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NHFT and NTFCCT team up with the Cobblers

Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (NHFT) and Northampton Town Football Club Community Trust (NTFCCT) teamed up for Mental Health Awareness Week (10th-16th May) with a special campaign focusing on men's mental health. Players shared their own experiences in a bid to encourage anyone who might be struggling to reach out for support. Colleagues from Changing Minds IAPT are also working alongside to provide mental wellbeing guidance and support.

Northampton Town Football Club Defender, Fraser Horsfall, said: "Prioritising your mental health is just as important as looking after your physical health. Making sure you care for both helps you lead a happy and healthy life."

To find out more about programmes and sessions visit: www.ntfcccommunity.co.uk

You can sign up to be contacted by the Changing Minds IAPT service online at www.nhft.nhs.uk

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MAYOR ELECTED FOR SECOND TERM OF OFFICE

At its Annual Meeting, held in the Bede House on 17th May, Higham Ferrers Town Council elected Cllr Christina Reavey for her second term of office as Mayor. Cllr Angela Gardner was elected as her Deputy.

On thanking her fellow councillors for the nomination, Cllr Reavey said: "My Mayorship will go down in history. Firstly, because I have been asked to do two consecutive years. I have been told that the last person to do two consecutive years was John White in 1952-1954 when in fact we were a borough council.

"Secondly because last year I 'Zoomed' into the role whilst in solitary isolation in my study and then this year, because of Covid restrictions and social distancing rules, we are not holding the Mayor Making in our Town Hall Council Chamber but in the historic

Bede House.

"However, I very much appreciate that this evening I have my fellow councillors and Town Hall staff alongside me, and finally I must be the only Mayor who has raised zero pounds for their charity!"

Cllr Reavey has been a resident of Northamptonshire for 35 years – approximately 25 of them in Higham Ferrers. She is retired but formerly taught for 23 years in a nearby primary school and she considers the education and wellbeing of our young people to be very important.

Cllr Reavey hopes that later in the year, if restrictions allow, she will be able to hold some events to raise money for her charities, which initially will be Higham Ferrers Community Groups and Organisations. She would also like to include a national charity if restrictions allow a number of fundraising events to be held and will announce this later in the year.

She enjoys meeting and talking with residents and their families and looks forward to representing the historic town of Higham Ferrers during her second Mayoral year.

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Higham Ferrers Mayor, Cllr Christina Reavey

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WILDLIFE NEWS

WORDS BY
ROY BURRELL

Hoping that calendar seasons and weather systems can get their act together is a frustrating task facing anyone who relies on the forecast, and knows how conditions can fool us.

Whether we are gardeners or farmers trying to find the right moment before we miss the right 'slot' in our schedule, or simply deciding on the right time for that health-giving walk, we look to the skies for inspiration.

This year the weather seems to have gathered more tricks up its sleeve; bright sunny days have softened us all up, only for winds to arrive straight from the Arctic. In the middle of all this meteorological chaos our plants and animals must find the right time to make their own moves to start the next generation – and they manage this tricky reply very well.

"It's not us, it's them others" is a common excuse when events do not go quite as we would like, and this mish-mash of 'the wrong kind of weather' can be seen by many in a similar way,

with plenty of examples where nature seems determined to 'shoot itself in the foot', setting two or more species against each other.

One visitor occasionally hopping over the fence from the reserve (attracted by the food supply we keep going through the year), but more often heard than seen, is the great spotted woodpecker, whose noisy drumming of tree trunks is one of the earlier sounds of spring (as striking in appearance as in sound!).

Good to look at, maybe, but not always quite as welcome overall when it finds some of its menu items; it has been known to take not only eggs from an exposed nest but also unguarded small nestlings. It may sound cruel, but the numbers involved are too small for us to think of it being classified as a pest.

This strikingly black-and-white bird adds to the scenery with its bright red flashes of colour on the head in both the young generation and the male 'seniors', meaning we simply have to put up with some of the 'dark side' of nature.

GENEALOGY JOTTINGS

WORDS BY
JAN PEARSON

Do you have any genealogy related books to help you on your search? One of the best reference books that I have is a copy of *Ancestral Trails* by Mark Herber.

Published in association with the Society of Genealogists, this weighty volume will guide you through what to look for and point you in the direction of finding it. There is a copy to be seen in the reference section of the local library and is certainly worth a look, the next time that you are able to visit. Remember – the library is now open and available for visits. Contact them to arrange your slot!

