

Livewire

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The 2025 Highlights Edition



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120
YEARS

Supporting our industry through life's challenges

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WELCOME MESSAGE

Welcome to our 2025 wrap-up edition of LiveWire! What an incredible year it has been! We hope you all had a wonderful festive break and are feeling recharged and ready for 2026.

This year marked a truly special milestone: 120 years of The Electrical Industries Charity. To celebrate, we set an ambitious goal to raise an extra £120,000.

Together, we're helping to ensure the EIC can continue supporting our industry for the next 120 years and beyond. We have raised over £130,000.

Alongside the 120 Campaign, we launched the "Join Jess" challenges, which saw our Managing Director, Jess Vailima, and a fantastic team of supporters take on adventures across the UK, starting with a zipline in Wales, then a Kiltwalk in Scotland, the Thames Path in England, and finally an abseil in Northern Ireland.

These challenges captured the energy, determination, and community spirit that define our industry.

A huge thank you to everyone who donated, fundraised, volunteered, and cheered us on this year. Your continued support makes all the difference.

Enjoy this edition of LiveWire, and don't forget to keep an eye out for our monthly LiveSpark updates for all the latest stories, successes, and ways to get involved this year.



A NOTE FROM OUR MD



Dear Supporter,

As I come into my 4th year as Managing Director of the charity I have been reflecting on 2025.

It was a tough year for everyone, with the ongoing cost of living crisis and ever-changing circumstances and we saw the impact of this through our support services.

Our team has worked tirelessly, responding to an ever-increasing number of requests for help. In 2025 alone, through our welfare programmes, we delivered over 16,500 support interactions to people in need, providing essential assistance with mental health, financial hardship, and housing challenges. Mental health support continues to be our most in-demand service, and we remain committed to breaking the stigma and creating a culture of openness across our industry.

We've also reached thousands through education and prevention, delivering wellbeing sessions to over 7,000 individuals and training nearly 2,370 people to better understand and manage mental health in the workplace. I have been completely blown away by the passion and generosity of our industry this year. From raffles and running challenges to mountain climbs and corporate fundraisers, your creativity

and commitment have been nothing short of inspiring. The energy behind our 120 campaign and the enthusiasm for the Join Jess challenges have shown just how powerful our community can be when we come together for a cause that matters.

Our events, including powerBall, have been a resounding success, and I want to thank our Regional Committees, sponsors, and partners for making it all possible. Your dedication and hard work keep the heart of this charity beating strong.

Finally, to every single person who has supported us by attending, donating, sponsoring, fundraising, or volunteering: thank you. You are the reason we can continue to make a difference, and together, we'll keep changing lives across our industry for the next 120 years and beyond.

Enjoy the read, and here's to an exciting and inspiring 2026!

Warm regards,

Jess Vailima
The Electrical Industries Charity
Managing Director

In the last five years powerLottery has given away over **£440,000!**




The Electrical Industries Charity's powerLottery offers you the opportunity to Play, Win and Support.

Participating in the powerLottery gives you a chance to win and also contributes significantly to our charity's mission.

Scan the QR below to take part and keep your fingers crossed for a chance to win big!

www.electricalcharity.org/lottery



 for more information



Supporting our industry through life's challenges



The Electrical Industries Charity offers support services to those who serve and have served within the electrical and energy industries.

You can access this support free and confidentially:



Complete our online form



support@electricalcharity.org

Email us anytime




0800 652 1618

9am - 5pm Mon - Fri

www.electricalcharity.org



 for more information





Completed Challenges

Gary Hutchins

Cycled a 2-hour Spinathon to support EIC Day

Terry Arnold

Cycled 55 miles from London to Brighton

Ben Pull

Cycled from Death Valley to LA

David Allport

Cycled from Death Valley to LA

Daniel Poole

Cycled from Death Valley to LA

Gary Mordue

Cycled from Death Valley to LA

Maunel Puletti

Jumped out of a plane at Langar

Daniel Kennedy

Walked 21 miles for the EIC

Glenn Grant

Walked 21 miles on the Thames Path

Caitlin Piper

Walked the Thames Path for the #JoinJESS campaign

Lee Randall-Pybus

Conquered the National 3 Peaks

Team KSR

Walked the Thames as part of #JoinJESS

Emma Dallimore

Hosted a charity quiz at Electric Center Telford

Matt Small

Rowed to raise funds

Peter Price-Higgott

Bungee jumped in Las Vegas

Robin Tilling

Conquered the O2 challenge

Team LIA

Hiked Snowdon by Night

Rachel McDermott

Highland Fling bungee jump

Team NICEIC

Took on a daring skydive

Martin Cordrey

Trekking 120km in Spain

Andy O'Hare

Organised a Golf Day at Ramside Hall

Margareta Sokolova

Hiked Helvellyn

Sylwia Jackson

Hiked Helvellyn

Jon Nixon

Hiked Helvellyn

Lauren De'Ath

Hiked Helvellyn

Lee Cooper

Organised a football tournament

Jeremy Saunders

Cycled from Death Valley to LA

IBA Team

Completed a Fire Walk for the EIC

Harry Davis

Abseiled in Ireland as part of #JoinJESS

Mark Rogers

Abseiled down the Europa for #JoinJESS

Team Omexom

Took on the #JoinJESS Ireland abseil

Laura Miller

Abseiled down the Europa for #JoinJESS

AG Electrical / Tool Monster / Velocity

Abseiled down the Europa for #JoinJESS

John Johnston

Abseiled down the Europa for #JoinJESS

Gary Mackie

Ran the Lakes in a Day marathon

Philip Holt

Ran the Lakes in a Day marathon



Upcoming Challenges

Neil Crook

Running the London Marathon 2026 - [Donate here](#)

David Grimes

Running the London Marathon 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Dean Wilsher

Running the London Marathon 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Dave De-Vall

Hiking Everest Base Camp 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Michael Ringer

Trekking Vietnam's Pu Luong for 10 days - [Donate here](#)

Darren Ayres

Hiking Everest Base Camp 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Richard Boot

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Matthew Wych

Trekking Vietnam's Pu Luong for 10 days - [Donate here](#)

Paul Vine

Running 12 marathons for the 12 Days of Christmas - [Donate here](#)

Lewis Offord

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Darren House & Mark Lambert

Running the London Marathon 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Matthew Hoar

Trekking Vietnam's Pu Luong for 10 days - [Donate here](#)

Gordon McArthur

Trekking Vietnam's Pu Luong for 10 days - [Donate here](#)

Andrew Chow

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Kevin Beech

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Jon Chamberlain

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Kelvin Drinkwater

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Team Kosnic

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Amanda Smith

Trekking Vietnam's Pu Luong for 10 days - [Donate here](#)

Tommy Edwell

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026 - [Donate here](#)

James Mosley

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026

Ash Randall

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026

Kieron Griffin

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026

Stacey Holland

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026

Sion Browne

Hiking Snowdon by Night 2026 - [Donate here](#)

Dolapo Olunlade

Trekking Vietnam's Pu Luong for 10 days - [Donate here](#)

Dom Lorenzo

Trekking Vietnam's Pu Luong for 10 days - [Donate here](#)

