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Welcome....

I hope this bulletin finds you well and I hope you haven't had too much trouble with all the snow! Can you believe its almost Easter and time to eat all the chocolate!

Thank you!

We raised over **£350,000** for Maggie's Edinburgh last year and we couldn't have done this without your support. A massive Thank you to everyone who has shown there support in Maggie's Edinburgh, either by fundraising, volunteering or simply spreading the word. You have helped support over the **19,000 visitors** we had walk through our doors in 2009.

I hope your support will continue into 2010 and beyond!

What's new at Maggie's Edinburgh?

Creative Writing six week course has been running in the Centre now for just over two years, the aim of the group is to provide the opportunity to reflect on and understand people's reactions to cancer. Writing about our experiences can help us to better understand and find new ways of expressing our feelings and can help us to feel more confident in what we are going through.



Following on from the creative writing groups we held our first **poetry night** in the Centre in December with Madeline Moffat reading the poems of Julia Darling and Angus Ogilvy reading some of his poems written whilst taking part in the course. We had a lot of interest on the night and hope to hold it again in the future.

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To keep up-to-date with what's going on at **Maggie's Edinburgh** why not join the Maggie's Edinburgh fundraising group?

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Be a part of it!

Do something for someone you love on 'Love Maggie's Day'. Taking place on **Friday 26th March** and we would like you to be part of it!

The Edinburgh team and I would be delighted if you could join us on Love Maggie's Day to take part in the celebrations and fundraising activities to raise essential funds for Maggie's Edinburgh.

To raise awareness of the support we offer people



living with, through and beyond cancer we want **people who love Maggie's to surround the**

building in a giant hug. We hope as many people as possible will join us on **26 March at 12 noon** for Maggie's Big Hug.

Whatever you love: food, thrills, friends, adventure or the great outdoors, we hope you'll do something for Love Maggie's Day. Whether you climb mountains or bake cakes the money you raise will help transform the lives of thousands of people facing cancer in your community.

We are here to help you with any idea or challenge you set yourself. We can give you ideas and advice and supply you with all the information, sponsorship forms and resources you need – **just give me a call on 0131 537 3135.**

Street Collection

As part of Love Maggie's day we are holding a **street collection** in Central Edinburgh on Friday 26th March and need volunteers to help between **11am and 3pm**, if you can spare an hour or more please get in touch for more details.

I do hope you can join us on the day!

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Monster Bike and Hike

1st and 2nd May 2010

Leg hammering, heart pounding, breath catching ... if you think you're ready for a challenge, to have fun and take on the best charity adventure challenge in the Scottish Highlands, then **Monster Bike and Hike** is the one for you. Over 550 people are already registered for the event – Please come and join us and help people affected by cancer?



Myself and Julie the fundraiser in Maggie's Lanarkshire have signed up and going for Gold! (Pictured above is ourselves with friends Claire and Boushra when we did Bronze last year) so this is going to be a challenge for us both and at the moment I am terrified and excited to try and complete the **30 mile cycle and 43 mile hike**.

Please have a look on our website and at last year's video, you will see Maggie's Angels on it!

<http://www.maggiescentres.org/maggies/maggiescentres/home/eventsfundraising/event/s/monsterhike/about.html>

How are you for heights?



Here is another challenge for 2010, why not **jump for Maggie's!** If you or someone you know would be interested in jumping for Maggie's go to www.clickandjump.co.uk or contact myself for more information.

Pictured is Katrina

Guikian before her big jump.

Or you can watch Scott Harrison's film on You Tube <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=saJvflxzLQ8>

Maggie's Pudding Club

If you like **baking cakes** for your friends, family or work colleagues then

Maggie's Pudding club is for you! It's a fun way to fundraise for Maggie's Edinburgh.



Once signed up we will send you out a information pack including a notebook to put all your recipes in. We even have a **pudding club facebook page** for you to share all your recipes on!

We are having a pudding club launch on Sunday 25th April with the Rainbow Cupcake company.

Please put the date in your diary and there will be more details to follow next month.

Dates for the diary

Edinburgh City Active Friends

Maggie's Ceilidh

The **Sheraton Grand Hotel & Spa**, Edinburgh

Saturday 25th September 2010, 7pm till 1am

Enjoy ceilidh dancing to the Teannaich Ceilidh Band and then party the night away with a disco till 1am.

Early Bird Offer

Purchase your tickets **before 31st March for the discounted price of £30 each** or £300 for a table of ten. After 1st April tickets will be available for £35 each.

Tickets available from Jennifer Shabbir

Mobile 07843 045 702

Bucket Amnesty!

Do you have **any buckets, collecting cans or materials left over** from a fundraiser you have held for Maggie's, if so please get in touch and let me know and I will arrange to have them picked up.

Finally.....

If you have **any stories or photos to share** from your fundraising efforts please get in touch and let me share with everyone what you have been doing for Maggie's!

I look forward to hearing from you!

Marion x