

## Keynsham Mencap High Fliers!

Our first team of charity tandem skydivers have taken to the Devon skies. After previously being postponed due to windy conditions, perfect weather conditions meant it was all systems go! Amanda, Helen, Lauren, Izzy, Gemma and Amila have been raising money for us and set themselves the challenge of their lifetime. So far the skydiving team have raised over £6000 in sponsorship. What an incredible amount, well done everyone.

Everyone thought it was the most amazing and thrilling experience and enjoyed every minute! We have another date in the diary when more thrill seekers can take part. You can jump for free providing you raise a minimum amount of sponsorship of just under £400. If you are interested in taking part on Sunday 3rd April 2022 with the next team, or if you want to do it solo please contact Amanda in the office [amanda@keynshammencap.org.uk](mailto:amanda@keynshammencap.org.uk) for more details.

It will be one of the most incredible challenges you have ever done - guaranteed!



## Santa's Grotto!

We've had word from the North Pole that Santa is visiting the area and has invited Keynsham Mencap children to see him in his grotto! Enter the grotto at your allocated time and take part in a range of festive activities; decorate a gingerbread person, make a tree decoration, bag up some reindeer food for Christmas Eve, take a photo in the 'Elfie Booth'.



Then have a private visit with Santa in his Grotto with your family, before making your way

through to the toy room to choose a gift.

Tickets are £5.95 per child, siblings and family groups welcome. Book your timeslot online at the link below or use the QR code.

[tickettailor.com/events/keynshamdistrictmencapsociety/605345](https://tickettailor.com/events/keynshamdistrictmencapsociety/605345)



## Music Man Project Christmas Concert

*Christmas  
Concert*

Please join us for our first live performance since 2019! Our MMP musicians will be performing popular songs and carols at their concert on Sunday 12th December, 4pm.

Manvers Street Baptist Church (Bath BA1 1JW). The musicians are rehearsing and working hard, working on new songs as well as refreshing themselves with some old favorites.

Entry is free, with a retiring collection, but we are asking people to pre-book. You can book your free tickets at [tickettailor.com/events/keynshamdistrictmencapsociety/605636](https://tickettailor.com/events/keynshamdistrictmencapsociety/605636) or you can scan the QR code to go direct to the ticket booking site. Join the event on Facebook for more updates!

We hope to see you there.



## Christmas Wishes Appeal

We have been overwhelmed by the generosity of our supporters this year; the donations have been incredible. Rather than asking for money, our 2021 Christmas Appeal will be in the form of Christmas Wishes. We have set up an Amazon wish list of games, activities and equipment needed for our clubs, so

supporters can choose to buy items instead. These items will be used directly at our clubs by the members. You can view our wishlist here: [www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/DP8C76RI9GCB](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/DP8C76RI9GCB)



## Thank You!

To everyone who donated towards our minibus appeal. We managed to recoup the unexpected expenses thanks to our supporters!

Thank you AHM Engineering, PBTA, Ed Soldat on behalf of the Pickup family, and everyone who donated online.

Emma from Happy Eco Crafts who visited SEN-Sations Club to make Christmas decorations ready for their Christmas Fayre.

Everyone who came to our first live fundraising event - the Quiz Night. It was great to see so many people. We raised just under £1000!

## Welcome!

Hello to new volunteers Grace at Radstock, Anne at Music Man Project, Nick and Elliot at football, Chantelle, Debs and Grey at SENS. Welcome to the team!

Thank you to all Tesco shoppers who supported their in-store book sale in October. They give the proceeds to a charity every month and we were delighted to receive £415!



## Saltford Santa Sleigh

The Saltford Community Association have their own Santa on a sleigh and he will be in Saltford during December. They will be raising funds and have chosen us as their charity to support in 2021. You can see Santa at the following times and locations:

**He will be at Saltford Hall:**

5th December 8am- 12pm

9th December 7pm- 10pm

**He will be at the Saltford Library:**

11th December 9am- 12pm

18th December 9am- 12pm

There will also be street tours on 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th December.

The exact route is yet to be confirmed, but will commence at 6pm

and end at 8pm. If anyone would like to join Santa as one of his elf helpers

we need bucket collectors at all of his appearances so please get in touch if you can help.



## Keynsham Mencap Dinner and Auction 2022

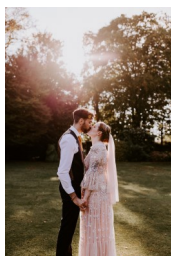
This event is due to go ahead on Saturday 26th March, and we're looking forward to all getting dressed up and getting together at the Apex Hotel in Bath. There are still places available if you would like to attend; tickets are £45 per person. This includes drinks and 3 course meal.

Contact Amanda for more information and look out for more updates!

## Congratulations!

We'd like to congratulate Radstock volunteer Georgine who married her partner James Tucker on the 17th October. It looked like a beautiful day.

Sending best wishes to you both!



## Local Events

Please support these local events if you can; organised by our volunteers and supporters to raise money for the Society.

### Saturday 27th Nov

Christmas Fair, 10am-2pm, Key Centre. Craft market, raffle, café, cakes and more.



### Saturday 4th

### December

German Christmas Market  
12pm-8pm,  
Keynsham  
Wine Bar.

## Volunteer Vacancies

We've been thrilled to welcome so many new volunteers recently, but we are still looking for more people that can help out - particularly at our Fitness and Boccia clubs.

### Fitness for All

Monday evening, 7:00-8:30pm

St John's Church

### Boccia Club

Wednesday evening, 6:00-7:00pm

Wellsway School

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