

THE Round

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2011 Presentation of Awards



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Welcome

There is so much in this edition with the Honours and Awards that all I'd like to say is a huge thank you to those of you who helped with the



Morrisons Collection. It was a very difficult time to source collectors, even losing people the day before they were due to help. We saw a decrease of 22% on the previous collection but still raised £3,251.84 we may also have another £270, from an employers matched funding scheme, thank you Marion – amounts per store are as follows:

Bracknell	£1,477.03
Reading	£962.23
Woosehill	£812.58

We still need help with the street collection during Royal Ascot week, Wednesday 15 June, please contact me if you are not operational and can spare some time.

As always if you need any fundraising assistance, you can email me on kim.adrian@berks.sja.org.uk or phone me on 07967 964 886



**Kim Adrian, County Fundraiser/
Editor of The Round**

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COMMANDER'S CORNER



Another busy period for the volunteers, with the really hectic duty season around the corner.

To enable us to have all our vehicles ready for the busy season, the County Management Board have authorised the expenditure for a new stretcher for the Nissan Patrol.

We are continuing to roll out the volunteering 2011 in Berkshire and working closely with National Headquarters with regard to the Governance review. Philip Lawman who has

recently joined us as our Head of Sales and Marketing has been working on a strategy for Sales and Marketing for Berkshire. We are hoping to be able to share this with you at the next County Meeting in July.

Thank you to everyone who came to the last County Meeting in April, we really appreciated your thoughts and views on the various issues that we discussed and we will certainly consider your ideas and suggestions.

Fundraising is going to be very busy over the next few months, with the Morrisons collection and the street collection during on the Wednesday of Royal Ascot. Kim will be contacting non operational members for assistance.

Finally I would like to welcome Vicky Moores to the salaried team.

**Sharon Johnson
Commander**

The pride of Wokingham

Eight people who have made a difference gathered at the town hall in April to receive their Civic Awards from Wokingham town mayor Councillor UllaKarin Clark in recognition of their hard work and achievements in the voluntary sector.



Each were deemed to have made a long and lasting contribution to the town in a variety of ways, such as helping charities, supporting other people and organising youth groups.

One of the eight was our very own Alan Newport who received his award for long service to St John Ambulance, being a member for more than 40 years and attending the

2006 Commonwealth Games in Melbourne. Alan is also a volunteer community responder, providing early life-saving intervention for patients in emergencies, particularly in remote areas where ambulances may take longer to reach.

Alan said: "I have enjoyed all of my time with St John Ambulance. I would do it all again if I had a chance."

ST JOHN AMBULANCE Royal Berkshire Awards

Presentation by Lord Lieutenant,
The Hon Mrs Mary Bayliss

THURSDAY 7 APRIL 2011

Cadet of the Year Award

Liberty Maddocks of Reading District Cadets Division has been selected as Berkshire Cadet of the Year for the year 2011

Jonathan Dolan of Theale Cadets Division has been selected as Berkshire Deputy Cadet of the year for the year 2011

Grand Prior Award

Hayley Cleaver

Theale Cadet

Danielle Davies

Ascot & Bracknell Cadet

Natalie Dennehy

Theale Cadet

Danielle Drury

Woodley Cadets

Ryan James

Bracknell Forest Cadet

Adam Michael

Bracknell Forest Cadet

Samuel Parfett

Theale Cadet

Kathryn Stratton

Cippenham & Burnham Cadet

1000 Hour Certificates

Awarded to members who volunteered 1000 or more hours of their valuable time to St John during 2010.

Louise Byers

Newbury & Thatcham

Marion Cox

*Adults
Theale Cadets*



Alex Hibbert & Dennis Wildman
Presenting Colours



Sharon Johnson -
Commander



Rob Croton
Ian Faulkner
Sarah Gardiner
Stephen Johnson
Charlotte Maddocks
Richard Mead

County Staff
County Staff
Reading Town Adults
Reading Town Adults
County Staff
Reading University
Links
Reading Town Adults
Theale Adults

Stephen Pithers
Paul Robertson

750 Hour Certificates

Awarded to members who volunteered 750 or more hours of their valuable time to St John during 2010.

Peter Brierley
Nigel Domaingue
Sarah Duff
Amanda Hopper

Reading District
Adults
Newbury & Thatcham
Adults
Reading District
Adults
County Staff

500 Hour Certificates

Awarded to members who volunteered 500 or more hours of their valuable time to St John during 2010.

