Send a Child to Hucklow Fund

Charity No. 271585 www.sendachildtohucklow.org.uk

Annual Report 2019 & Appeal 2020





In Memoriam Gifts and Legacies

During 2018-19 gifts were received in memory of

Legacy Elizabeth Barlow

In memoriam

Anonymous Elsie Ball Roy Danson Shirley Fieldhouse Hilton Hughes Marjie Manley Malcolm Sadler Vernon Atkinson Ruth Bowes Elizabeth Annie Eaton Richard Fletcher Jean and Bert Inkson Myra Marsh Judith Walker-Riggs

These gifts total £15,605.38 and this amount has been added to the *in memoriam* Capital Account. Any such are added to the Capital Account. The income from this account is used entirely for the holidays.

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.

This year our Appeal raised a phenomenal £93,000

Our 2019-2020 Target ***£60,000! ***



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

Changing not just the view but the outlook!

The Holidays!

In 2019, thanks to your continued support, the Fund could provide holidays in the Derbyshire countryside for groups of children from Mansfield, Nottingham, Chesterfield, Accrington, Southend-on-Sea, Chorlton and six groups from Liverpool.

Comment from the children

I liked the sheep and how if people were lonely or sad the sheep would keep them company

Tuesday was the day I learned how to hold a knife and fork properly and I can now eat a whole breakfast or dinner

I like how we don't go on our electronics, and socialise more



From leaders

"Outstanding staff. A truly wonderful experience. Thank you... our class is not the easiest of groups, but I know that the children have got so much out of it - we have seen a different side to many of them... your kindness has given the children memories that will last a lifetime!"

"In my opinion the children enjoyed the opportunity to experience a variety of activities in a safe and secure environment. The staff at the Nightingale Centre were very helpful and friendly which added to their enjoyment"

24-28 February	2-6 March	9-13 March
Chesterfield	Liverpool, St Cuthbert's	Accrington Colne Park
16-20 March	23-27 March	20-24 April
Colne, Primet PS	Liverpool, Lawrence Road	Liverpool, Wavertree
27-29 April	15-19 June	22-24 June, Abbey Hill PS
Nottingham, Rose Hill	Salford, Beech Street PS	Kirkby-in-Ashfield
6-10 July	20-24 July	27-31 July
Accrington, Peel Park	Mansfield, Oak Tree Lane	Liverpool Unity YC
3-7 August	10-14 August	18-21 August
Liverpool Playgroup TBC	Southend Turning Tides	Liverpool, Edge Hill YC
12-16 October		
Liverpool, Kensington		

Projected Holidays for 2020

Donations made easy...

... the choice is yours!



Donate via our website: <u>www.sendachildtohucklow.org.uk</u> You can use our PayPal account too.



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

Raise funds with the click of a mouse at www.easyfundraising.org.uk. If you go to your favourite online stores via easyfundraising, after selecting 'Send a Child to Hucklow' as your preferred charity, your shopping will generate funds for SACH at no extra cost to yourself (1% to 2.5%).

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** that may be willing to support SACH. If you are aware of any local organisations that you could approach on our behalf, please contact the Donations Treasurer for assistance.

We still have a number of items for sale, with proceeds to SACH (see our website).

Donate by Direct Bank Transfer to our CAF Bank Account sort code 40-52-40, account number 00060131.

The four big supermarkets run community funds which support charities benefiting local people. If you live in an area from which children attend SACH holidays, please think of nominating SACH at Tesco, Sainsbury's, Asda or the Co-op. Contact us if you need assistance







A donation of **£350** pays for a much-needed holiday for one child in a group. Needs are diverse...single parent family: parent in prison: young carer: low income family.

