

'You're a dangerous pervert'

... judge tells paedophile who lied his way into single mother's life

A PAEDOPHILE caught with thousands of indecent images of children tricked his way into the life of a single mother by not revealing his past.

Neil Jackson was yesterday jailed for three years by a judge, who told him: "It is plain you have been for some considerable time a dangerous pervert."

Jackson was arrested after Durham Police were tipped off he had been downloading child pornography pictures

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and videos from the internet.

A collection of nearly 6,000 images was found on his computers, along with file-sharing software which allowed him to swap filth with other paedophiles.

The investigation also revealed the 40-year-old had been in a relationship with the mother of two children in

Shildon, County Durham. The woman had no idea Jackson, of nearby Newton Aycliffe, was on the sex offenders' register following a caution for indecent images in March 2010.

Amanda Rippon, prosecuting, told Teesside Crown Court the couple met on the Facebook internet site and for a year he regularly stayed at the family's home.

Miss Rippon said: "There is no complaint, but police would have been concerned he was



JAILED:
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staying at an address where there were children.

"The woman was not aware of the defendant's status on the register... he accepts he

should have registered the address with the police, but chose not to."

Christopher Attwooll, mitigating, said: "It was not a calculated deception, but born out of a fear of what his new partner may think, and a degree of shame."

Jackson, of Hedley Close, admitted possessing indecent images, distributing them and failing to comply with his registration requirements.

The Recorder of Middles-

brough, Judge Peter Fox, told him: "It is correct you were not physically active yourself, one-to-one, against any such child.

"But you were instrumental in what is just as dreadful abuse of real children by others for your own sexual gratification... so devastating for the rest of their lives.

"These children were treated in an inhumane way - appallingly abused - and you enjoyed that ill-treatment and shared it with others."

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Soldiers gunning for record



BULLDOG SPIRIT: Members of Team Kart Force at a coaching session, from left, Steve Shine, Martyn Compton, Mark Allen, Josh Hill and Ricky Fergusson

A TEAM of injured troops is aiming to set a world record.

The soldiers are part of KartForce, a karting team with the motto "You don't need all your limbs to race, just British bulldog balls".

They hope to set a karting world record for the furthest driven in 24 hours with handcontrols.

Their bid will take place on Monday and Tuesday at Teesside Autodrome in Middlesbrough.

In future, organisers hope teams from across the country

will compete to top the record.

KartForce is an organisation set up by former Royal Engineer Dave Player to provide injured troops with memorable, adrenaline-packed experiences.

The team of drivers include Trooper Steve Shine, who lost a leg when his vehicle was hit by a roadside bomb in Iraq, Lance Corporal Martyn Compton, who received 70 per cent burns and was shot twice on patrol in Afghanistan, Corporal Ricky Fergusson MC, who lost an eye and both legs

as a result of a Taliban bomb and Private Mark Allen who lost his legs in an incident while on duty in Afghanistan.

Mr Player said: "We are really looking forward to it, there is lots of anticipation. The lads do not want any special treatment or favours. They have only been karting for six months, but everything they do, they excel in."

KartForce relies solely on donations. To donate to the record attempt, go to justgiving.com/kartforceworldrecord or KartForce.org

Pleas expected in mortgage case

EIGHT men, including a pub owner from North Yorkshire, accused of fraudulently obtaining mortgages worth more than £30m are expected to enter their pleas at court later this month.

The men are accused of securing large sums of money from lenders, including the Royal Bank of Scotland, through fake mortgage applications and then using the cash for other means.

The men face a variety of charges including conspiracy to defraud, conspiracy to commit

fraud by false representation, conspiracy to commit corruption and conspiracy to commit money laundering.

Philip Barker, 45, of Oatlands Drive, Harrogate, faces seven charges. Mr Barker, owner of the Black Bull, in Moulton, near Richmond, is accused of conspiracy commit fraud by false representation between February 2, 2007 and November 30, 2008.

Seven other men, aged between 29 and 56, from Berkshire, South Wales, Hampshire, West Sussex

and Surrey, have also been charged.

None of the defendants appeared for a directions hearing at Reading Crown Court, Berkshire, yesterday.

Their case was transferred from Reading to Croydon, and the men will now appear for a plea and case management hearing at Croydon Crown Court on July 25.

No date has yet been fixed for trial, but it is expected to start in January or February next year.



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