



Derian HOUSE

A Children's Hospice in the community -
for the community



Book your duck for the **Great Derian Duck Race** on Easter Monday next year for a great day out for all the family, and the chance to **WIN £200!!**

We want to make you a star!!! Join our Starlight Stroll on Saturday, **May 15th 2010...** everyone welcome!!



Join us for our stunning **Lights of Love** event at Blackburn Cathedral on **Friday December 4th** for a wonderful start to the Christmas season.



Dear Friends

2009 has been such a difficult year for so many of us that we are all the more grateful for some good news!

Therefore I am delighted to tell everyone that since our last newsletter we have been informed by HMRC that we do not have to pay £350,000 VAT on the building of our new Young Persons' Unit!

I would like to say a heartfelt "thank you" for the wonderful support that has been shown by so many people in so many different ways over this issue. It just goes to show – you really can make a difference!

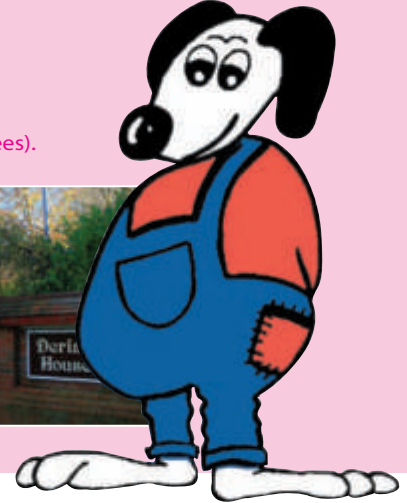
As a charity, Derian House has had to ride the wave of the recession like everyone else and while it has been hard, which we knew it would be, we have cut our cloth accordingly and I am delighted and proud to say that we have maintained all of our services and support to those children and young people, and their families, who depend on Derian House for so much care and support.

Another reason for our ability to weather the storm of the recession has been the overwhelming generosity of the people of Lancashire and the northwest who continue to support Derian House as their children's hospice – people who raise money on our behalf, people who make donations (large and small) and volunteers who give up their time. Without that support we would surely fail.

So, once again, on behalf of all of the staff and most especially the children and their families whom we support during the time that they are with us I would like to thank you all for your continued support of Derian House - your children's hospice.

Thank you.

Margaret Vinten
(Derian House Chair of Trustees).



Maisey's Miracle

Maisey Fishwick came to Derian House diagnosed with an untreatable brain cancer aged just four months.

Doctors told her mum Emma that the most they could do was relieve her pain as she lived out her short life, but child cancer specialist Eddy Estlin saw a ray of hope for the little girl and sent her back to hospital for care.

Emma, 22 from Wigan, said: "He had a look at her and said 'she's a fighter, I'm going to take her back to Pendlebury Children's Hospital. Suddenly we had hope again.' And now, 11 hours of surgery and 15 months of chemotherapy later, the determined 22-month-old youngster has been staged a 'magnificent comeback'."

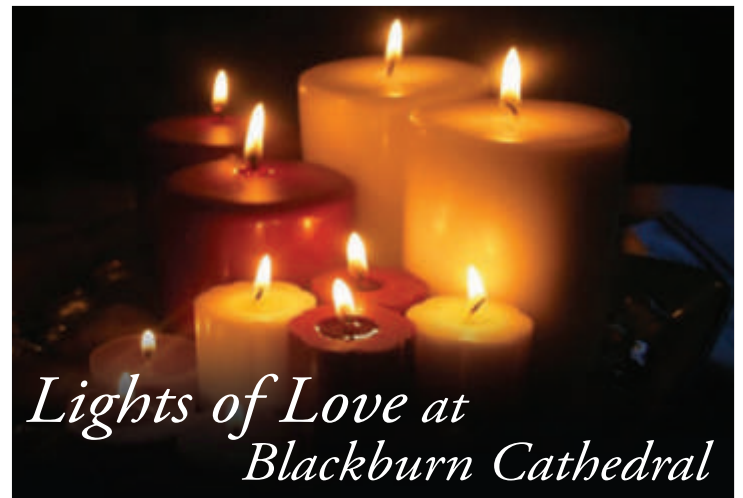
After noticing that the top of Maisey's skull was swollen last year, Emma had taken her daughter to see her GP. Initially meningitis was suspected, but was ruled out following tests. A subsequent scan revealed a large tumour growing on Maisey's brain stem, pushing it to one side. Her family were told nothing could be done and Maisey was brought to Derian House.

Dr Estlin, consultant paediatric oncologist at Manchester Children's Hospital visited Maisey at Derian House: "It was a really difficult situation at the beginning as the low grade tumour was causing big problems and we thought she would rapidly deteriorate. But when I visited Maisey at Derian House she was looking a little better. The team took the decision to operate and surgeon Ian Kamally completed a very long operation."

"Now, following chemotherapy, the scans show she has had an extensive tumour, but she is now recovering. While Maisey's future is not certain – we don't know if it will grow back – we're confident in our treatment. "Maisey has done really well," added Dr Estlin, "she's staged quite an astonishing comeback. There's a real pleasure and pride in seeing how well she's done. She is a fighter and has had great support from her family and the community. It's a magnificent comeback."



Emma and
"miraculous"
Maisey



Lights of Love at Blackburn Cathedral

Friday December 4th will see Blackburn Cathedral opening its doors for a very special service of celebration for Derian House.

Every Christmas hundreds of Derian House supporters dedicate a Light of Love in celebration or in memory of someone they love, and a light is then lit in their name on one of the many Christmas trees around the hospice.

This year we would like to invite you to a special Lights of Love service on Friday, December 4th at Blackburn Cathedral at 7.30pm. This stunning service will feature Christmas music, carols and readings, with an invited choir and special guest, Malcolm Hebden.

Come along to the cathedral to light your own Light of Love candle on the night, join in singing a selection of well known carols, and be a part of what we hope will be a really vibrant and traditional start to the Christmas season.

There is no admission charge for this event, but entrance will be strictly by ticket only. Please telephone the Appeals Team on 01257 271271 to let them know the number of tickets you require, so they can reserve your places.

Bowled Over

Bowlers from across East Lancashire took part in a charity bowling competition recently. The event on Sabden village green proved to be hugely popular, and raised £700 for Derian House.

The event organised by Sabden Bowling Club, raised money through sponsors, bowlers, a raffle and donations. Bowlers throughout the region battled it out for the Alan and Anita Whalley Rosebowl which was won by Paul Brett and Paul Sutcliffe from the East Lancs Bowls Club, defeating the home team pair, John Robinson and Dave Sullivan in the final.

Jim & Lee are on top of the world for Derian House



Extreme conditions at Everest Base Camp

Jim takes up the story...“I first would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody for their support over the past 12 months in helping to raise funds for Derian House, the total to date is over £9,000 and donations are still being received. It is quite a phenomenal achievement – thank you once again.

