

Marhamchurch Christmas Tree Appeal - Report 19/5/2026

Our two events in 2025, the Christmas Tree Lighting/Children's Party and the Christmas Eve Carols around the tree were possibly the best so far with approximately 150 persons attending the first and 200+ attending the latter with very positive feedback from those attending, children and adults alike.

On behalf of the committee and myself I would like to thank all involved, those who gave practical help, support with fund raising, St, Marwennes Church, The Bray committee and those who gave behind the scenes expertise, e.g. Health and Safety, electrical compliance, ensuring the safe erection of the xmas tree and its stability in the winter winds. Not forgetting the Management of the Bullers Arms who provided us with much hospitality for our meetings and as a venue.

Fund raising was mainly via quiz, our xmas tree memory stars and collections at the events. We raised £600 which covered the cost of both events. This included a present for every child who attended the party as well as food and drinks for adults and the children. We also donated the total proceeds of one quiz to the Bray fund for repairs.

We have several ideas to take the 2 events to another level and we are currently exploring the possibilities, at this stage we don't want to say what the ideas are as if they are successful. I am sure that it will be a fantastic surprise.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Parish Council for their support especially with the award of an annual grant.

Finally, I would ask that our wonderful parishioners continue with their support of our fund raising evenings and attendance at our Christmas events, which are becoming embedded in the traditions of our wonderful village.

Thankyou,
Chris Hutt, Chairperson.