



Newsletter

By Royal appointment



Wedding fever

Hospice volunteer, Jean Riley, MBE, was chosen to be one of the 2,000 community guests invited to the grounds of Windsor Castle for the Royal wedding earlier this year.

Talking about the day, Jean (pictured inset with her daughter, Sarah) said; "I felt very honoured and privileged to have been asked to represent the Hospice at the wedding. It was an amazing day and one I will never forget.

Jean took some amazing photographs on the day, and



this one of the newlyweds is our favourite.

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Party time



Our Outreach patients never need a reason to party, but the Royal wedding was the perfect excuse to celebrate.

They enjoyed wedding themed quizzes, a right Royal buffet and wedding cake (lemon and elderflower of course), and finished off with a good old fashioned singalong!

Palace party



Our President, HRH The Prince of Wales recently celebrated his 70th birthday with a garden party at Buckingham Palace, and we were delighted to be invited.

Pictured from left to right are Hospice employee and volunteer of the year, Tracy Carr and Dave Malkin, Chief Executive, David Stewart, and Trustee, Ann Gleed, MBE.



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A gift for the future

Leaving a gift in your will can help provide support and care for years to come for patients and families living with a life limiting illness.

Last year, gifts in wills raised a massive £857,000 for patient care. That could keep the Hospice doors open for around 16 weeks!

"My wife and I decided about ten years ago to include a donation to the Hospice in our will. The children are both grown up and they'll have enough with what will come to them anyway, so it was a

chance to do something for a cause that matters to us. We're local people and it was a natural choice to support the Hospice. Who knows, one day it might be us who needs their help". Martin Hughes, Hospice supporter.

Making a will is a straightforward way of making sure the things that matter to you, especially the people and the causes you care about, will be looked after in the future.

Please remember the Hospice in your will; any gift large or small can secure a better future for others.

Running for Grandma

This September, Helen Long will be completing the Great North Run in memory of her wonderful Grandma, Bridget Moran, who was cared for at the Hospice earlier this year. Helen tells us why:

“My Grandma was an incredible woman full of strength, determination, character and humour that she demonstrated throughout her 94 years. I am immensely proud of

everything she achieved in her life, her strength of character and her unwavering dedication to do what is right and fair.

My Grandma supported the Hospice throughout her life. It is also the place where she spent the last three weeks of her life. The level of care my Grandma received during this time was outstanding. The staff were so supportive and attentive, not only to her needs, but those of our family who kept her company and comforted her in her final weeks. They created a familiar and relaxing environment, which was such a comfort to us all.

I am fundraising to acknowledge the gratitude we, as a family, feel for the service The Prince



Bridget Moran

of Wales Hospice offers and to the staff who looked after Grandma so wonderfully and passionately.”

Good luck Helen - we wish you all the best!

All change!

Check out our new design home collection boxes. They are fantastic for collecting all your loose change, and even better, it's true that all the pennies do add up.

Last year, all of your change amounted to a fantastic £3,600! That's enough to pay for an Incare bed for over a week.

If you could give one of these lovely boxes a home, then call Amy on **01977 781478**.





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Tribute funds are the perfect way of keeping track of any fundraising you may do, or any donations you make in memory of your loved one.

Your fund can be set up online where you can add photographs and text, and family and friends can donate online to the page. Offline funds are also available. All tribute fund holders will receive annual updates on their tribute fund and how it is growing.



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Time to remember



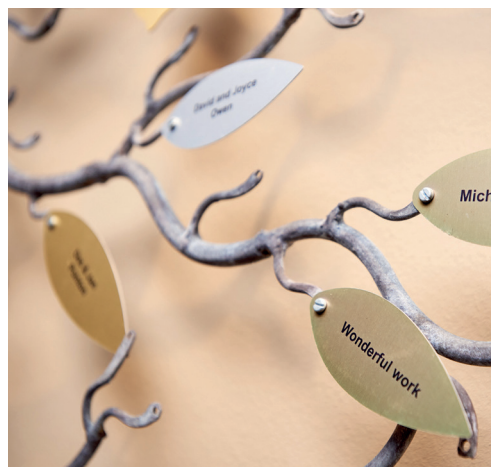
The joy of remembering those no longer with us often helps the pain of our loss.

Here we show you many ways of remembering and celebrating the lives of those you love.

All of these are open to everyone, and not just those who have died at the Hospice. You can find out more at www.pwh.org.uk or call 01977 708868

"When someone you love becomes a memory, that memory becomes a treasure."

Celebration tree



Our celebration tree takes pride of place in the Hospice reception, and celebrates all things Hospice, including the lives of those we love.

