spring Newsletter...

Hello everyone,
Welcome to the Spring community newsletter...

As usual, there's lots in this edition, from news on exciting events which have put Teesdale on the map and training update, to upcoming events and

mart dates as well as information about services available in and around Teesdale and the Durham Dales.

If you have anything for the Summer newsletter, which will be out at the end of May and will cover

June, July & August; it could be a story, an event or an advertisement, please email details to me at

emma@utass.org
Best Wishes,
Emma

The Great Get Together....

UTASS are planning an open day event as part of 'The Jo Cox Foundations', 'The Great Get Together', a community event that will be held on the weekend of the 17th - 18th June to mark the anniversary of Jo's death.

The killing of Jo Cox was designed to divide a community, so what better way to respond than to plan a series of events to bring us all closer together!

The foundation asked people to throw a get-together, it could be big or small, a street party or just sharing cake with friends and neighbours - and to use it as a chance to enjoy being together and celebrate what we have in common.

On Saturday the 17th June UTASS is planning an open

day, where people can pop in to see what UTASS does...

We're no longer just here to support farmers in Upper Teesdale.

We support farmers with paperwork and complex legislation across the whole of the Durham Dales, and offer community support with our outreach facilities, which include citizens advice, weekly beauty therapist, Durham County Carers

Support, and others, all detailed on page 5.

We'll showcase what UTASS offers, which, as well as services mentioned above includes room hire, photocopying, Young Peoples Sessions, training, and much, much more! We'll have refreshments available and activities to occupy young people.

We'll also have a table top sale, if you'd like to book a table be sure to get in touch.



Business Units at The Aspire Building

Middleton in Teesdale Auction Mart, DL12 0NG



Yan - Unit 1 - H&H Land & Property

H&H Land and Property - Our team can assist with AMC applications and valuations of property, estate management, landlord & tenant and dispute resolution and compulsory purchase. We have an extensive farm business management service which includes a broad range of issues from farm budgets and entitlement trading to name but a few. We also have a dedicated sales and agency team who can assist you with a sale, purchase or letting of land, farm and equine property - whatever the size. Our Middleton-in-Teesdale office will be open on during sale dates or at a convenient time for clients. We hope to be of service to the local farmers with their professional needs.

Tyan - Unit 2 - Olwen Williams - Fine Art

Olwen Williams is a local artist, Olwen mainly works on large oil paintings but does create small preliminary studies in water colour and they are available to purchase with all monies received being donated to charity.



Her studio is open Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays 9am - 5pm

Tethera - Unit 3 - Farm, Pet & Equine



Stock a complete range of Farm, Pet and Equine supplies including:

- Stable Supplies
- Tack and Horse Rugs
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- Livestock Health Products and Supplements
- Equestrian Wear
- Outdoor Clothing
- New products include Dog and Horse Feed
- And much more ...

The price you see is what you pay (includes VAT and free delivery to UK mainland).

Open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 9am-1pm and Sunday 10am-2pm

If you require further information about our products, please contact Mike on 01833 641111 or 07747002184

Email: mike@farmpetandequine.uk or visit the website: www.farmpetandequine.uk

Farm, Pet and Equine will be attending Bowes and Eggeleston Show

Methera - Unit 4 - Sweet Tooth

Ali Collinson, owner of Sweet Tooth is the first 'Young Rural Entrepreneur' to take up the offer of a programme provided by H&H Group, South Durham Enterprise Agency and UTASS.

Sweet Tooth offers sweet treats for any occasion, from party bags to wedding favours, other specialities include sweet trees and gift boxed treats.

You can contact Ali at Sweet Tooth on 07891173729 or email ali_tarn_116@hotmail.com or visit her Facebook page SweetToothAli



Buiness Unit at **UTASS** Middleton in Teesdale, DL12 0SN

Pip - Unit 5 - Steve Messam

An environmental artist based in the North of England. With his site-specific installations, he sets visual accents in rural or urban settings, which include historical relics and vacant architecture that make us perceive the familiar environment in a new way.

27 Years of The Ralph

Gowland Trust...

The Ralph Gowland Trust was formed in December 1988, specifically to benefit residents of the parish of Middleton in Teesdale, aged 60 years or over, who are in need, suffering hardship and or in situations of distress, who receive only a low income.

They make grants of money or can pay for items, services or facilities to help reduce the hardship and distress.

Examples of help given in the past include payments for or towards fuel or electric bills, furniture replacement, kitchen equipment and assistance with holidays.

