

Autumn 2017



Newsletter

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an you give an extra special gift this Christmas? We need your help to make Christmas extra special for all of our patients, and to make sure they experience the best quality of life possible - a gift that really counts.

Clinical Services Manager, Jo Schofield says, "Christmas time is particularly poignant for many of our patients and their families, and we want to help them celebrate and make lasting memories.

By giving a gift that counts, you can help us make sure our patients experience love, care, fun, laughter and togetherness this Christmas."

To give a gift that counts this Christmas, simply visit our website www.pwh.org.uk/donate quoting "A Gift that Counts" in the reason for donation box, or send us a cheque payable to The Prince of Wales Hospice to the address on the back page of this newsletter.

Help make Christmas extra special.

A GIFT OF £10

could help us provide a traditional Christmas dinner with all the trimmings for a patient.

Christmas dinner is often the focal point of Christmas Day. This gift will help our patients enjoy a Christmas dinner suited to their individual needs.

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A GIFT OF £25 could help us provide a Christmas party for our Outreach patients.

We all enjoy a good party at Christmas time, whether it's with colleagues, friends or family. This gift will help our patients to experience their own Christmas party, full of fun, laughter and festive activities.

A GIFT OF £50

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could help us provide care and support to a patient and family facing their last Christmas Day together.

Many of us take for granted the fact that we will spend time celebrating with our loved ones at Christmas. This gift will help our patients spend quality time with their loved ones in a safe, caring environment.



Club



This autumn sees the launch of a new business club for the Hospice. Club 5 will give companies in the area the opportunity to support the Hospice for an annual membership fee of just £250 plus VAT.

Why not become part of a business network that helps you make the most of your link to a vital local charity? You will reap rewards for your own business, for your employees and customers and, of course, for The Prince of Wales Hospice.



As a Club 5 member, you will:

- Receive an exclusive appreciation plaque for your own premises.
- Have license to use The Prince of Wales Hospice logo on your website and publications.
- Feature on the Hospice website, with a logo and a link to your website.
- Be invited to our exclusive quarterly networking meeting and annual celebration event.

"Club 5 is a group of like-minded businesses. We want to help The Prince of Wales Hospice care for local people, but we want to make our business successful too."

Matt Dale, Director of G3 Remarketing. (pictured above)

Please contact Tracey or Paula in our Partnerships Team on 01977 708868 if you would like more information.

Clarence House visit



We were lucky enough to be invited to take a group of supporters to Clarence House, the Royal residence of our President, HRH The Prince of Wales, at the end of September.

Guests, including some of our most generous supporters and fundraisers, were very warmly welcomed by the Master of the Household, Leslie Chappell, before enjoying a private tour. They learned about the history of Clarence House, were told 'behind the scenes' stories, and saw family photographs that have never been published.

Light up a life (2)

Christmas is traditionally a time when families and friends join together to reflect on times gone by, and to remember those no longer with us. You are invited to dedicate a light in memory of someone you love, through our annual Light up a Life appeal.

Your dedication will appear in our book of lights, as well as in the local press, and you will also receive a special Light up a Life card as a keepsake.

You will also be invited to attend one of our beautiful remembrance events in December.





Brand new for this year!

Give a gift of between £30 and £100 and you will receive an exclusive Light up a Life pin badge. For a gift of £100 or more you can have a glass lantern dedicated to your loved one on display at the Hospice garden event. Your lantern will be yours to keep after the event.

To find out more about Light up a Life, or to make your dedication online, visit www.pwh.org.uk/light

Light up a Life is kindly supported by:

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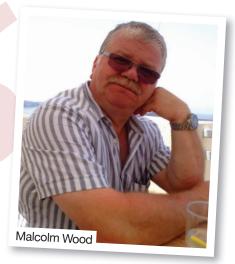
Earlier this year, Alan Vickers decided to run the Leeds 10k to raise money for The Prince of Wales Hospice. Alan wanted to run in memory of his brother in law, Malcolm Wood, even though he had not been cared for by the Hospice.



After the run, Alan discovered that the Hospice also hosted events and appeals for remembering loved ones no longer with us, and he and his wife Marilyn came along in the summer to tie a ribbon for Malcolm in our forget me not bows appeal.

This Christmas they will also be dedicating a light for Malcolm in our Light up a Life appeal.

Alan explains: "This year will be our first Christmas without Malcolm, and it's important for us to remember him. You can't just close a door on someone who played a big part in your life. I've known Malcolm for a long time. We've had lots of laughs over the years. No-one can take your memories away from you; they carry you along, especially when you are feeling sad or lonely. For me, Light up a Life will be like a torch, carrying Malcolm's memory forward."







Pauline's story

auline has pancreatic cancer which has now spread to her liver. She was referred for Hospice care by her GP. Pauline explains "Last week I was really ill and when the doctor came she said she wanted me to come into the Hospice and I thought "this is it", so I asked her straight out if I was going to die. She said she wanted me to come and get my pain and sickness under control.

When I came in I spoke to the Doctors and the nursing team and everyone was so kind and lovely, they really cannot do enough for you. They have done their very best to ease my pain - the treatment is amazing.

You have to come here with an open mind. Don't be frightened, because the Hospice is here to help you, and the staff will help you as much as they can. Look forward to coming here, because, for me, it has improved my quality of life for the better."

Care for the future

A gift in your will can help us provide support and care for years to come for patients like Pauline and Pam. Any gift, large or small, will make a positive difference to the care we are able to offer.