Your dedication can be engraved on one of the leaves or acorns, depending on your donation amount.

Donation amount – from £10 per month

Celebration paver



Have your loved one's name engraved onto a paver in the beautiful Hospice gardens.

Once your paver is laid, you are welcome to come and view it at any time.

Donation amount – from £75.00



Forget me not bows

Dedicate a ribbon on our forget me not heart in the Hospice garden.

You can write names and messages on the ribbon before tying it into a bow on the heart. The bows will remain on the heart throughout the summer months.

Donation amount – it's up to you!



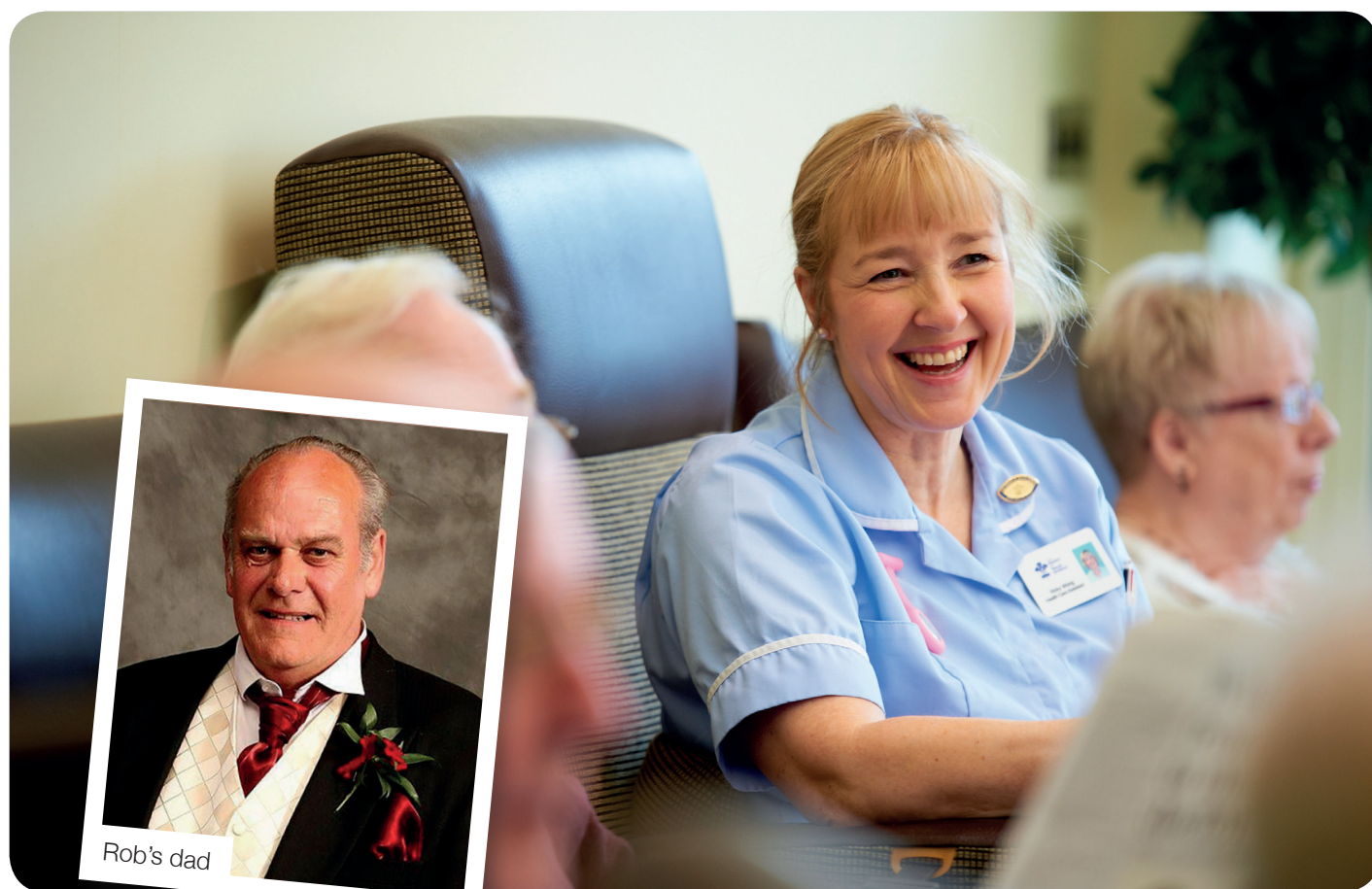
Light up a life

Dedicate a light at Christmas to remember someone you love.

