



Press release

What is happening: There will be a walk around Powys Castle Park and the nearby areas in and around Welshpool, starting at Midnight on the night of the 22nd of November.

Where: Starting and ending at Welshpool Fire Station, walkers will follow one of two set routes through Powys Castle Park and then through nearby areas of the town. One shorter route allows those who want to take part, but not walk as far; enjoy the night as much as those who chose the longer route.

Why: Funds are being raised for children's charity Starlight Children's Foundation whose sole purpose is to brighten the lives of seriously and terminally ill children by granting their wishes and providing entertainment when they are in hospital in order to take their minds off the pain, fear and isolation caused by their illness and to help strengthen family bonds during difficult times. When it began in 1986, the charity helped just 4 children; this year it will help over 500,000 children in every children's hospital ward and hospice throughout the UK. Starlight relies entirely on public generosity.

After being diagnosed with a rare form of eye cancer in 2010, Corbin Bowen, from Welshpool, was offered a wish from Starlight. At the start of 2013 he decided he wanted to wish to meet Mick Thomson, one of two guitarists from Slipknot. Starlight arranged this wish for him and the day before Slipknot performed at Download later that year, Corbin's wish came true. Meeting Mick, he spent two hours in a private guitar lesson with him, then going backstage at Download to see Slipknot perform the next day.

Corbin wished to raise money for the charities that have helped him. He asked the Fire Fighters at Welshpool Station, which he attends weekly as a Young Fire fighter to help him raise money for Starlight, they quickly agreed. The fundraiser is being planned and organised with the help of the local firefighters and friends and family.

Entry forms can be collected and returned with a £10 donation from Welshpool Fire Station, Mollys Sweets Welshpool, The Flash Leisure Centre Welshpool, or Corbin at Welshpool high school 6th form.

For more details on the local event contact:

any of the local Fire Fighters

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