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Former student causes stir on Blind Date



Jo Palmer, contestant

by Miles Starforth

SHOCKED Blind Date bosses were left fuming after it was revealed a former Newcastle student, on the show last week, had appeared in a porn film.

And this new scandal is just the latest blow to the popular show - which was branded 'smutty' by TV watchdogs earlier this year.

The *Sunday Mirror* revealed that contestant Jo Palmer, who studied Drama at Newcastle College, had appeared in an x-rated movie - with her aunt and uncle.

Jo, speaking to the paper, was unrepentant, she said: "I don't give a shit...it [the film] was only an hour of my life."

"It would have been easier if it hadn't been my uncle and aunt, but I don't regret it - it gave me a buzz."

But former course tutor Ronan Patterson believes the tabloid story should be taken with a pinch of salt, he told *The Courier*: "I would be extremely sceptical about these rumours."

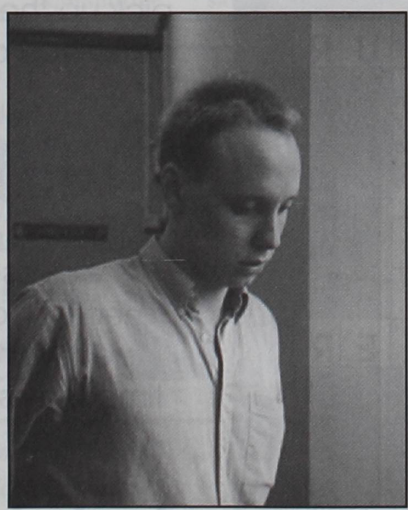
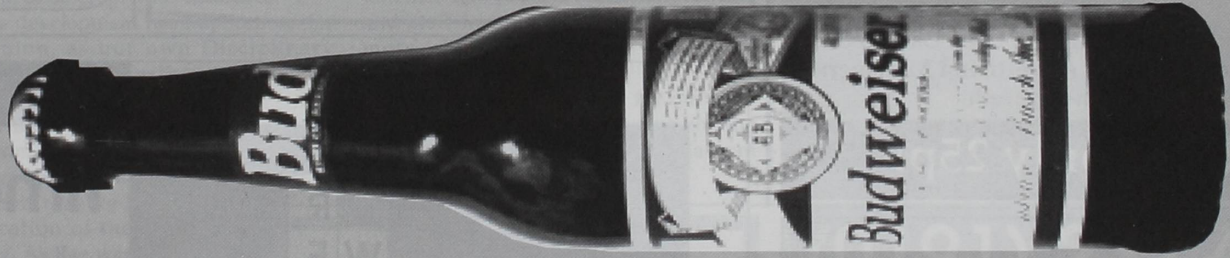
He added: "She's the sort of person who if someone said these kind of things would think it was a quite a laugh - Jo was a perfectly straightforward drama student."

On the show Jo chose florist Karl Welsh as her partner - who she later called a "mummy's boy".

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Attacker convicted of ABH bottle assault

Ex-student returns to Newcastle to face charges of Actual Bodily Harm



by Alistair Thomson reporting from Newcastle Magistrates

THE FORMER student who attacked the head of Union Security with a Budweiser bottle was convicted this week by Newcastle Magistrates Court, who ordered him to pay £250.

Sitting on Monday, the court heard how Phil Newman struck Steve Gavin over the head as the security chief tried to protect him from several assailants.

Steve ended up in Casualty with an inch-long gash in his head, described in a doctor's statement as being consistent

with wounding by a blunt weapon. The actual bottle used was not recovered.

Wager

The fracas erupted after Newman and a friend lost a game of pool, and were unable to pay the £2 wager, saying they had no money.

Walking away from their opponents, the pair were followed and a tussle ensued, during which shirts were torn.

Another confrontation took place on the stairs up from the Basement, causing Steve Gavin to intervene.

Steve told the court that he

held Newman against the wall, but then was struck from behind, causing him to turn round, shielding Newman from further violence.

He felt another blow to the back of the head, and wrestled Newman to the ground. It was only then, he said, that he felt his head and realised that he was covered in blood.

Newman, who now works as an advertising executive for a Knightsbridge firm, said he acted in self-defence, and was waving his hands around to deflect punches from his assailants when

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- 60ml Natural Yoghurt
- Black Pepper

Method:

1. - Heat oil in a large frying pan or wok.
2. - Add garlic and fry for about 1 minute.
3. - Add chicken and cook for 3-4 minutes, stir all the time.
4. - Add courgettes and peppers and cook for a further 2 minutes until the chicken is cooked and vegetables are tender but crisp.
5. - Add soy sauce and make sure it gets very hot.
6. - Stir in the yoghurt and season to taste.
7. - Serve on a bed of noodles.

Demo against rising hardship

IN London on the 23rd of November there is to be a National Union of Students demonstration against the increasing hardships that many students now face.

The protest is also in light of policy reviews on funding of higher education by all political parties.

It seems certain that all parties are to introduce a loans based system which would only help to increase the current financial burdens experienced by most of

today's students.

Newcastle University Students Union is organising buses to the demonstration. Emma Stevens, Welfare and Campaigns Officer is urging as many people as possible to attend because "Student Hardship is an important issue affecting everyone at university and at the price of £3.50 it's cheap enough for anybody to afford"

Anyone interested in taking part in the demonstration should obtain tickets at Reception.

Kate Cuddihy

It's the new SCAN Van!



SCAN was celebrating last week after taking delivery of a spanking-new minibus.

Up until now, the organisation's transport needs have been met through a joint rental arrangement with NUS. The badly needed bus will greatly help SCAN in the valuable work and ultimately benefit so many of the people the group is involved with.

Since the theft of the SCAN van a few months ago, the group has found transport a real problem.

But Midland Bank stepped into the breach, producing the new van like a rabbit out of a hat. Student advisor Mark Bower presented the keys to Bob Milan, SCAN Co-ordinator, last Wednesday.

Lecturers get on their bikes

THE University of Middlesex is strongly encouraging the use of environmentally friendly transport by staff with a radical new measure of paying 10 pence for every mile cycled between campuses on university business.

A spokesman for our own dear university said that although the administration strongly advocate the use of

bicycles by students and staff such a scheme would be inapplicable here due to the geography of Newcastle's campus.

However, they are working closely with the city on the development of an efficient cycle route project, hopefully leading to a situation in which a similar scheme to that of Middlesex could be established.

Jenny Poulter

Bottle attack conviction

continued from front page the hand with his beer bottle in accidentally struck Steve Gavin's head.

"I wasn't actually aware of where individuals were standing when the blows rained down on me," said Phil, "I was being attacked and my concerns were for my own safety."

His defence lawyer told the court: "It's not right that a young lad setting out on his career with his degree should have a conviction like this."

Finding Newman guilty of section 47 assault, the court fined Newman £75, with £75 costs, and awarded £100 compensation to Steve Gavin.

Union Entertainments Manager Daryl Robinson was

pleased with the outcome: "It's good to know that the criminal courts take violence against Union staff seriously, and that the correct channels were followed successfully."

Blind Date Furore

continued from front page Karl said of Jo: "When the screen came back and I saw what she was wearing I was amazed how little there was to it."

"If I could change anything about Jo I would make her wear longer skirts and talk less - I couldn't get a word in edgeways."

Jo is currently selling double glazing after leaving college, but she wants to be a children's TV presenter, she said: "I am very determined."

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TO the pissed Environment Officer and Robbie: whilst hugging and kissing the Union president is, as of yet not an offence, backing a policeman up against the wall of Newcastle Central Station and lecturing him about protecting the environment, could well be!

Quip

Time is the key...

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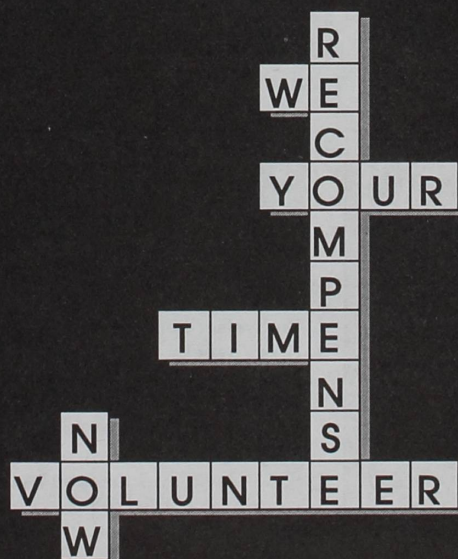
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£554 for six hash cakes

AN office prank landed a Newcastle student in court after colleagues accidentally ate his hash brownies.

And he ended up shelling out over £500 when the case was heard at Reading Magistrates Court.

Second year Maths student Paul Quigley was working at Prudential over the summer, and the office held a party for him when he left.

But Paul, hoping to spice up the party, took along some chocolate brownies, six of which were laced with cannabis resin.

The hash cakes were meant only for himself and some friends who knew about them, but became muddled up with the normal brownies, and unsuspecting colleagues also ate them.

Paul himself had two, and

told the court he was stoned. When people began to complain about feeling dizzy, fired and light-headed, Paul got worried and left the party.

But police were called out to the office, and a subsequent visit to Paul's home turned up eight cannabis plants and an amount of resin.

His defence lawyer told the court: "It was an episode that went badly wrong. Mr Quigley wants to take this occasion to apologise to all those concerned about his actions back in August."

Paul was fined £75 for possession, £50 for cultivating hash plants and £100 for each of three charges of supplying drugs. He was also ordered to pay £69 costs and £30 compensation to two of the people who had eaten the cakes: a total of £554.

Alistair Thomson

Revellers fall foul of student-bashing thugs

by Tarquin Cooper

THREE students fell victim to a vicious attack by local youths outside The Boat last week leaving one with a G.B.H. injury.

The incident occurred at closing time last week. It began when Ed Trotter, accompanied by his brother Rupert, was accosted by local men in the taxi stand area - taunting them into a confrontation.

"Johnny Brosnan intervened to calm things down and was given a vicious punch", said Ed.

Talking with a broken jaw bone, Mr Brosnan said, "I've never felt pain like it before."

"I saw that Henry Burton [who had also intervened], was in trouble. He was a bit pissed and being practically sober I tried to calm it all down."

As the group of students made their hasty retreat, "the same attacker jumped up and head-butted Ed from behind."

Mr Trotter suffered injuries to his neck muscles and had to wear a neck brace and sling the following day.

But the attack did not stop there as numbers on both sides started to escalate.

Oliver Wilson and Sebastian Stoddard were walking towards the Swing Bridge when the others passed, warning them to 'leg it!'

Mr Wilson recalled, "the gang were jeering at us. I ran - but Seb tried to

pacify them."

"I thought there was no point running," Seb told the Courier, "instead I stayed, got punched and was in absolute agony."

