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Robin Hood Marathon Runners Show Their Support

difference to the lives of local families."

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On Sunday 24 September, more than 30 hospice heroes took part in the Ikano Robin Hood Marathon and Half Marathon for Nottinghamshire Hospice. The group of runners, including relatives of hospice patients and a team of colleagues from Capital One, have been training hard to do themselves proud and raise over £3,000 for the hospice. Hospice supporter Lisa Whistance, from

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Carlton, ran the half marathon with her husband, Lyndon, to celebrate their wedding anniversary on 26th Septem-

Lisa said: "We thought this would be a great way to celebrate the support we've had for each other – we're a bit crazy! Having recently lost a close family member to a terminal illness, we appreciate the support and care that Nottinghamshire Hospice provides.'

Local businesses came together to support the charity's runners with Up and Running, Sainsbury's and Boots all donating items for goodie bags To celebrate the hard work and dedication the runners have put in to support the charity, a celebration will be

held at the hospice on Woodborough

Road later this year. Elaine Hopkins, Community and Events Fundraiser at Nottinghamshire Hospice said: "Thank you to everyone who supported Nottinghamshire Hospice by running in the marathon. It is really important to us to have the support of our local community, whose generosity enables us to carry on delivering our much needed services.

"We need to raise £2.7m a year to provide free-of-charge care and emotional support to patients and families who are facing terminal illnesses in the comfort of their own homes across Nottinghamshire, and in the day therapy centre on Woodborough Road. The money raised



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More than 140 people attended the launch at Waterstones, Nottingham, of Missing Pieces – a collection of talented and diverse new writing produced by people affected by cancer.

The book, published by members of the Maggie's Nottingham Creative Writing group reached the number two spot among the launch week's best-sellers at the store. The group published the book to showcase their work and raise vital funds for the Maggie's Cancer Centre.

Missing Pieces features poetry, stories and memoir from 15 writers who have all been affected by cancer. From the hilarious to the heartfelt, there is something in the book to suit all readers. There are inspirational insights into the healing pow-

er of nature and moments of dark humour in this powerful and poignant collection. Contributor Bridget Swinden, who also designed the book's eye-catching cover, said: "I have really enjoyed being involved in the process of publishing and launching this book, and I'm very proud of what we have produced. It's wonderful to see our work in print and I hope people will enjoy reading it and also maybe gain some insight, comfort or inspiration."

Clare Stevens, Creative Writing Tutor at Maggie's says: "Everyone in the group has had cancer or supported someone close through it. There is growing evidence that creative writing is therapeutic. It helps process emotion, gives distance

and helps take the writer away from their situation. I would say healing definitely happens in the group.

happens in the group.
"It has been wonderful to see everyone get involved in Missing Pieces, not just in the writing but in the whole publishing process. It was great to see so many people at the launch event to support Maggie's."

Maggie's Nottingham Centre Head Kate Martin said: "Reading the collection I am truly impressed by the eloquence, honesty and power of the writing. So many of the pieces will resonate with so many people."

Copies of the book are on sale at Waterstones, Nottingham and can also be purchased at through the Maggie's website.







A Hair-Raising Day for Residents

Sutton-in-Ashfield's newest care home, Kingfisher Court, know that their residents like a bit excitement with their afternoon tea.

Kingfisher Court resident and motorbike enthusiast Bob Lacey has a lifelong love of motorbikes and many of his local friends share his passion. Ralph Golds who owns the Masons Arms in Sutton-in-Ashfield has known Bob for over 20 years since their time working together at Kodak. Bob has been resident at Kingfisher Court since June of this year and moved in just 2 months after the home opened.

Bob still likes to keep in touch with as many of his old friends as possible and regularly visits the pub, often taking along new friends he has made since being at Kingfisher Court.

It was on one of these visits that the idea of introducing other residents to the joy and thrills of motorbikes was first muted.

As ever, the staff at Kingfisher Court were keen to explore the possibility of creating an event that could be enjoyed by Bob and stir up some excitement within the home. With that in mind, they organised for a collection of vintage bikes to brought to the home on Kingfisher Court's Annual Gala on Saturday 16th September, 2017.

Little did anyone realise that the lively residents would be so eager to join in and ride pillion around the car park. Bob and fellow resident Gwyneth Padgett looked at ease on the vintage Harley Davidson and neighbour and future resident Peggy Clark enjoyed a thrilling tandem ride also.

"It's wonderful to see dad so happy and to retain so many of his friends. We're delighted that everyone at Kingfisher Court make such an effort to try and make sure he keeps up his interests which seem to have proved

popular with so many here today" Sam Tasker daughter. Paul Quirk, Home Manager at Kingfisher Court, said: "I am immensely proud that we, as a team, take the time getting to know our residents, their his-

know our residents, their history, what and who is important to them. This allows us to better understand their interests and develop activities we know they will enjoy."

The brand-new luxury home

The brand-new luxury home includes 66 en-suite rooms, a garden room, library, cinema, hair and beauty salon, land-scaped gardens and English tea room complete with balcony areas. The home opened

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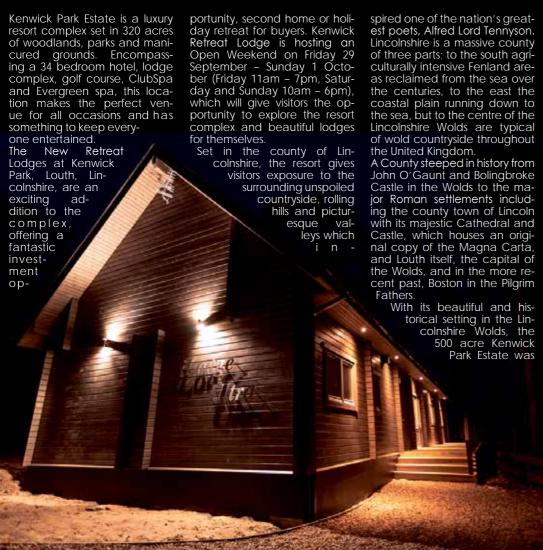
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School Cycling Challenge



Students at Magnus Church of England Academy joined in the celebrations at Sconce and Devon Park for the Tour of Britain, which inspired them to kick off their own in-school cycling

Students competed in House teams on exercise bikes, racing to become the first to complete 165 km distance eventually being completed by the elite cyclists in Stage 4 of the Tour of ies at Magnus Church of England, said that the students began their sports focus as the Tour of Britain came to Newark. "Along with Ac-tive4Today staff, our students led a speed cycling challenge in the park; tag rugby games and even dressed up as the Tour of Britain mascots at the finish line!