By the way, I used to be found in Oundle Library on the first Wednesday of each month before lockdown started, from 9:30am for an hour (or longer, if needed), where I held an 'open surgery' for people to drop in, ask questions and I would do my best to help them onto the right track to find the answers. Hopefully, this will happen again soon but, if you have any questions in the meantime, please do contact me.

Although a good deal of information may be found on the internet, reference books can contain information that you will not find elsewhere. To help me research my Irish grandfather, one of my books is *Tracing Your Dublin Ancestors*. There is a whole series which gives chapters over to identifying administrative divisions through to land records and directories.

As well as books, I also have reference CDs adorning my bookshelves. These range from transcriptions of parish registers (many of which are not on Ancestry or Find My Past etc) to tithe maps of the areas. Always worth laying your hands on and can be bought from Family History Societies. The Family History Federation (<https://www.familyhistoryfederation.com/>) is a good place to start to discover which FHS would be best for you.

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Theatre company and local charity highlight food poverty across the UK

Leading grant-making charity in the county Northamptonshire Community Foundation and As It Is Theatre Company recently held the online premiere of Foodbank: 2021.

Written by former foodbank manager Tara Osman and directed by Lawrence O'Connor, the live theatre film highlights real life stories about people who are forced to rely on food banks to support both themselves and their families.

Foodbank: 2021 is an online theatre piece documented by a food bank worker who is incensed by what she has seen. These are dramatised stories of people's real life struggles with financial hardship, food insecurity and food poverty.

Their previous play, *Food Bank As It Is*, also written and directed by Tara and Lawrence, brings the voices and experiences of food bank users to life.

Adaptions of the play have previously been performed

across the UK and it was due to be shown in Northampton last April but was cancelled due to the public health crisis.

The film, shot under Covid-safe restrictions during lockdown, provides a window into the world of food poverty

in the UK.

Foodbank: 2021 is now available to watch online on Northamptonshire Community Foundation's YouTube channel at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/NorthamptonshireCF>



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CLLR SYLVIA HUGHES RE-ELECTED AS MAYOR OF RAUNDS

After a very different year as Mayor Cllr Sylvia Hughes is looking forward to more opportunities to go out and meet residents as well as representing the town elsewhere.



The 'Covid Year' meant Sylvia concentrated on using technology to connect with as many residents as possible. Her podcasts about local schools had well over 1,000 hits. These were made with staff from the Nene Education Trust to reassure parents that all possible precautions were being taken when schools re-opened.

There was a lot of interest in the one about local businesses and how they had adapted to work differently in the changed circumstances. One which had previously supplied vegetables to restaurants soon delivered veggie boxes to local people and as restrictions lifted became a great source of all sorts of vegetables and other ingredients

Keeping socially distanced Sylvia represented the town by laying a wreath on Remembrance Day at the town memorial, raised a flag outside the town hall for Armed Forces Day, Merchant Seamen's Day, VE Day, Commonwealth Day and in honour of the late HRH the Duke of Edinburgh.

The regular monthly town markets have started again and she was there meeting the stallholders and buying gifts for her grandchildren and beautiful handmade cards.

International Women's Day was an opportunity to bring together, virtually, women in Northamptonshire who hold important positions, including CEOs and other leaders in the county and there were a number of guests including students from Manor School. The keynote speaker was the most capped England rugby player 'Rocky' Rochelle Clarke. She spoke about how through determination and hard work she was part of the team which won the World Cup.

With a new start Sylvia looks forward to events to promote good causes and represent the town including the Mayor's Show, Town Picnic and the turning on of lights in November and especially the opening of the refurbished Saxon Hall which is now available for parties and weddings.

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Celebrating Northamptonshire's nurses

Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (NHFT) proudly recognised all the work that its nurses do on International Nurses' Day 2021 which was celebrated on 12th May. NHFT's nurses provide vital care and support for so many of Northamptonshire's residents and beyond, making a difference each and every day.



Julie Shepherd - Chief Nurse in uniform

There are a huge range of nurses working in NHFT including nurses working in secured services, community nurses, school nurses and health visitors, learning disabilities nurses, mental health nurses both in the community and in our wards, specialist palliative care nurses, infection prevention control nurses, nurses working in community beds, specialised children's nurses and many more – the wide array of skills NHFT nurses bring benefit all of those whom they meet.