"My teeth are off set and I can't open my mouth very wide," he added.

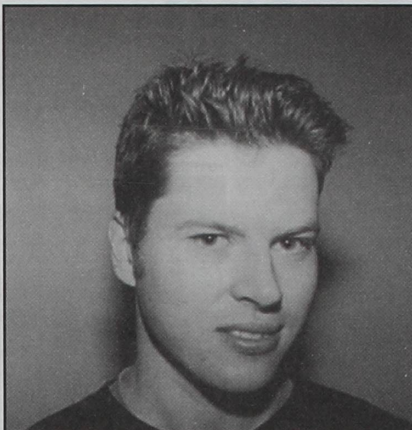
The group of students, now numbering about 10 fled down Swing bridge from their attackers and flagged down a riot police van.

"The police responded immediately," Henry said, "apprehending one assailant" - who now faces a common assault charge.

The police can only disclose that the 18 year old youth from this area, has been "released on bail pending further investigation."

The man wanted for G.B.H. however managed to escape.

• Following their investigation into safety on the Tuxedo Royal, a spokesperson for Gateshead Borough Council said they have "made them aware of their responsibility," but are "keeping the matter under review."



Johnny Brosnan: had his jaw broken

Attacker let back into Uni

By Alistair Thomson

AMAN who served a 15-month prison sentence for assaulting two people in the Union building returned to Newcastle last week to continue his course.

Neil Rae attacked two other students with a beer bottle in January 1994, leaving both in need of hospital treatment.

Mark Bullas required 12 stitches to his forehead, and stiches to other wounds to his nose, hand and the back of his head. His friend Neil Cherry needed stitches to his lip and the back of his head.

Rae, recently released from prison, was allowed back to Newcastle University last week, subject to certain conditions laid down by the University Disciplinary Panel.

Registrar Derek Nicholson told *The Courier*, "It's the University's firm policy not to discuss individual students with the media, but in this case, with Mr Rae's permission and total agreement, I have agreed to comment."

"In accordance with disciplinary procedure the Disciplinary Panel has considered the case in great detail,

examining all aspects of the situation and taking all this into account.

"It fully recognises the serious nature of the incident, reflected in the sentence imposed by the court.

"The first priority in considering the case is the well-being of students and staff at the University."

The Panel has interviewed members of academic staff who knew Rae, as well as consulting 'professional opinion'.

Rae has accepted the conditions imposed by the Disciplinary Panel, including a ban from the Union building and Union activities and regular monitoring of his progress by tutors, in addition to other 'private' measures.

The development has implications for the Union, as our own Disciplinary Committee hasn't finalised its ruling on Rae.

An initial hearing resulted in a 50 year ban from the Union building, but was overturned on appeal because Rae said he had not received notification of the hearing. As Rae was jailed before the Committee sat

again, he still faces a hearing on his return.

Sabbatical Secretary Ashley Frieze said "Without a Union ban, Rae would be eligible to apply to buy life membership of the Union, which is ridiculous. Also, our staff are not bound to uphold a University mandate."

Disciplinary Committee has powers to ban members from the building, and to make a recommendation to Council to remove someone's right to membership.

Union President Tom Hemesley said, "The University ban from the Union lasts only until Rae finishes his studies here. Disciplinary Committee will decide whether Rae poses a threat to students and staff in the Union, and whether a more long-term ban would be appropriate."

"We are going to push for our own disciplinary - that might involve holding it on University property so as Rae can attend."

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A DRUNKEN Geordie narrowly escaped electrocution last week when he rode home on the roof of a Metro train. Fireman had to remove the intoxicated 21 year old after he had slept through five stops and was 6 inches from a 16 000 volt cable.

A spokesman for PTE dissuaded any copy-cat attempts, although he admitted it was "always a possibility". The lad now faces a police prosecution, but more worryingly could also be fined a tenner for not having a ticket.

Quip

Techno chances for young

BBROADCASTER Martyn Lewis broadened the horizons of young 'surfers' last week by launching Youthnet - the UK's first ever up-to-the-minute database designed exclusively for the benefit of the younger generation.

After lengthy collaboration with various youth charities and computer experts, and

with financial backing from the Home Office, Lewis has designed Youthnet to provide information concerning careers, education, opportunities abroad and working holidays to name but a few, linking everyone from businesses to the individual to this whole new sector of the World Wide Web.

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Research work means Newcastle ranks among University elite

by Matthew Page

NEWCASTLE University today learned some positive news in the midst of a higher education cash crisis.

Reports of large amounts of money being drained by Universities after failure to achieve full-cost recovery when taking part in contract research raised questions about Newcastle's national position.

Computers

For analysis proves that Universities are ducking to support key services, like computer services and administration, in order to balance the books.

Out of the entire country, Newcastle stand in a creditable fourth place out of the top ten research institutions. Top of the tree are Imperial College, London, with 69%, followed by Nottingham (47%) and Southampton (43%). Aston University, with a £3.35 million income,

Rivals

And this means that Newcastle are ahead of heavy weight rivals Glasgow,

Missionary to spread the gospel

WHAT could be better than going out for a few beers and then going onto the Boat to chat about Christianity?

Now you have your chance as John Chapman, an Australian Missionary, is doing a mini tour of Tyneside where he will be spreading the Christian message.

He is working in the Newcastle area for the next two weeks and the main aim is to welcome non-churchgoers and judge whether Jesus is relevant today.

The first of these events is, 'A Word in your Beer', at the Boat at 9pm on November 20th where John will be on the revolving dance floor (before it starts spinning).

Edinburgh, Kings College (London) and even Cambridge and Oxford, who have a staggering £84.6 million income!

David Williams, of Newcastle's Research Office, highlighted the problems of the contracts when he commented: "It's not feasible to cover all the costs, otherwise no contracts would become available."

The Committee of Vice Chancellors and Principals (CVCP) have been asked to inquire into this current mess.

A CVCP spokesman has stressed that institutions should be judged on their individual merits, and shouldn't necessarily be compared (due to differing wealth).

They also have emphasised the need for improvement, and with its current standing, Newcastle will help lead the way.

Minimum wage rejected in heated debate

THE Union Debating Society gathered last week to discuss the motion "This house would institute a minimum wage."

The proposition claimed people deserve a decent wage on moral and economic grounds. They said tax payers should not be expected to make up the income of people who work for mean employers.

They claimed it would not cause unemployment, as it has not in other countries. On the contrary, it would increase money earning, leading to greater spending and thus, more jobs.

The opposition disagreed, stating the minimum wage would cause job losses and increase inflation. Businesses are not there to protect people against poverty as the social security benefit takes care of this.

After a lively discussion, the motion was eventually defeated by 6 votes after students were swayed by the point of working for a low wage rather than having no job.

The next debate is on 22 November. The motion will be "This house would abolish the National Lottery."

Chris White

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Chemistry boss denies equipment 'crisis'

by Tarquin Cooper

A NATIONAL report has revealed that the state of lab equipment in universities is approaching "crisis proportions".

But Head of Newcastle Chemistry Department, Professor Golding refutes this: "We're quite the opposite" he said.

The report details how "most university chemistry buildings are 30 to 40 year old" with "ancient fume cupboard technology".

It further adds that chemists are becoming increasingly anxious about the level of funding available.

Speaking to *The Courier*, Professor Golding dismissed this fear. "Newcastle University has one of the best chemistry departments in the country."

"Compare us to Northumbria University: it's like chalk and cheese", he said.

"Half our labs have been refurbished in the last five years."

Vandals handle Wor Jackie's ball



by James Jordan

VANDALS temporarily left a sporting legend kicking into space last week when they stole his bronze ball.

The statue of Jackie Milburn scoring in the FA Cup final in 1951 was commissioned after the his death in 1988.

Expensive

The cost of £35,000 was raised by devoted Newcastle fans and now stands proud in the Nothumberland Street shopping precinct.

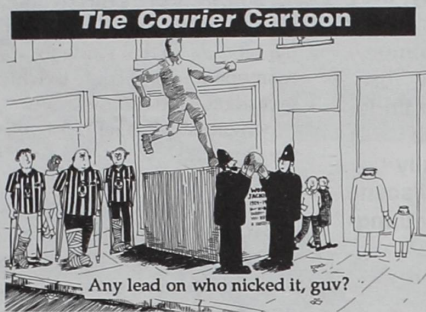
According to a police spokesman the ball was stolen in the early hours of a Wednesday morning. Despite the fact that the ball is secured to the base by a foot long screw, closed circuit TVs failed to catch them in the act.

Without any leads the Police were forced to issue a desperate appeal for the return of 'Wor Jackie's' ball with the help of his widow who commented, "How on

earth could anyone be so silly?"

Suitably abashed, the vandals made another midnight sortie and returned the ball to its original position, apparently undamaged.

A council spokeswoman said that it was only the



second time that the statue had been tampered with in its history.

They hadn't bargained on anyone wanting to damage the hero's statue, and that they had been taught a lesson this time.

University acts on Ricky Road lights after Union pressure



by Jenny Poulter

A RECENT series of attacks on students in the Richardson Road area, as featured in *The Courier*, has led to heightened concern about the lack of lighting and general security around the flats.

After several years of campaigning by the Union, the University took emergency action last week to improve the lighting in the dark wooded area which students are forced to use as a walkway.

University Flats Housing Manager Martin Wright said a decision had been made to put a light as close as possible to the darkest corner of the path.

"We've only

heard of these attacks in the last two days - first from a tutor and then from the police.

"We are sending a letter round to students in Richardson Road with advice to report incidents and to dial 999 if they see anything suspicious. If there are problems, we must act as soon as possible."

More telephones are being installed in Ricky Road which provide free calls through to University Precinct Services.

The University could also be considering a new footpath going past the Dental School to bypass the danger of the shady path.

"The University is aware at a high level of these problems," said Martin Wright.

Tom Hemesley, Union President, said "We very much applaud the University's commitment to making the campus and the surrounding area safer for students to live and work in."

North East job drive

LAST week saw a major recruitment drive in schools and colleges in the North East by Raleigh International.

They call themselves a "U.K based youth development charity", sending young people aged 17-25 on ten week expeditions to places such as clinics and schools to working with environmental scientists.