Additional Events

Dan Mooney

Running 10k a day for 50 days

Kieron Fletcher

Endurance running challenge

Jon Dennis


"A Giant Challenge" (multiple events)

Team Rexel

Taking on the Royal Parks Half Marathon




A fantastic start to the year!
 In January, you donated over
£16,500!
 Thank you to all of those who donated.
[If you would like to donate, please click here.](#)



NIUK
NEWBURY INVESTMENTS UK

Newbury Investments Charity Efforts


During the 2024 festive period, Newbury Investments staff gathered to celebrate and give back at their Christmas dinner. Through their generosity and collective efforts, they raised an impressive £1,644 for the Electrical Industries Charity. Their heartfelt contributions made a meaningful difference in supporting vital causes. Well done to



ELECTRIC CENTER

Electric Center Telford Quiz Night

In January, the Electric Center Telford branch hosted the first of what promised to be many quiz nights in support of the EIC. A huge thank you went to everyone who attended and donated. For those who would like to contribute but are unsure how to get involved, our [website](#) provides inspiration and fundraising ideas.



CELEBRATING

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YEARS

The 120-year Campaign

As we reflected on the past year, we were excited to share some of the remarkable campaigns we had launched in celebration of our 120th anniversary. Our aim was to rally 1,000 supporters to raise or donate £120 each. To commemorate this significant milestone, the EIC launched the 120-Year Campaign, which featured a series of engaging challenges and events aimed at honouring our history while inspiring future support. Each month, we hosted a themed "120 Challenge" to engage our community, promote well-being, and raise vital funds for the charity. These monthly challenges were open to everyone, providing a fantastic opportunity to stay active, set personal goals, and contribute meaningfully to the EIC's mission.

[Find out more here...](#)

Jail or Bail

Freedom Secured! EIC's Jail or Bail Raised Over £14,000 to Kick Off the 120-Year Anniversary Celebrations.

We kicked off our 120-year anniversary with a bang - or, as some might say, the clang of prison bars! On 23 January 2025, EIC hosted its much-anticipated Jail or Bail challenge, bringing together trustees, team members and sector supporters for a fundraising event like no other.

Thank you to everyone who got involved, donated, and helped make Jail or Bail such a huge success.




"A Lifelong Commitment to EIC!"

Andy Roach: A Trustee's Perspective on the Electrical Industries Charity

Andy Roach joined our board, bringing fresh perspectives and expertise in workforce development. He was committed to helping the EIC expand its reach and enhance its programmes.

Reflecting on what had initially inspired him, Andy recalled witnessing the invaluable work the charity was doing, particularly in the early 2000s when Employee Assistance Programmes (EAPs) were far less common. "Seeing what the charity had done for families, including some of my own, made a lasting impression on me," he shared.

Now serving as a trustee, Andy was keen to enhance the charity's visibility in areas where he felt it needed a greater presence—especially within the transmission and distribution sectors

[.Find out more here...](#)

January Health Calendar & Wellbeing Talk

In January, we began the year by addressing the often misunderstood issue of addiction, which encompasses substance misuse, gambling and behavioural dependencies. The month's focus was on raising awareness about the complex nature of addiction and providing practical advice through our Health Calendar articles.

We also heard from Mark Dempster in our Wellbeing Talk. Mark is a practicing psychotherapist and drugs counsellor and talked us through his journey from heroin addiction, dealing, drug smuggling, homelessness and destitution to pulling his life around, becoming clean, and ultimately transforming into one of the most respected addiction counsellors in the UK.

[Read more here...](#)



Wellbeing Talks

Inspirational and practical talks on issues that are important to you!

JANUARY

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Date & Time:
 Wednesday, 8th January
 8:30am to 9:30am

Topic: Addiction: A Personal Story
Presenter: Mark Dempster





Twelve Electric

The 'Twelve Electric Club' has been a big supporter of the EIC for many years. The fundraising they do for us is invaluable in helping us support our industry with life's challenges. We were delighted to accept a cheque for a whopping £12,500 in the beautiful sunshine. Thank you so much for your continued support Twelve Electric!



ECA Maidstone

A huge thank you to ECA Maidstone for their generous £5,000 donation, which was raised at their annual dinner dance.



[Read more here...](#)

CEMBRE Partner Event

Key customers gathered to strengthen strategic partnerships while raising vital funds for the EIC. The event featured a factory tour, dinner and guest speak Martin Bayfield, which culminated in an impressive £1,580 raised for the charity!



[Read more here...](#)



In the Spotlight: Andie Morris

In March 2025, we caught up with Andie Morris, Chair of our Eastern Regional Committee, to hear about his journey with the charity and the impact it has had on his life and work—from his first encounter with the EIC to his future goals. Read the full interview here:

[Read more here...](#)

Kilimanjaro Explorers Took It One Step Further - A Conversation That Sparked Change

While climbing Kilimanjaro, team member Adam Firth spoke with their Discover Adventure guide, Christina, about the gender imbalance in mountain guiding. Much like the electrical and energy industries, this field was overwhelmingly male-dominated. In Tanzania, the challenges for women were even greater, with limited access to education and high levels of poverty.

That was when they met Elizabeth - a 19-year-old server on the mountain, raising her 2-year-old son while dreaming of becoming a tour guide. Inspired to make a difference, the team rallied to support her journey.



[Read the incredible story here:](#)



Andy Reakes talks to The Renewables Podcast

We were incredibly grateful to The Renewables Podcast for supporting the Electrical Industries Charity in 2025.

Our Vice President, Andy Reakes, joined Sam Featherstone to discuss the vital support we provided to individuals in the electrical and energy sectors.

[Listen to the full episode here.](#)

#JoinJESS Challenge 1 DONE!

Zipline complete! On Saturday 15 March, the #JoinJESS campaign took off - literally! Jess completed her first challenge by ziplining down Penrhyn Quarry at a speed of over 100mph!

[Read more here...](#)



Conquering New Heights: CEF London Region took on the O2

On 26 February, a team from CEF's London region braved the iconic O2 roof walk - all in support of the EIC.

Led by Robin Tilling, the team took on the challenge to celebrate the EIC 120 year anniversary and give back to the charity. Thanks to their incredible efforts and generosity of supporters, the team raised £5,776. A huge thank you to the team and all the supporters!

We launched our Easyfundraising page

Did you know? By registering with easyfundraising, you raise free donations for us each time you shop online. There are over 7,000 brands contributing at no extra cost to you! Your support through purchases directly benefits those in need within the electrical and electronics industry.

