

MEDIA RELEASE

WheelPower Hosts Charity Seasonal Shopping Evening 2019 in aid of transforming lives through disability sports

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The national Charity for British Wheelchair Sport, WheelPower, is once again inviting the general public to its' Seasonal Shopping Evening at Stoke Mandeville Stadium on Thursday 28 November 2019 5:30pm - 9pm.

There'll be unique gifts, a tombola, raffle, homemade cakes, mince pies, and of course, it wouldn't be a Christmas event without mulled wine! We are also very lucky to have the Stoke Mandeville Combined School Hand-signing Choir joining us and reciting Carols for that added extra sprinkle of festivity.

The annual event is all in aid of transforming lives through sport, and supports WheelPower's new strategy 'Pushing Forward', which aims to improve disabled people's physical and mental well-being through accessible sporting opportunities that promote active and healthy lifestyles. It's all very positive!

WheelPower's Fundraising Event Organiser, Jo Hall, comments: 'It's a really worthwhile event, the atmosphere is vibrant, and there's always plenty of see and do. It's also a wonderful opportunity to get you in the festive mood!'

Find that perfect Christmas gift for your loved ones, while savouring homemade cakes, mince pies and mulled wine, and watching the amazing Stoke Mandeville Combined School Hand-Signing Choir perform.

WheelPower's Seasonal Shopping Evening event kicks off at 5:30pm until 9pm. There is free entry and free parking.

CALL OUT: WheelPower are looking for *RAFFLE, TOMBOLA and HOME-MADE CAKE DONATIONS* please. If you have any unwanted gifts lying at the back of your cupboards and you'd like to donate them to make someone smile, drop them off at Stoke Mandeville Stadium reception FAO WheelPower by 21 November 2019, cakes w/c 25 November 2019.

WheelPower will also be selling raffle tickets with £100 cash first prize up for grabs donated by Fresh (Design and Print) in Aylesbury, plus many more prizes. Raffle tickets are available for purchase from 21 October 2019. Be sure to purchase yours - contact jo.hall@wheelpower.org.uk if you're interested.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

About WheelPower

WheelPower have been providing opportunities in sport for people with physical impairments for nearly 70 years.

Based in Stoke Mandeville, Buckinghamshire, the home of the Paralympic movement, WheelPower is at the heart of wheelchair sport.

From first-timers to Paralympic medallists, WheelPower support and promote participation at all levels. We have seen how playing sport can enrich lives, offering tremendous physical and psychological benefits, whatever your age or ability.

Each year, WheelPower supports over 100,000 disabled people to participate in sport and activity across the country.

Join us in this mission as a participant, supporter or volunteer and together we can help transform lives through sport.

About the 'Pushing Forward' Strategy

Pushing Forward is WheelPower's Strategic Plan for the period between 2017 and 2021, in line with the Government Sport England Strategy ('Towards an Active Nation'). It aims to move the organisation forward, building on its heritage, traditions and people to provide opportunities which will enable more disabled people to lead healthy and active lives.

Pushing Forward will deliver our Mission to 'Transform Lives Through Sport' and is based on our core values as an open, inspiring, forward looking and innovative organisation.

Pushing Forward will:

- Increase participation in sport and physical activity
- Provide iconic and inclusive facilities at Stoke Mandeville Stadium
- Ensure WheelPower is a credible and robust organisation
- Inspire people through our work, our heritage and the power of the Paralympic Games

Pushing Forward will create opportunities to encourage inactive wheelchair users as well as those already taking part and is an exciting new chapter for WheelPower.

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Where does your money go?

£10 provides training for more wheelchair sports coaches and leaders

£24 enables us to give a disabled child aged six their first ever experience of sport – at a WheelPower event where they can try six different activities

£49 allows us to buy sports equipment which we use to get recently paralysed people active

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Seasonal Shopping Evening

Shop in style for a variety of unique gifts
Tombola - Homemade Cakes - Mince Pies - Mulled Wine
& Carols by Stoke Mandeville Combined School



Thursday 28th November 2019
5:30pm - 9:00pm
Stoke Mandeville Stadium

*** Free Entry & Parking ***

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