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- Plus all of our collection tin holders and personal donations made at the various events

How You Can Help

Have you thought about a legacy?

Our personal circumstances can suddenly and irreversibly take a change for the worse. Founded in 1843, The Rainy Day Trust has a responsibility to provide for an uncertain future, but we cannot do it on our own.

You can help us meet that challenge, without incurring any immediate outlay to yourself, by leaving a Legacy to the Trust in your Will.

Making a Will is the only way of ensuring that your affairs are handled properly after you have passed on. It is simple to do and relatively inexpensive.

A Will shields your surviving family from complex legal procedures and additional burdens after your death. Once made, a Will needs to be kept up to date, particularly after changes in circumstances such as birth, marriage or death.

By helping The Rainy Day Trust in this way you can make a significant difference to future colleagues who either are, or will be, in need of our



help in the future. There are many other ways you can help the Charity:

- Membership – Partner/Corporate/Personal
- Donation
- Payroll donation
- Personal fund-raising
- Shared fund-raising
- Collection tin
- Recycling old mobile telephones, ink cartridges
- Raffle prizes

Please get in touch if you require more information.



Collection Tins

Since January, we have collected a whopping £737.18 via the tins on counter tops and reception desks.

Thank you to everyone for counting the pennies and sending in the donations.

“Help us to help more people, please send us your donation”



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Christmas Choices

It's that time of the year when the Rainy Day Trust organises hampers for our beneficiaries to enjoy over the festive period.

Unfortunately some were unable to enjoy the hamper due to dietary requirements so we decided to look at alternatives. This year we have offered a choice of either a gift card to spend at a local supermarket or continue to receive the hamper.

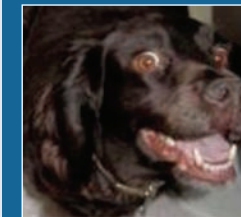
We have had a tremendous response to the options, and everyone is really grateful to be able to select their preference.

Donations from The Ironmongers' Company and The Worshipful Company of Tin Plate Workers Alias Wire Workers have funded the majority of these gifts. A huge THANK YOU goes to these two organisations.

Happy Christmas to you all!



The shower temperature is safely controlled to prevent scalding



visiting customers and soliciting orders. All this was coincident with bringing up two children: her son Philip and daughter Lesley.

Although sadly widowed 27 years ago, Mary has a new companion, Paddy, a three year old Sussex spaniel recently rescued from a difficult environment and now a very lively part of her life.

Our Beneficiaries

In the Summer newsletter we mentioned Doris our oldest beneficiary reaching the grand age of 102 – but we now have another beneficiary who is 103. A very warm welcome to you Gertrude. Did you know that our youngest beneficiary is 47?

We have also had a few milestone birthdays this year, with one of our beneficiaries reaching the wonderful age of 90, 5 celebrating their 80th birthdays and 4 their 70th birthdays. The cards and flowers we send on these occasions help brighten the darkest of days and we have received some lovely thank you's.



If you'd like to see your logo here, please contact Diane on: 0121 237 1130

Why Are We Here?

So far we have received 85 pleas for assistance this year. This has resulted in the Rainy Day Trust awarding 7 new annual awards and numerous one off grants from between £50 - £499.

In total since January we have paid out:

Grants	£94,748
Assistance with TV Licence	£500
Assistance with Telephone Bills	£3,372
Holiday Grants	£900
Funeral Grants	£200

That's a total of £99,720 to assist those people who find themselves in really difficult circumstances from within our own industries.

Some of the projects we have helped with this year include:

- Riser/reclining chairs
- Central heater
- Bathroom renovations
- New carpets
- New vacuums, cookers and washing machines
- Training
- Adjustable beds
- Computer hardware/repairs
- Installation of handrails
- Assistance with medical treatment
- Replacement keys
- External property repairs – eg faulty guttering
- Care home fees
- Electrical re-wiring

Extremely Grateful Of The Help

Shirley became a new Rainy Day Trust beneficiary earlier in the year. Stanley – Shirley's husband has unfortunately been in and out of hospital for the past few months, and they have been really struggling to make ends meet.

In Shirley's own words "we would not have been able to manage without the help of the Rainy Day Trust. We really do struggle and it was a really nice touch when we received the letter regarding the Christmas hamper/voucher. You are a great help."

From all at the Rainy Day Trust – we hope you will soon be feeling better Stanley.

More Rainy Day Partners

Sincere thanks go to our new Partners who signed up following the Summer newsletter.

Reisser Limited is a national distributor of a wide and varied range of high performance woodscrews, ancillary products and power tool accessories for the joinery, construction, electrical and allied trades. All products are aimed at the professional market.

Reisser is a privately owned company based in Stockport, Cheshire and employs 38 people. They operate from 3 warehouses and have an extensive showroom as well as testing areas.

Barrettine - a family owned Group which employs around 70 people has over 130 years of expertise in the chemical industry. Their head office – a 3 1/2 acre site – is based in Bristol near Junction 18 of the M4. Barrettine delivers to its key markets through four trading divisions – Barrettine Environmental Health, Barrettine Products, Barrettine Industrial and Woodman Hill Limited.