"They thoroughly enjoyed being able to serve many from our community in running these activities.' Mr Shivas says the enthusiasm continued at school as the competition began: "Following the Tour, our own inter-house competition kicked off with an epic challenge; working in house teams of eight students the challenge was to collectively cycle 165km as quickly as possible. With thanks again to Active4Today, four of the house teams went to Newark Sports Centre on two days running to cycle one hour per night to complete the challenge.

Over the two evenings at the Sports Centre, 25 students cycled a massive 993km collectively. Mr Shivas said, "The results ended with Cartwright House winning with 362.1km, then Warburton with 269.8km, Bromhead cycled 217.9km and Deanhole cycled 143.2km. The performance of Cartwright was particularly impressive as they actually completed the challenge on each evening with some excellent performances.

It's a Bug's Life 'Under the Microscope'!

exhibition of the extraordinary, vivid and detailed insect photographs of Göran Liljeberg has gone on display with 'Under the Microscope' running until 22 October 2017 at The Harley Gallery on the ducal Welbeck estate near the Nottinghamshire/Yorkshire border

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dedication to photography. The insects that are used are mostly borrowed from the Swedish Museum of Natural History in Stockholm, from my entomology friends who are collectors and the insects are from my some of the insects are from my own collection."

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and entertainment complex, selling honey from its bee-hive, with all proceeds go-ing to help the Alzheimer's Society.
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on the roof of The Cornerhouse, have now had their honey extracted after a busy

Suzanne Green, centre manager at The Cornerhouse, said: "We are so proud of our little bees, they're really amazing and we love having them on site. We often have people visit just to watch them, as they produce great award nominated honey which we can then sell to raise money for charity.

"We are very conscious of our carbon footprint and trying to ensure that we stay as green as we can. The hive and small rooftop garden on site is helpful as we join in with efforts to save the bees. "We are happy to be supporting the Alzheimer's Society through the sales of honey, it's a cause close to a lot of our hearts here at The Cornerhouse and we hope to raise as much money as pos-

The Cornerhouse honey is now on sale for £5 in the ICON beauty salon located on the top floor of The Cornerhouse, with all proceeds going to the Alzheimer's Society. You can also donate to help The Cornerhouse's



and further details on The Cornerhouse, it's venues, news and what's on can be found at www. cornerhousenottingham.co.uk

King's Mill Hospital's Ward 44, which specialises in respiratory care, has received a very generous donation of six nebulisers from the

Clapham family.
The nebulisers have been donated in memory of Dennis Clapham, who spent a few months on the ward.

Unfortunately Dennis passed away recently at the age of 83, and his wife, Sheila Clapham and son, Mark Clapham, both

from Mansfield, wanted to do something to remember him by, so decided to purchase and donate the nebulisers. Mark said: "My father used a nebuliser every day and we could see what a difference it made to him, as it offered him some relief. The staff here are brilliant and we saw the excellent care that they pro-

vide, so we wanted to do something to both remember dad by and help patients and staff on the ward."

Sheila added: "The ward was like a second home to Dennis and I would like to thank all the staff for their kindness and professional care. I hope the nebulisers will make life a little easier for everyone on ward

Ward Sister Helen Barker said: "This generous donation will mean that patients on the ward will always have a nebuliser close by, which often helps make patients calmer. We would like to thank Sheila and Mark for their generosity and offer our sincere condolences for the loss of Dennis, he was a lovely man, who will be very much remembered by all the staff here.







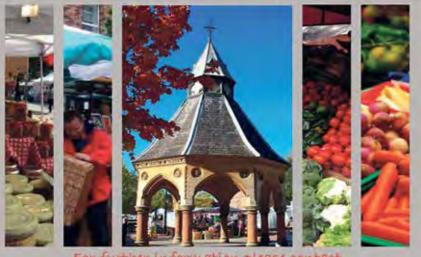


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Gedling Granted £1 Million to Help Disabled

Gedling Borough Council has been awarded nearly £1 million by Central Government to help improve the homes of disabled people in

Eligible residents can apply for up to £30,000 for improvements to help make their homes easier to live in. The grants can be awarded for a number of different improvements to properties from stair lifts for the elderly to sensory rooms for young children with learning diffi-

The money was granted to Gedling Borough Council and Nottinghamshire County Council who are working together in partnership to identify needs and design adaptations for disabled people in the borough. Nottinghamshire County Council will be carrying out the assessments on behalf of Gedling to see if residents are eligible.

Some of the money has already begun to be used by residents in need of improvements. Typical works include improving access to properties, installing suitable lighting, heating and ventilation or improving access and facili-

and ventilation or improving access and facilities within the property for cooking, sleeping and bathing. People can also apply for help improving the safety of the property. Portfolio Holder for Public Protection, Cllr David Ellis said: "This grant will help people who cannot afford adaptations to their homes but desperately need them. We are urging residents on a low income to apply and see what help they can get. It could help with anything, from a ramp to a sensory room for a child with learning difficulties."

To be eligible the service user must live in the borough, be an owner occupier, private tenant, a tenant in social housing or a landlord with a disabled tenant. The property owner's permission is also required. Eligibility is based on financial circumstances and an assessment

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Building a Sustainable Future

Nottingham MP has visited Severn Trent's Stoke Bardolph site to find out more about the innovative work taking place to generate renewable energy.

