



# NEWSLETTER

## Barnsley and Doncaster YOT News

"I think this is testament to Leroy's fantastic engagement of young people so well done Leroy!" Amazing feedback from Kathryn West, Manager at Doncaster YOT after agreeing for Leroy to continue working with some vulnerable young people after they had completed Reparation.



It's been a month of some amazing feedback in Doncaster. Anji, our youth RJP in the YOT. In the first quarter of this year she achieved the highest rate of victim engagement and resultant RJ that Remedii has ever achieved there- amazing !

Massive Happy Birthday to our ETE worker, Suzanne Wood and Family Mediator, Jackie Towers who celebrated special birthdays in June! Hope you had a drink for all of us!

Congrats to Sarah Kendrick, Barnsley Reparation Administrator, for moving into her forever home at the end of June! We are all patiently waiting for the house warming invitations....

Sarah, with the support of Carlo's contacts, recently set up a new reparation relationship in Barnsley....

Bruce Dyer's, former Barnsley FC player started the

**"LoveLife"** charity which is a community focused individual/champion. Earlier in 2018 he bought the derelict Grimethorpe sports park with the help of local grants in the hope for it to become a community hub. After an appeal on social media for volunteers to help him get the grounds ready, Remedii contacted him and on Saturday 23 June the first few young people did a session of their reparation at the centre. Leroy and Ken completed the first session with Bruce – and the feedback was amazing!

## Messing about on the water...



Michelle Bailey, Alison McLean, Megan Kay took part in the XRunner Extreme Obstacle Water Wipeout Race on 7th July. Raising a total of £226.96 for Remedi.

Well done Girls

## Cheshire Team

A personal thank you to the Cheshire team from Lisa.....

Cheshire have seen an increase in referrals and decrease in staffing within the team. This has resulted in everyone working longer hours, working harder yet pulling together. I cannot thank them enough for the motivation and enthusiasm they have brought over the last couple of months. Alice, Kim Jen and Julie are working and supporting the team with some of the most sensitive and complex cases we have ever had in Cheshire, Julie recently took a victim of crime out to a place where she felt comfortable. This creative approach in her work is testament to this victim feeling safe to progress with one of the most significant things in her life.



We recently went for a much needed drink in Liverpool on a Saturday afternoon, it was great to spend time together and not talk toooo much about work

## FUNDRAISERS



**She's been at it again, intrepid and, some may say, a little crazy Remedi Asst Director, Nicola Bancroft took part in the 'Dirty Weekend' in May to raise money for DVS/ Remedi Rising a total of £161.60. Well done Nic**



**If anyone is undertaking this type of activity please let us know as we would love to share your exploits with the team**



## Role-Play and Biscuits in Nottinghamshire

We recently held a full Notts team meeting including all of our reparation supervisor colleagues. With a bit of role play, biscuits and skills practice, we were really pleased to be able catch up and share good practice and see how VLO colleagues and Reparation colleagues can all work together as Practitioners to provide positive outcomes for our victims and young people.

## Showcase Event

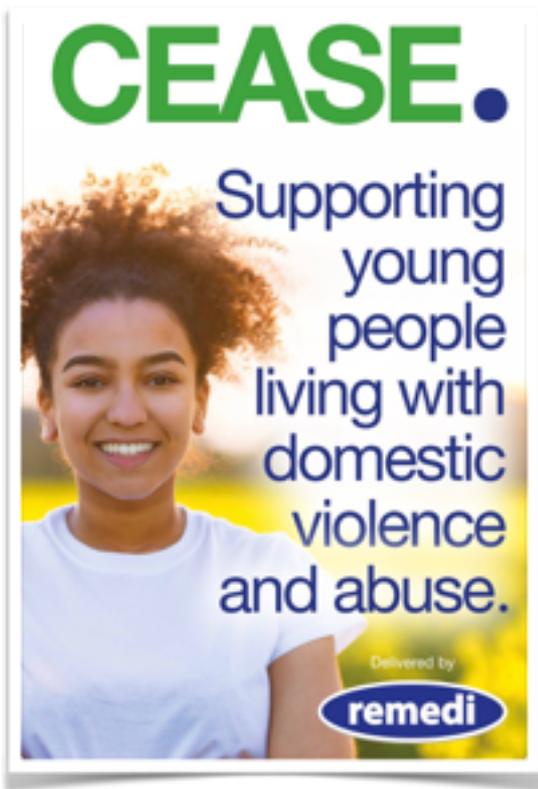
The most exciting (and challenging) part of this past few weeks has to be our showcase event, held at the beautiful Rufford Mill in Nottinghamshire.



