

NT LIFE Recovery College Timetable June - July 2021

Ola!

Where did the last 7 Weeks go?

Restrictions eased and are due to ease even further if we continue to be vigilant. I hope every one has stayed safe and well

Here at NT LIFE we have had a fabulous return to full service.

Week commencing April 12^{th,} we kicked off play, offering 15 activities across the week, every one has remained safe and well aided in part to the Social Distancing Safety precautions in place, throughout the Linskill and in our room.

We have welcomed old faces and new to the range of sessions we offer and if you have been keeping up with us on Facebook you will have seen some of the amazing creative works that have been produced across our art groups, craft and creative writing.

Many skills have been learnt and improved including confidence building, DBT Skills, amateur photography, craft and football.

I would especially like to thank our wonderful volunteers who contiue to give their time, knowledge and enthusiasm to NT LIFE.

So without further ado: I say on behalf of myself, VODA and no doubt every student who has benefitted from attending their sessions:

Kath Miller Football for Mental Health Volunteer, who has rallied to keep everyone informed, during an on off period, ensuring they can make as many sessions as possible, also stepping in to co-facilitate as and when needed in the groups she attends personally.

Ryan Boyle Creative Writing and Creative Arts for Self Care, this has been Ryans first set of Facilitator deliveries with NT LIFE and I must say he has been well received. The poetry that has been produced from his creative writing sessions has been powerful and evokative. The online sessions for Creative Art for Self-Care though only having a few attendees has extended due to the value they have gained

Mick Turnbull Our amazing Art facilitator, so popular was his session that he has very kindly offered another afternoon and we are now running a second short course option to give people a taster of what they can achieve.

Paul Lapham the Amateur Photography course that he runs has met with outstanding reviews. Creating a space for people to share the photographs they take, create poems, puns, and even a soundtrack. Watch this space for a comilation of the photographs the group has taken

Jess Shaw delivered her Emotional Recovery Tool Kit session for the second time to even greater applause. People benefitted from a weekly round up of tools they can use to sooth, uplift, distract and inspire them in times of struggle. Each week a separate sense was covered and provided a wide range of wellness tools.

Julie Bishop facilitates our DB Cuppa T, to support people who have or are benefiting from Dialectical Behaviour Therapy. She provides a safe space for people to practice the skills, they have learnt from services, and have timely reminders for the skills they may have forgotten. Julie also delivers our DBT Skills Training, this term she provided a range of Emotional Regulation Skills.

Phil Saint provides mindfulness and relaxation techniques both at the Linskill and online, alternating between these weekly. Sharing the fundamental science and providing understanding as to how and why the techniques are so powerful in bringing balance and calm to every day life. Phil shares both simpe discrete techniques and more traditional meditations during his sessions.

I'm sure you will join me in saying a massive thank you to all of the above without them we would have missed over 20 hours of deliveries each week of the 26 hours we currently deliver and 40 individuals would have less knowledge and fewer skills.

These sessions provide an opportunity to Connect with others, whilst bringing Purpose and Empowerment to the individuals that attend, in managing their mental health and wellbeing.

Please see the timetable below

Spaces are limited, for social distancing purposes, we will confirm your place once you have registered, please allow upto 5 days for a response

