NORTH SOMERSET LGBT+ FORUM Newsletter May 2023



Charlie, Ali and G were the winners of April's Portishead Pride Fundraising Quiz! They were thrilled to be awarded a hamper of goodies.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY AT A GLANCE

Portishead Pride Fundraising Quiz Wednesday 3rd May

Boom-Bang-A-Bang Friday 5th May

Rumble in the Jumble Sunday 7th May

Rumble in the Jumble Sunday 14th May

Pride in Weston Tide Dash Saturday 20th May

Rumble in the Jumble Sunday 21st May

Coffee, Chatter & Cake Sunday 21st May

> **Portishead Pride** Saturday 27th May

BIG Rumble in the Jumble Sunday 28th May

> **Gayme** Sunday 28th May

See inside for times and venues

NORTH SOMERSET LGBT+ FORUM PRESENTS



PRE-EUROVISION PARTY & QUIZ NIGHT



FRIDAY 5th MAY 2023

7pm - Midnight. Donation entry



HORNETS RFC

Hutton Moor Rd, Weston-s-Mare BS22 8LY



Eurovision fancy dress

encouraged



Portishead Pride Fundraising Quiz ...

A huge thank you to all who attended April's Quiz at the Poacher in Portishead, raising £54.00 towards the first-ever Portishead Pride! A thank you too to Jared for helping us out with our Blankety Blank round!



If you weren't able to make it, fear not - we are holding a second Quiz Night at the Poacher on **Wednesday 3rd May.** Doors open at 7pm, for a 7.30 start. Entry is £2 per person, max five per team.

The Quiz will comprise of five rounds; each a different subject. There will be prizes available to winning teams, so why not come along?

... and the main event!

Portishead's first-ever Pride takes place on **Saturday 27th May** at the Poacher pub, 106 High Street, Portishead BS20 6AJ.

The event is free and starts at midday, and will feature live music, stalls and activities for the whole family.

The Forum will be present with a stall packed with LGBT+ merch, including badges, keyrings, fridge magnets and pens.

Free parking is available at Roath Road car park (directly behind the Poacher), which can be accessed by driving up the one-way street between Appleby's take-away and the Oxfam charity shop. Spaces are limited, so if you are able to, you may wish to park in the free car park off Wyndham Way, opposite the entrance to Aldi and behind the shopping precinct. The Poacher is a short walk down the High Street near the zebra crossing.

This event is a fantastic chance for the LGBT+ community of Portishead, and those in local areas, to come together and make a little bit of history for the town!

Remember! Our HQ will be closed on the three bank holiday Mondays in May!

Pride in Weston Tide Dash

Join Pride in Weston on Saturday 20th May for their first ever Pride-Tide-Dash, 5km fun run!

Whether you walk or run, come along and be a part of the UK Pride in Weston Tide Dash, an event for the whole family to come together and enjoy the beautiful Sand Bay coastline and help raise funds for the local LGBT+ community.

The Dash will start at Kewstoke community hall at I lam, stretching across the beautiful Sand Bay coast up to Sandpoint and back. For those not taking part in the Dash, there will be plenty to do at Kewstoke Community Hall with activities, stalls and food and drink.

All money raised will support the North Somerset LGBT+ Forum. Head to the link listed opposite to register. There is a small participation fee of £3.61 per runner. Under 16s are free. In return you can expect a participation certificate, refreshments along the route and more.

PRIDE IN WESTON

HOSTS OF UK PRIDE 2023

OUICK FACTS:

Date: Saturday 20th May 2023

Starting Location: 3 Crookes Lane, Kewstoke, Weston-s-Mare, BS22 9XB

Run Time: I lam, venue open time 10am

Travel: Parking is available on site. To help ensure enough space for everyone, please consider car pooling. There are several bus routes and pick-up points close to the venue.

How to register:

Head to www.prideinweston.com/tide-dash

TIDE DASH **FAMILY FUN** SAT 20 MAY RUN OR WALK ARRIVE AT 10:30AM FANCY DRESS BOUNCY CASTLE STALLS & REFRESHMENTS 3 CROOKES LANE, KEWSTOKE, COMPETITIONS & PRIZES WESTON-S-MARE, BS22 9XB PRIDE IN WESTON

www.prideinweston.com

REGISTER NOW

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How to Take Part

I. Click the 'Register Now' button on the Pride in Weston website (link opposite) to register your participation, and download a Sponsorship Form.

