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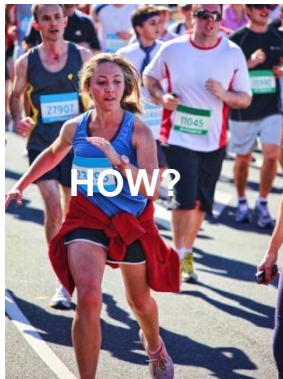


WHAT?



THE SECRET'S OUT...

HOW?



WHY?



THE GUILDFORD LIONS CLUB

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WHO?

Who organises the annual Fireworks Fiesta in Stoke park each November?

Who organises the Raft Race as part of the Guildford Festival every July?

Who raises in excess of £50,000 each year for the local community?

Answer The Guildford Lions Club formed in 1967- part of Lions Clubs International

HOW?

How do we raise the funds? How do we spend the money?

Each year we plan a programme of activities designed to bring in the maximum number of donations. Our principle fundraising events are the Fireworks Fiesta in Stoke Park (November) & the Raft Race at Millmead (July)

EVERY penny donated to the club is spent directly on good causes.

NO money is spent on administration. ALL members are volunteers

WHAT?

What have we raised?

Typically we raise £50,000 pa and examples of our donations include:

Guildford Community first responders 999 support facility - New response kit £2000

The Cedar Centre - purchase of a Hydrosurgery System value £4500

Park Barn Cafe - a youth social space - donation £1500

Guildford Boxing Club - sustained by charitable donations - donation £1500

Disability Challengers - Caring for disabled young people - donation £1500

Gosden House School - Caring for mentally & physically disabled - donation £2000

WHY?

Why do we do it?

The Guildford Lions want to raise as much money as we can for those less fortunate than ourselves. Our motto is "We Serve". We are here to help and support the community, offering social events that encourage teamwork, help develop community spirit and entertain the public. We want to support charities, local causes and people in need.



INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)

Alongside our donations to local good causes we also support the LCIF which backs the efforts of Lions Clubs around the world, all serving their local communities by funding humanitarian projects.

Examples include the following:

Eye Healthcare

Lions are upgrading and establishing eye health care systems in poorer areas worldwide. The program is having a significant impact on eliminating and controlling the leading causes of preventable blindness and includes construction of over 170 eye hospitals and the training in excess of 14,000 eye care workers.

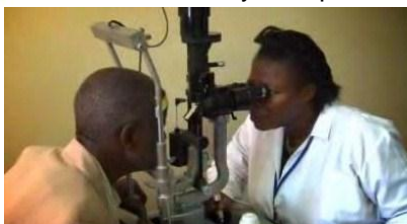
Haiti – January 2010 Earthquake

Lions Clubs in the UK and Ireland alone have raised in excess of £630,000. LCIF, working in conjunction with the UN and local Government, have funded replacement educational/health facilities including 3 tented cities and over 600 new houses for the homeless population.



Haiti tented city

Treatment in an eye hospital



DATES FOR THE DIARY AND NEW EVENTS



An ABBA tribute evening - Saturday May 7th (NEW)

Starting at 8pm this will be held at Cranmore School West Horsley featuring the ever popular ABBA Magic.

Beers, wines and soft drinks will be available during the evening

Tickets will be priced at £12.50 and will be available from the Guildford Tourist Information office

Parkland Runs - Saturday May 21st (NEW)

Designed for serious and not so serious runners

A 10k race for adults 16+ starting at 11.00 am and a more gentle 5k race with no age limits starting at 1.30pm will be held at Hatchlands Park, East Clandon.

Guildford Lions are proud to be working alongside the British Heart Foundation (BHF) for this event.

2011 is the BHF 50th anniversary and their fund raising this year is under the title of "Mending Broken Hearts".

Food and drink will be available on site.

Details and entry forms are available via

www.eventelephant.com/hatchlandsrun or our website

Charity Raft Race

Saturday July 2nd 2011. Starting at 3pm from Millmead, Guildford

Charity Fireworks Fiesta

From 7pm Saturday November 5th 2011. Torchlight procession from the Guildhall with the Firework display at Stoke Park Guildford.



Full and up to date details on all our events and activities can be found by visiting our website

www.guildfordlions.co.uk.

Further information

If you would like more information about Guildford Lions or would be interested in becoming a member, please ring 0845 833 2884.