The challenge to trek to Base Camp Everest in Nepal over a period of 12 days was classed as ‘extreme’ in the literature and after reaching Base Camp and scaling the mountain of Kalapatthar at 5,647metres, I can confirm it was a challenge and should not be undertaken without due care and attention!

To explain in graphic detail the trek and its associated experiences would really take a lot more pages than this, but perhaps my brief summary and photographs may inspire you to take up a charity challenge, push yourself to the limit while helping someone less fortunate. Our trek started with a 45 min flight to Lukla in a twin engine otter plane that really should have been scrapped 20 years ago. The landing strip at Lukla is on the side of a mountain sloping upwards, designed to slow the plane down !!!!! The previous month, a plane had crashed into the mountain killing all 18 passengers.

That afternoon our trekking party of 9 set off to base camp, with the kit being carried on the back of Ghopko cattle (a cross between a yak and a cow). The support party of sherpas led us up the mountains daily, while the advance party went on ahead to set up camp. The trek to base camp would take 8 days in total, including some rest days for acclimatisation to altitude. Each night we would camp out in freezing temperatures, but we did have some meals in teahouses, which provided heat and some basic comforts.

At this time of year in Nepal it is winter, but during the day we had to wear sun glasses and t- shirts because it was so warm. However as we climbed higher each day, the weather, although sunny, did get colder and at night the temperature dropped to below -15°C. In the tea house we would sit around the stove as long as we could, huddling around the stove. The only fuel available in the foothills was wood and then as we got higher the wood was substituted with - yak dung! What a stink- but nobody cared at that point.

The going got tough as we climbed higher due to altitude, but the reward was being surrounded by beautiful peaks, all higher than 7,000 metres. Remember, in the UK our highest peak is Ben Nevis at 1,300 metres, so this gives you an idea of the scale of these spectacular mountains.

When Jim Evans and Lee Heaton first decided to take on a trek to Everest Base Camp to raise funds for Derian House, they had no idea it would become the adventure of a lifetime, and bring in huge sums of money for the hospice into the bargain!!

Luckily, our food was cooked each day by our sherpas on stoves, or sometimes open fires. It was Nepalese cuisine and in general it was good, apart from yak burgers – interestingly chewy, or, on another day - popcorn with soup! (Eat your heart out Gordon Ramsey!)

On day 8 we reached base camp after a 9 hours walk, on what the guide called Nepalese flat (it means up and down all the way). Base Camp Everest during the climbing season is full of tents etc. When we trekked there the season had ended and it was very quiet and desolate. Base Camp Everest is actually a glacier bed of rocks and ice with no view of Everest but very atmospheric, nonetheless. After a short celebration - much patting of backs, hugs and general congratulations- we headed back to our overnight camp for well earned rest. Next morning was an early start to climb Kalapattar, a mountain that provides a stunning view of Everest and the surrounding peaks. Kallapattar was an option climb that morning and only four of the party bothered to get out of bed and summit it. I must say it was a hard climb but well worth the pain and toil as the view of the summits was just breath-taking, you felt that you could just touch the other mountains, they were so close. In fact at 18,000 ft those peaks were another 10,000 ft higher than where we stood. The next four days was a trek down the valley to Lukla, for our flight back to Kathmandu for a few days rest and a bit of shopping and sightseeing. This part of the adventure was much easier physically and with each step we could feel the oxygen returning in our lungs as we descended, renewing the strength that had been sapped by the altitude climb up to Base Camp.

Apart from the sights, the most moving aspect was to sample the culture of the Sherpas, what an amazing people they are. There are no roads in the hills so everything has to be carried on their back, food, water, building materials, all on their backs in baskets, supported with bits of ropes. The loads they carry up those mountains are often huge, they are the truckers of the Himalayas! The Nepalese are very poor and only possess basic clothes, food etc but I found them to be very cheerful, welcoming, caring, and always helpful. At the end of the trip we all donated 100 dollars each as a tip, this was shared between the team. Some members of our party donated walking kit; I left training shoes, a walking pole, a hat and loads of (new)socks.

Finally, I would like to thank one or two special people without whom, I would not have been able to realise this life-long dream. A big thank you goes to; my wife Sandra, for putting up with me over the past year; to Lee, who joined the trek with me and shared the highs and lows; Jane and Kate for their inspiration – they planted the seed of possibility; Paul Price for his support and my good friend Rob Fisher of 3 Para for the training programme! “ By any one’s standards this was an amazing achievement, and everyone on the Appeals Team at Derian House would like to add their congratulations to Jim and Lee, along with huge thanks on behalf of all the children and staff at the hospice for all their efforts on our behalf.



Ironman Paul brings in the funds for Derian

When Prison Officer Paul White decided to raise funds for Derian House he certainly didn't go for the easy option. For Paul, who is a PE Officer at Garth Prison, registered to take part in the UK Ironman Triathlon, a challenge which is most certainly not for the faint hearted!

The event centred around Bolton on August 2nd this year, and began at 6am with a mass start of 1600 athletes taking part in a 2.4 mile swim in Rivington Reservoir. And as if that wasn't enough, it was followed by a 112 mile bike ride, and a 26.2 mile (yes, a marathon) run!!! Paul takes up the story.

“After finishing the swim, exiting the water and getting through the masses in transition (the changing area), I then started the 112mile, 3 loop bike ride that took us up and over Sheephouse Lane, (not nice the third time around!!!).

After 6 hours 31 on the bike I hit transition for the second time and then started the 26.2 mile run. This took us from the reservoir past the Reebok Stadium and in to the park in Bolton.

We then returned to Horwich for the half way turn around point, then it was back towards the park for the final big effort to the finish line and a rest!!

I managed to complete the course in 12 hours 52 mins. I would like to thank all my family for their support whilst I was doing all the training, and also to friends and family for their support on the long day”.

Paul was sponsored by many of the inmates at the prison and raised a fantastic £357 for the hospice. Many congratulations to him for completing an event which leaves us breathless simply reading about it!!

Paul is now looking forward to his next fundraiser for Derian House, a sponsored chest waxing, which is scheduled for the end of November. This sounds like a challenging event of a different kind!!

Fancy that!

Scooby and Scrappy Doo, King Kong, Superman and a giant chicken made heads turn at Rivington Pike on Good Friday – but it really was in a good cause.

Claire Whitely, son Cameron, mum Janice and 21 friends donned the wacky outfits – and hiking boots – for the arduous climb to raise money for Derian House as they walked in memory of Claire's daughter Gabriella Edith Rose who died at Derian House on December 18th last year, aged just two months.

Hard working Claire – with more than a little help from Cameron – has raised £2,264.48 so far this year with a Stars in their Eyes night and Ann Summers evening adding to her fundraising tally.

Many thanks to Claire and her supporters for all their efforts on our behalf.

*Victorious...
at the top of the Pike*



Balloon Release for Alice

A balloon release in memory of Alice Foster was the highlight of a garden party held by mum Caroline on Alice's birthday – June 12th.

