

## News Release

King's Lynn, Norfolk, UK, Tuesday, May 19, 2009

### **Everest Climbers raise over £7,000 for The Norfolk Hospice, Tapping House**

Two members of the Rotary Club of Kings Lynn undertook the challenge of reaching Everest Base camp in Nepal then climbing the nearby mountain Kala Patthar; due to political unrest at the time two days trek had to be accomplished in one day, no mean feat at 5,000 metres.

Paul Kunes, Director of Terrington based MTL and Derek Harvey, Managing Director of North Lynn firm Office Wise Limited summited Kala Patthar by late morning and had panoramic views of the Himalayas looking down on Everest base camp; together they raised a combined total in excess of £7000.00 for The Norfolk Hospice, Tapping House, and at the end of the trek visited the Leprosy hospital at Anadabam where funds raised by presentations of their trek at Rotary Clubs and local organisations will be sent to further the outreach work in areas still affected by Leprosy.

Derek Harvey is to return to the Himalayas this month through China and the autonomous region Tibet to try and climb Lhakpa Ri and the North Col of Everest (7,045 meters) a significant height gain, climbing without oxygen with fixed ropes and camping on glaciers for many nights.

Contact The Norfolk Hospice on **01485 542891** or visit **[www.norfolkhospice.org.uk](http://www.norfolkhospice.org.uk)**

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#### **The Norfolk Hospice - Tapping House**

(Reg. Charity No. 1062800)

Since 1984, the Hospice has been providing palliative care to people with cancer, neurological and other life-limiting conditions, to enable them to live life to the full for whatever time is left.

Our services include: holistic day care, home hospice support, bereavement support for families, regular carer support groups, transport, equipment loan and an information service.

We care for over 200 people a month at the hospice and at home. Our care is provided without charge throughout Norfolk and the Fens and it costs £1



million a year to run our Hospice. We depend on the generosity of the community to survive: 85% our costs are paid for by the individuals, organisations and groups who give generously to support our vital care.

In life nothing is certain but, with your help, we can ensure that Norfolk and the Fens has the finest hospice care possible, now and in the future.

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