Alex Norris, MP for Nottingham North, was given a tour of the site Wednesday 20 September to find out how the company uses anaerobic digestion to turn both waste and crops into biogas that is then used to generate electricity or to go into the national gas grid for homes and businesses to use. He also had an opportunity to take a closer look at the company's wind turbine that generates clean energy every day. Mr Norris said: "It was fascinating to see the

scale of the work that Severn Trent is doing to turn both sewage and crops into renewable energy.

"Building a sustainable future is really important and sewage treatment is something that most people take for granted - it's excellent to see these innovative techniques turning waste into clean energy that can be used by local people



and businesses here in Nottingham.'

Sewage and crops are turned into clean power through anaerobic digestion, where the waste is put into huge vats that digest it, like in a human stomach, to produce biomethane which then goes through another process to be converted into gas suitable for use in homes and businesses.

rently being made to some ment at Stoke Bardolph and when that's complete the site will generate enough energy to power 13,000 homes for a year. Liddell-Neil Young, from Severn Trent's renewable energy team, explained: "We're committed generating green power across our whole region and we're experts in

anaerobic digestion, with more than 60 years' ex-perience of using it to create biogas that can be injected into the gas network. 'We've invested

heavily in renewable energy in recent years and constantly developing our expertise to generate even more clean power.
"Right now we gen-

erate the equivalent of a third of our energy needs through renewables sources and we're aiming to increase that to 50% by 2020."

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Two university lecturers and one final year student from Nottingham Trent University have joined forces to lead a youth group. Adult volunteers Second Lieutenant Dr Maria Kontogianni, a Principal Lecturer in Psychology, Potential Instructor Dr Sally Andrews, a Senior Lecturer in Psychology, and Sergeant Courtney Edwards, a final year Psychology student are all members of Nottingham Army Cadet Force's (ACF) Nottingham Academy detachment in Sneinton, and decided to use their spare time to make a positive difference to young people in their community.

Maria originally joined Notting-hamshire ACF four years ago initially volunteering in Carlton before moving over to the unit in

tachment mander.

Maria explained: "Although I am in a university role now, I was previously an unruly child so decided that by volunteering in my community I could help mentor local young people and encourage them to achieve their goals both in and out of the Cadet Force.

"Joining the youth organisation has changed my life for the better as it is immensely rewarding and has given the other volunteers and I the chance to gain valuable leadership skills and achieve First Aid qualifications we can also use in our civilian lives. Sally joined the ACF a few months ago because she wanted

to help young people reach their potential. She said: "At the University we are keen to provide opportunities to succeed for students who come from all different backgrounds. However, there is an imbalance in attainment and subsequent prospects for some young people that begins long before they get to university or join the world of work, so when I heard about the ACF and its aims and

she is now De- I was sold. It's not all about the Com- military; it's about giving young

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tember for a fabulous five-day event. Gallowtree and Humberstone will once again become a bustling market place this September as almost 50 traders from around the world set up stall for 5 days offering city centre visitors the opportunity to enjoy the fabulous flavours of the continent and to shop the unique arts and crafts of the

world. The market will run from Wednesday 27 September to Sunday 01 October, opening 9am until 6pm Wednesday to Saturday and 10am until 5pm on Sunday.

As the cold autumn weather creeps in come warm yourself with the fabulous fresh hot street foods that will be on offer. You will be spoilt for choice as you walk through the market and the aromas of the world will tempt you to try. Take your pick from

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If you're looking for a special gift or just want to treat yourself spend time looking around the arts, crafts and jewellery stalls. See what you can discover and enjoy talk-

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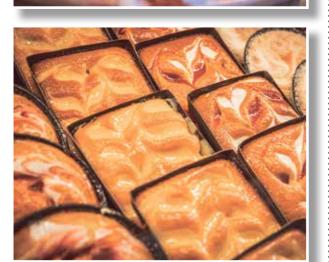
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News in Brief

Council Dog Service Wins RSPCA Award Hat-Trick

Mansfield District Council's Dog Control Service has achieved a 2017 Gold Stray Dog Footprint Award from animal welfare charity, the RSPCA, for the third year in a row.

This prestigious award ensures that all stray dogs are treated humanely and safely while under the care of the council.

Since micro-chipping was made a legal requirement for all dogs last year, the number of stray dogs picked up in the district has decreased from 547 in 2015/16 to 460 in 2016/17.

The percentage of identifiable stray dogs picked up has improved since micro-chipping was made a legal requirement, from 61% in 2015/16 to 64.5% in 2016/17.

And the number of dogs reunited with their owners after being picked up by the council has also improved. In 2015/16, 74% of dogs picked up by the council were reunited with their owners and in 2016/17, this had risen to 78.75%.

The majority of those dogs were pets who were picked up by the Dog Control Officer, scanned for a micro-chip, identified and returned directly to the owners without having to enter kennels. Where this happens, there is no fee for returning a stray to their owners - providing their pets are not recorded by the council as being regularly picked up as a stray. Efforts by the council to reunite stray dogs with their owners and find homes for unclaimed dogs has included an increasingly popular Facebook campaign. The council's Facebook page publishes photographs of missing and abandoned dogs which have achieved a staggering 950,852 views over the past year - up from 778,629 the previous year. Cllr Bill Drewett, Portfolio Holder for Safer Communities at Mansfield District Council, said: "Well done to the Dog Control Service for their 'hat-trick' in offering a golden service to our four-legged customers who have gone walkabout rather than walk-

"And what an amazing response from the public in trying to help reunite these lost pets on Facebook! It is proving a really popular tool and, along with microchipping, is helping both to bring down the number of strays and increase the number of lost dogs reunited with their owners."

If you find a stray dog, try to secure it and contact the Dog Control Service on 01623 463189 (01623 463050 out of hours) or email dogcontrol@mansfield.gov.uk.