Secretary's Report 2018-19

The Holidays In the financial year 2018-19 SACH provided 12 weeks of holidays at the Nightingale Centre for about 250 children. Groups came from Mansfield, Chorlton in Manchester again, Accrington (2 groups), Southend on Sea, Chesterfield, Nottingham and Liverpool. There was no norovirus outbreak at the Centre this year(!) However the group who missed out last year, sadly missed out again with a late cancellation, due to the Leader's last-minute unavailability.

Responses One of the pleasures, sometimes chastening, of the Secretary's job is reading the children's evaluative comments. These are reassuringly positive in the main(!), underlining the value these holiday breaks provide for children who may not otherwise get out of their challenging home situations. However, amid the general enthusiasm for the food on offer, I wonder what made a certain chocolate "custard" not go down well, either literally or metaphorically! Maybe the chef had an off day?! I felt too, whimsically, for the lad who wrote "No more Hikes", and the complaint about the "12 miles" walk from Eyam: sorry fellas, (SACH) life is like that sometimes! Again there was generous comment from Leaders on the helpfulness of Andrews Coaches drivers, and in respect of the Centre staff for their friendly involvement with the visitors. We are now in the habit of encouraging groups to limit their usage of coach travel when possible in planning programmes.

Fund-raising Wow, what a year! Individual donors have been imaginatively generous, including our redoubtable 80-year-old's sponsored first-time glider flight, achieving a 13-year-old Hucklow visitor's ambition! Groups visiting the Centre, encouraged by Stella, often give too, having appreciated their stay. We seem to have had an outbreak of "Runners" too, including our Life President's grandson and friends, a certain Unitarian minister, and others. Our Fundraiser, Kate Hamill has our grateful appreciation for two years of productive work in what can be a thankless task, despite undoubted successes. She is retiring due to increased work commitments, so our search is on once again. Whilst our income has hit a record (see the Hon. Treasurer's report), we can hardly be complacent. He has been at it for over 30 years(!) and is ever cautious!

We can offer **worship ideas** for any Unitarian congregations who may care to share an awareness- and money-raising service.

"Kit out a Kid" Like British Rail we are "Getting There"! We wish to have available for the children the right gear, which will last us for some time. A generous supply offer is in the pipeline. Our thanks to Stella and Trustee

Judith Short for taking this initiative further forward.

Becoming a CIO BR Situation likewise! Having had in effect to go back to square one after last year's fifth draft, we might just be on the way, when the Charity Commission catches up with our application, now submitted. Our continuing thanks go to ex-Chairman Peter Hewis, and to our advisor, Roderick Ramage.

Unitarian General Assembly We again had a presence with our stall at the annual meetings, last April back in Birmingham. A new SACH Newsletter was made available to delegates; thanks to Trustee Colleen Burns for editing and producing. Once more we had puff in the *GA Zette*. A fair stream of folk came to the stall, purchasing not least kindly-donated crafted items and books of prayers. Thank you to all who helped with time on the stall. We are considering booking a Meetings "SACH Workshop slot" in the near future, given that many new GA participants may not be aware of us.

Personal Reflections This will be my last report as SACH's Hon. Sec. It has been my gratifying privilege to exercise this office for the past 18 years I think. However, the health concerns I referred to last year, my 79th birthday coming up as I write, molehills sometimes seeming like mountains, and my brain's increasingly tending to "compartmentalise", as I like to call it, mean it is time to go! I have every confidence in my successor in the role; rich in management and organisational expertise and experience, and a former SACH group leader "from the old days" to boot! I wish Christine well.

It seems to me - what a good Unitarian phrase that is! - that there is no need of a sophisticated postmodernist analysis to "get" the children's continuing needs; just check former long-standing Trustee and SACH group leader, Rev John Allerton's words in our SACH hymn. Then again it can seem at times as if we are increasingly having to spell out to Leaders what to some of us are common sense notions - like encouraging hanging up a towel in the right place to dry after a shower(!) - and this is challenge for the future. A further personal reflection is that today's volunteer culture can appear to lean too far towards ego-satisfaction, needed of course, but away from balance with its

other side, doing things, in the old phrase, "...to the Glory of God, and the Service of [Man]". Then again, maybe that is just me getting old!