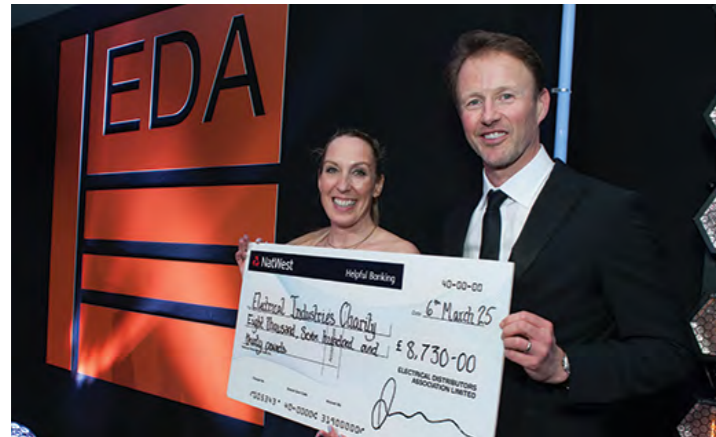
Getting started is simple: Sign up to create your easyfundraising profile, download our browser extension for automatic donation alerts as you shop, and easily track your donations in your account, with updates on when the Electrical Industries Charity receives the funds.

[Sign up here!](#)





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In March, you donated over £19,000!

Thank you to everybody who donated, including all at EDA's Investor in Training Awards. The EIC was thrilled to have attended the EDA's Investor in Training Awards, celebrating excellence in workforce development. The evening also raised over £8,700 in support of the EIC's vital work across the electrical and energy sectors. A huge thank you to everyone involved!

[You can read more about the event here:](#)

Schneider Service Sales Conference - £2,000 Raised



A massive thank you to the Schneider Service Sales team for raising an incredible £2,000 at their recent conference. Their support helped us provide vital assistance to those in the electrical industry facing difficult times.



Association of Meter Readers AGM

We were grateful to the Association of Meter Readers for giving us the opportunity to speak at their AGM. By sharing our mission with their members, we reached even more people who could benefit from the EIC's support.



ECA North East Conference

We appreciated the ECA North East team's warm welcome at their conference. Engaging with industry leaders and businesses allowed us to grow our reach and ensure that more people knew where to turn for help.



IBA Event - Spreading Awareness

A big thank you went to the IBA for inviting us to be part of their recent event. It was fantastic to connect with attendees, spread awareness about the charity, and share how we supported those in the electrical sector.

Curry & Quiz Night - Hosted by David MacDonald

It was an enjoyable evening filled with curry, quizzes, and a great cause! A huge thank you went to David MacDonald for organising a brilliant Curry & Quiz night in support of the EIC, which raised over £6,400. His dedication was deeply appreciated, and events like this played a crucial role in helping us continue our vital work.



Championing Change in the North West: A Spotlight on Roger Taylor

In April, we shone a spotlight on Roger Taylor, Group Projects & Sustainability Manager at H&S Electrical Wholesalers and chairperson of the North West Committee. Roger's dedication to raising awareness and increasing support for the EIC in the region makes a lasting impact.

[Read more here...](#)



Give up your cup

We launched our Give up Your Cup campaign, asking our supporters make a real impact on our colleagues' lives by setting up a monthly donation today.

Just £3 a month (equivalent to the price of a coffee), can help transform lives within our industry. Skipping just one cup of coffee directly supports the vital work of EIC.

[Read more here...](#)



March proved to be another impactful month for our welfare team, as they opened 122 new cases



Our team provided extensive support, ranging from financial assistance to guidance on Wills and advice for managing stress and anxiety. They addressed complex issues such as critical illness, bereavement, and addiction, ensuring individuals never faced their challenges alone.

Collaboration remained central to their efforts, fostering 63 partnerships that strengthened our support network. Additionally, they responded to 96 helpline calls, underscoring their accessibility and commitment to being a lifeline for those in need.

Throughout, the EIC continued to advocate for well-being, delivering personalised and compassionate support across the sector. Their work in March not only reflects the scale of challenges individuals are confronting but also highlights the steadfast support available to those who seek it.



Protect Your Future

Whatever your age it's never too early to plan for the future and protect your loved ones.

Talking about things like life insurance, wills and financial planning can feel uncomfortable, but it's an important conversation to have. While it can be tough to think about the "what-ifs" in life, being prepared can provide peace of mind for both you and your loved ones.

This could include practical things like making a will, appointing a power of attorney, pensions, life insurance and physical things like keeping active or protecting your knees and back whilst at work.

Here we offer you practical solutions to protect yourself and your loved ones no matter what the future holds.

[Read more here...](#)



In April, you donated over £15,000!

Thank you to everybody who donated including everyone who showed their support for our Kiltwalkers, Marathon Runners, Rowers, Sky Divers, Bungee Jumpers and Cyclists!

[If you would like to donate, please visit our donations page](#)



Thank You London Marathon Heroes

We're extremely proud of our incredible runners, Stuart Gray, Kieron Fletcher, Daniel Williams, Abbie Hood, Alistair Dunnet, Marcus Leek, and Rob Bailey, who ran in the landmark 2025 London Marathon in support of the Electrical Industries Charity (EIC).

Their combined efforts not only helped achieve a record-breaking finish, but also raised an impressive £23,100, ensuring vital support for those in the electrical and energy sectors during challenging times. A massive thank you to our champions for their unwavering determination and generosity.

[Inspired? Sign up to our 2026 London Marathon ballot here](#)



We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our incredible supporters who make our work possible.

Aico welcomed us onto their stand at the Fire and Safety Show, providing a fantastic opportunity to meet many people and share our mission.

Schneider Electric also played a key role by inviting us to co-host their stand at the Data Centre event, allowing us to showcase the vital work carried out by our charity.

We're immensely grateful to Stuart Ashworth and the team from Edmundson Electrical for their generous donation, raised during a golf trip to La Cala in Spain, which surpassed £1,000, thank you!

An Enchanting Evening: Southern Spring Ball Spectacular!

On 25 April, 332 industry professionals gathered at Brighton's Grand Hotel for the Southern Spring Ball. The evening featured host Paul Martin's captivating magic, a lively performance by live band Candy Apple Blue, and a memorable sing-along to Robbie Williams' "Angels".

Thank you to everyone who joined us and raised funds for those in need within our industry.



Wearing His Heart on His Sleeve - Elliot Tierney's EIC Journey

Elliot Tierney has become a passionate voice for change in our industry - from scaling Kilimanjaro to representing contractors on our Emerging Professionals Board.

Now proudly displaying our Proudly Supporting Logo on his workwear, he is a true ambassador for the charity. He was also our August guest speaker at our Wellbeing Talk, sharing his personal journey, reflections on community, and insights into the importance of timely support.

[Read his full interview to find out why he believes the EIC is a lifeline for so many](#)



Join Jess Campaign Triumph at Glasgow Kiltwalk 2025

Jess and her team of Kiltwalkers successfully completed the Glasgow Kiltwalk 2025, raising over £2,700 in support of the electrical and energy industries. Representing Challenge 2 in her ambitious mission to complete four major fundraising events across the UK for the Electrical Industries Charity's 120th anniversary, Jess and her supporters joined thousands of fundraisers in making a real difference.





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Stuart Pearce Joins EIC as Patron

In May, we were very proud to welcome former England footballer and qualified electrician Stuart Pearce as our new Patron. Stuart started his career as an apprentice electrician and even ran his own business while playing professional football. His deep connection to the industry makes him an ideal advocate for our mission.

Stuart's values of resilience, dedication, and integrity align perfectly with EIC. As Patron, he is helping us raise awareness and reach more people facing financial, emotional, and practical challenges.

