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The history, culture and diversity of places called Newcastle
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There are many places in the world named Newcastle. There were 'New Castles' in many different countries resulting in names such as Shinshiro, Neuchâtel, Neuburg, and Nové Hrady. And some Newcastles were named after other Newcastles or individuals bearing the name Newcastle.

Meet Sue Wilson and David Faulkner from the Newcastles of the World Network to find out what these wonderful places have in common.

Get Tickets
THE “NEWCASTLES” OF THE WORLD

There are over 100 towns and cities across the world that share the name “Newcastle” or “New Castle”

The origin of the name is often the same whatever the language - an old castle was destroyed or fell into disrepair and a “new” castle was built to replace it.

However, many Newcastles in the English-speaking world take their name from some connection with Newcastle upon Tyne.

Some of the “Newcastles” have been meeting every two years to share experience and ideas on culture, heritage, education and business. This began in 1998 at the invitation of the then Mayor of Shinshiro, the “Newcastle” of Japan.

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“NEWCASTLES” OF THE WORLD

England - Newcastle, Herefordshire & Newcastle on Clun, Shropshire

Scotland - Newcastle Upon Tyne, Northern Ireland - Newcastle, County Down

Wales - Little Newcastle (Casnewyd-Bach), Pembrokeshire; Newcastle, Bridgend, Glamorgan; Newcastle Emlyn, Newcastle, Monmouthshire

Canada - New Castle, New Brunswick

New Castle, Ontario, Canada

New Castle, Indiana, USA

New Castle, Pennsylvania, USA

New Castle, Kentucky

New Castle, Maine

New Castle, Nebraska

New Castle, New Hampshire

New Castle, New York State

New Castle, Ohio

Newcastle, Alabama

Newcastle, Arkansas

Newcastle, California

New Castle, Colorado

New Castle, Delaware

New Castle, Illinois

New Castle, Indiana

Newcastle, New South Wales, Australia

Newcastle, North Carolina

Newcastle, Oklahoma

Newcastle, Virginia

Newcastle, Washington State

Newcastle, Wyoming

U.S.A.

Republic of Ireland

Newcastle West, County Limerick

Newcastle, County Dublin

Newcastle, County Galway

Newcastle, County Tipperary

Newcastle, County Wicklow

Newcastle, County Meath

EUROPE

Austria - Neuberg im Burgenland

Barbados - Newcastle

Brazil - Castello Novo

Czech Republic - Nové Hrady

Denmark - Nyborg

France - Neufchâteau (Lorraine) & Châteauneuf-du-Paou

Greece - Neaokastro, Central Macedonia

Italy - Castelnovo Bariano

Montenegro - Herceg Novi

Poland - Nowy Żmigród

Romania - Gherla

Saint Kitts and Nevis - Newcastle, Nevis

Spain - Castelino-Neuvo

Sweden - Nové Zámky, Slovakia

Ukraine - Novograd-Volynsky

United Kingdom - Newcastle upon Tyne

United States - New Castle

Venezuela - Castellno del Puente

Wealth - New Castle

Newcastle

Newcastle upon Tyne

Newcastle-under-Lyme

North Carolina - New Castle

North Dakota - New Castle

Norway - New Castle

Portugal - Castelo Novo

Republic of Ireland - Newcastle

Romania - Neufchâteau, Belgium

Scotland - Newcastle

South Carolina - New Castle

Spain - Castelino-Neuvo

Ukraine - Novograd-Volynsky

USA - Washington State

Canada - New Brunswick

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“NEWCASTLES” OF THE WORLD

Formerly known as “Newcastle”

