

# **Send a Child to Hucklow Fund**

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## **Annual Report 2015 & Appeal 2016**

A Trust to arrange and administer holidays at the Nightingale Centre, Great Hucklow, for disadvantaged children, having no regard to religion, race or creed.

**Providing holidays from  
hardship since 1961**

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# In Memoriam Gifts and Legacies

During 2014-15 gifts were received in memory of

*Irene Barlow, Joyce Barrett, Mrs Harding, Geoffrey Head, Sheila Jones, Phyllis Lockwood, Brian Moore, Glyn Pruce, Nancy Richards, Lloyd Rivers, John Roberts, Christine Sparrow, Kate Taylor, Mary Uprichard, Douglas Webster, David Wellington.*

These gifts total £6,773.39, and this amount has been added to the *in memoriam* Capital Account.

We have received a legacy this year from  
**Sheila Jones**

This gift of £500 has been added to the Capital Account. The income from this account is used entirely for the holidays.

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The Trustees of the Fund are very grateful to generous donors, and to people who remember the Fund in their wills.

A legacy leaflet is available.

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## **This year our Appeal raised £50,000**

A donation of **£350** pays for a much-needed holiday for one child in a group.

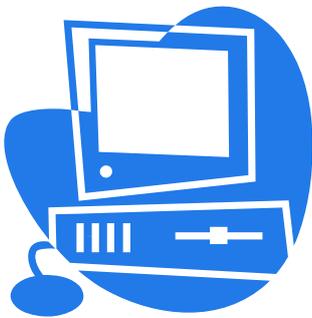
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There is no doubt of the need for holidays from hardship.  
To keep pace with our current provision of weeks at Hucklow,

# Our 2015-2016 Target

## \*\*\* £50,000 again! \*\*\*

Please continue to help....



In the run up to Christmas, why not donate as you buy gifts? If you shop online, you can raise money for us at no extra cost to yourself by using:

**easyfundraising**  
.org.uk

Select Send a Child to Hucklow as your preferred charity, then go to your favourite stores via the easyfundraising website.

Did you know you can also donate by text?

Texts are charged at your mobile phone operator's standard rate. The charity will receive 100% of your donation. You must be 16 or over and please ask the bill payer's permission. For full terms and conditions and more information, please visit:



[www.justgiving.com/info/terms-of-service](http://www.justgiving.com/info/terms-of-service)

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# The Holidays!

In **2015**, thanks to your continued support, 14 weeks of holidays were provided in the Derbyshire Countryside, which were hugely appreciated by both children and their leaders.

## Comments from the children

*What did you like most about your week at Great Hucklow?*

- ❖ Going to the Heights of Abraham because you had a chance to go on the cable cars. And I liked going in the caves because you got to know all new rock like limestone cobblestone.
- ❖ The ensuite bathroom was very posh. I loved the restaurant, especially the breakfasts, and the 6 sets of swings and the bunkbeds and desk.
- ❖ I loved the park because we were allowed to play for a few hours. The best bit was the swings.
- ❖ I loved the rooms. All the adults were always doing something with us. Always looking after us and always going out.
- ❖ I loved walking the llamas because they were so friendly.

*If you could change one thing about the week, what would it be?*

- ❖ To stay longer. I loved being with all my friends. I enjoyed myself 100/10
- ❖ Nothing and stay longer every day for a year. The food was amazing and it was good fun on the trips and the showers was nice and warm and the beds was comfortable.
- ❖ The worst thing about the Chestnut Centre was that there were too many boring owls. They never even moved and half of them were asleep.



# Feedback from leaders



For us, this year, a single quote from a group leader says it all:

“A special mention to the staff at the Nightingale Centre. One of our boys had packed his own bag. He had few clothes - and not even a jumper. He also had no toiletries - including a toothbrush. When I enquired about purchasing one, the staff produced a toothbrush, toothpaste, shower gel, shampoo and deodorant; they also provided some spare clothes for the child. It was heart-warming to see their reaction and response to this child's needs. It also highlights exactly why children like him really need this type of experience and opportunity. Many, many thanks.”