The work required in pulling this together is not to be underestimated, but 'Notts' team with the support of Management colleagues, and of course Steve, Chris and Nicola, presented a half day 'showcase' of the work that Remedi, do in Nottinghamshire, do elsewhere and encouraged discussion as to where next for Restorative practice. I have to confess I did worry that the venue would let us down, or that no one would show up, but it all worked out and we had Police from Nottinghamshire, YJS Colleagues and representatives from Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Commissioner's offices. I was particularly thrilled that Lincolnshire Police Inspectors attended and Marc Jones PCC Lincolnshire himself took time to come along and see what we do. We also had Molly Wells-year 10 student from Kesteven and Grantham Girls School in Lincolnshire helping out as part of her Duke of Edinburgh award, she was a great help on the day.

Feedback was brilliant and we have a number of exciting meetings and projects following this event. We had some powerful guest speakers, including our very own Rachael Price, who 'hopped' out of her sick bed to support and share her experiences. Thank you Rachael.

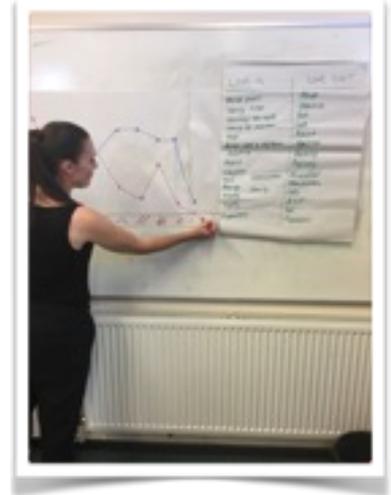




## CEASE : Creating Empowerment and Self Efficacy

Our own Keely Grainger is well underway delivering two pilots of her CEASE- Creating Empowerment And Self Efficacy programme in two Nottinghamshire schools.

The 4 session programmes builds awareness and understanding of domestic abuse and healthy relationships with a principle focus on developing an awareness and ability to seek support as a victim and as the friend of a victim.



Following our strong partnership working with Nottingham Academy we are pleased to confirm delivery of our CEASE Youth domestic abuse programme within the school this term. Our illustrious colleague Lurleen is pictured modelling the banner in school.

**A few of our Nottinghamshire Team, enjoyed some time together out of work in June. Cocktails, Tapas, fabulous music and lot of laughter.**



## Despite Sophie's Best Efforts the Derbyshire RJ team still trying to escape...



**The Derbyshire team enjoyed a fantastic afternoon at Make Your Escape for their team building activity. We may not have managed to escape but it was thoroughly enjoyed by all!**

## Remedi's management swing into action....

It's always nice to know that Remedi management are working tirelessly for the good of the Charity. Gareth and Chris take a well earned break to re-create their childhood. Enjoy chaps



## Talking of the management team....



## North Yorkshire and Prison Team Update

The North Yorkshire contract has been extended for another year, so the team are still hard at work completing all types of cases across the county. We've had big push on promotion across North Yorkshire, with us all pulling together as a team and attending meetings and completing presentations to partner agencies and at the North East Criminal Justice Event in Newcastle.

As well as all of this there's still been great feedback.....

I think RJ is really good, quite often these sort of cases get lost in the criminal justice process. It is really good that offenders take responsibility for what they do and apologise." – **Shoplifting - Gary**

"Personally I feel like I achieved something. This was the first time I've ever done anything like that and I think the other lads listened to me and took something from it, something for my experience and where I've been, and where I'm going." – **Feedback from a prisoner at HMP Humber who delivers RCP with Natasha**

"It has been so positive, I really feel like we got closure and have been able to move on. I hope it has been positive for him too and I am so happy to have met him. It was a really good service and really well organised. I hope that this service can be accessed by more victims." – **Burglary – Alison McLean**

'Thank you both very much for all you have done for me in the last 6 months. You have made a difference. I wanted to find out the truth and to know why the offender did what he did. Now, I feel like a huge weight has been lifted off my shoulders. I have been suffering with PTSD and since finding out the truth I have not experienced this anymore.' **Manslaughter – Laura and Alison**

## QUICK ANSWER QUESTIONS.....

### Rachael Price - DVS

What is the best and worst purchase you've ever made?