Peter Anderson
Caroll Bolden
Ashley Bramford
Debbie Clutterbuck
Mike Cox
Clare Croton
Alice Green
Natasha Henn
Erica Hodges
Sharon Johnson
Felicity Jupe
Adrian Lewendon
Julie Morris
Linda Newport
Ben Tichband
Martin Wood

County Staff
Cippenham &
Burnham Cadets
Woodley Cadets
Windsor Cadets
County Staff
Reading Town Adults
County Staff
Ascot & Bracknell
Adults
County Staff
Commander
Maidenhead Badgers
Reading District
Cadets
Loddon Valley Adults
County Staff
County Staff
Reading Town

Sharon Johnson & Russell Wernham



Louise Byers



Marian Cox



Ian Faulkner



Service Medal

Awarded for 12 years service to St John Ambulance

Rob Croton
Lisa Simmonds

*County Staff
Ascot & Bracknell
Badgers*

Graeme Wilding

*Ascot & Bracknell
Adults*

1st Bar to the Service Medal

Awarded for 17 years service to St John Ambulance

Peter Fearn
Caroline Grant

*Maidenhead Adults
Newbury & Thatcham
Cadets*

Sylvia Hutchinson

Loddon Valley Adults

Stephen Pithers



Paul Robertson



Sarah Duff



Amanda Hopper



Steven Johnson



Richard Mead



2nd Bar to the Service Medal

Awarded for 22 years service to
St John Ambulance

Jackie Astley

*Loddon Valley
Adults*

Debbie Clutterbuck

Windsor Cadets

Graham Hattey

Maidenhead Adults

Sylvia Hutchinson

Loddon Valley Adults

Linda Newport

County Staff

Clare Croton



Peter Anderson



Felicity Jupe



Ashley Bramford



Julie Morris



Mike Cox



Linda Newport



25 Year Certificate

Jackie Astley
Andrew Blackwell
Graham Hattey

Loddon Valley Adults
Maidenhead Adults
County Staff

3rd Bar to the Service Medal

Amanda Hopper
Clifford Smith

County Staff
County Staff

4th Bar to the Service Medal

Margaret Dougall

Loddon Valley Adults

CERTIFICATES OF APPOINTMENT

Peter Goodacre
Margot Gosney

County President
Child and Vulnerable
Adult Officer

Christopher Thornton

Commissioner
Operations

COUNTY CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

Peter Anderson

Training Co-ordinator

Peter has worked tirelessly to ensure that a varied and interesting curriculum of courses are in place for our membership. This is often a thankless task and takes numerous hours of phone call and emails. Peter has never once complained about the amount of time this consumes. This hard work allows our membership to gain and retain their first aid qualifications and therefore be The Difference between a Life Lost and a Life Saved. He is also working hard in our community answering requests for talks and demonstrations across Berkshire. He should be highly commended for his hard work and efforts.

Nominated by
Heather Smith - *Head of Volunteering*

Ben Tichband



Danielle Drury



Lisa Simmonds



Graeme Wilding



Barbara Bartlett

Caretaker Windsor Divisional Headquarters

Barbara has diligently taken on the role as Caretaker of Windsor Divisional Headquarters for many years. She takes pride in the building and always ensures she is readily available to open and lock up for all private customers utilising the building. Barbara is willing to go the extra mile and nothing is ever too much trouble for her. I would like to thank Barbara for her support and her unceasing dedication.

Nominated by

Jean Diffenthal

County Support Office Manager

Peter Brierley

Reading District Adults

Peter has been a member of Reading District for many years and has always been there to help and assist along the way. He is always going out on duty doing many hours both during the day and night. He is more than happy to go along to speak to companies regarding first aid. Peter frequently takes training sessions at division and is one of the most competent and knowledgeable people in reading District. He is always prepared to go that extra mile for St John Ambulance and what he does should be rewarded by this certificate. Peter you are a star and thank you for all you have done for Reading District over the years.

Nominated by

Julie Alexander

Caroline Grant



Sylvia Hutchinson



Linda Newport



Andrew Blackwell



Peter Fearnle



Marion Cox

Caretaker Theale Divisional Headquarters

Over many years Marion has taken on the role as Caretaker of Theale Divisional Headquarters. She is passionate, goes the extra mile and is always enthusiastic and willing to open and lock up for all private customers utilising the building. She is only a phone call away and responds promptly and willingly to any of my requests. I would like to thank Marion for all her continual support and her never ending dedication.

