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Saturday, December 17, 2011

Newsreader Julie Etchingam was the guest of honour at a dinner dance that raised £3,000 for charity.

The Leicestershire and Rutland Irish Golf Society held the event at the Mercure hotel in Granby Street, Leicester.



The night raised £2,000 for Cancer Research and £1,000 went to a Catholic homeless shelter in London, a cause chosen by the Leicester-born ITV News at Ten newsreader, whose father is a member of the society.

Around 70 cycling Santas are taking to the highways and byways near Glenfield Hospital tomorrow to raise cash and awareness for the children's heart charity, Keep The Beat.

The ride begins at 10.30am from the hospital.

The 15-mile route - to be completed in full Santa outfits - will take in the tracks, the roads and bridleways of Anstey, Cropston and Swithland before finishing at the hospital.

[www.keepthebeat.co.uk](http://www.keepthebeat.co.uk)

The Salvation Army is hosting a Christmas concert in aid of cancer research this evening.

The event at Leicester Grammar School, London Road, Great Glen, will feature Bones Apart, a trombone quartet

Money raised at the concert will be donated to Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research.

The show is due to start at 7pm and tickets cost £6.

For more information, call: 07597 085 757 or visit:

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