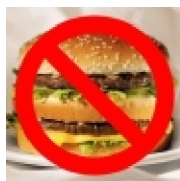




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## NEWSLETTER 2008

### DREAM-A-WEIGH



### Lose lbs, raise £££s!

Our Chairman Jeff Merrett and Patron Sir John Evans are leading a group of volunteers on a 2008 weight loss challenge.

What started out as two people with a personal challenge grew into a team of 20, then 50, then 80, and is now approaching 100! An incredible feat!

Each participant aims to lose 10% of their body weight and to raise at least £100 in sponsorship.

Dream-A-Way would like to thank the following supporters for helping in this challenge which will culminate with a 'weigh out' on Friday June 6<sup>th</sup> 2008

The Riverside Leisure Centre,  
Woodbury Park Golf & Country Club  
The Cranford Sports Club Exmouth,  
Fitness First Exeter,  
Exeter Arena Athletics Centre,  
Clifton Hill Sports Centre,  
Wonford Sports Centre,  
Pyramids Swimming Leisure Centre.

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## 2007 FUNDRAISING UPDATE

2007 was one of our best fundraising years. In total we raised a fantastic £125,000

## 2007 SPENDING UPDATE

In 2007 Dream-A-Way provided holidays, outings and trips for more than 1,000 clients, many of whom stayed in our luxury caravans at Haven holidays Sandy Bay, Exmouth.



Mrs J Thomas of Haven Holidays hands over the keys to our new 2008 holiday home.

L to R. Tim, Joan, Jeff, Gill



Dream-A-Way are extremely proud to announce that we have been selected as the partner charity for the BRADLEYS GROUP

This will be a great opportunity for both Dream-A-Way and BRADLEYS to demonstrate their support of the community throughout the South West.

BRADLEYS have offices throughout the South West peninsula from Penzance to Bridgewater

### The 'Objectives' of Dream-A-Way'

To relieve physically and mentally disabled persons by the provision of holidays and outings to such persons and their escorts in the interest of social welfare and with the object of improving the conditions and quality of life of such physically and mentally disabled persons.

This includes seriously ill people who by the nature of their illness can be considered disabled.

99p in every £1 raised is used to pay for the holidays and outings. No expenses or costs are paid to anyone connected with Dream-A-Way



## FRIENDS of Dream-A-Way HELP WANTED ON SATURDAYS

We are looking for volunteers to help clean our caravans at Devon Cliffs, Sandy Bay, Exmouth between 10am and noon on Saturdays from March 2008. We can't offer payment but there are usually copious amounts of tea, coffee and donuts (for those who are not on the Dream-A-Weigh Diet!!) No experience necessary and all equipment is provided. Some of the Dream-A-Way committee are always there on Saturdays to organize and help so if you can help on just a few Saturdays or every week please contact Jeff on 07796442144

Anyone can become a Friend of Dream-A-Way and you can be an 'armchair supporter' if you wish. Take a look at the Friends page on our website at [www.dream-a-way.co.uk](http://www.dream-a-way.co.uk) or give Jeff a ring. Membership costs a one off payment of £5.

### TRUSTEES & COMMITTEE

In 2007 we strengthened our committee and increased the number of Trustees to six.

#### Trustees:

Jeff Merrett MBE  
Robert Beer MCMi  
Gill Freeman  
Lady Beryl Evans  
Tim Rea FRICS  
Charlie Thomas



Supporters at the opening of 'Gemini Dream' in 2007

### CONTACT US

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### Forthcoming Events

**Indoor Karting** Wed 5<sup>th</sup> March, Wed 19<sup>th</sup> March, Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> April, Wed 14<sup>th</sup> May, Wed 4<sup>th</sup> June, Wed 25<sup>th</sup> June. Contact Jeff for booking.  
**Thick as Thieves** Friday 29<sup>th</sup> February at Exeter Golf & Country Club  
**Exeter Chiefs Rugby Collection** Sat 8<sup>th</sup> March HELP NEEDED  
**Bradleys Golf Day** Thurs. 15<sup>th</sup> May Woodbury Park. Teams needed  
**DAW Annual 'Crystal Ball'** Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June Sandy Park £45 a ticket  
**Annual Ladies Golf Day** Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> June at Stover  
**Annual General Meeting & BBQ** Wed 9<sup>th</sup> July at Timepiece Exeter  
**Dragon Boat Racing** Sun 31<sup>st</sup> August, Exeter Quay. Teams needed.  
**Annual Golf Day** Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. Woodbury Park.

If you can help or want more details, please contact us –  
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