

# Organising Profitable Fundraising Events

## An A-Z of Fundraising ideas

### A

Auction of Promises  
Antiques Fair/Valuation Day  
Aerobics/ sponsored workout  
American Tennis Tournament

### B

Baby show/glamorous grannies!  
Ball  
Balloon race  
Banquet  
Barn dance  
Bath in baked beans /jelly etc. (Sponsored)  
BBQ  
Bean eating (sponsored)  
Beetle drive  
Badminton tournament  
Bed pushing  
Bottle stall  
Boules/Petanque competition  
Bowling  
Bridge Tournament  
Beach Clean (sponsored)  
Bell ringing (sponsored)  
Book Sale  
Break out for a day  
Bad Taste Evening  
Bike rides (sponsored)  
Bring and Buy  
Bingo

### C

Car Treasure Hunt  
Cabaret Night  
Cake sale  
Clay Pigeon shoot  
Car wash (sponsored)  
Carol marathon  
Carnival  
Ceilidh  
Challenge events  
Christmas Fair  
Coins in a Fountain  
Coin chains

Caption Competition  
Conker competition  
Country Fayre  
Coin chains  
Crossword marathon (sponsored)  
Charades evening  
Concerts

### D

Disco (themed) - 70s, Abba, Punk  
Disco dancing Competition  
Donkey Derby  
Dance Marathon  
Dutch Auction  
Demonstrations - Cake icing, painting, floral, cookery, beauty, yoga etc.  
Do it yourself Dinner/ball  
Diminishing coffee parties  
Dinner dance  
Duck race

### E

Egg Eating competition  
Easter Parade  
Easter egg hunt  
Egg and spoon race  
Evening of song  
Exhibition - Art/craft/photography/flower arranging/children's work etc

### F

Fashion show  
Fast party - people pay *not* to attend  
Fete/Fair  
Film premier/film show  
Firework display  
Flower show  
Flower arranging evening  
Five a side football competition  
Fancy Dress night  
Fortune telling and horoscopes  
Fun run  
Folk night

**G**

Garage sale  
Give something up e.g. smoking, chocolate  
etc. (sponsored)  
Golf tournament  
Go karting  
Garden open day  
Garden Trail  
Gladiators  
Gymkhana

**H**

Half marathon (sponsored)  
Halloween Night  
Holiday photo competition  
Honesty box  
Head shave (sponsored)  
Hunger lunch  
Horse race night

**I**

It's a knock out  
Indoor games evening  
Ice skating competition  
Irish dancing marathon

**J**

Job swap (sponsored)  
Judo demonstration/competition  
Jogging (sponsored)  
Jazz evening  
Jail and Bail  
Jigsaw marathon (sponsored)  
Jumble sale

**K**

Karaoke  
Karate demonstration/competition  
Knitting marathon (sponsored)

**L**

Lawn mowing (sponsored)  
Lotteries  
Lecture lunch  
Lent collections  
Long distance walk/cycle (sponsored)  
Luncheon

**M**

Make up party  
Magic show  
Match with special teams (bosses vs. staff,  
boys vs. girls, mothers vs. sons)  
May fair  
Midsummer Ball  
Mini Golf tournament  
Musical evening (summer/winter)  
Mystery tour  
Mountain bike race

**N**

Nearly new sale  
No uniform day

**O**

One-day fasts (sponsored)  
One price stall  
Open house/open garden  
Opera evening  
Own clothes' day

**P**

Pancake race  
Penalty kick competition  
Pub crawl  
Plant sale/stall  
Pantomime  
Pudding event  
Pet show  
Photography competition  
Puppet show  
Promises auction

**Q**

Quiz night

**R**

Race Night  
Raft race  
Regatta  
Road fun run  
River boat trip  
Rugby match  
Running (sponsored)

**S**

Sand castle competition (biggest/most wacky)  
Safari suppers  
Santa's grotto  
Scrabble evening  
Supper quiz  
Snooker competition  
Sing for supper  
Supermarket trolley dash  
Sponsored swim, slim, non-smoke, silence etc.  
Silent auction  
Skittles evening  
Scrabble evening  
Summer fair  
Sports day  
Story telling/reading (sponsored)  
Spellathon  
Swimming gala  
Sixties/seventies night  
Sunflower growing

**T**

Table top sale  
Talent night  
Teddy Bear's picnic  
Three legged race  
Ten pin bowling  
Tennis tournament  
Themed (party/dance)  
Trampoline marathon (sponsored)  
Tea dance  
Toddle (sponsored)  
Tractor display  
Trading places for the day  
Treasure hunt (on foot or in car)  
Trivial Pursuit Challenge  
Tug of War

**U**

Non uniform day

**V**

Valentine party  
Visitors book  
Volleyball competition

**W**

Water aerobics (sponsored)  
Walking (sponsored)  
Wheelbarrow race  
Window cleaning (sponsored)  
Wind surfing (sponsored)  
Wine tasting/wine and cheese  
Who dunnit/murder evening  
Whist drive

**X**

Xmas Cards  
Xmas fair/party

**Y**

Yard of ale competition

**Z**

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