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The Oliver Curd Trust

Newsletter



New Patron

Graham Davis, Sales Director at the Royal Mail has become the Trust's second Patron alongside



British Comedy actor Mark Benton.

We are delighted Graham is joining us, and

we look forward to his support in the future.

£100,000 Reached!

A big thank you to all of our wonderful supporters, who have helped us raise just over £100,000 since we started. Your efforts helped us to set up the charity, purchase and kit out our first holiday home, and we are now exploring the purchase of a second holiday retreat.

We still have a way to go, but with the continued generosity of fantastic supporters, we can continue to provide the much needed breaks to families who have children suffering from any life threatening illness, not just cancer.

Because of you, we have achieved a staggering £100k in fund raising, and detailed in this newsletter are just some of the events you have held and supported us with since September 2009.

On behalf of us all from the Trust Happy New Year to you all and thank you for all your support this year, we would not be where we are without your continued support.



2nd Annual Fundraiser's Ball & Auction

"Emotional, Inspirational, personal, professional and a great night out" just some of the comments received following our 2nd Annual Fundraiser's Ball & Auction



On November 7th we held our second fundraiser's ball and auction at the Powdermills Hotel Battle. Over 130 guests enjoyed a three course meal, music and dancing from the 1066 Rockit Men. We raised a fantastic £7,000 from the evening. This would not have been possible without the kind donations and generosity from many companies, thank you to you all. We have detailed just some of these kind gifts below which helped make this

evening the success it was: -



- An Aston Martin for the weekend, a Citroen for the week, a free service, MOT & Car valet, a helicopter ride for three all donated by Wilmoths Citroen in Battle, East Sussex
- Four person tent by Unipart Leisure Ltd
- Brighton Centre Tickets for Abba
- B & B for two at the Metropole Hotel Brighton
- Bungee Jumping by Byagift.com, tickets to Eddy Izzard, tickets to Leeds Castle, wine donations from various vineyards across Kent & East Sussex, Theatre tickets at the White Rock, Waitrose Hamper, A voucher to Rye Retreat, Paintings, Hornby & Corgi Scalextric donated by Hornby Models

Next years ball is booked for 16th October 2010, at The Powdermills Hotel. Please check our website for more details.

Rye Christmas Festival www.rye-tourism.co.uk



The Oliver Curd Trust was extremely fortunate to be Rye's chosen charity for their Christmas festival in December. Numerous events were held throughout the month including a Christmas Fayre at St Mary's Church, a street parade, Father

Christmas arriving by boat, fireworks, street stalls, chestnuts, a drumming gorilla and much more. A total of £1,680 was raised. Thank you to everyone involved and for nominating our charity.



Events Update

Rye Cricket Club's Charity Match

Rye hosted their 2nd captain's charity cricket match in August against the Oliver Curd 11. Fantastic weather, a great BBQ, teas, and followed up by a curry donated by The Ghandi Tandoori, in Rye. Rye rose to the challenge and won the trophy this year.



Alico's Dress Down Days

The Oliver Curd Trust received an amazing donation of £2,287 from Alico Insurance Company based in Crawley. The trust was nominated by an Alico employee who had stayed with his family at Oli's Retreat in 2008. Our heartfelt thank you to all involved throughout the year.

On yer bike!

A staggering £960 was raised by Simon McGoldrick and his colleagues at Opus Magnum from a London to Brighton bike ride, a great achievement by all involved, well done and thank you.



Parcelforce v Royal Mail Golf Challenge

Parcelforce Worldwide raised £450 for the trust with a challenge Golf Day. They have organized a series of Golf Days up to September 2010 where they will once again challenge Royal Mail Sales teams for the Oliver Curd Trust Ryder Cup.

Anthony Hicks – The Oliver Curd Buddy Bench – situated at Peasmarch School

A special thank you to Tony, Graham, Ron & Gary for making and donating the Oli Curd Buddy Bench, in Oli's memory. Also Julian Holt for kindly carving it, the bench is beautiful. We hope the children of Peasmarch School enjoy many hours over the years sitting, reading, and playing around the bench, thank you from us all.



Other fundraising events and donations

Horse & Cart Quiz: £133, Horse & Cart Raffle: £121 - T W Fuggle & Sons: £100 - Hastings College Nursery: £324 - Practical Van Hire, Rye: £250 - Tony Curd's Produce: £101 - Boot Fair: £85 - Nationwide Christmas Raffle: £147 - Little Shop Winchelsea Christmas Raffle: £162 - Christmas Fayre, Griffin Hall Peasmarch: £80

We would like to recognise and thank Chris Wright of ArtimusDesign.co.uk for supporting us with our website design, his patience & support has been amazing. Also NewNet, a market leader for webhosting, for supporting the Oliver Curd Trust.

Visit our website at www.theolivercurdtrust.co.uk. You can also follow our news and progress on our facebook page and Twitter.

If you would like to make a regular donation to the Trust, we have enclosed our standing order form of which any amount large or small would be gratefully received. Every penny makes a difference; we are a charity that is run totally by volunteers and donations. All money raised goes directly to the trust to help fund our holiday homes.

Main Trust Events Calendar 2010

Hastings Half Marathon: Sunday 21st March 2010

This year we aim for a team of 100 runners/walkers. It is not too late to join and register. Everyone who runs for us receives one of our trust T-Shirts and our goody bag on the day. Please see website for more details.

John O'Groats to Lands End Bike Ride - 2nd April 2010

John Doughty and Dave Townsend will be cycling the 900+ miles across the country in a week to raise funds for the Trust. Follow their story on Twitter via our website & also our Facebook page which will have a daily report of this tremendous challenge. They have set themselves a target of raising £5,000 so any sponsors/donations would be very grateful as it will help them towards achieving their goal. You can also support them via their Justgiving page.

Virgin London Marathon – Sunday 25th April 2010

Richard Curd, Sophie Braker and Mark Jackson are taking part in this year's London Marathon for The Trust and CLIC Sargent, we wish them all the best and look forward to supporting them on the day.

“Be a Wally for Oli Day” – Friday 28th May 2010

The Trust are inviting local schools and businesses to take part in the first “Be a Wally for Oli Day” where you can do any thing silly to raise money on the day. If you would like to take part please email us at enquiries@theolivercurdtrust.co.uk

Barn Dance – Friday 16th July

The Catsfield Steamers will join the Trust in dancing the night away at Peasmarsh Church, join us for a fun family evening. More details to follow on the website.

Fundraiser's Ball & Auction – Saturday 16th October 2010

The Powdermills Hotel, Battle. Details to follow later in the year, and also on our website

Kilimanjaro Climb – February, March 2011

A group of individuals are looking to raise money by taking up the challenge of climbing Kilimanjaro. We will be covering more on this story later in the year.

Oliver Curd Trust Merchandise



We hold a stock of Oliver Curd Fleeces, T-shirts, polo shirts and wristbands for sale for further information contact below. If you would like to know more about our charity, support us with fund raising or volunteer in any way to help please contact us on the details below, we will be delighted to hear from you and any support will be very welcome.



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