In advance of International Nurses' Day, NHFT Chief Nurse Julie Shepherd and the Trust's senior nursing team asked a number of nurses what their proudest moment was during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Grace, School Nurse in Northampton, said: "I've been thinking a lot about what I'm most proud of over the last year – and it's about being part of something bigger. Usually we work very closely within our individual teams, but during the pandemic everyone has had to pull together to get the best outcomes for our population. We've shown how resilient we are and how transferrable our skills are. I was redeployed to Danetre hospital to support community beds,

and at the same time we were working hard to innovate and adapt so we could still support our vulnerable families and children through the school nursing team. The good things that have emerged from this difficult time will remain."

Also, Julie Shepherd, Chief Nurse at NHFT, was presented the Chief Nursing Officer's Gold award.

Julie said: "I was so surprised when Ruth May, Chief Nurse for England, joined the NHFT Exec meeting this week to present the award.

It brought tears to my eyes! The award was to recognise my leadership at NHFT in achieving an Outstanding Care Quality Commission rating the last two times the Trust has been inspected, as well as leadership throughout the Covid-19 pandemic. But it's about more than that for me – I couldn't have done any of this on my own without team NHFT.

"I am so proud of each and every one of NHFT's nurses and allied health professionals, as well as the wider Trust. This is real recognition for them and their amazing efforts, I am so pleased to be able to shine the spotlight on our nursing teams and the wider NHFT team today and just want to say a huge THANK YOU to them for the difference they make every day, as well as their commitment to service users and patients throughout the pandemic."

Oundle Set to Declutter & Donate Once More

If you enjoy a look through pre-loved items to find a few treasures, or are Oundle based and have been having a clear out, the next Declutter & Donate event is just for you!

On Sunday 20th June, the streets of Oundle will again be dotted with 'stalls' selling/asking for donations for household items, clothes, furniture and other goods as part of the third town wide garage sale organised by the Oundle Waste Less (OWL) team. The event aims to provide stallholders with the chance to make some money for themselves or their favourite charity in these difficult times and, of course, to reduce waste and promote re-use.

Those wishing to visit the stalls will be able to download a map (available from 18th June) from the Oundle Waste Less Facebook page or www.transitionoundle.org.uk. A few hard copies will be available from The Coffee Tavern in the town's Market Place on the day. As parking at many of the locations is very restricted, buyers are encouraged to walk or bike around the town and only drive to collect any large items they have bought as

they are on their way home.

Anyone wanting to get their stall added to the event map should email DeclutterOundle@gmail.com by 16th June with brief details of where it will be, the items on sale and whether proceeds are being donated to a chosen charity. Sellers will be asked to read the risk assessment and agree to put a few simple coronavirus prevention measures in place, such as having hand sanitiser available.

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NOTICE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Notice is given that the following applications have been received by North Northamptonshire Council – Thrapston Office together with the last date for making representations:

> RUSHDEN

Replacement of 8 existing timber windows with new hardwood timber windows to match existing at 1 Hind Stile Higham Ferrers NN10 8EA (LB/CA) (Info) (LBRegs) (Info) NE/21/00770/LBC (22 June 2021)

> OUNDLE

Change of use from mixed office, tea room and residential use to single dwelling. Internal alterations to listed building. Installation of an EV charging point mounted on a wooden post at The Cottage Lyveden New Bield Harley Way Oundle PE8 5AT (Info) (Info) NE/21/00706/FUL (22 June 2021)

> ISLIP

Change of use from Class F1 (in connection with public worship) to Class C3 Dwellinghouse at 1 The Green Islip NN14 3JR (LBRegs) (Info) (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/21/00651/FUL (22 June 2021)

> OUNDLE

Repaint the front exterior woodwork surrounding the windows including the door. Change the colour from dark red to a duck egg blue. Replace the white painted 'The Coffee Tavern' lettering with backlit 'The Coffee Tavern' dark grey/black metal letters at The Coffee Tavern 34 Market Place Oundle PE8 4BE (LBRegs) (Info) NE/21/00734/LBC (22 June 2021)

> WADENHOE

Alterations and repairs to outbuildings at Mill Farm House Mill Lane Wadenhoe PE8 5XD (LBRegs) (Info) NE/21/00752/LBC and NE/21/00751/FUL (22 June 2021)