*BEST: Grand big mac*

*WORST: Skybar tickets for new year!*



What was the last picture you took with your phone? *Are you willing to share?*

*My new business venture-first sticker in place!*

What's currently playing in your car or what music are you listening to on your phone?

*Roxette greatest hits*

What is your greatest strength and weakness?

*(Hayley says-to talk and talk and talk) for strength, weakness-FOOD (or the same for weakness-according to Hayley)*

What's your most prized possession? My dog basil, especially on pamper nights!!!

If you could live anywhere in the world – where would it be?  
In a shoe box

Best day/most memorable day so far within remedi? Team building day in Jan 18

How long have you been working for remedi? 2 years and 1 month




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### Eleanor Jackman - DVS

What is the best and worst purchase you've ever made?

*BEST: Rosie – my dog!*

*WORST: A Chorus Line DVD – terrible film*

What was the last picture you took with your phone?

Picture of some snowdrops my friend gave me last year and are just coming up.



What's currently playing in your car or what music are you listening to on your phone? Yeah Yeah Yeahs

What is your greatest strength and weakness?

Strength – Curiosity Weakness – Impatience

What's your most prized possession? My digital radio – it's always on at home and has all the music in it.

If you could live anywhere in the world – where would it be? Perranporth in Cornwall

Best day/most memorable day so far within Remedi?

Our Team Awayday at the Escape rooms in Nottingham – it was scary and fun! Made me realise how well we work together as a team.

How long have you been working for Remedi?: Since April 2016 – so coming up to 2 years.

## QUICK ANSWER QUESTIONS **Tanya Earp- DVS**

What is the best and worst purchase you've ever made?

BEST: Groupon E Harmony voucher where I found my lovely husband

WORST: A Bloody Mary

What was the last picture you took with your phone?

My cat Pizza in the arm of a coat that I sent to my daughter because she is missing her while she lives in London

What's currently playing in your car or what music are you listening to on your phone? First Aid Kit

What is your greatest strength and weakness?

Strength- giving up cheese

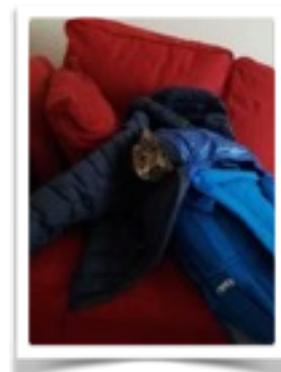
Weakness- eating packets of Oreos

What's your most prized possession? Fairy lights, as many as possible

If you could live anywhere in the world – where would it be? Copenhagen

Best day/most memorable day so far within remedi? Escape rooms team day.

How long have you been working for remedy? Since April 2016- came over from Victim Support




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## Angie Melliush - DVS

What is the best and worst purchase you've ever made?

BEST: The bottle of wine I will be drinking later J

WORST: All the cars I have owned in the last 10 years (10 cars to be exact – all bad purchases)

What was the last picture you took with your phone?

A photo of my Mum and Dads new puppy – his name is Blade (Dad is a huge Sheffield United fan, such a cutie but such a crazy puppy.



What's currently playing in your car or what music are you listening to on your phone?

I am currently listening to Guns and Roses – Appetite for Destruction as it's my fave album in the world

What is your greatest strength and weakness?

Strength – Caring and Considerate

Weakness – I am a bit of an air head sometimes

What's your most prized possession?

My Haynes Manual for the Zombie apocalypse/ My Kids/And My man (yes I own him)

If you could live anywhere in the world – where would it be?

At my house – I would just like to move it to the North of Sheffield to be near my family.

Although I always dreamed of living in the states but that would be too far away and I would be home sick within 2 days.

Best day/most memorable day so far within remedi?

Oh that's a difficult one – Hmmmmm probably going “on the beat” with Shirebrook Police

How long have you been working for remedi? Almost 15 years!!!!