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# Secretary's Report 2014-15

**The Holidays** In the financial year 2014-15 we have provided **14 weeks of holidays** ( plus a small group of children leaving care ) at the Nightingale Centre, Great Hucklow for children from the area around Wigan, Mansfield, Nottingham, Towcester, Manchester, Southend-on-Sea, Chester, Accrington and Rotherham (for the first time), and groups from Liverpool. We were congratulated by the "Risk assessor" on a "recce" on behalf of one of the new groups on "having thought of everything"! A similar number of weeks is anticipated for 2016, including further new groups.

**Responses** from the groups, leaders and children again testify to the value of the breaks we provide. Leaders are positive in their remarks, often citing the helpfulness of the Nightingale Centre staff members, and the service received from Andrew's Coaches. Visitors to the Centre alongside SACH groups are usually most impressed, and we have enjoyed several small donations from a variety of groups of people. Once again we find some of our client SACH groups are under funding and leadership pressure.

Our **Fund-raising** seems, amazingly, to be holding up, though we are coming to the end of certain repeat donations. All of our Jubilee (50<sup>th</sup>) **publicity items** are still available on request to me; Derek Smith's Service is still available for use. I still welcome Invitations for my "SACH History Slideshow" Service: all my preaching fee goes to SACH!

\*\*\* **Information about the Fund**, a description of its history and Hucklow antecedents, and how to donate, including on-line from the UK, can be found on our **Website**: [www.sendachildtohucklow.org.uk](http://www.sendachildtohucklow.org.uk). As always we thank John Wilkinson for its maintenance. The Fund is also listed on the Charity Commission-sponsored website, [www.guidestar.org.uk](http://www.guidestar.org.uk).

At the **Unitarian General Assembly meetings**, we again had our Stall, sold raffle tickets for the magnificent quilt donated by Iris Voegeli of our Norwich congregation, raising some £325; and again featured in *GA Zette*. Our thanks are again due to our Donations Treasurer-cum-"**fund-chaser**", **Sue Catts (Cooper)** in approaching various Fund-giving bodies both Unitarian and non-Unitarian, as and when. We still do need a Fund Raiser to take this work forward and contact trusts and companies which might be sympathetic to us. Criteria for grants are strict, and we sometimes find that our careful management of our resources makes us ineligible for the support of large charities! However, once again we are encouraged by the variety of ways in

which folk have fund-raised for us, and the generosity of people. Groups of **Visitors to the Centre** itself, **Unitarian and** non-Unitarian, as mentioned above, again feature in our list of donors: thank you all. One visitor donated a magnificent Doll's House which has been successfully used for fund-raising.

Plans are afoot for a regular "SACH Newsletter"!

Our warmest **thanks**, as always, go to the many people who have given help to the Fund during the past year: to Centre Manager, Stella Burney; to Mr Paul Andrew and the Andrew's firm coach drivers; the leaders and helpers of all the holidays; the Officers and Trustees of the Fund. \*\*\* Our grateful thanks are due also to the many folk who continue to support us financially, to make possible the continuation of the much appreciated holidays. \*\*\* My personal thanks once again go fellow officers of the Fund, Chairman, Peter Hewis, the Fund's Treasurer, David Ogden, and Donations Treasurer, Sue Catts (Cooper).

This year has been not without a measure of busy challenge, and perhaps too much beginning to feel my age at times. I am hopeful a successor is waiting in the wings! However, the good work SACH does is a continuing inspiration.

Thanks to you, once again over **200 young people** have been able to savour the, ever-special, "Far-off Magic" of Great Hucklow. We know it makes a difference to young lives.

I recently came across a quote from Nelson Mandela to the effect that the measure of a civilisation is the way it treats its children. Well, I reckon we are doing our bit.

*Ernest Baker: October 2015*

**Please view our display at the  
next Unitarian GA Meetings!**

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## Treasurer's Report for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015

We ran out of money. At the end of the year, I had to sell £5,000 worth of shares to pay the final bills for the holidays.

Although we met our fundraising target of £50,000, this did include the third £10,000 matching donation from our jubilee year. At £50,692, the total donations were £8,000 less than last year.

We again provided 14 full weeks of holidays and supported a small group from 'Chances' at a total cost of £83,000.

Overall, our expenditure exceeded our income by £23,468. Using the Charity Commission's method, the figure was similar at £24,918 because the value of our investments fell slightly.