The sale of balloons, a raffle, auction and sale of Derian House merchandise made the event a great success with an impressive £5,447.96 raised by the end of the evening. Everyone who went along to the party bought a balloon, all of which were released into the sky in a poignant tribute to Alice.

Alice's parents, Caroline and Stephen, came along to the hospice in September to formally present the money to General Manager, Alasdair Swan.

Caroline & Stephen present their cheque to Alasdair at the hospice.



More Prince Charming than Pantomime villain!!!

That's Allan Mayer of Chorley!! For Allan who many people will know from his roles as Abanazzer and the Sheriff of Nottingham in pantomime, pledged to give 50% of the royalties from his new novel to Derian House.

Sales of the novel have more than exceeded expectations, and Allan has very generously donated 100% of the royalties to the hospice amounting to a superb £100.

Said Allan, "The received wisdom is that a sale of 100 copies of a "Print on Demand" book is good, so I was pleased to have such successful sales in the first 6 months, and of course because it's going to such a good cause. Allan has been busy writing a blog, setting up a website, and adding chapters of 'Tasting the Wind' as an audiobook on 'YouTube.' I am keen to get my story out there," said Allan 'and in doing so raise money for Derian House.'

'Tasting the Wind' is available through Amazon, and can be ordered from Waterstones and W.H. Smiths.



*More "goodie" than "baddie"...
author and actor, Allan Mayer*



Local kids raise money for Children's Charity

Children who visited Market Walk over recent months have helped to raise almost £200 for local children less fortunate than themselves.

A series of free, fun, outdoor games and activities were held during the school summer holidays. Whilst participation was free, families were invited to make a voluntary donation to Derian House, the centre's official 2009 adopted charity.

Pat Duckett, Centre Manager at Market Walk, said: "The games and activities have become a summer holiday tradition at Market Walk, but it's the first time that we've chosen to use the events to support our charity. We've been delighted by the generous response from the participating children."

In addition to the recent activities retailers at Market Walk are also raising money by placing Derian House collection tins in their stores. Susie Poppitt, Fundraising Manager at Derian House, said: "We continue to be touched by the generosity of Market Walk shoppers. This latest fundraising activity is particularly poignant as most of those taking part in the games and activities, and therefore making donations, were children. "We're extremely grateful to everyone who raises funds for Derian House which enables us to provide the care and support so essential to our children and their parents."

Connor McGowan and Charlie Clarke enjoy the games and activities at Market Walk.

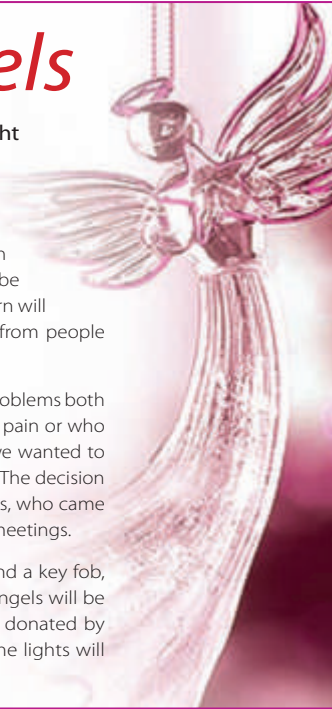
Chorley's Angels

Messages of love in the arms of angels will light up a woodland in Gathurst this festive season.

Carol-Anne Fraser, owner and resident therapist, at the Inglewood Healing Centre has launched the Angel for a Life Appeal to raise money for Derian House. Situated in seven acres of woodland, the holistic therapy centre will be surrounded by 900 fairy lights this Christmas which in turn will be decorated with glass angels and messages of love from people who support the appeal.

Carol-Anne said: "We deal with lots of people who have problems both spiritual and emotional, and we help people who are in pain or who are grieving after the loss of a loved one. We decided we wanted to do something more by raising money for Derian House." The decision was supported by all 11 of the healing centre's therapists, who came up with the idea for the appeal at one of their monthly meetings.

For a £5 donation donors will be given a glass angel and a key fob, which can hold a hand written message of love. The angels will be hung next to one of the fairy lights, which have been donated by Festive Lights and will be switched on in December. The lights will stay illuminated day and night until January 5th.



Flying start at Carr Valley

It was chock's away for children and staff from Derian House when they were special guests at the first ever fly-in event at Carr Valley near Chorley.

The small airfield, created by fly-in host Andrew Pope at his Bretherton farm five years ago, has two well prepared grass runways but has only been used occasionally. So Andrew, along with a few local pilots decided to raise the profile of the airfield by organising a fly-in with some very special VIP guests.

"We knew that Derian House like to take children out to local events and we thought this could be something a little bit different," commented Andrew. "Despite all the wet and windy weather we were having, we set a day and issued an open invitation to flying clubs in the North West."

On the day aircraft came from as far as Kirkby Stephen in the North and Welshpool in the South. The pilots were impressed by the standard of the airfield and by the warm welcome from Andrew, his young family and friends. After refuelling on hot dogs and home made cakes, they were available to take plucky passengers on flights around the local area. "It was just a great atmosphere" said Andrew "with so many different types of aircraft and the pilots happy to show people around." When the red Derian minibus arrived, this really added to the occasion "The enthusiasm of the children and the staff was fantastic" said Andrew.

It was a great day for everyone and when all the aircraft had left for home and there was just the clearing up to do, Andrew, his young family and friends had only one thought – "We must do this again!"

A huge thank you to Andrew for organising this incredibly exciting and vibrant event which both staff and youngsters were talking about for days afterwards!!



Youngsters from Derian House take to the skies.

Spooktacular Wigan!!

As the nights draw in and the winter solstice approaches Wigan town centre's market is preparing itself for some spooky goings-on!

The popular market is staging a new attraction in the shape of a Halloween stall and grotto dedicated to all things ghostly and ghoulish, selling a range of scary costumes, as well as staging a display of animated characters, including a skeleton and Count Dracula.

The show is on right up to Halloween, and as well as providing a bit of fun for passers by, it's also helping to raise funds for Derian House with a collection between now and the end of October.

With themed activities including face painting, story telling and a scary picture competition, there's something for everyone. Many thanks to Wigan Council's Market Manager, Phil Edge, and all the market traders who have supported Derian House for many years.



Emily Seddon, salon owner, with Ken Ashby and Mayoress of Blackburn Maureen Pickup.