Ernest Baker

October 2019



Treasurer's Report for the year ended 30th September 2019

I would like to start by thanking everyone who has given so generously over the last year. We received an amazing £93,000 in donations, a record and £37,000 more than last year. This year, we have provided holidays for 12 groups of children. There would have been a thirteenth group, but they cancelled their holiday. A couple of groups were also smaller than before. As a result, the holidays cost a total of £77,300 compared with £86,600 last year.

A combination of an increase in donations and a decrease in the amount spent on holidays means that for the first time since our 50th anniversary year, our income exceeded our expenditure. In cash terms, our income exceeded our expenditure by £26,600. However, the value of our investments fell so using the Charity Commission's method, the surplus was £8,700.

We received a legacy of £12,700 from Elizabeth Barlow and gifts of almost £2,900 in memoriam. The list of people who were remembered is elsewhere in the report.

Imaginative donations

There have been numerous activities this year where people have asked for donations to the Fund. These include:

- Mansfield and Ashfield Freemasons raised £5,100 from a "swimathon". They used a "Justgiving" fundraising page
- Tom Jenkinson and friends ran the Leeds Half Marathon and raised £480 via a "gofundme" fundraising page
- Dawn Jones, a leader/helper on the Chesterfield holiday ran the Doncaster Half Marathon and raised £400. Dawn used a special supporter's fundraising page via Virgin Money Giving linked to Send a Child to Hucklow
- Rev Andy Phillips ran the Sheffield 10k before conducting morning worship at Upper Chapel and raised £500. Andy asked for donations directly to Send a Child to Hucklow via our own Virgin Money Giving page
- Molescroft School, Beverley, chose Send a Child to Hucklow as their nominated charity for the year and raised £4,800
- We had a further donation from Janet Reid, who last year raised enough to pay for a child's holiday in memory of her father, who had a holiday at Great Hucklow over 80 years ago.
- Congratulations to David and Amanda Higginbotham, who asked for donations instead of gifts for their 25th wedding anniversary
- We also received £150 for someone's ruby wedding anniversary and almost £200 from members of Kingswood Meeting House who got married. If donors tell me who is celebrating, I am happy to give them a name check!
- Rev Katie McKenna has been raising money in lieu of wedding gifts at her marriage to Ade. As I write, this is still an active Virgin Money Giving page, so watch this space
- We also received further donations in lieu of wedding gifts for Neil Fisher and Noriku's wedding
- Rev Sue Woolley, who was a professional Librarian before entering the ministry, has produced a Supplementary Subject Index to 'Sing Your Faith', using many of the terms from the Thematic Index in 'Hymns for Living'. The new index is available from her free of charge by e-mail only, but she did ask for donations to the Send a Child to Hucklow Fund and a number of people have made donations
- Jim Stearn and Tom Grimshaw regularly donate their preaching fees.

Charitable donations

On top of this, we have had an active fundraiser in Kate Hamill, who has approached a number of charitable trusts and other organisations that have made donations as a result. I would like to thank the following, some of whom were prompted by Kate, some (particularly the Masons) who are contacts of Derek and Pauline Smith and others who simply made donations:

Ashfield Royal Arch Chapter; Clifton Lodge, Notts; Congleton Free Masons Lodge, Knutsford; Dagny Raymond Trust; Duke of Portland Lodge; Elliot Lodge, Notts; Garfield Weston Foundation; Gorse Bank Trust and Hemby Trust; Joseph and Anne Slater Memorial Fund; Mansfield Lodge no 7094; Maun Chapter Rose Croix No 470; Merseyside District Missionary Association; Northern Unitarian Association; Notts conclave 166; Notts Provincial Lodge of Mark Master Masons; ShareGift (www.sharegift.org); South Birmingham Friends Institute Trust; Woodthorpe Lodge, Notts; Yorkshire Unitarian Union.

