

# “Rushmoor Christmas Angels” January 2018



Happy New Year!

2017 was the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the “Rushmoor Christmas Angels” project and throughout December almost 5,000 knitted Angels were placed on doorsteps and fences all around Aldershot, North Camp, Ash, Cove and Farnborough.

Firstly we want to say a big thank you to everyone who has been part of this project so far and has made it what it is. Secondly we want to take this opportunity to say welcome to the 60 “new” knitters who have joined the knitting team this year. We now have well over 100 knitters knitting for us so who knows how many angels we will be able to produce for Christmas 2018.



This project has really grabbed the attention of our community in Rushmoor.....in fact someone commented that this project has become a Christmas tradition in the area and we heard of lots of families who now go on an “Angel hunt” during “Angel week” each December to try and find one of our angels.

Since “Rushmoor Christmas Angels” has been in operation “Alton Churches together”, Christchurch Braintree and Dorchester Abbey have all contacted us and after hearing about the reaction our project gets have all been inspired to begin their own “Christmas knitted Angel project” in their own communities.



The “Rushmoor Christmas Angels” Facebook page stays live all through the year as we have learnt in the past that some people don’t find their Angel until spring time when they begin a little gardening at the front of their house and that find that an angel has been living under their front hedge for a couple of months ☺

Each month I will send out an email asking how many angels have been knitted so far and then let everyone know the total. This is merely so we can see how the project is growing through the year. I know that we have some prolific knitters amongst us, but we have always said that sometimes it is just the one angel that someone has knitted that has been found by the right person at the right time and has made all the difference to that particular person’s Christmas

Angel week 2018 will run from Monday 10<sup>th</sup>- Friday 14<sup>th</sup>.

Once again thank you all that you do in making this project the success it is.

If anyone has any questions please do not hesitate to contact me, either through a message on the “Rushmoor Christmas Angels” Facebook page or using the contact details below.

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