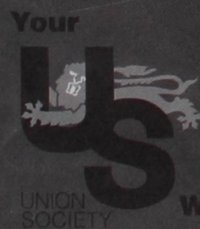
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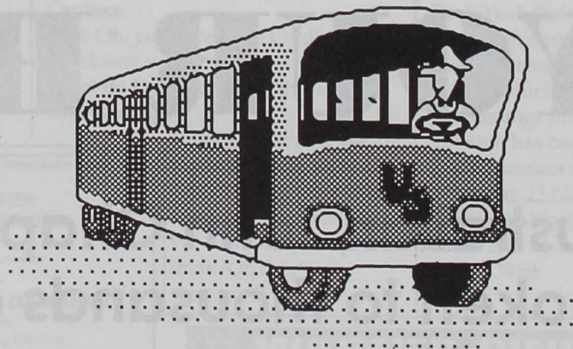
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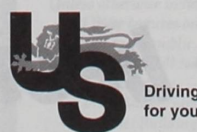
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Pub vers

It's official; Newcastle is THE 8th best party city IN THE WORLD. With some of the BEST eats, pubs and clubs in the UK it offers the supreme night out. Shaking your head in disagreement? Perhaps because you're one of the students who don't really explore the full Newcastle night out experience. In a two-part feature Courier investigation, we ask why so many students are unadventurous (yes, you are) and sees what else is on offer with a hit list of ten alternative watering holes, and club nights.

The C

This week **Tori Fletcher** and **Jon Bennett** ask whether lack of money means less students go out, and if, and indeed why, they stick exclusively to studenty club nights. Next week we continue with a rundown of the new appearing club nights and finds out how Newcastle's home-grown D.J.'s are successfully competing on the national scene. So why don't you try something different, and actually put Newcastle's reputation to the test?

of a jumper wearing Durham rah to look forward to, is not exactly a turn-on.

So why is there this trend towards the safe rather than the stimulating? Isn't it a cliché that students are cosmopolitan and come to University to investigate and discover new experiences? Michael Westwell owner of the Quayside's Cooperage pub says "It can't be denied that students cannot afford to go out as much as they used to. The days of the swift pint have gone and now its straight to the offy, get some cheap wine, get smashed and then straight to a club." And who can blame us? If we can only afford to do it once or twice a week we may as well do it properly.

Westwell's comment is backed up by a recent national report, which produced evidence that Britain's "pub culture" is dying. It noted that 365 pubs closed in 1993 - a shocking one a day. However the report does not claim that people no longer drink, it's just that pubs are not the only venue. *The Courier's* research shows that this year

alone seven new off- licences have opened in Newcastle, coping with increasing demand for take aways, and incredibly one raked in over £3,000

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WE'VE all noticed the ridiculous queues at Madisons, The Boat, Ritzy and Planet Earth this year, and facing an hour in the rain is becoming the norm. We all know club student nights are a laugh - cheap, cheerful, and let's face it you can pull. But queuing for a meat market with crap bouncers, crap music and crap beer and the spectre

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New Wave of Newcastle

NEWCASTLE; a hot bed of internationally recognized music talents, a region famed for its contribution to trend setting 'scenes'. Er, yeah, right. Well, there's



Sleepy People

Jimmy Nail of course, but..... But seriously, there is music life in this little cold, wet piece of England sitting on the Scottish border.

Yes, rejoice oh yea of little faith because on the tail of recent Geordie hitmakers The Wildhearts, China Drum and Dubstar come a multitude of bands eager for exposure. Today for example, squeezing round a table meant for half as many people, is Sleepy People's bleached yellow crop Paul Soap, formally a miner, punk, drug addict, and now reactionary



Monodrome



Delicate Vomit



January Blue

geezer type spokesman for an off-kilter band that is definitely NOT prog rock. There's also deep, dark Monodrome, encompassing the verbally uninhibited Bill and Dave, who have an endearing line in self-deprecating wit. Over the other side are the devil children of the 'Madchester' revolution - Darren and

Scott from ILK and Andrew from January Blue. Sitting somewhere in-between Delicate Vomit's Major Spanner and Capt. Quicksilver decide to expand on their usual "neep, neep" utterances, and join us in a discussion of life, music and Newcastle. So, is

there really a buzz around Newcastle music?

Paul: An awful lot of bands are getting



ILK

signed. It's something to do with the football team doing really well.

Bill: Why do sod all people turn up at gigs then? I don't think there's a lot of

people want to do that - Newcastle's more geared to going out and getting pissed down the Bigg Market. There's a few bands getting through, but I think, 'don't get cocky like'.

Have you thought of moving to London?

Paul/Bill/Dave: Nah. Not at all.

And Brit Pop?

Bill: I'm not interested in Brit pop.

Dave: It's very London based. I think Newcastle would do better to develop its own identity, rather than jumping on the bandwagon.

Bill: We don't want to be the next Manchester, we want to be the first Newcastle.

Scott: I thought it [Madchester] was the best music around at the time, like, it pisses on all the Brit pop stuff now.

Paul: We [Sleepy People] don't take account of what's going on whatsoever. The sort of stuff we do is just like, not being done. It's completely and utterly, y'know, doesn't fit in with anything whatsoever.

Bill: [with a sly grin] I've seen The Cardiacs.

Paul: Oh, yeah, well The Cardiacs are the closest we get.

What do Delicate Vomit think of the Riot Grrl tag?

Major: It's terrible. We weren't about that at all. Capt.: We just want to be seen as a normal band. We don't want people to think 'Oh they're women'. If you get

dragged into that they're more critical. Major: They start to judge you as well. I mean, we mix all different music styles, like reggae and weird effects, and we use costume. It's all a bit of fun.

Paul: Bands forget they're there to entertain.

Bill: The best gigs I've ever been to though, are by people with a minimal approach. Like they've just belted it out. The best I ever saw was Jon Spencer at The Cumberland, and he's got nowt there. But I thought it was brilliant. Image is important though, I just don't think we've got much of one!

Dave: It's a selling point. You'll

pick out one where they're all wearing woolly hats and you'll think it's a dance record.

Bill: I mean, if you're crap after that you get found out, you get Menswear

What do you think of hyped overnight successes such as Menswear?

Bill: If they're like Menswear I hope they're not picked up on. I think they're a disgrace!

Andrew: We'd like the front page of the NME, that'd be great. But we think there's more to it. We're serious about the music, that's why we're gigging constantly.

Scott: Yeah, but we don't want to do that. We only do gigs now and then, to keep a bit of mystery. People'll come looking for you if they're interested.

Would you wait 15 years for stardom like Pulp have done?

Bill: I think we will be doing!

Scott: We're gonna give it two years and then see. We reckon something will happen in the next year for us.

Would having a record deal make you take it more seriously?

Paul: No, I always took it seriously.

Del.Vom.: You can't mess around as much 'coz it's someone else's money.

Paul: I didn't mess around as much when it was my money!

Dave: Yeah, when we get in the studio it's like "You've got two shots at that guitar line" 'coz you can just see your money being burnt. They should have a moneyometre - when it gets to quarter past that's £50!

Paul: Yeah, being in a band these days, unfortunately, is more of a business concern.

On which discouraging note the proceedings break up. But, if your appetite has been whetted there's a tasting session at The Union on Thursday 23 November as part of the Generator Northern Showcase. You could end up watching the new Jimmy Nail.

Katherine Melling

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Thursday 23th November

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Ilk, January Blue and Monodrome

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IN a country riddled with corruption and sleaze at the highest level seek solace in the pure sound of the darkside. The journey begins with a night flight down **CJ Bolland's Electronic Highway** (R&S LP). Don't delay, buy it today. The storm continues with the 50th release from legendary Detroit label Plus 8, **Call it What You Want** (recommended by Bass Generator). It's by **Richie Hawtin** and it kicks like a mule on PCP. Ben at Volume suggests **Dan Morgan and Damon Wild's** new 12" **5th Gear**. Scott and Scooby at Trax extolled the virtues of the **Beard Law EP** (U Star 007). Five Years of Pure (T&B) celebrates half a decade of euphoric Friday nights at the venue in Edinburgh. Sven Vath's Harthouse label have put together another compilation, **Dark Hearts 2** featuring luminaires such as Frank de Wulf, Neil Land-struum, Jiri Ceiver and more. **Autechre's** new LP **tri repetae** (Warp) is more suited to the living room than the dancefloor, as was their bland set at **Bloated's** 2nd Birthday Party. Fortunately **Nick Detnon** and the **Suburban Knight** dealt with the situation and a storming night was had by all. In a world of insomnia and paranoia the only suggestion that we can make is to lose yourself in the music.

Devacid & The Loafer

albums

COOLIO
Gangsta's Paradise
(Tommy Boy)
RIDING high on the success of the title track in the charts, the album is released in an attempt to cash in. Following up Britain's most successful gangsta rap single ever is a difficult task, and this album is a disappointment.

In all but a handful of songs, which coincidentally happen to be the best ones, Coolio tries his hardest to offend, with literally hundreds of 'niggers' and 'fuckers' thrown in for good measure. Possibly an attempt to divert the attention of the listener from the lack of quality on the album?

Admittedly, some of the lyrics are highly amusing and he certainly has no qualms speaking from his mind, but not exactly what I want from an album. I would recommend that if you want a piece of Coolio buy the single.

★★

CYPRESS HILL
The Temple of Boom
(Sony)

THE trio have a lot to live up to following the highly acclaimed "Black Sunday", but boy do they do it with something to spare.

The group's trademark characteristics are still in evidence; but this time the combination of nasal vocals, broody basslines and spooky samples have been taken to

even greater heights. The rhymes are darker, more twisted and incisive and consequently far more compelling, whilst producer Muggs has refined and developed the group's sound magnificently. He uses more original and diverse music than previously, and succeeds in giving new dimensions to the Hill's chilling and mist-shrouded soundscapes.

Overall, an album good enough to keep Cypress Hill's ganja-fuelled assault for rap-honours firmly alive.

★★★★

Martin Pollard

CATHERINE WHEEL
Happy Days
(Fontana)

JUST like the Fonz in the sitcom of the same name this stuff is cool and soooo topical.

It's bright, busy, colourful and fun, just like the fireworks. "Way Down" is so special- it's a full-blown organised display complete with carefully timed explosions to an "1812 Overture" Soundtrack.

There are a couple of duds. They've been lit, fizzled, sparked a bit and that's it. Wasn't it Forrest Gump who said "Life is like a box of fireworks"?

Not one to chuck on the bonfire.

★★★★

Sarah S

singles

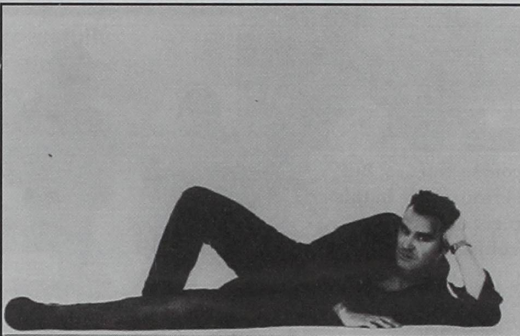
MORRISSEY
The Boy Racer
(RCA)

MORRISSEY continues on regardless of everything else - once more wailing through another single release (though I find greater amusement in imagining him whaling - legs astride on an Icelandic fishing vessel, eyes scanning the waters for sign of blubbery beasts as knuckles whiten around a large pointy harpoon).

