# Newsletter April 2019

# reach learning disability

# Thank You to:

- all those who attended the Burns Night in Southwell and special thanks to Jill and Bernard for organising it. They donated £575 To Reach.
- all who helped at 'Turn The Lights On' at Southwell Racecourse. £770 was raised on the night.
- the Friends of Reach Newark who hosted the Easter Fair and thank you to everyone who came. It raised £468.
- 'Male Voices at The Minster'
  organised by Southwell Rotary with
  Male Voice Choirs from Mansfield &
  District, St Edmundsbury and Bestwood.
  Thanks also to Flautist Chris Hill.



- all who attended the Children's Posy workshop at Flower Pod. Everyone had a lovely time.
- Southwell Golf Club who were raising money throughout last year. The total amount is £3,842!

## Team Update

**Welcome to Karl Dalton** who will be joining the Reach Mansfield team.

Welcome to the Reach Care team members - Katie Stibbons, Lynn Booth, Debra Hill, Rosie Yearl.

**Goodbye to Rebecca** at Reach Mansfield we wish her all the best in her new job.

Welcome to our new Trustee Bob Gardner.

## **Reaching Beyond Expectation**

We are very excited to announce we will be opening

'Reach Cafe' on Balderton Playing Field in Newark. Everyone is welcome to help us celebrate our launch. We are working hard and fundraising with a plan to open on the last May Bank Holiday. For More Information call Alison Hall on 01636 819066.



Nicola – one of our wonderful Flower Pod volunteer has been selected to display at the BBC Gardeners World Live Show at the NEC in Birmingham on 16th June.

Nicola has designed a garden border to show the feel of Flower Pod. She includes a peaceful area to sit with low growing, scented plants and calming colours. She has included Flower Pod's handmade garden decorations and is also making a habitat for bees.



Well done Nicola and Good Luck!

Flower Pod clients have been busy planting out beds at Sconce Park with the Park Ranger George. They will revisit the site to maintain the beds.



We are saying Goodbye to Chris Lathlane

who has worked for Reach for 12 years! We thank Chris for her hard work and dedication over the years and wish her all the best in her retirement. Chris will still help out at some events as a volunteer.

Happy Retirement!



#### Reach Newark took part in a Cleaner, Greener Day

#### of Action in Hawtonville in

March. Bacon rolls and hot drinks were served to over 60 volunteers who helped to clear rubbish, paint playparks, plant trees, install new litter bins, talk about bike safety and much more.



### Dates for your diary

#### Mansfield Easter Concert, 16th April

Reach Mansfield Easter Concert at Vision West Notts College. Doors open at 6pm for a 6.30pm start. £3 per adult.

#### Reach Newark Drama Performance Thursday 18th April, 2pm

On the 18th April people can come and see what the Newark Drama group have been doing.

#### **Free Information Workshops:**

Wills and Lasting Power Of Attorney, 23rd April, 6.30pm - 8.00pm

Setting up a Trust, 30th April, 6.30pm - 8.00pm.

Workshop by Actons Solicitors, specifically tailored to the needs of family carers of people with learning disabilities. Venue - Reach Southwell. Drinks and refreshments served. Call Sarah 01636 819066 to book a place.

#### Flower Pod workshops, Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May

Flowers at home - Create two designs to take home and display using flowers grown at Flower Pod.

Refreshments included. Containers included, £60 per person - booking essential 10am - 4.30pm

#### **Newark Half Marathon, Sunday 11th August**

We have a limited number of places for runners who would like to raise money for Reach. Call Sarah to secure a place on 01636 819066.



#### Volunteers needed!

#### Cycle Live, Sunday 23rd June

We are hosting a BBQ at Cycle Live at Long Clawson Village Hall, to raise money for Reach. We are looking for volunteers to help manage the BBQ.

#### Deerstock, Friday 26th June - Sunday 28th July

We are looking for volunteers to help on the Flower Pod stand over the weekend on all three days at Deerstock music festival. Volunteers also needed to help set up marquees on Thursday 25th July.

Call Sarah if you would like to get involved 01636 819066.

#### **Term dates**

Inset day: 2nd May at Flower Pod and Reach Newark only.

Closure week (all centres):

Last day 18th April, first day back 28th April

To stay in touch about Reach fundraising events see www.reachuk.org/opt-in

### **Contacts and Useful Information**

Reach Southwell Prebend Passage, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0JH Tel 01636 819066

Reach Newark Hawtonville Community Centre, St Marys Gardens, Newark NG24 4JQ Tel 01636 671939

Reach Mansfield St John's Centre, St John Street, Mansfield, NG18 1QH Tel 01623 232748

Flower Pod Brackenhurst Lane, Southwell, NG25 0QL Tel 01636 918271

Reach Care Prebend Passage, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0JH Tel 01636 919946



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