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Summer is in full swing with path cutting ongoing across our sites. New picnic benches, hand made by the team, are due to be installed on the grass area at the back of the car park ready for the summer season...get your picnic hampers at the ready! The team have also been busy fitting new money boxes following the break-ins earlier in the year.

At the end of June we held our schools week at both Wembury beach and South Milton Sands. Year 5 and 6 pupils from Wembury, Brixton and Yealmpton schools joined the team at Wembury beach, getting involved in fun activities such as rock pooling, stream dipping, bug hunting and campfire cooking. The week was a great success and an excellent way to share the importance of Wembury and the wildlife that thrives there. We are planning another week in October and hope to get more schools involved. The Marine Centre celebrated their 20th anniversary on the 12<sup>th</sup> July, with a day of exciting activities. The day went well with lots of people getting involved with the activities, one of which was a stream dip, lead by Ranger Lorna Sherriff. The stream dip showed people what lives in the freshwater stream environment and the indicator species verify that the stream has good water quality.

Thank you to the team from West Financial Management, who volunteered with Ranger Marc Hoskins for a hard day's work of Ragwort pulling at Wembury Point (and also thanks to Malcolm who is constantly battling the Ragwort at Wembury Point for us). They helped to clear a large area, ensuring the health and well being of our Dartmoor pony herd that are doing an excellent job of conservation grazing on the site. The foal which was born in early June is also doing well and growing quickly.

The foal is not the only new addition; the Ranger Team has also gained some new recruits. My name is Carla and I recently joined the team as a Community Ranger Intern. I have just graduated from the University of Southampton and have moved to the area from Somerset. I am thrilled to be working in the beautiful surroundings of South Devon and I am very much looking forward to the new experiences that I will encounter during my internship. We will also be joined by Amelia, our new Practical Ranger Intern, at the end of July.

Please stop and have a chat to the team if you see us out working or if you have any comments about the work of the National Trust. For further information please call Lorna Sherriff on 01548 562344 or email [lorna.sherriff@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:lorna.sherriff@nationaltrust.org.uk)

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