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## *BLACK AND WHITE EVENING A SELL OUT SUCCESS FOR POWERED WHEELCHAIR APPEAL!*



The Powered Wheelchair Appeal recently organised their annual "Black and White" evening and it was a sell out with members, friends and supporters enjoying great food, music and entertainment.

On the night Claudia Dickens from Keedays Event Management attended and she had the pleasure of presenting a £621 donation from the Christmas Fayre raffle held recently at Northwich Memorial Hall – the Appeal thanked Claudia for her support and generous donation.

Also on the night 2 more powered wheelchairs were presented which brings the total to 339. The first was presented to 11 year old Gemma Conery from Ashton Hayes. Gemma attends Bishop Heber High School in Chester and has raised thousands of pounds for the Cheshire based charity "Miles of

Smiles" after enjoying a trip to Disneyland organised by the charity. The second chair was presented to 13 year old Poppy from Middlewich who attends Sandbach Girls School and wants to go to Oxford or Cambridge University and become an accountant. Both girls were accompanied by their families and friends and are now looking forward to the independence their new chairs will give them.

The Appeal would like to thank Claudia and all their supporters for their generosity and attendance and were delighted that a further £980 was raised on the night.



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## HELSEBY GOLF CLUB POWERED WHEELCHAIR APPEAL ENJOYS A MEGA DAY!



Helsby GC recently hosted their 14<sup>th</sup> Merseyside Entertainers Golfing Association (MEGA) Day. After everyone had enjoyed a fine afternoon of golf, the highlight of the day was the presentation of the 337<sup>th</sup> Powered Wheelchair Appeal wheelchair to Johnny Barber from Lymm. Johnny is studying for his "A" levels at Altrincham High School and is hoping to go on to University to study maths. His new wheelchair will help him to be independent there and also allow him to continue with his hobby of singing in a choir called "Simply Voices" which perform at a variety of charity events.

Winners of the golf competition on the day were Rachel and Hugo Steven and Hazel Jones from Helsby and the MEGA player – singer Joe Wall.

In the evening, the clubhouse was packed with members and supporters who enjoyed the great entertainment provided by the MEGA Stars – compere and vocalist Eddie Daley, vocalist Louise Rogan, comedian Denny Waters and vocalist and instrumentalist Bryan Kramer. It was a fantastic evening thoroughly enjoyed by everyone!

Thanks go to all our supporters and the MEGA team who helped raise over £2,000 for the Appeal.

Photo shows Johnny, Helsby GC officials and the MEGA team



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## *NORTHWICH CHRISTMAS FAYRE FUNDRAISER FOR POWERED WHEELCHAIR APPEAL*



A Christmas Fayre was recently organised by a local lady Claudia Dickens who owns and runs KeeDays Event Management. The Fayre was a huge success and Claudia very kindly agreed to donate the raffle proceeds from the day to the Powered Wheelchair Appeal at Helsby Golf Club. Residents of Northwich and surrounding areas visited the Northwich Memorial Court on Saturday 28th November to support the event and many children enjoyed the opportunity to meet Santa in his Grotto!

Claudia said "I cannot thank supporters of the event enough". There were over 45 local suppliers offering a wide range of items including Cakes, Floristry, Crafts, Gift, Beauty, Pet Products, both Men's & Ladies Accessories, Photography and more. Martin Pawlett Photography offered

family portraits for £10 which were printed onsite, an ideal Family Christmas Gift.

Local businesses and exhibitors donated raffle prizes and the fantastic sum of £621 was raised for the Powered Wheelchair Appeal. The Committee of the Appeal would like to thank all who donated, it is much appreciated. Also, they would like to thank Claudia for her support and hard work.

In view of the fantastic success of this event, Claudia is already planning for 2016 so save the date 26th November in your diary for next year!



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## *POWERED WHEELCHAIR DONATION BY ELLESMERE PORT LIONS – JULY 2015*



One of the regular supporters of the Helsby Golf Club Powered Wheelchair Appeal is the Ellesmere Port Lions Group and they recently had the pleasure of presenting their latest donation of £500. The Lions are the largest Community Service Organisation in the world and are made up of local people from all walks of life who want to put something back into the community and have some fun while doing it! They raise money from the local community by such as collections, teddy bear stalls etc and then donate it to approved causes. The Powered Wheelchair Appeal are very grateful for this kind donation.

