

## Dinner and Auction Raffle Tickets On Sale Now!

Our 4<sup>th</sup> dinner and auction is now only a month away. If you are not able to attend the event you can still support us by purchasing raffle tickets. There are cash prizes to be won, with a top prize of £150, as well as a luxury hamper. Tickets are £5 a book and available from your club leader or from the office. Please return all ticket stubs by 14th March. Winners will be notified on Monday 23rd March.

## Keynsham Mencap FC

We have 3 teams entered in the Somerset FA Ability Counts League this season. The next fixture is on Sunday 23rd February. The teams play once a month against other local disability teams at Strode College, with the final fixture taking place in May.

We are thrilled that one of our players Will has been chosen to represent the national Mencap team at the learning disabilities European Championships. Will recently attended football trials where out of 60 players 15 were selected for the squad and will travel out to Geneva in May for the Championships.

Mencap formed its national football team over 30 years ago following an invitation to take part in a European championship held in Switzerland.



## Mencap Hoodies

We are taking orders for Mencap hoodies. We have adults size S to 3XL for £20, and children's for £16. Please let us know if you would like to order one. They will take approx. 2 weeks from ordering to arrive.

We also have adult t-shirts available for £8. If you are interested in children's t-shirts please get in touch and we can try to arrange this.



## Bath Half - Good Luck Runners!

Good luck to our 20 Bath Half Marathon runners who will be preparing to run the 13.1 miles to raise funds for our fabulous projects on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March. If you would like to sponsor our runners check out our Bath Half Marathon page on our website for their links or see the posts on our Facebook page.

We will have family and friends, plus members of our Music Man Project watching from the side lines and cheering the runners on the day. If you want to join them they will be situated outside the BMW garage on Lower Bristol Road.

**BATHHALF**2020

## Volunteer Opportunities

Our clubs need more volunteers! We are looking for more people that can help out at our clubs. We have a number of new members that are waiting to join.

Do you have a friend, family member or work colleague who might be interested? Invite them along for a taster session - no obligation to sign up; just come along, meet the team and the members and find out more.

We can offer an opportunity to gain experience for college or university courses and we have a limited number of Duke of Edinburgh positions available too. We welcome volunteers of all ages and no experience is necessary as there is lots of support and help always available.

Anyone who is interested can contact Laura on [laura@keynshammencap.org.uk](mailto:laura@keynshammencap.org.uk).

We have lots of different roles available.

### Children:

Tuesday evening in Keynsham

Tuesday evening in Radstock

Thursday evening in Keynsham

Saturday morning in Bath

### Adults:

Wednesday evening in Keynsham

Thursday evening in Keynsham

Monday evening in Keynsham (multi-sports)

Saturday morning in Keynsham (music).



## Website News

Don't forget that the activities for the clubs are on our website and you can find these on the individual club pages. You can also subscribe to our monthly fundraising bulletin to get news straight to your inbox. Check it out: [www.keynshammencap.org.uk](http://www.keynshammencap.org.uk)

## Thank You!

Keynsham Lions for their donation towards activities.

One of junior club members Adam who has been saving up spare pennies and loose change and donated it to his club.

Paul, Niall and Kath for their help with the minibuses maintenance and servicing.

## Mamma Mia Musical

We are taking members from across our adult groups to see Mamma Mia the Musical at Bristol Hippodrome on Wednesday 10th June. We still have a handful of tickets left, so please let us know if you would like to come.

The trip costs £30, which includes your ticket, volunteer support and return coach travel.

# MAMMA MIA!

## Membership Renewal

Please look out for a membership renewal letter coming to you soon. Please make sure you sign and return your form with your payment promptly. Thank you.



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MEMBERSHIP**

## Corporate Sponsorship

We're on the hunt for corporate support! Does your workplace offer sponsorship to charities either financially or through volunteering? If so we would love to hear from you. Please contact Amanda in the office to talk it through.



## Volunteer Birthdays! March

Happy birthday to...

Ceri Lloyd (30)  
Jacqui Dallimore  
Dan Gardiner  
Remy Arblaster

Have a great day!



## Welcome!

Welcome to Caitlin who will be joining us at SENSations Keynsham.

## Save the Date!

### 15th March

Bath Half where our team of runners will be taking to the streets. Join the cheer squad and coming along to cheer them on!

### 21st March

Dinner and Auction at Apex Hotel in Bath.

### 13th June

Family Fun Day at Riverside Inn, Saltford. Live music, BBQ, family activities and stalls.

### June / July TBC

Football Tournament. After the success of last year's event we're looking forward to hosting his again this year. Fancy getting a five a side team together and taking part?

### 8th August

Music Man Project will be performing at Keynsham Bandstand in the park, 2-3pm.

### 20th September

Sponsored walk, bike ride and push.

### 24th October

Our annual quiz night is back!

### 21st November

A new event for 2020. Local band The Uncles are playing a fundraising event for the Society. Venue TBC.

### 12th December

MMP Christmas Concert. Venue TBC.

## Co-op Community Fund

Are you a Co-op member? During 2020 Co-op members can choose us as their local cause to support. Every time a Co-Op member buys selected own-brand products 1% of the money they spend will go to us.

**So far we've made  
£189.72.**

You will need to go to their website to choose us as your preferred charity. If you're not a Co-Op member, it is really easy to apply and it will only cost you a £1. Go to [www.coop.co.uk/membership](http://www.coop.co.uk/membership) to register.



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