2. Once you have started receiving sponsorship monies, there are three ways you can submit these to the Forum:

- You may wish to pay directly to our PayPal account each time you receive sponsor money*

- Or, you could pay directly to our PayPal as a lump sum on the day of the event*

Our PayPal email address is support@nslgbtforum.com

- Alternatively, you can provide us with your total sponsor monies raised on the day as cash, along with your Sponsorship Form, by coming to the North Somerset LGBT+ Forum stall.

*Please provide your name for each payment so we can collate against your sponsor form once handed in.

3. Follow, share and post to the Pride in Weston social media event page. They will love to see your preparations!

4. Get that eye-catching outfit ready! Who says a fun run can't be bright and fabulous!

5. Help us spread the word, the more the merrier! Don't forget to tag #PrideTideDash to be in with a chance of winning a Hero Award!



This event is organised and promoted by **Pride in Weston**, as part of their celebrations for this year's **UK Pride** (taking place 1-2 July 2023).



UK Pride Hero Awards

It's genuinely not about the winning, it's the taking part that counts! But to add a little more fun to the day, there will be awards for the following:

- Fastest dash time award
- Most money raised award
- Best outfit award
- Loudest event promoter award

Some ideas to help make your UK Pride Tide Dash special and fun:

- Run or walk with other people maybe new friends at the Dash?
- Be bright and FABULOUS. Dress like everyone is watching and make the 5km route your catwalk!...
- Spread the word about the Pride Tide Dash on social media.
- Remember to share your fundraising amount. If you raise £100 you'll get a Pride in Weston Superhero Medal!
 Take some photos of you joining in the fun, and don't forget snaps of your pets and those in prams and fancy dress it is a fun run after all!
 Please share your photos on social media tagging #PrideTideDash.

Rumble in the jumble

Did you miss April's BIG Rumble? We're back again this month with another day at The Other Place!

Our Rumble in the Jumble fundraising events ensure we at North Somerset LGBT+ Forum are able to continue running our HQ, host community groups and events, and cover essential costs to ensure our volunteers are supported as much as our community.

Last month, we hosted the first BIG Rumble event of 2023 at The Other Place, with a mixture of jumble, vintage and handmade items in two rooms of stalls. We will be returning to The Other Place on **Sunday 28th May** for our second BIG Rumble, so be sure to pop by between 10am - 4pm at 81-83 Meadow Street, just a short walk from our HQ. As well as our jumble stalls, we will be joined by the



wonderful Chipper and Pixie Dust Resins, with a range of handmade wooden and resin gifts, and Tower of Temptation, who will have a great range of crystals and tarot cards available!

Plus, we will be holding our regular weekly jumble stall at our HQ at 68 Meadow Street on the following Sundays in May: **7th, I4th and 21st**. We will be open on these days between 10am - 4pm, with a great selection of pre-loved goodies and LGBT+ merch - plus feel free to have a chat with the team and grab a cuppa, too!











Registered Charity Number 1174545 No 68 Meadow Street, Weston-super-Mare BS23 1QN

LOVE OUR HQ?

We love our new Safe Space, if you do too and want to book our

Community Lounge Area for your own group meetings let us know.

Available booking times

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 9.00am till 12.00pm

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 12.00pm till 5.00pm*

*Other times may be available, please contact us to discuss

WE CAN PROVIDE:

Sofa seating for 4-6 people Table and Chairs for 4* Free Broadband WiFi PC, Printer and 50" LED Screen* Tea, Coffee, Squash & Biscuits included **Suggested Donations:** Community Partners - Free of charge Other groups £10.00 per hour

For further information or to book please contact us on **0843 8865428** or email **support@nslgbtforum.com**

*When table and chairs seating is used, the LED Screen is partially obscured Please note we require at least 48 hours notice for your booking on a first come, first served basis. A member of our Management Trustee Team will be on site at all times during your booking.



<u>Coffee, Chatter & Cake</u> <u>at Waterstones</u>

Thank you to those who joined us last month for Coffee, Chatter & Cake! If you were unable to join us, why not pop by between I-3pm on **Sunday 21st May** in the Waterstones café at the Sovereign Centre, WsM? Please be aware you will need to purchase your own food and drink.



<u>GAYme</u>

Our next Gayme night is on **Sunday 28th May**, 5pm till 8pm at the Bridging the Gap Together! Hub, 59-61 Meadow Street, Weston-super-Mare BS23 IQL.

Our popular board game social evening has moved, but still promises to be a fun and interactive night. No need to reserve a space, just come on down and join us!



68 Meadow Street, Weston-super-Mare BS23 IQN

Open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 12-5pm, and Sundays 10am-4pm. This newsletter is available in A5 or A4 large print, and is available via email. Please email support@nslgbtforum to request to be added to our mailing list.