Photo shows at the back Bert Dyson and far right Penny Ainsworth from the Powered Wheelchair Appeal together with left Judy Stewart and centre Margaret Marsh from the Lions

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## POWERED WHEELCHAIR CLASSIC – 11 JUNE 2015



The annual fundraising "Wheelchair Classic" for the Powered Wheelchair Appeal was held recently with approximately 160 supporters enjoying a fantastic day with the golf competition held in in fabulous sunny weather!

The golfing honours on the day were as follows –

Ladies competition – Jackie Eve and Ruth Metcalfe

Men's competition – John Butler and Ryan Edgehill

After golf there were various fundraising activities including raffles, auctions and a bottle tombola (The Appeal committee are once again very grateful to members of the golf club and supporters of the Appeal who donated these bottles over the course of the last couple of months!). The main focus of the evening was the presentation of 4 powered wheelchairs to local deserving youngsters and this brings the total number donated by the Appeal to 336 over the last 33 years. For the presentation of the chairs, the Appeal were delighted that football legend Stuart Pearson and the club officials – President Ken Woodward, Captain Colin Ford and Lady Captain Marjorie Trow could join them to do the honours!

The wheelchairs were presented on the night to –

14 year old Ben Callender from Penketh who attends St Gregory's School in Warrington. Ben had a chair from the Appeal in 2008 at the Moore Foundation Golf Day. Ben's sport is wheelchair racing and he races for Stockport Harriers and was just back from Switzerland after competing in the Swiss Nationals.

11 year old Danny Griffiths from Holmes Chapel and he attends St Nicholas School in Hartford. Danny plays Botcher (wheelchair bowls) for his school and has a dog called Puggle (a cross between a pug and beagle). Danny is a keen Everton supporter.

15 year old Jake Hesp from Nantwich and he attends Hebden Green School. Jake had a chair from the Appeal in 2006 and is a keen Stoke City fan. He loves his computer and also likes a wide range of music and all technology.

18 year old Jason Weaver from Sandwich. Jason is studying history at Manchester University and loves music especially blues and folk. He is a keen Liverpool football supporter.

All the recipients were supported on the night by their families.

A fantastic sum of approximately £20,000 was raised on the day and the club and Wheelchair Appeal would like to thank all the local businesses in Helsby & Frodsham, Chester and Ellesmere Port, Widnes and St Helens who supported them with donations and prizes. Particular thanks must go to the event main sponsor Jigsaw Law. Of course huge thanks must also go to the golfers including members from Helsby Golf Club and other local clubs and also regular supporters from farther afield in Yorkshire, London, Scotland, the Midlands and Norfolk.

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## POWERED WHEELCHAIR APPEAL CHORAL EVENING WITH WEAVER VALLEY WI – 5 JUNE 2015



A wonderful evening of music was recently enjoyed at Helsby Methodist Church with a fantastic choral performance by the Weaver Valley WI choir. There was a wide range of delightful songs performed by the choir and monies raised on the evening amounting to £752 were very kindly donated by the choir to the Helsby Golf Club Powered Wheelchair Appeal. The evening was organised by Lynn Woodward from the WI and her husband Ken is the current president at Helsby Golf Club. Some of the choir were just back from Buckingham Palace where they had attended a Queen's garden party to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the WI – all in all a hectic week!

As part of the evening, the Appeal was delighted to be able to present their 332nd chair to 9 year old May Russell from Helsby. May attends Dee Banks School in Chester and loves arts, crafts and animals. The Lady Captain Marjorie Trow presented the wheelchair to May who was accompanied on the night by her mum Debbie, sister Clarissa and brother Ptolomy and is looking forward to the independence the wheelchair will bring.

The Appeal would like to thank all their supporters, the Weaver Valley WI Choir, and the volunteers at Helsby Methodist Church who made the evening possible – many thanks!

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## POWERED WHEELCHAIR APPEAL SPRING DANCE – 14 MARCH 2015



Helsby Golf Club PWA's annual Spring Dance was held on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March and once again it was an excellent evening. This year it had an Irish theme as it was close to St Patrick's Day with an appropriate table quiz and delicious Irish food.

