

RunMaccFest Charity Challenge 2020

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At last, something to be happy about, in this most challenging of years! The RunMaccFest Charity Challenge has distributed £4,000 to each of our charity partners; The Rossendale Trust, Just Drop-In and Cre8.

As Race Director it has been a challenging year as I am sure it has been for your businesses too. When it became clear we could not run our usual races we were determined to continue to do something great for our community that involved a lot of running too! The result was our 15K Charity Challenge, where members of Macclesfield Harriers ran 15,000km and together with your generous sponsorship raised £12,000 for our charity partners. Thank you for your continued support and generosity, it has been brilliant.

Our charity partners are over the moon with the funding as it allows them to continue their brilliant work in our local community. Here is what they said

Just Drop-In – “The funds you have raised will be funding our 18+ counselling service, which relies entirely on donations and fundraising; it is not funded from another source. We are currently experiencing unprecedented demand for this service and this donation really does mean we can continue this hugely important work which will make such a difference to the lives of local young people”
<https://www.facebook.com/JustDropIn/videos/795155417969682/>

The Rossendale Trust – “This money will go directly to Work Taste which continues to offer much needed supported employment placements to people with learning disabilities as featured in ‘Rossentales’ November page 10”

<https://rossendaletrust.org/rossentales-online-november-2020-out-now/>

Cre8 – “Cre8 is overwhelmed by the support from Run Macc Fest, during these testing times, fundraising has been difficult for us, the donation received will enable us to continue our projects with the hardest to reach young people on the Moss Estate and across Macclesfield. We are looking forward to next year in the hope we will all be able to run together again - we are so thankful from the kindness of all involved in enabling this fantastic event to take place this year.
<http://www.cre8macclesfield.org/social-enterprise-businesses.html>

We are currently considering what form the event will take in 2021, there are still many unknowns! I am stepping down as Race Director after 13 years in the role and would like to personally thank you for all your support over the years. The Macclesfield Harriers team are very proud of all the happiness we have brought to our local community.

We cannot have our usual post-event social event this year, but if there is anything further we can do to help you promote your part in this amazing achievement, then please let me know.

Warmest Wishes,



Mandy Calvert
Race Director on behalf of the RunMaccFest 2020 Team