

# Hamelin Trust Monthly

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## Ford Volunteering Day

We were delighted to welcome back a team of volunteers from Ford, Warley and Dunton at our Sutton Bridge Farm site based in Rochford on Wednesday 14th October, 2015.

Jilian Bissett from Ford, originally contacted Hamelin Trust to offer support in 2014 as her friend had used our services. The staff teams from Ford over the last year have made a huge difference to our site. Fiona Stringer from Ford, put Hamelin Trust forward for their Ford Global Fund earlier this year. Being successful with this funding made a massive difference, as it paid for all the materials needed for this

volunteering day. The volunteers laid concrete flooring to an out building on site, which was the first phase of converting this building into a tea room/training facility. The tea room will be an extension of our Day Opportunities service. Our aim is to increase learning experiences for adults with disabilities, supporting individuals to learn new skills in food preparation and customer service. Ford volunteers were very hands on throughout the day, carrying out various tasks around the site from clearing pathways and undergrowth in our woodland area, to digging and laying a path and paving slabs in our Roots and Shoots horticulture project. The volunteers made such a big difference and the developments will help us to continue supporting adults with learning disabilities and physical impairments at this site. Fiona Stringer said "The team enjoyed working at Hamelin Trust and especially this time as we were able to donate money to make a real difference."

## Easy Fundraising

It's a simple way to collect FREE donations for Hamelin Trust every time you shop online this Christmas as well as throughout the rest of the year, it doesn't cost you a penny extra !! Join- Go to [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) and sign up for free. Every time you shop online, head to Easy fundraising first. There are nearly 3,000 retailers on board, so simply pick the one you want and start shopping. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a free donation to your good cause – it doesn't cost you a penny. The app makes it even easier to collect free donations! Go to [easyfundraising.org.uk/hamelintrust](http://easyfundraising.org.uk/hamelintrust)

## **Skydive**

Join our team of 14!!

Raise money for Hamelin Trust and tick skydiving off your bucket list. The skydive is free!! the fee will be taken out of the jumpers fundraising. Any money raised over the fee, goes to Hamelin Trust. We currently have a team of 14 people and we are looking to book the sky-dive for March/April 2016. Its not to late !! If you are interested and want to know more

## **Volunteer Team**

We are always looking for new people to join our dedicated team of volunteers. So maybe you have a friend or family member, or know someone who has some time available that they could spare for us, and would be interested in becoming a volunteer and supporting the work that we do, please ask them to contact me on 01277 314235.

Many thanks  
Maria Sims  
Volunteer Co-ordinator

## **Craft and Farmers Market**

On Sunday 4th October Michael Wheeler and Nicky Evans represented the Trust on a stand at the Thorpe Bay Craft and Farmers Market. This is a morning market held on the first Sunday of every month from 9.30am – 12.30pm at St. Augustines Church Hall, Johnstone Road, Thorpe Bay. Michael is a senior support worker in our Furniture Restoration project, he spoke to people about the different methods of upholstery and furniture repair which is taught to adults we support in the project. Nicky is our fundraiser and was updating people on events coming up and making people aware of the charity's work overall. Thank you to Jo Judge who organises this event for giving us the opportunity to promote. We look forward to attending this event on the first Sunday of every month come down and support your local charity!

## **Christmas Campaign 2015**

**Help us bring smiles to 200 faces!!!**

Our aim is to give every child and adult we support in our services a Christmas present. Just £10 will give one child or adult a Christmas present!!

To donate please visit  
[www.crowdfunder.co.uk/hamelin-trust-christmas-presents](http://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/hamelin-trust-christmas-presents)

## **Buddy the Hamelin Travelling Bear**

Buddy travelled to our Sutton Bridge Farm site to give a helping paw to ford who were volunteering for the day!!

Buddy also travelled to The Hub to give a helping paw to the staff and volunteer putting up our Christmas decorations.

Would you like to take Buddy travelling with you?

If so please contact Nicky on 01277 314232

## **Notice of Thanks**

### **John Holbrook**

Thank you for volunteering as our quiz master at our quiz on 19th October. We really appreciate your support!!

### **Tom Brennan.**

Thank you for making 2 pots of pumpkin and parsnip soup for the Sutton Bridge Farm Open Day, it went down a treat!!

### **Harvest donations**

#### **Christ Church, Ingatestone and Sunnymede Junior School.**

Thank you for the harvest donation for Hamelin House!!  
the children we support will benefit from your donation.

### **Billericay Beavers**

Thank you for fundraising for Hamelin House at your recent lunch.

We were delighted to be presented with a cheque for £250!!

## **Fundraising news**

### **16th October**

Hutton Manor School cheque presentation. It was wonderful to have the students from Hutton Manor School, fundraising for Hamelin Trust. They raised a fantastic £1,400 for the charity which makes a huge difference. A big thank you to all the students who participated, from everyone at Hamelin Trust!!