An enjoyable clunking sets it off and from then on it's another pleasant excursion into Morrissey's strange insecurities and obsessions only to close minutes later, the world unchanged by it's presence.

★★★

Nick Wheeler



WHALE
Hobohumpingslobobabe
(Hut)

MY house-mates are convinced that this is 'crap.'

As they are heathens, they predictably fail to appreciate the raucous mix of hip-hop beats and loud, grinding guitars. The singer squeals and shouts excitedly, and the chorus is suitably rowdy.

A funky dance re-release, with a prominent, headbanging element.

★★★★

Keith Gabriel

STONE ROSES
Begging You
(Geffen)

PULL out the cliches-A rollicking, rip roaring, exhilarating, barnstorming, frolicking, barnstorming blinder. The best song on Second Coming with the great Carl Cox mixes - The Roses still have "it" in abundance.

★★★★★

Jon

PURESENCE
Fire
(Island)

ISLAND Records, shrewd purchasers of Pulp, have pinned much expectation on new labelmates "Puresence" to deliver as well.

In this era of "Britpop-plinkety-plop-pop" this is brave stuff indeed. It has that dark, tortured depth that Depeche mode exploited so well. The ambiguous vocal shrill that gives this band their individuality is neatly entwined in all the moody guitar angst.

The signs are there that they are capable of great things, but sadly, this isn't. Another

shrewd purchase? Only time will tell.

★★

The Lordz of Norfolk

THE REAL PEOPLE
Every Vision Of You
(Egg)

ABOUT as offensive as a fluffy bunny, the real people return to a sound of besuited guitar combos in church halls and pudding bowl haircuts, all of which comes across as incredibly familiar.

★★

Troy Dashing

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live

THE HUMAN LEAGUE/ INAURA
Newcastle City Hall

THE audience, predominantly of a more mature age group, are not here for the indie rock star imposters who are the distinctly insipid inaura, embracing the opportunity to get some serious drinking done instead.

City Hall is tonight transformed into a portal from the past, the sheffield trio that are the Human League-veterans of the synthesizer sound and heavy make-up brigade- embark upon a set that could very well be called "The Eighties- a Musical Extravaganza".

With every song a set-piece, one moment the stage is bathed in muted white light, icily sensual, but in the next rainbow neon starbursts accompany a more energetic number.

"Don't you want me" produces an initial burst of excitement similar to an orgasmic frenzy, as do the reorganised classics "Fascination", "Mirror Man" and "Love Action".

Digging their heels firmly into the nineties with such minor hits as "Tell me when" and "One man In my Heart", rumours of a Faustian pact might well circulate among those present concerning the eternal youth of these pouting style gurus.

Recall then those immortal words that form the basis of many a personal philosophy: "I was workin' as a waitress in a cocktail bar....."

Bren

CHUMBAWAMBA/CARDIACS/DELICATE VOMIT
Newcastle University

DELICATE Vomit's wierdo charm works well in the larger venue, sounding more solid than ever with new boy Phil on the skins.

There seems to be a fine line between enjoying the Cardiacs and not. Opening with S.W.P ranting and a 10 minute drum solo, the T-shirt wearing fans look as bored as I feel. Chumbawamba soon redeem the evening though, showing they can entertain as well as be political.

The crowd know exactly what to expect, and the band's unique style of cabaret punk doesn't let them down

Andy

TELSTAR PONIES
Cumberland Arms

THE Telstar Ponies' live experience is something totally different. It is refreshing in its originality but where does it fit in? Who will listen to it?

The melancholy wall of sound they create through one chord or two chord opuses of structured noise is certainly high in novelty factor.

Here in Newcastle to promote the debut LP their experimental sound of viciously swirling guitars provides a suitable antidote to the Britpop phenomenon. It will be interesting to see how their unique sound progresses.

David Spencer

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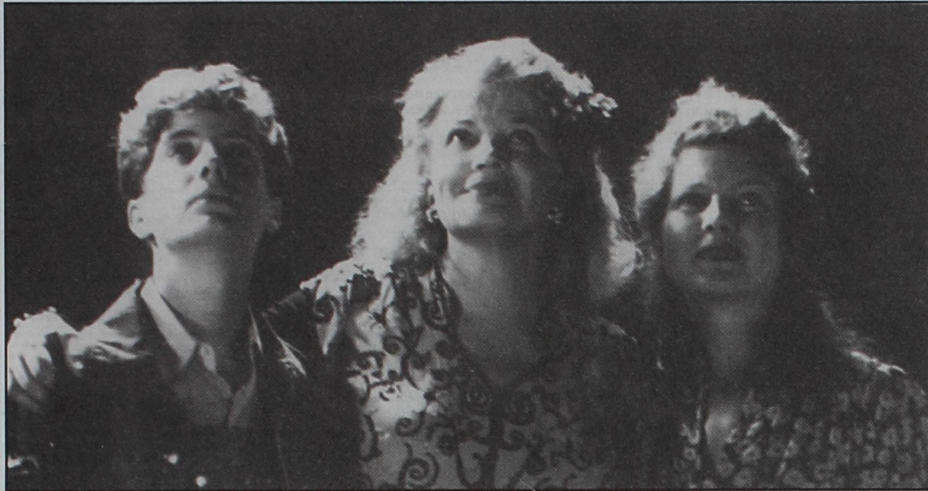


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Neon Bible



ADIFFICULT one, this. On seeing Denis Leary listed in the credits, I was immediately excited. Visions of coarse comedy (a la "No Cure for Cancer") and wanton violence (as in 'Judgement Day') sprang instantly to mind...and faded away. The Neon Bible is the story of a young boy called David growing up in a small Southern Bible-belt town in 1940s America. His father Frank (Denis Leary) is low on self-esteem having lost his factory job and vents his anger on his family as he has nobody else to blame. David's

mother, Sarah (Diana Scarwid) is overly-sensitive and protective of her only child.

It is the arrival of Aunt Mae (Gena Rowlands) which has a lasting effect on David's life. Whilst all the rest of the town-dwellers are gripped by the Depression and World War 2 it is Aunt Mae and her past that interest David.

The people of the town turn unquestioningly to the money-grabbing preacher, Bobbie Lee Taylor. However, Aunt Mae stands in defiance as the lover of dancing and singing - and as a result she is portrayed as Beelzebub's best buddy!

As for a narrative, there isn't any. The film is the contents of

David's memory - a stream of consciousness, making it an uneasy journey for the audience. It's a film that aims to be touching but ultimately fails abysmally.

Do not be misled by the title, there is nothing neon in the film - in fact it hardly registered a flicker on the enjoyment meter. It is a seasonal film, though. As we gear up to Christmas this is a turkey of such enormity it could feed an entire family on Christmas Day and still leave leftovers for turkey curry, turkey soup and feed the dog well into the New Year.

Matt Pollard

The Neon Bible is showing at the Tyneside Cinema until 20 November.

Northern Overview

THE Newcastle Comedy Festival, the recent World Music and Jazz Festival and theatre productions galore are all testament to Newcastle's budding cultural life. To document the fact two magazines

have been launched, both imaginatively titled 'Northern Review'. However the similarity and lack of apparent originality stops there.

'Northern Review' (1) has adopted a newspaper style approach and documents an array of arts and entertainment issues. These include a debate on the Booker Prize, the threat of the Internet to the arts and a report on the star-studded Northern Stage which has recently featured such divas as Danny La Rue and Vanessa Redgrave. A comprehensive listings page covering everything from cinema to music, with a few reviews thrown in for good measure, ensures that this 'Northern Review' is a good read and almost a near rival to our own 'highly cultured' arts page.

The second review is, as the author states, intended as "a forum for cultural debate" and certainly has a daunting intellectual air about it. However for the purpose of investigation I immersed myself into what turned out to be a fairly interesting read. The journal takes the form of eight essays on a variety of topics. These range from articles on poetry in the North east and interviews with Northern authors such as Stephen Laws, to the relationship between the Labour Party and the North. Although this 'Northern review' takes a more serious view of cultural affairs I will leave you with a comment from one of its contributors who regards Newcastle as a 'carnival - culture of fashion, and public life' - a cultural aspect of Newcastle I'm sure many of us regularly appreciate!

Jill Kidson



Homeboy Othello!

HAVING played to packed theatres and rave reviews on both sides of the proverbial pond, the R.S.C. - the Reduced Shakespeare Company that is! - took Newcastle by storm last weekend. Running as part of the Comedy Festival, their HEAVILY abridged version of the complete works of the great bard delighted the audience at the Tyne Theatre. The company believe that if old Willie were alive today he would not only approve wholeheartedly of their interpretations; which included a rap version of Othello; but that he would also "go bowling with them after the show"!

The three performers (yes, I did say only three!) succeeded skilfully, and with more than a little touch of comic genius, in performing all of Shakespeare's work in 97 minutes. Now our Willie having been something of a prolific writer, this was astounding in itself! But, the talent and raw energy with which it was so perfectly done, only served to further astound and enthrall me.

If this is the calibre of performance that we can come to expect from the Comedy Festival, then roll on the next one is all I can say!

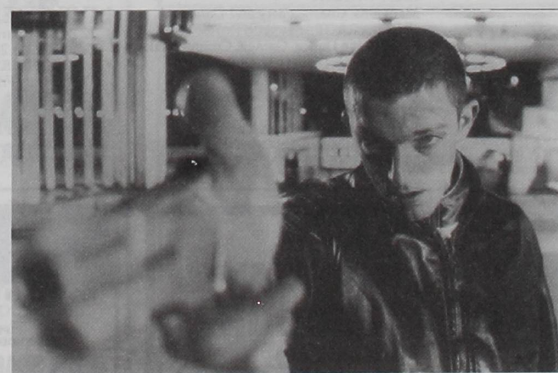
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November Attractions At The Tyneside Cinema...

Friday 17th - Thursday 30th November...