Nominated by

Jean Diffenthal

County Support Office Manager

Margaret Dougall

Loddon Valley Adults

Margaret has been volunteering her time to help in the County office since July last year. Her help has proved invaluable to us especially as it has been a very busy year during which we have had to cope with a reduced staff level for several months. Her sense of humour and willingness to tackle any job from shredding to inputting data onto SABRe has endeared her to us all and we are proud that she has become part of our team. We really do appreciate all that she does for us. Thank you.

Nominated by

County Office Staff

Colin Lewis

Caretaker Maidenhead Divisional Headquarters

Year on year Colin has taken on the role as Caretaker of Maidenhead Divisional Headquarters. Not only does he maintain the cleanliness and upkeep of the building, he goes beyond the call of duty and takes on the responsibility to report any matters that require attention. He is always willing to open and lock up after private customers utilise the building. He takes pride in every aspect of his cleaning and caretaker role. I would like to thank Colin for all his support and constant dedication.

Nominated by

Jean Diffenthal

County Support Office Manager

Amanda Hopper



Clifford Smith



Margaret Dougall



Peter Goodacre



Stuart Morgan

County Staff

Stuart left Links as its Unit Leader many years ago however has continued to have a massive input into the successful running and development of the unit and its members. Stuart has taken on many roles within St John to ensure its smooth running, including CSO resources, Deputy County Duty Officer, ETA, as well as being one of the counties assessors. These roles individually take a lot of man hours let alone collectively. Stuart goes above and beyond what can be asked of him as a volunteer, and is always willing to give support and advice to who ever should need it.

Nominated by

Richard Mead

Chairman Reading University LINKs

Karen Thomas

Loddon Valley Adults

I am writing to you as I wish the actions of Karen Thomas (D.O. Ascot 30/10/10) to be recognised. I had a bad fall whilst on duty that day and Karen stayed with me the whole time, handed over the role of D.O to V3 and followed the ambulance to the hospital. She stayed with me the whole time I was in A&E (even took my trousers off for me), held my hand, wiped my tears, listened to hours of me waffling on (courtesy of a lot of Morphine). Karen even arranged to drive my car home and have some-one pick her up from my house and take her back to Ascot afterwards. Karen's actions were above and beyond the call of duty and I feel that she deserves some recognition for this.

Nominated by

Sarah-Jane Kinder

Ascot & Bracknell

Admissions to the Order of St John

During 2010/2011 the following people were accepted for admission / promotion to the Order of St John in recognition of their continuing dedicated service to St John Ambulance, Berkshire.

Ian Faulkner

County Staff

OSJ

Margot Gosney



Chris Thornton



Peter Anderson



Marian Cox



Rodney Hayward

Reading District Adults OstJ

COMMISSIONER OPERATION'S AWARDS

To the Unit with the highest Service Delivery hours for 2010

Reading Town

Stuart Morgan



Chris Thornton



Margaret Dougall



Colin Lewis



Hayley Cleaver, Jonathan Dolan, Natalie Dennehey



Thanks from H&As

Thank you so very much for the kind words you spoke about me in your Report last night. If I did not expect that, I most certainly did not expect the "Goody bag" and the gift visit to Vinopolis for Jean and myself. I have no doubt it will be a most memorable experience. I'm not sure who was responsible for the gift, thus my thanks to you all. I have not gone yet, but look forward to working with you all for at least another 6 months, so "Goodbyes" are for another day.

Many thanks to you all once again.

Kindest regards

Clifford Smith

THATCHAM DONATION

Many thanks to Janet Philpotts and Ian Lewis of Thatcham, The Motor Insurance Repair Research Centre (Thatcham), who recently presented a cheque for £360 to Berkshire St John Ambulance. They operate a charity token scheme, similar to Waitrose, whereby staff, visitors and students select a charity to support, from a list of charities, nominated by staff. The annual charitable donation from Thatcham is then divided by percentage, dependent on tokens, between the charities.



Ways in which you can raise funds for St John Ambulance in Berkshire.

Use

www.recycle4charity.co.uk - register as a donator and select St John Ambulance Berkshire as your charity

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sjabe
rkshire - This is a FREE service where you can shop with your favourite online stores and at no extra cost raise funds for us.

EBay - Supply items for us to sell or use your own account select us a charity you'd like to support and what percentage of your final selling price you'd like to donate.

Let us know...

...if the company you work for matches your avolunteer time with a donation of money or hours

...you would like access to our Flickr account to view event photographs

save the date

If any family or friends would like to help fundraise for St John in Berkshire please ask them to contact Kim on 07967 964 886 or kim.adrian@berks.sja.org.uk
No first aid training needed!

