



Minutes MKKIDS March 23rd 2004

Fundraising

Update on money raised so far, £1079.

Sherrington fete is not being held this year but there is a possibility of having a stall at a school in Bedford, Alistair will follow up.

Olney floral fiesta is being held in July, the high street is closed, there are lorries with floats, an Olney men's pancake race (in drag!) and lots of charity stalls. Again Alistair will pursue.

Committee

Proposed AGM in September to elect committee members and re-visit our charter. Positions discussed to be voted into were-

Chairperson
Treasurer
Secretary
Fundraising – with suggested sub group
PR,
Membership database co-ordinator
Social events organiser/s

Any other suggestions welcomed.

Social events

Upcoming events include a trip to Chessington world of Adventures on Sunday May 16th, Steve to enquire about coach prices, names to be forwarded by 16th April at the latest. Cheques to be paid to MKKIDS funds that can then write a joint cheque to the Lions club

Charity race night, Saturday 24th April at xscape. £10 per person to include food, again names need to be given to Nigel ASAP to arrange tickets.

Message in a bottle

An enlightening presentation was then made by the Lions club on this most useful piece of kit. This is a simple plastic container which contains a form on which to write personal details including up to date information on medication, and other information such as allergies, next of kin, medical history etc, the bottle also contains two green cross stickers, one to be stuck to the inside of the front door, the other to be stuck on the fridge door, and the bottle is to be kept in the fridge. The idea is that for vulnerable members of the community, vital information about their medical condition and treatment can be accessed quickly and easily by for example paramedics in case of emergency. It was also suggested that people keep replicas of these bottles perhaps at school or in the car glove compartment. The idea is simple but very effective and could save lives. The Lions club through fund raising purchase the bottles, which they then store in fire stations. Members of the medical profession then hold the bottles and give to people who they consider vulnerable. Although widely used in the rest of Buckinghamshire it simply hasn't taken off yet in Milton Keynes. The Lions club however continue to advocate its use.

Next meeting Tuesday 27th April Caldecotte