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Enjoy the glitz and glam of the red carpet as the opening night of the 61st BFI London Film Festival in partnership with American Express® comes to Nottingham

For one night only on Wednesday 4 October, the London Film festival will be coming to Nottingham with a live stream of the red carpet followed by the European premiere of Andy Serkis' directorial debut, BREATHE. Based on the true story of Robin Cavendish, BREATHE is a heart-warming and highly emotional celebration of bravery and human possibility which at its heart, it is a love story about living every breath as though it's your last. The film stars Andrew Garfield (Hacksaw Ridge) as Cavendish and Claire Foy (The Crown) as his wife Diana

BREATHE will receive its European premiere on Wednesday 4 October at the Odeon Leicester Square, but thanks to headline

will be simultaneously streamed live into cinemas in 28 participating regional cinemas

The screening will take place on 4 October at Cineworld, The Cornerhouse, 29 Forman St, Nottingham NG1 4AA at 7.30pm and is free of charge. To get closer to the action and he one of the first to see this truly inspirational film then head to www.seeitfirst.com/Amex2017 now to register for tickets.



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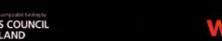
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Ahead of War Horse's first trip to Nottingham, author Michael Morpurgo reflects on the play's phenomenal success

In September 2013, Joey the War Horse came back to where he was born, the tiny village of Iddesleigh in Devonshire. The town band played for him, the bunting was out, and people from all over Devon came to welcome him home. Joey loved every minute of it, tossing his head, rearing up and neighing, relishing the adoration. But I could see he was longing to break free to gallop over the fields where he grew up, before he was trained as a farm horse, before he was sold away to the army in 1914

War Horse was first conceived in a pub in Iddesleigh in 1980, after a conversation with an old soldier from the First World War, Wilf Ellis, who told me how it was to find himself as a young man in the trenches of Flanders. He spoke as if he was seeing it all again, as if he recalled the faces of friend and foe alike. Other old men in the village, Captain Budgett, a cavalryman, and Albert Weeks, told me more. The more I heard, the more I felt that any story I wrote about this war had to be written not from a British perspective, or a French, German or Belgian one. It had to be the story of the suffering and grieving on all sides, military and civilian too.

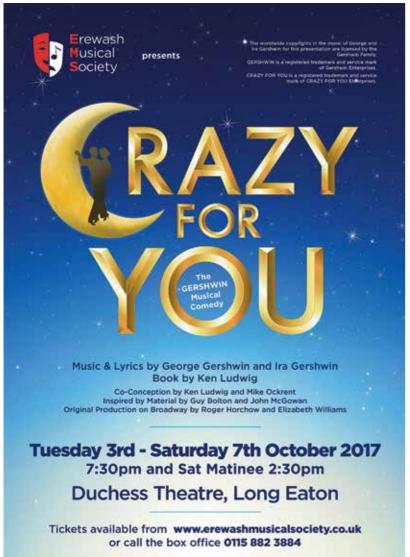
Then 25 years later Tom Morris, an Associate Director at The National Theatre rings me saying he'd like to make a play of War Horse, with puppets! Absurd, I thought, but it's the National Theatre, for goodness sake. Maybe they know what they're doing. Then they showed me the work of Handspring Puppet Company. I heard the music of John Tams and Adrian Sutton, saw the set design of Rae Smith, read the scripts. saw the rehearsals. Yes, they did

know what they were doing.

The play garnered awards by the unlike the book! And it's now going on tour to places from which young men left to go to war, so many of them never to return. Their descendants will see a play that has been called 'the greatest anthem to peace' ever performed.

The last of the old soldiers are now gone. There are fewer every year who knew and loved them. The hurt and anger, the grieving and the guilt is passing. In their place is a growing respect between the nations, and a determination to forge reconciliation and understanding. If War Horse can play a part in this new beginning, then I shall be a happy man.

Michael Morpurgo, August 2017. War Horse comes to the Royal Concert Hall, Nottingham from Wednesday 14 March 7 April 2018. Visit trch.co.uk for more information.



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Bats, Hedgehogs and more were out at Hall Om Wong on 14th September when around 150 local people came to join their nocturnal friends for a special free 'How To' family event at Hall Om Wong, Eastwood Road, Kimberley.

Mayor of Broxtowe, Councillor Halimah Khaled MBE, opened the event alongside experts who were on hand to shed some light on the habits of these nocturnal creatures. She said, "I am very proud that we are committed to improving biodiversity and making nature more accessible for everyone. The event was a great success and I hope everyone had fun."

As well as learning how to make a bird box and spotting any bats that were around, visitors to the event were also able to watch professional sculptor Peter Leadbeater as he worked on a tree sculpture which he carved into an oak trunk at the entrance to the park.

Children were able to make a pine cone hedgehog to take home as well as see Sparkle, the friendly rescued hedgehog. Clay creatures, bird feeders and a woodland trail also featured.

The carving work was funded by Broxtowe Borough Council's construction partner United Living.

The event was organised by Broxtowe Borough Council in partnership with the Greenwood Community Forest Team and follows visits to the site by Giltbrook Primary School earlier in the year to plant bulbs, hang bird feeders and help site bird boxes made at school.

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budgeting, meaning you gain experience and improve your chances at obtaining different jobs in the future. The working different jobs in the future. The working environment will also provide you with opportunities to excel and advance within the company, and even gain a full time job once your apprenticeship has concluded. Turn your favourite subject or childhood dream into your career by practising your newly developed skills to enjoy your job even more. Select your course based on something you love and you know on something you love and you know will continue to interest and drive you throughout the process. The last thing you want to do is be bored of your course a

couple of months in, leaving you in an un-happy and stressful position. During an apprenticeship, you will be greeted with every aspect of working life whilst being able to complete your qualification, transforming your interests into a career.

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Nottinghamshire In Focus is teaming up with The Bluebird Café, located on 69 Main St, Burton Joyce, Nottingham, to combine money raised from the Bluebird Coffee Morning and contributions from advertisements on this page to raise a combined donation for Macmillan.

This Friday 29 September, The Bluebird Café is inviting you to come along for a nibble and a natter as part of the Wold's Biggest Coffee Morning, because every cup of tea and slice of cake helps

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his family-friendly event attracts crowds not just for the hundreds of lovingly restored vintage machines on show but also for the wide variety of trade stands, entertaining demonstrations and educational displays of all things agricultural. In addition to the rare and vintage tractors and horticultural equipment, there is entertainment for the whole family, with 'war horse' enactment displays and rides around the show on the tractor driven barrel-train, always a big hit with the children.

