

THANK YOU, FOR ALL THAT YOU DO

POOLE OLD LIFEBOAT MUSEUM



The Old Poole Lifeboat museum, is the blush red building at the east end of Poole Quay by Fisherman's Dock. The operational lifeboat station was based there from 1882 to 1974. The museum brings to life the history of lifesaving in the town under one roof and it is also home to the surf lifeboat **Thomas Kirk Wright**, the first motorised Poole lifeboat on station from 1939 to 1962. It was one of the brave 'little ships' that took part in **Operation Dynamo**, the Dunkirk evacuations in 1940. The museum has received around 7322 visitors so far this year, do pop in if your passing.

MAYDAY- A MONTH OF A'MAY'ZING FUNDRAISING - OVER £3,000 RAISED



We held our first ever MAYDAY Plant sale which was a huge success, Thanks to Maria and Dave for coming along to support us and to our Water Safety Officer Chris, who made and donated the magnificent bird tables. Henry and some of the crew were on hand to draw out the winning raffle tickets.. Also thank you, to **Stewarts Garden Centre** who donated vouchers and to other companies that donated the seeds, for us to grow. The sunflower in an earlier picture next to Shout Tally was just a tiny seedling on the wall.

Other MAYDAY news, huge thanks and well done to 'Great Reads' in the Dolphin centre who cycled up their 'MAYDAY miles' on a static bike in the shop. maybe in the geography and holiday guide section for a more scenic route? Then not forgetting **Rossy's**, our Fundraising Chairs 'pawsome' daschund who went on 'MayDay walkies', collecting sponsorship for his doggy MAYDAY miles. * * * * *

Thank you to everyone who has contributed, by completing a MAYDAY challenges. A fantastic result!

THEN, THE BIG ONE, THE EPIC MAYDAY CHALLENGE WELL WHAT ELSE WOULD YOU BE DOING OVER A BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND ?ONLY 103 MILES



Day one, tropically hot. Day two, yuck, wet, squally, at times quite scary, navigating exposed cliffs, shrouded with sea mist whilst pelted by sharp rain. The MAYDAY Milers or more like Jurassic giants, 'linked up', our flanking lifeboat stations in 48 hours, starting at 4am Sunday morning at Mudeford, ending at 9pm at Lyme Regis on Bank holiday Monday.

Respect and awe to Ollie M, Sue, Em, Steve, Nikki, Kitty, Alex, Hannah, Will, Fiona M, Jo and Marcin and to the superb logistics team Ollie W and Agnes, who put in the road miles, and visited every coastal tea room.

Highs and lows literally! Weather and terrain, sunrises, sunsets, wipeouts, heat stroke to trench foot not forgetting the warmest welcome from every lifeboat station along the way, with creaky knees, blisters, sunburn and soggy socks! Congratulations, you smashed it.



If you wish to get in touch, maybe sponsor this newsletter, volunteer or find out more?

We would love to hear from you - please email Anne-Marie

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Thank you