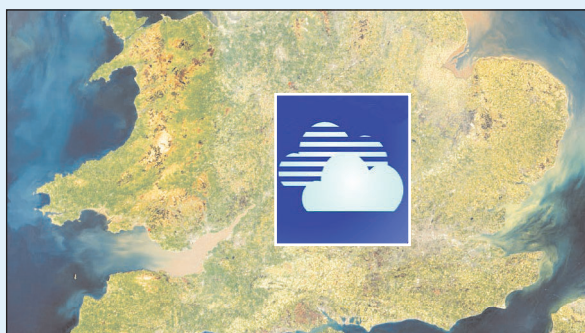




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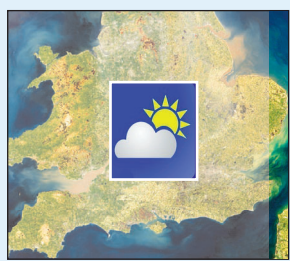


Friday, February 28: **CLOUDY** High: **9°C** Low: **2°C**

# WEEKEND



Saturday, March 1: **SUNNY**  
High: **9°C** Low: **2°C**



Sunday, March 2: **CLOUDY**  
High: **9°C** Low: **2°C**

# THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, March 3:	<b>CLOUDY</b>	High: <b>10°C</b>	Low: <b>2°C</b>
Tuesday, March 4:	<b>SUNNY</b>	High: <b>10°C</b>	Low: <b>3°C</b>
Wednesday, March 5:	<b>SUNNY</b>	High: <b>11°C</b>	Low: <b>3°C</b>
Thursday, March 6:	<b>CLOUDY</b>	High: <b>12°C</b>	Low: <b>5°C</b>



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Cheque presentation to The Kids Village just after the marathon was completed.

# Netball club complete 75-hour non-stop marathon for charity

By NICOLE KEMBERY

**ASHBY Netball club have completed a 75-hour non-stop netball marathon, raising over £55,000 for The Kids Village, promoting over 260 people to join in and breaking three world records in the process.**

The club have been planning the three day marathon, which began at 10am on Thursday, February 20, in Ashby's Ivanhoe School sport hall, for the last six months but their efforts paid off in a big way on Sunday after they achieved everything they set out to.

Carla Garey, a driving force between the marathon, told the *Times*: "It was absolutely exhausting but really good, really incredible, everything went smoothly on the day and there ended up being so many people there."

"We achieved all the objectives we set out to and we have already raised over £55,000 pounds for charity so we are really happy." Carla explained that after much discussion the club decided not to submit the actual marathon due to the stipulation that only 24 people could partake but that they did manage to break three world records, including a brand new one, which have all been submitted to the Guinness World Records.

"It takes about 20 weeks for the criteria of the world record you are attempting to come through," Carla continued. "But when it did, it said we could only have 24 participants."

"We had already decided by that point that we wanted it to be a well supported event so, while we stuck to all the other parameters for the world record, we made the decision to



not make the marathon itself a world record attempt.

"But we did decide to do three separate world records alongside the marathon. Multiple people attempted throughout and we were able to break them but we have to wait 16 weeks to get them verified."

The three world records the club may soon have under their belts include:

- The most goals scored by a team in 60 minutes - They scored 1,564 goals, with the current world record sitting at 1,100 goals.
- The most goals scored by an individual in one minute - achieved by Ashby Netball Club member Imo-

gen Talbet who scored 49 goals.

- A brand new record for the most goals scored in three minutes by a team which they are trying to get accepted after having scored 98 goals.



If they achieve these world records, the club will be five time world record holders after breaking two at a previous world record breaking event in February 2023.

The event saw 261 people join in, including 10 corporate teams and 11 external netball clubs, and was massively supported by local businesses such as Ashby's Zamanis who provided free pizza for everyone after the event finished on Sunday and Ashby-based HR Protected who provided donuts and a £1,000 sponsor. Confectionary giant McVitie's also got involved by sponsoring the club £5,000 and supplying an endless supply of free snacks for it's participants and onlookers.

The club's dedication and commitment to raising money for the Kids Village stems from Carla's young daughter, Evelyn, who suffers from a rare and incurable birth defect in which nerves are missing from parts of the intestine called Hirschsprung.

Following the success of their recent marathon, and their previous world record event which was also done to raise money for the kids charity, the club have raised over £75,000 for The Kids Village in just two years.

However there is still time to show the club support by donating to their justgiving page at: [www.shorturl.at/iKMsQ](http://www.shorturl.at/iKMsQ).



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