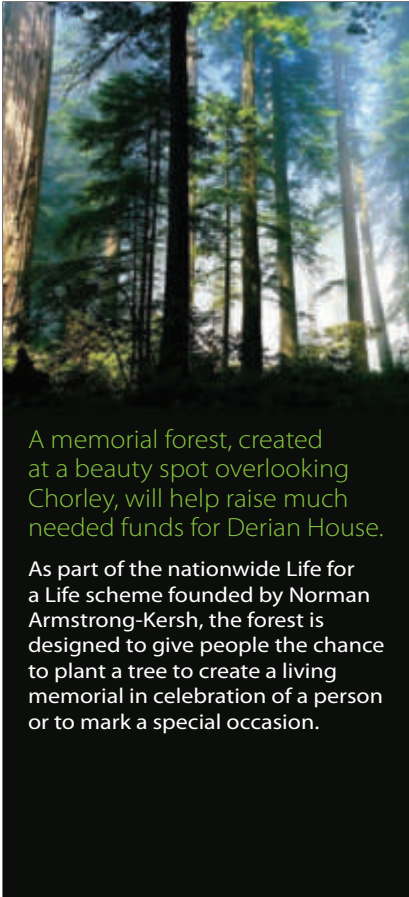
Beauty benefits...

The children at Derian House will benefit from clients using Blackburn's latest premier beauty salon, **The Beauty Retreat on Bolton Road**. Owner, Emily Seddon has set up a Derian House collection box and is planning a whole series of fundraising events. Ken Ashby from the hospice joined the Mayoress of Blackburn with Darwen, Mrs Maureen Pickup when she officially opened the salon in September and sampled some of the salon's treatments.

Fragrant Support

A perfume retailer has become the first Chorley store in Market Walk to confirm its support for Derian House. Fragrance Direct will now position its donation tins in key positions across the store to encourage shoppers to give generously.

Fundraising activities are planned throughout the year to raise money for the hospice to match last year's efforts, where customers kindly helped Market Walk raise over £4,000 for various charities. Pat Duckett, Centre Manager at Market Walk, said: "We are delighted that Fragrance Direct has accepted the first Derian House donation tins as this will give a massive boost to our fundraising efforts. We hope that this is only the beginning and that more retailers will confirm their support." Market Walk has been supporting Derian House for years, especially during the Christmas period, but in 2009 we wanted to reinforce our fundraising commitment by getting our retailers involved."



A memorial forest, created at a beauty spot overlooking Chorley, will help raise much needed funds for Derian House.

As part of the nationwide Life for a Life scheme founded by Norman Armstrong-Kersh, the forest is designed to give people the chance to plant a tree to create a living memorial in celebration of a person or to mark a special occasion.

Tree-mendous idea

Anyone, of any religious denomination can make a donation to plant a tree to celebrate a life at the site, which will be open for visitors every day of the year.

The Life for a Life organisation is setting up memorial forests across the UK, working in conjunction with forestry experts, councils and businesses, to help raise funds for local charities. Four main trees have been selected for planting to ensure the long term development and design of the forests. Individuals can plant a tree with a memorial plaque, take part in the planting ceremony and visit the growing tree whenever they like.

The forests are carefully managed and maintained with the aim of creating areas of living beauty, which make a positive contribution to the environment. Much of the work is undertaken by Norman Armstrong-Kersh himself in association with his team who work tirelessly to maintain and develop the forestation sites.

The Derian House site was opened with an official launch in May this year with an official planting of trees. However, on the day of the planting in May heavy rain had made access to the site extremely difficult and the Red Rose Land Rover Club came to the rescue with a fleet of Landrovers to ferry people along the trackway to the planting site itself. It seemed extremely fitting given that Madelaine Kerfoot was planting a tree in memory of her husband Brian, who was responsible for the huge support that Derian House has received over the years from the Red Rose Club, and that they should be such an integral part of the day.

Brian was Chairman of the club for more than eight years, a role that has now been taken over by Madelaine. The club has become a firm favourite at the annual Gala Weekend, and has raised substantial funds for the charity over many years. Brian's sons drove three of the Landrovers and were on hand to see Madelaine plant the tree in memory of their father. Also planting trees were, Derian House Chair of Trustees, Margaret Vinten, Councillor Cath Hoyle on behalf of her husband Lindsay Hoyle MP, and Councillor Iris Smith, Mayor of Chorley. Said Councillor Smith "This is a wonderful idea, particularly for those who are bereaved. It is a beautiful setting with spectacular views and it is so fitting that the area will also create funds for the superb work done at Derian House".

We would like to thank everyone who took part on the day, all our guests, and in particular Madelaine Kerfoot and the Red Rose Landrover Club. A huge debt of thanks goes to Norman and all his team, not only for initiating the development of the site, but for all the hard work that goes into the ongoing maintenance of the site.

This isn't just an anniversary... this is an M&S 125th anniversary!

And to mark the occasion Marks & Spencer stores throughout the country have chosen a charity to support in celebration of the event.

The Marks & Spencer store at Wigan chose Derian House, and raised funds via a series of events including raffles, auctions, bag packs and the placement of hospice collection boxes throughout the store. Derian House volunteer fundraiser, David Wilde went along to the store to accept a cheque for a fantastic £10,000 from Sharon McConnell and members of staff from the store. Congratulations to everyone at the Wigan store on their anniversary and many thanks for choosing Derian House and raising such a fantastic amount of money.

Derian House fundraiser, David Wilde accepts the cheque from M&S staff on behalf of the hospice



Pedal power from the Rose & Bowl

Pub customers and staff from the Rose & Bowl in Bacup swapped bar stools for bike saddles this summer when their combined pedal power helped raise £3,175 for Derian House.

Jon Lowe, from the Stacksteads pub, was joined by 18 other cyclists for the two-day 90 mile ride down the Pennine bridgeway from Hollingworth Lake in Rochdale to Hartington in Derbyshire. "We've done the bike ride from the pub for three years now," Jon told Derian House, "we started in 2007 with the 50 mile Mary Town Loop, and we did that again in 2008. For 2009 we thought we would double the mileage and next year we plan to do more miles again with the coast to coast route in the hope that it will raise even more money!" The group cycled in memory of Joshua Westwell from Stacksteads who was cared for by Derian House. Congratulations to everyone at the Rose & Bowl on a fantastic event!



Bowling along... the Rose and Bowl team at journey's end.

Dinner dance raises £400

A charity dinner held in Manchester to raise funds and awareness for Derian House and Children on the Edge was attended by Derian House Community Fundraiser, Ian Minto in June this year.

Organiser Karen Cooney of Droylsden raised £800 on the night, which was divided between the two charities. She's now hoping to double the amount raised with generous match funding from the Co-Operative Group.

Fresh from success with this event, Karen is busy organising the 2010 event, which will include a Gala dinner and auction, and is scheduled for Saturday May 15th at New Century House in Manchester.

Rok and Roll

Westhoughton building firm Rok thought Derian House would appreciate a 'wheely' different donation ...

Following a long association with the hospice they could think of no better home for a motorised ride-on car. The unusual donation had been supplied to Rok as a raffle prize by a subcontractor – and was subsequently won by a member of staff at Wigan and Leigh Housing.

The car finished its epic journey at Derian House where the winner thought there would be plenty of drivers to test its performance. The generous firm added to the donation by raising £50 with the raffle of a Rok teddy.

Ian Winrow, Rok's area leader said: "Derian House Children's Hospice has long been a charity that has caught our imagination. We hope the new Rok car helps put a smile on the faces of the children who use it."