Entries are coming in at a steady rate and the show is aiming to feature a tractor from every year of the 100 years of Fordson and Ford manufacture, which will include more recent models under the flag of New Holland.

Collections of vintage machines will be on display inside and outdoors on Newark Showground and visitors are encouraged to bring their questions to the expert enthusiasts, located on the various tractor club stands. As well as the nostalgic sight of the vintage machinery, there will be a collection of Rare and Native Breeds on display to both educate and inform the visitor. Located in the John Eastwood Buildings, ponies, sheep, goats and cattle will provide a unique glimpse into

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the UK's farming heritage that has shaped our island. We are delighted to welcome the return of members of the Rare Breeds Survival Trust: children will be able to try their hand at 'showing a sheep' - with prize rosettes on offer, and there will be demonstrations of hand spinning, wood carving and wood turning with items for sale, stick-making, and photography alongside displays of dairy equipment, a Shepherd's Hut, and horse drawn ploughs from bygone days. The show attracts a wide variety of indoor and outdoor trade stands offering opportunities to shop for products from country wear clothing, crafts and gifts, footwear, original paintings and prints, to sweet and savoury snacks, as well as items that will appeal to agricultural machinery enthusiasts

The website, www.newarkvintagetractorshow. com is regularly updated as is the list of trade stands attending.

The Sunday morning Remembrance Service,

will again be led by Revd. Dr Alison Milbank of Southwell Minster and the organisers are extremely grateful for this support. The service is held amongst the vintage tractors displayed in the George Stephenson Exhibition Hall and is always well attended. The poignant sound of the lone bugler, John Baigent, signalling the two minutes' silence to remember those lost at war is particularly evocative. Come early to be sure of a seat. There is the usual Brown & Co auction on Saturday and the popular Sort Out returns on Sunday. Everyone is welcome to attend the Saturday Night Do held at 6.30pm in The Cedric Ford. Dinner tickets must be bought in advance and are great value at just £15 each for a two-course dinner with a glass of wine. This year's speaker is the highly entertaining and informative Mark Spencer, local farmer and MP for Sherwood.



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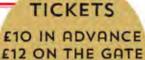
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To bring the story right up to date, the exhibition will also feature 'Airlander', a hybrid airship which today is being developed by Hybrid Air Vehicles, taking to the skies over Bedfordshire.

This exhibition is open to the public from Saturday 30 September 2017 to Sunday 25 March 2018. Admission is

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Airships over Lincolnshire...Lighter than Air will open to the public on Saturday 30 September giving visitors the chance to explore the various types of airships, both military and commercial, and their contribution to the continuing story of this most serene mode of lighter than air transport. The Royal Naval Air Service Central Training Establishment at Cranwell's early operations included training in ballooning and airships at its Lighter than Air Section. The exhibition in-

than Air Section. The exhibition includes detail of a selection of those airships. The Central Training Establishment was originally home to naval aviators and subsequently personnel of the newly formed Royal Air Force, at which point the base was renamed RAF Cranwell.

"It is hard to imagine the conditions

For more information about this exhibition please contact Cranwell Aviation Heritage Museum on 01529 488490 or email cranwellaviation@nkesteven.gov.uk. For more information about Cranwell Aviation Heritage Museum please visit www.cranwellaviation.co.uk.



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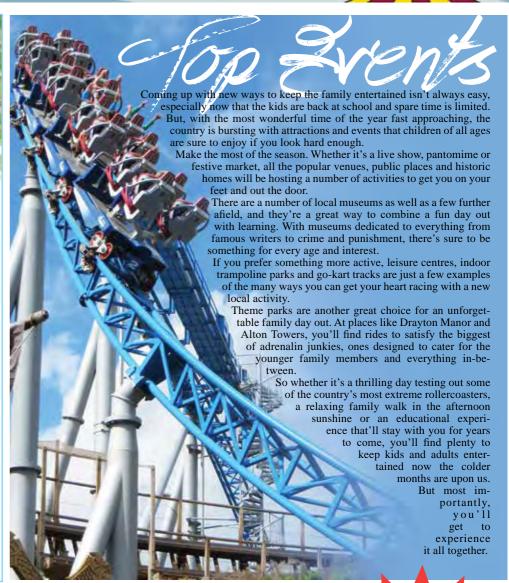


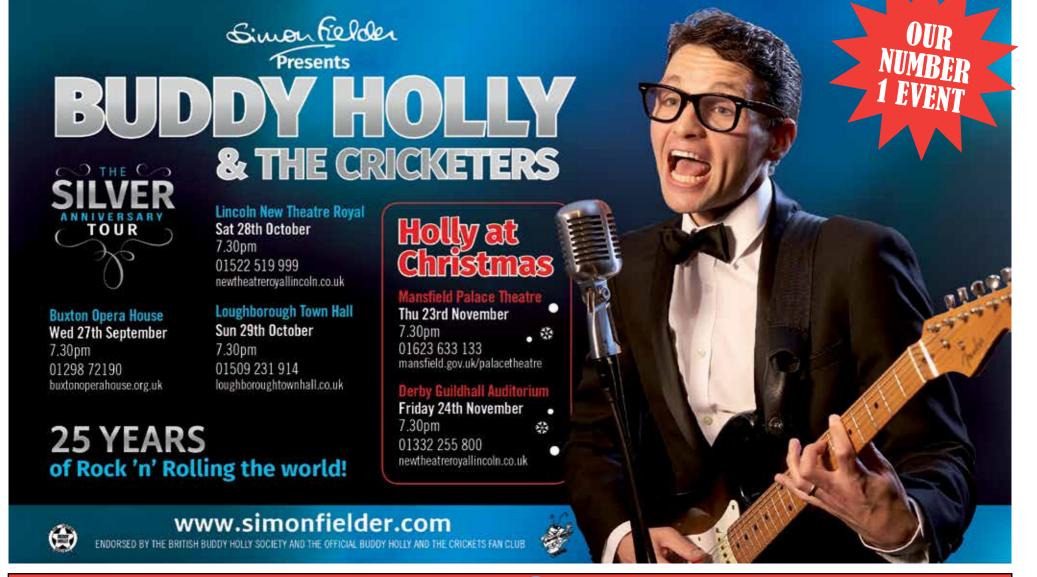




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- 35 Bathroom accessories and lotions (10)