If your total income is less than £275 per week for a couple, or £180 per week for a single person

The trust may be able to help you purchase some item(s) that you need but cannot afford.

To access and apply to the fund please write to the trust, explaining your problem.

Any application/ correspondence will be treated in the strictest confidence.

The Trustees are eager and anxious to help and provide any necessary assistance from the fund.

Address your sealed envelope to: "The Ralph Gowland Trust"

Barclays Bank, 7 Market Place, Middleton in Teesdale, County Durham, DL12 0QF



Middleton-in-Teesdale Carnival

WATCH THIS SPACE

In our next issue, we'll have an update from the carnival committee on new events planned for this years carnival.

Carnival Disco
 Friday 7th April 6:00pm - 7:30pm
 Middleton-in-Teesdale Primary School

2017 Middleton-in-Teesdale Carnival Queen will be announced
AND
 the Queens attendants will be chosen on the night from those attending the disco.

To be eligible to be an attendant, you must be:
 Aged 4, 5, 6 or 7 on Carnival Day (Saturday 5th August 2017) and live in Middleton-in-Teesdale, Lunedale, Holwick or the Upper Dale.
 Your name needs to be put into the draw by an adult who comes to the disco with you.

The first two names drawn during the disco will be the attendants to the 2017 Carnival Queen.

Admission to the disco : £1.50 on the door
 Proceeds to Middleton-in-Teesdale Carnival

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GEORGE F. WHITE

The George F. White Group provides property and business consultancy services on a regional basis from Southern Scotland down to North Lincolnshire.

The roots of our business are firmly planted in the agricultural and rural sector and we have extensive knowledge and experience on all issues relating to property.

We are a business that provides innovative solutions for our clients. Using our breadth and depth of knowledge we provide clarity, direction and support to help people make the right decisions and achieve the best outcome. We have a team of 120 people (and growing!) that operate from our seven offices. We have a culture of innovation, inspiration, honesty and commitment. We work collaboratively to bring excellent people together to deliver the right solutions for our clients.



Dementia Friendly Swimming

Dementia Friendly Swimming

If you're living with dementia, or care for someone who does, come and try one of our Dementia Friendly swimming sessions. With accessible equipment and facilities, and assistance from specially trained staff, you can relax and enjoy your swim in a safe and supportive environment.

Join us for a session at:

- Freeman's Quay leisure centre, Durham City, 11:00am - 12:00pm every Monday.
 - Chester-le-Street leisure centre, 11:00am - 12:00pm every Wednesday.
 - Spennymoor leisure centre, 2.30pm - 3.30pm every Monday.
 - Teesdale leisure centre, 10:30am - 11:30am every Tuesday.
 - Woodhouse Close leisure complex, Bishop Auckland, 2.30pm - 3.30pm, every Wednesday.
- For more information telephone 03000 264572

www.swimming.org/dementiafriendly



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COVERING SUNDERLAND & SURROUNDING AREAS. AVAILABLE IN MIDDLETON IN TEESDALE ON FRIDAYS

Mobile Beauty Therapist Emma Richardson of Tranquil Treatments works from UTASS every Friday.

Her treatment menu and price list is on the UTASS website, www.utass.org

Alzheimer's Society

Leading the fight against dementia

Nicky Tulloch from the Alzheimer's Society will be based at UTASS on Fridays, with a remit to help people living with Dementia, their carers and families, by providing information, advice and support.

For further details contact her on 07484 040630 or email: Nicola.Tulloch@alzheimers.org.uk

RACHEL LOGAN
MCFHP MAFHP

Foot Health Professional

Telephone: 07825314487
e-mail: rachy87@hotmail.com

Rachel visits UTASS every 6 weeks, offering nail trimming & correction, skin conditions, heel pain, removal of hard skin, corns, callus, verrucae, blisters, athletes foot, fungal infections, diabetic foot assessments, ingrowing toenails and general foot care advice.

GEORGE F. WHITE

George F White Partner, Robyn Peat, is 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 White's on 01388 527966



Helen Mills, a carer support worker from Durham County Carers Support visits UTASS every other Friday, supporting carers in our local community.

You can find out more information by visiting www.ddcarers.org or contact Helen on 01833 600 577.



Teesdale Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) offer a drop-in service at UTASS fortnightly on Mondays. 10am - 1pm.

If you have any suggestions, please do get in touch with jen@utass.org

We champion ourselves upon the youth sessions working, because they are what the young people want.

