



Sport Relief Mile

Saturday 15th July 2006

Help make the worlds miles better by assisting tens of thousands of people across the UK to take part in the Sport Relief Mile.



Manchester Milers will get to really experience our dynamic and vibrant city first hand, as they set off from Exchange Square to follow a route through the heart of the City, completing their mile in St Anne's Square.

The money raised from sport relief will go to help vulnerable people leading tough lives here in the UK and in the poorest countries in the world.

- Date:** Saturday 15th July 2006
- Venue:** Manchester City Centre
- Meeting Point:** Manchester Tennis Centre, Sportcity (Free parking at Manchester Tennis Centre and free shuttle bus to city centre)
- Time:** 8:00am-2:00pm
- Roles:** Course marshals, water distribution, goody bag distribution
- Uniform:** Each volunteer will receive a Sport Relief Mile t-shirt. Please wear dark trousers or dark tracksuit pants.
- Refreshments:** Refreshments will be provided.
- Number required:** 60 volunteers

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Many thanks
Mark Pritchard

If you are interested in any of the opportunities in this newsletter and would like to find out more, please return the register of interest or e-mail info@mev.org.uk

DID YOU KNOW?

At www.mev.org.uk you can register for the service and for events, chat to each other in the forums, upload you event photos, download documents, check out the latest news, search for jobs/ advice and provide feedback.



BURY HOSPICE CAR RAFFLE 2006

Do you have 2 hours to spare?

We are raffling a brand new Ford Fiesta 5 door 1.25 litre at venues throughout Bury and all the funds raised will help us to care for more local people who are living with a life



threatening or terminal illness whilst providing support for their families and carers.

At supermarkets, shopping centres, festivals and carnivals you will be promoting the sale of raffle tickets at £1 each. Each volunteer who helps will receive a Bury Hospice t-shirt to wear and keep. You will also receive a certificate of achievement after the raffle has been drawn detailing your contribution.

What will i have to do?

You will be working in pairs on two hour shifts from 10am to 12:00pm, 12:00pm to 14:00pm and 14:00pm to 16:00pm. The car will be delivered to each venue by Dixons Ford of Bury and the table/chairs/display board/raffle tickets will be set up by our community fundraiser – Lesley Marsh on the morning. At the end of the 2pm – 4pm shift you will hand everything back to Lesley Marsh.

When is the raffle drawn?

Saturday 9th September 2006 at Dixons Ford, Bury at 10.00am with Tower FM.

Are there other prizes?

Yes!! Argos has donated a George Foreman grill and a DVD player amongst other prizes to the runners up.

When are the dates?

Friday 23rd & Saturday 24th June B&Q superstore bridge hall; Sunday 2nd July Bury agricultural show; Friday 17th July Asda Radcliffe; Friday 28th, Saturday 29th July and Wednesday 2nd, Wednesday 6th, Wednesday 16th, Wednesday 23rd August All in the market square Bury.

If you are interested in volunteering please complete the register of interest form or register on-line

Philips Park - Party in the Parks

Sunday, 16th July 2006

Groundwork Manchester, Salford and Trafford Ltd require volunteers to help marshalling/stewarding and generally helping out on the day.

This is a fantastic event with lots of people attending. There are many activities including a history talk, horse riding displays plus the usual funfairs.

Volunteers are required from 10am until 5.30pm and will receive a flat rate of £5 expenses with receipts.

Please register your interest in the usual way.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO see a particular item or section in the newsletter or on the website?

Log on to WWW.MEV.ORG.UK and let us know what you would like featured.



BURY HOSPICE MIDNIGHT WALK

9th September 2006



What is the Bury Hospice Midnight Walk?

The Midnight Walk is a sponsored walk at midnight for LADIES only who wish to support the work of the Hospice. Starting at the Village Hotel, Bury at midnight the walk goes around the Bury area.

How far is the Midnight Walk?

The walk will be a ½ marathon (approximately 13 miles) with a comfort stop half way round.

How many volunteers?

