

Jumping for TOAD

Sara's Leap

On 3rd September, Sara Pierce, from Shipton-under-Wychwood, completed a tandem parachute jump at Weston-on-the-Green, raising over £630, more than £400 of which has been donated to TOAD.



A Chance For All

TOAD stands for Trips, Outings & Activities for the Learning Disabled, covering West Oxfordshire and the borders of Gloucestershire. It's Patron is David Cameron MP and it is run by me, Norman Dunn of Lyneham.

This charity, registered in November 2004, already has 74 members in its first year. Its purpose is to give people a chance, irrespective of their disabilities, to interact with the wider community and to enjoy the opportunity of getting out on trips. Without TOAD many members would not always have these chances. TOAD organises one trip and a social every month. To date we have been on a Willow Trust Boat trip, to the Lakeside

Superbowl, Birdland, Evesham Wildlife Park and, our biggest venture so far, on the London Eye and a river trip, generously sponsored by Fox FM. We still have bowling at the Kassam Stadium, Cadbury's World and the pantomime, (page 47), to look forward to before the year is out. Socials are held at the Chipping Norton Rugby

Club; non-members are welcome for a small fee of £1.50, which includes food. These are always fun evenings - we've even had an Australian Christmas, which became a little crazy!

You Can Help Too

None of this could take place without the generous help of sponsors and your support at our fund-raising events. If anyone feels that they could sponsor us or make a donation to ensure that next year is as successful and fun-packed as this one please contact me on: Tel 01993 831895 or Mobile: 07786 054 667.

Norman Dunn

Milton Village Hall

Since our last article, this time last year, we have had the main hall decorated, new curtains and blinds have been purchased and put in place - just in time for our first **Flix in the Stix** showing.

The morning show for children was very popular and far exceeded our expectations.

The stage curtains were cleaned and re-hung. So the next project will be the

refurbishment of the toilets. We hope to raise enough money for this through fund-raising and grants and to carry out this vital work next year.

Members of the public are always welcome at our meetings; the next will be held on **Tuesday 6th December, 7:30pm** in the hall.

Karen Perry