UTASS Youth Sessions

Monday's

Girls Group
6pm til 8pm
8 - 12 year olds

Wednesday's

Off Site visits In School Holidays
6pm til 8pm
8 - 12 year olds

Thursday's

Youth Club
6pm til 8pm
8 - 12 year olds

All Sessions £1 per child per session

Songs from the British Isles and the USA

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"It is truly a gift what she gives her audience."
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- Sing Out! Magazine

www.debracowan.com

CHARITY CONCERT
In aid of St Mary's Church and The Village Hall

ST MARY'S CHURCH
Middleton-in-Teesdale

Sat. 8th April 7.00pm

Tickets £8/£5 from The Post Office
(or by phone from 01833 641392)

Refreshments - All Welcome

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Trips for Young People

Trampolining
on Wednesday 12th April
at Planet Leisure
£10 per person

Bowling
on Wednesday 19th April
at Planet Leisure
£10 per person

Further details and consent forms can be found on the UTASS website
www.utass.org/category/events-activities
Or contact the UTASS office.

Have you changed your email address?

Please keep us up to date & let us know of any change to your email address.

This will help UTASS minimise exceeding our deferred limit of failed email attempts on our server.

To update any of your contact details please send amendments to ann@utass.org

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Ring to discuss your requirements on 01388 718264

Take a look at our website

www.joesimpsonsbutchers.co.uk

Your Parish Council Needs You!...

Elections take place on May 4th 2017

For further details contact the Parsh Clerk.
Judith Mashiter - cerk@upperteesdale.org

...Could you be a Parish Councillor?

SUPPORTING UTASS

YOU CAN NOW SUPPORT UTASS VIA VIRGIN MONEY GIVING.
YOU CAN VISIT WWW.UTASS.ORG AND IN THE "SUPPORT US" TAB YOU'LL FIND A LINK TO OUR VIRGIN MONEY GIVING PAGE.
ALTERNATIVELY YOU CAN USE THE QR CODE OPPOSITE.



March 2017

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March Events Listings:

- Citizens Advice are at UTASS every other Monday, 10am - 1pm. (6th & 20th)
- 'Mobile Beauty By Emma' is at UTASS every Friday.
- Durham County Carers are at UTASS on Thursday 16th, then every other Friday, from Friday 7th April.
- Nicky Tulloch from the Alzheimer's Society will be here every Friday, with a coffee morning on Friday 31st.
- Pilates - every Wednesday, 9.30am.
- 7th - Middleton in Teesdale Farmers Lunch.
- 8th - St Johns Chapel Farmers Lunch.
- 9th Rachel Logan, Chiropodist at UTASS. (contact details on page 5)
- 14th - Information Event about 'Proposed Changes to Local NHS Services'.
- 16th - Barnard Castle Farmers Lunch.
- 28th - Music & Memories at UTASS the 4th Tuesday of every month, 2pm - 3pm.

April 2017

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April Events Listings:

- Citizens Advice are at UTASS every other Monday, 10am - 1pm. (3rd)
- 'Mobile Beauty By Emma' is at UTASS every Friday.
- Durham County Carers are at UTASS every other Friday. (7th & 21st)
- Nicky Tulloch from the Alzheimer's Society will be here every Friday.
- Pilates - every Wednesday, 9.30am.
- 4th - Middleton in Teesdale Farmers Lunch.
- 5th - St Johns Chapel Farmers Lunch.
- 8th - Charity Concert at St Marys Church.
- 10th - **NO** Young Peoples Session.
- 13th - **NO** Young Peoples Session.
- 14th - Good Friday - UTASS OFFICE CLOSED
- 17th - Easter Monday - UTASS OFFICE CLOSED, - **NO** Young Peoples Session.
- 20th - Barnard Castle Farmers Lunch.
- 20th - **NO** Young Peoples Session.
- 25th - Music & Memories at UTASS the 4th Tuesday of every month, 2pm - 3pm.

May 2017

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May Events Listings:

- Citizens Advice are at UTASS every other Monday, 10am - 1pm. (15th)
- 'Mobile Beauty By Emma' is at UTASS every Friday.
- Durham County Carers are at UTASS every other Friday. (5th & 19th).
- Nicky Tulloch from the Alzheimer's Society will be here every Friday.
- Pilates - every Wednesday, 9.30am.
- 1st - BANK HOLIDAY - OFFICE CLOSED - **NO** Young Peoples Session.
- 2nd Farm Watch AGM at UTASS.
- 2nd - Middleton in Teesdale Farmers Lunch.
- 10th - St Johns Chapel Farmers Lunch.
- 18th - Barnard Castle Farmers Lunch.
- 20th - High Force Sheep Show.
- 23rd - Music & Memories at UTASS the 4th Tuesday of every month, 2pm - 3pm.
- 29th - UTASS OFFICE CLOSED , 29th - 2nd.
- 29th - **NO** Young Peoples Session.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Meeting to Explore Fibre Broadband Opportunities...