Pylus, Greece * Savonlinna, Finland

Toodyay, Western Australia

Cowichan-Newcastle, British Columbia, Canada

Albert Town, Otago, New Zealand

Shinshiro City, Japan

Kota Bharu, Malaysia

Newcastle, New South Wales, Australia

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OUR MAIN PARTNER NEWCASTLES GROUPED BY SIZE

1000 - 2500  Nové Hrady (Czech Republic); Jaunpils (Latvia);  
2500 – 10,000 Newcastle Ontario (Canada)  
10,000 – 50,000 Neuchâtel,(Switzerland); Neuburg (Germany); Shinshiro (Japan); Akhaltsikhe (Georgia); Nyborg (Denmark); New Castle Indiana (USA); New Castle, Pennsylvania (USA); Nové Zamky (Slovakia), Herceg Novi (Montenegro)  
50,000 – 100,000 Newcastle-under-Lyme (UK) (town 75,000, borough/council 124,000)  
Over 100,000  Newcastle upon Tyne (United Kingdom – 290,000); Kota Bharu (Malaysia - 600,000); Newcastle New South Wales, (Australia) - 160,000); Newcastle KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa - 380,000)
NEWCASTLES OF THE WORLD
OUR MAIN PARTNER TOWNS AND CITIES
Shinshiro City, population 50,000, is 135 miles SW of Tokyo
Neuburg an der Donau (literally “Newcastle on the Danube”), is 40 miles north of Munich and has a population of 30,000.
Neuchâtel is a 1000-year-old city. The capital of Neuchâtel Canton celebrated its Millennium in 2011. It developed around its fortified castle and stretches out today to the east and west along the northern shore of Lake Neuchâtel, population 33,000.
Newcastle-under-Lyme is a market town in Staffordshire, England. The borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme has a population of 123,000 of which the town is 75,000.
Newcastle Kwazulu Natal, South African has a population of around 400,000 including large townships; it is 160 miles NW of Durban.
Jaunpils, Latvia
Nyborg, Denmark: the Municipality has a population of 31,000. From 1183 to 1413 it was Denmark’s capital and the Parliament – the Danehoffet – met at Nyborg Castle.
Nové Zamky is in Slovakia, on the Nitra Rover, west of the capital Bratislava, with a population of 42,000.
Akhaltsikhe, Georgia
Population 20,000 (Municipality 46,0000; South West Georgia, near border with Turkey
Newcastle is a community in the Municipality of Clarington in Durham Region, Ontario, Canada 80km east of Toronto
Newcastle
New South Wales
Australia

Located 160 miles north of Sydney, Newcastle is Australia’s seventh largest city, population 160,000 or 288,000 for Greater Newcastle.
Kota Bharu – state capital and Royal City of Keletan in northern Malaysia – population over 600,000
Herceg Novi, Montenegro

Herceg Novi is a coastal town at the foot of Mount Orjen and at the entrance to the dramatic Bay of Kotor, the southernmost fjord in Europe. It is the administrative, economic and cultural centre of the municipality bordering Croatia and Serbia – 16,000 of the municipality’s 32,000 population live in the city.
Newcastle upon Tyne
North East England, population 285,000
New Castle, Indiana: one of over 20 “Newcastles” in the USA
New Castle, Pennsylvania
OPPORTUNITIES TO LINK UP

• Trade, business development, chambers of commerce
  • Tourism
• Cultural collaborations and exchanges
• Youth Councils and youth exchanges
• University and college cooperation, schools, languages
• Business clubs, e.g. Northern Counties
  • Libraries
• Charitable support for less well-developed communities
  • Sporting links
• Rotary and Lions Clubs, Round Tables
SHARING INFORMATION AND BEST PRACTICE IN AREAS OF COMMON INTEREST

http://newcastlesoftheworld.com/best-practice-information/

- Ensuring thriving town and district centres
  - Affordable housing
  - New uses for historic buildings
- An ageing population- issues and opportunities
  - Employment and skills for young people
  - Connecting with citizens
- Environmental sustainability
  - Equalities and Cohesion
- Strengthening civic identity and pride
- Maximising our tourism potential through collaboration

The Newcastles Forum is for us all to keep in touch and share news and ideas. There are sections by country, by projects, by topics of shared interest and for youth.  
http://www.newcastlesforum.com/

Check it out and sign up at www.newcastlesforum.com
CURRENT PROJECTS

- Global Schools – linking schools in the different Newcastles – educational resource pack
- Tourism – the “Newcastles Passport”
- Best practice information exchange
  - The Newcastles Forum
  - Events diary and calendar
- Youth Councils and youth exchanges
  - “Two Castles” cultural project
- One-to-one links on specific projects between individual Newcastles in addition to projects available to us all
EXAMPLES: Newcastle Cookbook and “Two Newcastles” Theatre Project
Young people are the Future for our Newcastles
OUR FIRST DEDICATED YOUTH CONFERENCE WAS IN SHINSHIRO, JAPAN IN DECEMBER 2017
A WONDERFUL CONFERENCE IN SHINSHIRO!

Our 20th anniversary conference in Shinshiro, Japan had a record number of delegates and countries represented – everyone came away with such a positive view about the future for our very special alliance of Newcastle and Shinshiro. We all agreed that the opening of the Newchitel delegation had been a huge success. Fabio Bongiovanni, head of the Newchitel delegation said: “The Newchitel Alliance has been celebrating its 20th birthday this year and I went to Shinshiro, Japan, for the biennial conference. I came back having enjoyed enriching meetings and beautiful experiences, but above all with new projects to be carried out in the fields of business, training, culture and tourism, starting a new dynamic!” Newchitel will host our 2020 conference.

See page 11 for a message from Mayor Hozumi of Shinshiro and pages 12 and 13 for a summary of the key points from our conference, as set out in the communiqué. And photos below!

