

## EAOR Raises Rather Filthy Lucre for HELP for HEROES

So much thanks goes out to the BLRC Recovery Team that spent the EAOR weekend getting down and dirty, towing and winching vehicles of all shapes, makes and sizes out of the Mud Run on the Off-Road Course.

Sunday's muddy fun became a very lucrative way to raise money for Help for Heroes. By mid-morning it became clear that, thanks to Huggy's ever-ready water bowser, along with the sort of friends he attracts (namely us lot with a mischievous sense of humour and entrepreneurial spirit combined!) and the sort of Off-Roaders that a great deal of mud attracts, Hannah George and I were all set to make a whole lot of lovely lucre for Help for Heroes!

Our eagerly awaited for customers arrived at the mud run full of confidence that *they* could get *their* vehicle through our highjack point; some did and some didn't. Those that stuck fast in the mud waited for the 'Big Boys' in their Recovery vehicles to pull them out of trouble, whilst we politely relieved them of their cash for the privilege. And that's no mean feat when the driver is standing on the bonnet of their partly submerged vehicle and we're standing on the brink of falling into the mud ourselves reaching out for their donations.

Being asked (no, I was being *offered*, hmmm) to reach into one victim's pocket and pull his wallet out *myself* wasn't on our mentally drawn up contract but hey, it was for Charity. And having the (aforesaid) mischievous sense of humour I told its owner that I was going to take out a tenner!

But all the donations that were given were done so in such good humour and with enormous goodwill too that no one was unhappy with the arrangement and yes, some of the lucre was indeed filthy as muddied hands reached into even muddier pockets and gave up their cash for recovery!

And so, at the end of the day, Hannah, myself and the daringly dashing Recovery Team raised a wapping £80.39p!

Thanks also goes to Sandra Boston (Chas's lovely wife) for going out on site and jangling the H4H Collecting Tin and collecting £22.13p.

So in total, EAOR raised **£102.52p** for Help for Heroes. A brilliant achievement, and many, many thanks to all; you are all stars of the shiniest variety..... if not a tad 'Bircham Orange' at the same time!

**Samantha Parker**



# HELP for HEROES

*Support For Our Wounded*

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24th June 2010

Dear S Parker,  
**Donation on behalf of the BLRC Recovery Team - Dirty Weekend Raising Rather Filthy  
Lucre for Help for Heroes**

Thank you so much for your donation of **£102.52** to Help for Heroes. We appreciate every penny that comes in and we will ensure that it is put to use providing support for the men and women who are injured in the service of our country.

When Emma and I decided to 'do our bit to help the blokes', wounded Servicemen and women, we had no idea that so many people felt the same as us. We are proud parents of a soldier and know what it is to have him away fighting; we also know what it is like to see his friends injured with their lives changed forever. We cannot prevent these terrible injuries but by joining together with others in support, we can do something positive and help them on the road to recovery.

Your donation will go towards the provision of services and facilities that will help the wounded launch back into the next phase of their lives. Already we have been able to fund the Headley Court Rehabilitation Complex, assist both Combat Stress and SSAFA in their excellent work and helped fund adaptive sports through the Battle Back programme. We have recently announced a £20m grant to help fund Personnel Recovery Centres in partnership with the Services and The Royal British Legion and we are now working to raise a further £20m to fund the Individual Recovery plans of those injured on duty.

Our work is by no means over, there is a great deal to do but your contribution will make a very great difference to the lives of some very special people. On behalf of all of us at H4H and all those who we will help, thank you.

With thanks

Bryn and Emma Parry  
Co Founders Help for Heroes

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