



## More than 50,000 hens get new homes

Mrs Hann from Kent-based charity Fresh Start for Hens, who rehomes hens and other egg-laying birds, has said that the UK lockdown meant demand for chickens “went absolutely crazy”. As shops began to run low on essentials such as toilet paper and eggs, people looked for other ways to source eggs for their breakfasts. Mrs Hann began her charity to rehome hens from farms once their best egg-laying days had passed in 2008. The charity is now nationwide. This most recent turn of events though has meant that she has been busier than ever, saying: “At the peak we were getting 4,000 enquiries a week.” Mrs Hann, who has over 80 hens living in her back-garden states that she and her team of volunteers “are committed to rehoming them in safe, suitable homes where they can live out the rest of their natural lives.”



*Pictured: Cluck and collect – a happy hen getting a fresh start.  
Source: Henry Burrows.*

## Global teamwork brings sea back to life



*Pictured below: A rusted fishing boat, stranded after the sea dried up*

*Source below: Anton Ruiter*

*Pictured above: A flock of birds enjoying the returning water  
Source above: wim van de meerendonk*

The Aral Sea or “Sea of Islands”, which lies between Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan in northern Asia, was once the fourth largest lake in the world. Irrigation projects in the 1960s redirected the rivers that fed the lake, causing it to steadily dry up. Askar Zhumashev, a local, said “When I was born, the sea was already gone. I went to the Aral Sea for the first time only two years ago.” This was made possible as in 2002, the World Bank funded an \$86 million project to restore the sea to its former glory. The building of a successful dam means the project can now progress to restore the wetlands and encourage more wildlife and agricultural industry such as fishing to return. Speaking on the success of the Aral Sea project, Professor Kristopher White said that this shows that ecological damage can be reversed by human intervention.



## Lego hand lost in nose - found after two years

When Samir Anwar of Dunedin, New Zealand blew his nose after sneezing, he and his family were very surprised to find that a hand from his Lego toys was in his tissue. Two years ago, Samir had been playing with his Lego figures and put one of the toy hands up his nostril. Samir, his father and his doctor all tried but were unable to get the hand-out of his nose. His GP told Samir that the Lego part would naturally make its own way through his body. The family said that Samir had since told them it felt like something was in his nose, but they couldn't see anything. Then after two years, Samir was eating a muffin with fairy dust on top and he began to sneeze. He became worried and was told to blow his nose. Finding the Lego hand in the tissue, Samir's father recalls, "We were shocked, his eyes were wide open and he was like, I found the Lego, I kept telling you that it was there, but you were saying that it was not."



*Pictured: Space Lego figures with a metal detector.  
Source: Dushan Hanuska*

## Your thoughts on the news...

Being creative will help us during hard times because sometimes when you're stressed colouring or making some interesting things will help us and make us calm and it will also help learn how to make things that we have never done before.

Tania - Age 10

I think that being creative brings out a different side in all of us.

Emilia - Age 9



What was your opinion on this week's news? Visit our discussion area, found here:  
[www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss](http://www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss)  
to share your thoughts!

For some, they may enjoy creative activities such as singing, painting or dance, though for others these may cause stress. There are alternatives to creative activities such as sport.

Max - Age 10

I think being creative can help because it lets you express how you feel without having to actually say it.

Lily - Age 8

I think...



YOUR COMMENTS

Share your thoughts on our online discussion board:  
[www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss](http://www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss)

Email: [help@picture-news.co.uk](mailto:help@picture-news.co.uk) Tweet: @HelpPicture  
or post to: Picture News Ltd, Colber Lane,  
Bishop Thornton, Harrogate, HG3 3JR