

Jill pins her hopes on flower power

THE POWER of flowers will help propel bra-wearing walkers on a fundraising stroll through the streets of London.

The Playtex-sponsored Moonwalk will see women from across the country come together to pound the pavements of the capital through the night in an effort to raise awareness and much-needed cash in the fight against breast cancer.

To show support, walkers are encouraged to decorate their bras for the 26-mile stroll, which follows the route of the London Marathon.

And Pocklington School matron Jill Dowson is bound to shine as she dons her light-up sunflower-covered bra.

The 47-year-old took part in the event two years ago and is no stranger to endurance tests as a member of Pocklington Runners.

This year she will be joined by her 26-year-old daughter.

She said: "We did it two years ago and raised about £600, but with it being so close to the London Marathon it will be difficult to raise that much again but I'd love to get somewhere near that.

"We can't wait, my daughter is more excited than I am but it is a nice atmosphere and you meet people from all walks of life." Anyone wanting to sponsor Jill is simply being asked to stop her in the street or head to Pocklington School.

Meanwhile, Pocklington shopkeeper Dianne Wass will also be taking up the challenge. The Acorn Gallery owner, who turned 40 last year, has vowed to complete a number of physical challenges, starting with the walk through London this weekend.

Anyone wishing to sponsor Diane can drop in to the Market Place shop or visit her online fundraising page at www.justgiving.com/diane.wass.



WALK ON ... Jill Dowson, who will be completing the Playtex Moonwalk in London this weekend for charity