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Welcome Message

With the sudden change in temperature and as you dig into the back of your wardrobe to swap out your t-shirts for coats and flipflops for sneakers you come to the realisation that summer is over and that the festive season of Christmas is on the horizon, but fear not because we have much in store for you! We have been busy bees here at the charity over the last quarter, from trekking up and down the country attending industry events and spreading the word of who we are and what we do, to launching our own charity events for you, our supporters.

We are continuously striving to improve the way we communicate with the industry and how well we are recognised, by having more of a presence in printed publications and online social media platforms. Read on to find out what we have been up to and what to keep an eye out for in the near future.

Tessa Ogle, Managing Director

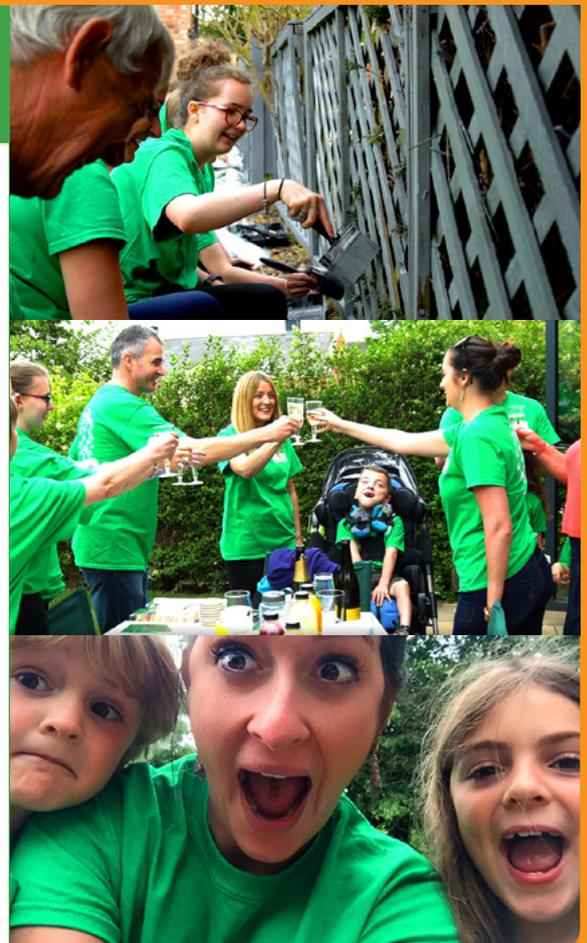
Get together and transform the lives of those in need

Through our Practical Participation Programme (PPP), we have had the honour of recently helping Max, a severely disabled six-year-old boy who shortly after his first birthday was diagnosed with Quadriplegic Cerebral Palsy, Dystonia and Chronic Lung Disease which left him wheelchair bound and unable to do anything for himself.

Through our four assistance programmes of which the PPP is one, we worked together with companies such as Heat Mat, Edmundson Electrical York, British Gas, Circle Control & Design Systems and Collingwood Lighting who donated their products, services and skills and funded the shortfall of £26,000 for the necessary house adaptations to meet Max's needs. In the final chapter of this journey we organised a DIY day with volunteers from the Yorkshire Committee and landscaped the garden to allow easier access for Max - truly an industry effort.

In the electrical sector, there are a lot of people like Max who are in need of vital support, cases like this help to outline how practical support can go a long way in transforming the lives of people in our industry. By being part of the programme, companies and individuals have the opportunity to physically help rebuild the lives of those in need.

Join our **Practical Participation Programme** today and help people like Max to look forward to the future.



What if you found yourself in this position?...

PAUL

Store person, 47

Suffered with depression following a divorce. Unable to cope financially and emotionally.

EIC SUPPORT

Telephone counselling; debt and financial advice regarding divorce; legal advice about a custody issue.



Did you know our services are free and confidential?

- Legal support with divorce, custody battles, Will & estate issues.
- Counselling: telephone or in person.
- Financial assistance and grants (grant sizes range from £100 to £250k).
- Carer support such as respite breaks; mobility equipment; any medical support needed to help people remain independent.
- Support for autism and dyslexia, managers training and educational support for pre- and post-diagnosis.
- Debt advice - how to manage debt and get ahead with professional advice and assistance.
- Electrical engineering and apprentice scholarships - a helping hand to help meet the real costs of gaining a qualification.
- Apprentice Bursary scheme - additional financial support for apprentices with carer responsibilities.