A public meeting is being held in UTASS at 7.30pm on Tuesday 6th June 2017 to explore fibre broadband opportunities and options for those who currently have a poor or non-existent broadband facility. Libby Bateman, who led the hugely successful Fell End Broadband project, will be in attendance and will talk briefly about what did and didn't work for their project. Background details of the Fell End project can be found at <http://www.ravenstonedale.org/events/fellendbroadband.html> Representatives from BT will also be attending and a supper will be available.

More details to follow but to book a place now please contact UTASS on 01833 641010 or email diane@utass.org

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS AND 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. Appropriate Criminal Records Bureau (DBS checks) will need to be undertaken.

Contact Jen on 01833 641010 or email jen@utass.org



NE First Credit Union Opportunities at UTASS

Did you know you can join NE First Credit Union and pay in to your account via UTASS?

Adults can join the credit union for a £1 fee and can now apply immediately for a loan up to a maximum of £15,000. Loan interest rates are calculated daily on a reducing balance basis. There is also free life insurance with every loan. Young people can also save with the credit union and they do not pay any joining fee. Young savers aged under 8 years also receive a free piggy bank.

Information about NE Credit Union and application packs are available from UTASS during office hours on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and the collection point service is available on Thursdays between 4pm and 5pm.

Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust
Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust



Are you a young person age 0-19?
Are you the parent of carer of a young person?
Or a professional working with young people?

making a difference together

We are 5 experienced nurses looking to improve and grow the emotional health and resilience of young people across County Durham

Emotional Health & Resilience Nurse
Bishop Auckland & Dales
03000 266810

Also on Facebook:

Emotional Health and Resilience Nurses-County Durham



UTASS will be offering FREE monthly music and memories sessions between 2pm and 3pm.

- Tuesday 28th March
- Tuesday 25th April
- Tuesday 23rd May
- Tuesday 27th June
- Tuesday 25th July

The aim of the session is to provide a warm, welcoming and caring setting where people can come together for a singalong, socialise, cup of tea and a cake. The Monday Night Girls Group at UTASS will bake the cakes for participants to share, at the music and memories sessions.

Transport to and from UTASS may also be available if required.

If you want to come along please contact UTASS on 01833 641010.



Middleton-in-Teesdale has a Gym?? ...

... Yes, we are here!

As Middleton-in-Teesdale Fitness Suite enters its sixth year, fewer people, on seeing and using our facilities and the range of activities we offer, are saying, "I didn't know you were here!"

From our early days as a Legacy Gym when the Wellness on Wheels Service was withdrawn by Durham County Council, a team of volunteers has built a thriving resource for the community.

In rooms above the Middleton-in-Teesdale Sports and Social Club we have a good range of aerobic and resistance machines, recently expanded by the addition of Olympic bars, plates and quality benches. A twin cable tower is expected imminently as we respond to requests from a growing number of enthusiasts.

We are much more than a gym. A registered charity, our mission is to provide suitable fitness activities and opportunities for social contact for

members of all ages (our youngest is 14, our oldest 86), and both genders.

"The Gentle Gym", a Walk4Life group that meets every Monday afternoon, rambles around the local parishes in all seasons for forty five minutes or so, and continues to ramble over tea and cakes in local cafes.

Diets, menus, weigh-ins and matters nutritional are discussed weekly at the Slim Gym, and the creation of a garden, rockery and quoits pitch contributed to the village's achievement in Northumbria in Bloom.

Zumba Gold - exercise to dance music for those less mobile meets on a Wednesday morning, followed by the far more active full Zumba group later that evening.

A Blockfit class on Saturday lunchtimes incorporates dance to music, combat, HIIT and yoga stretching, and a more challenging Circuit Training group does their

stuff on Tuesday and Thursday evenings (5.30 – 6.30).

All activities are led by qualified volunteers. Fitness Instructors and Personal Trainers can analyse individuals' exercise needs and provide programmes to support general toning, weight reduction and post operation recovery. We will also use advice provided by appropriate health professionals to support members with disabilities.

