KEVIN SINFIELD'S 7-7-7 CHALLENGE

SITREP FROM CHRIS ON THE CHRISTMAS RAFFLE FOR THE SINFIELD MND FUND

Hi Guys

I have today made our Groups donation to MND and the "7 in 7 in 7" Challenge

We have achieved a contribution to the cause of £472 from the "Treasure Hunt" concluded at the SSM Beighton lunch.

This is a brilliant effort by everyone involved and - as you can see from the e mail confirmation below - greatly appreciated by Kevin , his team and the MND Association.

There are a few prizes left to get out to some of the "Treasure Hunt" winners - some of this may be possible at the Beighton meeting on January 10th 2024 - i intend to be there to see the film produced by Glyn and i will bring with myself any prizes that still need a home.

With all my Seasonal Best Wishes to you and your families and looking forward to our next call when i trust we can announce this great result.

Happy New Year ! Chris

Hi Chris Hall on behalf of the "Sheffield Sporting Memories Group ",

Thank you so much for your donation to Kevin Sinfield and the team's 7 in 7 in 7 challenge supporting the fight against MND.

Money raised by the 7 in 7 in 7 challenge will be shared between five charities which support people affected by MND and invest in research to bring us closer to effective treatments and a cure for the disease.

- MND Association (41%)
- Leeds Hospitals Charity (41%)
- Darby Rimmer MND Foundation (6%)
- Irish MND Association (6%)
- My Name'5 Doddie Foundation (6%)

Thank you once again for supporting us in this challenge and helping people with MND.

Warm regards

STOP PRESS

As of 15 April 2024, through Chris Hall's initiative, the Sporting Memories (Sheffield) Group has raised:

- £502 in 2022 from the 'Silent Auction';
- in 2023/4, £562 from the 'Treasure Hunt' and £330 from the Paul Wileman Tokyo marathon;
- Total to date: an incredible £1,394.

Man of Steel's Contribution

Paul Wileman , a prominent member of the Sheffield Sporting Memories group , has a huge passion for Marathon running and his recent completion of the Tokyo Marathon in under 5 hours - a top performance in his own particular age group - is ample demonstration of his talent, determination and sheer will power !

In completing this Marathon, Paul also succeeded in a life long ambition to finish in all 6 of the Abbott World Marathon Majors, namely the BOSTON, LONDON, BERLIN, CHICAGO, NEW YORK and finally the TOKYO marathons - an astonishing achievement that only just over 14,000 others have ever done in the world. Paul's efforts demand the greatest respect and praise possible.

In running the Tokyo Marathon, Paul also raised additional funds to contribute towards the Sheffield Sporting Memories support of the MND Charities " 7 in 7 in 7 " challenge, led this year by Kevin Sinfield. The total raised by Sheffield Sporting memories has now reached £872 for the last calendar year with this additional effort in Tokyo by Paul.

Well done runner number 61593, well run Paul !



ROB BURROW MND CENTRE AT SEACROFT IN LEEDS UPDATE

On a recent Webinar call, 2/5/24, an update on the progress being made with the project to build this facility was given by the leading representatives of the Neurological Department in Leeds, the Appointed Architects and the Leeds NHS Trust.

The main "take away" points from this call were:

***FUNDRAISING** to date has achieved £5.75 million against a target of £6.8 million with major contributions from Kevin Sinfield's "7 in 7 in 7 " challenge (that has received the support of Sheffield Sporting Memories since 2022.)

ADDITIONAL FUND RAISING is still required and the Rob Burrow Marathon on May 12th in Leeds is being staged to contribute towards the achievement of the building projects total costs.

BUILDING DESIGN is "non institutional" and with everything specifically designed for the specific needs of the MND patients and their families . A "domestic" and open style has therefore been adopted with indoor and outdoor spaces created as can be seen from the illustrations.

GREAT NEWS announced at the Webinar meeting - planning permission has been granted and the appointed builders will commence ground works later this month (May 2024).

The project is a 9th month build and the plan is to open the MND Centre in the early part of 2025.

