

Press Release

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Hospice Marathon Runners Step Up To The Challenge

Nine plucky runners are warming up to take part in the London Marathon on Sunday 13th April in aid of St Peter & St James Hospice in North Chailey.

Included in this year's team is Karen Lambert who is a fundraiser at the Hospice. Karen said: "I went up to the Marathon finish last year to meet our runners and was amazed by the atmosphere. I was so impressed by what our runners achieved that I decided to give it a go and have been training since September. I'm really looking forward to the day and determined to get round no matter how long it takes. My colleague Rosie has promised to bring her sleeping bag and wait at the finish line all night if need be!"

Taking part for the second year running is local milkman Jim Marsh. Last year, largely thanks to his milk round customers, Jim raised more than £7,000. Jim said: "I had fantastic support last year and enjoyed the day so much that I jumped at the chance to take part again. This year I would like to beat my time but would also like to beat the amount of money I raised last year."

If you would like to sponsor Karen or Jim please visit
www.justgiving.com/karenlambertsmarathon or www.justgiving.com/jimmarsh

The Hospice's other intrepid runners are Goska Bodsworth, Steve Carroll, Stephen McCartney, Lydia Watson, Karl Holliman, Nathan Spilsted and Graham Lyall.

St Peter & St James receives just 15% of its funding from the Government and has to raise £3,300 every single day in order to continue providing its free services to patients and their loved ones. To learn more about St Peter & St James please visit www.stpeter-stjames.org.uk. If you are interested in working or volunteering with us please contact our Personnel department on 01444 471598.

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