



The Jenny Chant Appeal

CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER

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Hello everyone, where has all the time gone? I can't believe it's almost Christmas. Still lots of rain/snow and plenty of time to knit on those cold, wet days in the UK!

I hope you all had a wonderful summer/winter and did lots of fun things with your family and friends.

I am still looking for more knitters if we are to achieve our goal. If you would get your family and friends involved that would be great, please help me with this worthy cause.

Scarf Update

I have to apologise, I miscounted the scarves in the last newsletter. We have almost reached the 2 mile marker and the new scarves from South Africa have set us well on our way to 2 miles, not 3 miles as I stated previously. Sorry, I had a senior moment (can't count!) I received 98 scarves from the knitters in SA - thank you all for your continued support. Please keep them coming!

The Jenny Chant Appeal News

I would like to thank all those who have donated items for car boot sales and tombola's. The fund is growing slowly but we are a long, long way from raising the £5000 we need to register as a charity. I recently raised £50 by doing a car boot and tombola at the Bedworth market.

If you have any Jenny Chant appeal fundraising events planned, or have any fundraising ideas, please do let me know. We can give you a mention in the newsletter and if possible or local I would love to attend.

Jenny Chant Appeal Blog

I have added a blog to the website to keep you up to date with appeal news. I can't wait to hear what you think...! Please visit the website and follow the link to the blog. These are my thoughts but if there is something you would like to hear about let me know.

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Volunteer Update

New knitters coming on board recently include Janice Cross, Joanne Smith and Jennifer Williams. Welcome aboard and thank you for joining us!

I would like to thank Dorothy Amos and friends, Phyllis Brown and her daughter Joanna, and Jennifer Harkin and friends, and all my other knitters around the world for all their support.

Groups and knitting Circles

If you have a group or knitting circle please let me know as we would like to ensure that we have a record of all our knitters. Please let us know via the website or contact me.

News from Abroad

I am expecting another shipment of scarves from South Africa in the New Year. I will keep everyone updated. Seems SA and the UK are beating the rest of the world!!!

£10 for your Ideas

Still up for grabs! Do you have an idea that would help the Appeal raise some much needed funding? Please forward your ideas to me either via the website or letter. **The best idea will receive a £10 voucher, donated by Donovan Sampson.**

Donations

We desperately need donations for some of our knitters who cannot afford the wool but have the time. Please could you help?

Businesses offering discounts

The following wool shops are very kindly offering discounts to our knitters. Make sure you mention the Jenny Chant appeal when you visit:

- * Sarah Hillman at The WOOL SHOP in Nuneaton, Warwickshire
- * Diana Eley at WOOL-N-THINGS in Baldock, Hertfordshire.

**** If you would like to offer a discount to the Appeal knitters and would like to be included in our next mailing please contact me and I will include your details.**

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Collection Points

We have a number of knitters and shops who have kindly agreed to help in the collection of the scarves.

For knitters in the UK

Warwickshire: Sarah Hillman, at **The WOOL SHOP**, Nuneaton, Warwickshire.

Hertfordshire: Diana Eley at **WOOL-N-THINGS** in Baldock, Hertfordshire.

Letchworth/Hitchin/Stevenage areas: **Fiona from Names-4-U** will collect scarves and donations from the Letchworth, Hitchin or Stevenage areas. Please contact her at fiona@names-4-u.co.uk or 07818 235356.

For knitters in South Africa:

Cape Town: **Pam Stephenson** has offered to be the base for collecting completed scarves and donations. Pam's contact details are: pams@absa.co.za

Port Elizabeth: **Gloria Cadle** has also agreed to help. Her contact number is 3608198

For knitters in the USA:

Please contact: Eric Swenson at: eoswenson@yahoo.com

***** We are looking for more collection points both in the UK and abroad. If you feel you will be able to help please let me know.***

The Appeal in the news

So far the Appeal has been featured in Let's Knit Magazine, Full House Magazine, Bedworth Echo, Coventry Telegraph, Heartland Evening News, Bedworth Observer, BBC Coventry and Warwickshire Radio, Touch FM, Mercia FM and numerous websites.

We need to get this out to more people so please keep talking and spreading the word.

Once again a big thank you for all your help and support, it means so much to me. When the task is completed it will benefit so many people around the world.

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Please keep knitting, and have a fantastic Christmas and a happy, healthy and joyous New Year!

Best wishes to you and your family,

Use the following form to send back your scarves:

Name:
Address:
Address:
Postcode:
Telephone:
Email:
Number of scarves included:
Name/s of knitter/s (if different from above):

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