Treading the Boards for Derian at Chipping

Every November, Chipping Amateur Theatrical Society produce a Christmas show for the village. The show is divided into two parts, first the Children's Show, then the Adults, the entire production running over three nights, with profits divided between Derian House and the Air Ambulance.

The group has been running the productions in support of the two charities for the past few years with £500 going to each of the charities from each production. Rehearsals for this year's production are already well underway with the show set to be staged for three nights on 26th, 27th and 28th November. Break a leg guys... we know it'll all be another resounding success!!!!



Little angels at the Chipping Christmas Spectacular

Best Feet Forward

Unseasonably warm March weather made Liz Murphy's sponsored walk a day to remember.

The glorious sunshine was a real boost for the group as they set off on their 16 mile trek to raise funds for the hospice. Walking in memory of her granddaughter Sadie Aimson, Liz inspired colleagues at Travis Perkins in Carlisle to join her on the 16 mile walk. The team, which raised £3,000, walked along the Cumbrian Way from Calbeck to Carlisle Cricket Club where the company donated refreshments for the tired travellers. "It was a great day," Liz told Derian House, "Sadie must have been watching over us."

Many Happy Returns!

Generous octogenarians Alan Goodison and Ron Booth decided to organise a special party to celebrate reaching their eighth decades.

The pair, from a Blackburn sheltered housing scheme, both reached 80 years of age in May and decided to organise a joint party and raffle in aid of Derian House as part of the celebrations, raising £110. Many happy returns to them .. and many thanks too!

Betty's bumper birthday celebration

September this year saw Betty Wood from Penwortham celebrating her 90th birthday in style.

For Betty was joined by her four nieces and their husbands along with a number of her friends for a celebratory lunch at the San Marco Italian Restaurant in Hoole. Said, Betty, "I had a lovely celebration lunch at the restaurant with my family and friends, who came from various places around the region to mark the occasion of my 90th birthday. It was a such a wonderful day, and I received 56 greetings cards." Not only did Betty receive a bumper number of cards, but, having asked for donations to Derian House in lieu of gifts, raised a fantastic £470 for the hospice. Many congratulations to Betty on her 90th birthday, and many thanks for her generosity to Derian House.



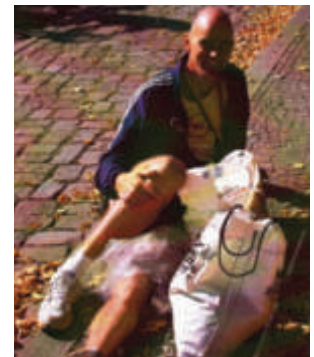
Betty at her birthday celebration

BIRTHDAY GIRL

Marathon Man

David Livingstone of SCC raised an amazing £4,239 for Derian House in September when he successfully completed the Berlin marathon for the hospice.

David, from Sale and a foreman at SCC set up his own fantastic sponsorship form and invited friends and family to support his fundraising endeavours to tremendous effect. David is no stranger to marathons however, having completed the London Marathon in an amazing 3 hours 10 minutes. Many congratulations to David on completing the marathon... and many thanks for all his efforts on behalf of Derian House.



A triumphant David at the end of the Marathon

Raising a glass helps raise pounds

Edgeworth Real Ale Festival asked drinkers to raise a glass – and a few pounds – for its nominated charities – Derian House and Bolton Mountain Rescue – at its fourth annual event in September.

The festival which takes place at the Barlow Memorial Institute at Edgeworth has proved a real winner with participants in the past, with a vast array of ales on offer, and this year's event staging a War of the Roses between Lancashire and Yorkshire Ales. Entertainment was provide by Melvin and the Volcanoes on Friday, and the Witnesses on Saturday, all of which contributed to a lively and entertaining festival. Many thanks to everyone involved in the organisation of the event.

On the right tracks...

... to raising funds for Derian House are the Dickers from Chorley.

Mr & Mrs Dicker have supported Derian House over a number of years, and once again this summer have opened up their garden railway to visitors in a bid to raise funds for the hospice.

Their lovely garden, which features a miniature railway which winds among the plants has proved to be a popular attraction with visitors over the summer, with the result that the couple have raised a superb £100. Many thanks to them for all their hard work in raising funds for Derian over the past few years.



Marathon effort

Sandra Snape took up the challenge to run the Flora London Marathon for Derian House in April this year.

Sandra, from Blackburn rose to the challenge and completed the task in three hours and 51 minutes. Her efforts raised a fantastic £1,129.08 for Derian House. Said Sandra, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who sponsored me in the London Marathon and helped me raise so much for the hospice. Special thanks should go to the customers of Morrisons, Blackburn whose kindness helped me raise £300 from a one day collection in store. Thanks are also due to Huntley's of Samesbury and A+A Taxis for their kind donations.

Sandra presents her cheque to Roya Khadem at Derian House



Cumbria Way Challenge

Bolton Lions President Brian Pearson completed a 73 mile, five day walk of the Cumbrian Way from Keswick to Carlisle to raise £1,257.88 for Derian House.

Experiencing a typical mix of Lancashire weather from sunshine to hail, the intrepid walker from Bury scaled hills, peaks, farmland, open fells and tarns. Bolton Lions Club added £1,600 for an oxygen regenerator, which they had pledged to purchase. Contributions came from Lions Clubs, Lions, friends and staff at St Peter's School where Ruby Stinton, who was cared for by Derian House, was a pupil.

Roger gets on his bike for Derian House

Roger Bessent of Gleeson Bessent accountants, who have offices on Preston Riversway docklands, decided to turn a hobby into a good deed and raise some money for a local deserving cause.

His first choice was Derian House children's hospice having met Susie Poppit, marketing manager at the hospice, at a recent meeting of BNI Olympus Chapter, of which he is a longstanding member. The challenge was a 68 mile bike ride from Manchester to Blackpool in the annual fundraising event held on Sunday 12th July 2009. It was a first time for Roger, and, after weeks of intense training, he completed it in a respectable 4.30 hours and raised a fantastic £1,200 for Derian. The cheque was presented at Shaw Hill Golf Club where Olympus meet every Tuesday at 6.30am.



Roger presents his cheque to Susie Poppitt

70 reasons to celebrate

On reaching her 70th birthday Mrs Pauline Evans of Coppull decided she didn't want any presents, but asked for donations to Derian House instead.

Her granddaughters, Beth and Victoria decorated a bucket for the collection with the result that Pauline raised £200 for the hospice. Said Pauline, "Generous minded friends and family donated more than £200, so it was really worthwhile." Happy birthday to Pauline and many thanks to her friends and family who gave so generously.

Burnley Golf Club ladies celebrate 100 years

And to mark the occasion the ladies held a Centenary Luncheon on May 15th this year in aid of Derian House.

During the last 100 years the ladies section has gone from strength to strength winning many trophies, the highlight being in 2007 in bringing the Lancashire Ladies County Golf Association Handicap Shield back to Burnley for the first time.