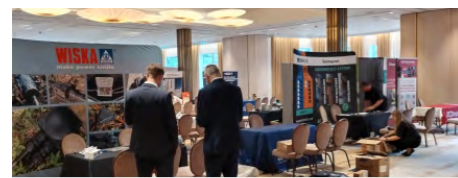
"I know firsthand the pressures of the job and I'm passionate about supporting those in our industry. I'm honoured to be part of EIC's incredible work." - Stuart Pearce

[Hear from Stuart himself](#)

In May, you donated over £21,000!

Thank you to everybody who donated including everyone who has shown their support for our Sky Divers, Bungee Jumpers and Trekker's throughout the month!

[If you would like to donate, please visit our donations page](#)



ANew Trade Day and Supplier Dinner



EDA Scottish Sports Person Dinner



Thank you for championing the EIC

Gratitude for Support and Generosity in the Electrical Industry

We extend heartfelt thanks to all who supported us in May, showcasing the incredible support within the electrical and energy sectors. A special mention goes to ANEW and its members for their warm welcome at the ANEW Trade Day and Supplier Dinner, where over £4,700 was raised.

Alan McLean, Chair of the EDA Scottish Branch, invited the charity to the EDA Scottish Sports Person Dinner. The event raised an impressive £2,660, further supporting the charity's vital work.

We acknowledge the champions who have helped spread awareness. Special thanks to Hispec, Eland Cables, Legrand, CEF, Scanwear, Edmundson Electrical Ltd, Atkore, Scolmore, GivEnergy, SELECT, and Andie Morris for their efforts in promoting the charity's mission at various industry events. Your contributions make a significant difference, and we are immensely grateful for your continued support.



Lighting the Way: Richard Scott's Mission to Power Change

Since joining the Emerging Professionals Board in 2023, Richard Scott has been on a mission to raise awareness of the Electrical Industries Charity across the sector—especially among contractors. From personal tragedy to professional advocacy, his journey is both powerful and purposeful.

[Read more](#)

NICEIC Team and Supporters Soar to New Heights for EIC

Our supporters pushed themselves way out of their comfort zones in May to celebrate our birthday.

The NICEIC team took on an exhilarating skydive challenge, successfully raising over £10,000 for the EIC. A heartfelt thank you goes to the entire NICEIC team for their outstanding efforts.

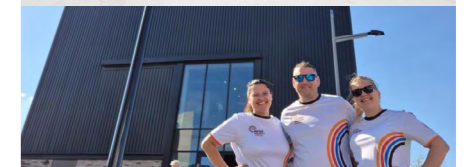
Team EIC, alongside Craig from Legrand UK, successfully completed the thrilling Edinburgh Abseil down the Port of Leith Distillery, with Craig and Jess even taking the plunge twice!

Rachael McDermott also celebrated by completing the Highland Fling bungee jump – twice! Rachael's daring leaps raised over £400 for the charity.

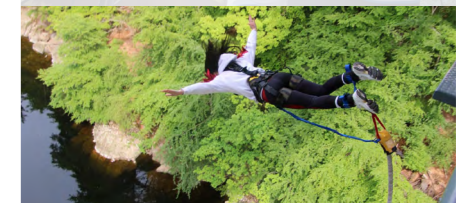
Thank you to all who participated in these incredible challenges and contributed to the EIC's vital work, your support makes a real difference!



The NICEIC team skydive challenge



Port of Leith Distillery Abseil Challenge



Rachel McDermott's Highland Bungee



Celebrating Community Spirit and Fundraising for EIC

The Twelve Electric Golf Day raised £6,000 for the EIC and local causes, showcasing the industry's commitment to supporting those in need.

FEGIME UK celebrated its 50th anniversary in Ibiza, raising £10,000 for the EIC.

The AWEBB team raised over £16,000 for the EIC! We couldn't be more grateful for your kindness, generosity and unwavering support.

Finally, the EIC were invited to the Wellbeing Day at EDF Energy Dungeness Power Station for Mental Health Awareness Week. Together, these initiatives have highlighted the incredible support and community spirit within the industry, making a real difference in the lives of many. Thank you for standing with us!



EDF Dungeness Power Station's Wellbeing Day

Spread the Word

The online portal launched - anyone looking to help spread the word about the charity can order material (flyers, posters etc) from the EIC online portal, delivered directly to them.

[Sign up here...](#)





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In June, you donated over £25,700!

Thank you to everybody who donated throughout the month!

[If you would like to donate, please visit our donations page](#)

120 campaign update

At the halfway point we reached £50,000.

Thanks to the efforts and generosity of our amazing community, only another £70,000 to go!

[Donate here...](#)



Luceco Hike Helvellyn

Celebrating Generosity

June saw several golf days across the UK raising money for the EIC.

Edmundson Electrical Eastern Region Golf Day raised £2,800 and Edmundson Electrical North East Golf Day raised £2,600 - thank you to all the teams involved!

Gardner & Scardfield Golf Day raised £310 and the BPX 60 Year Anniversary Golf Day raised £1,181. Thank you to everyone for your amazing efforts!

Leman Harris from Luceco led a team of 14 brave hikers across Helvellyn. They braved the rain and raised an amazing £1,030 for the EIC.



Edmundson Electrical Football Tournament



Celebrating Generosity

Teams of seven participated in Edmundson Electrical Football Tournament across the South East, South West and Central regions. £350 was raised for their industry charity, with a bit of healthy competition and lots of laughs.

The CEF Team announced at their conference they would match any fundraising done for the EIC in 2024, resulting in a remarkable donation of £31,827!



Snowdon Sea to Summit

Conquering Challenges and Connecting the Industry

Challenge for a Cause - Snowdon Sea to Summit Complete!

A team of three, along with EIC's Liva Ivanova completed the challenge, which included a 16-mile bike ride, hike up Snowden and kayaking!

Thank you to all our participants for raising money for the EIC.

Meet Kathryn Ballard

In our Q&A, Kathryn Ballard shared her inspiring journey and passion for the electrical industry, highlighting the significance of being part of the EIC community.

[Read more here...](#)

New Trustees

In June, we welcomed new members to our board and working groups: Richard Beighton, Sarah Macdonald, Danny Mouskovias and Kathryn Ballard. Their diverse experiences have benefitted and enhanced our mission greatly.

[Read more here...](#)

#SpreadTheWord Campaign

In June, we launched the #SpreadTheWord campaign to encourage awareness of the EIC. Simple actions like wearing co-branded workwear and volunteering can make a significant impact.

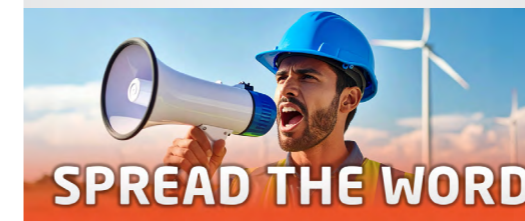
[Read more here...](#)

CEF LIVE 2025

At the recent CEF Live event, we connected with over 12,000 attendees, shared information about EIC support, and engaged visitors with fun activities. The event was a great success in promoting the charity's mission.