Kate got a signed football from Everton FC and that was auctioned to raise funds. Kate also got a donation of over £500 from Liverpool Charity and Voluntary services, who administer the Skelton Charity. This was specifically for sports equipment and Kate liaised with Stella at the Nightingale Centre and used the money to buy equipment to be used by the groups. There is also a special mention of the John Kenrick Charitable Trust, who gave us £21,000 as part of the winding up of the Trust. As always, we are very grateful to the numerous Unitarian congregations who regularly send us donations.

Ways to donate:

A number of ways to support us are illustrated on Page 5 of the report. In addition:

- Do consider donating as you shop online, with Easyfundraising and Amazon Smile
- We have a PayPal account. You can donate via our website or you can give through your own PayPal account.
- If you sell something on eBay, you can donate part or all of the proceeds to Send a Child to Hucklow.
- If you work for Microsoft, we have registered with Benevity, so you can make donations from your salary. I believe other companies also use Benevity to power their workplace giving.
- If you donate directly through our bank account, please also complete a Gift Aid declaration so that we can reclaim the income tax.
- If you donate through Virgin Money Giving, you can tick the box and they reclaim the income tax for us. You can donate using a credit or debit card.

Thanks

I would like to thank Ruth Taylor, the Donations Treasurer, who receives and acknowledges donations. Please continue to send cheques to Ruth. I would also like to thank Kate Hamill, who will not be able to continue as Appeals Treasurer. That means we are looking for a new volunteer to take on this job. If you are interested, please contact me. Finally, thanks to Mike Georgiou, who will be reviewing the accounts again.

2019-20 appeal target:

While over £90,000 this year was amazing, I would be surprised (and delighted) if we could raise so much over the next year. I therefore propose a target of £60,000 for the coming year.

David Ogden November 2019 Quote from a child on a SACH holiday I think that is so kind of you to pay for our trips with your own money!

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 30th September 2018

2017-18			2018-19
£	INCOME		£
53,676.76	Donations		89,434.30
2,279.87	Online donations		3,490.50
55,956.63			92,924.80
11,025.38	Interest and dividends		11,275.29
1,763.25	Income tax reclaimed		1,573.90
263.17	Easyfundraising and text giving		796.94
18.25			518.00
69,026.68	Total income		107,088.93
	EXPENDITURE		
231.28	Holidays:	Insurance	231.28
48,565.00	,	Accommodation	45,015.00
33,150.00		Transport	28,050.00
4,680.00		Other expenses	4,075.40
86,626.28		·	77,371.68
1,606.66	Administration		1,729.57
751.75	Publicity		837.35
	Other expenditure		518.00
88,984.69	Total expenditure		80,456.60
-19,958.01	Surplus (deficit) for the year		26,632.33
69,026.68			107,088.93
	Legacy		£
	Elizabeth Barlow		- 12,714.33
	In Memoriam		£
	Anonymous		50.00
	Vernon Atkinson		448.00
	Elsie Ball		65.00
	Ruth Bowes		10.00
	Roy Danson		220.00
	Elizabeth Annie Eaton)	343.05
	Shirley Fieldhouse		10.00
	Richard Fletcher		760.00
	Hilton Hughes		25.00
	Jean and Bert Inkson		10.00
	Marjie Manley		10.00
	Myra Marsh		350.00
	Malcolm Sadler		570.00
	Judith Walker-Riggs		20.00
			2,891.05

Please send donations to the Donations Treasurer:

The Send a Child to Hucklow Fund Ruth Taylor 10 Heald Grove, Heald Green Cheadle, Cheshire SK8 3RX

I enclose a personal donation of £.....

Please treat as Gift Aid donations all qualifying gifts of money made



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I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give on or after 6 April 2008.

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"Send a Child" holidays – "Far-off magic" brought close!



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