



# Southampton Twins & Supertwins Club

Registered Charity No 1120775

## Spring 2011 Newsletter

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A big welcome to our Spring newsletter.



We hope you had a lovely Christmas and wish you and your family a very happy new year!

### Club News!

#### Twins Club Christmas Party

Thank you to all of our members who supported the twins club Christmas Party on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December at Moorland's Community Centre. It was lovely to see the younger members of the club collect their presents from Father Christmas - our thanks to former Southampton Mayor, John Slade. A big thank you to the DJ who kept everyone entertained and to all of you who bought raffle tickets. In total, the party raised a healthy profit of £153.50 for the club. A big thanks to everyone who supplied us with a raffle prize.



We were delighted to see so many families support the club - looks like we'll need a bigger venue next time!

#### Twins Parent's Club Christmas Party

We also had a Parents' Twins Club Christmas Party at the Blue Keys Hotel on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

We had a lovely Christmas Meal, despite having to move our table as we were set up in the middle of the Police Christmas Party!

We had a great time and a good old giggle!



Come and join us next time!



#### Membership Fees Now Due Please

We politely remind you that membership fees for this year are now due.

Please pay Fran your £10 as soon as possible. Please remember that Southampton Twins Group is a voluntary organisation with no paid staff. It is a self-help group totally dependent on its member's subscriptions, donations and fundraising.

Please remember to sign in when you attend on Thursday mornings and pay your £2.50 subs. This is really important in case of emergencies.

## URGENT NOTICE

The committee of the Southampton Twins group regularly meet to plan events and discuss issues that relate to the club. One issue that is regularly discussed is our finances. At the moment, these are completely dependent on our fundraising and are desperately needed to pay for the facilities that we use at Sure Start Northam. The club regularly faces bills of £600+ and this is becoming unsustainable. Therefore the committee is investigating the possibility of changing the venue of our Thursday morning meetings. As parking is also an issue at Northam, a change of venue seems inevitable. The committee is currently investigating some options and will obviously keep you updated. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please discuss with a committee member.

## Website and Facebook Update



A big thank you to Lisa Moore who does a fantastic job of managing our website and Facebook pages. We now have 48 Facebook members and the number of hits on our website are increasing! If you haven't logged on for a while, then please try to have a look. Find us at [www.southamptontwins.com](http://www.southamptontwins.com) and on Facebook. If there is anything you would like to see on the website then please let Lisa know.

## Annual General Meeting



Thank you to those who attended the Annual General Meeting in 6<sup>th</sup> October. At this meeting the new committee was established. A big thank you to Fran, who volunteered as our new club secretary. Her first job is to make sure that our members' records are up to date, so if you haven't done so already, please let her have your current contact details.

New members of the committee are needed and warmly welcomed. Remember, volunteering for a charity can look great on your CV!

## 2011 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Don't forget Netball every Tuesday 8pm at Fleming Park

### February

24<sup>th</sup> Mum's Night Out, La Margherita on Town Quay 8pm

### March

3<sup>rd</sup> Body Shop Party at the Club  
Dad's Night Out, Standing Order, Southampton 8pm

9<sup>th</sup> Committee meeting 8pm (Andrea's House)

### April

2<sup>nd</sup> Race Night at Andrea's House – 17 Marshall Square

**FUTURE DATE SUMMER FUN DAY  
SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> JULY  
MOTTISFONT VILLAGE HALL**

## Committee Members Details

Rocky Moore	(Chair)
Andrea Butler	(Treasurer)
Fran Rowlands	(Secretary)
Lisa Moore	(Internet)
Catherine Fairhead	(Newsletter)
Rachel Ives	(Committee Member)
Kate Vaughan	(Committee Member)
Lisa Congdon	(Committee Member)
Andrea Harvey	(Ante Natal Parent Craft Co-ordinator)

## Social Events



We hold various social events throughout the year, some with the children and some without! Why not come along and join us! If you have any ideas for future events or nights out, then please let us know.