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- Wednesday 22nd November**
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- GLEN HUGHES Riverside, Newcastle, 8 pm. £2.50
 - SINISTER HOODLUMS Art Centre, Newcastle, 8 pm. £2.50
 - GYPSY DAVE SMITH Jumpin' & Hot Club, Newcastle 8.30 pm. Tickets £2 advance
- Friday 17th November**
- YOUNG GODS + PAPA BRITTLE Riverside, Newcastle, 7.30 pm. £6
 - SALSA DANCE Arts Centre, Newcastle, 8.30 pm. £2
- Saturday 18th November**
- MNS City Hall, Newcastle, 7.30 pm
 - AFTER MIDNIGHT + THE INTENTIONS The Archer, Archbold Terrace, Nr. Jesmond Metro, 8 pm. Free
 - JOHN RENBOURN Live Theatre, Newcastle 8 pm. £6 (£4.50)
- Sunday 19th November**
- THE GLEN MILLER ORCHESTRA City Hall, Newcastle, 7.30 pm. £10.50/£8.50
 - MICHAEL HASHIM with the BILLY HARPER TRIO Corner House, Heaton, 8 p.m. £6
 - BAD MANNERS Mayfair, Newcastle, 6.50. £8
 - REVOLVER Live Theatre, Newcastle, 12 noon. £3.00 (£1.50)
- Monday 20th November**
- AIMEE MANN Riverside, Newcastle, 7.30 p.m. £8
 - BOBBY VEE + GERRY & THE PACEMAKERS + BRIAN HYLAND + THE FORTUNES City Hall, Newcastle
- Tuesday 21st November**
- ARMAGEDDON ZOO Tut 'n Shive, Newcastle, 8 pm. £1
 - BARGAIN CLASSICS + BUBBLE + LOBELLA + SOUND DIMENSION + MELLOW ROOM Arts Centre, Newcastle, 8 pm. £2
- Wednesday 22nd November**
- IRISH FOLK Cumberland Arms, Byker, 8.30 p.m. Free
 - AVANTI Riverside, Newcastle, 7.30 pm
 - NEIL SEDAKA City Hall, Newcastle, 8 pm. £16.50-£18.50
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 - PLASMA POOL Planet Earth, DJ Kenzie. £2 (NUS £1.50).
 - THE GARAGE, Tuxedo Royale.
 - DISCO FEVER Bliss, 70's Night with Brutus Gold, Brian Nylon. £2.
- Wednesdays**
- WESTWORLD, Planet Earth, Student Night, Indie, Pop & Dance. £1. 11pm-2am.
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 - ENJOY - Hip Hop with Da Flava Fat Sams. Free.
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 - HAPPY NIGHT Madisons, Charts, Party and Dance.
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 - CLUB 18 - 25 - Tuxedo Royale.
 - FUTURE WORLD, Planet Earth. £1.50.
 - DJ SHOWCASE Fat Sams with DJs from Ice FM New talent welcome. Open decks.
 - THE HOUSE OF FUN, at Riverside,

Monday 20th November

- AIMEE MANN Riverside, Newcastle, 7.30 p.m. £8
- BOBBY VEE + GERRY & THE PACEMAKERS + BRIAN HYLAND + THE FORTUNES City Hall, Newcastle

Tuesday 21st November

- ARMAGEDDON ZOO Tut 'n Shive, Newcastle, 8 pm. £1
- BARGAIN CLASSICS + BUBBLE + LOBELLA + SOUND DIMENSION + MELLOW ROOM Arts Centre, Newcastle, 8 pm. £2

Wednesday 22nd November

- IRISH FOLK Cumberland Arms, Byker, 8.30 p.m. Free
- AVANTI Riverside, Newcastle, 7.30 pm
- NEIL SEDAKA City Hall, Newcastle, 8 pm. £16.50-£18.50

Clubs

Mondays

- CRUISE, Bliss, Gay Party with DJ Sal. £2.50, (£2 members)
- 80's NIGHT, Planet Earth £3 (NUS £1.50)
- ALTERNATIVE, Bourbon Street
- DERIDDIM, Legends

Tuesdays

- THE CARWASH Planet Earth, DJs Huggy Bear & Starsky.
- PLASMA POOL Planet Earth, DJ Kenzie. £2 (NUS £1.50).
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Newcastle. Plus music for the 80s. 9 p.m.-2 a.m. £2

- LICKETY SPLIT (Acid Jazz) at Arts Centre, Newcastle. £2. (Not Thurs. 2nd Nov.)
- 80s NIGHT, Riverside, Newcastle. 70s music - no, only joking!

Fridays

- THE PALACE, Riverside. £2.50 B4 10.30pm, £3.50 after. London beats Manchester groove, Northern soul, 9 p.m.-2 a.m.
- VIVA, Riverside, Residents: Bhaskar Dandona, Ollie & Emma, 9 p.m.-2 a.m. £4 before 10.30 p.m., £5 after
- RAVE, Rockshots. Straight night & resident DJs.
- SPUNKADELIC with DJ Tom Caulker The Arena. £3.50/£2.50. 9pm.
- CACTUS, The Arena. Live Bands + Dance + Indie DJs. £2.50 B4 10.30, £3.50 after. 9pm-2am.
- CAR WASH Central Park. 70s, 80s and Club Classics. £1.50. 11.15pm-2am.
- THE DROP, Mayfair. £3.50.
- JUST THE CARROT, Madisons. 60s and 70s.
- NICE - with residents Hans & Skev + guest DJs. Planet Earth. 10 pm-2 am. £5/£6 (NUS).
- THE OLD SKOOL, Downstairs at Planet Earth, Newcastle. Funk, Hip-Hop, Mowax, Ninja Tunes. £5 B4 10.30pm, £6 after (NUS £5). 9.30pm-2am.
- NICE WARM UP with ROB AND ANDY Fat Sams. Free B4 11pm.
- POP TIL YA DROP Bliss. 9.30-11.30 pm. £2 B4 11pm, £3 after.

Saturdays

- SHINDIG, Riverside. £6 before 10 and £7 after, NUS £6 all night. 9pm-2.30am.
- BACK-A-YARD The Mayfair. Reggae, Roots, Dub, Ragga.
- ASYLUM University. Indie/Alternative. Free. 9pm.
- SCAMMING SATURDAYS Planet Earth. The Freshest DJs. £5. 'till 2am.
- THE MAIN EVENT, World HQ. £3.50/£4.
- STRICTLY GAY NIGHT Rockshots. Resident DJs.
- BEATNIK, Central Park. Indie. £2. 11.15pm-2am.
- SATURDAY NIGHT, Madisons. Requests, charts, dance, party
- SERIOUS DANCE, Madisons, Back room
- SUNSET JAZZ CLUB, Tuxedo Royale
- CLUB STOWAWAYS, Tuxedo Royale. Soul, 70s and new romantic
- TRADER JACKS, Tuxedo Royale, 7 hours of commercial dance with DJ Mamoon
- CLUB EUROPA, Tuxedo Royale. Progressive dance, garage and commercial house
- SHINE (house), Fat Sams with DJs Hans & Skev. Free
- LICKETY SPLIT (Acid Jazz Club) at Arts Centre, Newcastle, 8 p.m.-Midnight
- DO YA WANNA PARTY? Bliss, £5. Free coach from Jimmy's Bar to Bliss

Sundays

- DELIRIUM, Saturday's Dance Bar, Planet Earth
- DUB + CHILLOUT, Fat Sams with DJs from Ice FM

Theatre

- LIVE THEATRE**
- 27 Broad Chare, Quayside, Newcastle Tel. 0191 261 2694.
- MOCKINBIRDS by Challenge Theatre Thurs. 16th-Fri, 17 Nov. at 8 pm. £2.50-£3.50

NEWCASTLE PLAYHOUSE
Barras Bridge, Haymarket, Newcastle Tel. 0191 230 5151

• RICHARD ALSTON DANCE COMPANY
16th-17th Nov at 7.30 pm. £6-£7.

THEATRE ROYAL
Grey Street, Newcastle.
Tel. 0191 232 2061

- LA BELLE HELENE by Scottish Opera, Sat. 18th Nov. 7.15 pm. £6-£45.
- THE JACOBIN by Scottish Opera Thurs. Nov. 16, 7.15, £6-£45.
- DON GIOVANNI by Scottish Opera Fri. 17th Nov. 7.15 pm. £6-£45
- GASLIGHT Mon. 20th-Sat. 25th Nov. 7.30 (Mat. Thurs. 2 pm + Sat. 2.30 pm). £5-£17.50

Saturday 18th November

- GILBERT & SULLIVAN SOCIETY Charity Concert in Aid of SCAN
- TRIAL BY JURY & THE PHILANDERER King's Hall, Armstrong Building, University of Newcastle, 7.30. Tickets £5 (£3 concessions). Tel. 0191 232 2003

Comedy

Thursday 16th November

- ED BURN + MANDY KNIGHT Comedy Cafe, Jesmond 8.30 pm, £4.50

Wednesday 22nd November

- ROGER MONKHOUSE + MARTIN TRENAMAN + MARK JACKSON + GAVIN WEBSTER Tap & Spile, Newcastle, 8 pm. £3.50 9.32.500

Thursday 23rd November

- OWEN O'NEIL + IAN STONE Comedy Cafe, Jesmond, 8.30 pm. £4.50

Sunday 26th November

- BOTTOM City Hall, Newcastle, 7.30 pm. £10.50-£14.50

Monday 27th November

- BOTTOM City Hall, Newcastle, 7.30 pm. £10.50-£14.50

Tuesday 28th November

- BOTTOM City Hall, Newcastle, 7.30 pm. £10.50-£14.50

Films

TYNESIDE

- Thursday 16th November**
- STRAW DOGS (18) 4.15, 8.30
 - NEON BIBLE (15) 6.45
 - CHUNGKING EXPRESS (12) 4.00, 6.15
 - LES DIABOLIQUES (18) 8.35

Friday 17th November

- LA HAINE (15) 4.45, 6.45, 8.45
- NEON BIBLE (15) 4.30, 6.30
- WHEN NIGHT IS FALLING (18) 8.30

Saturday 18th November

- ASTERIX CONQUERS AMERICA (U) 1.30
- HEAVENLY CREATURES (18) 4.30
- LA HAINE (15) 6.15, 8.45
- WHEN NIGHT IS FALLING (18) 4.15, 6.30
- NEON BIBLE (15) 8.30

Sunday 19th November

- LA HAINE (15) 4.45
- HEAVENLY CREATURES (18) 6.45
- + MURIEL'S WEDDING (15) 8.35
- + FUN (18) + SHORT 8.35
- CHUNGKING EXPRESS (12) 4.00, 6.15
- NEON BIBLE (15) 8.45

Monday 20th November

- NEON BIBLE (15) 4.30

- WHEN NIGHT IS FALLING (18) 6.30
- LA HAINE (15) 8.45

Tuesday 21st November

- LA HAINE (15) 4.45, 6.45, 8.45
- WHEN NIGHT IS FALLING (18) 4.15, 6.30, 8.30

Wednesday 22nd November

- LA HAINE (15) 4.45, 6.45
- CITY ON FIRE (18) 8.40
- WHEN NIGHT IS FALLING (18) 4.15, 8.30
- HALFOUINE (15) + DENKO 6.10