The first mention of the ladies at Burnley was in the Council minutes in 1907 when a resolution was passed that "Lady subscribers be entitled to invite Gentlemen to have tea with them in the Ladies' Room" At this time there were 28 Lady Subscribers, this number soon rising to 40 when the list was closed. It was agreed that members on the waiting list could play the course for 1.0d per day. Things have moved on greatly since then and the Centenary Luncheon on May 15th saw the ladies enjoying a lunch with their guest speaker, Lillian King QPM MA, Chief Superintendent of Greater Manchester Police, who entertained them with her highly amusing anecdotes.

Congratulations to all the ladies on their Club's Centenary.

Not only yummy, but generous too!!

That's Fox's Biscuits in Kirkham who have been fundraising for Derian for almost ten years.

Not only has the company supplied biscuits for a wide range of fundraising events organised by the hospice, but has undertaken a range of fundraising events of their own. With raffles, fines for staff who arrive late for meetings, auctions and sale of goods, the company has got behind a major fundraising drive on behalf of the hospice with the result that to date they've raised an amazing £4,500 for the hospice in addition to all the goodies they've supplied along the way. Many thanks to all the hardworking staff at Fox's Biscuits.

Charity match in memory of Ruby

The professional season may have been over, but a football match of special significance took place in Bury on Saturday, June 20th.

A team of Bury FC supporters played their Sunderland counterparts in a charity match organised in the memory of Ruby Stinson. Five-year-old Ruby from Bury, died earlier this year from an inoperable brain tumour. Despite her illness brave Ruby continued to attend St Peter's Primary School and was involved in many of the same activities as her classmates.

The event got under way at St Peter's in Whitefield Road, with attractions including face painting and a penalty competition. The game will be followed by a raffle and auction at Bury FC Social Club in Gigg Lane from 5.30pm onwards, where one of the top prizes was a signed Wayne Rooney shirt. The match was arranged as a fitting fundraiser because Ruby's father Rex is a keen football fan who supports Sunderland, and he played for the North East side in the charity match.

To date, money raised in Ruby's name totals £6,736... a tremendous amount in memory of a very brave little girl.



In the swim



One hundred children took to the Initial Swim School pool in June in a sponsored swim, which raised a fantastic £3,600 for Derian House.

Children aged from 3 to 12 swam from 5 metres to 5,000 metres over the course of the weekend at Smithhills High School in Bolton. Pictured (left to right) are the four swimmers who managed to achieve 5,000 metres - which equates to an incredible 3 miles or 200 lengths each: Emma Smith, 9, Chloe Galloway, 10, Haseeb Wazir, 11, and Gemma Madden, 9.

Well done and thanks to everyone who took part.

Coasting Along

Sheet metal worker Robert Lewney rode his bike from Morecambe Bay to Whitby to celebrate a friend's birthday – and made his effort doubly worthwhile by being sponsored for his achievement.

The former Vickers apprentice in Barrow, is a senior employee at Mainstage Ltd in Lancaster, where he creates functional and artistic pieces for industry. He was inspired to undertake the coast to coast ride which raised £296 for Derian House following a trip to Australia to visit his son and family. He loved the time spent playing with his grandchildren and returned to the UK determined to show his appreciation for the work of the hospice caring for children who have not been as fortunate as his own family. A fantastic achievement, Robert.. thank you so much!!



Robert and his trusty bike

Locks Away!

Hair raising fundraising was the name of the game for Scott Wartley and Mark Garrity of Blackburn's Sweeney's Carpets.

Encouraged to have their heads shaved to raise money for Derian House by Carol and Jim Kenyon of the town's Simply (the Best) Snacks, the brave pair enlisted the help of hairdressers Kirsty Landon and Leanne Doyle of Lush Hair to makeover their tresses. But the lads didn't mind having to shop for new hats to keep their heads warm as their new hairdo's helped raise £1,300 for Derian House.

Fond memories of Support Group member, Bill Postlethwaite, bring in the funds for Derian.



A Carlisle bank worker has helped raise £2,700 for two charities in memory of her father, who died earlier this year.

Alison Postlethwaite.

Barclays community manager Alison Postlethwaite and her colleagues raised £1,350 at a race night last month. The money is being match-funded by the bank's community investment programme, taking the grand total to £2,700, and is being shared equally between Macmillan Cancer Support and Derian House. The event, organised by Alison, was held in memory of her father Bill who died earlier this year. He was very involved with the Derian House support group in Kendal, and is much missed by fellow members of the group.

Gareth Lewis, community officer for Barclays, said: "At Barclays we strive to strengthen local communities by supporting a range of causes. This is a fantastic example of Barclays staff fundraising with the local community to achieve something which we hope will make a real and lasting difference." Many thanks are due to Barclays, and particularly to Alison for all her hard work in organizing the event.

Keeping it in the family

A father and son running team had a very proud supporter egging them on to success - mum and grandmum Betty Sumner who has worked at Derian House's Chorley Shop for ten years.



The charity volunteer from Adlington was delighted when son Kevin and grandson Adam decided to take part in the 10k run in London in the summer. The duo, who raised £475, were supported by friends, neighbours and workmates from Chorley Leisure Centre, Berrys in Leyland and Busy Bodies nursery in Euxton.

Congratulations to Kevin and Adam on raising such a great amount of money.

Festive Cheer - in June!

Christmas came early – really early! – to Pemberton this summer when residents' group, Target, brought out their Santa float for a fundraiser. The team visited people in the area to collect £1000, which was split, equally between Derian House and The Brick, a centre for homeless people in Wigan.

Happy Christmas everyone!!



Glorious Gala in June...

Derian House Summer Gala weekend, which has become a major force in the events calendar for Lancashire, was no exception on June 13th and 14th this year.

The event was more spectacular than ever, with a vast range of attractions, including donkey rides, brass and silver bands, a Craft and Gifts Fair, and a children's entertainer. Those hankering after a touch of nostalgia could indulge in a ride on the Funfair, take a little time to admire the Classic cars or wander through the Craft Fair to sample the rural crafts of yesteryear. With the Lancashire Hawks & Owls on display, along with the Bernese Mountain Dogs team, the Kung Fu Lion Dance and the Sana Verdi Belly Dancers display, to name just a few, there was plenty to do and see, and with a prize balloon race scheduled for the weekend, the sky really was the limit!

For the more energetic there was a full size climbing wall to scale, which attracted lots of brave people on both days, as did the Bucking Bronco.. fortunately no accidents ensued as participants parted company from their steed! And with the Lancashire Constabulary Police Horses making an appearance there were steeds of a more well behaved kind!!! And of course the crowds were treated to a special appearance by Coronation Street's "Norris", otherwise known as actor, Malcolm Hebden who is so generous with his time in support of Derian House. Once again the Derianaires took visitors on a musical tour of yesteryear, and various bands appeared on the bandstand over the two days to entertain the crowds on the field.

