

Issue 3 – June (Summer) 2011

A warm welcome to our summer jammed packed newsletter. It's been a busy three months and as you will notice our researchers have been out about a lot during the spring bringing you lashings of new additions for the website. Enjoy the read!

Rachael (The Ed)

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Need a new hobby?

Need a hobby to occupy your time? We have activities to suit all ages. Use the links below to check out our new spring additions, or alternatively click [here](#) for our full website activity search.

Under 15's & 19's [Wheelchair Basketball](#) - Shrewsbury

[Indoor & Outdoor Multi Activity Centre](#) - Hexham

5 & 'unders' free play sessions for kids with additional needs – [Ellesmere](#) & [Wellington](#)

[Creative Arts for Well-Being](#) – Broseley

[Spring Heath Fishery](#) - Knockin

New additions for the Attraction Search



The [World of Glass](#) in St Helens is an extremely interesting interactive visitor attraction that celebrates the on-going story of glass making in that area. The attraction offers something for all ages including museum and art galleries, a video theatre live demonstrations, and the artisan gift shop.

Other attractions added during the spring were:

[Llyn Brenig Visitor Centre](#) – Corwen

[Rufford Abbey Country Park](#) – Newark

[Birmingham Botanical Gardens](#) – Birmingham

During May whilst researching two new areas for the website another thirteen new attractions were also added. Due to limited space here we were unable to list these, however if you would like to have a look at those please use the area page links for Peterborough and Rutland on page 3 below.

For more detailed accessibility information please use the links provided above.

Calendar of Events for the forth coming quarter:

Event Name:

[Wyldwoods BBQ, Bands, Beer & Bunting!](#)

Place: Shropshire

Date: 25th June

Description: Charity fundraiser with local food, beer and bands.

Event Name:

[The Mobility Roadshow](#)

Place: Peterborough

Date: 30th June – 2nd July

Description: The original and biggest showcase of mobility & lifestyle products and services.

Event Name:

[Warrington Disability Awareness Day](#)

Place: Cheshire

Date: 10th July

Description: Europe's largest 'not for profit' voluntary-led disability exhibition.

Event Name:

[Festival of British Archaeology](#)

Place: Ceredigion

Date: 21st July

Description: View archaeological and conservation work at Strata Florida Abbey.

Event Name:

[BDWSA Derbyshire Five Day Course](#)

Place: Derbyshire

Date: 1st – 5th August

Description: British Disabled Water Ski Association five day all ability course.

Please use the links provided above for further details.

New Supported Break Listings

As you will be aware the winter months brought the launch of our new supported breaks category. During the last quarter we managed to add a further three accommodations. We are hoping to continue the growth of this category, with your help, so please if you have any recommendations contact us and we will happily investigate!

[\(Calvert Trust\) Kielder Water & Forest Park](#)

Activity Holidays, Northumberland

[\(Chrysalis Holidays\) Cayton Bay Lodge](#)

North Yorkshire

[\(Calvert Trust\) Lake District Centre](#)

Activity Holidays, Lake District

Fancy a 'wheelie' good walk?

Then check out the three new accessible trails added to our website search during the spring:

[Rutland Water Trail](#) – Level 3
Empingham, Rutland

[Rufford Abbey Trail](#) – Level 1
Newark, Nottinghamshire

[Edgbaston Reservoir](#) – Level 1
Birmingham, West Midlands

New Accommodation Search Facility

After receiving several requests for information on accommodations that have electric scooter charging facilities/hire, we took the decision to add both to the website as searchable facilities. We contacted all of our accommodation providers and had a good response. I am pleased to say that we now we now list 84 accommodations that offer charging facilities and 41 that hire or can arrange hire. We are still receiving responses and will continue to update these and new accommodations as they come in.

New Featured Accommodations

Penn Peel is a newly opened family run B&B located within a village setting in the

picturesque and unspoilt countryside of North Shropshire.

The original cottage dates back to the



middle of the 19th century and a guest's lounge has been created within the oldest part of the building. Despite planning limitations the owners were determined to provide accommodation that also catered for guests with easy access needs. There are two self contained rooms the twin bedded 'Merrington' is wheelchair accessible with an en-suite wet-room. For more information about the lodge and second room please click [here](#).

Other new additions this quarter were:

[Boat House West](#) – Kilmelford, Argyll & Bute

[The Log Cabins](#) – Market Overton, Rutland

[Shillies Cottage](#) – Keswick, Cumbria

[Courtside Cottage](#) – Falkland, Fife

[Arfon](#) – Porthmadog, Gwynedd

[Ty Hapus](#) – Porthmadog, Gwynedd

[Kielder Water & Forest Park Lodge](#) – Hexam, Northumberland

[Double Gate Farm B&B Riverside Suites](#) – Godney, Somerset

Out and About in the Community!

DHI have been in talks with Wellington Cottage Care, amongst other issues discussing ideas for their programme of days out for day centre attendees.

DHI - Spring Open Garden

Blessed by the weather 'Pooh Corner' opened as planned in April, the event was a big success and we raised a massive £382. A huge thank you goes out to our trustees, committee members and friends of the charity who gave up their time to help.

During May the website received a brand new area page for Rutland and a revamp for Peterborough. Check out the attractions and accommodations using the links below:

[Rutland](#) / [Peterborough](#)

Recycle Corner

Recycling is a large part of our fund raising. Printer cartridges can be posted in a freepost envelope supplied by us (or freepost label for larger quantities and toners). We also collect used postage stamps and postcards. Please contact us for further details.

A BIG thank you all for your efforts last quarter we raised a fantastic £170.55

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