

Friday 14 July 2023

NHS Grampian Laundry Services NHS Grampian's laundry services is still in contingency due to the isolated asbestos incident last weekend.

Whilst the laundry is still processing orders across NHS Grampian, they are also being supported in the turnaround of clean linen by other NHS boards and external accredited laundries.

What can you do to help?

- We ask services to be mindful around the use of linen (paper for spills not towels)
- Scrubs must only be worn by appropriate services, for example, theatres
- Change beds only when needed, but ensure linen is changed within a seven-day window
- Sewing Room is open as normal and if extra uniform is required due to operational difficulties, please requisition through normal channels
- Be respectful to the team

The Laundry Staff would like to thank services for their patience and understanding around this unprecedented time. We can all be assured everything is being done behind the scenes to keep this pivotal service running.

Blackbird Walk - Foresterhill Health Campus Do you work in Foresterhill or have reason to visit? If so, have you seen Blackbird walk? This path takes you from Foresterhill Health Centre to the main buildings in ARI and makes for a perfect stroll during lunchtime.

You may see some people enjoying the benches and you'll definitely see the beautiful meadows and lavender. Especially nice in summer weather!

A map can be found

at: <https://nhsgintranet.grampian.scot.nhs.uk/apps/news/Lists/Corporate%20News/DispForm.aspx?ID=10221> (networked devices only).

Shire and Moray Golf Tournaments NHS Grampian's Sports Committee is organising two golf events for staff - these will take place at Hopeman, in Moray, and Banchory, in Aberdeenshire.

The committee, which is funded by NHS Grampian Charity, will discount the standard cost of participating by 50% for current NHS Grampian staff.

The Hopeman event will take place on August 14, starting at 10.15am

To book email George Sutherland: george.sutherland@nhs.scot or call 07943656102 or ext 67355 to reserve a place, limited numbers at max 30.

The Banchory event will take place on August 25 at 2pm.

For information or to book a place on the Banchory event please email gram.sports@nhs.scot - numbers limited are to 32 participants.

That was the week that was It's time for our weekly run through of the key items shared this week:

Monday 10 – Public Holiday; no brief issued

[Tuesday 11](#) – News on laundry services and a system update on the suspension of industrial action

[Wednesday 12](#) – An update on cardiac rehab at DGH and advice for surgical staff on scrubs

[Thursday 13](#) – News on unscheduled care updates and dentist and doctors training inductions

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STAR Award Congratulations to Terry Duncan, car park attendant, who received a STAR award for a nomination after hundreds of positive comments and statements were received about him on a social media post. If you work with somebody – or somebodies – who you feel deserves a STAR Award, then you can [complete the online nomination form](#), or email the details to gram.staffthanksandrecognition@nhs.scot

Tune of the day Today's song comes from some of our staff nurses at Rosewell House who want to wish their colleague Natalie Burns a very happy 30th birthday.



To mark the occasion here's the song that was number one on the day Natalie emerged into the world, three decades ago, Take That's [Pray](#) – apparently there was quite the shortage of t-shirts and jeans in the early 90s...button up Barlow... be thankful you were too young to remember this Natalie...

If you want to request a tune, follow up on items included in this brief, or suggest an item for sharing, drop us an email via gram.communications@nhs.scot