Proceedings began with the presentation of a powered wheelchair to Megan Allmark aged 16 from Ellesmere Port – this is the 331st chair donated by the appeal.

Megan was accompanied on the night by her parents John and Beverley. Also Megan was delighted to have her good friend Tayler Farr and her family with her – Tayler was a previous recipient of a powered wheelchair from the appeal in 2010 and so is able to let Megan know what a difference her new wheelchair will make to her life!

Megan is studying Life Skills in the 6<sup>th</sup> form at Dorrin Park School. She enjoys shopping, music of all kinds and reading. She also attends the Buz Club youth centre.

Members and guests then enjoyed superb entertainment from Robbie Elliott whose music and jokes were really well appreciated.

Many thanks to all supporters who attended and helped raise over £320 for the appeal

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## POWERED WHEELCHAIR AGM REPORT 2015

POWERED WHEELCHAIR APPEAL 2015 AGM

Thursday 5th March 2015

The 9th Annual General Meeting of Helsby Golf Club's Powered Wheelchair Appeal was held at Helsby Golf Club on Thursday 5th March 2015.

Chairman, Alan Lee welcomed the Captain and Lady Captain of Helsby Golf Club and the supporters of the Appeal.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed and Alan then gave a presentation on the fundraising events that were held throughout 2014.

A grand total of £36,483 was raised and 11 powered wheelchairs were presented bringing the total to 330. Alan thanked a number of supporters who had raised funds for the Appeal in many different ways especially Keith O'Neil who had raised over £2,000 with his Charity Cycle Ride.

The audited annual accounts for the period ended 31st January 2015 were reviewed and unanimously approved.

HELSEBY GOLF CLUB - POWERED WHEELCHAIR APPEAL - 1115519		
ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31 JANUARY 2015		
AS AT 31 JANUARY 2015		
Balance b/fwd	100.00	100.00
Income	36,483.00	36,483.00
Expenditure	(36,483.00)	(36,483.00)
Balance c/fwd	100.00	100.00

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The following Officers and Trustees of the charity were re-elected for a period of 3 years:-

Mrs Penny Ainsworth, Secretary

Mrs Karen Fozard, Trustee

Mr Steve Cunniffe, Trustee

Mrs Kathryn Hoather, Trustee

Mr Alex Walters was welcomed and elected as a Trustee for 1 year.

Alan concluded his presentation by thanking all those members and friends who have supported the Appeal over the last 12 months. Without their help and generosity we would not be able to improve the lives of so many children with special needs giving them some independence and quality of life.

Ray Feldwick was unable to attend as he was abroad and so on his behalf, Alan gave a short presentation on the work of the Peter Alliss Masters Golfing Society (PAMGS) over the last 12 months. He highlighted that Helsby GC is still the greatest contributor, presenting 11 of the 34 chairs for 2014. Thanks were extended by PAMGS to Helsby GC for their continuing support.

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## *PWA CHINESE BANQUET EVENING – JANUARY 2015*

Members and supporters of the Helsby Golf Club Powered Wheelchair Appeal enjoyed their first event of 2015 recently at a super Chinese Banquet evening at the Fortune Palace in Delamere.

As on many previous evenings, the food was superb and everyone enjoyed a testing fun quiz and raffle but the highlight of the evening was undoubtedly the presentation of the PWA's 330th powered wheelchair to 13 year old Jason Thornton from Sale. Jason loves football, is a keen supporter of Manchester United and plays wheelchair football with Sale United. With Jason on the night were his mum Dawn, and dad Russell, and on behalf of the appeal, Immediate Past Captain Brian Prince, Lady Captain Janet Richards and President Ken Woodward, had the pleasure of presenting the wheelchair to Jason and his family.

A fantastic total of £900 was raised during the evening and as always a huge thanks must go to our wonderful supporters who braved the cold and frosty weather! Without this support many children and their families would struggle but the great news is the wheelchairs make such a difference to their lives. Many thanks must also go to Pat and her team at the Fortune Palace for their continued support and generosity – it is much appreciated.

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