

May/Jun 2020 Newsletter

Happy Volunteers Week!!!!



Hello all!! Well May flew by and we are already in June where is this year going! We would like to take this moment to thank ALL of the volunteers at Newquay Foodbank. As you know we are currently an entirely volunteer led charity so thank you to everyone from those who serve the clients at the sessions to those who do the admin in the background ensuring everything runs smoothly. We have volunteers who have supported us since our creation in 2011 to Emergency Volunteers who have stepped up

to answer the call of the Co-Vid Crisis!!!! Thank you to you all, without your support many families would struggle. Thank you also to those members of the community businesses and individuals who voluntarily support us through donations whether financial or food, both so SO important. If anyone wants to know more about volunteering with us either during this crisis or in the longer term, please get in touch. I hope this newsletter gives you a taste of what we are doing. **Enjoy** \bigcirc

Latest News

The support we gave

The effects of Co-Vid 19 are still being seen in the needs of our clients, a simple way of demonstrating this is in the table below showing comparison with previous years. The total No. of boxes given out includes Singles, Doubles and Family boxes. Clearly a marked increase. Whilst we always aim for a day when the foodbank is not needed. We are grateful to you all for your support as the need continues to rise.

Month Comparison over the last 3 years.

Total Boxes given out				
	2018	2019	2020	
April	64	113	249	
May	59	80	216	

Total Number of people supported				
	2018	2019	2020	
April	128	197	488	
May	134	145	376	

New leads take the reins at St Michaels

Our Chairwoman Rev Clare Anderson has done an outstanding job so far, not just stepping into the role of Chair in April but also leading the way at St Michaels during this busy time, with her amazing team around her. From this incredible team a few volunteers have stepped up to take on the challenge of Session Lead, so you will see them taking the reins in the next few weeks with Graham stepping back into the role of Session co-ordinator allowing Clare to step back and focus on Chair. Well done and thank you to Michelle Tucker, Clare Rooks, Julie Sellers and Alice Connolly for all taking on the challenge.



Grant funds lead to the purchase of new shelving and more



Thanks to the fantastic work of the fundraising team, we have been able to access some vital grant funds to support in the background running of the foodbank along with the day to day supply of food to those who need it.

The latest funding has enabled us to purchase some boards to make the St Michaels shelves safer (Left) and new shelving units for Oasis (right). Thank you to everyone involved in the fundraising, the purchase and the installation. Looks incredible \bigcirc





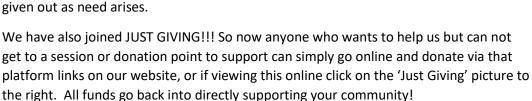
Cornwall Cloth Masks

The incredible volunteers at Cornwall Cloth Masks have worked tirelessly making and delivering these masks to anyone who needs them around Cornwall. We have been blessed enough to benefit from this service with several parcels of masks which have been made available to any volunteers who would like to wear them. Love the designs and very comfortable to wear. Thank you so much!

A few Donation mentions

Whilst it is always difficult to mention everyone, we are so grateful for all the donations that keep coming in to help us continue. This last month we have seen donations from Roly's Fudge Pantry, Newquay Airport, and Penhallow Garage.

The Atlantic Coast Tattoo parlour and the Retallick Resort Shop both dropped off a great selection of food to the session. And not forgetting our furry friends both Morrisons and St Eval stores put together parcels for dogs and cats, who also suffer when families can not afford food for themselves. Donations of pet food are always welcome and given out as need arises.

















Fundraising

Due to the rapid growth of the Foodbank over the years we are looking at many ways of doing what we do better and serving the Community. Options on the table include an expansion project at St Michaels giving us vital space along with taking on a part time member of staff to enable us to celebrate and recognise the huge growth we have seen in the Foodbank provision and the associated increased workload currently being carried out by volunteers. Due to our continuing desire to serve the Community first we endeavour to use all funding received from the community on food parcels given back to the community, therefore our fundraising team are hard at work searching and applying for grants to support these projects and more. We will let you know how we get on as we progress.

Upcoming Events



Calling all Quiz Masters!!!! 99

We are having a Zoom Pub Quiz!! On the Friday 19th June 2020 at 6pm we will be holding an online quiz to raise funds. There will be 5 rounds of questions including the all-important 'Brain Teaser Round' AND there is a 1st place prize a lovely hamper currently being put together by our expert gift-wrapping queen Louise.

Entry price is £5.00 per team donated via our Just donate JustGiving page, ensure you include the reference 'Quiz -Your Name and your Team Name' in the comments!! Then get in touch either by email or Facebook and when we see the donation, we will send you the Zoom link and password. You can play as a team or show your prowess and go solo!!! Up to you, enjoy!!!

Online EGM

As you are all aware the AGM was planned for this month and has had to be cancelled due to the current situation. However, there are still matters that need voting on and reports that need to be given, boring as I know this is. We have tried to wait it out but have decided as a Committee that the time has now come for



another method to be used. Over the next week I will be compiling everything we need and creating a power point to briefly get across the main points. We will then email this out to all email addresses for volunteers we have (if you are not a volunteer, but would like this information please get in touch and I will email it to you). We will also put it all on our website for people to access. For those members not online, we will endeavour to get you a printed copy. We will then leave it a month for you all to read, digest and pose questions. A zoom meeting for anyone to dial into will then be scheduled for answers to group related questions, final votes and confirmation. For those unable to make the zoom meeting votes can be sent via email. If anyone has any queries on this please let me know.

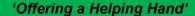
Request, when the email comes through PLEASE confirm receipt to ensure you are not chased up by phone calls (



Time Credits

Again, opportunity to use time credits is minimal at the moment, but volunteers should keep an eye on the Time credits website for opportunities as they arise and keep a track of what you are owed for when the Time Credit vouchers arrive.

Go to the Time Credits Website for more info. If you want to get involved just let me know,





Great Links

Newquay Foodbank

- Main Website
- Public Facebook Page
- Private Volunteer only Facebook page
- <u>Emergency Volunteer Facebook page</u>
- Online Donation link

Funding

- Cornwall Community Foundation
- Transformation Cornwall

Support to those in need

- Volunteer Cornwall
- Age UK Winter Well Being
- Cornwall Council Winter wellbeing

Training

- Safeguarding Training
- Safeguarding Children and Young people
- Designated Safeguarding Lead Training

Until Next Time

Thank you all for your ongoing support, until I see you or write to you again, stay safe.

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