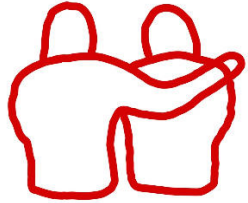


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## Newsletter

Summer 2011

Great strides forward have been made in recent months in the way we deal with those who need our help. We know most providers of services similar to our own and have contacts with many agencies who we can call to give our clients the help that they need. Another is in how we deliver food and clothing, much of which is donated by our generous



supporters. For a number of years we had a mobile kitchen/trailer which became impractical to use due to difficulties in transporting it and setting it up. A small car, which has been used for several months at Newcastle on a Sunday night, is

now tired and exhausted. A decision was taken to sell the trailer and put the money towards buying a suitable used van. This was done and the van has now been in use for a number of weeks, proving most successful.

At a recent Trustees' meeting, our Secretary suggested we hold a get together with all of the volunteers, because many had never met each other. A date was set for June, this year, and it was thought that a garden party would be



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To let us know of any fundraising events etc, please contact Jean Cansfield (Secretary) with details of date, time and venue.

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nice, but a "Plan B" may be required. On the 18th of June, everyone gathered at our Secretary's and Treasurer's home, where "Plan B" was in operation. Fortunately, none had been put off by the weather. A superb array of food had been prepared and soon the house was buzzing in at least four different locations with everyone sharing their experiences with each other. A short video was made of those who wished to say a few words on how or why they became involved with North East Help Link and this will be on the web site shortly.



The Walk for Walter's Work was held on the 25th June this year and all of the walkers assembled at Easington Lane IM Church for a five mile walk. There were 27 walkers gathered with most churches in the Sunderland Circuit represented. A short time

of chorus singing was led by Carl Heron, before we all set off for a leisurely two hour walk. A circular route led us North then East, through woodland and skirted a golf course, before heading towards Murton, and then turning back to the church via



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### **Fund-Raising Activities**

*(Contact Jean Cansfield for further information on any item)*

- Anne Chisholm will attempt to produce watercolour paintings of buildings, landscapes, flowers (NO people or animals!) from photographs or pictures.
- Pauline Blyth is willing to try to sell unwanted items on e-Bay.
- Lawn cutting (Sunderland Area)  
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Easington Lane. Refreshments had been prepared at the Church, which were most welcome. After everyone had recovered, our Chairman gave a short summary of recent events within the North East Help Link and with the help of our Secretary, answered any questions the walkers wished to ask.

A word of thanks to one of our supporters, who routinely collects food, kindly donated by Birtley Bakery, and transports it ready for use at our Teesside kitchens. Thanks also to all our supporters who continue to give money, clothing, food, and anything else than can be of use to our clients. This is very much appreciated by NEHL, and contributes to the work on a weekly basis.

For those who may be fortunate enough to be going on holiday, we hope that the promised good weather finally arrives.

#### Other Recent Events

A coffee morning/craft fayre was held at Ryhope IM Church on 11th June. A total in excess of £200 was raised.

#### NOTICES

A Craft Fayre will be held at Cleadon Methodist Church on October 1st, from 10:00am 'til 4:00pm. NEHL has had a sponsored stall at the event for a number of years. All are welcome.

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#### **Contact Details**

To donate tinned food, clothing, or blankets, contact Carl Heron (Chairman)  
☎ (0191) 5368637 to arrange collection

To make a donation of money, contact Moira Cansfield (Treasurer)  
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