# Congratulations !!!

DVS Caseworker Jindy Fox (nee Kaur) married Liam on Saturday 7th July 2018, they got together 9 and a half years (met at 6th form) and got married at new bath hotel in Matlock, reception was at Osmaston Park in Ashbourne. The happy couple will be honeymooning by travelling the west coast of America, starting in San Fran then coastal drive to L.A then of to Vegas!

Massive Congratulations from everyone at Remedi



A massive congratulations to Jindy and Liam on their recent wedding.

Jindy is now truly a "Foxy lady".

From your DVS/GYB Collegues

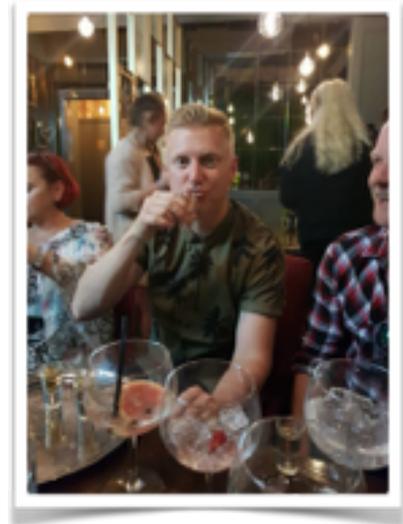
# ★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!

Cheshire turned a big 2 on 1<sup>st</sup> July. In true Cheshire style we thought it would be a good idea to celebrate around a table that involves food ! We had a team meeting in the morning to reflect on our challenges and successes over the past 2 years and discussed what we want to achieve in the future, we then went on to Wagamama for a very enjoyable "business" lunch.



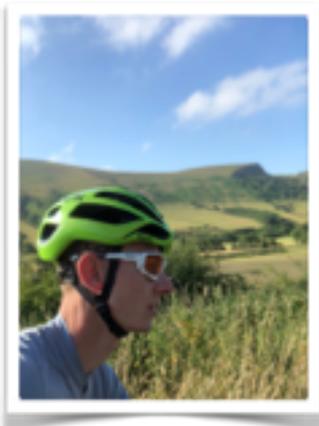
### Andy in Humberside - The Big 40

So it happened and no this is not Fake News .... I am actually 40 .....I know I know I don't look a day over 39. I have left the dirty thirties and into the naughty forties. I knew I had become officially middle aged when I woke up on my Birthday with my first bout of indigestion, it was nothing to do with the tequila .



My friends and family made sure I had a birthday to remember and I was lucky enough to be surprised with a trip to Budapest which was amazing, definitely worth a visit , It's all uphill from here .....

### South Yorkshire Adult/Stockport and Manchester News



Here's South Yorkshire's very own Jake Harrison leading the peloton. If only he was so quick up to Snig Hill Police Station!

Shannel's kids had the chance to meet local celeb, Morgz recently. I think I saw him on Bullseye once.



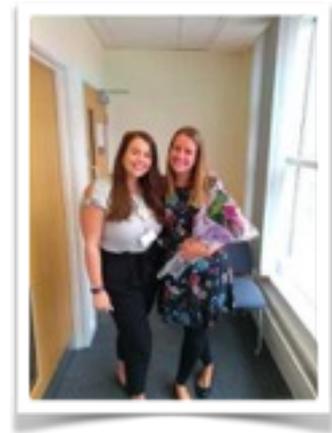
The Depps of Liz's flirting knows no bounds! I don't know who the guy with Liz is in this pic, but it's like looking in a mirror.





Sadly Louise is leaving Remedi. Here she is with her new manager, Gary, at Stockport Youth Justice.

Here's a pic of the hate crime crew, Emma and Louise. Emma bobbed in to see Louise before she left.



Steve - Here's the main man himself introducing our recent Be Change hate crime project in Manchester, including the premier of our new hate crime film.



Gareth - And here's Gareth, waxing lyrical about said project.

For those that haven't seen the film, you can find it at [www.bechangefilm.org](http://www.bechangefilm.org)

## Patience Pays Off...

One of our Domestic Abuse support practitioners in Barnsley Rowena pictured with one of our service users. Rowena spent 13 weeks sitting at the top of the stairs trying to engage him during the Together families programme and here he is now graduating from the Princes trust. Brilliant work!