Meet Kathryn Ballard



Team EIC at CEF Live 2025



Thank you to everybody that donated in July. Together you raised over £31,305!

[If you would like to donate, please visit our donations page.](#)



Thank you amazing fundraisers!

In July, the Electrical Industries Charity expressed immense gratitude to all who supported our efforts. The champions of the charity played a vital role in spreading awareness, fundraising, and encouraging others to get involved, making a significant impact.

Special thanks were extended to Daniel Kennedy, Glenn Grant, James Rawlings, and KSR Lighting for their achievements in walking the Thames Path.



CEF and Friends Long Walk

The team at CEF completed a 20 km charity walk around London on 17 July with suppliers Legrand, Atkore, Bell Lighting, Ovia Lighting, Unicrimp, and Atlantic Heat to raise money for the EIC. Despite sore legs and feet, they persevered and raised £2,460 to support colleagues in need. Thanks to CEF and their friends for celebrating their 120th anniversary and making a difference!

Electric Center Supplier Dinner and BPX Tour De Branch Fundraising Success



Electric Center held a Supplier Dinner in Aberdeen, where Calvin Burnett and Amy Foster raised £1,800 for the EIC, showcasing their community spirit.



Additionally, the BPX team collectively cycled, walked, and jogged 2,817.95 miles, raising over £2,000 for the EIC. These efforts highlight the importance of teamwork and ensure continued support for those in need. Thank you to all who contributed!

A Successful Thames Path Walk for Charity!

On a sunny day in London, 38 industry members gathered to take on the 21-mile Thames Path Walk on 17 July. Our intrepid Managing Director, Jess, led the charge by taking on the third of her four #JoinJess challenges. Participants enjoyed the stunning sights of London, walking from Hampton Court Palace to Battersea Park.

The event brought together individuals from various sectors, fostering great conversations and camaraderie. We were truly impressed by the commitment and support from teams at Drax 260, H&S Electrical, KSR Lighting, Kosnic, Lark Technologies, Medlocks, Orestone, Parmley Graham, TLA Distribution Ltd and WAGO. A heartfelt thank you to all!

Despite the challenge, the day was filled with laughter, and the team raised an incredible £11,302 to support the EIC and celebrate our 120th anniversary. We extend our gratitude from everyone at the charity and those we support.



Your Money Matters!

In July we launched The EIC's Money Matters hub. This important resource is packed with practical tools, trusted advice and expert knowledge to help you manage your money with confidence.

The Money Matters initiative is your go-to support hub for everything from planning ahead to navigating urgent financial stress.

[Take charge of your financial future today and get informed!](#)

EIC July Wellbeing Talk:

We were joined by Anna Gooch to talk about coping with financial stress and avoiding financial vulnerability in our July Wellbeing Talk. [Watch here...](#)



Take control of your finances

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Embracing Commitment & Change: Fred Hood

Fred Hood, a dedicated volunteer with the Electrical Industries Charity (EIC), has exemplified a profound commitment to service spanning over six years. His journey, rooted in a longstanding appreciation for the organisation's mission, reflects both personal growth and a steadfast dedication to fostering change within the charity.

[Read more...](#)



August

NEWSLETTER HIGHLIGHTS

Thank you to everybody that donated in August. Together you raised over £80,906!

[If you would like to donate, please visit our donations page.](#)



120 campaign update

Our call for help was answered and the 120 campaign hit £75,000, that's another £25,000 since June! Thank you to everyone that donated, fundraised or spread the word. With only £45,000 to go you can donate here:

[Donate here...](#)



CEF Branch Open Day

Our team were delighted to attend CEF Maidstone Branch Open Day on Friday 1 August. It was a fantastic opportunity to engage with industry professionals, raise awareness of the support available through the Electrical Industries Charity, and connect with the brilliant team at CEF and their customers. Thank you for having us!

Taking the Leap for a Cause!

Our superstar supporter, Manuel Puletti from HiSpec, got his adrenaline pumping completing a skydive from 14,000ft over Langar Airfield. He smashed his £1,000 fundraising target out of the park, raising over £1,400 for the EIC! Thank you Manuel!



Abingdon & Witney College

Our team were excited to be at the Net Zero Skills Hub at Abingdon & Witney College where we spoke to students and apprentices about what we can do to help them as they start out in the industry. A huge thank you to Abingdon & Witney College for having us!



Edmundson Electrical £10K donation



Tyne & Wear Keelman's Walk



Glasgow Zipline Challenge

Celebrating Generosity and Community Spirit: Highlights from EIC Campaigns and Challenges

Edmundson Electrical Supports 120 Campaign with £10K Donation

We extend our gratitude to Edmundson Electrical for their generous contribution of £10,000 to the 120 Campaign! This significant donation brings us closer to our ambitious goal of £120,000 for 2025. Last year, the Electrical Industries Charity (EIC) delivered over £1.22 million back into the industry through vital support services, including mental health assistance, training, and financial aid. Such achievements are only possible thanks to the kindness and generosity of our supporters.

Tyne & Wear Committee Completes Keelman's Walk

In celebration of 120 years of the EIC, the Tyne & Wear Regional Committee undertook a challenge by completing the Keelman's Walk. Inviting our own Jess and Jasmin to join them, they braved the scorching heat to walk 8.6 miles, successfully raising an impressive £1,215 for the charity.

Glasgow Zipline Challenge Complete

Our dedicated supporters, Chris and Dylan, took on a thrilling zipline challenge on 22 August, soaring 1,200ft across the River Clyde in Glasgow, alongside our very own Vanessa. Their exhilarating efforts resulted in raising £1,684 for the EIC!

Thanks for Your Support and Donations to the Electrical Industries Charity

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who supported us in August, especially the champions of the EIC for their efforts in fundraising, raising awareness, and encouraging involvement.

We are immensely grateful to Sam and the ANEW team for their generous donation of £10,000, aiding us in supporting the industry through life's challenges.

A special thanks to the AWEBB team for raising £915 at their golf tournament, which will help us continue our vital work.

Additionally, we appreciate John, Neil, and the Legrand Electric team for their kind donation of £100, which is crucial for our operations.

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Champions of Change: Andrew Moseley and Adrian Parry's Commitment to the EIC

Andrew Moseley, Commercial Director at CEF, actively supports the Electrical Industries Charity (EIC) and its open-door policy, providing essential help to all in the industry. His work has raised awareness and funding for mental health initiatives. Adrian Parry, Chair of the EIC's West Midlands Committee for nearly a decade, has led record-breaking fundraising events, showcasing his dedication to supporting industry professionals. Together, they exemplify community spirit in the electrical sector.

[Read more Andrew...](#)

[Read more Adrian...](#)



Andrew Moseley



Adrian Parry



Thank you to everybody that donated in September. Together you raised over £24,455!

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EIC Day: Support Your Industry, Support Each Other

On 10 September, we marked EIC Day, bringing together the electrical and energy sectors to support the Electrical Industries Charity. This year's theme, #PowerofTen, showed that just £10 can make a difference. Supporters helped by raising awareness, donating, and organising challenges. Funds raised provide vital support for mental health, family breakdowns, serious illness, bereavement, and financial hardship.

