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Denplan practices get pedalling for Dentaid

Dentaid tackles Mount Sinai for 2007 Trek

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Those who would like to take part must raise a minimum £1000, of which at least £1000 goes to Dentaid after tour costs. However, Fundraising Consultant Dafydd Pierce is determined that no-one should be put off by this aspect of the challenge. Almost 100 people have successfully taken part in Challenge Events for Dentaid in the past and with Dentaid’s extensive support, advice and ideas, past trekkers have regularly exceeded their fundraising goals with ease.

To participate in the challenge Dentaid is asking that each participant raise £1000 in sponsorship. Dentaid will be there every step of the way to support the fundraisers with ideas, tips and promotional material, enabling them to maximise their fundraising opportunities. Dentaid will also provide advice on training for the ride to ensure that everyone completes their sector of the route.

The Denplan/Dentaid support team will be present throughout the entire journey, encouraging the riders and ensuring the health and safety of all. There will be two support vans with the cyclists at all times, plus a support organisation team to meet, greet and photograph the cyclists at the start of each leg. Dentaid employees have also got into the spirit of the occasion and at least one employee will be taking part in each section of the route.

To continue the celebration of this epic 9-day journey, Dentplan is asking as many riders as possible to raise money and ride the final 14 miles from Penzance to Lands End on 8 September 2007 between 17:00 and 19:00 hrs. continue to empower and support millions of people who without our help would continue to suffer the agonising pain of tooth decay and disease with no hope of relief. People, whose only option is to seek treatment from blacksmiths or other self-taught practitioners, typically with no anaesthetic or cross infection control. Money raised from this event really will help to save lives,” added Jenna Phillips, Partnership Coordinator, Dentaid.

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Contact Info

In order to take part in the Sinai trek please contact Daf for an application pack on 01794 52449 or email info@dentaid.org. For further information about Dentaid please visit www.dentaid.org.

In order to get a guaranteed place in the Great North Run for Dentaid, please contact Daf for an application pack on 01794 52449 or email info@dentaid.org. For further information about Dentaid please visit www.dentaid.org.

For further information on the John O'Groats to Lands End bike ride or other 2007 fundraising activities, including Denplan trekking the Inca Trail in May 2006, please contact Jenni on 01794 525140 or email jenni@dental.co.uk.