



BURY HOSPICE MIDNIGHT WALK 2007

15th September 2007



What is the Bury Hospice Midnight Walk?

Following the huge success of our first Midnight Walk in 2006, we are doing the same again. The Midnight Walk 2007 is a sponsored walk at midnight for LADIES only who wish to support the work of the Hospice. Starting at the Bolholt Country Park 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?

Last year the event could not have been staged without the outstanding support of the Manchester Event Volunteers. This year 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. The evening will give you the chance to ask any questions and help you to see where you need to be in daylight hours!!

SPECIAL OFFER!!

Salford Families are giving away free training, experience, skills, fun times and appreciation in exchange for your time as a volunteer...



Barnardos Salford Families provides a play and leisure service for children and young people with disabilities living within Salford. We provide out of school activities throughout the year in the form of groups.

Long term volunteers

We have vacancies for volunteers to help out after school, in the evenings and during the weekend.

Drivers

Volunteer drivers give the children the opportunity to get out and about in our 16 seater mini bus.

All volunteer roles require an enhanced Criminal Record Bureau check. This can take place with the applicant and a member of staff at an agreed time. training and support given to all volunteers.

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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 your event photos, download MEV documents, check out the latest news, search for jobs/ advice and provide feedback.

Community Voices Roadshows 2007

Community Voices Roadshows provide an opportunity for residents to learn about the work of Agenda 2010 and to share their ideas and thoughts about future priorities.

As a volunteer it is your opportunity to be part of these exciting, fun filled and informative gatherings. There will be two different volunteering roles. One is to distribute leaflets and posters before each event. The second role is to help get the venues ready and help out during the Roadshows.

Volunteer expenses will be reimbursed.

Volunteers to distribute leaflets and posters are needed for 2 hours, 10:30 - 12:30 in:

Longsight Wednesday 20 June
Wythenshawe Thursday 21 June

To assist at the Roadshows, volunteers are needed from 3:00 to 7:00 on:

Wednesday 20 June at Longsight Library, Longsight
Thursday 28 June at the Forum Center, Wythenshawe

Agenda 2010 is the city's ten-year plan of action, set up in October 2000 to improve race equality. The underlying objective is to close the gap between Black and Minority Ethnic Communities and Manchester on key areas, while at the same time narrowing the gap between Manchester and the rest of the country. Crime and disorder, education, employment, and health and social care are the four themes, which the BME Communities identified as priorities.

If you are interested in these opportunities, please register your interest in the usual way.

Heartbreak Productions

Heartbreak Productions, the UK's leading open air theatre company will be bringing four high quality and very different productions to Manchester this summer. We require volunteers to act as Theatre Stewards. The role requires volunteers to take tickets, assist with patron enquiries and help set up and de-rig the seating area. Expenses cannot be paid. However, all volunteers will be offered complimentary tickets to a show of their choice. Volunteers are required 1 hour 15 minutes before the show starts and for 20 minutes post show

Stewards currently required for:

July

5th Cry Blue Murder! 7:30 pm, FMG; 11th The Wizard of Oz 6:30 pm, FMG; 12th The Wizard of Oz 6:30 pm, FMG; 13th Twelfth Night 7:30 pm, FMG; 17th The Wizard of Oz 6:30 pm, WP; 25th & 26th The Merchant of Venice 7:30 pm, FMG; 28th Twelfth Night 3:00 pm, WP; 28th Twelfth Night 7:30 pm, WP; 29th Twelfth Night 6:30 pm, WP

August

8th Cry Blue Murder! 7:30 pm, FMG; 9th Cry Blue Murder! 7:30 pm, FMG

FMG = Fletcher Moss Gardens

WP = Wythenshawe Park

If you are interested in volunteering please return your register of interest form or register on-line stating the dates/s you prefer and more details will be sent to you.

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 training opportunities with local colleges, leading to further qualifications and, if needed, help with finding a job!

The Norwich Union Athletics Festival

19th – 21st July 2007

The Norwich Union Athletics Festival, held in Albert Square from 19th – 21st July will kick off a week of Athletics in Manchester. The Festival aims to promote athletics, activity, participation and a healthy lifestyle within Manchester.

