

# NEWSLETTER

## FRIENDS OF CATERHAM DENE HOSPITAL

**Registered Charity No. 251089** 



Spring/Summer 2024

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# Save the date for our Fun Quiz Night



**Friends of Caterham Dene Hospital** 

6.30pm Saturday 20th April 2024

Caterham Community Association Centre, High Street, Caterham, CR3 5UE



Tickets only available by emailing

ceo@focdh.co.uk ?



this includes Sausage & Chips or Vegeburger & Chips

Bring your own booze - Soft drinks available to purchase

#### **NEWS FROM THE CHAIR**

As I approach the end of my first year as Chair and I spend time looking back at a very busy and hectic year, I find myself asking, where has the time gone? The various planned activities seem to roll together. The fund raising committee meet and plan, organise then do. Then, what feels like a few weeks later, we start all over again with another fund raising meeting to plan the next event. So a big thank you to all members of the Fund Raising Committee who work so hard all through the year.

We held our Christmas Bazaar at St Mary's church hall on the 18<sup>th</sup> November 2023 and it rained all day; long, strong winds and very cold, just the sort of day not to go out. Once again a very big thank you to all the Friends who came out to support us and enable us to raise over £800 for the hospital.

This was followed by a very enjoyable Carol singing event for the patients, which was held a couple of days before Christmas Day at Caterham Dene Hospital. Several members of the Friends joined with members of St Luke's Larks, the church choir and members of the Round Table with some musical accompaniment by a trio of musicians from St. Luke's. Cakes were supplied by the Friends for patients, staff and Choristers and the hospital kindly supplied the tea. This is an annual event so if you would like to join us for carols next Christmas, please keep an eye out for details in the autumn edition of the Newsletter.

Our next planned event is our Annual Quiz night. This year it's being held in Caterham Community Association Centre on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2024. Details can be found on the front page of this Newsletter. We do hope to see you there.

The Friends will be attending the Caterham Carnival this year which is being held on the 8<sup>th</sup> June, Westway Common. Free lucky dip for the children and for a small fee, a chance to name and win a large teddy bear. So if you're visiting, pop over to say hello. It's always nice to meet our Friends.

Our Street Collection this year is planned for 29<sup>th</sup> June, in Church Walk, adjacent to Morrisons. Hope to see you in passing.

Purchases – this year we have paid for the reorganisation of the TV system within the wards and other areas of the hospital and supplied a new 55" TV for the Day room. Other items include six Coffee Tables, two Easy Clean Over Bed Tables and two Vernacare Commodes.

Our latest purchase is four, state of the art Nursing Stations, that connect to the hospital Data Network, allowing a patient's vital sign readings to be recorded automatically against the patient's record. This allows the nurses more time with the patients and less time filling out the paper work. It also eliminates potential errors in recording the vital signs data. They are due for delivery in the next couple of weeks.

These items are in addition to our normal spend at the hospital; daily newspapers, slipper-socks and welfare packs (soap, flannel, toothbrush and paste) for the ward and therabands for the Physio Department. We continue to liaise with the hospital on requests for equipment and facilities for the patients.

John Hazell, Chair

Chair@focdh.co.uk 07484 726708

#### **NEW PURCHASES FOR THE HOSPITAL**



6 side tables for the day room; somewhere to put your cup of tea whilst sitting in a comfy chair - a total of £1,300.





2 commodes, for use also as shower chair and sani- chair, with the additional bonus of taking up to 25 stone - a total cost of £750. Pictured with staff from the ward. 2 over bed tables on wheels - a total of £1,435. One pictured with staff on the ward.



1 large Smart TV for the day room for patients to watch in a communal lounge environment - a cost of £996 for the TV and installation.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

It's that time of year again! If you are a member who prefers to pay your subscription by cheque or cash, please can you make cheques payable to Friends of Caterham Dene Hospital. Subscription remains at £10.00 per year. Payments can be posted or handed into the Friends shop or at the hospital reception, addressed for the attention of the Membership Secretary.

If you're not a Friend and are enjoying our Newsletter and wish to sign up to our Membership, one will be delivered to your door twice a year. There is an application form at the rear of the newsletter.

#### **Caterham & Whyteleafe Tennis Club**

#### **C&WTC** are proud to sponsor local community charity, **Friends of Caterham Dene Hospital!**

We are a small, enthusiastic and welcoming tennis club situated in the picturesque woodland setting of Manor Park on the Caterham/Whyteleafe border. We provide a friendly, inclusive and relaxed environment for players of all ages and abilities with an extensive programme for adults and juniors alike.



If you're new to tennis our free and hugely popular Beginner & Rusties sessions on Sundays are the perfect way to start exploring all that we offer at C&WTC.

Just come along to the Club and sample our hospitality!

Contact: 077 63 53 53 22

CWTennisClub@proton.me clubspark.lta.org.uk/CaterhamWhyteleafeTennisClub

#### Quiz night raffle

Caterham & Whyteleafe Tennis Club have kindly donated a years Family Membership at their club to the Friends, to be used as a raffle prize at our Quiz night on 20th April 2024 (see front cover). This is a very generous donation as an adult membership for a year at their club is at present £110, we are very grateful for their support and fabulous prize for some tennis fans. There will also be lots of other lovely prizes.



