



Since 1985, Guernsey Jumbulance Holidays has taken groups of people with special needs on holiday.

The people we take would not normally be able to get away without our help because they may be sick, elderly or a wheelchair user and need a bit of extra help.

We call the people we take on holiday our 'VIPs' for the week! Each 'VIP' has a carer allocated to them for the trip.

The holidays alternate between a pilgrimage to Lourdes in France one year and a trip to a different destination the next.

In previous years we have holidayed in places such as Switzerland, Holland, Belgium, Ireland, Cornwall, London and Blackpool.

Picture courtesy of Tom Tardiff of the Guernsey Press



In 2012 London hosted the Paralympics and we took along five young VIPs to experience this trip of a lifetime.

The Team

The team of voluntary carers and medical staff all give of their time freely. Each carer has experience in looking after the special needs of our VIPs and are there to make their holiday as relaxed and comfortable as possible.

Fund Raising

Each year we have to raise about £20,000 to fund our holidays.

Our VIPs do not have to pay anything towards the holiday; almost all expenses are paid, only some pocket money is needed.



Lourdes

On alternate years we travel by boat to St Malo in France and then by Jumbulance to Lourdes.

Lourdes is a small market town lying in the foothills of the Pyrenees, famous for the apparitions of Our Lady of Lourdes said to have occurred in 1858 to Bernadette Soubirous.

The Blessed Virgin Mary is said to have appeared to Bernadette on a total of eighteen occasions at Lourdes.

Lourdes has become a major place of Roman Catholic pilgrimage and of miraculous healings.

The 150th Jubilee of the first apparition took place on 11 February 2008 with an outdoor Mass attended by approximately 45,000 pilgrims.



What is a Jumbulance?

A Jumbulance is a luxury coach / ambulance designed for those who find it hard if not impossible to travel by other means of transport. It provides facilities that make travel possible for those who need extra care and specialist medical assistance whilst also providing ease of access.

It has specially adapted facilities including:

- Fully equipped stretcher beds with adjustable backrest and knee support.
- Reclining seats with extra leg room.
- Large disabled persons washroom and toilet.
- Large hydraulic lift for ease of access.



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Donate

If you would like to help us to continue our work then please either support us at one of our fundraising events or we are always grateful to receive donations large or small.

Please contact us on the details below for further information.

Nominate a V.I.P.

Do you know of someone who may benefit from a holiday with us?

For an application form please contact us on the details below.

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"Making the impossible possible."



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Guernsey Jumbulance Holidays

is a locally registered charity which each year takes groups of people on holiday who would otherwise not get the opportunity of a well earned break. We help to...
...‘make the impossible, possible’.