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Registered Charity No. 1177285

Improving the lives of teenagers and young adults suffering from cancer by providing gifts, financial support and bereavement grants. Also raising vital funds for research into childhood cancer whilst raising awareness.

Newsletter No.2 2020

2019 should have been Jordan's 21st year and with everyone's amazing support it was a year to remember, along with our supporters a fantastic amount was raised to help others.

£53,272.12 raised in 2019

Grants Awarded 2019

During 2019 we saw the applications of grants and wishes double, we granted 43 this year. This included 7 laptops, 5 phones and 2 iPads.

The areas we received the applications from ranged from Liverpool, Buckley, Pentre Halkyn, Connah's Quay, Mold, Wrexham, Rhyl, Holywell, Colwyn bay, Denbigh to our hometown of Flint.

Some of the grants awarded

- A financial grant to an 18 year old, who has Ewing's sarcoma for her to have a shopping trip and buy herself some new clothes
- Christina Aguilera tickets and an overnight stay to a young girl who is in palliative care with colon cancer
- A financial grant to a 23 year old, who has terminal osteosarcoma for him to make memories
- A Nintendo switch to a young boy suffering from lymphoma
- Pleasure beach tickets and spending money to a young boy who has Hodgkin's lymphoma
- A tablet and a gaming voucher to a 19 year old suffering from Lymphoma
- A financial grant to a family of a 15 year old boy suffering with terminal brain tumour to make precious memories



To all our supporters

We entered the year by deciding to undertake "21 events for Jord" as it was his 21st birthday. There was an overwhelming response from our supporters, many doing their own personal challenges. A huge thank you to everyone who climbed mountains such as Mount Elbrus in Russia, Machu Picchu in Peru, The Welsh Three Thousand Challenge, The Three Peaks, 12 hour challenge on Moel Famau all together raising thousands of pounds for the charity. There were also bike challenges, marathons and half marathons and hundreds of miles were walked.

We have been overwhelmed by your support and fundraising during an incredibly difficult year.

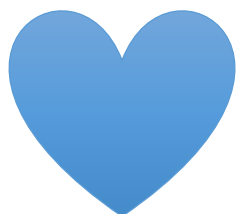
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2019 Events

We started the year with a **cinema night**, everyone enjoyed Bohemian Rhapsody with a glass of fizz. This has proved to be a popular event and there will be more planned for 2020.

The next big event was **Box For Giddo** which our ambassador Ieuan did such a fantastic job of organising. Many friends of Jordans took to the ring and gave a great performance on the night. Tickets sold out quickly and thousands of pounds was raised.

On a windy day in May a group of our supporters walked up and **down Moel Famau for 12 hours**. This took true determination and there were a lot of blisters towards the end.

Jordans Nana opened her garden to the public on a sunny day in May and many came enjoying the flowers, tea and the cakes.

On Jords actual birthday we were overwhelmed by how many people "**went blue for Jord**". It brought us some comfort seeing all the go blue selfies and tributes. We thought of something different in 2019 and had our first **Gin & Pyjama** night although people were reluctant at first to come out in their pyjamas the event was a huge success.

The **yearly Jordan Giddins Memorial Football Tournament** saw the teams compete for the trophies. It was very close with Gid Saints winning on goal difference. The second **Rock for Giddo** 2019 saw a full night of fantastic live music. Once again well attended and rocking the town. We ended the year with a bigger and better **Craft Fayre** than prior years, this year included fantastic local chiors and santa in his grotto.

Grace Parry was one of the young people we gave a gift to whilst she battled cancer herself. As she underwent treatment, she raised thousands of pounds for charity and gave £2000 to our charity. We were overwhelmed by her resilience and kindness.



Giddos Goodie Boxes

In March 2019 we were delighted to be granted £2,500 from the national lottery community fund. This was for us to provide Giddos Goodie boxes in all North Wales Hospitals for teenagers and young adults to enjoy whilst they are in hospital having treatments.

Currently we provide the boxes for the children's wards in Glan Clwyd, Wrexham and Bangor as well as Alder Hey and Clatterbridge TYA Units. We have also started to provide smaller boxes in Glan Clwyd, Wrexham and Bangor adult cancer treatment centres for those aged up to 25.



September Go Gold

We received a lot of positive comments about our gold bows on the trees in flint high street raising awareness. We honoured all our angels during September by writing messages from loved ones on gold butterflies and putting them across the suspension bridge in Chester as well as putting yellow roses into the River Dee Chester. Our tributes appeared in Cheshire Live newspaper and this is exactly what we were hoping for as more awareness equals more research and better treatments. This year we hope to do the same and will be asking shops and business in Flint to go gold to raise awareness with us.



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Natural Beauty International

A beauty pageant system whereby the contestants compete for beauty titles whilst raising a lot of money for charities and carry out community work. We were extremely lucky that we became their charity of the year 2019 and they worked tirelessly to raise a fantastic **£18,609.37**

A friendly hard working system which we have enjoyed watching fundraising for us. We are thrilled that they are supporting us in 2020 too.



Charity of the year 2019

We were privileged to be chosen as "Charity of the year 2019" for Northop Golf Club and KK Fine Foods Factory in Deeside.

An amazing £3,568.00 was raised by golf captains Trevor and Brenda by various fund raising events during the year.

KK Fine Foods raised an amazing £5,500 by various fundraising events which the whole factory took part in.

Anne Claire Jones also supported us throughout the year by undertaking a gruelling challenge of 21 runs over 10km during the year raising over £1000.



Supporters For 2020

We are so pleased to have the support of Natural Beauty International and KK Fine Foods. We are also being supported by Tesco Bags of Help so every time you shop in Holywell or Flint Tesco pop a blue coin in our box. We have also been chosen by Co-op as one of their charities to benefit when anyone shops in their stores.

Register to support us online
coop.co.uk/membership

2020 Upcoming Events

Come along to our first Race Night, something different for us but should be a great night on 20th March 2020
Gin & Pyjama Night May 25th, 2020, this was a huge success last year and lots of fun was had by all. (Pyjama's optional)

See our events page for other events we are holding and keep an eye on social media for more information.
Please turn to the next page to view the upcoming events.

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2020 Events

Christmas Craft Fayre

29th November



Bone Cancer

awareness month
Whole of October

Afternoon Tea

Date to be confirmed



Go **GOLD for**
Childhood Cancer
awareness
Whole month of
September



Rock for Giddo

Date to be confirmed



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Race Night

in Mountain Park
20th March



Church Coffee Morning

6th March

Gin & Pyjama Night

15th May



Open Garden

31st May



Go BLUE for Jord + Bake sale

26th June



Golf & Football Tournaments

Date to be confirmed



Memory Walk in Anglesey

29th August



Flint Festival

4th July



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