

Southern Befrienders

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Press Release

A charity that strives to combat loneliness and isolation within the local community would like to extend its thanks to a wonderful group of volunteers in the South.

The ladies of the Inner Wheel worked tirelessly in March to put on and run an afternoon tea fundraiser for Southern Befrienders. It was a lovely day and a sold-out event with many attendees catching up with people they hadn't seen for a while, making new friends, and generally having a wonderful time, plus eating all the wonderful cakes. All the cakes were homemade by members of the Inner Wheel, it amazes us how much joy can come out of some flour!

The total the group raised was £1,200.00, which is an amazing amount of money and will help tremendously with the work we do at Southern Befrienders.

Jonathan Hall, Chair of Southern Befrienders said, "this was a fantastic team effort by the Inner Wheel ladies who made fundraising this amount of money possible. The support we have in the South is just wonderful, this isn't the first time the Inner Wheel has supported us, and a simple 'Thank you' just doesn't seem enough".

The Southern Befrienders team met the ladies of the Inner Wheel for a coffee last week and they presented the Scheme Manager and staff with the cheque.

Southern Befrienders, a Manx registered charity based in Port Erin, supports older, isolated and vulnerable people in the south of the Island with volunteer befrienders providing regular companionship, as well as weekly group social activities.

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Note to Editors: For more information on Southern Befrienders please contact Suzanne Geoghegan, Scheme Manager on 833025 / 245079 or suzannegsb@manx.net

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Photo 1 shows – L – R

From L-R, Deb Lowe - Southern Befrienders, Pat Thompson - Inner Wheel President, Suzanne Geoghegan, & Mandy Karsa - Southern Befrienders, and some of the ladies of the Inner Wheel.



Photo 2 shows - L-R, Caroline Whitehead & Tina Teare a Trustee of Southern Befrienders enjoying their Afternoon Tea