

# VOLUNTEER'S VOICE!

The Newsletter for Beacon Volunteers



Autumn - Winter 2017



**Christmas is soon approaching and we wanted to let you know about our Christmas events that are coming up!**

We love to see our volunteers attending and taking part in our events. If anyone is free to help support the Santa Run and the Christmas Fair please let Becky Sinar know. Contact details at the end of this newsletter

The Beacon Centre's

## Christmas Fair

*Come along and browse our stalls selling a variety of wonderful Christmas gifts.*

**Where:** Beacon Centre,  
Wolverhampton Road East,  
Sedgley, WV4 6AZ

**When:** Thursday 23rd November 2017

**Time:** 6.00 pm – 9.00 pm

**Cost:** £1.00 per person  
Under 10's free

*All proceeds go to support people with sight loss*



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**Festive fun activities • Tombola • Santa Selfies Raffles and much more**

**Festive fun for a good claus**

**Run, jog, walk, dance, skip or hop the 5K around West Park.**

**Sunday 3rd December at 10.30am**

*Join in this friendly festive fun event to raise funds to support people with sight loss.*

*It is a perfect start for families, individuals and corporate groups to get in to the spirit of December's festivities.*

- Fancy dress competition for children
- A great warm up to get you ready to go!



**Over 12's : £10**  
**Children: £5** (aged between 5 and 11)  
**Under 5's: Free**

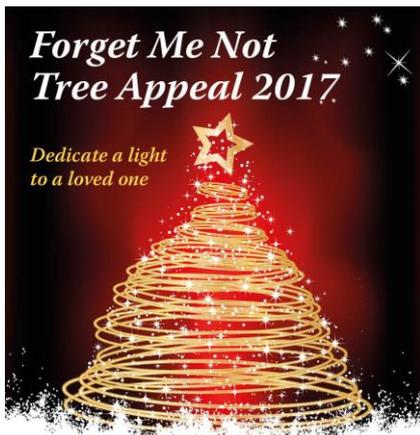


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**RNIB**  
supporting blind and partially sighted people  
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**Book online at [www.beaconvision.org/events](http://www.beaconvision.org/events)**  
Call the Fundraising team on 01902 880 111 or email [fundraising@beaconvision.org](mailto:fundraising@beaconvision.org) for further information.



6.30pm  
December 6th  
Beacon Centre

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**We look forward to seeing you at these very special events**



Come & join us at Beacon for

**Christmas Afternoon Tea**

Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Nov – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec  
Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Dec – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec

There will be selection of delicious Sandwiches or Blinis & Yummy cakes, with Tea or Coffee, or a glass of Prosecco

For more info & to book please call  
01902 880111 Or email to:  
[enquiries@beaconvision.org](mailto:enquiries@beaconvision.org)  
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We wanted to celebrate the achievements of our sports programmes by hosting a Sports Recognition Awards evening here at Beacon. The purpose of the event is to celebrate access to sports for visually impaired and in terms of the golf, for other disabilities also.

The sports being recognised are Tandem Club; Goalball; Ten Pin Bowling; Golf; Cricket and Rugby. An independent panel will judge the nominations and jointly select to winner of each sport and an overall winner who will be Beacon's Sports Personality of the Year 2017.

Christmas Lunches at Beacon

We will be having Christmas lunches with entertainment on the following dates in December

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup>

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup>

To book please call  
01902 880111 Or email to:  
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## Dudley Volunteer Awards Ceremony



### We're on the look out for volunteers for a brand new role.

Low Vision Plus support volunteer- based in the low vision shop at our main site in Sedgley. The role includes greeting clients and demonstrating basic assistive products, making appointments and following up appointments and assessments, inputting relevant information onto appropriate software and completing admin tasks

Volunteers must be comfortable and confident with meeting and speaking to people with a range of disabilities, prepared to undertake onsite training requirements, be reliable and trust worthy and have basic IT skills

For anyone that is interested in the role please contact Becky Sinar via email or call on 01902 880111

On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 3 of our volunteers – Pat Handley (Stourbridge), Stephen Keenan (Halesowen Shop) and Loraine Furness (Sedgley) attended the 'Dudley Volunteer Awards Ceremony' held at the Brierley Hill Civic which is organised by Dudley CVS.

The awards are to recognise amazing volunteers who add colour to their communities and change lives.

Our volunteers enjoyed an evening of awards and entertainment and were presented with a special commemorative certificate, signed by the Mayor, Leader of Dudley council and the Dudley CVS chairman. A fabulous night was had by all and we would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our volunteers for their hard work and dedication.

## Barbara's Poppy Dress



Barbara Stokes a volunteer at Stourbridge has made poppies with our customers and pulled them together to create this beautiful mannequin for Remembrance day

*Here's wishing all of our volunteers a very Happy, Healthy & Joyful Christmas & New Year*

*And we look forward to seeing you at Beacon in 2018*

### Useful Contact Info:

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