On your bike for Lifelites

London to Brighton bike ride
After raising nearly £20,000 in 2013, we’re delighted to announce that the Province of Middlesex will be running their annual Master’s Ride in aid of Lifelites again this year.

Now in its tenth year, the ride is open to everyone, and even children can take part in a one-mile mini ride along the sea-front.

Interested in taking part? Please visit the ‘Get Involved’ section of the Lifelites website for more details or call 0207 440 4200.

Get involved with Lifelites

Up for a challenge?
Make a difference!
There are numerous ways to get involved and raise funds for the Lifelites project closest to you. Whether you’re an all action super hero or the perfect host, we have a range of events and ways of supporting you to maximise the fun and funds from your gala night, challenge or raffle.

21 June 2014
Places available

IT’S GOOD TO TALK – GET IN TOUCH
Call: 0207 440 4200 Email: info@lifelites.org
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said Daniela Arena, who organised the event for bpma.

There is a Lifelites project at every one of the 49 baby and children’s hospices in the UK & Ireland which means over 9,000 children and their families are enjoying Lifelites specially chosen technologies.

Most children’s hospices couldn’t afford the equipment, ongoing technical support and training we provide and we don’t ask them for a penny towards it.

**ONGOING PROJECTS**

- Acorns in Birmingham
- Acorns in the Black Country
- Acorns for the Three Counties, Worcestershire
- Bluebell Wood, Yorkshire
- Brian House, Lancashire
- Charlton Farm CHSW, Bristol
- Chestnut Tree House, Sussex
- Christopher’s (CHASE), Surrey
- Claire House, The Wirral
- Demelza, Kent
- Demelza South East London
- Donna Louise Trust, Stoke on Trent
- Douglas House, Oxfordshire
- EACH Ipswich
- EACH Quidenham
- Ellenor Lions CHYPS, Kent
- Forget Me Not, Yorkshire
- Grace House, Sunderland
- Haven House, Essex
- Helen House, Oxfordshire
- Julia’s House, Dorset
- LauraLynn House, Dublin
- Little Bridge House CHSW, Devon
- Little Harbour CHSW, Cornwall
- Little Havens, Essex
- Martin House, Yorkshire
- Naomi House & Jacksplace, Hampshire
- NICH Horizon House, Belfast
- NICH Horizon West, Enniskillen
- Rachel House (CHAS), Kinross
- Richard House, East London
- Robin House (CHAS), Alexandria
- Shooting Star (CHASE), Middlesex
- St Oswald’s, Newcastle upon Tyne
- Tŷ Gobaith, Conwy
- Tŷ Hafan, Cardiff
- Zoe’s Place Coventry
- Zoe’s Place Liverpool
- Zoe’s Place Middlesbrough
Province of Monmouthshire raises £50,000

Following a special appeal last summer, the Provincial Grand Master of Monmouthshire presented Lifelites with a cheque for £50,000.

Malcolm said:
“...I’m well acquainted with the importance of Lifelites projects for life-limited children. We know the money donated will be put to excellent use providing and maintaining the specialist technology for children using the Lifelites project at Ty Hafan in Cardiff.”

Our Chief Executive, Simone Enefer-Doy, said:
“This incredible donation was a great surprise and it meant we were able to install something very, very special for the youngsters at Ty Hafan.”

We’d like to say a very big thank you to everyone involved in raising these amazing funds.

Lifelites announced as one of five GamesAid charities

We were delighted to win the GamesAid member’s vote and bring home an amazing £52,000 in the process.

Games are at the heart of everything we do at Lifelites which is why being a GamesAid charity is so important to us: it helps us financially and opens doors in the industry.

Our chief executive Simone Enefer-Doy said: “Our connections with GamesAid led to us launching Enable Gaming, an accessible gaming partnership with London South Bank University. This funding is hugely important to us: we are using it to provide children in hospices across the UK and Ireland with opportunities to use assistive technology to play, be creative, communicate, and take control.”

The good people at Supermassive Games played a huge part in helping Lifelites win the vote and our friends at London South Bank University and Virgin Media Gaming chipped in with support too. If you work in the Games industry and want to help us win this important support again in 2014 please get in touch!

Thomas Cook Children’s Charity keep doing it “four” Lifelites

Each Lifelites project now costs around £50,000 to supply and maintain over its four year lifespan and we don’t ask the hospices to pay a penny for their equipment, training and ongoing technical support.

Our vital work would not be possible without the support of our donors. Organisations like Thomas Cook Children’s Charity (TCCC)

has helped us with very generous donations for the last four years, ensuring that each of our 49 projects at baby and children’s hospices have received the very latest in specialist fun and educational technology.

Joanna Wild, Chairperson for TCCC, said: “We’re very proud to have supported the work of Lifelites through funding for high tech computers and flight simulator software.

This has given children, who might not other wise get to travel on a plane, a wonderful opportunity to explore the world from within a children’s hospice.”

You can donate to Lifelites via Just Text Giving

Text to 70070: LIFE26 £2 / £5 / £10 (e.g. LIFE26 £5)