Once again there was an opportunity for children to have a go at a spectacular and very popular, penalty shoot out. Mascots from some of the top football clubs in the North West including, Manchester Utd's "Fred the Red", North End's "Deepdale Duck", Blackburn's "Roar" and "Roarina" and many more besides set themselves up for children to attempt to kick a penalty past them to score a goal.



Above: Chorley Mayor, Iris Smith with special guest, Malcolm Hebden.



Left: Star Wars... the Mayor, Iris Smith meets some extraterrestrial visitors to Chorley!!

Remembering Elsie

We received a lovely letter from the daughter of Elsie Carr, who sadly died on 21st January.

Elsie was a very special lady, and her family asked for donations to be sent to Derian House in memory of a wonderful old lady. She would have been 100 years old on 21st August 2009. Joan told us a little about her mum and the vibrant, lively person she was.



Elsie enjoying the Christmas festivities Christmas 2007.

"Children were the love of her life, she was always at her happiest when she had a little one on her knee. Her two grandchildren, Sandra and Trevor, and five great grandchildren, Leon, Rachel, Stephanie, Matthew and Lewis are all testament to this, each having sat on her knee for many hours listening to her stories, or simply for a cuddle. She was a keen gardener, and loved weeding, tidying and brushing up, finally giving up the practicalities of gardening when she was 91 yrs old. Elsie donated her body to Medical Science at Manchester University to further scientific research, an act that made her a very special person indeed. Maurice and I, and all the family would like to thank everyone for their very kind and generous donations to Derian House." The donations in Elsie's memory totalled £530 for Derian House.

Newman's Own

Derian House was fortunate enough to be the recipient of an extremely generous donation earlier this year from an American Charitable Foundation founded by the late Hollywood actor, Paul Newman.

The Foundation set up by Newman from the sale of the highly profitable Newman's Own sauces and marinades has funded countless charities over the years with millions of pounds. Derian House was nominated as a charity worthy of support from the Foundation by Booths' supermarket manager Tracy Hargreaves. The result was a donation of \$10,000 for the hospice. The cheques were presented to representatives of various charities throughout the UK in a glittering ceremony at One Aldwych in London, a highly sophisticated hotel with its own private cinema. Accepting the cheque on behalf of Derian House was ex General Manager Trevor Briggs and his wife Val. Trevor and Val travelled to the hotel where they met Trustees from the Foundation including its president Robert Forester, who presented them with the cheque before escorting them to the hotel's cinema where they were treated to a private showing of "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" starring Paul Newman, along with his co-star, Robert Redford. Said Trevor, "We were delighted to go along and accept the cheque on behalf of Derian House, and would like to express our appreciation to Newman's Own Foundation, both for their hospitality, and their very generous donation"



Trevor and Val Briggs accept the cheque on behalf of Derian House from Foundation President Robert Forester.

Workmates head for Himalayan peaks



Chipping man Jon Horsfall and his workmate Graham Entwistle are facing the challenge of a lifetime in the Himalayas.

Jon (38) and Graham (49), from Colne, both work for United Utilities, but this month they will be donning their crampons and set off to raise money for Derian House.

They are gearing up to clamber across the Glacial Parang La Pass, near Tibet, and then climb the 20,000 foot peak Pari Lungbi in aid of the hospice. "We have been inspired by the hard work of lots of others at United Utilities who have raised funds as part of the 'Changing Lives Challenge,'" said Jon.

The hardest part of the climb won't be the altitude, but spending two weeks in the confines of a small tent with Graham's feet!" The pair have been training hard up in the Lake District and down at the gym to make sure they are physically and mentally prepared for the hardships they will experience undertaking a challenging climb at such high altitude.

But the hard work will all be worthwhile for the two friends, who just want to raise as much as possible for Derian House. "Derian House is a fantastic cause and is almost entirely reliant on donations," said Jon. "People have been very generous and I hope other people and businesses will give what they can," he added. You can sponsor Jon and Graham by visiting their online fundraising page at: www.justgiving.com/jonhorsfall

Friends bring in the money in memory of Mike

Charity stalwart, Mike Roach inspired his friends to raise more than £11,000 in his memory after his death earlier this year.

Mike of Old Hall, had spent much of his life selflessly raising money for St Rocco's Hospice, Derian House Children's Hospice and the British Heart Foundation. But, sadly, he came to rely personally on the help from St Rocco's after he was diagnosed with bowel cancer in February 2008 and died shortly afterwards on March 4th aged just 50.

And it was his determination to help raise money for charity, even after his diagnosis, that inspired his friends to raise money in his honour for the hospice.

Mike had already completed two 900 mile bike rides from Lands End to John O'Groats and his Greenall FC team mates followed in his tyre tracks and completed an eight counties bike ride that raised more than £2,500. And as a former junior All England Bowls champion his bowls club - Woolston Royal British Legion - held a Mike Roach Memorial this summer in his memory.

John, Mike's dad who is 88-years-old, added: "The bowlers have said it will be an annual event in his memory. We do really appreciate what's gone on and we want to thank each and every one of them for what they have done."

Mike first started charity fundraising after the death of his brother John when he was 43-years-old from a heart attack. That drove him to raise money for the British Heart Foundation, and through his work as a director at Vernon Carus, came to visit Derian House which inspired him to raise money for the hospice too. He chose to support a Warrington charity too and picked St Rocco's Hospice, somewhere he would later rely on himself during his treatment.

Our condolences go to Mike's parents, and our appreciation to all Mike's friends who raised the funds in his memory.



Mike Roach on one of his many fundraising efforts

Bolton Wanderers are leagues ahead...

... when it comes to fundraising for Derian House. For the team along with their manager, Gary Megson, and scout, Ray Haughey, have really gone all out in their support of Derian House.

The club has raised funds for Derian House, both as a team and as individual members which has proved to be a tremendous boost for the hospice, and in addition has been on hand to visit the hospice at Christmas and Easter to give Christmas presents and Easter eggs to the children, all of whom are always thrilled to have their sporting heroes visit them in person. The club's Academy of talented youngsters also visit regularly to talk to the children and take an interest in the work of the hospice. The team were also extremely supportive in fronting the Forget Me Not Walk "Buy a Brick Appeal" which will fund the staffing and equipping of the new Young Person's Unit which is currently under construction.

Said Susie Poppitt, Fundraising Manager for Derian House, "We really appreciate all the support that Bolton Wanderers give's Derian House. Not only the footballers, but the entire management team have been fantastic in their support of the hospice, and I cannot thank them enough for all they do financially and personally for us." Members of the team came along to the hospice in May to take part in a photo-shoot to promote the Buy a Brick Appeal, and to present a cheque on their own behalf for a fantastic £7,625. Anyone who would like to follow Bolton Wanderers' lead and "Buy a Brick" for Derian House should contact The Appeals Office on **01257 271271** for more details.

Great Derian Duck Race

Derian House is taking to the water with the Great Derian Duck Race on Easter Monday 2010.

