



KELLY JACKSON MEMORIAL FUND



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The Kelly Jackson Memorial Fund has been an Official charity for 1 year and is based in central Oxford.

Our Charity was created because of the sudden and sad loss of Kelly in April 2020. We have a 14 strong committee and with covid restrictions lifting we have lots of events planned for the rest of this year and 2022.

The Charity's Aim

The Kelly Jackson Memorial Fund would like to buy a fully wheelchair accessible caravan in Weymouth. Kelly loved to holiday in Weymouth as that was her favourite place and after many holiday upset's the family found a caravan which was suited in everyway to Kelly's needs. Many times, the family would go on holiday to find the caravan wasn't suitable and Kelly either could not fit her wheelchair into the bathroom, or the beds were not suitable for users of a hoist, the doors to the bedrooms were not wide enough and as you can imagine this is the last thing you need when you arrive on holiday. The charity would like to offer other families a holiday that they can enjoy without the stress, hassle and worry as to whether the caravan will be suitable, we want to be able to offer a holiday in a caravan that will cater for all needs.

We are also supporting children who are suffering from life changing illnesses, we will be helping and supporting them with days out to give the families a well earned distraction from their everyday challenges.



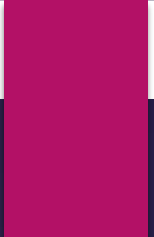
Kelly enjoying
Race for Life and
meeting her
Favourite radio
presenters “Matt &
Michelle from
Heart Breakfast”

A Brief background on Kelly

Kelly was born with Spina Bifida along with many other problems, because of this she was in a wheelchair for most of her life as she was unable to walk. As she grew up she never let her disabilities get in her way, she was the first child to attend a Mainstream school, Larkrise Primary School in Oxford and from there she went onto the Marlborough School in Woodstock, she joined in all lessons that she could and even joined in the swimming class's and learnt to swim unaided. After school she went to the Oxpens College in Oxford where she studied Business Studies and Art and after college she got a job at dial ability based at the Nuffield hospital and from there she went to work at the Gala Bingo at the Kassam stadium.

At the age of 12 Kelly joined a group called PHAB (Physically Handicapped and Able-bodied) this is a charity for people with and without disabilities to come together to enjoy different activities and days out. Kelly enjoyed attending PHAB but also wanted to do more for other charities and once she had a mind set on something there was no stopping her, not even her disability could get in her way. Kelly decided she wanted to help other charity's so she began with PHAB, making and selling cakes and cards at the summer fares and Christmas craft days. She joined in with charity walks around Hyde Park in London and made every effort to dress up for each occasion/themed day.

She raised money for the Tebbit Centre at the Nuffield Hospital and went on a fund-raising day with Norman Tebbit at Thorpe Park, she entered Race for Life each year, she joined in with others for Dementia UK (Kelly's Nan had dementia so this was close to her heart). She attended many Zumba events for charity including Children in Need but also for fun as she loved to Zumba with her friends and enjoyed her Wheelchair Dancing. She loved to attend charity events and always made the effort to dress up, have her face painted, whatever it took she would always encourage others to join in and have fun.



Kelly liked to be as independent as possible and getting on the bus was the biggest achievement for Kelly as this gave her that independence she wanted. She would always take the bus from home to Town or Cowley Centre on her own but always knowing who would be the driver on the bus that day! She knew exactly what number bus she was getting, what time it should arrive and where to get the bus back home again. She even managed to arrange certain appointments around the bus driver as she would say "That nice lady is driving the bus today so I'm getting on that one"

