

Create

Create-Editorial

The newsletter of the charity Create (charity no. 1078672)

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In 2009 Create has been able to allocate a number of grants from both its **Christian** and **Community Fund**. Three organisations which benefited from grants in 2009 are highlighted below.

NCOUNTER

NCounter is a charitable Christian organisation in Wiltshire helping young people to reach their potential in school and in the community, and providing opportunities for them to hear understand and respond to the Christian message. NCounter was awarded a grant from the CREATE CHRISTIAN FUND in 2009 to help buy puppet stage equipment for its youth performing arts project. The pictures below show the young people making the puppets, and proudly showing the completed puppet stage.



More information about NCounter can be found on their website <http://www.ncounter.co.uk>

CAFÉ PRAISE



Café Praise was formed in the summer of 2008 by members of three churches in Plympton, Devon, with the aim of reaching out to the community with the Christian message. Café Praise was awarded a grant from the CREATE CHRISTIAN FUND in 2009 towards the purchase of a projector for use during its bi-monthly outreach celebrations.

<http://www.plymptonstmauricechurch.co.uk/cafepraise/>

MIDSHIRES SEARCH AND RESCUE ORGANISATION



Midshires Search and Rescue is a lowland search and rescue team composed entirely of volunteers providing search teams for Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire and North Bucks.



Established in 1999, it is dedicated to assisting the police in the search for members of the public who, for whatever reason, have gone missing. It currently has some thirty members who take an active part in searches, with a small but vital support team who assist in maintenance of equipment, operating the callout process and raising funds. The teams are well equipped and receive training in radio work, map reading, GPS and first aid. The organisation is entirely self-funded, raising money for equipment and other operating costs through organised events, via donations and from charitable and other grants, such as CREATE, when the opportunity arises.



Midshires were awarded a grant from the CREATE COMMUNITY FUND in 2009 to buy chest waders and rescue floats to assist the team undertake water searches, ie ponds, streams and flooded areas, and to respond to calls for assistance during floods.

Midshires is a member of the Association of Lowland Search and Rescue ([ALSAR](#)), a body which represents Lowland Search and Rescue on the UK Search and Rescue Operators Group. This body has representatives from all of the emergency services, Mountain Rescue and others involved in the provision of search and rescue in

the UK.

Midshires are also members of the Bedfordshire and Luton Emergency Volunteers Executive Committee (BLEVEC), whose members are from voluntary organisations and provide assistance to the Bedfordshire and Luton Local Resilience Forum ([BLLRF](#)) in the event of major incidents within the Bedfordshire and Luton areas.

More information on Midshires can be found on their website <http://www.midshires.org.uk/>

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