The event which will take place on the River Yarrow will be great fun for all the family with several heats taking place throughout the day, before the Grand Final which will see the first three winners walking away with prizes of £200, £100 and £50. This promises to be a fantastic day out for all the family with attractions on offer throughout the day including fairground rides, hog roast, Easter Egg Hunt and Nature Trail as well as all the thrill and spills of the Duck Race itself. Compete as a family, or race your individual ducks down the river in an attempt to claim the cash prize.

You can book your brightly coloured duck to enter the race at a cost of £2 per duck by calling the Appeals Team for an entry form on 01257 271271. Book a Duck, and help us raise vital funds for Derian House!!



We want to make you a star!!!

People are taking to the streets.... and all in the name of Derian House!!

Join us at midnight on a Magical Evening in May, and walk your way to raising vital funds for the hospice. This is the perfect opportunity to book your place on the Starlight Stroll for Derian House, a midnight walk which will take in a fascinating route which will end with the final mile through the beautiful Astley Park just as dawn is breaking.

The event, fronted by Sally Naden of Radio Lancashire, will begin with registration in the big marquee next to the hospice, and the big warm up with Sally, before setting off on the 13 mile sponsored stroll. There will be an amazing atmosphere on this inaugural walk for Derian House, so come along and be part of a wonderful team walking for Derian. The route will begin at midnight at the hospice and will be stewarded throughout so you can be assured that your safety is guaranteed. The event will finish with breakfast back at the marquee where you will also receive your Starlight medal and certificate.

The Starlight Stroll is open to everyone, so you can enter with your friends, family, college or workmates. So come on... be a star, and give the Appeals Team a call on 01257 271271 for more details and your registration pack.

Derian House Starlight Stroll...
..Saturday, May 15th 2010

...join us at midnight on a Magical Evening in May, and walk your way to raising vital funds for Derian House Children's Hospice.. Call the Appeals Team for a full Registration Pack ... everyone welcome!!

Tel: 01257 271271 or visit the website: www.derianhouse.co.uk

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Super Support Groups

MORECAMBE SUPPORT GROUP

The year to date has been fairly uneventful, and we have continued with our fundraising as a group. We were very disappointed to have lost Garstang Show for our sales of raffle tickets due to poor weather, but it rained very heavily and without cover from the weather felt unable to attend. We seem to be very busy at the moment with a collection next Saturday, followed by the draw of our Grand Raffle, before we start to get underway with the organisation of our Christmas Fayre on November 28th.

This time we are featuring an article on the Heysham Village Rose Queen, Sarah Thomas who has chosen Derian House as her charity for support during her year in office. Sarah takes up the story....

"I'm 11 years old and live in Heysham Village with my parents and my brother, Jack who is 7. I have lots of interests including athletics, netball, golf and socialising with my friends, and particularly enjoy playing with my cousin, Anna who is only 3 years old, and great fun.



I've just started high school and attend Ripley St Thomas CE School in Lancaster and really enjoy it, although getting the bus every morning at 7.30 is hard work!!! I was sad to leave St Peter's CE Primary School in Heysham Village as it's been a big part of my life. I was really proud to be chosen as St Peter's Rose Queen, and one of the first things I had to decide was which charity I'd like to raise money for. I discussed it with my parents and we looked at different charities and their websites, and chose Derian House which helps children the same age as myself.

So far we've been very proud to raise £1,100 on the Rose Queen Crowning Day in June, and my dad completed the Manchester 10K in July along with eight of his friends. In addition we've held a coffee morning at St Peter's where we sold cakes and ran a tombola and raffle which was great fun.

In October there's an auction of promises at Heysham Golf Club where there are some fantastic promises on offer, so all in all it's proving to be a busy year which I hope will allow me to raise as much money as possible for Derian House.

KENDAL SUPPORT GROUP

We have had a roller-coaster ride this year at Kendal. First in February we lost one of our most hard working Committee members, Bill Postlethwaite. This was followed by our Treasurer Tom who was struck down with a brain tumour. Fortunately he is making a remarkable recovery.

This has not prevented our Fundraising from forging ahead. We have been able to send £19,000.00 down to Derian, in the three quarters with more to come.

Our main events have been the Annual BBQ, A concert at The Club Inn, Endmoor and a Race Night, plus many small events.

Two Friends Guy Pocock and Mark Meth-Cohen did a retirement bike ride from Paris to Malaga in Spain in June, (Hot, Hot, Hot!!) raising £3,000.00 on the internet.

Bill and Shirley Postlethwaite's daughter Alison worked very hard to organise a Race Night in memory of her Dad which raised a remarkable £1,300.00. This was doubled up by Barclays Bank for whom she works, then split up in 2 ways with the MacMillan Nurses and Derian. A magnificent effort.

We have our annual Carol Service coming up together with one or two smaller events.

Planning is well ahead for next years events. I wish to thank all the Support Group for their continued Hard Work.

Louis Mason. Chairman Kendal Support Group.

BOLTON SUPPORT GROUP

The Bolton Support Group continues to organise a wide range of events to raise money, and once again this year are supporting the Mayor of Blackrod, Councillor Andrew Bower, who has chosen Derian House as his charity during his year of office.

Our Members continue to give talks if requested on the work at Derian House and have attended Fund Raising Events organised by various organisations, groups, companies etc. These have included Plodder Lane Conservative Club when over £2,200 was presented to one of our members raised through various fund raising events. The monies raised during the President of Turton Rotary Club's year of office was divided between various charities and Derian received £500 and a cheque for £1,250 was presented on behalf of various Masonic Lodges in Bolton. The New Cabin on Lever Street continue to raise money for Derian House and have recently made a further donation of £1,084. A novel idea from BIFFA Waste raised £290 when every time the lads who work there DIDN'T have an accident, paid £5.00!

Members of the 17th Bolton Scout Group presented a cheque for £253 to our Chairman, Mrs Pat Barrow, from the collection at the St Georges Day Parade.

To all these people and the many, many others who have supported our Group in various ways we express our sincere thanks.

Forget Me Not Walk

The Forget Me Not Walk "Buy a Brick" Appeal has got off to a flying start with more £20,000 already pledged.

The Appeal, fronted by Bolton Wanderers Football Team has really captured the imagination of many Derian House supporters who saw it as a lasting and vibrant way to support the hospice and in particular the new Young Person's Unit which is currently under construction.

Although the money to build the unit is already in place, the Appeals Team are launching the Forget Me Not Walk Appeal as a means of funding the staffing and equipping of the new unit.

If you would like to celebrate, commemorate or perpetuate the name of someone you love, please contact the Appeals Office at the hospice for a form. Your dedicated brick will be a lasting reminder of your support for Derian House.



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If you do not wish to receive any further mailings from Derian House, please tick the box and return this slip, with your name and address to the Appeals Office at Derian House.

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Cheers! Regulars at Adam Bolton's pub in Myerscough have been busy raising funds for Derian House in a series of events. The fundraisers also donated £100 to Cancer Research UK.