We need 70 volunteers to help with registration of the runners, marshalling, administration, refreshments plus dozens of other very varied jobs that will spring up on the night.

The organisation and administration of such a major event is quite demanding and to ensure it runs smoothly we need to know that all our volunteers are well informed for their duties on the night. We plan to hold an evening prior to the event where we can allocate jobs, instructions and directions. We will also be able to kit you out in t-shirts and, if appropriate, fluorescent jackets. The evening will give you the chance to ask any questions and help you to see where you need to be in daylight hours!!

This is the first Bury Hospice Midnight Walk, be there at the beginning and help for what will become an annual event and raise money for your local charity – Bury Hospice.

Blackpool Triathlon 2006

Sunday 20th August 2006

Start 1.00p.m. (exact time depends on tide)



The Triathlon is organised by the Rotary Club of Blackpool South and all proceeds are in aid of the following charities:

Macmillan Cancer Relief, North West Air Ambulance, Royal National Lifeboat Institution and Local Rotary Charities

The Olympic Course (1500M sea swim, 40K traffic free bike ride, 10K beach run) will be held on the famous promenade near Blackpool Tower. A challenging course and a great day out for all the family. It is not definite yet, but we are hoping to be able to give each volunteer a small "goody" bag, including a drink etc. We are also approaching Blackpool Transport for them to provide free tram use on the day for competitors and marshals.

Unfortunately no expenses can be paid, as this is a Charity Event.

If you are interested in volunteering please complete the register of interest form or register on-line

DID YOU KNOW?

With MEV, volunteering is about personal choice and you can get involved with events which interest you most. You can also take part in a range of training opportunities with local colleges, leading to further qualifications and, if needed, help with finding a job!

Venture Arts: Art Workshop for Adults with Learning Difficulties

Our Purpose

We have been providing art workshops for south and central Manchester for the past 20 years. These include:

photography, textiles, digital photography, printing, painting and drawing.

Location

Venture Arts, 43 Old Birley Street, Hulme, Manchester, M15 5RF

Times

Monday - Thursday 10.00am - 3.30pm
Friday 10.00am - 3.00pm

Duties

Volunteers will be required to support adults who have learning difficulties in making pieces of artwork in various mediums. Volunteers must be over 18 years of age and will be asked to attend an informal interview prior to volunteering. Volunteers will arrange their own travel, but we can reimburse for bus or train travel and would make their own arrangements for lunch, however, tea and coffee making facilities are available. We require a minimum commitment of 2 hours per week. Volunteers will receive a certificate on completing a course of volunteering.

We would like ideally someone with arts experience, but not essential. Someone who is empathetic and supportive, a good communicator and the ability to work as a part of a team.

Special Event

Venture Arts are currently working up to an exhibition of their work at the Pump House Museum, Deansgate, Manchester

If you are interested in volunteering please complete the register of interest form or register on-line.

DID YOU KNOW? Sometimes event organisers are massively oversubscribed for events, but we ask them to send you a letter if you are NOT required. We believe this is a matter of courtesy and to ensure that you know your interest in that particular event is appreciated. If you do not receive confirmation or letters which informs you that your services are not required, please let us know as we can improve this procedure.

Heartbreak Productions Open Air Theatre

July and August

Heartbreak Productions is a professional theatre company that has been operating successfully for 15 years. It has become one of the most prestigious and high quality touring theatre companies in the country visiting over eighty fabulous venues all over the UK.

26th & 27th July The Importance of being Earnest, Fletcher Moss Gardens, Didsbury
18.30-22.00

28th July The Importance of Being Earnest, Wythenshawe Park **18.30-22.00**

29th & 30th July The Railway Children, Wythenshawe Park **17.30-20.30**

2nd August Romeo and Juliet, Wythenshawe Park **18.30-22.00**

3rd & 4th August Romeo and Juliet, Fletcher Moss Gardens, Didsbury
18.30-22.00

We require 10 volunteers for each production. Unfortunately expenses will not be reimbursed. However, refreshments will be available and free tickets for an evening when volunteers are not on duty.

Please register your interest in the usual way

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