

# ANNUAL NEWSLETTER 2014

The William Wates Memorial Trust exists to celebrate the life of William Wates who was tragically killed when travelling in Central America. The Trust is a grants giving registered charity set up in 1998 with a mission to help the most disadvantaged young people keep away from a life of crime and violence, and fulfil their potential. This is mainly achieved by supporting charities that engage young people through the mediums of sports, arts and education.

**£1.5m worth of grants given to date...  
and counting!**



**WILLIAM WATES**  
MEMORIAL TRUST



## SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM THIS YEAR

- » 2013/14 saw us break the £1.5M mark for grants given to our fabulous charities since 1998.
- » An estimated 600 young people have been supported through our grants this year.
- » We have forward commitment to grants totalling £125,000 during the period 2014-2015.
- » 180 cyclists joined us for the 2013 Tour de Force and raised a staggering £425,000 before costs for the Trust.
- » 25 Charities are currently being supported by WWMT

“ Almost a fifth of young people in England, Scotland and Wales are not in education, training or employment. By helping young people into work or training, we could potentially save £90 million per week. This makes effective interventions aimed at helping young people become economically active extremely good value for money. ”

The Princes Trust: The Cost of Exclusion Report



Prince's Trust

## focus on: EIKON CHARITY SURREY - £22,000 OVER 3 YEARS



Eikon is a Surrey based charity that has been working in the local community for almost two decades, providing sustained support to some of the county's most vulnerable young people and their families. Eikon delivers imaginative early intervention programmes to help young people overcome issues, before they become potentially life-changing

problems. Their core-work is placing Youth Specialists into schools to provide young people with expert mentoring and targeted programmes (including courses, activities and residential trips - to address issues such as poor confidence and low self-esteem; anger management and/or poor social and communication skills).

Statement from Chris Hickford. Charity Director and Founder:

**“At The Eikon Charity our vision is to develop happy, thriving and resilient young adults, who contribute positively to society. Based on Eikon's tried and tested model of placing “Youth Specialists” in to secondary schools, The William Wates Memorial Trust has enabled Eikon to roll out a new mentoring programme at Ryden's Enterprise School in Walton. This will enable us to access the most vulnerable young people in the area; those who are facing complex challenges in their lives, who often have no one else to turn to. The Trust's contribution will go a long way to our vision becoming a reality in the Rydens community, thank-you”.**

## WESTON CHURCH YOUTH PROJECT

SOUTHAMPTON - £24,000 OVER 3 YEARS



WWMT is supporting the Achieve Programme which works with Primary and secondary school children with attendance issues offering a programme of group work, incentives and family support to address the issues causing low attendance. Additionally a Mentoring Project works with 6-12 individuals mostly aged 13-16 on the verge of exclusion or school refusal.

## OCEAN YOUTH CONNEXIONS

TOWER HAMLETS - £18,000 OVER 3 YEARS



OYC aim to provide opportunities for young people aged 11-19 through a variety of engaging schemes which increase personal development and move young people forward as responsible young adults and good citizens.

## UFTON COURT

READING - £10,000 FOR 1 YEAR



WWMT funded a beach volleyball court at Ufton Court Adventure, a new educational project which aims to provide local disadvantaged children with opportunities for residential outdoor activities that are designed to remove barriers to personal achievement.

## TOUR DE FORCE



The Tour de Force enables our riders to cycle all, or part of, the route of the Tour de France. It is the principal source of income for the William Wates Memorial Trust and has raised over £1.5M to date. It is now an annual event and 2013 was another very special year...

184 cyclists took part in the Tour de Force 2013 and every one of them excelled both on and off the bike to raise £425,000 before costs for the Trust. It requires a great deal of effort to fundraise in such a spectacular way and we are very grateful for how engaged everyone has been. The money raised will go a long way to helping the young people we support overcome their own considerable challenges and we should all feel very proud of that. On behalf of the Trustees of the William Wates Memorial Trust, sincere thanks to all of our riders and our brilliant team, headed by Sarah, Tracy and Phil, for making the Tour de Force 2013 a great success on every level.

