

Elvetham Lodge Charity Information

Non Masonic Charities

Elvetham Lodge plays an active role in support of Non Masonic Charities in the local area. Each year a number of deserving cases are selected to receive donations which it is hoped will help make a difference.

For 2006 the following 6 organisations were each given £1000. Follow the links to find out more about the excellent work they are all doing in our community.

The **Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice** offers specialist palliative care in a compassionate and friendly environment. As an independent charitable trust and a centre of excellence, they aim to provide equitable supportive care to those with life-limiting illness and to their families and friends

<http://www.phyllistuckwellhospice.org/>

Over the Wall is a charity that provides residential activity camps for young people living with serious illnesses like cancer, kidney failure and blood disorders. Founded in 1999 it is modelled on Paul Newman's renowned Hole in The Wall Gang Camp in USA. The camps offer the children a chance to feel normal and that gives them something priceless; a chance to fit in.

<http://www.otw.org.uk/default.aspx>

The Basingstoke and Alton Cardiac Rehabilitation Centre – REHAB for short – is one of the leading UK venues for promoting recovery from heart disease. Opened in September 1997, REHAB treats heart patients in North Hampshire and surrounding areas, helping them to regain a normal life after illness such as a heart attack or heart surgery.

<http://www.cardiac-rehab.co.uk/>

The **Thames Valley & Chiltern Air Ambulance Trust** is a charity funded by the people of Thames Valley. The Air Ambulance started operating in June 1999 and is based at Grove Park, White Waltham, Maidenhead. The yellow Bolkow 105 helicopter carries life saving equipment and is crewed by a pilot and two paramedics. It can transport one patient to one of several hospitals in the area with landing facilities, or to a specialist hospital if required. The paramedics are provided by the NHS; all other costs must be funded by the Trust.

<http://www.airambulancetvac.org/>

Saxon Wood School is a Special School for children with Physical Disabilities and Complex Medical Needs, catering for up to 40 children. Staff at Saxon Wood work hard

to provide a caring yet stimulating and challenging environment for children. We believe that all children are special, and the children at Saxon Wood are more special than most.

<http://www.saxonwood.hants.sch.uk/index.htm>

Shopmobility Basingstoke has the mission to provide greater access to the town centre and its facilities by provision of both powered and manual wheelchairs together with powered scooters to all people with impaired mobility regardless of age or disability, whether temporary or permanent.

http://www.tadleyphotos.co.uk/shopmobility_basingstoke/about_basingstoke_branch.htm