Thursday 23rd November

- WHEN NIGHT IS FALLING (18) 4.15, 8.30
- LA HAINE (15) 4.45, 6.45, 8.45

ODEON

Commencing Friday 17rd

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- TO WONG FOO... (PG) Weekdays excluding Thurs. 3.10, 8.20 Sun. 3.10, 8.20
- A WALK IN THE CLOUDS (PG) Every day 1.30, 3.50, 6.0, 8.30
- CRIMSON TIDE (15) Weekdays 12.15, 2.55, 5.35, 8.15 Sat. 2.00, 5.35, 8.15 Sun. 5.35, 8.15
- POCAHONTAS (U) Sat. 12.45 Sun. 3.25

WARNERS

Commencing Friday 17th

- Starting Friday
- TOMMY BOY (PG) Fri. 2.40, 5.05, 7.20, 9.40, 11.55 Sat. 12.10, 2.40, 5.05, 7.20, 9.40, 11.55 Sun. 11.50, 2.00, 4.10, 6.30, 8.40 Mon.-Thurs. 2.00, 4.10, 6.30, 8.40 (Free List Suspended)

A WALK IN THE CLOUDS (PG)
Fri. 2.00, 4.30, 7.00, 9.30, 11.50 Sat. 11.30, 2.00, 4.30, 7.00, 9.30, 11.50 Sun.-Thurs. 1.30, 4.00, 6.40, 9.00 (Free List Suspended)

SCARLET LETTER (15)
Fri. 2.30, 5.20, 8.30, 11.20 Sat. 11.40, 2.30, 5.20, 8.30, 11.20 Sun. 11.40, 2.30, 5.20, 8.30 Mon.-Thurs. 2.30, 5.20, 8.30 (Free List Suspended)

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Fri./Sat. 2.20, 5.05, 7.30, 10.00 Sun.-Thurs. 1.10, 3.35, 6.00, 8.50

APOLLO (PG)
Fri./Sat. 1.00, 4.00, 7.00 Sun.-Thurs. 12.30, 3.20, 6.10

UNDER SIEGE 2 (18)
Fri./Sat. 9.50, 12.00 Sun.-Thurs. 9.10 only

TO WONG FOO (PG)
Fri. 1.40, 4.20, 6.40, 9.10 Sat. 11.00, 1.40, 4.20, 6.40, 9.10 Sun.-Thurs. 1.00, 3.30, 5.50, 8.20 Wed. 1.00, 3.30, 5.50, 8.20 Thurs. 1.00, 3.30, 5.50, 8.20

POCAHONTAS (U)
Fri. 12.30, 2.30 Sat. 10.40, 12.30, 2.30 Sun. 12.00 only

TO DIE FOR (15)
Fri./Sat. 4.40, 6.50, 9.20, 11.45 Sun.-Thurs. 6.20, 8.45

CLUELESS (12)
Fri. 1.50, 4.10, 6.30 Sat. 11.20, 1.50, 4.10, 6.30 Sun.-Thurs. 12.40, 3.10, 5.30

BRAVEHEART (15)
Fri./Sat. 8.45 only Sun.-Wed. 7.50 only

Kids Club 18/11/95

- RITCHIE RICH (PG) Sat. 10.30 only
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Good Luck in York - DURHAM REJECT. Elsie Robson & Shoulders.

Thanks to everyone who collected in DUBLIN, it was cold, wet and knackered, but you did me proud. Cheers, Miranda. P.S. They're all virgins anyway!

R. Are you going to calm down this term? Three month old zebra, GSOH, seems attractive, lively female zebra (2-4 months) for companionship, walks and casual sex. Ashley, hope U enjoyed the cigar - sent with compliments of RAG. B.

They gave us GUINNESS - We paid 'em back with CHEZ - How come we don't send GUINNESS back?

Fri., Chaz and Ash you were brill. I don't know what we'd have done without you. Love Miranda.

C and C is Mr Brockwell really worth fighting over?

C - keep going pet, your pulling is renowned!

SOMEONE TO TALK TO

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Cheryl, "When Irish eyes are smiling" - oops! Love M.

You've had your rose!

I haven't had my gong!

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Sexy Sunbury Slappers at No. 5, No. 20 are missing you loads!

In't beer brilliant! Andy.

M-Keep snogging in the name of Rag-FB.

To MR BLOBBY, HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, with all my love, MRS. BLOBBY xxx.

RAG - £250 - not the best collectors, but hey - the TOON ARMY drum the others well under their collecting tins! Andy.

Andy - Ra, Ra, Ra Ra... Love Mx.

LESBIAN, GAY & BISEXUAL SOCIETY

Meets 7.30 pm, Thursday, Women's Room, 1st Floor Union Building

For more information please contact Andrew Smith, LGB Officer, Equal Opps. Unit, 2nd Floor, Union Building Tel. 232 8402. Ext. 136.

CALLING ALL RAGGERS - there will be a collection on Thursday for Barnardos.

Shorts (if it's raining) are essential, stickers on the face optional. Meet 5 pm Airport lounge. Love CHIEF WANKER RAGGIE.

"Could Sandy Fenwick Please come to Reception."

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Pub club: Courier guide

pm and 10pm on a Saturday
e. This is not just a student
ordies too are increasingly
eir drinking habits to the

er - Brilliant Jukebox.
box and amazing Happy Hr.

pub with an awesome view of the

Soul Bar and pool table - unique.
-Jazz and jungle nights - properly

music and crusties but 100%

nce the 14th century that says it all!
everything from punk to Prince but

A lovely pint in the city centre.

s is what all new pubs should be
d classy.

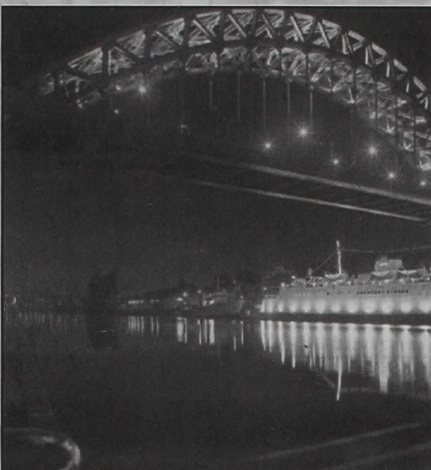
victim of refits today so get down
d mourn what you missed.

weekend. People like Westwell claim
that it's the proper pub that is being
sacrificed, the sort that offers pool
tables, juke boxes, food and above all

individuality.

Increasingly
brewing giants like
Scottish&Newcastle
have introduced the
T&J Bernard pubs,
which which with
their mock traditional
design have created
the 'Mc Pub'. It's
impossible to tell the
difference between
The North Terrace,
Hotspur and
Strawberry because
of their identical
interior. Why bother
with a pub crawl.

Westwell says "The
real pub is dying, the
sort that is open all day,
every day, with seats,
atmosphere and
importantly, a proper
pint. Pubs have a culture



of their own and it shouldn't be
obliterated".

Well of course not all students
want to stick to the normal pubs and
clubs scene and for them things aren't
too bleak. If you're daring and
investigate, you'll still find some
absolutely top class pubs. Ignore the

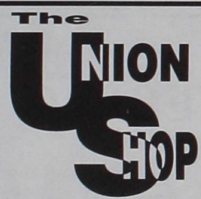
rumours about there
being student/Geordie
pubs - 99% of the time
it just isn't true. Don't
allow yourself to be
one of those people
who comes to
Newcastle for three
years but never
step outside the
Union and think
Geordies are some
strange and dangerous other
being. Look at the chalkboard - free
top 10, unaffected by bribes and

advertisers,
and get out
and discover
some of the
real
Newcastle..
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as much as you
put in and as
Westwell says
"pubs will
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Dates for your Diary :-

Women's self defence classes in the Women's
Room. Check to see if there are spaces left for
tonight.

The Birth Control Trust with a talk on the Pill
on Tuesday 21st November in the Debating
Chamber - All welcome.

**IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHY
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DON'T KNOCK OUR SHOP

Dear Aunt Sally, I was surprised and shocked to open my Courier last week to find our Union shop being accused of "ripping off" students.

The shop keeps mark-up prices to a minimum, ploughing back the small profit made into the Union to help finance other services such as the Student Advice Centre.

Anyone who was here last year will notice the improvements we have made, both on prices and the range of goods we stock.

The student - who didn't even sign the letter - also

complained of "tremendously long queues"; has the person in question considered the fact that at lunch time thousands of students descend on the Union to get their dinner and do their shopping? This leads to a short wait at every outlet - just as in every other shop in town.

The Post Office provides a much needed service to students who don't have time to go into town during the day. Its opening hours were decided by a sabbatical officer a few years ago, and cover the busiest parts of the day.

As for saying that we fail "to

produce exactly what you were looking for", can they really not find what they want among the products we have on offer? We might not be Asda, but we try to give students what they want - and judging by the number of people who shop here, we're not doing too terribly.

Maybe the person who wrote the letter might like to come in and discuss any problems they have, as we suggest on our posters.

Stuart Davies, Shop Manager.

Aunt Sally



Hello, Boys!

SEANCE WITH SANDY

Dear Aunt Sally, A close relative died recently and after sitting in the Union for about 2 hours last Friday listening to several thousand tannoys for Sandy Fenwick we hit upon the idea of contacting my deceased through Reception. Is this likely to work?

Yours hopefully, Mystic Meg and Parlinda
SALLY SAYS; The Reception area is rumoured to be one of the seven signalled spiritual centres of the UK. Our apparently harmless and undoubtedly efficient receptionists are in fact able to commune with 'the other side', according to those who are 'in the know'. I myself have made contact with my previous persona, Marilyn, through the tannoy system, and Miss Monroe would like everyone to know she's doing fine!

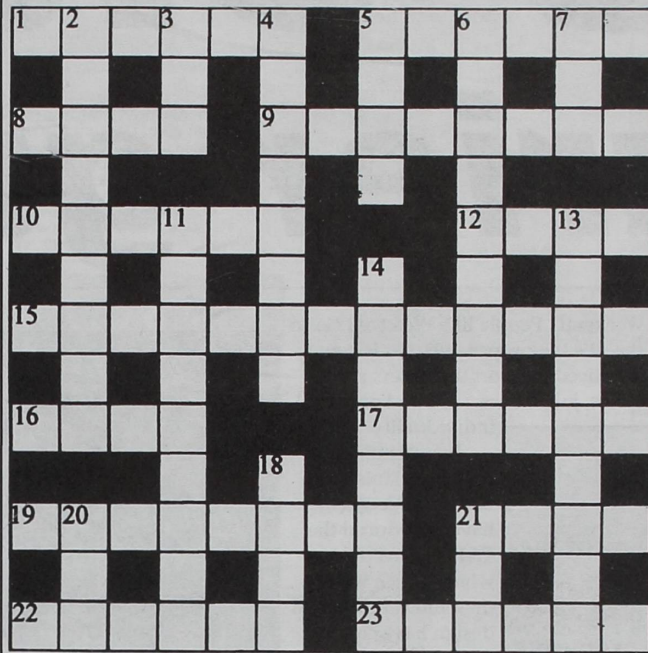
FUN IN THE BATH

Dear Sally, I've really gone and done it now... Just because I dressed my child up in stockings and suspenders and photographed her eating a Mars bar in a seductive manner, I have been accused of child pornography... how can this be?

