

AN A - Z OF FUNDRAISING IDEAS

A

Antiques fair
Art exhibition – indoor or out
Athletics event
"At Home" evening
Auction
Appeal in the press or by leaflet
Austerity lunch
Auction of promises

B

Baby show
Baby sitting
Ball / Dance
Balloon race
Barbecue
Barn dance
Bazaar
Beauty demonstration
Bed pushing marathon
Bicycle treasure hunt
Bingo
Blanket/bucket collection (collect coins in blanket/bucket at footballmatch, etc)
Book sale
Bowling
Bridge drive
Bring and Buy sale
Buy a Brick

C

Car boot sale/auction
Car rally
Car washing
Carnival
Carol singing
Carol singing marathon
Chopping firewood
Christmas cards
Christmas draw
Christmas fair
Christmas card sale
Coffee morning
Coins in a fountain
Collections - churches, public house, at work, house to house hotels.
Collection boxes
Competitions - photographic, sports, Concert
Craft festival
Cream Teas
Customised items (T-shirts, calendar etc – particularly designed by children)

D

Dance
Darts match
Dinner
Discotheque
Displays - in cinema foyers, hospitals
Dog show
Donkey derby
Dutch/American auction
Diminishing coffee/tea/lunch parties
Duck race

E

Electric train exhibition.
Exhibition
Expedition - by barge, coach or train

F

Face Painting
Fashion show
Fast – invite people to pay not to have
dinner with you – ie to give up a meal
Fete
Fishing tournament
Flag day
Flower show
Football match
Fortune telling
Fun fair

G

Garden party
Garden open day
Ghost Walk
Gift shop
Golf tournament
Good as new sale
Gymkhana
Guess the baby

H

Halloween party
Hat sale
Hobbies show
Home decorating
House to house collection

I

Individual gifts - gift day, pledge an
hours pay, donations, etc.
Indoor games competition

J

Jam making -
Jobs about the house, garden
or neighbourhood
Judo display
Jumble sale

K

Karaoke Night
Kiosks - at roadside, fete, carnival or
fairground to sell hot dogs, snacks etc.

L

Lawn mowing
Letter appeal
Litter collection
Lottery
Luncheon
Lecture - by expert
from your group

M

Mannequin parade
Mailshot
Market stall
Masked ball
Model making
Musical recital

N

Nearly new sale

O

Old time music hall
Ox roast

P

Pantomime
Payroll giving
Pennies-mile of pennies
jar of pennies, pennies to fill a
shape/picture on pavement etc
Photo flash - photos
taken at an event
Pet show
Plant sale
Pop music sale
Pound stall
Puppet show

Q

Queen of clubs - a personality girl
contest
Quizz

R

Race night
Raffle
Rally
Record swap

S

Safari supper -four course meal each
course served at a different home
Sale of Key Rings, Pens, Pencils
Sale of work
Scavenger hunt
Secondhand market
Shoe shine
Shopping at Home (through a
commercial firm eg. chocolate, jewelry,
underwear etc -
Sideshows (games at a fete etc)
Silent auction
Silver paper/bottle top collection
Speakers panel
Sponsored events - walks, hymn
singing,
Slim-in,
Snowball Party (each paying guest
also has to subsequently hold their
own party and so on...)
Sports day
Stalls
Stunts - twist marathon, parachute
jump
Sweet making
Swimming gala
Swap shop

T

"200 club"
Tea party
Talent competition
Tennis tournament
Toy fair
Toy making
Tombola
Theme days

U

Universal Aunts - a group of people who are willing to go anywhere and do anything legal for money.
Used stamp collection

V

Variety club
Vegetable sale
Veteran car rally
Visit each week - to homes to take up regular voluntary collection which has been promised in advance

W

Whist drive
Window cleaning
Wine and Cheese party
Wishing well –(eg in large shop)

Y

YOUR OWN IDEAS according to the particular circumstances of the locality

Z

Zany ideas - steam roller race for example

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