- 37 Old affirmative (3)
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- an emission (8) 43 Pat with moist pad (3)
- 44 Stocking support (6)
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- 47 Detailed map (4)
- 48 You (4)
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- 51 Loud growl (4) 53 Self-confidence (3)
- 54 Count (3)
- 56 Scottish headland
- and song (4,2,7)
- 60 No longer asleep (5)
- 61 Paid experts (13)

- 4 Pub (3)

- 8 Tiny (3) (5)

- 14 Wound dressing (7)

- 25 Wanderer or tramp (9)

- 1 Modify to suit (5)
- 2 Compete in a race (3)

- 12 Flat cake of bread (6)
- 21 The overall winner (8)
- 24 Community Charge

- 10 Hard work is needed, so
- give it some of this! (5-6)
- 17 Skin disease (6)

- 7 Dinner or supper (4)

- 22 Not sharp (5)
- householder (9)

- 3 Jewish national (7)
- 5 Maiden name (3)
- 6 Observe to occur (6)
- 11 Smoker's dish (7)

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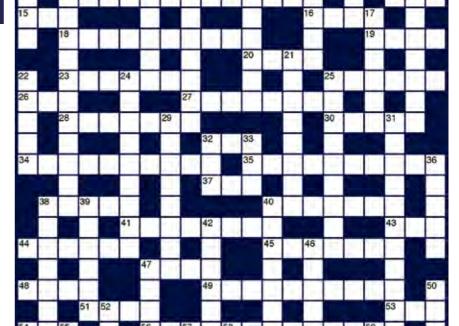
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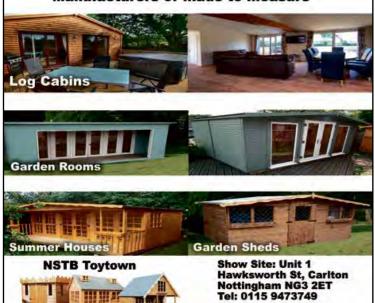
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Your invitations will set the tone for your wedding, says Tilly Wilkinson of www.ukbride.co.uk. Here, the wedding planning expert offers advice for getting

the best out of your stationery.
"Your 'save the date' cards or wedding invitations give the first impression of what your wedding will look and feel like," says Tilly.

"We receive a huge number of questions from our members about how they should be worded and when they should be sent out, so the following tips should answer the most common questions.'

when to send them

One question brides commonly ask is when to send out invitations. 33% of brides take two years to plan their day; 23% plan their wedding over the course of one year.

If you're in the former category, send

out Save The Date cards between 12 and

24 months ahead of the wedding. If your wedding planning is taking a year, then just send out invitations as soon as you've confirmed the date with your venue, ideally allowing between six and 12 months.

unique ideas

Scouring the internet is the best way to gain a few imaginative ideas for your invitations. Ribbon, dried flowers and layers of different paper stocks are common, but alternative ideas for 'save the dates' and invitations are fridge magnets, balloons, jigsaw puzzle invites, invitations printed onto mugs, and even wedding invites printed onto the wrappers of chocolate bars or paper aeroadditional

wording
Couples can also use their invitations to stipulate all-day or evening only attendance, to request cash towards a honeymoon or cash-to-charity donations rather than gifts.

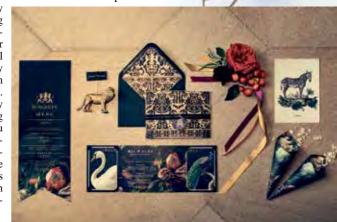
Some use the opportunity to specify an adults only policy, softened with a verse such as 'we'd like you to let your hair down so we politely request no children; book a babysitter and relax for the night!'

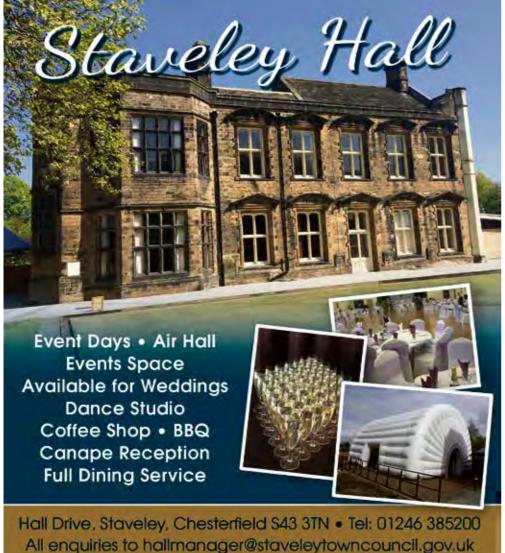
rsops

If you're stipulating an RSVP in your invitations, don't be surprised by a lack of response.

You can improve matters slightly by giving a deadline for a formal accept-

ance, and by specifying a text message rather than postal RSVP, or by including an RSVP slip. Generally speaking though, you should anticipate having to chase your guests confirm their attend







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It can be stressful trying to perfectly plan your ceremony. Your dream wedding day typically starts with a stylish and stunning venue which immediately mesmerises you and your partner, ticking all the boxes for the expectations you had planned in your head. But how do you

decide on the final details of your wed-

your chosen venue, and that the location meets all the needs of your friends and family who plan to attend.