> KINGS CLIFFE

Replace 3 sash windows like for like and repoint the front elevation of the property at 66 West Street Kings Cliffe PE8 6XA (LBRegs) (Info) NE/21/00728/LBC (22 June 2021)

> OUNDLE

Erection of 53 No. dwellings. with associated open space, parking, landscaping and access at Land To Rear Of Cemetery Stoke Doyle Road Oundle (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/21/00742/FUL (22 June 2021)

> TWYWELL

Replacement of felt roof and timber porch with tiled timber clad lobby at 1 Cyprus Row Twywell NN14 3AH (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/21/00726/FUL (22 June 2021)

> KINGS CLIFFE

Replace 3 sash windows like for like and repoint the front elevation of the property (Retrospective) at Hainton House 66 West Street Kings Cliffe PE8 6XA (LB/CA) (Info) NE/21/00727/FUL (22 June 2021)

> DEENE

Variation of conditions to allow for new revised door positions and parking layout pursuant to Application Number: 19/00706/FUL; Convert and adapt existing barn to B1 & B8 use; Convert existing

stable to form new offices for B1 use; Including access, parking and landscaping. Condition 3 - Approved drawings at Lodge Farm Buildings Deene NN17 3EJ (Info) NE/21/00731/VAR (22 June 2021)

> APETHORPE

Proposed new detached garage with ancillary home office/storage accommodation above and fenced tennis court within the gardens at The Lodge Lodge Farm Lane Apethorpe PE8 5DE (LBRegs) (Info) NE/21/00744/LBC (22 June 2021)

TITCHMARSH

Addition of first floor to single storey dwelling (Revised resubmission of 20/01079/FUL) at 16 Polopit Titchmarsh NN14 3DL (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/21/00698/FUL (22 June 2021)

> RUSHDEN

Application of change of use from footpath to residential curtilage and erection of fence at Land Adjacent Fairmead Crescent Fairmead Crescent Rushden (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/21/00653/FUL (22 June 2021)

> BRIGSTOCK

Proposed Single Storey pitched roof rear extension to existing garden room at Orchard Lodge 4 Kennel Hill Brigstock NN14 3HB (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/21/00750/FUL (22 June 2021)

> EASTON ON THE HILL

Outline: Permanent farm manager's dwelling (all matters reserved) (revised submission to 20/01667/OUT) at Land At OP0103 TF5858 Cliffe Road Easton On The Hill (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/21/00756/OUT (22 June 2021)

> WOODFORD

Variation of condition 8 to allow for revised boundary wall pursuant to application number: 20/00626/FUL; Construction of detached two storey dwelling and detached garage at 3A De Capel Close Woodford NN14 4HR (Info) (LB/CA) (Info) NE/21/00755/VAR (22 June 2021)

> OUNDLE

Internal alterations to listed building to allow for change of use from mixed office, tea room and residential use to single dwelling at The Cottage Lyveden New Bield Harley Way Oundle PE8 5AT (LBRegs) (Info) NE/21/00707/LBC (22 June 2021)

> THRAPSTON

Change of Use of part of an agricultural building to use as a tractor and lorry mechanics workshop to include the installation of three roller shutter doors, inspection pits, hard standing and car parking; and removal of a redundant building at Two Hoots Barn Huntingdon Road Thrapston NN14 4NJ (Info) (Part3) (Info) NE/21/00704/FUL (22 June 2021)

The reason for applications being advertised is as follows:

Part3 - Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 2015.

Part16 - Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 2015.

Info - Non-statutory - included for information only.

LB/CA - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990.

LBRegs - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990.

**Rob Harbour, Assistant Director Growth And Regeneration
Dated 29 May 2021**

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"The two Declutter & Donate sales held last summer were very successful," said Oundle Waste Less project manager Camilla Sherwin. "Over £3,000 was taken, £2,000 was donated to charities such as Oundle Community First Responders, Oundle Volunteer Action, the East Anglian Air Ambulance and Parkinson's UK. The pandemic has hit charities' income hard, so this is a good

opportunity to raise some funds for them and rehome some useful, pre-loved items."

The event is part of the Oundle Waste Less project, run by Transition Oundle, which aims to reduce waste by creating opportunities to re-use, repair and refill. Over the past 18 months the project team have run several Repair Cafés, signed up over 20 local venues to the national Refill, been

instrumental in setting up the zero waste shop Refill Revolution at Oundle Wharf as well as arranging talks on environmental topics and engaging with schools and businesses about how to reduce their environmental impact.