Rachael Lyon during her tandem parachute jump



Industry Leaps For Charity

Around 18 brave volunteers from the DIY, home and garden industry took part in a tandem parachute jump raising funds for the Rainy Day Trust.

The jump, from a height of 13,500 ft, included a 45-second, 120mph freefall before the parachute is deployed.

Sponsorship money is still pouring in after the feat but it's estimated that around £15,000 has been raised.

A huge well done to everyone who took part and a massive THANK YOU to those who made a donation.

We'll be "leaping" again next year, please contact us for more details if you're feeling brave!

Brocket Hall Golf Classic



Brocket Hall once again hosted the exclusive Rainy Day Trust Golf Classic sponsored by Akzo Nobel.

Set in the magnificent grounds of Brocket Hall, Hertfordshire, 100 of the industry's top and budding golfers took to the challenging course in some very windy conditions and some particularly impressive golf was recorded.

Top performer on the day was Simon Dyer from Akzo Nobel scoring 40 points just beating off second placed Justin Phillips a guest of the Business Design Centre for the Presidents Cup.

Top team was won convincingly by David

NMBS Dinner Raises Thousands For Rainy Day Trust

Prize draw at dinner dance event brings in £20,000 for buying group's chosen charities RDT and Crash.

850 guests who attended the 39th annual NMBS dinner dance event enjoyed talks from NMBS non-executive chairman Tim Allen and md Chris Hayward, who presented the first 'I Love Independents' Awards ceremony.



Prize draws on the night helped raise a collective total of £20,000 for industry charity the Rainy Day Trust and homeless aid organisation Crash. The prize from the main draw, which was sponsored by Makita, was won by Ray Dix from Calder, who went home with an Apple Bundle, complete with an iPad 2.

Entertainment was provided by soul singer Beverley Knight and musical theatre group Beyond the Barricade.

Guests also took part in a silent auction, with the proceeds going to the Rainy Day Trust, and a Table Auction of signed copies of Beverley Knight CDs which also helped to raise £3,000 for Breast Cancer Care.

Thank you to everyone for your generosity



Urfic-Inter receiving their trophy from RDT vice President Philip Duncan



Simon Dyer Akzo Nobel overall Winner receiving his trophy from RDT vice President Philip Duncan

Hubbard's Urfic-Inter who scored an impressive 89 points.

Alistair McAuley won the Ernest Benn Trophy for his outstanding effort on the back nine and Paul Boag from Urfic-Inter won the Longest Drive sponsored by Crown Paints, with Jim Platt from Ronseal winning Nearest the Pin competition sponsored by Plasti-kote/Valspar.

The day concluded with a fabulous dinner with live entertainment before the golfers retired to the bar for a few light refreshments!!

Approaching £10,000 was raised from this event for the Charity.

Rainy Day Trust 2012 Calendar Of Events

Why not get involved & support YOUR Charity...



Rainy Day Trust Dinner – Monday 6 February
The National Motorcycle Museum, Birmingham

Karting Challenge – Sunday 27 May
Speedkarting Track, Warrington

Home Enhancement Clay Pigeon Shoot Thursday 14 June
Royal Berkshire Shooting School, Pangbourne

Parachute Jump – Sunday 16 September
Army Parachute Association, Netheravon

Rainy Day Trust Golf Classic Thursday 4 October
Brocket Hall, Hertfordshire

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Home Enhancement Charity Shoot Attracts Top Retailers



6th July saw some of the industry's leading personalities join forces for a fun day at the Royal Berkshire Shooting School for the annual clay pigeon shooting challenge.

Sponsors - Crown Paints, CP, CWV Group, QEP/Vitrex Stoyden & Ronseal were supported by the major retailers and supply base of the industry at the event which raised just over £7,000, a large proportion of which will be going to the industry charity – the Rainy Day Trust.

Richard Egginton from CuBrAlco Limited was the top performer on the day with David Hibbert of Stax taking the top Retailer/wholesaler award and Penny Teale winning the ladies competition. Congratulations from all at the Rainy Day Trust.

In the Novice category Chris Morgan from Ronseal only missed 2 clays - an outstanding first outing and was rewarded with a bottle of bubbly for his achievement.

See our events calendar for dates next year

Decco Golf Day



John Findlay making the presentation to the winning team

The Ladies winner Liz Culiff with John Findlay

The Annual Decco Golf event was held on July 7th at Hadley Wood Golf Course. Over 90 customers, suppliers and Decco staff played in the competition with over 100 attending the dinner in the evening. A collection in aid of the RDT was held during the dinner which raised £1300.

Faversham House Sale



The Faversham House boardroom looked more like a market stall

The Faversham House Group charity sale took place in the summer – it was organised by DIY Week and Housewares Magazine and thanks to all the products donated was the biggest yet.

Takings hit a new record: a staggering £3,529.44.

Products came from scores of suppliers across the hardware, housewares, DIY and garden market. Some had been donated to the charity sale after being entered for this year's Product of the Year Awards, and some were donated by exhibitors at the Totally DIY exhibition in February.

"When we started unpacking for the sale, we rapidly got to the stage where we had to start putting stuff away again," said DIY Week and Housewares publisher Colin Petty – who is also the current Rainy Day Trust president. "There was no way were going to be able to fit everything into the Faversham House boardroom."

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