Finally, make sure to keep your budget in mind. I can only imagine how easy it is to dream

budget in mind. I can only imagine how easy it is to dream up far-fetched fantasies about the perfect wedding, but keep your feet on the ground and make realistic decisions to ensure you're getting the best for your money. You need to know exactly what's includ-

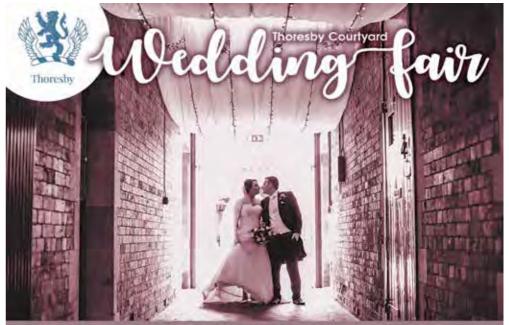
ding?
First of all, talk
to a planner; you'll
need to establish your desired theme and colours before you
decide what kind of venue to seek. Whilst
more modern locations include fancy restaurants
and spacious art galleries, a more traditional apBut most o

proach might mean your wedding is outside or in a church, creating a more natural theme.

Next, you need to know your guest list. This is so you can ensure that you will have enough space for all the people whom you wish to invite at

packages
you select and
most importantly,
do not let anyone change your
mind or sway your choices. Stick to
what you want.
But most of all – remember to enjoy every mo-

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Poppy Display Deadline Fundraiser BBQ Cooks Approachir

deliver any woollen pop-pies they have made for the Poppy Parade display by Friday 29 September to the Civic Centre.

Some 3,000 knitted and crocheted poppies have so far been donated by patriotic members of the community so that Mansfield District Council can put on a display at the Old Town Hall along the route for the Remembrance Day parade, which is organised by the Royal British Legion for Sunday 12 November.

The parade will start at Mansfield Civic Centre and lead down Chesterfield Road and into town via West Gate and onto St Peter's Church. After the service the parade will stop at the Old Town Hall for veterans to perform a salute of honour at the poppy display before it leads back to the Civic Centre.

Kate Allsop, Executive Mayor of Mansfield, said: "We would like to welcome people to come along to the Market Place on special dates in October to sponsor a woollen poppy. Sponsorship is £1 but we're asking you to dig deep and donate whatever you can to help

us to support the Royal British Legion.

"By sponsoring a poppy you will be part of this community project - simply make your donation and attach a poppy to the netting. The netting will then cover part of the Old Town Hall ready for the parade to pass by."

Dates where the public can

get involved by sponsoring and attaching a poppy on Mansfield Market Place

Sunday 1 October- Artisan and Craft Market, 11am to

3pm Wednesday 11 October-International Mini Market,

11am to 3pm Sunday 22 October- Car

Show, 11am to 3pm Tuesday 24 – Saturday 28 October- half-term ghost hunt, 11am to 2pm

If you have poppies you would like to donate to the project please take them to the Civic Centre, Chesterfield Road South, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, NG19 7BH by 4.30pm on Friday 29 September. Please ensure that two pieces of yarn are left loose at the back of each poppy so that they can easily be attached to the netting.









Over 130 business owners and professional services gathered for Rothera Sharp's BBQ 'Meat-Up' and fundraiser on Thursday 14th September, with

the evening raising a substantial amount for Age UK.

The event, which took place at St Mary's Church in the Lace Market, was held in conjunction with the firm's chosen charity Age UK Notts to celebrate their 75th anniversary. Fortunately the weather pro-vided perfect BBQ conditions,

with guests able to enjoy a lection of mouth-watering BBQ delights from homemade beefburgers served with spicy to-mato relish to courgette and hal-loumi skewers marinated with fresh mint and lemon juice in the scenic grounds of St Mary's Church whilst enjoying classic hits performed by local band No Shenanigans.

Attendees were also invited to take part in a raffle to raise additional funds for Age UK Notts. Prizes included a dinner

for two at Marco Pierre White's restaurant, a free flight at Nottingham Airport, two tickets to a cricket match at Trent Bridge, afternoon tea for two at the Lace

Market Hotel and much more. The event also provided the ideal opportunity to launch Age UK's Trees of Life project which is being supported by Rothera Sharp and was an-nounced by Age UK Notts Fundraising Director Maggie Ross Patrick Candler of Sherwood Forest Trust and Mich Stevenson, Chairman of Spenbeck and Deputy Chairman of Notting-ham Regeneration Limited. To commemorate Age UK Notts' 75th an-

niversary whilst also making a positive difference to the environment in Nottinghamshire and raise funds for the charity, Age UK

viting individuals and businesses to plant 750 trees in locations across Nottinghamshire.

Christina Yardley, Business Development Partner at Rothera Sharp says of the scheme: "As a business firmly rooted in Nottinghamshire we are delighted tingnamshire we are delighted to be collaborating with Age UK to deliver the Trees of Life Campaign. This is a great op-portunity for people to cele-brate the lives of loved ones by planting trees, whilst improving our great county and raising money for the wonderful work Age UK does".

The campaign means that those looking to purchase a tree for themselves or a loved one or as a business can make a donation to Age UK Notts and in return will have a beautiful tree planted and dedicated to them





PR specialist Felicity Haslehurst has moved from the London base of global PR firm Cohn & Wolfe to take up a senior position at award-winning PR and digital agency Cartwright Com-

Cartwright Communications is continuing to grow its team rapidly to meet the company's ever-expanding business requirements and Felicity joins the team as account director, whilst Jozef Soltysik is hired as account executive.

Felicity joins Cartwright from global top 20 firm Cohn & Wolfe with a wealth of experience across a range of B2B and

B2C clients, particularly within the healthcare sector in which she has specialised for several years both from a consumer and a pharmaceutical perspective. Felicity said: "I am delighted

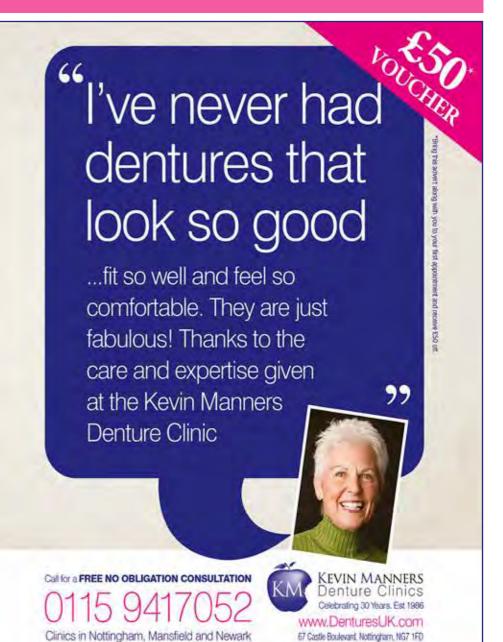
to join Cartwright Communications at such an exciting time for the agency as it continues to grow and expand into a variety of different sectors.