Email DeclutterOundle@gmail.com to register a stall by 16th June. Keep an eye on www.transitionoundle.org.uk/owl and OundleWasteLess on social media, for updates.

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Wed 19 Wye Valley River Cruise with Lunch
Fri 21 Savill Gardens
Sun 23 Camden Market
Mon 24 Kentish Lady River Cruise & Lunch
Sun 30 Brighton
Mon 31 Bakewell Bank Holiday Market
Mon 31 London Museums or Free Time
Mon 31 Tower of London

JUNE

Tue 1 Melton Mowbray
Tue 1 Trentham Estate & The Monkey Forest
Wed 2 Family Seaside Mystery
Thu 3 Cotswold Farm Park - Adam Hensons
Thu 3 Fakenham & Sheringham
Fri 4 Concorde at Aerospace Bristol
Sat 5 Skegness
Sun 6 Bekonscot Model Village & Railway
Wed 9 Haworth & Keighley Worth Valley Railway
Fri 11 Horse Sanctuary & Norwich
Sat 12 Hunstanton
Sun 13 Oxford or Oxford Castle
Mon 14 Epping & The Roddings of Essex
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360 Rushden Lakes re-opens

This leading local leisure attraction closed its doors along with the rest of the country's hospitality businesses in December last year with the hope that it would only be a few weeks before they could re-open. Five months later and in line with stage 3 of the Government's roadmap, 360 Play has finally welcomed back many local families for some well overdue fun and play.



"The coronavirus has had deep and wide impacts on our city, our families and many of the local businesses that serve them," said Founder and Managing Director, Duncan Phillips. "Some of the most impacted and yet least talked about are our children. As a father of two boys I have seen some of the impacts this latest lockdown has had on them, which is why I am so pleased we can open our attraction for local families to be able to come and enjoy some playtime without screens."

Maureen, grandmother to Reece and Fay from nearby Rushden town, said: "It's amazing to be back and [to be] able to spend some quality playtime with my

grandchildren in the safe, clean environment that 360 Play gives us. The kids adore it here and it makes for an easy day out."

360 Centre Manager, Lauren Jenkins, said: "The second lockdown has been very hard on many of our staff and so we are really pleased to be able to get back to doing what we love here at 360, and hopefully put some smiles back on our customers' faces. We will keep in place our Covid safe operating procedures and limit numbers while we steadily emerge from the latest lockdown. I have been with 360 Play for 5 years now and have really missed seeing the centre full of life over the last

few months, so I and all the team are loving the noise our first customers are making with us today."

360 Play was founded over 10 years ago and now has seven play centres across the South East and South Midlands. Founder Duncan Phillips started the business to give families like his own a place where they could all play together. Utilising hands-on creative play environments, physically active play settings and skills based play attractions, the centre encourages inter-generational active play in a more traditional way, encouraging adults to spend time playing with their children and having fun too.

For more information on 360 Play visit www.360play.co.uk

SAINTS SAVE THE DAY FOR MALE VOICE CHOIR



Following the latest Government guidance on Covid restrictions, the men of the award-winning Northampton Male Voice Choir (NMVC) suddenly found themselves without a rehearsal venue.

Some 14 months (and nearly 100 virtual rehearsals) since its last "live" rehearsal, NMVC was fully primed and ready to resume in person rehearsals from 18th May when updated Government guidance, received at the eleventh hour that very day, meant the choir's rehearsal plans had to be rapidly re-arranged.

Luckily for the choir,

the Northampton Saints rugby club came up with a miracle, offering the choir its Franklin's Gardens premises as an alternative rehearsal venue.

Saints Head of Operations, Andy Tresias, said: "We were very happy

to be able to accommodate NMVC."

Stephen Bell, NMVC Musical Director, said: "We are delighted to be able to rehearse again outdoors and end our time on Zoom. This is great news that the Saints are happy to help us out."

NMVC website: <https://www.nmvc.co.uk>
NMVC YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWCKnjss8p1LrO1NonSf0KQ>
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Nene Valley News - EVENTS

Declutter & Donate Garage Sale around Oundle Sunday 20th June, 11am-2pm

Email DeclutterOundle@gmail.com to register a 'stall' by 16th June. Map of locations available from 18th June on local social media and transitionoundle.org.uk

Woodford Open Gardens 3rd & 4th July, 1pm-5pm

The Village Green, Woodford NN14 4HF

Contact: Brian Mearns, bmearyns@rocketmail.com, 07912 421177

Admission fee: Tickets £5. The annual Woodford Open Gardens event will be held in July in aid of the St Mary's Church repair fund.