[Learn more...](#)

Finding Strength Through Support: You Are Not Alone

At the EIC, we recognise that long hours and demanding work can hinder your ability to reflect on your wellbeing. During Suicide Awareness Month, we emphasise that you are not alone. Life can be unpredictable; challenges can arise unexpectedly. It's crucial to know that support is available, and you don't have to face difficult times on your own.

[Read more here...](#)



Gary Hutchins Spinathon

Our very own Jess and Tom joined Gary Hutchins from CEF in his incredible two hour spinathon on EIC Day.

The team spent an incredible two hours on the bikes sweating it out for a great cause - managing to raise £775!

IBA Buying Group Conference

A group from the IBA Buying Group and their members literally walked across hot coals to raise money for the EIC. The IBA didn't stop there, with even more fundraising taking place at the awards dinner. Guests enjoyed a good game of Heads or Tails, with the winner taking home a fantastic prize, presented by the EIC's very own Patron, Stuart Pearce. All of this meant that an incredible £4,287 was raised for the EIC. We'd like to thank the IBA and their fantastic suppliers for taking part in this incredible effort.



Aurora Lighting Cake Sale



NICEIC celebrate EIC Day



Chris Horne's Cupcakes

Baking & Breakfast Mornings

Aurora Lighting Cake Sale

We're blown away by the support from Aurora Lighting, who held a cake sale for EIC Day! The sale managed to generate hundreds for our charity - and those cakes looked delicious!

NICEIC celebrate EIC Day

The NICEIC team celebrated EIC Day with a wellbeing breakfast followed by an office bake sale, donating the proceeds to the EIC. It doesn't stop there - remote employees also participated via a "Virtual Slice" raffle winning some wonderful prizes.

Chris Horne's Cupcakes

Chris is part of our Ambassador Programme and is helping spread the word far and wide. For EIC Day he baked some delicious cupcakes and sold them off to the highest bidder....Karl Mather from KDM Electrical. Thank you both for your support!

ECA Maidstone and East Kent Donation

Thank you to Tony and the team at ECA Maidstone and East Kent for their very generous donation of £5,000 to the EIC. Your support helps us give back to the industry.



TLA Names EIC as their September Charity

We thank the team at TLA for nominating the Electrical Industries Charity as their September £300 charity donation! We are so appreciative of your support.

Edmundson Midlands Golf Day

The Edmundson Electrical Midlands Region team held their golf day on 11 September. The event raised over £400 for our charity. Thank you to the Edmundson team for your support!



CEF National Accounts Golf Day

CEF held their annual golf day for a day of connection, collaboration, and some competitive swings. The team managed to raise over £2,400 for the EIC. Thanks to Mark & Jo for all your efforts!

Terry Crossed the Finish Line

Our superstar supporter Terry Arnold from CEF completed his cycle from London to Brighton last month. He and his friend Paul battled strong winds and completed a 55 mile cycle, raising £1,304 for our charity! You smashed it, Terry!





Death Valley to LA Cycle Complete!

Our valiant team of supporters crossed the finish line at Santa Monica Pier after a gruelling 175 miles of cycling through the hottest place on earth.

A huge thank you to our challenge flag sponsors: Aico, CEF, ETS Cable Components, and Click Scolmore.

Congratulations to our cyclists Ben Pull, David Allport, Daniel Poole, Gary Mordue, and Jeremy Saunders. Collectively, they raised over £38,000 for the EIC.



Raising the Bar: Samantha McFall on Awareness, Action and Working with the EIC

Samantha McFall, CEO of ANEW and Trustee of the Electrical Industries Charity, reflects on her journey from casually joining the EIC lottery in 2004 to becoming a passionate advocate for the charity's vital work. Samantha is focused on raising awareness, strengthening industry support, and ensuring the charity continues to meet the evolving needs of its people.

[Read more...](#)



Powering Change in the East Midlands: Simon Hildred

Simon Hildred, Regional Manager at KSR Lighting and Chair of the EIC's East Midlands Committee, shares his journey into volunteering with the Electrical Industries Charity. Inspired by the struggles he witnessed post-COVID, Simon became committed to raising awareness of the EIC's broad support services.

[Read more...](#)

The EIC Team out and about

September was a busy month for the team, and we continued our mission of getting out there more to raise awareness of the charity. Thank you to everyone for inviting us!

EIC x Omexom at Solar & Storage Live
Massive thanks to Andy, Steve and the team for inviting us to the stand to introduce the EIC to a new audience.

CEF and JTL Industry Awareness Day
We talked to and educated young industry members about the support available to them.

CEF London Football Tournament
The sun came out just for us at CEF's football tournament! The CEF team held a £5 raffle which generated over £600!



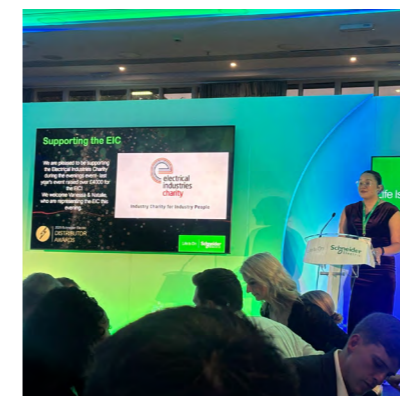
EIC x Omexom at Solar & Storage Live



CEF and JTL Industry Awareness Day



CEF London Football Tournament



Schneider Electric Distribution Awards



IBA Buying Group Tradeshaw

Schneider Electric Distribution Awards
Our very own Vanessa represented the EIC on stage, delivering a fantastic speech about our charity and the raffle raised over £4,000!

IBA Buying Group Tradeshaw
A busy stand with lots of conversations with members of the IBA Buying group, as well as a Podcast and awards dinner.



Electrical Wholesaler Awards



Electrical Wholesaler Awards
A great day of celebration and networking that raised £495 for the EIC.



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[If you would like to donate, please visit our donations page.](#)



Aico Golf Day

The team at Aico spent the day on the green networking, having fun and raising money for the EIC. A huge thank you to all who supported on the day, raising an amazing £3,496.

Our Community Getting Active

Lakes in a Day Marathon

Phillip, Gary and Simon took on an epic Ultra Marathon through the stunning peaks and valleys of the Lake District, completing it in 24-hours! Crossing that late-night finish line was all worth it for the fantastic £3,638 they raised for our charity!

Edmundson South East Spartan Race

The team of 23 from Edmundson South East Region pushed themselves to the absolute limit. Led by Lee Cooper, the team crawled through mud, scaled up walls, and conquered 20 brutal obstacles all in support of the EIC. They raised an impressive £1,015 for our cause! Thank you so much to each and everyone of you.

Rexel Royal Parks Half Marathon

Team Rexel took on the London Royal Parks Half Marathon this month, lacing up their trainers and taking in some of the capital's world-famous landmarks on the way to raising £1,200 for the EIC! Thanks all of you for commitment to our cause – let's hope your legs weren't too sore the next day!