## HMP Hull (Is that in Hull?)

Lauren Bolton has also settled well into HMP Hull and is building up a good relationship with all the internal partners to encourage referrals for the various Restorative interventions she can support them and victims with. I recently sat in with Lauren while she delivered the Restorative Choices Programme and her engagement with the offenders was fantastic and well received by the whole group.

As part of her work Lauren is producing internal newsletters and monthly reports about her work and the progress made. These are proving helpful documents for the establishment which is currently in a process of change in terms of its custodial purpose. Lauren has also managed to influence change within a number of internal Prison procedures to help embed the use of Restorative approaches into systems that support the reduction of violence.

Although at a recent meeting at HMP Hull involving Lauren and her colleagues within the safer Custody team, some concerns were raised by the prison staff regarding her geographic Knowledge! Apparently Lauren had recently asked the team: *'Is York in Yorkshire???'* As you can imagine – they keep reminding her of the comment..



## Got Your Back



Our GYB team had a great day at woodlands school, working with the year 8 students to raise awareness of hate crime. The workshops always get the young people talking about how they may not have realised the impact hate crime can have.



Chelsea had the privilege of watching Beth go off to her yr 11 leavers prom. This is something Beth never imagined doing months ago as she felt she could not leave the house. Beth has come along way since the crime happened and her growing confidence is amazing to see. Beth has recently started a job and is looking forward to starting her college course in September. I'm sure you will agree Beth looks stunning.

## Welcome to the Team Julie....

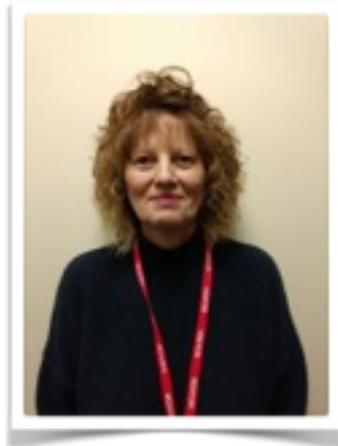
Hi there! My name is Julie Gregory-Bateman and I have recently joined the DVS Derbyshire Team as an ASB Case Worker. I started volunteering for Angie and Jo in March this year, and so was thrilled to be able to gain a permanent role in the last few weeks. I am so very pleased that I can contribute to the Fantastic work that the whole organisation provides to the victims of crime, and have had such Wonderful support from everyone!

I live in Sudbury, Derbyshire, with my husband and 3 dogs. In the last few years I have been back to University and qualified in Psychotherapy and Counselling, and Cognitive Behavioural Therapy. I have also studied Dementia, Autism, Asperger's and ADHD conditions, and hope to be able to utilise my skills and knowledge in these areas in support of our clients.

My passion is to make a 'positive difference' to people's lives, and my recent volunteering roles have included working with activity groups for individuals suffering from mental-ill health, and mentoring at a local ladies' refuge.

I love to cook, clay pigeon shoot, walk our dogs, and am learning to switch off my phone and take off my watch during my 'down-time', so that I am governed only by doing what 'feels right', rather than running to a timetable 24/7. It's not that easy.....but I'm getting there!!

I have no regrets in life, on reflection, perhaps some overlooked opportunities along the way, as most of us, but I am a firm believer that 'everything happens for a reason', and so I welcome and embrace my new role and will gladly face all challenges!!



## The End of an Era..

Friday 13th was Stuart's last day in Sheffield :( Stuart will definitely be missed and the Sheffield and Rotherham Team would like to thank Stuart for all his hard work and support over the years. We wish him a long and happy retirement.



## And moving not retiring yet...

Martin in the Got Your Back team is off to pastures new in our Sheffield Youth Justice Team as an RJP. You'll be sadly missed in Derbyshire Martyn but a welcome addition to the team in Sheffield



## Dates for your Diaries.....

**Wednesday 5th December** 9.30 - 4.30 FULL STAFF AWAYDAY/SHOWCASE EVENT and JULIE COULTHARD MEMORIAL AWARDS 2018 at the Showroom Cinema Sheffield

**Friday 14th December The World Famous Xmas Party, Sheffield (Details to follow)**