We are grateful for all donations. I would, however, like to thank a number of people and organizations: the ALA Green Charitable Trust, Ashfield Royal Arch Chapter Masons, the Dagny Raymond Charitable Trust, the Hollis Trust, the Joseph & Ann Slater Memorial Fund and the Zochonis Charitable Trust.

Some congregations have special collections and invite people to gift aid their donations; we have also had donations in lieu of birthday and Christmas presents. May I remind you about Easyfundraising? When you shop online, many shops will give a small percentage of the cost to the Fund at no extra cost to you. Although online shopping is growing in popularity, we actually raised less last year than the year before from Easyfundraising. Text giving has yet to take off, but we will continue to offer it as it does not cost the Fund anything.

Sue Catts (formerly Cooper), our Donations Treasurer, deserves a special mention. As well as processing all the donations, she had a special birthday and raised £975 by asking for donations in lieu of presents and she got married and she and Ralph asked for donations in lieu of wedding gifts, raising over £2,000.

We lost a remarkable number of supporters this year. We received gifts in memory of a number of them, as can be seen in the special list on page 2. We also received a legacy from Sheila Jones. Legacies and gifts in memoriam are invested to provide long-term income to pay for holidays. However, from time to time, we have to draw on these reserves to cover the deficit on holidays. Fortunately, we have got healthy reserves and I do not think we should reduce the number of holidays we provide just yet.

My thanks as always to Sue Catts, the Donations Treasurer, and Mike Georgiou, the Auditor.

Finally, I would like to propose that we keep our fundraising target at £50,000 for the next year. As our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary fades into history, it becomes more difficult to maintain the momentum, but the need is as great as ever and I am sure we can rise to the challenge once again.

*David Ogden: November 2014*

## **There are so many ways to donate....the choice is yours.**

- ❖ Donate via our website: [www.sendachildtohucklow.org.uk](http://www.sendachildtohucklow.org.uk)
- ❖ Post your donation to the Donations Treasurer using the form on page 11. Don't forget to Gift Aid your donation if you are a UK Taxpayer.
- ❖ If you have a Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) account, you can donate directly online by quoting the keyword 'Hucklow'.

Help us find more companies or Trusts who may be willing to support SACH. If you are aware of any local organisations that you could approach on our behalf, please contact Sue Catts (Cooper) for assistance.

If you have raised funds by having an event or adventure, please do send us some details. Sue would love to hear from you and send you a "Certificate of Thanks" for display.

**Thank you very much  
from SACH!**

**You're amazing!**

# Income and Expenditure Account

## for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015

2013-2014		2014-2015
£	<b>INCOME</b>	£
57,362.09	Donations	49,051.69
1,354.34	Online donations	1,640.72
58,716.43		50,692.41
8,837.47	Interest and dividends	8,867.93
1,656.25	Income tax reclaimed	1,908.40
322.83	Easyfundraising and text giving	249.11
	Other income	5,000.00
69,532.98	<b>Total income</b>	66,717.85
	 <b>EXPENDITURE</b>	
218.89	Holidays:	218.89
42,592.00	Insurance	46,112.00
32,910.00	Accommodation	32,910.00
3,840.00	Transport	3,840.00
79,560.89	Other expenses	83,080.89
2,018.42	Administration	1,440.53
844.34	Publicity	665.35
	Other expenditure	5,000.00
82,423.65	<b>Total expenditure</b>	90,186.77
- 12,890.67	Surplus (deficit) for the year	- 23,468.92
69,532.98		66,717.85

**Please send donations to the Donations Treasurer:**

The Send a Child to Hucklow Fund

Sue Catts

8 Woodlands Drive

Beverley

HU17 8BZ

- I enclose a personal donation of

£

**Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate**

Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer.

**In order to Gift Aid your donation you must tick the box below:**

I want to Gift Aid my donation above and any donations I make in the future or have made in the last 4 years to The Send a Child to Hucklow Fund.

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

**Please notify the charity if you:**

- want to cancel this declaration
- change your name or home address
- no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains

FULL Name (CAPITALS)	
Address	
Postcode (required)	
Email address	
Signed	Date

*If you require a receipt, please tick this box*





Our Secretary celebrating his birthday by taking the minutes at the Annual Trustees Meeting 2015.

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