

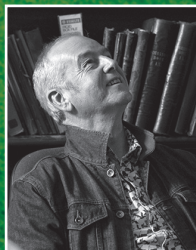
Sunday 11th

The Cullercoats Test

Beaconsfield.

10.00am Free

S.J.Litherland's team of six North East poets will take on **David Almond's** team of six North East prose writers in a short sharp game of cricket.



David Almond



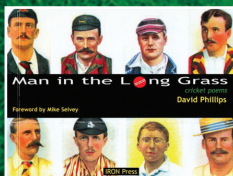
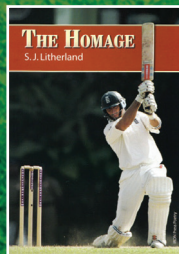
S J Litherland

Howzat!

Cullercoats Church Hall

11.30am Free

Cricket has a long literary tradition though it's one that is almost exclusively male. Durham poet **S.J. Litherland** challenged that with her poems *The Homage*, based on the last season as England captain of the Warwickshire player **Nassim Hussain**. Celebrated North East novelist **David Almond** will read extracts from the other IRON press book of cricket poems, **David Phillips' Man in the Long Grass** – the fictitious final season of a county player in decline.



WHERE'S WALLER?

During Sunday daytime, that well-known coast musician Mike Waller, plus his keyboard, will be popping up in unexpected outdoor Cullercoats locations to give festival goers a quick *al fresco* musical treat. *Catching him brings good luck!*

Cullercoats walk and workshop with Colette Bryce Fishermen's Mission, meet 1pm. £8.00

An eye opening walk round the Cullercoats coast line, beach, headland and rocks with the renowned poet **Colette Bryce**, former writer-in residence at The Dove Marine Laboratory. Among Colette's several award winning poetry collections is *Ballasting the Ark* whose contents evoke brilliantly a sense of our own coastal village. The tour itself will be lead by **Annie Ivison** of Dove Marine Laboratory.



Colette Bryce

The group set off on the one hour walk from the Fishermen's Mission and return there for the workshop. Participating authors are encouraged to submit work resulting from the sessions to IRON Press, who, depending on the quality, may publish a pamphlet of contemporary Cullercoats poems. *Spaces are limited. Booking ahead essential.*