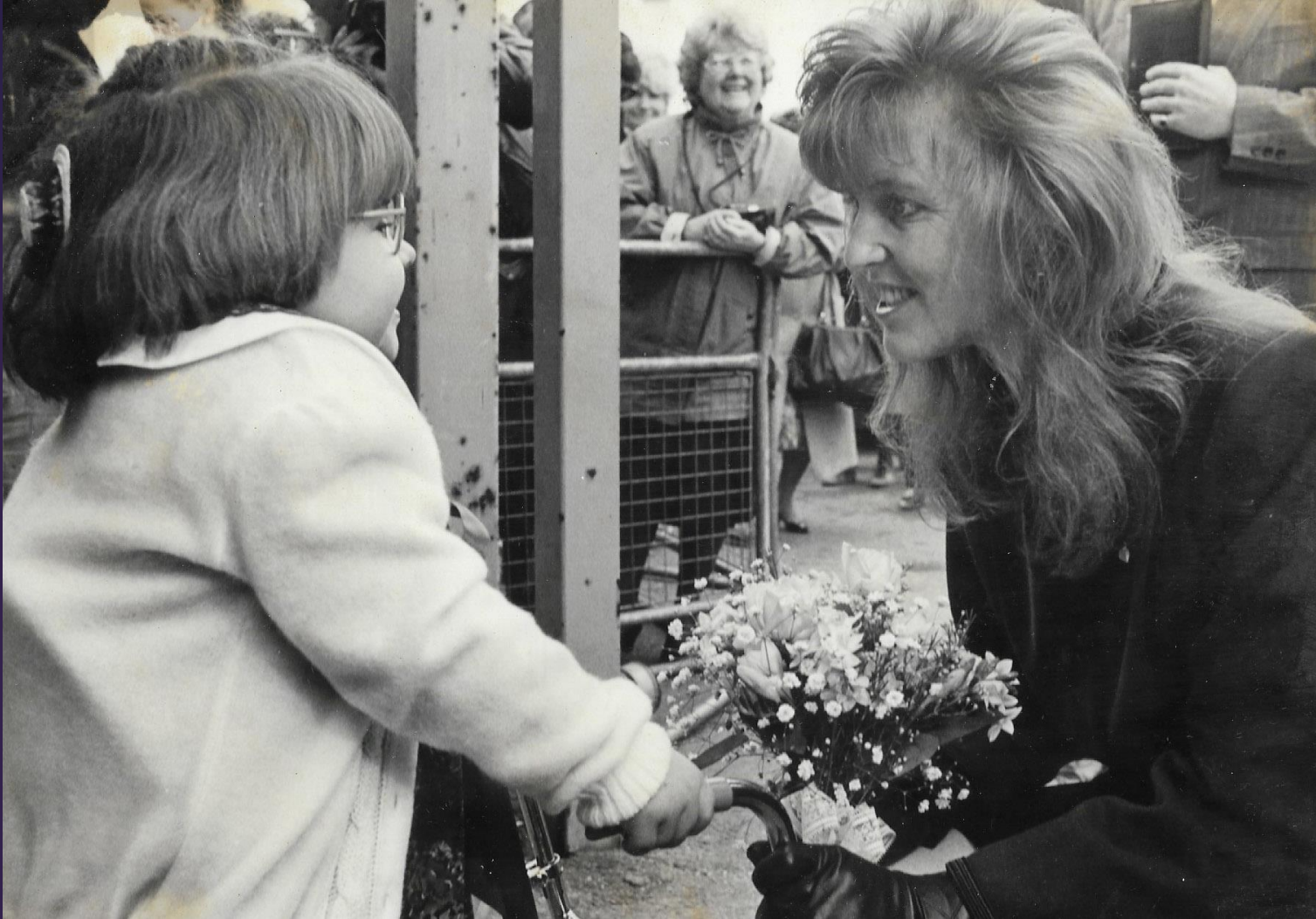
We didn't know this at the time but the lady Kelly was referring to was Sally Pullen, it wasn't until Kelly passed away that Sally got in touch with the family and asked if they would like Kelly's final journey to be escorted by the Hells Angels! This was amazing and the family were absolutely blown away by this and to say Kelly had the send off she deserved was an-understatement, the bikers turned up at the house with purple ribbons and escorted Kelly all the way to Oxford Crematorium, people were talking about this for weeks after her funeral and everyone agreed it was such an amazing thing for them to do, without this chance meeting on the bus this would never of happened.



Showing her love for
Zumba at Children in
Need and Pancreatic
Cancer fund raisers



Kelly winning 1st prize for Dressing up on the Charity Walk's in Hyde Park for Oxford PHAB



Kelly
meeting the
Duchess of
York
“Fergie” at
the opening
of the Tebbitt
Centre



Kelly having
a go at Rock
Climbing,
showing no
fear what so
ever!