Volunteers helping at the Christmas Bazaar at St Mary's church hall, on the 18th November, we raised just under £900 on a very wet windy day.

#### **Events**



Carol singers from St Lukes Larks, Round Table and the Friends joined together at the Hospital to entertain the patients before Christmas.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

#### DRAFT ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29 FEBRUARY 2024

Our annual accounts are currently being finalised and will be presented for discussion at the AGM on 16 May 2024. For your information a summarised version of the draft accounts is set out below and if you have any questions or if you would like to receive a full copy of the annual accounts once they are confirmed by the Independent Examiner, then please contact me at treasurer@focdh.co.uk or come along to the AGM.

Total receipts in the year were over £31,000 up by 38% when compared to last year. We were very fortunate to receive a large legacy from a local Caterham resident and also benefitted from a significant increase in interest received on our bank balance. Due to the great efforts of the shop volunteers, income from our hospital shop was over £4,500.

Friends were able to provide £40,000 of new equipment to the hospital in 2023, while also providing £9,000 of amenities for patients. Since 2010 Friends has provided over £483,000 of funding to the hospital.

SUMMARISED EINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE 12 MONTH DEPIOD ENDED

Steve Slade, Treasurer

29 FEBRUARY 2024			
[draft]			
	2023/24	2022/23	
	£	£	
RECEIPTS			
Subscriptions	6,239	6,527	
Income from trading (net)	4,497	4,366	
Fund raising income (net)	2,591	3,907	
Gift Aid	833	3,769	
Donations	2,273	2,630	
Legacies & Gifts in Memory	11,030	943	
Interest received	3,623	341	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	31,086	22,483	
PAYMENTS			
Equipment purchased	40,449	10,036	
Amenities provided	9,329	3,924	
Management & Administration	1,582	1,389	
TOTAL PAYMENTS	51,360	15,349	
(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE PERIOD	(20,274)	7,134	
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS - BROUGHT FORWARD	160,989	153,855	
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS - CARRIED FORWARD	140,715	160,989	

## **NOTICE BOARD**

## **Our Annual General Meeting**

#### will be held on

#### Thursday 16th May at 7.30pm

at

# St Mary's Church Hall, Church road,

#### Caterham, CR3 5RA

All members are welcome to attend

## OUR TEAM NEEDS YOU

We are so lucky to live in an area which has a first class NHS Community Hospital. It is essential that we keep it and help it grow!

Friends of Caterham Dene Hospital are in need of Volunteers who can give a little of their time and skills that they have learnt through life, to promote and help raise money to purchase much needed equipment and amenities for the hospital.

Come and join our small, friendly team or ask friends and family if they could spare a little time helping in our shop, or if you would just like to know a bit more about us,

please contact John Hazell on 07484 726708



## DON'T THROW IT AWAY!

Thinking of having a spring clean and sorting out your cupboards?

We need good quality bric-a-brac, ornaments, glassware, china, etc to sell in our shop at the Hospital. Or if you have any spare wool, fabric, ribbon, lace, buttons, felt, etc for our crafters, we would be very grateful for all donations.



We are more than happy to collect them from you.

Contact John Hazell on 07484 726708





### **MEMBERSHIP FORM**



To become a member of FRIENDS OF CATERHAM DENE HOSPITAL, please fill in this form and send to:

Membership Secretary, Friends of Caterham Dene Hospital, Caterham Dene Hospital, Church Rd, Caterham CR3 5RA

#### Please complete all information and sign at the bottom of the page

Title: Mr Mrs Miss Ms	Address:
First name:	
Surname:	
*Email address:	*Post code:
*Telephone:	*These fields are essential

#### Tax Recovery Declaration - (Gift Aid)

#### Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate

Please tick the box if you would like us, FRIENDS OF CATERHAM DENE HOSPITAL to reclaim the tax paid on your donation and any previous or future donations.

You must be a UK tax payer and understand that if you pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on your donations in the tax year, it is your responsibility to pay any difference.

#### **Standing Order Mandate**

#### This mandate supersedes any previous mandate to this charity.

To the Manager of		
Address of bank:	Sort code:	
	Account Number:	
	Account Name:	
Post code:		
Please pay £(min £10) immediately and annually until further notice to:		
Barclays Bank Ltd - Sort code: 20-22-67 - Account no. 40907529		
Account name: Friends of Caterham Dene Hospital.		
Signed: Print name:	Date:	
Please notify us if any of the above details change.		



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# Play Tandridge Together Lottery and support our cause!

- 60% of all tickets sold goes to good causes in the Tandridge district.
- Win prizes of up to £25,000!
- Tickets only cost £1 per week!
- Buy your tickets from our page and Friends of Caterham Dene get 50%!
- Anyone in the UK can play!

To start supporting, visit: www.tandridgelottery.co.uk

and search for: Friends of Caterham

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older