The Festival is made up from three key areas: Hot pods, Sporting Centre and Discover athletics. There are a variety of different activities housed within these areas: reaction walls, climbing wall, Velcro golf, target rugby, speed football, trick shot basket ball, a 20m sprint tunnel and field sporting cage.

Volunteers who apply for this event should be keen, pro active and enjoy engaging with members of the public of all ages.

All volunteers will receive an event t-shirt, packed lunch, beverages and expenses will be reimbursed (proof of receipt is required). The day will be divided into 2 shifts and the times will be as follows
Thurs - Fri 08.30 – 13.30 and 13.00 - 18.00, Sat 09.30 – 14.00 and 13.30 – 18.00.

If you are interested in volunteering please register in the usual way.

Norwich Union World Athletics Trials

27th - 29th July 2007

This years Norwich Union World Trials and UK Championships are set to be a huge occasion, with spots in the GB Team for the World Championships up for grabs! Britain's talented athletes will chase gold at the World Championships in Osaka in August, but first they must qualify for the British team. A maximum of three athletes in each event can compete for Britain in the World's and the target at the Trials is simple – finish first or second in your event to be in line for one of those slots.

Shifts:

Friday 27th July: 3pm - 9pm

Saturday 28th July: 10am - 7pm

Sunday 29th July: 11.30am - 7.30pm

Roles:

Zone Managers

Door/zone stewards

Programme Manager

Programme sellers

Car park attendants

Accreditation officers

Volunteer welfare officers – water distribution, sun cream, ponchos etc



All volunteers will receive a free championship t-shirt and pack lunch. Volunteers are required to wear either plain black trousers/ skirt or tracksuit pants.

Approx number of volunteers: 40 per shift

If you are interested in volunteering please return your register of interest form or register on-line stating the roles and dates/s you prefer and more details will be sent to you.

Please let us know if you would like to see a particular item/ section included in the newsletter or on the website? Log on to WWW.MEV.ORG.UK and let us know what you would like featured.



GETTING MANCHESTER MOVING!

Getting Manchester Moving is a citywide initiative lead by Manchester City Football Club, Manchester City Council and the Primary Care Trust, designed to raise awareness about the importance of physical activity, its benefits and where these activities can be accessed as well as about healthy eating and weight management.

The project was launched at the City of Manchester Stadium in January 2007. This new initiative has only a small team actively involved and so we would like to ask for your help as a volunteer. There are a number of events taking place throughout the year that Getting Manchester Moving is involved with, such as a Pedometer Challenge; the European Hockey Championships; a Manchester City Football game; Manchester Pride event.

Activities at these events include: fruit smoothie making; giving out goody bags; letting the public know what the campaign is about. By taking part as a volunteer for the campaign you will have the chance to complete a food hygiene course, receive tickets for a Manchester City Football game and be part of some fantastic events!

We ask that all volunteers have an interest or understanding in Physical Activity/Healthy Eating, are lively and enthusiastic. For more information on the campaign please visit

If you are interested in volunteering please register your interest in the usual way.

www.gettingmanchestermoving.org

MEV HANDBOOK

Our new handbook is available now to download online at mev.org.uk/community/documents

The handbook will give you lots of information about Manchester Event Volunteers along with handy hints and tips about volunteering. A copy will be posted to every volunteer soon, but, if you would like an early preview, visit www.mev.org.uk and have a look!

DID YOU KNOW?

Sometimes events are over subscribed. We do ask event organisers to send you a letter, even if you are NOT required.

We believe this is a matter of courtesy and ensures that you know your interest in that particular event is still appreciated.

If you do not receive confirmation or letters informing you that your services are not required, please let us know as we can follow this up on your behalf.

If you have any friends who are not receiving the newsletter it is probably due to them not completing the questionnaire. Please can you ask them to complete the questionnaire and return to the MEV Office as soon as possible? If they require a copy of the questionnaire please contact the office.

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MEV Merchandise now on-line!

We have now introduced a range of exciting MEV branded merchandise for sale on our website

www.mev.org.uk

The merchandise includes t-shirts, jackets, bags, pin badges, pens and mugs, be sure to check the website often!