

The RNLI is the charity that saves lives at sea

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## **RNLI Christmas Shopping Complete**

**Kinghorn RNLI Lifeboat Fundraising Branch and the local Kingswood Hotel held their Christmas Shopping event, raising £4,150.00 for Kinghorn RNLI lifeboat.**

The hotel hosted the Christmas shopping event, with 22 stalls offering a wide variety of gifts including art, jewellery, handbags, beauty products and cosmetics, spirits, handmade gifts, demonstrations and a raffle.

Local ukulele band Uke That performed during the evening, wowing the crowd with their performance. Canapés and drinks were served throughout the evening which was attended by nearly 180 people.

Kinghorn lifeboat fundraising chairperson, Sheona Smith said, 'The Kingswood Hotel has, as usual, hosted a spectacular event, and in doing so has raised £4,150 for the RNLI. I'd like to thank the Kingswood, and everyone who has come along to support the event, stallholders and supporters alike.

'It costs around £85,000 per year to run an inshore lifeboat station such as Kinghorn, and this money is raised at events like the shopping evening.

'Finally, our next big event will be our annual Christmas Fayre on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November in the Church hall. On the same day, the crew is organising Kinghorn's first ever Santa Run. Pre-registration details are available on the station Facebook page, with the event starting at 1015 at Kinghorn golf club.'

### **Notes to editors**

- Kinghorn lifeboat station has been operating since 1965. To learn more about the lifeboat station go to [www.rnli.org.uk/kinghorn](http://www.rnli.org.uk/kinghorn)
- Attached photograph shows raffle prize winner being presented with the main prize of dinner, bed and breakfast at the Kingswood by Rankin and Kathryn Bell of the Kingswood, and Sheona Smith.

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**Key facts about the RNLI**

The RNLI charity saves lives at sea. Its volunteers provide a 24-hour search and rescue service around the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland coasts. The RNLI operates over 238 lifeboat stations in the UK and Ireland and has more than 140 lifeguard units on beaches around the UK. The RNLI is independent of Coastguard and government and depends on voluntary donations and legacies to maintain its rescue service. Since the RNLI was founded in 1824 its lifeboat crews and lifeguards have saved over 140,000 lives.

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