

# PROJECTS *Update*

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## VSOP's RACE FOR DOVER'S CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Dover's Christmas Lights Fund benefited from the proceeds of a BEER RUN staged by Tina Pullinger of Dover Town Centre Management on Thursday, 1st October.

Neptune Radio's Tony Hayward, having allowed plenty of time for limbering up and last minute practice, got the first race away to a good start in the Market Square shortly after 10.30 am.

Relay teams comprised four "waiters", each carrying a glass of beer on a tray, running, drinking the beer and handing

(Hookers), Dover Tourism (Tourism Totties), Firefighters (White Watch Winos) and B.T.

White Watch were overall winners but B.T. had the fastest time of 1 minute and 39 seconds in this, the town's first relay BEER RUN. Good fun, good competition and good fund-raising. We shall view the Christmas Lights differently from now on.

## SHOP WINDOW DISPLAY

Through the kind cooperation of Dover Town Council we were able, once again, to mount a Society display for a month in the window of their Castle Street office. Our previous display in February was valuable in bringing the attention of the passing public to the Society.

The display included the Society's logo, statement of objectives, contact telephone number, programme of events, photographs of projects, old and new, and copies of the Newsletter. We hope to repeat the exercise at regular intervals.



Christmas Beer Run, October 1998. The Dover Society relay team - V.S.O.P.

over the tray to the next runner. Hand-over points were at St. Mary's church and Marks and Spencer, the finishing line being in the Market Square.

The Society team, chosen very carefully by the Chairman, consisted of Michael Weston, Jeremy Cope, Derek Leach and John Owen. Named "Dover Society VSOP's (very special outgoing people - but soon referred to as very old people!)", we shared

## BEACH WATCH 98

Following our successful participation in BEACH WATCH 97, I am pleased to report that Archers Court Youth Centre took part this year's beach cleaning, once again at Shakespeare Beach during September, meriting the support of the town mayor, Councillor Paul Sheldrake.

BEACH WATCH is organised annually by the Marine Conservation Society in conjunction with Reader's Digest. Beaches are cleared of debris and a survey taken by all volunteers. The data collected are collated and used in the drive for cleaner beaches worldwide.

Congratulations to Archers Court Youth Centre.