

Pennypit Special Needs Youth Club

Autumn/Winter 2005 Newsletter



Re-naming of Club

It was felt that whilst operating under the original name of "Prestonpans Special Needs Youth Club" that a lot of funding has been lost due to the fact that people assume we are for Prestonpans youngsters only and are not an East Lothian wide Youth Club. It was therefore decided to re-name the Club, and the Club will now be known as "Pennypit Special Needs Youth Club". We hope that this meets with everyone's approval.

Management Committee

As you are all aware there was an AGM in April of this year and between April and the summer there has been a bit of re-shuffling of the Management Committee. At present the committee is as follows:

Chairperson – Pat Milligan

Secretary – Sam Mitchell

Treasurer – Colin Wallace

Press Officer – Steve Neilson

ELC Advisor – Gordon Horsburgh

PSNYC Advisor – Jackie Wood

Members Rep – Rachel Rattray &
Derek Cunningham

Committee member - Bev Conway

Membership Fees

As of Monday 3rd October membership to the club will go up from £1 per week to £1.50 per week. After looking at the membership fees, the decision was also made that fees would be payable weekly by all members, even when they do not attend the club. This has been a hard decision for the committee, but due to lack of funding and running costs of the club, it has been one that has had to be made to ensure that the club continues. At the back of the newsletter there is a pre-payable coupon, which allows members to pay their fees up front where possible, by paying up front also entitles you to a small discount! We would also like to highlight at this point, that the 3 week rule with the club still applies, whereby if a member is off for 3 weeks without contacting the club, then they lose their membership.



Halloween

On Monday 31st October the Youth Club will be having a Halloween Disco. We have managed to get a disco for the evening, and along with some spooky goings on, hope to have a fun filled evening. We would like to have a buffet on this night, and would therefore ask for a contribution from members for the buffet. This will be a fancy dress disco, but for anybody that's a bit shy, please just come along as yourself and have fun!



Christmas Fayre

PSNYC will be holding a Christmas Fayre on Saturday 26th November 2005 at Prestonpans Community Centre from 12 noon till 4pm. The cost of this will be £5 for a family of 2 adults and 2 children, or £2 for a single ticket. Tickets are only available to sponsors of the Youth Club and friends and family of members. Tickets for this are available prior to the event, and can be obtained through the Youth Club or contacting Jackie directly.

It is hoped that we will be able to raise some much needed funds at the Christmas Fayre. We will have various stalls, face painting, raffles, tombola etc on offer at the start of the afternoon, and mulled wine and mince pies along with some other refreshments will be available from the café area. The grand finale to the Christmas Fayre will be the "Members Panto".

We would be extremely grateful for any help that we can get for the Christmas Fayre, and if anyone out there would like to have their own stall or donate something for the tombola, then please contact Jackie directly on 07904964501.



Christmas Catalogue

On the Christmas note once again, we have some fundraising Christmas catalogues available. All monies spent with the Christmas Catalogue helps raise funds for the Youth Club. So if anyone wants to have a look at one of

the catalogues please ask at the Youth Club, or contact Jackie directly.

Notes for your diary

Just like last year, the Youth Club will have it's Christmas Outing on Monday 28th November, when the Youth Club will be going up to the Winter Wonderland in Edinburgh for the evening. The Youth Club will then be closed for the Christmas period, and will re-open in the New Year on Monday 9th January 2006.



Sponsored Walk

All members were issued with sponsorship forms for a walk that Steve Neilson was carrying out in August of Ben Nevis. Steve has successfully carried out his sponsored walk, and we would therefore be most grateful if all sponsorship forms and monies could be handed into the Youth Club. Thank you all for your support in this sponsorship event.

Web Site

We are currently having a web site put together by the partner of one of our volunteers, who has kindly offered his time and expertise in putting this together. Please feel free to have a look and offer any comments or suggestions, which will be passed onto Stewart – www.psnyc2003.co.uk.

Membership Fees Coupon

Name	
Address	
Tel No	
Payment Enclosed	

Payment Table

No of Weeks	Payment (no reduction in fees applicable)
1	£1.50
2	£3.00
3	£4.50
4	£6.00
No of Months	Payment (payment of 2 months or more entitles you to a 10% discount, please deduct this from the amounts given below)
2	£12.00
3	£18.00
4	£24.00
5	£30.00
6	£36.00

Please pay by cash or cheque. If paying by cheque, please make cheques payable to "Pennypit Special Needs Youth Club".