Another Personal Trainer uses our facilities to provide sports massage, taping and individual support on a commercial basis.

If you haven't been to the Gym, come and see us and talk to one of our volunteers. Why not think of joining us as a volunteer? There are benefits of low subscriptions, first aid training and free use of the facilities – we welcome any additional help we can get!

See the flyer in UTASS window for details of opening hours and extremely reasonable fees.



Photograph courtesy of Sue Bainbridge



Photograph courtesy of John Stafekis

TRAINING UPDATE MARCH 2017

Please view our website's Training Opportunities page: <http://utass.org/training-available/> & Minibus Training <http://utass.org/minibus-training/>

Please contact Julia or Charlotte on 01833 641010 or email julia@utass.org or charlotte@utass.org for more information (Please remember we are closed on Wednesdays)

POSSIBLE TRAINING DATES COMING UP SHORTLY:

PLEASE NOTE TRAINING COURSES CAN ONLY RUN WHEN THERE ARE SUFFICIENT NUMBERS

- 16-17 May* NPTC Rough Terrain Telescopic Loader Training (£345 approx.)
- 22+23 May* NPTC Safe of Use of Pesticides (PA1) + PA2 (Mounted) - £350
- NPTC Safe of Use of Pesticides (PA1) + PA6 (Handheld) - £325
- 23-26 May* Semex Approved DIY Artificial Insemination in Cattle - £445 + VAT
- 19-21 June* Dry Stone Walling Training in Weardale with Lantra Trainer
- 28-30 June* BWMB 2 day course - £150 + VAT* (Exact 2 days to be confirmed)

* Funding for eligible trainees may be available from Weardale Action Partnership

Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys

NHS Foundation Trust

County Durham and Darlington CAMHS

Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing Awareness Training

1 April 2017- 30 September 2017

We have been notified of a whole range of sessions, details of those being held in Teesdale shortly are:

9.30am-12.15pm	Tues, 9 th May 2017	One Point Hub, Shaw Bank	Anxiety, Worries, Fears & Phobias
1.15-4.15pm	Tues, 9 th May 2017	Staindrop Rd, Bd Castle. DL12 8TD	Attachment Difficulties

Free training sessions are aimed at the whole of the children's workforce, parents and carers, with sessions that will enhance awareness of the chosen topic, and help explore and identify mental health concerns within children and young people.

A good foundation into understanding different mental health concerns within children and young people, the key elements of the training packages include how to identify the concern, but most importantly highlight self-help/ supportive strategies and resources that can be used.

We attempt to use a variety of learning approaches and welcome informal and anonymous case discussion to improve and develop the practice of course attendees.

For further details or to book a place please contact Nicky Harmer, Clinical Lead, Targeted CAMHS County Durham & Darlington on 07500783634 or e-mail tevv.countydurhamcamhstraining@nhs.net

Funding for Weardale Rural Skills Training (Application forms on UTASS website or from the Office)

Part funding from Weardale Action Partnership, over two years, has been made available to farmers living or working in Weardale towards the cost of a wide range of rural skills. As training courses are arranged only when there are sufficient numbers coming forward to run a course, please get in touch to let us know of your training requirements.

So far 9 trainees have been part funded by Weardale Action Partnership towards their NPTC Safe Use of Pesticides training & assessment; 2 for the Semex DIY Artificial Insemination for Cattle training, held on 13-16th June; 2 for British Wool Marketing Board Sheep Shearing on 22 & 23 June; 3 for Lantra Chainsaw training held at Hamsterley Forest on 29 & 30 June + 4 more on 28 & 29 November and 2 have done the trailer training, with another due to start shortly. Training for 3 trainees to do the NPTC City & Guilds Level 2 Award in Land-based Forklift Truck Operations (Rough Terrain, Masted and Telescopic Types) was held on 15 & 16 September at Wearhead, with an assessment the following week.

Emergency First Aid Training, fully funded to Weardale funded trainees, was held at The Hub in Barnard Castle on Wednesday, 23rd November, when two trainees attended and gained this qualification. A further training course can be arranged if more trainees request this training. Walling training to be held in Weardale is planned for 19-21 June 2017, with a Lantra/DSWA trainer.

Vehicle Training to Improve Employability (Application form downloadable from link below or from UTASS)

We were delighted to hear that we had been awarded funding from the Wellesley Trust Fund at the Community Foundation Tyne & Wear and Northumberland. This funding provides for **car & trailer lessons, car driving lessons, quad bike or pre-test tractor training and Lantra 13-15 tractor driving.** All applicants for this new round of funding who returned their applications to UTASS by Wednesday, 31st August, 2016 have been contacted and training has started, with Lantra 13-15 tractor driving held in November & December & February Half Term and car driving lessons and car and trailer lessons progressing well.

