



HORIZONS' Children's Sailing Charity ~ Plymouth, Devon

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100 NUMBERS

This month our numbers were drawn by our UPS Driver and witnessed by Will Clancy at Horizons

The winning numbers are

48 - £25

72 - £15

70 - £10



FOCUS ON COLLECTING BOXES

Each month we will be putting up a photo of a collecting box site to support the great people who allow us to put a box on their premises and to thank them for their most generous support.

This month it is the Chucky Wagon just up the road in Richmond Walk and is the first place that accepted our collecting boxes. Thank you to Kelly for allowing us to take all the 1p's and 2p's from the taxi drivers that use this site regularly. It is rumoured that a couple of our older sailors have an account there for their all-day breakfasts!!



(Left: Kelly preparing James & Will's lunches (rumoured of course!))

GOODBYE FACEBOOK, HELLO HORIZONS BLOG, TWITTER AND YOUTUBE!!

This month we will be shutting down our Facebook account and replacing it with the Horizons Blog. The link to the communications page is: www.horizonsplymouth.org/html/chat_page.html

Please do visit the page and check out the links, there is also one to CEOP (internet safety run by the police). Go to the blog site to see what's new and sign up for updates. Updates can be directed to various media including your own Facebook and twitter accounts as well as e-mails. Please do comment on the articles posted and we encourage you to post up comments suggestions ideas or anything you are doing that mentions or includes Horizons.

This is a great forum for all of Horizons helpers, friends, volunteers and sailors to stay in touch and to become involved.

Don't forget to check out the Horizons videos. If there are any questions please contact Craig or speak to Nick on Thursday nights (he's the one that is taking us out of the steam age...)

BISHOP FLEMMING

We had a very nice cheque from all the staff at Bishop Fleming this month, it was the profits from their Tuck Shop (it's not only schools that have tuck shops evidently) and an office Grand National Sweepstake.

Bishop Fleming are one of our corporate sponsors and regularly assist in fundraising and supporting activities. Thank you to all the eaters and punters, perhaps there is a way of combing both. Ideas to Craig for next month....



GHANAIS GO HORIZONS SAILING

Thursday evening we were visited by a group of Ghanaians on a volunteering exchange program with BTCV.



Horizons offered the group the opportunity to join our young people on the water for the experience of sailing in Plymouth Sound. Some even took the plunge to get into the smallest of dinghies. It was a great experience for them and Horizons sailors took advantage of asking questions about Ghana and their stay in Plymouth.



PUFFING BILLY

Our first Thursday was a busy evening starting with the naming and dedication of our new Laser Pico. Names were pulled out of a hat and Lottie Molesworth won the honour of naming the boat.

The citation that Lottie read said "On behalf of all of the sailors at Horizons I would like to thank The Hedley Foundation for buying us this new Pico. In honour of their founder William Hedley who made the first steam engine in 1817 - I name this Pico PUFFING BILLY" The Rev Bill Weldon who is a Horizons Trustee gave a short speech, a prayer and blessed "Puffing Billy" and all who sailing in her.



'More smiles'

'and lots more smiles'



We were also thanking our local radio station – Heart FM. They supported us with a grant to purchase replacement buoyancy aids, wet weather clothing and also assisting us with the rent of our classroom/store within Mayflower Marina. Heart FM "Angles" came representing their Charity and brought lots of goodie bags.

The Chairman Mr Rod O'Connor thanked Heart FM on behalf of everyone that attends Horizons.



BTCV FESTIVAL
On Saturday, Craig was invited to take a Horizons notice board and a rowing machine to talk to the visitors at, The Volunteers Festival held on the Piazza in Plymouth City Centre to celebrate the work of volunteers and volunteering.

Alex (pictured below) one of our young drivers joined us at the same time as the Deputy Lord Mayor, Jonathan Drea, giving Craig and Alex the opportunity to talk about "Friendship of Plymouth" and the work of Horizons. It was a good day and it gave us the opportunity to tell the general public and potential volunteers about the work we are doing.

Thank you to Emily and Larissa at BTCV for the invitation.



SMILES FROM FRIENDS AND FAMILIES

A great day out was had on the 15th April with a group of children, carers and parents from Friends and Families of special Children. We took 'Friendship' and a Hawk up to Saltash for a picnic lunch and playing with the trains (in the play area). For some it was the opportunity for a quick inspection of a local hostelry!.

Saltash is a great stop over for these types of activities as the public quay just north of the two bridges is perfect for 'Friendship', the wheelchair ramp and the close location of toilets. It was a great day out and the sun shone and everyone who wished to got a chance to drive friendship and sail a Hawk.



'Smiles'

AND SOME USEFUL LINKS...

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<http://www.youtube.com/user/HorizonsCSC>

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