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Operation Owl – Niftylift Helps to Re-home a Barn Owl

Milton Keynes-based hydraulic work platforms manufacturer Niftylift has helped a local man to re-home a rescued Barn Owl.

While walking his dog, local man Paul Doidge spotted what looked like a dead owl chick lying on the ground inside a barn.

The owl had apparently fallen from a box located in the rafters of the barn due to a flaw in the box's design which allowed the non flight-ready owl chick to get too close to the box door and fall out.



Upon closer inspection, Paul realised that the owl was alive, although not in good shape and he decided to attempt to save its life.

Amazingly and against all the odds, Paul succeeded in nursing it back to health and after a number of weeks of feeding the owl which he nick-named Ollie, it has now grown significantly and looks to be in very good health.

Not satisfied with just saving Ollie's life, Paul also decided to address the problem with the old owl box design, and built a completely new owl box to be used for future owl broods. Due to the awkwardness of the location, he called on Milton Keynes-based access platform manufacturer Niftylift for assistance, and the company was more than happy to help.

The Nifty 210 trailer mount was chosen for the task due to its exceptional outreach (11.8m) and it was able to reach up and over obstacles and into the barn to position the owl box perfectly.

The pictures show Paul holding his feathered friend and also show how 'Operation Owl' was accomplished safely and efficiently, using the impressive Nifty 210.

Since Ollie's re-housing, Paul has been back to check on him and all appears to be going well now that he has been re-united with his mother.

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About Niftylift

Niftylift Ltd manufactures a range of hydraulic work platforms with working heights ranging from 9m to over 21m mounted on trailer towable, self propelled, self drive, track drive, static base and vehicle chassis. The company was founded in 1982 and now has production facilities near Barnsley and in Milton Keynes in the UK and regional sales and service centres in USA, throughout Europe, Australia, China, South Africa, Central and East Asia. For more information visit www.niftylift.com