Yours, with shame, an anonymous but very famous newsreader.

The Courier Prize Crossword

Compiled by Grazy

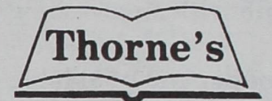


Crossword entries to be returned to the Courier office by 2pm on Monday 20th November 1995.

Last week's winner: Kate Smith, Esther Campbell Ct. Ricky Road

Collect your prize from The Courier office.

The £5 book token prize is donated by:



Across

- 1 Among (5)
- 5 Oil burned in cars (6)
- 8 Kiss (4)
- 9 (A legal) escape (8)
- 10 Carve (6)
- 12 Secondhand (car) (4)
- 15 Close estimate (13)
- 16 Adhesive (4)
- 17 One dependent on drugs (6)
- 19 Novice (8)
- 21 As well (4)
- 22 Image, figurine (6)
- 23 Come up with (a plan) (6)

Down

- 2 Relating to local government (9)
- 3 Canine (3)
- 4 Ceefax, Oracle, Skytext, etc. (8)
- 5 Allow to fall (4)
- 6 Tired out (9)
- 7 Electric fish (3)
- 11 Robber, burglar (9)
- 13 Those who remove evil spirits (9)
- 14 Marred, damaged (hearing)(8)
- 18 Patella (4)
- 20 Consume (3)
- 21 Vehicle which can go anywhere (1,1,1)

Last Week's Answers

Across: 1. Grail; 4. Divide; 9. Useless; 10. Sever; 11. Guts; 12. Leading; 13. Aim; 14. Bulb; 16. Clef; 18. Are; 20. Blurred; 21. Oboe; 24. Capri; 25. Probate; 26. Siding; 27. Dance.
Down: 1. Grunge; 2. Alert; 3. Lien; 5. Instance; 6. Invoice; 7. Enrage; 8. Psalm; 13. Abortion; 15. Usurped; 17. Abacus; 18. Adept; 19. Delete; 22. Brain; 23. Gold.

Star Letter - Star Letter - Star Letter - Star Letter -

TOUCHÉ ON THE TOILET

Dear Sally, It is gratifying to know that as well as providing the usual services such as catering, bars, shops etc the Union is presenting a challenge to its membership - see 'Put Up Jobbie'.

Alas, the positioning of the toilet roll holders on the rear walls of the cubicles is for more mundane reasons. Some of the cubicles are

quite narrow and side mounted holders restrict an already small space. However, the main reason is that when fixed on the back wall they don't get pulled off the wall with the regularity that they used to.

A tip for non-contortionists: get the paper ready before you sit down.

Albert Baird, Building Services Manager
SALLY SAYS; Well, Albert,

thanks for the tip. I'm sure many of our more bowelly-challenged chums in the Union will be gratified for your advice on combating those tricky washroom manoeuvres. But one problem remains - if those yobbish elements insist on pulling utensils off the walls, how are our tampon machines to be protected? Surely enough contortion is necessary already!

The Cosmic Courier

Horoscopes by Hercule - stargazer of the future



Hercule

saying watch out for the 17th - it could be your lucky day...

CAPRICORN

You are still pining for a loved one or one you never got the chance to love - being blown out is never a happy experience, but the only way you can get over it is to pick up the soggy remnants of your broken heart, get out there and discover all the new fish in the sea.

AQUARIUS

Count your lucky stars this week - you have a new person in your life, and they are going to be a smasher! They will be a nurturing influence, causing you many (pleasurable) sleepless nights to come!

PISCES

You are always so eager for experience, but don't get your fingers burnt in the quest for pastures new. You have to sort out the loose ends you've already created before you start on anything fresh.

SCORPIO

The best news of the week is that your sex life is about to sizzle! Hoorah! That certainly is something to celebrate, and I expect for most of you it hasn't come a moment too soon...in the fearless mood you are in at the moment, you can't lose.

SAGITTARIUS

The next few weeks mark the end of a chapter in your life. It's time to stop being so immature and grow up a bit - unfortunately! Still, this shouldn't stop you from having fun and the stars are

ARIES

Your stamina seems endless this week - you just keep on going with seemingly limitless energy! But watch out, you'll have to come down some time, and you don't want to hit the earth with a bump. Still, you should enjoy your energetic abilities while they last - you're only young once you know!

TAURUS

Your conversational skills have been serving you well recently, and you may well make a good chum whilst travelling on a long journey. So get those chatup lines rolling out now you're back on the Toon, you never know who you might charm!

GEMINI

Your endless suffering at the hands of an ear bashing mate who won't shut up about their problems should come to an end this week as there is a change in fortunes all round!

CANCER

Your week will be a good one, with plenty of 'wine, women and song' (or men if you'd rather!)

LEO

You're feeling rather artistic at the moment, although in what direction I wouldn't want to comment (... If you're single a new romance may blossom, but if a current relationship isn't working, be prepared to walk away without, despite your artistic cravings.

VIRGO

Your dry period seems to have been easing up, and even if money is pouring itself down the drain, you're having a brilliant time in the process, so ignore the money situation and live for the moment.

LIBRA

Caution is still advised in the financial arena, but a piece of providence could throw a bit of extra cash your way. Trips out of the city will be rewarding for you this weekend - a change is as good as a rest.

If Hercule has predicted accurately for you, write in and we will print your true-life story.



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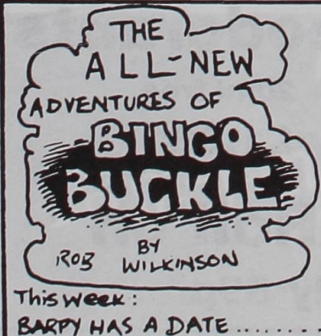
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Aah! If I had a penny for ever beautiful girl that had fobbed me off with the word "nice"-I'd have 4p.

Breast cancer - not my problem?

Breast cancer is a frightening but under-publicised disease that affects one in fourteen women. Claire Allcock reports on the reports of why and how men and women get it.

OCTOBER was officially Breast Cancer Awareness month but just how many of us were aware of this? I'd hazard a guess at 'not many'. But with approximately 1 in 14 women being affected at some time in their lives, surely breast cancer is something we should know more about.

When compared to other cancers and conditions such as heart disease, where risk factors are almost common knowledge, there is very little readily available advice on such aspects of breast cancer. It would seem

High alcohol consumption has been linked to breast cancer

somewhat surprising therefore that the response to Newcastle General Hospital's breast cancer awareness day was very poor.

Carol Mallen, the manager of the breast screening unit which covers Newcastle, North Tyneside and Derwentside, commented, "We were quite disappointed with the turn-out, considering the amount of publicity there had been. Only about thirty people visited, including a few health professionals."

The procedure at the breast screening unit of the General is, after the first screening, to provide each patient with a breast awareness leaflet, containing information about self-examination. This practice may work adequately for women between 50 and 64, who are screened every 3 years but younger women, who are not routinely screened, are excluded from this kind of information. We may therefore assume that there is nothing we can do to prevent breast cancer. In actual fact there are several things we could be doing or not

doing to reduce our chances of breast cancer. Factors such as diet, smoking and drinking have been linked to the incidence of breast cancer and these are things well within our control.

The strongest dietary risk factor is fat. Research has shown an almost definite link between a high fat diet and an increased risk of breast cancer. Interestingly though, there has been no mention of saturates, polyunsaturates or monounsaturates having any differences in risk. Polyunsaturates however, have recently been found to increase susceptibility to carcinogens in general and therefore monounsaturates may be a safer option.

An increased intake of fruit and vegetables has been found to be strongly linked with a marked decrease in the incidence of cancer. The benefit of fruit and vegetables is most likely to be due to their levels of vitamin C and beta-carotene which have anti-oxidant properties. This means that they are capable of destroying cancer causing agents. Increased vitamin A intake has also been strongly associated with a decrease in the occurrence of breast cancer, specifically. Vitamin A can be obtained from animal sources such as liver, butter, margarine cheese and eggs, or it can be formed from beta-

An increased intake of fruit and vegetables helps lower the risks

carotene, present in fruit and vegetables. Folic acid, concentrated in yeast, soya beans and chick peas, has also been shown to help in cancer prevention.

Absurdly enough, in a recent trial, soya beans were found to have an even more

important role in breast cancer prevention. A number of women, eating a diet high in soya bean protein over a period of weeks were found to have longer menstrual cycles than normal, thus reducing the amount of the female hormone, oestrogen. Since breast cancer is linked to the level of oestrogen, the effect of soya reduces the risk from breast cancer. This is currently undergoing further research, but there is no reason why we shouldn't take notice of these initial findings. - Good news for veggies!

As with most cancers, smoking greatly increases the degree of risk. Although little evidence has implicated smoking directly with an increase in breast cancer, it is known that smoking in conjunction with other factors especially a high fat diet would put us in the high risk category. High alcohol consumption has also been linked with breast cancer but the amount we can drink before we are putting ourselves at risk is debatable, some scientists saying as few as 4 units a week!

The recent concern over the link between oral contraceptive pills and breast cancer is not as worrying as it may seem. Although it is known that an increased exposure to oestrogen



Rembrandt's *Bathsheba Bathing*: The shadows in her left breast have led modern experts to suspect a possible malignant growth

may lead to an increase in breast cancer, the evidence regarding the pill is inconclusive and requires a great deal more research. While various pills remain on the market, we should not be too concerned about their possible effects.

In general, it appears that if we look after our bodies, by not smoking, not drinking in excess (well, not every night!) and eating a low fat diet, sufficient in all vitamins, we are helping to reduce our chances of getting breast cancer and other cancers.

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Rugby boys lack killer instinct

Northumbria 27 - 10 Newcastle

AS has been true for much of the season, Newcastle were the better side but seemed to lack the killer instinct and belief to seal a much needed and deserved victory.

Now, due to this, the third loss of the season, Newcastle must win against Leeds to ensure qualification to the first

round proper. This would also take the pressure off the return leg with Durham.

Going into the match Newcastle lacked six of the regular forwards and our instrumental half-back combination.

This adversity seemed to raise the performances of those left, with Baz Le Roux prowling and growling up

front and Gareth Bingham showing composure at the back.

Thanks to the efforts of Andrew Perkins, the replacements in the side were more than adequate. In fact the forwards gelled surprisingly well, which resulted in the scrum option being taken on two five metre penalties.