To submit your event please contact us via our website www.nenevalleynews.co.uk or call 01522 692542. Please supply in the following format: Date, event, place, time, admission fee (if applicable), contact information, 15 word description.

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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14

NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL (HIGHAM ROAD, STANWICK)

(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that North Northamptonshire Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of Higham Road, Stanwick as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of Higham Road, Stanwick from opposite Dieren House.

REASON FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during repairs to comms pipe.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 21st June 2021 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to three days.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: use A6, Chelveston Road, Higham Road, High Street, Raunds Road, Chelveston Road, The Avenue and High Street.

Dated this 29th day of May 2021
DEBBIE CARTER-HUGHES
Executive Director LGSS Law Ltd
PKG/T21/194

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp ref:- 20/21 – N066 on 01604 651072.

Family NOTICES

Nene Valley News can help you make those important family announcements.



**Walker, Aaron/
Hunt, Nicola**
Married on April 2 2014,
at St Andrews Church.
The couple had their
honeymoon in Paris.

On April 1 2014, K
Chamber, aged 89
passed away peacefully
surrounded by loved ones.
Sadly missed by Jan,
Sally and Alan. Funerals
to take place at All Saints
Church, Rushden,
Monday April 7 at 11am.



Chloe Booth have a
wonderful day.
Love from Mummy, Daddy,
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MOULTON COLLEGE TO DELIVER BRAND NEW ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION DEGREE

Moulton College has been awarded validation status from the University of Northampton to run a brand new degree course in Wildlife Ecology and Conservation. The course will run at the College's main site campus and includes awards at Foundation degree and Bachelor's degree level.

Adding this programme to Moulton's curriculum was the brainchild of Mark Edwards, Lecturer in Ecology and Conservation, whose passion for the subject has

inspired previous students to pursue conservation careers.

Mark commented: "Interest in ecology and conservation is on the rise. With lockdown highlighting our inherent connections to nature, this news is very timely. We're providing an exciting opportunity for the next generation to create a sustainable future for wildlife and contribute to our Net Zero environmental goals."

Moulton College already offers degree programmes in Animal

Studies, Construction Management, Equine Studies and Sport, with all degrees accredited by the University of Northampton. This latest programme in Ecology and Conservation builds on the College's existing reputation for delivering high quality university level study programmes.

Cleeve Jenkins, Dean of Higher Education at Moulton said: "We're delighted to be able to add this new programme to our existing degree offer. As a Higher Education Department, we pride ourselves on the unique learning experience we

can provide to our students, including smaller class sizes, and access to our stunning rural estate. This validation status opens our doors to more students to take advantage of the degree programmes we have on offer here."

For more information about Moulton College visit www.moulton.ac.uk

Peterborough's first 'mini forest' creates wildlife haven

Over 700 trees have been planted at Nene Valley Community Centre with the support of Peterborough environmental charity PECT.

More than 20 different native species were carefully selected to create a colourful and biodiverse 'mini forest'.

As part of the 'mini forest' creation, all of the trees have been planted in plastic-free shelters. The shelters are important for the trees' survival, as they protect them from foraging animals like rabbits and deer as well as creating the ideal microclimate, which improves the trees' growth.

The project is part of PECT's Forest for Peterborough project, which aims to plant over 230,000 trees in and around the city by 2030 to reduce carbon emissions and enhance the environment. Forest for Peterborough has been funded by Viridor and the Green Recovery Challenge Fund.

Tony Cook, Natural Environment Lead at PECT, said:

"This has been a really fantastic project to be involved in, the creation of the mini forest will help to tackle environmental issues such as climate change and biodiversity loss while providing a natural space for communities to enjoy.

"We have plans to help create more 'mini forests' in communities areas across Peterborough and we are really excited to see the impact of them. We wouldn't be able to achieve all of this without the support from our wonderful volunteers and funders."

If you are interested in tree planting or supporting the Forest for Peterborough project you can find more information on the PECT website. Alternatively, you can get in touch on 01733 568408 or email: nature@pect.org.uk.



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