

PRAGUE'S BAREFOOT RUN RAISES FUNDS FOR DEJME DĚTEM ŠANCI o.s.

Prague, 13th June, 2013: **DEJME DĚTEM ŠANCI o.s.** ("LET'S GIVE CHILDREN A CHANCE") is pleased to announce that the first ever charity run known as the **"Prague Barefoot Run"** took place on Saturday, 1st June and raised more than CZK 90,000 for the non-profit organisation, DEJME DĚTEM ŠANCI o.s..

The 4.2 km race took place at Ladronka Park on the asphalt circuit and was a huge success, with more than 250 runners turning out to run barefoot, despite the terrible weather. The money raised will now be given to the "Přál(a) bych si..." (translation: I wish...) project which was created for children in orphanages.

Alongside the run, there were many other events prepared to entertain the crowds, including some fascinating lectures by "Barefoot Ted McDonald" (a barefoot running specialist), demonstrations of people walking on glass, and live musical performances. Included in the participants were Lucie Kovandová, who came second in the Miss Czech Republic 2013, Milan Nevosad, Mister Czech Republic 2012, and the Mayor of Prague 6, Marie Kousalíková.

"The run itself was not about racing and winning some award for coming first, but to support the charity and help at least some of the children who have had a rough life so far" explained Patrik Bém, the organiser of the event.

Please see the attached photo. (Source: Archive of the Prague Barefoot Run organiser)

For more information about "DEJME DĚTEM ŠANCI o.s.", please visit: <u>http://www.dejmedetemsanci.cz/</u>

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Notes for Editors:

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DEJME DĚTEM ŠANCI o.s. ("LET'S GIVE CHILDREN A CHANCE") provides comprehensive assistance to children from orphanages throughout the Czech Republic, especially when they start their independent lives. At the same time, it offers companies and individuals the opportunity to support a specific child growing up in an orphanage, enabling them to support something that is credible and financially acceptable. At present, the charity is cooperating with 27 orphanages in all regions of the Czech Republic and 212 children are included in its projects. More information and a list of children that can be helped can be found on www.dejmedetemsanci.cz. DEJME DĚTEM ŠANCI o.s. is a member of AVPO – the Association of Community Organizations (Asociace veřejně prospěšných organizací) that brings together organizations that have as their top priorities transparency and professionalism in carrying out their community service.