Edmundson Electrical Supplier Dinner



Edmundson Electrical continue to support of our cause. Their recent supplier dinner generated £1,700 towards our 120 Campaign! Your dedication to our cause makes a real difference to those in our industry who need it the most.

120 Update: TWO months left to reach the Goal

We hit £109,800 towards our £120,000 target! With just £11,000 left to hit our goal, the race was on to the end of the year!



Marketing Pack

Spreading the Word with the EIC's Marketing pack - Enabling companies to keep their staff informed on all the latest from the EIC.

Sign up for the Marketing pack by emailing:

fundraising@electricalcharity.org



Final #JoinJess Challenge Complete

Our MD Jess was joined by a band of valiant volunteers to abseil of the iconic Europa Hotel in Belfast. A massive thank you to AG Electrical, Ansell Lighting, E.A.T Electrical, Edmundson Electrical Northern Ireland, JD McGeown Ltd, PAC Group, Pollock Lifts, Powerteam Electrical Services / Omexom, Premier Electrical, and Schneider Electric for joining Jess in her final challenge of the year.



David Pownall on Connection, Change and the Future of the EIC

Schneider Electric's Vice President of Services, David Pownall, knew about the EIC for years, but his involvement deepened when he saw how closely the charity's work aligned with Schneider's strong wellbeing and community values. Now serving as an EIC trustee, David is focused on helping the charity stay relevant in a rapidly changing electrical landscape.

[Read more...](#)

Connecting Communities in the East Midlands: Darren Misiak

After nearly 40 years in the electrical industry, Darren Misiak, Business Development Manager at Brook and Mayo and Vice Chair of the EIC East Midlands Committee, discovered the EIC in 2022 and was immediately inspired to get involved.

Noticing the lack of a regional committee, Darren gathered support and launched the first East Midlands fundraising dinner, which drew over 150 attendees and helped put the EIC on the regional map.

[Read more...](#)





The EIC Team Out and About

NICEIC Tech Live

A fantastic day was had at the NICEIC's inaugural Tech Live Event in Bedford, talking to contractors about how we can help them be at their best, and how we support them when they're not.

As part of the Tech Live event, the EIC proudly partnered with the NICEIC on their 'Tools to Talk' toolkit, supporting teams to start positive conversations with colleagues alongside providing practical advice to prioritising mental wellbeing.

A huge thanks to the NICEIC for collaborating with us and for their incredibly generous donation of £10,000

EDA Scottish Function

Attended by EIC President, Alison Chappell and EIC Trustee Richard Beighton, the event provided three nights of great food and even greater fun. Fundraising was done through auctions and raffles, which was kindly matched by Andy Burt from AIB, raising an incredible £4,160. Thank you to everyone!



ECA Awards

The ECA Industry Awards Dinner took place on 10 October, attended by our very own Vice-President, Andy Reakes.

It was a fabulous night of fine dining and celebration of industry achievements, accompanied by some superb entertainment and a fantastic fundraising effort that generated a whopping £6,507 for the EIC.



ECA Maidstone & East Kent Dinner and Dance

The ECA supported the Electrical Industries Charity at their Maidstone and East Kent Dinner and Dance.

This was a fabulous night of good food and live music, with a raffle and auction that generated over £4,000 for our charity.

EIC launches LinkSpark, our LinkedIn Newsletter

We were excited to launch our LinkedIn Newsletter. LinkSpark puts a spotlight on the work our amazing community do. Issued monthly and packed with inspiring fundraising stories, volunteer spotlights and ways to get involved. [Sign up here...](#)

NEW LMS for Apprentices Live

Behind the scenes, we'd been working on an exciting new update to our Learning Management System for apprentices! The new LMS is easier to use and completely free for all apprentices, offering updated courses tailored specifically in response to trends we see in the electrical sector. Apprentices can sign up here: electricalcharity.moodlecloud.com/login/index.php



Martindale Electric Bake Sale & Dress Up Day!

To celebrate Halloween, they held a bake sale and fancy dress day on with proceeds going to the EIC.

A huge thank you to Phillip and the team at Martindale for your support and effort!

GreenBrook Podcast

The EIC's very own Kate Adamczyk joined GreenBrook's Peter Ratcliffe on the "Perfect Contact" podcast this month.

Kate sat down with Peter to talk about the current trends that we see affecting our industry, and what the EIC can do to help. Thank you GreenBrook for having us and their generous donation of £500.

[Listen to the Podcast...](#)





Thank you to everybody that donated in November.

Thank you to all those that donated in November. Together you helped raise £8,385.

[If you would like to donate, please visit our donations page.](#)



Mens Health Month

In November we looked at Men's Health as part of our Health Calendar. We highlighted the unique challenges men face in health and wellbeing. Exploring the pressure to 'tough it out' felt by men and encouraging men in the industry not to put off seeking medical help.

Take a look at our article to find out more about it

[Learn more...](#)



12 Days of Joy

We launched our Christmas campaign to raise awareness and engagement.

A chance to win a daily prize from 1 - 12 December by doing one small action - follow us on social media channels, share festive pet pictures and reflect on something you're grateful for.



Stewart Gregory: Championing our Industry for over 30 Years

We recognised Stewart Gregory's retirement from the EIC Board after more than thirty years of leadership in the industry and over two decades shaping the Charity.

We reflected on more than thirty years of championing our industry and two decades strengthening the EIC.

His commitment and leadership have helped build the Charity we know today.

[Read more...](#)

Prevention through Education and Understanding

Highlighting our training to help people before they get to the point that they need the charity. From free Wellbeing Talks, free apprentice training, Mental Health First Aider courses, Financial Wellbeing and much more, we have something for everyone!

[Read more...](#)



Joining the Journey: Dean Thomas on Making a Difference in the Industry

With almost twenty years in the electrical industry, Dean Thomas has seen how vital support is for the people who keep the sector running.

After attending an EIC event that opened his eyes to the charity's impact, he joined the Western Committee and has since become a strong advocate for raising awareness and bringing more people into the fold.

[Read more here...](#)



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Richard Scott: Driving Awareness and Action Across our Industry

Richard joined the EIC Board of Trustees, bringing the same commitment and energy that defined his time on the Emerging Professionals Board and Fundraising Committee.

Since first engaging with the Charity, Richard has become one of our most proactive volunteers, driven by a clear purpose to raise awareness and ensure more people across the sector know support is available when they need it.

[Read more here...](#)



November

NEWSLETTER HIGHLIGHTS

The EIC Team out and about

Schneider Mental Health Pop Up

We attended an internal town hall at Schneider's Coventry site to deliver a presentation and have lunch with the team to chat about the charity National Grid Supply Chain Summit.

National Grid Supply Chain Summit

We were kindly invited to join Omexom at the National Grid Supply Chain Summit. It was great to hear National Grid's plans and hear from industry experts on the net zero journey and how our industry is driving this. The day was full of networking and connections, and we're excited to work with National Grid and their suppliers to help raise awareness of the EIC.



HEA Awards

We're delighted to attend the Highway Electrical Association Conference and Awards. An excellent day of networking, spreading the word and celebrating our industry, raising a fantastic £2,218.