## Mum's Night Out!



**WHERE:** La Margherita, Town Quay

**WHEN:** Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2011

**TIME:** 8pm

Organize the babysitter TODAY!!

## Dad's Night Out!



**WHERE:** Standing Order PH

**WHEN:** Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2011

**TIME:** 8pm

## Race Night & American Supper

Join us for a child free, fun night out!

**WHEN?** Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2011

**WHERE?** Andrea's House – 17 Marshall Square, Banister Park, Southampton. SO15 2PB

**COST?** £2.50 per person

To keep costs low, bring a bottle and we request everyone to bring a plate of food to add to the buffet. See the list at twins group!



## Do you regularly shop on the internet?

Would you like to raise some money for the club without spending any more money than you were going to anyway?

If you answer **YES** to these questions, then **PLEASE READ ON...**

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)

Please take a look at this website where we are a registered charity.

Easy fundraising provides a **FREE fundraising service** where you can raise funds for [Southampton Twins and Supertwins Club](#) when you shop online.

Choose from over **2000** of the UK's best-known retailers including many popular names such as [Amazon](#), [M&S](#), [Argos](#), [John Lewis](#) and [HMV](#), and when you shop using the links on our site up to **15%** from every purchase you make is donated to our club.

It doesn't cost a penny extra to shop and raise funds for the club using this site, and as many retailers now give extra discounts when you buy online, you can even **save money!**

**In the last quarter of 2010 we raised over £35!!**

The screenshot shows the homepage of [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) in a Windows Internet Explorer browser. The browser window title is "Fundraising Ideas | Easyfundraising.org.uk - Windows Internet Explorer". The address bar shows "http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/". The page features a navigation menu with links for "Home", "How it Works", "Using This Site", "Find a Cause", "Register", "Refer a Friend", "FAQ", and "Contact Us". A central banner for "amazon.co.uk Home & Garden" is visible. The main content area includes a "Welcome to easyfundraising" section with a description of the service, a "Categories" sidebar, and a "New Retailers" section. A "Back to School" promotion is also featured. The page is designed with a blue and white color scheme.

## Yellow Moon

The new Yellow Moon catalogue will be available at the club shortly. This is a superb company which sells lots of activities, games and craft materials for children, party bag toys and stocking fillers.

When you place order, enter this code: WSO03992 and the club will receive up to 20% cash back. You can also order on-line via Easy Fundraising and earn even more money for the club! **THANK YOU!!!**



## New Members

We are always looking for new members so if you happen to meet any new mums and dads of multiples, then please let them know about us.



## Committee Meeting

The next meeting will be on  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2011 @ 8pm  
To be hosted at Andrea's house!

## Quiz team?



Is anyone interested in making up a quiz team? This could be a good way of socialising with other members and maybe even winning some money for the club. It is suggested this could take place once a month, so if you're interested let a committee member know!

## Business Links

As a registered charity, we are always looking to make links with local businesses. If you have any connections that you think could be useful to both the business and the club then we would be really interested in finding out more. Please speak to a committee member. Thank you.



We hope to make this a regular feature in future newsletters. If you have anything to sell or are looking for a second hand item, then why not place an ad? All sales/purchases are to be made directly with the person advertising. Please let Catherine know in plenty of time in order for it to be in the next newsletter.

## FOR SALE

Blue Bumbo and tray

Vall-De Rucksack (child Carrier)

Door bouncer

See Fran if you are interested in any of these items.

# Happy Birthday!

We would like to wish all the following children a  
VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



February

5<sup>th</sup> Harriet and Verity Fairhead (1)  
9<sup>th</sup> Eleanor and Archie Knight (5)

April



16<sup>th</sup> Ruan and Mylo Paterson (2)  
26<sup>th</sup> Liam and Ellie Rowles (5)  
28<sup>th</sup> Jack and Olivia Vaughan (2)

May

5<sup>th</sup> Zakhariy and Mikhail Hussain (2)



Please accept our apologies if your children's birthday does not appear.  
We are currently updating our membership records.