The EIC has several workplace programmes that are extremely beneficial to employers and employees, which function as industry-specific Employee Assistance Programmes (or EAPs). Member benefits are available free to anyone in the industry and their immediate family members. Register your interest for the EIC-EAP by contacting business@electricalcharity.org

New Partnership

To carry out all our services we work closely with other charities in partnership so no services are duplicated. We are proud to announce our new partnership with **Mates in Mind**; a UK registered charity to raise awareness with employers and to provide support around mental health, mental illness and mental wellbeing in the construction industry.

We support them in breaking the silence and stigma around mental health today and by promoting principles of positive wellbeing throughout the industry, we will be providing this free service and training to all business' signing up to our **EIC-EAP** programme.

Our partnerships



Timeguard and Stearn Electric achieve the Three-Peaks Challenge



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A team of 10 climbers took part in the 3-Peaks Challenge in June 2017 consisting of climbing the three tallest mountains in the UK; Wales (Snowdon), England (Scafell Pike) and Scotland (Ben Nevis), raising £2,750 for the EIC. Neil Chapman from Timeguard is a big supporter of the charity, sitting on the Southern Committee he has undertaken this challenge for various other companies since 2011, and chooses to seize a great opportunity to support the charity whilst entertaining clients.

Dave Wood from Stearn approached Neil and together they rustled up

a team of 10 trekkers combined with Neil's experienced support crew. They then set off on 22nd June for a journey of over 28 miles walking up and down the tallest peaks in Scotland, England & Wales but also driving 462 miles, all within 24 hours! Looking back, Neil explains to us that "a real team spirit was created which is not too dissimilar than if you are part of a sports team. We had a strong supplier customer relationship before however when you are in a real test together, feeding off one another a stronger bond is created".



JIB Exchange Program

Over the past few years we have seen an increase of cases coming through our Access Assistance line that would benefit from peer-to-peer mentoring in the apprenticeship space. Together with the Joint Industry Board (JIB), we are currently assisting in the assessment process of all applications towards the JIB Skills Development Fund to help facilitate the process of top talent in the sector supporting those less fortunate. Last week at the ED&I Expo, JIB congratulated their apprentice exchange winners Josh Horton and George Stickings who now have the opportunity to support the charity and give back to the industry, Tessa Ogle was there to wish them well when they head off for a six-week exchange working in Brisbane, Australia next month.



PowerPlayers

In our last e-newsletter we announced our partnership with ECA in supporting our leaders of tomorrow with the launch of their new Power Players initiative. Tessa Ogle featured on the initiative's judging panel to help pick the finalists of young inspiring individuals who are already making a positive impact on this industry at such an early stage of their careers. These four finalists were then brought to the public to vote and choose their winners, congratulations to Joseph Wu from TClarke and Charlie Harwood from CEF who were announced as the two winners on Wednesday 7th September at the ED&I Expo.



ED&I Expo



At the beginning of September, on the 6th and 7th we saw the industry's first ever national electrical design and installation event held at the NEC in Birmingham. The expo directed by David Kitchener owner of All Things Media, and the Electrical Contracting News (ECN), was developed from an idea shared between industry personnel expressing that there is a gap. ED&I Expo then emerged with the intention to re-connect the industry under one roof. The charity is thankful for these three associations in choosing us as their 'charity of choice' and supporting us to attend this expo and the evening networking dinner which set out to raise over £1,000. In ongoing support for the charity, ECN have donated a full-page advertisement in every issue of ECN and agreed to help promote additional editorials as and when needed. ECN is a leading publication and catalyst for industry communications through their weekly newsletter and monthly magazines, keep an eye out in the next edition and see if you can spot us!



Rexel UK B2P 2017

Rexel UK supported the Electrical Industries Charity with a team of 10 employees taking on a 400-mile cycle challenge from Bordeaux to Paris, raising a staggering amount of donations totalling over £30,000. On Tuesday 12th September, 13 cyclists from Rexel UK and their supplier companies took part in the charity cycling event starting in Bordeaux and, over four days covered just over a gruelling 400 miles to arrive at the Rexel Head Office in Paris on Friday 15 September, that's 100 miles a day! Final fundraising figures will be divided between Macmillan and the EIC.