SELECT 120 Year Anniversary Ball

We were proud to attend the SELECT 125 Year Anniversary Ball in Glasgow. Celebrating the long-standing relationship between the EIC and SELECT, we were delighted to be a part of it.



Bright Business Advice - Masterclass LIVE

An amazing and insightful day with some of the members of the Bright Business Advice network, learning about the successes and struggles facing their businesses, and the industry as a whole. Thanks to everyone who donated on the day.

ETT NI's Electrical Industry Event

We had the opportunity to be part of ETT's Stay Connected event in Ballymena. It was a fantastic day of networking and exchanging ideas with our Northern Ireland industry community.

ECN Awards

It was great to see so many of our industry colleagues at the ECN Awards and congratulations to those that won an award. The ECN raised an incredible £2,720 for the EIC and we can't thank them enough!



powerBall 2025: A night of generosity and a celebration of 120 years of the EIC

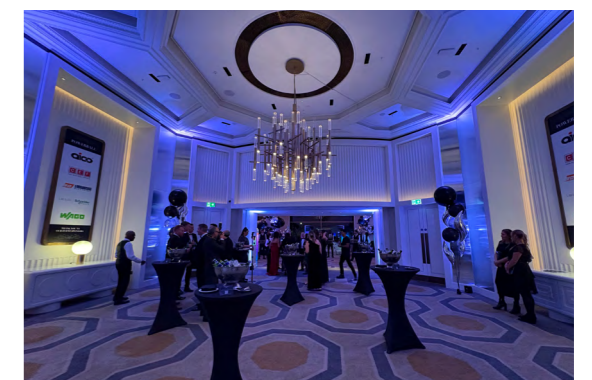
powerBall 2025 brought hundreds from across the industry together at the London Hilton on Park Lane for an evening filled with energy, generosity and pride. This year held extra significance as we marked 120 years of the Electrical Industries Charity.

Thanks to the incredible support from guests, sponsors and everyone who took part in the fundraising on the night, the event generated £292,000. With outstanding entertainment, strong industry support and a record-breaking fundraising effort, powerBall 2025 showcased the strength, unity and compassion that define our industry.

Hear from EIC President, Alison Chappell and EIC Vice President, Andy Reakes on Bringing the Industry Together at powerBall:

[Read more...](#)

[Book for 2026...](#)



Men's Health Month: Prostate Cymru

Men face unique challenges in health and well-being. This article focuses on encouraging open conversations and fostering balance in their lives. In November we spoke to Neil Davis, a volunteer for Prostate Cancer Cymru.

[Watch here...](#)



NEWSLETTER HIGHLIGHTS

120 Wrap Up

In 2025, the Electrical Industries Charity celebrated 120 years of supporting our industry. To commemorate this incredible milestone, we set ourselves a bold challenge: to raise an additional £120,000. We announced that, in early November, we smashed our target, reaching an impressive £130,000 all thanks to our amazing community!

Our Managing Director, Jess, led the charge throughout 2025, taking on a series of incredible fundraising challenges. Her mission was to rally 1,000 supporters from across the UK to each raise £120 for the EIC – all while experiencing new thrills and overcoming personal challenges along the way. Throughout the year, our community truly went above and beyond.

Supporters took on bungee jumps, cycled 55 miles, skydived from 14,000ft, completed triathlons, ran marathons, baked cakes, dressed up, and so much more – all in the name of raising vital funds for our charity. Reflecting on this massive success, Jess says she was inspired to see the community come together for a good cause.



“Now that we’ve achieved this milestone, it’s important that we look to the future and keep the momentum going so that the EIC can continue to offer vital support to our community for another 120 years and beyond.”

“It’s been an absolute pleasure completing the #Joinless challenged this year. Seeing the community rally together with the shared goal of raising vital funds for our charity was truly something special,” she says. “Now that we’ve achieved this milestone, it’s important that we look to the future and keep the momentum going so that the EIC can continue to offer vital support to our community for another 120 years and beyond.”

As we close the chapter on our 120th anniversary celebrations, we’re filled with gratitude and pride for everything our community has achieved together. Your dedication and generosity remind us why the Electrical Industries Charity exists: to support, uplift, and strengthen our industry. Here’s to building on this success and continuing to make a lasting difference, for the next 120 years and beyond. Thank you to our amazing community!



Paul Vine's 12 Marathons of Christmas

Most people would take December a bit slower, but Paul did the opposite.

From 13 to 24 December, he ran a full marathon every single day; twelve in total; starting at his home each morning and finishing at the Wilson Electrical Hanworth branch, all in support of the Electrical Industries Charity!

What an incredible physical and mental achievement, raising £1,226 for the charity, thank you Paul!



2026 Health Calendar & Wellbeing Talks

We launched our 2026 Health Calendar and Wellbeing Talks, bringing more amazing resources and talks to help navigate the year. Covering practical, emotional topics, plus some great personal stories.

[Read more here...](#)

The EIC Team Out and About

BEAMA Annual Conference and Awards

We had a fabulous time at the BEAMA event, celebrating achievements and innovation across the sector. BEAMA and the attendees raised £1,130 by taking part in the raffle, thank you!

JTL Preston Training Centre Christmas Event

Getting in truly into the festive spirit we attended JTL's Christmas events to talk about the charity and how we can support the industry.

Scott Coppola Comedy Night

Laughs a plenty were had at the Scott Coppola comedy night, as well as some incredible fundraising. They raised a great amount of money for the EIC, £5,540!



Industry Events

December was jam packed with festive events and we loved seeing our incredible community and being in attendance at these events to raise much needed funds for the Electrical Industries Charity.

We kicked off our December events at the Scotland Christmas Lunch in Glasgow. Always a popular event with fabulous entertainment from Scott Gibson and Daniel Rooney. This year the event generated over £56,000.

Industry Events

We celebrated and thanked our long standing Tyne & Wear regional committee chairman Fred Dickinson for 20 plus years of service at the Christmas Lunch in Newcastle. Thanks to the incredible table hosts and sponsors the event sold out in minutes and generated over £21,000.

Eastern Christmas Lunch returned to the Graduate in the heart of Cambridge, for a day of festivities and networking. Another sold out event generating over £14,000.

Next up was the Yorkshire Christmas Lunch in Harrogate. We saw some familiar and new faces and loved hearing from our guest speaker Matt Le Tissier as well as comedian Scott Bennett. The event was a roaring generated over £22,000.

We wrapped up the year with the West Midlands Christmas Lunch in Birmingham. The event is always a sell out and this year was no different, with a fantastic comedy set from Justin Moorehouse, singing delivery men and plenty of good food. A good time was had by all with the event generating over £28,000.

A huge thank you to everyone that bought a table, attended or sponsored these events in 2025. Your generosity and support of the EIC fundraising activities on the day, means that we can continue to support those in our industry that need us the most.



Coping with the Holidays: New Year, Same You

We were joined by guest speaker Danny Mouskovias, exploring the pressure of New Years Resolutions and changing the narrative to celebrate New Year, Same You.

[Watch here...](#)



Thank you for all your unwavering support this year. Together, your efforts have made 2025 a year to remember.



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Supporting our industry through life's challenges