

Children's Equipment Demonstration Event Announced

Disability North is pleased to announce a children's equipment demonstration event on 8th July 2010 at Disability North. The drop-in session will run from 1pm to 6pm and will have equipment on show from Altonaids and R82.

The equipment will include walkers, wheelchairs, seating, buggies and standing frames. You will also have the opportunity to speak with therapists and information officers from Disability North, as well as representatives from Contact a Family, North East Special Needs Network and Whizz Kidz. To find out more contact the Independent Living Resource Centre at Disability North by clicking on the following link: [Children's Equipment](#).



Zing ...Giving New Life To Forgotten Objects, Now

On View In Our Conference Room

Zing is an exciting exhibition created by students from Thomas Bewick School in collaboration with pupils throughout the North East of England, Karen Rann and VARC. This artwork has recently been on display at The Customs House in South Shields, but now a selection can be found, in the Disability North Conference Room.



The Disability North

Gala Dinner

Wednesday 20th October 2010

Hilton Newcastle Gateshead

Enjoy a fabulous evening with a champagne reception, three course meal, raffle and disco.

To book a table, contact Clare Savory on 0191 284 0480 or email: events@disabilitynorth.org.uk

£35 per ticket or £350 per table of 10

All proceeds go to Disability North

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Champagne Reception: 7.30pm
Dress Code: Smart



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Disability North aims to promote inclusion, independence and choice for disabled people.

Paddling Away With Disability North

On Sunday 25th April 14 teams of 10, from different businesses across the region, participated in Take to the Tyne in support of Disability North at Newburn Leisure Centre.

Co-operative Retail Logistics, based at Birtley Distribution Centre, paddled and splashed their way to the finish line to be successfully crowned the Champions of Take on the Tyne 2010. To view a selection of images from the day click on the following link: [Take on the Tyne](#)



Fiona Lee, Engagement Officer for Co-operative Retail Logistics said: "Take on the Tyne was a great family day out; the whole team thoroughly enjoyed the day and we are delighted to be the first winners of the trophy.

The team did get rather wet, but I think that was down to the over excitement of winning and jumping into the River Tyne! It was a good job they were all wearing life jackets! We look forward to next year's event to defend our title. "

Clare Savory, Marketing & Events Officer for Disability North commented: "Take on the Tyne was a fantastic event, the sun kept on shining and thankfully everyone made it back to dry land safely. The day was very competitive with all teams using their inner strength to reach the finish line. We also had some very interesting mascots from a teddy bear to a parrot. The day will raise much needed funds to continue to help disabled people, carers and families throughout the region."

To take part in next year's Take on the Tyne, please contact Clare Savory at Disability North on 0191 284 0480 or email us by clicking here: [Take on the Tyne 2011](#).



Also in this edition:

News on DNEX 2010, Disability Hate Crime Conference, Disability North Abseil Date and **Location Revealed, Children's Equipment Demonstration Event Announced and more.**

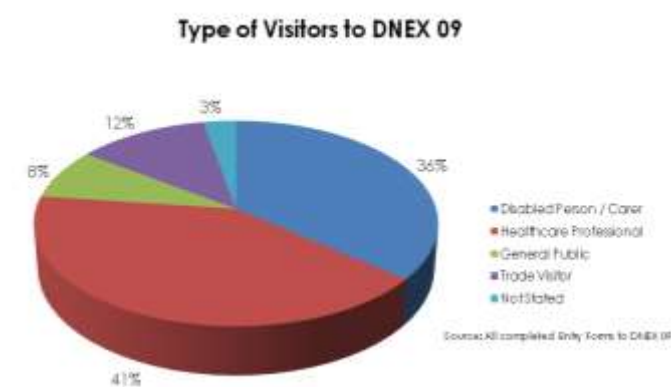
DNEX 2010

Metro Radio Arena Newcastle
20th & 21st October 2010

Disability North would like to offer you a warm invitation to join us at our Annual Exhibition - DNEX the largest gathering of manufacturers and suppliers of equipment for disabled people in the North of England.

DNEX has grown over 20 years with approximately 150 companies demonstrating the provision of assistive equipment and related services. The event attracts approximately 5,000 visitors per year.

DNEX draws a large percentage of Healthcare professionals and disabled people/carers, therefore regardless of whom your core audience is, DNEX can deliver.



DNEX exists to assist disabled and older people to maximise their independence and make informed decisions through the choice of equipment and information on display.

It also promotes the latest lifestyle products and services on offer in the area, raises the profile of disability issues, and opens up our core services to a wider range of people in the region and beyond.

2010 is the 20th anniversary of DNEX and we have some exciting new initiatives planned for DNEX including Just for Kids! which is a brand new section of the exhibition within the main hall dedicated to children. Another new initiative is our new 'Smart Home' 2010 (please find an artists impression below).



The new 'Smart Home'

If you require any further information about the exhibition please visit the DNEX section of the Disability North website by clicking on this link [DNEX website](#) or contact Clare Savory on 0191 284 0480 or e-mail us here: [DNEX Query](#).

Disability North Conference Room For Hire

Are you looking for somewhere cost effective and convenient to hold your meetings? **If the answer is "yes" then why not hire our conference room?**

It is available seven days a week plus evenings, at extremely competitive rates and has now been updated and boasts a state of the art plasma screen and Wi-Fi access. The room is accessible and holds 50 people. To find out more, e-mail us at the following: [Conference Room](#)



Prevention and Protection Disability Hate Crime Conference

Would you know what to do if you witnessed evidence of a disability hate incident or crime? Join us on the 4th November 2010 at St James Park, Newcastle to find out how to prevent and protect disabled people.

The high profile tragic deaths of David Askew, Fiona and Frankie Pilkington are the latest cases to highlight the current problems in tackling disability hate crime.

Questions are now being asked as to how we can all prevent disability hate crime and also protect those at most risk from experiencing it.

The aim of this conference is to look at the impact of hate crime against disabled people and consider its implications for the wider community.

The contents are appropriate to public, voluntary and private sector bodies and social housing organisations. Speakers on the day include:

- Northumbria Police
- Crown Prosecution Service
- Equality and Human Rights Commission -
- Better Days
- Momentum
- Northumbria University / The Lawnmowers
- Office for Disability Issues
- Three Rivers Housing Association

To find out more click here: [Conference](#)

Take in the Stunning Views while Abseiling for Disability North



Disability North is on the lookout for 50 brave participants to take part in their charity abseil at the Newcastle Civic Centre on Sunday 12th September 2010.

From the top of the Civic Centre tower you can take in the iconic views of St James Park, home of Newcastle United, the Tyne Bridge and on a very clear day even as far as Durham!

Clare Savory Marketing & Events Officer commented: "This will be the first year we have abseiled from the Civic Centre. The view from the tower is absolutely amazing, you can see the whole of Newcastle and beyond. Its worth taking part just to see that alone. We hope to have as many people **abseiling as possible.**"

All you need to do to take part is register, which costs £25. We then encourage you to raise as much money as possible through sponsorship.

The participant who raises the most amount of sponsorship will win two tickets for a premier enclosure at Newcastle Race Course for a race day of your choice in 2011.

You will be able to easily encourage sponsorship by using our [Just Giving Page](#) where your colleagues, friends and family can sponsor you to take part. Further details will be available in your registration pack.

To register your interest contact the Events Team at Disability North by clicking on the following link: [Disability North Abseil 2010](#).