



BYHP

Supporting Young People in Housing Need
Across Oxfordshire

WINTER 2007/8

BYHP exists to support and assist young people in finding and maintaining a safe home from which they may be assisted to determine their own opportunities in life

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SPRING BALL AT BROUGHTON CASTLE

On Saturday, 19th April 2008, by very kind invitation of Lord and Lady Saye and Sele. Please contact Joanna Cook on 07880 741160 to book a table for 10 at £750.



CHRISTMAS CARDS

This lovely Christmas card was designed by Emily Gerrard, aged 16, a pupil at Sibford School and is available from Dennis Michael Hairdressers, Sibford Ferris Village Shop, Banbury Museum, Appearances Hair & Beauty Salon, 20 Horton View, The Red Lion Pub, Cropredy and Piccante Delicatessen Parson's Street or via the BYHP website at: www.byhp.org.uk

CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING FOR BYHP

Dine in Style at Veritas and support BYHP. Veritas Wine Bar and Bistro, recently featured in BBC's "The Restaurant" has very kindly agreed to give each diner in December the option to support BYHP, by adding just £1 to their bill.

Enjoy wonderful modern Anglo-French cuisine at its best prepared by Raymond Blanc and trained chef Thierry Errante. This will help affect the lives of homeless young people in your community.

Telephone Veritas on 01295 224890 to make your reservation.



CRÊPE MAKING LAUNCH

On November 25th at the Christmas Lights Switch On, BYHP will be launching a Crêpe Stall, one of its new business initiatives for Young People. This is designed so that some of our young people can be supported into setting up and running a business. All profits will be shared between the Young People and BYHP.

FUNDRAISING REPORT

ART EXHIBITION

Mr. and Mrs. John Bell kindly hosted a weekend of spectacular art, open gardens and teas in May, raising £3,400. A record number of visitors visited the gardens and exhibition featuring work from over 25 local artists. We are so grateful to all the artists and visitors, to John and Margot Bell for allowing us to invade their lovely home and to Margot for organising such a wonderful exhibition.



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PICTURED: (left to right) Mrs. Margot Bell, Jenny Harris, John Bell, Joanna Cook and Lady Saye & Sele

LOCAL SUPPORT

Thank you so much to all those schools, churches and individuals who donate much needed funds from their own fundraising events, you are too numerous to mention. There are

many happy endings for the young people at BYHP and support such as yours will help us to ensure that this will continue.

For more information or to make a donation please visit us at: www.byhp.org.uk

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BLenheim TRIATHLON

FAIRPORT'S CROPREDY CONVENTION

Once again, this very popular stall was run entirely by volunteers at Cropredy's Fairport Convention Music Festival. Sales of second hand ladies clothes and jewellery raised nearly £1,000. Thank you so much to all of you who made it happen.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Tudor Hall School played host in September to a tennis tournament which raised over £2000. We are so grateful to everyone who played tennis, brought cakes and canapes and generally joined in, especially to Simon Bradshaw for his brilliant organisation of the event and of course Tudor Hall for so generously allowing us to use their tennis courts.

The Blenheim Triathlon on 2nd June raised an amazing £5,500 for BYHP. We are so proud of all our wonderfully athletic participants including BYHP's own Young People Craig, Scott and Luke who swam 400m across the freezing lake followed by a 10km bike ride in blistering sun and a 2 km run over what seemed like the most hilly countryside in Oxfordshire! Thank you so much to all our sponsors and participants for their fantastic support.



UPDATE ON BYHP'S SERVICES

We have a very busy winter ahead at BYHP. Our recently expanded mediation service is having fantastic results, helping young people to re-establish relationships with their families and where possible move back home. Client numbers seem to be ever increasing and the lack of suitable accommodation means that a lot of our work is becoming preventative. We are running lots of life skill classes including budgeting and cooking skills and helping young people to find jobs.



Competitors enjoying a well-earned break!

ASSERTIVE OUTREACH

The Assertive Outreach Project at BYHP was set up in August of last year as a result of funds raised at a wonderful drinks party at the home of Sir Dominic and Lady Cadbury, organised entirely by volunteers.

The Assertive Outreach worker goes out into the community, often at night, to engage with vulnerable young people who are not currently accessing BYHP or who have lost contact with their families

and local support services. For some Young People this can be a relatively quick process; for others with more deep rooted issues it may take some time to get them to a point where they are ready to engage with us, even on an informal basis.

The post has been very successful. We are visiting local schools with a presentation on the realities of homelessness,

in the hope that this will make young people think twice before just leaving home impulsively. We have worked with a number of Young People, helping them to access supported housing projects and privately rented accommodation and linking them in with BYHP's other services to help them to move their lives on.

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