### **19th October**

Quiz Night. We held our Quiz Night at the Billericay Football Club. Thank you to all who participated in the Quiz, helped to organise the event and for the kind donations for our raffle. A special thanks to Billericay Football Club for the Venue and John Holbrook our volunteer quiz master! We raised £146 on the night. All monies help us to continue supporting children and adults with disabilities in our services.

Well done to the winning team!

### **28th October**

Was the Sutton Bridge Farm open day. We had stalls selling pumpkins and other produce grown at Roots and Shoots. There was also a stand from the Epilepsy Support Group who was talking to our service users and the public about Epilepsy .

### **30th October**

#### **Barleylands Fun Walk Cheque presentation**

On 12th July 2015 we carried out the Barleylands Fun Walk, and 5 walkers raised sponsorship money for Hamelin Trust. On top of this sponsorship money we were awarded another £401 from the Bonus Pot money – this increased our fundraising to £846, a big thank you to all who was involved. If you would like to get involved in next year's Fun Walk please send an email to [nickyevans@hamelintrust.org.uk](mailto:nickyevans@hamelintrust.org.uk) or contact Nicky for further details on 01277 314232

## **Dates for your Diary**

### **12th November**

is our Fashion show at Day Opps 1:30-4 the event will showcase items of clothing that the service users in Sew Much Fun have made and also our staff and service users will model clothes items from the shop.

### **15th November**

is the Craft Show at the Mills Hall Rayleigh 9:30-3:30.  
We have a stall selling children's books, toys and clothes.

### **16th November**

we have an information stand at Chelmsford community college  
17:30-20:00. We will be talking to parents and pupils about all the services we provide.

### **26th November**

is the lighting up Rayleigh High Street event 16:00 -18:30.  
We have a stall with Christmas games and Tombola.

### **28th November**

is lighting up Brentwood High Street event 12:00-19:00.  
We have a stall on the high street with Christmas games and Tombola raising money for Hamelin Trust.

### **3rd December**

is the Charity Fayre at the Civic Centre, Southend 9:00-15:00.  
We have a stand promoting Hamelin Trust and providing Christmas games.

### **5th December**

is the Rochford farmers market at the WI Hall 9:00-12:00.  
We have a regular stand selling fresh fruit and vegetables grown at Roots and Shoots.

### **6th December**

is the Billericay Christmas market 8:30-17:30.  
We have a stand with Christmas games and Tombola, in the High Street

## **Job Vacancies - Closing Date 31/11/15**

### **Senior Support Worker**

Part time to include weekend cover Hamelin House Billericay short break service for children with disabilities. We require a Senior Support worker - up to 22.5 hours per week to work flexibly at Hamelin House covering shifts on occasional weekdays but predominantly at weekends

### **Weekend Support Workers**

up to 15 hours per week at Gowlands, Rochford short break service for adults with disabilities Flexible cover for weekend shifts

### **Part time Cook/Cleaner**

at Gowlands, Rochford short break service for adults with disabilities.  
Up to 5 shifts per week (15 hrs per week) approx 4pm 'til 7pm to include alternate weekends

### **Part time Hydrotherapy Pool Cleaner**

at our Hydrotherapy Pool in Rochford 12 hours a week  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday (17.30 to 20.30)

### **Relief Support Workers Days and Nights**

We urgently require relief support workers in all of our services

### **Senior Support Worker and**

### **Full time Support Workers**

various roles Full time, part time and relief roles available.

The vacancies available within U matter 2 offer flexibility of working in a diverse and rewarding role, particularly for those looking for evening and weekend work. Carer's Support project,

U Matter 2 is our newest and expanding service working directly with and for carers - enabling them to have some quality 'me time' in activities away from or alongside the person that they care for and offering practical help within their own homes.

**Please look at our website [www.hamelintrust.org.uk](http://www.hamelintrust.org.uk) for full details of the current vacancies and for application forms. Alternatively, please phone HR at Central Office on 01277 653889**

## **Meet Our Trustee**

I'm Adam and I've been a Trustee of Hamelin Trust since March 2015 (hence a relative newcomer!). What attracted me to want to join the Trust? Walking past Hamelin House each day sparked my initial interest to find out more, and as soon as I saw all the great work the Trust does, I just had to become a part of it. It's amazing how much Hamelin Trust achieves and that's all down to those who work and volunteer here, those who support the trust in a multitude of ways and of course our service users and carers. As a Trustee, the service I've taken the lead for is Hamelin House and I sit as a member of the Finance Committee. For me, being a Trustee is all about ensuring Hamelin Trust is well governed while delivering its vision. Outside of my Trustee role, I work full time as IT Director for a company that sells Copyright Licences. Please do say hello if you see me around. It would be great to meet you.

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