

# creative SUPPORT

## Creative Support's Fundraising Stars!



Congratulations to Janet, a tenant at our Upper Chorlton Road project (pictured left), who took part in a 12 hour pool marathon to raise money for the Alzheimer's Society in memory of her mother, Betty Leah. Amazingly, Janet played 109 games (and won 72 — well done Janet!) with the first game starting at 9.30am and the last finishing around 10.30pm, with a one-hour food break. Janet raised a fantastic £370 and would like to thank the project for letting her use the pool table, Creative Support head office and the project staff for providing the buffet, all those who sponsored her, and all those who played in the marathon with her, especially the four representatives from the Alzheimer's Society and her husband, David, who was the last man standing.

Towards the end of last year, like many offices throughout the country, the Head Office of Creative Support was filled with a radiant abundance of pink. In support of the national Breast Cancer Campaign our staff 'dared to wear it pink' and raised £140 for the charity!



**NEW**

Since the last email newsletter, Creative Support has been awarded the following contracts:

- Day opportunities for adults with learning disabilities in Darlington
- Supported living for adults with learning disabilities in Shropshire
- Supported living for adults with learning disabilities in Calderdale

**Congratulations** to Steve Winfield, Area Manager for Warrington, Halton and Runcorn, on the birth of his daughter, Alice, who arrived just in time for Christmas! And also to Clare Catterall, Service Manager for Tameside LD services, whose second daughter, Lottie, was born in the New Year!



## Developing excellence ...

Following recent CSCI inspections our Trafford services and Robert Heath Street have received quality ratings of 'excellent'! Well done to the staff and thanks to our service users for their involvement in our service quality and development initiatives.



**Welcome** to Debbie Nutt, new Service Director



## Blooming marvellous!

Beardall Court in the North East has received £10,000 from Wallsend's Mayor's Fund to regenerate a shared plot of land into an attractive garden!

## Website!



Creative Support's new website was launched in December 2008 and has received very positive feedback! You can check it out at:

[www.creativesupport.co.uk](http://www.creativesupport.co.uk)

If you have any suggestions or contributions, please contact me at the e-mail address below.

## Warrington Social Enterprise

Service users at our Warrington Day Centre are setting up their own social enterprise. It is entirely service user led, with a Management Committee made up of service users from the Day Centre.

The service users have chosen to establish a sandwich company called 'Creative Crusts', making and delivering sandwiches to businesses in Warrington. The main aim of Creative Crusts is to provide its volunteers with good experience, training, qualifications and references to enable them to gain paid work in the future.



*Social Enterprise Open Day*

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