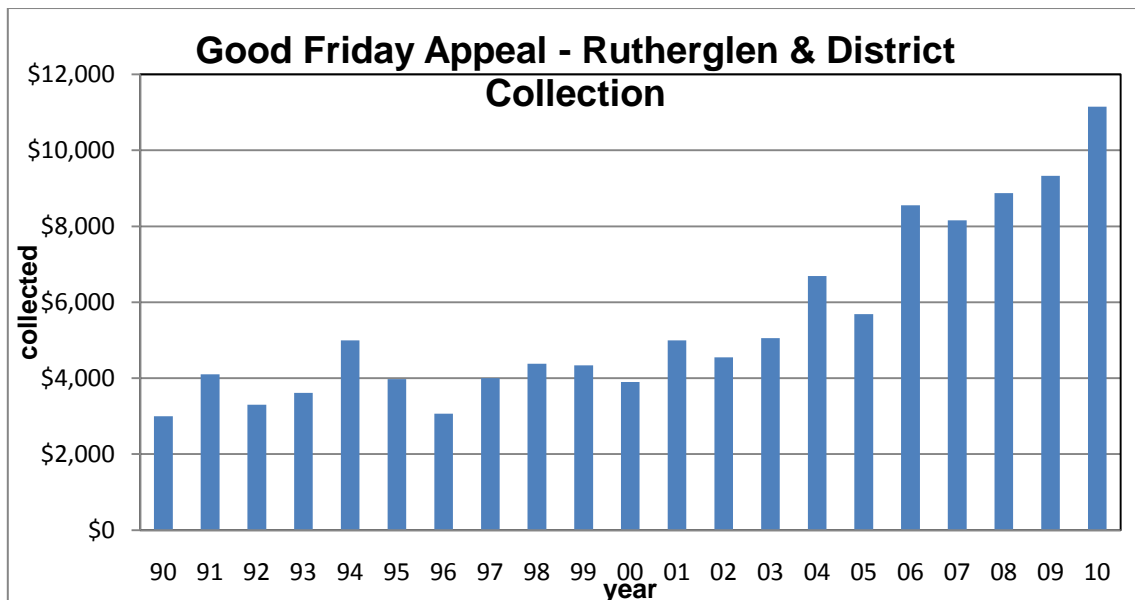




A GREAT START TO RUTHERGLEN DISTRICT'S 2010 GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

The Rutherglen Good Friday Appeal got off to a great start when the students & teachers of Rutherglen High School paid for the privilege of wearing their favourite casual gear on the last day of school. The Student Representative Council organised a fundraiser for the Royal Children's Hospital & donated a substantial sum of money to the Appeal. \$404.25 was raised for this worthy cause - over a dollar for every student & teacher. Both Principal, Phil Rogers, & Good Friday Appeal Area Manger, Mary-Helen Boag, were duly impressed by the efforts of the Student Council & the generosity of the students & teachers to achieve such a successful outcome.

Rutherglen & the surrounding areas of Cornishtown & Springhurst have a long history of giving generously to the Good Friday Appeal. With help from the CFA, SES, Rotary, & volunteer collectors from Scouts, Guides, Swimming Club, APEX & schools, the residents of Rutherglen & surrounding areas have donated over \$104,560 since 1990. This year was no exception with **\$11,082** collected on the day – over 20% more than last year. The following graph shows our performance to date since 1990:



cumulative amount collected since 1990 = \$115,642

A tally board in the Rutherglen Fire Station allowed volunteers to compare last year's collection to this year's efforts, with some stiff competition developing between the collection areas to see who collected more money! It was fantastic to see that all areas did better than last year. Volunteers were treated to drinks & Easter eggs after their return from the door knocking event.

Here are some the CFA team & local community groups picking up collection tins:



All volunteer badges then went into the prize draw for a large soft rabbit provided by the Good Friday Appeal Team. Aaron Benbow won the draw. A great outcome for a great cause!

Rotary volunteers Marlene Rankin, David Boag & Jim Madden seen here hard at work counting the donations:



On behalf of the Good Friday Appeal Team & Rutherglen Rotary, Mary-Helen Boag would like to thank the volunteers & residents of Rutherglen, Cornishtown, Springhurst & outlying areas for donating their time & money to the Royal Children's Hospital.