Legacies left to us in wills help make our care possible, with 1 in 6 of our patients cared for by legacies given. By remembering The Prince of Wales Hospice in your will, you are doing something inspirational to help others for years to come.



If you would like to consider leaving a gift in your will, please contact Anne on 01977 781488 or e-mail: agiblin@pwh.org.uk





One Enchanted Evening











In the beautiful setting of Ackworth Grange, guests gathered for One Enchanted Evening, a charity ball hosted by Katherine Stacey.

The evening began with a champagne reception, followed by an incredible firework display. Dinner was then served in a teepee style marquee, before Hospice Trustee, Canon Bob Cooper, started off the fundraising with a fun game of heads and tails, and then bidding began on some incredible auction prizes including an evening at The Royal Opera House, and a guided tour of the gardens of Highgrove.



Entertainment for the evening was provided by local vocalist Chris Lafferty, as guests danced the rest of the night away. The evening raised an incredible £34,000 for the Hospice. Our thanks go to Katherine and all who supported her event, including:

- Juste Nous
- Premier Event Marquees
- Croft Residential
- SBS Ltd
- The Powder Keg
- Michelle's Flowers

plus all the generous donors, guests, and those who donated raffle and auction prizes.

Thank you



Thanks to Motorpoint for kindly donating our Christmas Draw
1st prize of

£1,000!

Don't forget tickets are on sale from the Hospice at just £1 until the draw on Friday 15th December.



MICHELLE'S FLOWERS

raised £5,064 from two sold out Ponte Dance events. Pictured is Michelle with our fundraising volunteer, June.



HUNDHILL HALL

raised £4,450 for the Hospice at their Party in the Park and all who attended had a fantastic time!



THIS YEAR'S ACKWORTH PRAM RACE

raised over £6,500 - another outstanding year!



RUBY AND POPPY

ran one mile on Filey beach and raised £200 well done girls!

100 years

On 25th October 2018 RWE
Generation will celebrate their
centenary at the Ferrybridge
site and we are delighted
to announce that they are
supporting the Hospice as
part of their anniversary.
We are working together
to plan lots of ways to raise
funds with a "100" theme
over the next 12 months,
both in the company and
the wider community.

Andrew Alden, Workshop Business Manager based at Ferrybridge and part of the Centenary Planning team says:

"We are truly humbled by the amazing work that the wonderful staff at the Hospice do. Their enthusiasm has given us a real boost in planning for our own centenary year. In return it's a great feeling to know that we can use the time and skills of our own staff to give something back to the community, with The Prince of Wales Hospice always front and centre in our thoughts."

Our Light up Life appeal will be the first project to benefit from the partnership as RWE will be sponsoring our lanterns as part of the centenary celebrations (see feature on page three).







The Prince of Wales Hospice Halfpenny Lane, Pontefract. West Yorkshire WF8 4BG

Call 01977 708868 Click www.pwh.org.uk Email contact@pwh.org.uk



Visit our events page for up to date information and online bookings or email fundraising@pwh.org.uk



Interested in sponsoring one of our Hospice events? **Contact Tracey Mearns** Call 01977 781474



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Dates for your Diary

Hundreds of Christmas crafts and gifts



CRAFT FAYRE Sunday 12th November 10am - 4pm

Join us at Kings Croft Hotel for our annual Craft Fayre. With hundreds of Christmas crafts and gifts, you won't need to go anywhere else to do your Christmas shopping! The fair has over 40 stalls of unique, handcrafted goods as well as a raffle and tombola. It runs from 10am - 4pm and entry is only £1.

FESTIVE FLORALS Tuesday 21st November 6:30pm - 9pm

The annual Festive Florals event will be taking place at Pontefract Town Hall. Michelle Grainger from Michelle's Flowers will once again be hosting this fantastic event, including live floral demonstrations with a variety of stalls and refreshments available.

Tickets are just £5 per person and under 16s can attend for free. Tickets can be purchased from Michelle's Flowers or the Hospice.



FESTIVE LIGHTS

Friday 8th December to Saturday 23rd December, 4:30pm - 7pm every night

This year sees the return of the Hospice Christmas Lights display at Farmer Copley's Festive Festival. There is no doubt that our Christmas wonderland will get you in the festive spirit. The display will be officially opened on Thursday 7th December after Farmer Copley's Carol Concert and will run for two weeks, so there's no reason for you to miss out!



SANTA DASH Sunday 10th December

Our festive fun run returns to spread some Christmas cheer. Whether you sprint, jog or walk, there's no better way to get in the festive spirit with friends and family. Advance entry costs £10 per adult and £7 per child (Santa suit included). Alternatively, if you already have your own festive outfit, advance entry costs £8 per adult and £5 per child. Entry on the day will cost more.



LIGHT UP A LIFE Sunday 10th to **Thursday 14th December**

We have five Light up a Life services taking place across the Five Towns area.

Sunday 10th

St Luke's Church, Sharlston (3pm)

Monday 11th

St Giles' Church, Pontefract (7pm)

Tuesday 12th

St Mary's Church, Badsworth (7pm)

Wednesday 13th

Holy Cross Church, Airedale (7pm)

Thursday 14th

The Prince of Wales Hospice Garden (7pm)

Join us for one of our beautiful services where we will remember your loved ones this Christmas.



CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING 8th - 10th January

We will collect your Christmas tree from your home in exchange for a donation to the Hospice.

Collections are available from the following postcodes:

WF7, WF8, WF9, WF10 and WF11.

To arrange a collection go to www.charityxmastreecollection.com