

LOCAL LADY JENNIFER SMASHES FUNDRAISING TARGET & COMPLETES LONDON MARATHON FOR SKIN DISEASE RESEARCH



Jennifer Hart, 27, has raised £2,311 for skin disease research by completing the world famous London Marathon on 24th April. Jennifer, from Sanderstead in South Croydon smashed her initial fundraising target of £1,000 for a charity close to her heart.

She decided to fundraise for the British Skin Foundation after suffering from acne throughout her teens and into adulthood. Jennifer explains, *“Although acne isn’t life threatening, it did knock my confidence a great deal and made my teenage years a whole lot more testing. This is why I want to help fund further research in this area.”*

On running the London Marathon Jennifer said, *“I started out at a pace for the time I wanted to achieve, but 10 miles in I realised my legs just didn’t have it in them on the day... So I slowed down my pace and finished in 05:05:35. I found it really tough, but loved every minute, and the crowds were amazing! I’ll definitely be signing myself up for the ballot again this year. I’ve got the marathon bug!”*

Jennifer completed the 26.2mile London Marathon with almost 40,000 others on the day, running past world-famous landmarks such as Tower Bridge, St. Paul’s Cathedral, The London Eye, the Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace.



You can still support Jennifer’s fundraising by visiting her Just Giving Page
<https://www.justgiving.com/Jennifer-Hart88/>

The **British Skin Foundation** is the only UK charity dedicated to raising funds for skin disease and skin cancer research. There are **eight million** people living with a skin disease in the UK, some are manageable and others are severe enough to kill. Skin disease doesn’t just affect the skin. It can have a huge impact on a person’s day-to-day life, crush self-confidence, restrict movement, lead to depression and put a huge strain on families as well as personal relationships.

Our unwavering commitment to funding quality research means we won’t stop until we’ve found cures for common skin problems like eczema and acne through to potential killers like malignant melanoma. This year the British Skin Foundation turns 20 years old, giving out more than £10 million in grants to over 300 research projects since 1996.

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