

Chris's End to End Trail

May-July 2013

"I'm walking from Land's End to John O'Groats for Oxfordshire Outdoor Learning Trust because every young person should be able to experience the outdoors" **Christien Greaves**



DAVE THORNE BURSARY

...supporting opportunities for adventure

My story

I have decided to walk from Land's End (the bottom of England) to John O' Groats (the top of Scotland) by myself for OOLT (Oxfordshire Outdoor Learning Trust). I chose this charity because I feel that every person, young, old, able bodied or disabled should have the chance to experience the outdoors as I have. Recently I worked in an Oxfordshire outdoor centre, Yenworthy Lodge, on the Devon/Somerset border and loved every minute of it. Unfortunately these centres are under threat through lack of funding. Not only does donating help the centres but more particularly helps the children and young people can't afford to join their peers attending them. Please check out the charity's website and see what they're all about! www.oolt.org.uk

I am going to leave Land's End on 4th May and the trail should take me two to three months. I will stay at Yenworthy Lodge and Woodlands but unfortunately won't divert to take in Oxfordshire. I am trying also to cover as many peaks as I can (Whernside, the Cheviot and Ben Nevis). The total distance is 1200 miles (1900 km); I plan to camp each night so that I limit my effect on the environment. But I've joined the YHA!

I will be so happy if I reach my target of £2,500; OOLT will be very grateful for any amount you can give!

WAYS YOU CAN HELP

- **sponsor me! www.justgiving.com/chris-greaves**
- **sponsor some equipment – I need spare boots, a tent and solar charger, please**
- **walk with me for part of the way – contact me on facebook or twitter to arrange**

The route

leaving Land's End : Saturday 4 May



nearest to Oxford : end of May/early June

John O'Groats : the end of July

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About OOLT

OOLT was founded in 2000, recognising the proven value of outdoor learning to personal, social and academic progress, with the declared aim :
"to advance the education and development of young persons resident in Oxfordshire through the provision or facilitation of outdoor learning experiences"

The Dave Thorne Bursary

The Dave Thorne Bursary was established in 2008 under the auspices of the Oxfordshire Outdoor Learning Trust, when Dave Barber, a Woodlands OEC teacher, ran the London marathon in memory of a much loved and respected colleague Dave Thorne, who sadly drowned in a canoeing accident in the Lake District in January 2007. Since then the bursary fund has been supplemented through further sponsorship, donations and grants. Obviously little income is generated at present by bank interest.

We allocate **£3,000** a year for bursaries, **£100 per pupil**, and generally a **maximum of £250 per school**.

Support Chris on his 'End to End Trail'

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**or send a cheque payable to OOLT, to
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