Event:	High Street Collection
Date:	Wednesday 15 June 2011
Time:	TBA - Daytime
Venue:	High Street, Ascot
Open to:	Any Member but Operations take precedent as its Royal Ascot Week

Event:	Harris Gardens Open Day
Date:	Sunday 10 July 2011
Time:	2pm until 5.30pm
Venue:	Reading University Gardens
Open to:	Any Member

Event:	First Aid Demonstration
Date:	Saturday 22 October 2011
Time:	9.30 to 5.30pm
Venue:	Council Chamber, Town Hall, Newbury
Open to:	Members of the public

Berkshire Cadet of the Year

Tilehurst teenager Libby Maddocks has been chosen as Berkshire St John Ambulance's County Cadet of the Year for 2011.

Libby, 16, will act as a youth ambassador for the charity and her new role will include representing the county at various prestigious national events including the Remembrance Day parade in London.

Her first major challenge was competing against 41 other Cadets from across the country at the National Cadet of the Year competition in Swindon.

Cadets were assessed on their life saving first aid skills, teamwork, initiative under pressure, organisation and leadership.

Though she didn't come away with the national title, Libby said: 'It was amazing just to be involved in a national competition like that. I learned such a lot and made so many new friends that I didn't want to leave.'

Daryl Perkins, Chief Officer Youth at St John Ambulance, said: 'First aid is an important skill for people of all ages to learn and young people like Libby are great advocates of this message.'

'She demonstrated tremendous dedication and enthusiasm over the course of the competition and we are delighted that she is representing young people who learn first aid throughout the country.'

Libby is studying for her GCSEs at Little Heath School. Her ambition to become a journalist is on track as she has previously

seen her work published in The Round.

She joined the charity seven years ago and treated her first casualty when she was just 10 years old!

'I helped a teenage girl who grazed herself during a netball game,' she recalls. 'Even though the injury was nothing serious I felt so proud of myself! I've been on many public first aid duties since then, performing basic first aid treatments.'

'I really enjoy being a member of St John Ambulance as there are so many exciting opportunities available for young people. We have a great time learning vital skills such as first aid so that we're equipped to be the difference between a life lost and a life saved within our community.'

Libby takes over from Hayley Cleaver, also from Tilehurst, who was our Cadet of the Year in 2010.





Cadet Camp 2011



Saturday 30 July - Saturday 6 August 2011

To book your place at Cadet Camp 2011 please complete the booking form below and return with a £30 non refundable deposit. Once we have received your deposit you will be sent information regarding further payment options.

The cost of Cadet Camp is £150: this includes all meals, transport and trips!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Male or Female: M/F (Delete as appropriate)

Name and signature of parent or guardian: _____

Email Address: _____

Please return to:- Debbie Clutterbuck: 29 Bunces Close, Eton Wick, Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 6PL (cheques made payable to St John Ambulance)

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Ben Tichband, Deputy County Treasurer

We have had a good first quarter finishing £21k ahead of budget. First Aid Services have made savings against budget in terms of Training, Vehicle Repairs and Rent. However, the training benefit is only temporary in part as we will be investing in trainer training and driving training later in the year. Youth are running on a breakeven basis as budgeted. We have had a good quarter for fundraising; with additional donations and number of contributions from the Waitrose Community Matters scheme. The budget for the second half of the year is more demanding for us to meet, with challenging targets for fundraising and duty income. After non-cash expenses (depreciation) we actually made a surplus in cash terms of £15k for the first quarter, we just need to keep it up!

In summary the results for the three months ended March 2011 were:

	Actual	Budget
	£000	£000
Surplus from first aid training	52	52
(Deficit) from first aid services	(14)	(28)
(Deficit) from youth activities	-	-
Surplus from fundraising and projects	7	4
Operating surplus	45	28
Administrative costs	(57)	(61)
Contribution to NHQ costs	-	-
Investment and other gains and losses	-	-
Net (Deficit)/Surplus	(12)	(33)

Text

DONATE BERKS

to 70007 to give £3 today

Texts cost £3 plus one message at your standard network rate. St John Ambulance Berkshire will receive a minimum of £2.81 from each text.

For terms & conditions please visit sja.org.uk/sms

TESCO Vouchers

Many thanks to all involved in collecting the Tesco Vouchers, last year we only managed to collect 422 – 2011 has seen this increase to over 3,000 and I'm still counting. The press release that Ann sent out produced donations from around the county which contained notes saying, 'Great idea to put into local newspaper, hope these help' – so as we keep saying, PR really does work!

Waitrose

We received £620 from Community Matters Woodley store.