



Helping children in Ethiopia

**Sponsored Walk and BBQ.
Information for participants.
Saturday 12th May 2012 2.00pm
At Dow Europe, Horgen**

The target

Our objective is to raise a total of 100,000 Swiss Francs in order to build 3 laboratories at Secondary School at the Nicolas Robinson School in Mekele, Ethiopia. Science education is of the highest priority in Ethiopia. So much so, that the Ethiopian government has allocated 75% of the University places for science subjects (pure science, engineering and medicine). In September 2012 the first 90 children will start their secondary education at the Nicolas Robinson School (grades 9-12). We must be ready for them!

The event

The event takes the form of a sponsored walk, followed in the evening by a barbecue, music and entertainment for participants, their families and friends.

In the sponsored walk, participants will walk or run a chosen distance representing the long distances that many children have to walk every day to attend a school in Ethiopia.

Our aim is to raise awareness of the difficulties that Ethiopian children face on a daily basis, and to raise money to support our projects in Ethiopia which help young children to have better lives through education. The money raised will be used to build laboratory facilities at the Nicolas Robinson School in Mekele, Ethiopia, which Rainbows4Children opened in September 2005 and has extended every year so that there are now 880 children studying in the school.

The Location

The walk will start from the visitor's car park of Dow Europe's headquarters in Horgen (Zh). A map of the venue is attached

PARTICIPANTS

Participation

Everyone is welcome to participate in the event, young or old, walkers or runners. However, the aim is to raise money for the school project through sponsorship. In order to give participants an incentive, walkers/runners who have raised sponsorship of at least 250 Swiss Francs per individual will be invited to attend the evening BBQ/ buffet supper free of charge as a thank-you for their participation. Family members and friends who are not walking/running can join the supper for a charge of CHF 50 for adults and CHF 25 for under children under 12 years old (tickets bought in advance). Tickets bought on the day of the event will cost CHF 70 for adults and CHF 45 for children. Soft drinks, wine and beer will be available for purchase.



Sponsorship

Sponsorship forms are attached at the end of this document.

The event is explained on the sponsorship forms. You will need to decide how many circuits of the course you plan to walk. Please provide an estimate on the form so that your sponsors know roughly how much their sponsorship will cost.

A sponsor may decide to simply offer you a fixed amount for your participation: in this case, please just make a note of this on your form. Some sponsors may offer to pay before the event, and this will help you a lot with the collection of funds. Please keep a careful record of all those who have paid. At the end of the walk, please report back to the check-in desk to have your form signed.

The course

The course is outlined on the attached map, and one circuit = approx 4 km. Along the route there will be marshals and a refreshment station where water and soft drinks will be available. The walk will start between 1400-1430h, and at the end of the walk your completed distance will be recorded and your sponsorship form signed. You can walk 1, 2, 3, 4 or more circuits – this is your choice. You can walk, run or jog as you prefer.

Clothing and equipment

Please wear comfortable clothes and strong walking shoes.

Please also bring along a spare pair of shoes to change into for the indoor part of the event, after the walk.

There will be changing and shower facilities available if you would like to change clothes after the walk. This may be particularly useful if we have a wet day.

NON-PARTICIPANTS

Please come along and support the walkers.

If you would like to volunteer to help by acting as a steward, by handing out water or by fulfilling other duties, please let us know on info@rainbows4children.org and we will contact you directly. Thank you for your offer of help.

We will be holding a buffet supper following the walk starting at 17.30h, and you are very welcome to join for a charge of CHF 50 for adults and CHF 25 for children under 12 years of age for tickets bought in advance. Tickets bought on the day of the event will cost CHF 70 for adults and CHF 45 for children. Soft drinks, wine and beer will be available but are not included in the ticket price.

During the course of the evening there will be music and dancing, presentations, and a short film of the Nicolas Robinson School in Mekele, Ethiopia. Also we will arrange activities for the children during the presentations

A map showing how to get to the venue is attached, as is a map of the walking route.



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Sponsored Walk. Sponsorship form. 12th May 2012.

Name

Address

e-mail

The bearer of this form has offered to participate in a sponsored walk which represents the many miles most children in Ethiopia have to walk each day to attend school.

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The walker will choose to walk (or run!) 1, 2, 3 or more circuits of an approx. 4 km circuit. Please sponsor them for the number of circuits they will achieve or, if you prefer, with a fixed sum.

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Route Directions
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Leave Dow site by gate at back of car park.

Turn right onto track up hill.

Follow track as it goes down hill and keep on main track when smaller track joins from left (this is the track on which you will walk when you re-join the circuit at the end of your first circuit).

Towards the bottom of the hill, at junction in wood, leave main track and turn left into the wood, (do not cross the bridge).

Follow this track as it crosses the stream several times until you come to a 10-metre-high waterfall. Follow steps up beside waterfall and after about 200 m you will come to a junction. Take the turning to the left (do not cross the stream). This path winds up the hill through the woods until you come to the top and the end of the woods. Here you will find a water station.

Go straight on down the hill and across the main road. Take the small road through some farm buildings and other houses as it continues down the hill and turns into a footpath again. At the bottom of the hill you will see a farm with a large silo. Pass the silo keeping it on your left hand side and afterwards turn left onto the small road (Laengenergstrasse)

Keep on this road until you reach a small cross roads with a bright green waste paper bin on the right hand side. Turn left here, up the hill and towards the main road. Cross the main road and take the path 'Sonnauweg' through the fields heading back in the direction of Dow and the woods.

The path comes out on the main track out of Dow.

To start another circuit, turn left and then left again back along the stream. To return to Dow, turn right and follow the path back to the back entrance of Dow, and through the gate.