On both occasions tries were scored, unfortunately only one was by Newcastle. As well as this, the Poly scored another try courtesy of a very lucky interception near the end of the half, taking the score to 12-5, the University points being scored by Gibson. The try scored by Brosnan from the second push over rounded-off a shining individual performance from the fat lad, showing that he's not all talk.

At 12-10 and looking good, yet another injury hit the Newcastle team. The loss of the dynamic Woody took the initiative away from our XV, and almost at once the Poly ran in a try on his side.

From that time on the game was lost and, as heads dropped, the Poly was able to seal a very flattering victory.

Alex Williamson

Victory at last for women footballers

Newcastle 4 - 0 Northumbria

FOLLOWING a frustrating first few matches of the season Newcastle Women's football team finally attained a result they deserved in a storming match at Saltersgill.

Following a tense first half in which Ali succeeded in narrowly missing and hitting the crossbar (despite managing to retain her glasses throughout the duration of this particular game) the team emerged fighting

in the second half, gaining the tactical upper-hand with a battle plan conceived by Joyce and translated by club captain, Emily Grieves.

From here the Teesside players dropped like flies as Jen Hyland, alias Eric, true to form and French blood, knocked down yet another unfortunate goal keeper. Ali eventually hit the target, with goals following from Sarah Marshall, Eric and Clare McDonald.

The majority of the play in

the second half centred around the Poly goal area but any unexpected attacks were subsequently dispersed by our determined defence.

At the same end of the pitch, Newcastle goalkeeper Louise Jackson kept a clean slate as, despite their desperate attempts, the opponents were unable to make an impression, giving a final score of 4-0.

Hopefully the score is a sign of footballing success in the future.

Clare McDonald

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Intra mural round-up

Maths 7 - 0 French

IT took the maths hockey team fifteen minutes to score their first goal, but they never stopped from there.

The combined talents of Andy Pickles and Big Bez up front contributed to the seven goal rout (three and four goals respectively) against the division's newcomers.

The best goal of the game was undoubtedly the second, with a hard cross in from the right hand flank, a superb glancing flick into the top left hand corner gave Bez his first goal of the game.

Of special mention must be Kate, playing superbly on the

right wing, and Frenchies' Lindsey Wood, without whom the maths team would surely have reached double figures.

They now have three wins out of three, and have scored eleven, conceded none, so must surely be the bookies favourite for the title.

Frank.

Garnett "A" 7 - 0 Redhall

A flattering scoreline for Garnett in what was a rather lacklustre performance.

Things were looking good for the champions at the kick off with Redhall only managing to field eight players and some fat bloke

from the bar in goal. But after an inspired performance from the denim clad keeper and a sloppy first half display by Garnett, the 0-0 score at the turnaround was a fair reflection on the game.

The second half saw more conviction and passion and the goals inevitably began to flow. Jim bagged a couple and Rich, who was showing off in front off the missus, eventually got one.

Highlight of the game though was Blokey from the bar in his Levis dribbling out of the goal to beat two men, all without dropping his pie.

Craig McCafferty

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1pm Monday 20th Debating Chamber

Please vote in these elections, it must be worth it for the cut-price alcohol.

The Union Society, showing that elections are also about getting smashed...

Yet again, I would like to take the opportunity to write a few words to the avid reader. If you are in any way able to vote, you really should take the opportunity. I would like to see a huge election turnout. All you have to do is go to the ballot box, place your vote - sorry, vote and you will be awarded with a voucher - for free - for the bars that night... that is just an amazing deal. All this from the person who managed to bring you one of the week's lottery numbers - by the way, try 1, 15, 22, 26, 35 and 44 this time and see what happens. I hope that this will be making some sense to someone. We have had reasonable response to the nominations side of things, with a number of positions for Faculty Representatives being snapped up - now all you have to do is go ahead and vote. If you even remotely think that you are interested, you should come and see me for a pep-talk - pep pep pep pep. All I can now say is go back to your constituencies and prepare for election. And now a very bad joke. A man runs into a bar and says "Excuse me, does anyone here own a six foot penguin?", nobody says yes, and the man exclaims "Oh hell, I've just run over a Nun!". I hope you liked that one - I don't mean to jibe the Catholic church, even though they have featured in the past two jokes. Please don't take offence... Love, Ash.

Mixed fortunes for University Footballers

Newcastle 2nd XI 2 - 1 Northumbria 2nd XI

THE Football 2nd XI look set to secure a place in the knockout round after winning a brutal battle with the less than intelligent Northumbria students.

The Poly brainboxes managed to forget to pump up the ball and thus the kick-off was delayed for 10 minutes. When the match finally got underway it resembled more of a Bigg Market brawl than a game of football. Rob Bridge was looking at a GBH charge after his over-zealous challenge on the Poly's tricky winger, but the referee seemed oblivious to it all. He did however take note of Don Monahan's Kung Fu practice on the opposition's centre forward. To cap it all off, Jez Tidman conceded a penalty from which the Poly duly scored.

Duly punished, it was time to play football and with some neat interchanges down the flanks they started to exert some pressure. A corner brought a penalty when the Poly rightback forgot he could not use his hands after the ever predatory Meo had shot from six yards out. Colin Murphy slotted the ball home with aplomb and we were level.

Early on in the second half, Ian Thomas beat his marker and progressed to the edge of the

area where he unleashed an unstoppable shot into the top corner. The game was ours.

R Bridge

Newcastle 3rd XI 2 - 2 Northumbria 2nd XI

The 3rd XI also outplayed their opponents with neat passing movements and early incisive passes, cutting the Poly's defence to shreds.

A great deal of passion was shown by the team as they battled back from the upset of an early goal to take the lead 2-1, with a sharply taken header at the nearpost and a piledriving free-kick.

The result looked in no doubt until the last ten minutes when the midfield started to get the jitters and resorted to simply pumping the ball upfield. This gave the Poly the possession they needed and enabled them to put extreme pressure on the Newcastle goal.

Still the University's defence held firm and would undoubtedly have taken the three points if it was not for an eccentric referee who not only played 10 minutes extra, but also allowed a goal that was blatantly offside. His verdict was that the offside player was not interfering with play despite the fact that it was he who scored the goal.

League boys lose out to Hull

Hull 48 - 16 Newcastle

BUT for a few mistakes and an exceptional Hull scrum-half the score line could have been very different.

For the first 20 minutes, Newcastle dominated, but for all their efforts could only cross the line once. Hull turned up the heat with defensive frailties enabling the

Yorkshire men to bag an easy 16 points.

Newcastle heads remained high as Andy Hogg went over to push them well and truly back into the game. With only 6 points separating the teams, there was all to play for.

Hull came out a changed side after the interval, but Newcastle rose to the occasion

and were able to contain them and keep the fixture on a knife-edge. Yet again, despite all the pressure they were only able to cross the line once more with John Rollason scoring.

In the dying minutes Hull's superior match fitness enabled them to pull away and pile on the points.

Andrew Traynor

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Newcastle's smash & grab

Newcastle 4 - 2 Northumbria

FORTUNE favours the bold and Newcastle had their fair share of fortune in their excellent victory over Northumbria in the local derby.

In winning 4-2, Newcastle assured themselves of a place in the knock-out stages of the UAU winter Championships. To do so required luck, determination and an abundance of skill. There were net-cords galore in all the singles with Newcastle number two Nick Davison claiming he gained 'greater pleasure' winning with a net-cord than a huge forehand drive. However, Nick was in scintillating form saving six set points, one with an exquisite top-spin lob, eventually ensuring a 6-2, 5-7, 7-6 win.

Simon Branwell was exceptional and is yet to lose a match, once again leading by example. The undisputed Newcastle number one, stung by accusations of

being staid, played with the flamboyance of a Flamenco dancer in a 6-1 6-1 thrashing of yet another high quality opponent. The playboy of the tennis circuit, Richard Alden came from behind to win 6-2 3-6 7-5. "He's really matured as a Player" the team coach beamed.

James Insley proved it is possible to lose despite being the more talented player on court. Dejected Insley claimed that he would go back to the drawing board and was chivalrous enough to praise his opponent's staying power in a gruelling three set defeat.

The doubles became a formality when Simon and Nick closed the match out and looked hungrier for victory than their rivals. Rich and James then relaxed losing the dead rubber yet showed enough skill to suggest Newcastle can achieve great things this year.

Lacrosse team snatches close fought victory

Northumbria 8 - 9 Newcastle

IN A very close match, Newcastle 1st XII beat the Poly by 9 goals to 8.

In a crucial fixture, the loser going out of the tournament, Newcastle just gained the winning edge. Unity and teamwork was the name of the game, with G putting away those goals while Amy, at the other end of the pitch, courageously preventing them from going in.

There was the added excitement of confusion between footballs and lacrosse balls as each kept flying onto the others pitch. Lacrosse secured its reputation as a downright dangerous sport when a stray ball landed on a stretcher bound casualty who was about to be put into the ambulance.

All in all, it was a courageous performance and one from which great heart can be taken as we go into the next round.



Newcastle clinch Stan Calvert Cup

THE competition was fierce last Wednesday as Newcastle took Northumbria in the return leg of this, the qualifying stage of the BUSA Cup.

Not only did these fixtures go to decide who qualifies for the next round, but also the two Universities were competing for the Stan Calvert Memorial Cup. Stan Calvert was Director of P.E. and Sport at Newcastle University for 13 years.

Much of the Athletic Union's strength is owed to him. It is for this reason that he is honoured by the presentation of the Stan Calvert Memorial Cup to the overall winner.

Having lost out to Northumbria last year the Newcastle teams were all the more keen to do well and regain the Cup.

Despite disappointing results in key sports, the University showed their superior strength and depth by defeating Northumbria overall. Out of 32 fixtures, Newcastle won 18, lost 11 and drew the remaining 3.

Noteable victories included the Fencing team thrashing their opponents 25-2 and the Hockey squad losing only 1 of their 6 fixtures.

James Jordan

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Football 3	2	2
Football (Women)	2	1
Badminton 1	7	2
Badminton 2	8	1
Badminton (Women)	4	5
Basketball (Men)	75	96
Basketball (Women)	46	64
Fencing (men)	25	2
Golf	2	4
Hockey 1	1	0
Hockey 2	2	2
Hockey 3	5	0
Hockey 1 (women)	0	1
Hockey 2 (women)	2	2
Hockey 3 (women)	4	0
Lacrosse	9	8
Netball 1	31	39
Netball 2	29	28
Rugby Union 1	10	27
Rugby Union 2	14	34
Rugby Union 3	7	44
Rugby Union (women)	29	5
Squash 1	4	1
Squash 2	5	0
Squash (women)	4	1
Table Tennis (men)	13	4
Volleyball (men)	0	3
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