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| **HAZELDENE HOUSE NEWS** |

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| **A WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE WORLD NEWS FOR RESIDENTS, STAFF AND VISITORS TO HAZELDENE HOUSE**Volume 8 Number 33: Monday August 19th 2019Collated and Produced by John Chadwick |

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| **IN THE NEWS LAST WEEK** |

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| Many condiment fans have eagerly been awaiting the arrival of Heinz' controversial 'Mayochup' to UK supermarkets - and prayers across the nation have finally be answered. The condiment favourites have formally announced the marriage of Heinz (Seriously) Good Mayonnaise and Heinz Tomato Ketchup by placing a post in the Times' births, marriages and deaths section. However, as the 'Mayochup' trademark was unavailable to use in Europe, the brand have confirmed it will become known as 'Saucy Sauce' in the UK. The controversial product will be launched exclusively to Tesco on August 23 and will retail at £2.69 for a bottle.  |  |

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|  | A herd of rare miniature cows have been dubbed the smallest herd in Europe. The cows are 3ft 5in tall and are known as miniature Herefords. Farmer Malcolm Gough, 66, and his wife Lesley, 54, reared the cows for their rare small size, on the Chater Valley Farm in Pilton, Somerset. Malcolm and Lesley describe themselves as the 'guardians' of the farm and surrounding land. Malcolm said: 'The main reason we  |
| decided to have miniature Hereford cows was because it is quite a small farm at only 40 acres - it's small for a farm, but big for a house. Initially, as miniature Herefords didn't exist in the UK, Malcolm started the herd by purchasing miniature Hereford embryos from a breeder in Canada and then implanting the fertilised eggs into standard Hereford heifers which became their surrogate mothers. Eventually, after ten years experience of breeding, Malcolm is now able to offer naturally-conceived miniature Herefords from the bulls and cows he has on the farm. |

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|  | New research into one of Leonardo da Vinci's most famous works has revealed fresh information about an abandoned composition hidden under the painting. Experts have found initial designs for the angel and infant Christ beneath the surface of the Virgin of the Rocks. The designs are significantly different to how they look in the final painting, which hangs in the National Gallery. The hidden designs were revealed using X-ray imaging. |

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| A Wendy house in the Cotswolds is to go on sale at £15k this week - making it the the cheapest and smallest home in the area.The timber framed Wendy house - looking like a Tudor dwelling - has entertained generations of children since it was created by well-renowned cartoonist and artist Philip Meigh MA RCA in the 1970s.  He was living in the Cotswolds and working on his sketches when he approached Prinknash Abbey to run a bird sanctuary. Since then, it developed into the  |  |
| nine-acre Painswick Bird and Deer Park where miniature donkeys and pygmy goats live - and the Wendy house is nestled inside.    |

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|  | The Perseid meteor shower has started its biggest show of the year as people around the globe look to the skies to catch a glimpse of the cosmic fireworks. The event is one of the highpoints in the celestial calendar, occurring each year as the Earth ploughs through dusty debris left by Comet Swift-Tuttle, with a number of meteors already spotted shooting over Europe. The meteors, mostly no bigger  |
| than a grain of sand, burn up as they hit the atmosphere at 36 miles per second to produce a shooting stream of light in the sky. Peak temperatures can reach anywhere from 1,648 to 5,537°C (3,000 to 10,000°F) as they speed across the sky.The meteors are called Perseids because they seem to dart out of the constellation Perseus and can be seen with the human eye anywhere in the world - assuming it isn't a cloudy night.  If skies are clear, the Perseid meteor shower should be visible across the UK from around midnight until 5.30BST, according to Royal Museums Greenwich.  |

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| A Russian pilot has been hailed as a hero after he successfully crash-landed a passenger plane in a cornfield after birds were sucked into both engines, causing them to fail. Ural Airlines light was taking off from Moscow's Zhukovsky airport when it suffered a double bird strike, causing one engine to burst into flames and the other to stop working. The pilot  |  |
| brought the plane down with no power in either engine and with the landing gear retracted.   |

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|  | Scientists say this past July was the hottest month on Earth in 140 years of record-keeping, and brought Arctic and Antarctic sea ice to historic lows. A report from by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration confirmed that last month was both the hottest July and the hottest month on record for the planet. The numbers also mean 2019 now ties with 2017 as the second-hottest year on record based on global temperatures from January through July. |

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| A controversial ban on Women Institute (WI) members baking cakes for a hospice over health and safety rules has been lifted. Loros hospice, in Leicestershire, stopped accepting home-baked cakes in May because council rules said food had to come from a registered kitchen. The ban began after Leicester City Council food safety experts inspected the kitchen of the Loros hospice in  |  |
| Leicester in February and told staff about the regulations. The initial council ruling was based on the assumption that the cakes were coming from one or two bakers regularly, which would mean their kitchens would need to be inspected and registered for complying with health and safety rules. However, Leicestershire City Council has now learnt that many WI members who baked cakes for the charity did so infrequently and therefore had no need for a hygiene certificate. The ban had upset WI members in Leicestershire, many of whom bake cakes for the charity. Following the decision, the hospice has launched a campaign encouraging people to raise money for the charity by baking. Janet Kirk, chairwoman of Leicestershire and Rutland WI, said: 'Our members are delighted to resume baking for Loros, a special place in so many of our members' lives.' |