



Jill Barker Takes on London Marathon for the British Skin Foundation



Local Glastonbury lady, Jill Barker, 49, is taking on the famous Virgin London Marathon to raise money for the British Skin Foundation. Jill explained, *“Taking part in the London Marathon was a challenge I set for myself before I turned 50. Then when I was diagnosed with a melanoma last year it became really important to me. Running for the British Skin Foundation seemed like the perfect opportunity.”*

Jill will take on the 26.2 mile marathon past world-famous landmarks such as Tower Bridge, St. Paul’s Cathedral, The London Eye, the Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace on 26th April.

Glastonbury-based Jill runs a holiday cottage complex that is busy all year round with families visiting the Somerset countryside. But during Glastonbury festival each year, Jill welcomes famous musicians performing at the festival, as they make her holiday cottages a base.

In order to reach her £2,700 target, Jill is auctioning off some memorabilia on Ebay from her Glastonbury festival guests, which she has collected over the years. The most valuable being a signed Mumford & Sons album.

In addition, Jill will be auctioning off a ‘glamping’ holiday in one of her E-dens which were featured on George Clarke’s Amazing Spaces.



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.

Images: Top left, Jill Barker; Bottom right, E-den creator John Tucker, Jill Barker & George Clarke.

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