

Baths Bus 2006

A very successful season of trips to Crook swimming baths has been enjoyed by around 200 youngsters during the Summer holiday period. The programme was brought to a close on 30th August with a trip to the Wet n Wild Water Park on North Tyneside, when a full coach load of 50 including parents and chaperones took full advantage of the thrills and spills on offer during a four hour visit. Thanks to funding from the Town Council and the Community Fund, the cost was kept to only £3 per head, much less than the usual "pay at the door" charge.

Play Time

Meetings have been held during the holiday period to discuss the future of the recreation area at the foot of Millennium Green. Following a consultation exercise across the community, consultants have unveiled a series of options which are designed to be progressive over a period of time, ranging from the basic re-vamp of the pavilion, to include a keep fit facility and a social area, through the re-surfacing of the multi-use games area, an upgrading of the grass football field, an indoor 4 court sports hall with ancillary facilities, and ultimately to provide for the possible re-location of Tow Law Football Club. Individual options are designed to be either free standing or cumulative, and costings are being drawn up for the various stages. The proposal is the work of the Community Partnership, with the support of the Town Council, and a separate community group will be necessary to oversee the project, and most importantly to access funding for the work. Watch this space.

Let there be Light

With the onset of the darker evenings, attention is being given to the provision of additional lighting at the Millennium Green, both to help pedestrians and in the hope of deterring anti-social behaviour. Meetings are being held with County Council lighting engineers to agree the best options.

Rest Awhile

The Town Council has agreed to provide more public seating in the community, and is currently seeking the views of Wear Valley District Council and County Highways over the proposed locations. Sites are earmarked for the grass area at the junction of the A68 and the Sunnyside Road, Wolsingham Road at the point where a public footpath crosses the highway (this is within the area of Wolsingham Parish Council and their approval is being sought), on the footpath immediately behind Bonds Foundry, opposite Tow Law football ground, and at a suitable spot near the junction of the A68 and Inkerman Road. The seats are of the same design and manufacture as those installed earlier in the year, and will be put in place as soon as the necessary approvals are given.

Young Blood

Discussions are taking place between the Town Council, Wolsingham School, local schools and education officials to identify ways of providing more in the community for young people, and to encourage them to take an interest in public and community affairs. One proposal is for the formation of a youth council and this is being investigated. In the meantime, a local Christian group is actively interested in acquiring the former bank building on the High Street with a view to opening a drop-in centre for young people and to provide activities and facilities designed to mitigate the impact of anti-social behaviour in the community.

Knees Bend, Arms Stretch

The WOW keep fit caravan has moved on after a ten weeks' stay. Yet again, this has been a popular attraction in the town, and it is hoped that the momentum generated can be maintained once a new facility is up and running, hopefully at the revamped recreation centre in the fullness of time.

STOP PRESS—MILLENNIUM GREEN AGM

Tuesday October 3rd at 6.00 in the Community Centre. Would you like to be involved come along and join us. We are looking to develop a play area on the Green and will be holding a Festival on the Green on 1st July 2007 as part of the year of the Community

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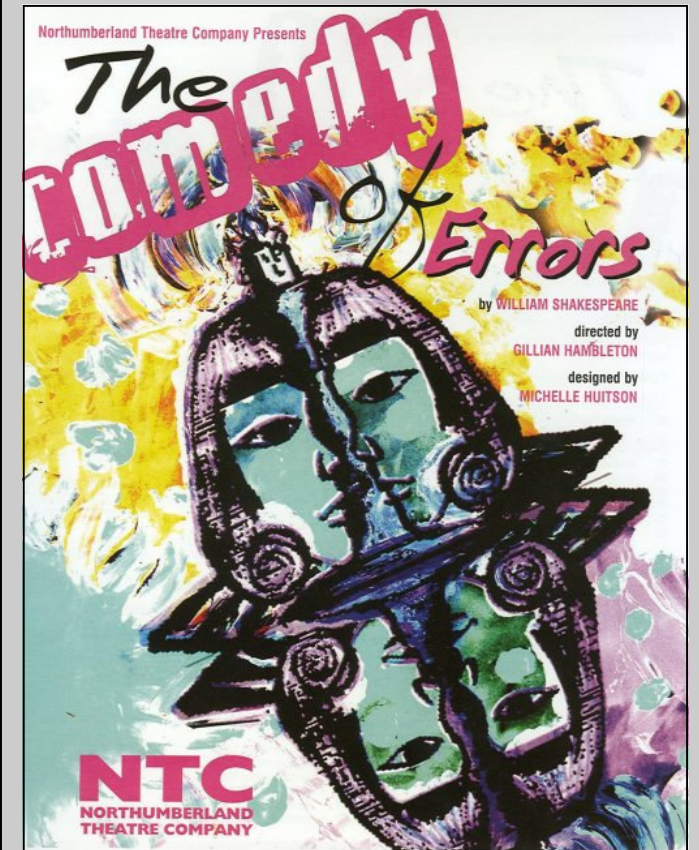
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