

Pledge your support to your local Irish Wheelchair Association by becoming a volunteer.

1st July 2010:

2010 marks the 50th Anniversary of The Irish Wheelchair Association (IWA). The Association was founded in 1960 by a small group of wheelchair users committed to improving the lives of people with physical disabilities in Ireland. The IWA is a national organisation with over 68 branches in communities across the country; they are currently seeking support from people who are interested in getting more involved in their community or have a few hours to spare this Summer.

IWA welcomes people who are interested in the following areas: recreational and social activities, home visits, fundraising, advocacy and lobbying, holiday breaks, transport, sports programmes and youth programmes. The IWA is committed to offering volunteers a productive and enjoyable experience. Volunteers also have the opportunity to influence positive change in their community towards disability issues.

Jack Doyle, Volunteer Officer with the IWA promises a rewarding experience to all volunteers;

“IWA welcomes people from all walks of life and backgrounds. As a volunteer you can expect an opportunity to meet new people, develop your skills, and contribute to your local community. 2010 is a special year for IWA and new volunteers will be involved in the series of events planned for the 50th Anniversary Celebrations”.

IWA welcomes volunteers who are available on a regular or one off basis. The Association will accommodate new volunteers around their personal and work commitments. The IWA has centres nationally and would greatly welcome any interested volunteers who wish to offer their time, skills and talents to support those with physical disabilities living in their local area.

If you would like to volunteer for The Irish Wheelchair Association or wish to learn more about volunteering, please contact Jack Doyle, Volunteer Officer on 059 914 0983 or email volunteering@iwa.ie

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