“ I was initially attracted to this by the personal challenge aspect of it all. I am an avid cyclist and tour fan - and so that is what caught my eye. I was then delighted to learn more about the trust and the good work it supports - as such was more than happy to fund raise for WWMT - It added a new dimension to it all for me. ”

Simon, 2013 Lifer



Congratulations to Clive Pinnington, Seymour Banks, Sandy Case and Andrew McAuliffe who won our WWMT Golf Day at Wildwood Golf Club in September.

Once again the day was a sell out and thank you so much to our players and supporters who helped us raise a fabulous £7275. Next year we return to Cottesmore and we're really looking forward to that.

 [www.cottesmoregolf.co.uk](http://www.cottesmoregolf.co.uk)

## OPTIONS FOR CHANGE

LAMBETH - £18,000 OVER 3 YEARS

Options for Change work with children and young people age 7 to 25 and their families and networks offering them new skills and personal development activities so that they can meaningfully engage with their community. WWMT is supporting work with 7 young people, referred by Lambeth Police, as part of their Turnaround Project.



## ROUNDHOUSE

CAMDEN - £12,500 FOR 1 YEAR

The Roundhouse have been awarded £12,500 from the William Wates Memorial Trust to support On Track - an intensive 6-week music and events production course for young people who are not in employment, education or training (NEET). Working with expert tutors and industry professionals, participants not only learn important technical and creative skills, but also benefit from improved self-esteem and teamwork skills. The young people are further supported to find education and employment opportunities on completing the programme.



## SOUTHAMPTON RAPE CRISIS

SOUTHAMPTON - £24,000 OVER 3 YEARS

Southampton Rape Crisis (SRC) is a Southampton-based charity setup to relieve the distress of individuals (aged 11+) who have suffered rape or sexual abuse and to carry out prevention work through education. WWMT is supporting the Star Project which aims to reduce the incidence of rape and sexual abuse and raise awareness of support services via creative and innovative workshops with Young People.



**Southampton Rape Crisis**

Specialist Services Responding to Sexual Violence

## FUNDRAISING 2014



**Tour De Force 2014**  
27th June - 21st July 2014

21 Stages

3500 KM

An average of 7000 calorie's a day!

The Tour de Force 2014 is almost completely sold out, if you have just stumbled across it and fancy a few days of amazing cycling in France visit [www.tourdeforce.org.uk](http://www.tourdeforce.org.uk) or email [sarah@tourdeforce.org.uk](mailto:sarah@tourdeforce.org.uk). Many of our 180 riders depart on 27th June - this year in the UK and return from Paris on 21st July.

*and finally...*

Monty Wates has recently handed over the Chairman's role to Andrew Wates after three years in the post. Monty has done a great job and leaves WWMT in robust health. Thank you Monty for your excellent contribution.

### Donate Now!

The trust relies on your donations to be able to continue to support amazing projects like these. If you would like to support us please contact us to discuss or visit [www.bmycharity.com/charities/wwmt](http://www.bmycharity.com/charities/wwmt)

**Any support is hugely appreciated. Thank you**

## A SMALL INSIGHT INTO THE WAY WE WORK

The Trustees of the William Wates Memorial Trust are the parents and brothers of William and are advised by Sue Laing, who is an independent Trustee.

The Trustees take on projects as "champions" and oversee them from start to finish. As such we are lucky enough to get to know the charities we support very well and have gained an excellent insight into what works in our chosen sector.

We don't have any direct employees and therefore have low overheads. This means the vast majority of the funds we raise go to the charities we support.



## WHO WE CAN HELP

The objective of WWMT is: To encourage disadvantaged and vulnerable young people away from anti-social behaviour and criminal activity, enabling them to fulfill their potential.

**If you know of a charity that fits our criteria please do get in touch. We would be delighted to get an application from them.**

To view our criteria go to: [www.wwmt.org/howecanhelp](http://www.wwmt.org/howecanhelp)

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The Trustees of the William Wates Memorial Trust wish to thank you for your continued support.

*thank you!*

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