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Sherborne Castle Classic & Supercar Show Raises £53,000 for Charities

Hosted by our Presidents, Edward and Maria Wingfield Digby of Sherborne Castle, show Chairman Nigel Young invited the 3 supporting Rotary Clubs and Inner Wheel* to make awards for a total of 9 charities sharing the £53,000 raised by the show.

Stuart Annett- Show Secretary says –

'We are delighted that from this year's Show, held on 17th July, we were today able to distribute to Charities the astonishing amount of £53,000. The funds have been donated to National and Local charities, supported by the Rotary Clubs of Yeo Vale, Sherborne Castles and Brue Valley to assist young people and the needy by contributing to vital medical research, whilst helping local organisations that care for the sick and work with young people (See list of benefitting charities below). This has only been possible thanks to the tremendous support received from the motoring community as a whole - with special thanks to Car Clubs, private car exhibitors, traders, suppliers, national and local media and our sponsors. (Sponsor list below). We are hugely grateful for this on-going support which over the past three years has enabled the show to raise a total of £85,000 for good causes'

The next show, our 14th year, will be held as before in the wonderful grounds of Sherborne Castle, now a 2 day show - **15/16th July 2017**

Editors Note: 'Sherborne Castle Classic & Supercars' is one of the premier car shows in the South of England. This year's show saw a greater number of vehicles exhibited than ever before. On the day alongside an impressive collection of 'marque feature'- classic and current 'Rolls Royce ' cars - were more than 1800 Classics, Sports and Supercars, American, Hot Rods and Custom cars. The vehicles were displayed on the beautiful show fields in front of Sherborne Castle, Dorset - around 10,500 people were in attendance on the day.

*Presidents who awarded cheques on the day-

Peter Prager – President Yeo Vale Rotary

Richard Thorley- President Sherborne Castles Rotary

Jenny Dewsbury - President Brue Valley Rotary

Meg Longman – President Yeovil Inner Wheel

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CHARITIES

The funds will be distributed to the following organisations:

Cancer Research UK - £21,300 Recipient Zoe Tainton - Cancer Research UK pioneers life-saving research to bring forward the day when all cancers are cured. They are the only charity fighting over 200 cancers, including the 1 that matters most to you. Cancer Research UK do not receive any government funding and every penny they receive is donated by the public. It is thanks the generosity of the public and partners like Classics at the Castle, that together we have helped to double UK survival rates over the last 40 years. But we can't stop there. Cancer is happening right now. Together, we can speed up the progress and create even more tomorrows.

Yeovil Free Wheelers-£5,000 Recipient Lindsay Wilson *Emergency Volunteers Service is a local charity, run by local people to serve the local community, which includes large areas of Somerset, Dorset and Wiltshire. The "blood-bike" riders deliver blood, test samples, emergency equipment and vital documents to hospitals, nursing homes and private addresses all year round, saving Yeovil hospital around £80,000 pa, a return of 4:1 on every pound donated by generous locals.*

St Margaret's Hospice –£5,000 Recipient Victoria Poole Aims to provide high quality, responsive care to patients and their families facing a life shortening illness both within the Hospice and in the local community.

Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance –£4,000 Recipient Jackie Crew *Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance is a registered charity, established to provide relief from sickness and injury for the people in Dorset and Somerset, by the provision of an air ambulance. Since our launch in March 2000 we have flown over 11,000 missions.*

Sherborne Area Youth & Community Centre -£10,000 Recipient -Ian Dodds *Set up to provide multiple community facilities for people living in the Sherborne area in general and to establish a thriving Tinney's Youth Club in particular.*

Sherborne Rendezvous- £2,000 Recipient Andrew May *The Rendezvous helps young people to help themselves by providing advice, information, emotional support and accredited learning opportunities to young people (13-25) living in the Sherborne area.*

Future Roots –£2,000 Recipient Julie Plumley Future Roots Farm offers opportunities to people of all ages to build resilience and help improve health and well being

Motor Neurone Disease Association -£1,700 Recipient Wendy Knudsen - *funds and promotes global research into MND and provides support to people in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.*

Wincanton Community Venture – £2,000 Recipient Sue Place *The 'Balsam Centre'* run activities to stop people feeling isolated and alone - the cafe, health walks, art class, games club, and the Mens Shed, - and employ a full time mental health worker to help, guide and support people who are feeling unable to cope.

2016 – SHOW SPONSORS

Rybrook Rolls Royce - Rolls Royce Feature

West County Cars -The Car Club Awards

Intalet - The Supercar Area

Porter Dodson - Silver Service Lunch

Highwood Agricultural - Site transport

Westcombe Waste - Site Refuse

Castle Gardens - Horticultural displays

Barclays Bank - Show day marketing

P A Security Systems - Fire Extinguishers

Sherborne Castle Estates - Security Fencing and Site Services

The Telegraph -Show day marketing

Also thanks to –

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