An important part of what we do is the sharing of best practice information on matters of common interest to our different Newcastle and Shinshiro. Check out our website: https://newcastlesoftheworld.com/best-practice-information/ There you’ll find such topics as “age-friendly” Newcastle, affordable housing, sustaining our town centres and new uses for historic buildings. We’re adding the topic of “smart city” because that will be the main theme for our 2020 conference in Newchitel, Switzerland.

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SHINSHIRO CITY EXTENDS ITS WELCOME TO YOU!

Mayor Hozumi of Shinshiro, City of Japan, extends its welcome to you. With its history of over 1,000 years, Shinshiro is a city located in the Nara Prefecture of Japan. The city is known for its beautiful temples, shrines, and natural landscapes. Shinshiro is home to a variety of cultural and historical sites, including the famous Tosa Jidaigeki festival, which is held annually in the fall. The city is also home to a number of universities and research institutions, making it a hub for education and innovation. With its stunning natural beauty and rich cultural heritage, Shinshiro is a must-visit destination for anyone looking to explore Japan’s past and present. Shinshiro welcomes you to explore its many attractions and experience the warmth and hospitality of its people.

COUNTDOWN TO THE CONFERENCE...

Welcome to our 20th anniversary conference, 30th November to 3rd December 2018, in Shinshiro, Japan. This is a great opportunity to enhance friendships and make new contacts as you exchange ideas and to put in place new ways of working and new projects to take home. The conference is being held at Shinshiro City Hall, a modern and impressive building with conference facilities that are state-of-the-art. The city of Shinshiro is located in the heart of the Nara Prefecture of Japan, and is known for its rich history and cultural heritage. With its stunning natural beauty and a wealth of cultural and historical sites, Shinshiro is a perfect destination for anyone looking to explore Japan’s past and present. Shinshiro welcomes you to join us at our 20th anniversary conference, and we look forward to seeing you there!
WHAT YOU’LL FIND ON OUR WEBSITE
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  • Newsletters and features
  • Opportunities and projects
    • Sharing best practice
• Our calendar of major events in the different Newcastles
  • The Newcastles Forum
    • More about youth
    • Business and Tourism
• Your contacts in our Newcastles
  • Meet the Team!

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In 1998 the Mayor of Shinshiro in Japan took the initiative to invite representatives of seven other “Newcastles“ to his city. They have continued to meet every two years – in Neuchâtel, Switzerland in 2000, USA (Indiana/Pennsylvania) in 2002, South Africa 2004 & 2010, Newcastle-under-Lyme (UK) in 2006, Neuburg an der Donau, Germany in 2008, Newcastle upon Tyne (UK) in 2012, Nové Hrady in the Czech Republic in 2014, Newcastle Ontario, Canada in 2016 and Shinshiro City Japan again for our 20th anniversary in 2018.

The aim of the Newcastles alliance is to foster friendship and collaboration, and to share and enjoy each others’ heritage and culture.

Each gathering has taken a discussion theme to ensure practical, usable outcomes, also involving our young people.
Newcastles of the World Conference
Shinshiro 2018

Zélie Guérin

Newcastles of the World Conference
Shinshiro 2018
Attended by delegates from 15 “Newcastles”

85 visiting delegates plus 30+ host city delegates
… of whom 35 were participants in the youth sessions

10 delegates from Newcastle upon Tyne, of whom 5 were participants in the youth sessions

plus several hundred citizens of Shinshiro at the public sessions and at conference cultural events
Developing our Alliance for the next 20 years

Key themes
- Culture
- Tourism
- Education
- Business
Newcastles of the World Conference
Shinshiro 2018

• Communiqué
• Declaration on future collaboration
Today’s Youth – Tomorrow’s Newcastles

- “Connecastle” – Youth tourism app
- Youth Homestay scheme
- Creating youth friendly Newcastles
What is the Newcastles Passport?

Passport is an initiative to **promote tourism and friendship** amongst Newcastles. Passport is **promoted through the NotW website** with visitors viewing the offers for each city and downloading a ‘passport’ to access special offers. **Exclusive offers** include places to visit, places to stay, people to meet, or other offers.
Shinshiro City Passport

Shinshiro City, Japan gathered their offers and have a fantastic range including:

• Guided Hiking at Mount Horaiji
• Guided City tour
• Free entrance for municipal museums
• Zen experience at a temple including:
  - Making Soba noodles
  - Tea ceremony
  - Wearing Samurai Costume
• Meet the Mayor
• Dine/stay with a host family
• Picking up from nearest Bullet train station Toyohashi or nearest airport Chubu Nagoya
Castle Managers’ Network

Nyborg, Denmark  Jaunpils, Latvia  Newcastle, England