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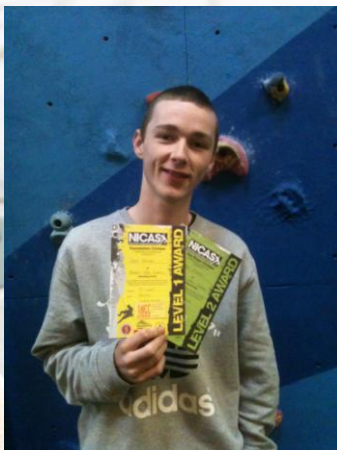
Welcome to our 5th newsletter. We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and we have lots of exciting news to bring to you this New Year.

OTR welcomes new staff

Kerri Ann Newcomb has joined the OTR team to help with the admin work going on behind the scenes and to keep her eye out for funding bids to start new climbing projects. She is a full time English literature student at Liverpool John Moores University with a keen interest in climbing. Although she's only at beginner's level she can't wait to help out at some of our climbing clubs including a new student group which is running this New Year.

OTR: Crime2Climb

We are still successfully running our Crime2Climb project and have recently welcomed a new member Lewis who has already achieved his Level 1 and 2 NICAS certificates in record timing. Lewis and ourselves are very pleased with his progress and are looking forward to him achieving the next few levels.



Lewis with his Level 1 & 2 certificates

Fundraising Events

OTR's 'Indoor Mt. Kilimanjaro Climb' at Awesome Walls is still proving to be a popular way to raise money for local charities and organisations. On the 28th of January Liverpool's Blue Coat high school will be taking part in the climb to raise money for its sixth formers. The funds they raise will go towards sending the sixth formers to Tanzania for the summer to work in a medical centre. Also on the 4th of February the Awesome Walls kids climbing club will also take part in the climb to raise money for Liverpool's Alder Hey hospital. Later on in the year we will be helping Barnardo's raise funds with this event. We are extremely happy to be helping all these groups raise the funds for their causes.

OTR helps with Army Training

Just before Christmas Andy ran a 5 day training course for Army officers from the Sandhurst Academy. This was great fun but very challenging OTR is hoping to work with the Army again.



Army training to lead climb

VI Climbing Club Achieve NICAS Level 1

We are very happy with how well the visually impaired climbing club (VICC) is going and have recruited four new members for the group from St Vincent's school for the blind. The VICC is going so well that two of the members have achieved their NICAS Level 1 Certificates and we couldn't be more proud of them. Watch this space, with more group member's certificates to come.



Jayne with her Level 1 certificate

Partners Update

As always I'd like to thank our partners who help fund our work. As you can see OTR is starting to have a real impact in the community and work with young people from many backgrounds. Thank you again for helping make this possible.

OnThisROC Climbing Challenge

OTR are looking for 500 people to take part in various climbing challenges to help us raise money for community climbing projects. The challenge will take place at Awesome Walls on May 19th 2012. If you are interested in helping us raise funds please get in touch we'd love to hear from you.

Get In Touch with OTR

We'd love to hear from you. We offer a variety of climbing opportunities which you can check out on our website: www.onthisroc.co.uk or call us on 07850 344144 for more information.