

Ascot Relay For Life

Team Newsletter

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Please Note

There are items in this newsletter that require a response from team captains, it would be really helpful if you could respond as soon as possible to: ascotrelayteams@gmail.com

June Team Night

Thank you to the teams that came along to this meeting, in which we covered logistics, Candles of Hope and answered questions. All these are covered in this newsletter.

Sign Up

Please can Team Captains ensure all team members are signed up as soon as possible. We need to know numbers taking part so we can finalise plans.

Registration could close ten days before the event which means that anyone not signed up by that date may not be able to take part.

Team Captains can sign up team members—with their permission of course.

IMPORTANT

July Team Meeting

Change of date !!!

In the past we have had 2 Team nights in July to collect car passes, pitch numbers etc. We have decided this year we will just have the one on **July 11th**. If the team captain cannot attend this meeting, please could another team member come along. The meeting will be at 7.30 at the racecourse.

The 18th July will be a last minute committee planning meeting and if any team has not managed to collect their stuff on 11th they could call in on the evening of 18th at 7.30 to collect.

Fundraising

It's good to see so much fundraising going on, please let us know what you are doing as we can help publicise events. If you would like materials such as banners, posters and collecting buckets you can collect these at team nights (let Rose know beforehand) or by special arrangement with Rose.

On-line fundraising closes 6 weeks after Relay so you can still hold events after the Relay weekend.

Important Information for Relay Weekend

Water

This Year, we will not be supplying bottles of water—in an effort to reduce plastic usage. Therefore, please bring your own re-fillable water bottles. We will have water on tap so you can fill bottles easily. Also, please bring mugs for overnight tea and coffee etc as we will not be supplying paper/plastic cups to avoid waste.

Car Parking

At the moment, two cars per team will be allowed to park inside the Windsor Enclosure, everyone else will need to park in car park 6 adjacent to the entrance to the Relay. This may change when we know how many participants we have. Team members not staying the whole 24 hours will need to park in car park 6.

Pitches and Gazebos

Please let me know as soon as possible any teams that want to be next to each other. If I haven't heard by the end of June you will be assigned a random pitch.

With less teams than usual this year we will have the advantage of more space and therefore be able to offer bigger pitch sizes and have more flexibility about the size of gazebos. Please let us know if you wish to bring a bigger gazebo than 3x3m if you have not already done so.

We might have fewer teams but there will be no shortage on the fun and entertainment on offer and everyone is guaranteed a brilliant weekend of fun and inspiration,"

Cakes



We sell cakes on the tea stand in the main marquee and would like to ask if each team could supply a cake or small cakes which we can sell to visitors (and teams).

Volunteers

We need volunteers to help out over the weekend, jobs could include helping with car-parking, helping teams unload, selling tea and coffee, helping in the Candle of Hope area, helping to run an activity or helping to clear up on Sunday. If you know anyone who is able to help, even if just for a couple of hours please let us know as soon as possible.



Flower Power

Thank you to teams who helped sell flowers at Windsor Race For Life, we made over £1200. Thanks also to those helping at Basingstoke Race for Life this weekend



On The Day Fundraising

You will be able to have a fundraising stall outside your gazebo. However don't make this your main fundraising as we can't rely on huge visitor numbers.

Competitions and games are the sort of activities that do well and we are hoping you will take part in the theme of Relay and have a school fete style stall.

Please let us know as soon as possible what stall you will be having so that we can avoid too much duplication.



Candles of Hope

An easy way to fundraise is by selling Candles Of Hope. These decorated bags are placed round the track and light the way for those walking at night. Each bag represents someone either lost to cancer, a survivor or someone fighting cancer.

Simply ask people to decorate a bag, dedicate it and make a donation. You can get the donation gift-aided by using the Candle Of Hope Form available on the website.

Candles of Hope will also be available at Relay in the Candle of Hope tent.

School Sports

We are hoping to run School Sports over the Relay weekend as a team competition. These will include sports for adults, children and the non-athletic.

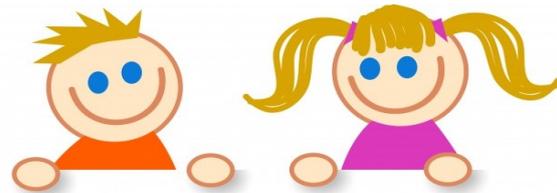
Children's Activities

We will have a children's tent at this year's Relay and there will be a programme of activities throughout the weekend with something different happening each time.

We will also have a Mole Hunt around the Relay Site which children can take part in, details will be available on the day.

Children are of course welcome to take part in all themed laps over the weekend.

In the evening there will be a bed-time story in the tent for children of all ages.



Entertainment

We have a full weekend of entertainment planned over the weekend including music, dancers and a magician. There is no Ascot's Got Talent this year, instead we hope to have a school concert with items performed by teams, just let us know if your team or individuals would like to take part.

Catering

Catering this year will be provided by The Chipsmyth who will be providing a variety of hot snacks and meals at reasonable prices.

We will have tea and cakes on sale in the main marquee all day for teams and visitors. Tea and coffee will be free overnight.

Reminder Team Captains

This is the time to read and re-read the information in the *On The day Booklet* sent to you when you registered. Also check the kit list for teams and individuals sent at the same time.

Please share with all your team members.

The information is available in the team resources area of the website