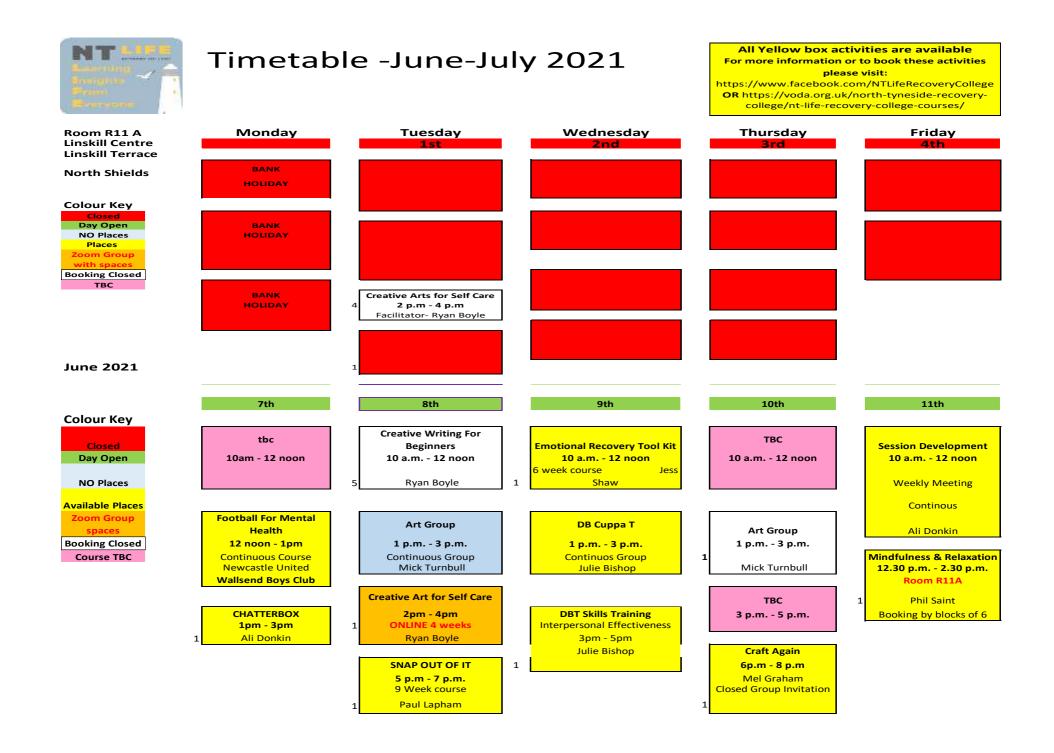
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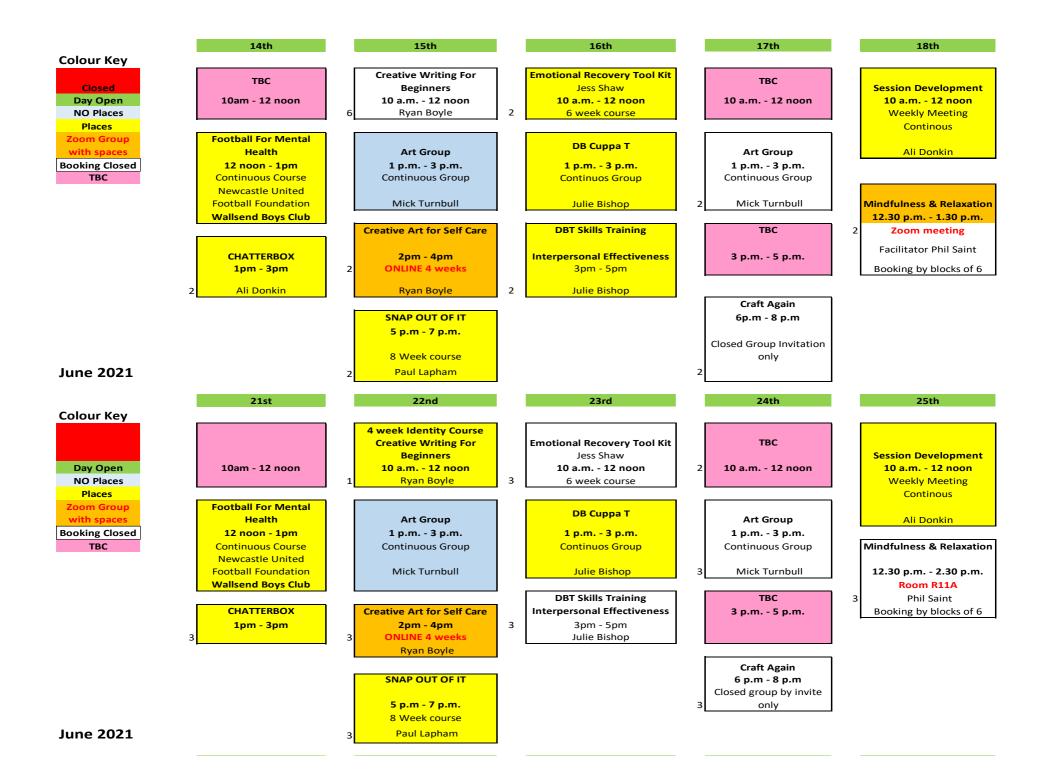
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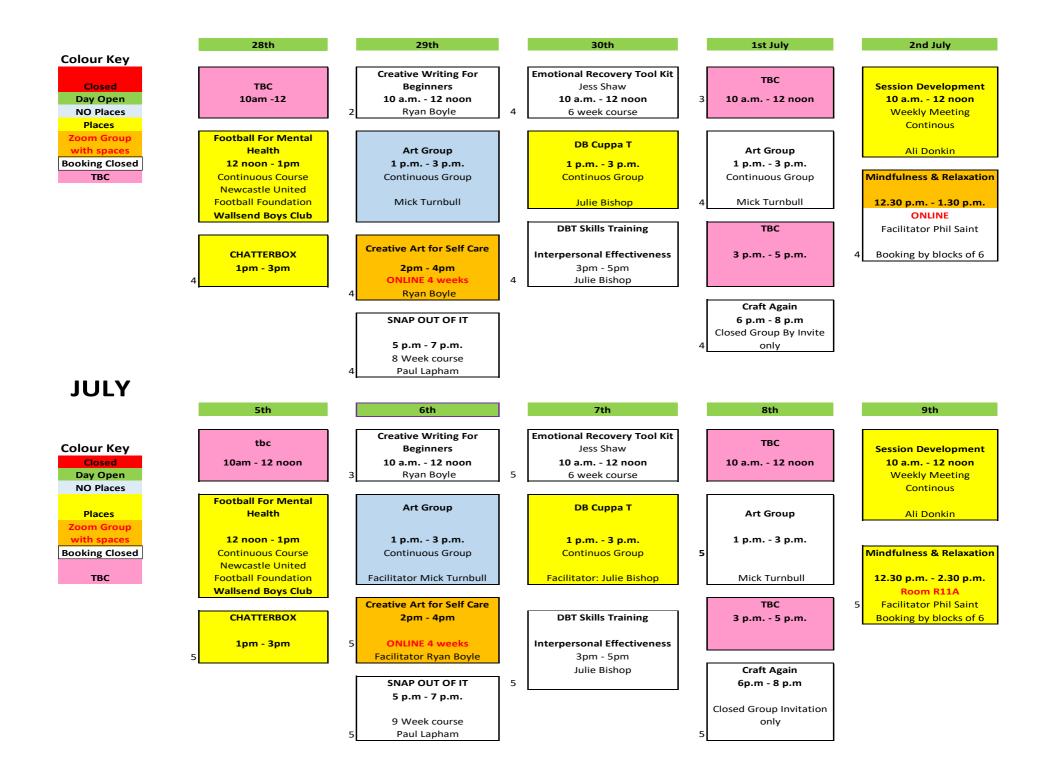
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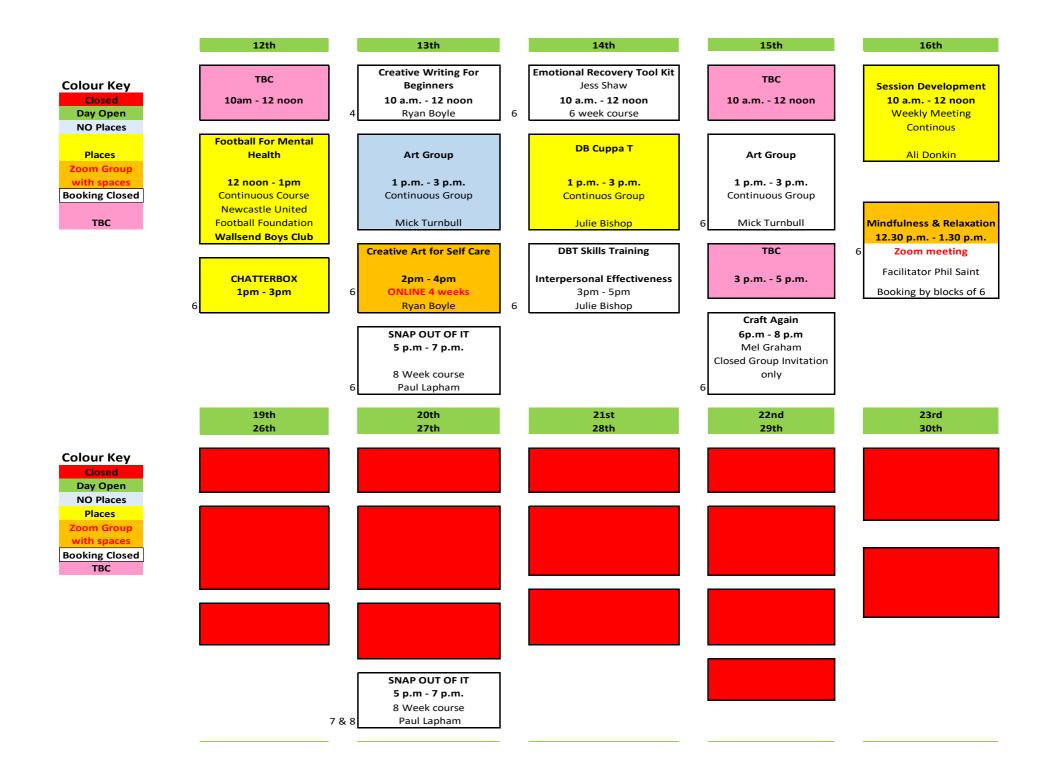
If you have any queries please contact Ali Donkin via email: <u>ali.donkin@voda.org.uk</u>

Please note: we aim to ensure your safety, therefore we have CoVid 19 Safety Precautions in operation. We will send a copy of these with your joining instructions and confirmation.









Links to Booking Forms & Course Details W/C 7th June 2021 Monday

Monday

11.00 a.m. – 12 noon Football for mental health @ The Parks email ali.donkin@voda.org.uk

1.00 p.m. – 3.00 p.m Chatterbox

Tuesday

10.00 a.m. – 12 noon Creative Writing for Beginners

2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. Creative Arts as Self-Care (Online)

Wednesday

10.00 a.m. – 12 noon Emotional Recovery Tool Kit 1.00 p.m. – 3.00 p.m DB Cuppa T Support Group 3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m DBT Skills Training Emotional Regulation https://forms.gle/HpTXw7EQZHYdNzjo8 Thursday

(N.B The Art Course is not available to participants of the Tuesday Art Group)

1.00 p.m. – 3.00 p.m Art Course

Friday

12.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m Mindfulness & Relaxation with PS

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