Mike Giles- Tough Mudder

Tough Mudder is named one of the most gruelling, strength and endurance testing running events and Mike Giles from Electrical Contractors Association (ECA) has stepped up to the challenge and is taking on this 12-mile run scattered with 20 obstacles drenched in mud from start to finish this Saturday in West Sussex. Mike has chosen to undergo this challenge in aid of our Caz Dickinson appeal, all donations towards his Challenge for a Cause will be greatly appreciated and can be made on his fundraising page [here](#).



EIC Challenge for a Cause
Tough Mudder
23rd September 2017
Raising £250,000 for the Dickinson family
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Special thanks!

We would like to express our sincere thanks to the following supporters who continuously and generously donate. The following are all donations received in the last financial quarter; EDF Energy Nuclear Generation Ltd, City Electrical Factors, Electrical Contractors Association Sevenoaks, Edmundson Electrical London, Weir & McQuinston (Scot) Ltd, Edmundson Electrical Gloucester, Holland House Electrical, Ipswich and District Electrical Association, ROC Electrical, Phase Electrical, TamLite Lighting, Electrical Contractors Association Colchester and Electrical Contractors Association Bristol and Bath.

We would like to make special mention to Mrs Sheila Hatchell and her husband who have been contributing a donation every month for over 20 years, continued and loyal support like this is very valuable to a small charity like us and is vital in our growth for providing ongoing support to those in need.

The EIC is a national charity with an ongoing mission to look after our industry community. Thank you for doing your part in supporting your industry's charity!



Power Lottery

The powerLottery is the EIC's number one fundraising stream, providing 30% of its annual income which is directly handed out in financial grants, therefore each time you play you will be supporting a great cause. The Lottery offers everyone in the industry a fun way to support the charity while having the chance to win one of 15 cash prizes up to the value of £1,000. You can choose to purchase between one and ten numbers each month to increase your chances of winning at the cost from only £1 each. For every £1 you pledge EIC will allocate a number unique to you for entry into a monthly prize draw.

Join the Electrical Industries Charity's powerLottery and be in with a chance to win big every month while supporting our industry community.

OUR LUCKY WINNERS -

MAY

1ST PRIZE £1,000 J Osborne
2ND PRIZE £500 AJ Peirce, J Hitchcock
3RD PRIZE £250 KR Scott, P Swift, KC Grant
4TH PRIZE £100 DJ Lovatt, JW Painter, A Warren, CA Ratcliffe
5TH PRIZE £50 MJ Perks, EA Anderson, RJ Jordan, P Hampton, D Gee

JUNE

1ST PRIZE £1,000 RE Griffin,
2ND PRIZE £500 AR Scurrall, JM Shilvock
3RD PRIZE £250 W Harris, JF Pardoe, H Bogle
4TH PRIZE £100 M Thomas, GW Allard, MG Griffiths, BDW Sheppard
5TH PRIZE £50 MR Bonus, M Butler, D Hitchin, NJ Vickery, JP Ingall

JULY

1ST PRIZE £1,000 AR Barber
2ND PRIZE £500 RL Harley, SW Wardle
3RD PRIZE £250 D Prophet, SJ Gerrish, E Whittaker
4TH PRIZE £100 AE Allsopp, V Brown, SA Barnes, PJ Chell
5TH PRIZE £50 JV Primmer, L Frankcom, R Brooks, PG Cooper, C Tomlin

PLAY TODAY

CHARITY EVENTS



Tyne & Wear	Golf Day	22 September 2017	
Central	National Golf Championship	28 September 2017	
Western	Equinox Ball	30 September 2017	
Yorkshire	Yorkshire powerBall	14 October 2017	
Gloucester	Annual Ball	3 November 2017	
Tyne & Wear	Christmas Lunch	1 December 2017	
Northern Ireland	Golden Ball	1 December 2017	
Yorkshire	Christmas Lunch	8 December 2017	
Midlands	Christmas Gala	9 December 2017	
Eastern	Christmas Lunch	15 December 2017	
Northern Ireland	Electric Lunch	2 February 2018	
London	Valentine's Ball 2018	10 February 2018	
Central	Challenge for a Cause – Arctic Adventure	8 March 2018	

> For more information visit electricalcharity.org/events

INDUSTRY EVENTS

(RUN BY THE EIC TRADING COMPANY)



Central	powerBall 2017	10 November 2017	
Scotland	Glasgow Christmas Lunch	6 December 2017	
Scotland	Edinburgh Christmas Lunch	14 December 2017	
Scotland	Glasgow Valentine's Ball 2018	10 February 2018	
Southern	Spring Ball 2018	21 April 2018	

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