As applications are currently closed, a form for possible future funding can be downloaded from our website. Applicants are asked to explain why they feel this training would be useful to them and to indicate how it would improve their career prospects or enable them to access training and employment opportunities outside their immediate area.

Grateful thanks go for the team effort to make this young people driver training possible – this time involving tractors & trailers kindly loaned by Watsons of Strand Foot; Karl, Loraine & Michael Robinson and Peter & Barbara Needham & Stuart Richardson. The venue has been provided by kind permission of Middleton in Teesdale Farmers' Mart with voluntary help from H & H Staff, community & UTASS Members much appreciated. Thanks too to Terry Maw, the Lantra trainer who has been delivering this excellent training for over 9 years and makes it such an enjoyable learning experience for the two trainees. *"The trainer was fantastic and made the day. Would highly recommend to anyone interested."* *"I will help Dad on the farm."* *"I have learnt the safety aspects of using hydraulics on a tractor."* *"Will use what I have learnt throughout the year, probably more than ever at hay time.."*

Car and trailer and car lessons trainees commented *"Thank you very much for making me aware of this funding and all of your help."* *"Please pass on my thanks to all involved, this will make a huge difference when it comes to my work and education."*

Rodenticides

Please call our Office to request a copy of the AHDB publication "Rodent Control on Farms" booklet, pick up a list of recognized qualifications and details of the Rodenticide Stewardship Regime (also available on our Training page).

For additional information regarding Use of Pesticides (Grandfather) PAGR 601/1338/1 see link below:

<http://www.nptc.org.uk/assets/documents/8df01fbc3e984f35a1f633c3c8c4dac1.pdf>

For additional information regarding NPTC Level 2 Award in the Safe Use of Pesticides, see link below:

<https://www.nptc.org.uk/qualificationschemes.aspx?id=2> (0216; 021650; 021654)

For additional information regarding Level 2 Award in the Safe Use of Sheep Dips Assessment Schedule & HSE advice:

<https://www.nptc.org.uk/assets/documents/7a6c3997f84b4e72bc541255e808a059.pdf>

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/ais41.pdf> (Advice to farmers and others dipping sheep)

NPTC Level 2 Award in the Transport of Animals by Road (Short Journeys) - Cattle & Sheep are classed as one species.

If **individuals** want this qualification, please contact the UTASS Office. Although no training course is required, those interested will receive information to prepare beforehand (please see the link below). Qualification handbook 600/0306/6 states "This qualification is aimed specifically at people transporting animals over 65Km and up to eight hours in duration, where the journey is in connection with an economic activity".

The above qualification ties in with requirements for a **business** to apply for an Animal Transporter Authorisation for the above journeys - please see the link to the Guidance Notes & Application form below (or contact us if you require a print out of any information mentioned in this section).



Laura Carrick of TCR Hub and Rupert Philbrick from Cream Teas, The Turrets & the Hub, pictured with instructor, Andre, returning after passing their D1 test on 25th January.

Thanks to funding from Teesdale Action Partnership 9 trainees like Laura and Rupert have now passed their D1 Test and 15 more volunteer drivers have achieved the MiDAS minibus driver awareness scheme qualification.

Our Asda minibus pictured opposite takes 14 passengers and requires drivers to hold a D1 Licence. Our new minibus takes 9 passengers and does not require D1 on the licence.

We would be delighted to hear from Community Organisations interested in using them. TCR Hub also have several minibuses available for community use.

To cover UTASS costs it is £10/half day & £20 for a full day's use, plus £1 per mile with special rates for educational use – further details on the Minibus Training page of our website.



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FASHION SHOWS

Friday 12th May 2017

Friends of
Middleton-in-Teesdale Primary School

Are hosting a
LADIES FASHION SHOW & POP UP SHOP

Tickets £5 each
Tickets include a welcome drink and nibbles

Middleton-in-Teesdale Primary School
Town End, Barnard Castle, DL12 0TG



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UTASS Christmas Cards & 2018 Calendar

It may only be March..... But if you're 'out and about', or 'in on the Farm' and have a great photograph, send it in sooner rather than later..

If you have any photographs you'd like to offer for the 2017 Christmas card or the 2018 calendar please email them to emma@utass.org

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