"I look forward to utilising my experience across several sectors, and primarily within the lifestyle and healthcare fields, to complement the brilliant work which Cartwright are already doing for their clients, and to help to continue to expand the

offering of this versatile agen-

Jozef, who has joined Cartwright Communications as an accoun executive, is an NCTJ qualified journalist from a sports media, marketing and events company.

Jozef said: "I am delighted to have joined the Cartwright Communications team. It is an amazing opportunity to work with a broad range of incredible clients and build upon the knowledge I gained in my previous position." Liz Cartwright, managing director at Cartwright Communic tions, said: "We are delighted to welcome Felicity to the agency and to Nottingham.'



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Better Care for Patients

An online frailty calculator developed by academics at The University of Nottingham will help GPs to identify their most vulnerable older patients for enhanced care.

The QFrailty calculator combines complex information about a patient's life expectancy and their risk of unplanned hospital admission over the coming 12 months. These estimates are then used to classify patients within four frailty categories - severe, moderate, mild and fit - allowing doctors to target assessments and interventions at those people who are most in need.

Research to test the accuracy of the new calculator, published in the British Medical Journal (BMJ), has shown that the tool can reliably estimate risk of dying within 12 months and risk of unplanned admissions among patients aged between 65 and 100 vears ob

The tool was developed by Professors Julia Hippisley-Cox and Carol Coupland in the University's School of Medicine using the QResearch database, which gathers patient data from approximately 1,500 general practices across England through EMIS Health's clinical computer systems

Professor Hippisley-Cox said: "Instead of creating a frailty index in the hope that it would predict unplanned admissions and life expectancy, we decided to work the other way round.

"Starting with principled estimators of unplanned admissions and life expectancy, we have developed a new classification system of frailty, known as QFrailty. This identifies people into four categories based on their absolute risks of an unplanned hospital admission or death within a year. QFrailty is therefore an outcomes-based classification designed to improve on current approaches."

Dr Shaun O'Hanlon, Chief Medical Officer at EMIS Group, said: "The QFrailty calculator is yet another excellent example of the way that algorithms built around anonymised patient data can support clinicians in making the best possible decisions for the people in their care."

"Being able to accurately identify the most vulnerable older patients will empower GPs to provide care that is potentially lifesaving.

"EMIS Health is proud to support all of the good work done to date through QResearch and we look forward to working alongside Professor Hippisley-Cox and the team at The University of Nottingham on future develop-



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A Ray of Hope for People with AM

Age-related macular degeneration (AMD) is a painless eye condition that causes you to lose central vision, usually in both eyes. AMD curin both eyes. AMD currently affects more than 600,000 people in the UK and is the leading cause of vision loss. By 2020, it's predicted almost 700,000 people will have late-stage AMD in the UK, leaving them legally blind

The condition is most common in people over the age of 50. It's estimated 1 in every 10 people over 65 have some degree of AMD. It is almost an of AMD. It is almost an inevitable part of the ageing process

Central vision is what you see when you focus straight ahead. In AMD, this vision becomes in-creasingly blurred,

- reading becomes dif-
- colours appear less vibrant
- people's faces are difficult to recognise
 This sight loss usually

happens gradually over time, although it can sometimes be rapid. Sadly there is little that

can be done to arrest the progression of the AMD

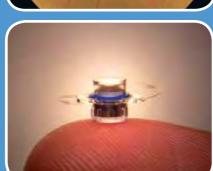
and the vision goes stead-ily downhill. Eventually some people

are left with a scar at the back of the eye which de-tects no light and therefore the central vision is simply non-existent, re-sulting in a significant reduction in quality of life. People with AMD often have a co-existent cata-ract and they often undergo cataract surgery in the hope of improving their vision.

In normal cataract surgery we put a lens (an intraocular lens or IOL) into the eye that is designed to focus light ac-curately onto the centre of the macula. If this area of retina is already damaged then we are simply focussing all the light energy on an area of retina which will never detect it. Vision is often

New developments have given some hope for patients with AMD who are desperate for some resto-ration of sight. There is hope now in the form of newly developed lenses which can be implanted at the time of cataract surgery or even if previ-ous cataract surgery has







The new lenses improve vision by causing a magnification effect. Rather than focussing the light on the scar at the back of the eye they magnify the image up to bridge over the scar and use ar-eas of retina that still work. Another form of lens uses wavefront technology to spread the incoming image over the whole mac-ula rather than a small portion, therefore bridging over areas of affected macula. The latter lens can also future proof vision as if a small portion of the macula with modern surgery and cut-

ting edge lenses some degree of functional vision, and therefore quality of life restoration, can be

Specialised multivitamins, stop-ping smoking and a healthy diet will all help reduce the progres-sion of AMD. Regular eye checks will detect signs early and if the worsens the rest can compensate and preserve functional vision. Sadly a cure is not possible but worst happens and central vision is lost then there is a hope that future technology will hold the answer to restoring vision.



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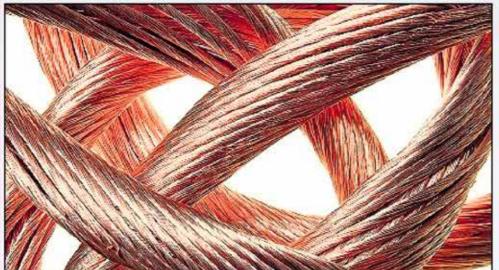


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