Your dedication will appear in the Pontefract & Castleford Express, and the Hemsworth & South Elmsall Express, as well as in our own book of lights which will be on display at our Light up a Life events, as well as here at the Hospice over the festive period. You will also receive a special card with your dedication inside.



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Unsung heroes

Rob Woollard started fundraising for the Hospice following the death of his father. He shares his story with us and explains why your support is so valuable.

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"Back in June 2016 I lost my Dad to the horrible disease that is cancer. A disease that has touched so many of us in so many horrendous ways. In the final months I watched the mountain of a man that I always looked upon my Dad as being, reduced to nothing more than a mole hill, such was the way the cancer took hold.

In his last week or so he was transferred to the Hospice. To use words to describe somewhere that treats terminally ill people as wonderful and amazing seems an odd thing to do, but they are perfectly apt for the Hospice. From the moment my Dad arrived they could not do enough either for him or us, whether we needed a doctor or nurse to talk to, a room to go and cry or just a cup of tea, nothing was ever too much trouble.

The work the staff do on a daily basis is nothing short of miraculous and they never wilt or fail to provide support regardless of the form that takes. In his last hours, the nurses and staff made sure that we were kept fully informed and up to date on what was happening, again with the utmost compassion and respect.

I will always remember when the

nurses came in to confirm that he had gone, there was a young nurse who was also visibly upset. This was the first death she had witnessed. I remember thinking, that single moment there summed up everything about the Hospice and the members of staff, from the bottom all the way to the top.

Places like the Hospice make the passing of loved ones as comfortable as possible and it is the members of staff there, the unsung heroes that make that possible. It would be an absolute travesty if the Hospice were to ever close, so please, continue to support them with whatever you can no matter how small."

Please donate today or set up a monthly gift at
www.pwh.org.uk/donate

Thank you

You are amazing!

Your support has already helped families cope with a life-limiting illness.

Whichever way you choose to support the Hospice, whether you buy from our charity shops, take part in our events and appeals, or put coppers in a collecting box, every penny really does add up.

Each year we ask you to raise incredible amounts of money to support our patient care, and you always rise to the challenge.

Thank you.



Gift aid it!

If you are a UK tax payer, the Hospice can claim back the tax on any eligible donations you make. Even better, this doesn't cost you anything! In the last year we were able to claim a fantastic £40,397.

That's enough to pay for a full time qualified nurse on Incare for the year.

Please remember to gift aid your donations and make your gift go even further.

P.S don't forget that you can also gift aid your donations to our charity shops. Ask in store for details.



We need your help!



We urgently need donations for our shops. If you're having a clear out, whether it's to make space for your new summer wardrobe, or you've given your dining room a new look, then why not donate your old items to our Hospice shops?

We are always on the lookout for good quality items of clothing and furniture so that we can turn your unwanted items into cash to pay for vital care for our patients and families.

In 2017, sales in our shops reached an incredible **£1,143,853!**



Help us to beat that figure this year by donating your unwanted goods today, and don't forget to make your goods worth even more by gift aiding your donations.

Do you know that you can now book your furniture collection online? Simply visit www.pwh.org.uk/collection

Sunday shopping

All of our shops* are now open on Sundays 10am - 4pm, so why not call in and grab yourself a bargain?

Our friendly staff and volunteers will be happy to help you, whatever your shopping needs.

For a full list of shops and opening times, visit www.pwh.org.uk/shops

*excluding Kippax



Coming soon

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In store soon you will find our new selection of Christmas cards, and our 2019 Hospice diary, celebrating our 30th anniversary.

Stocks are limited so be sure to get yours early.



Join the local hospice lottery and we can all be winners!

Supporting the Hospice couldn't be easier. For just £1 per week you could be in with a chance of winning the first prize of £2,000, as well as a £1,000 prize which can rollover up to a maximum of £25,000!

WEEKLY PRIZES:

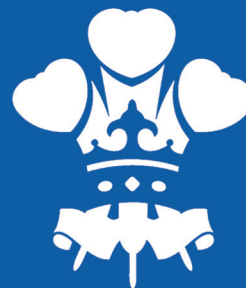
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Dates for your diary

STARLIGHT WALK

Friday 7th & Saturday 8th
September

Our starlight walk returns this year, not once but twice! We have walks taking place in Sherburn and South Elmsall. Come along and join others walking to remember loved ones.

SKYDIVING

Sunday 16th September

Take to the skies and freefall from 15,000 feet with breathtaking views around you. Whether you're an adrenaline junkie or hoping to conquer a fear, make memories with the fantastic skydive challenge.



IT'S A KNOCKOUT

Saturday 22nd and
Sunday 23rd September

Purston Park is the venue for this year's tournament, which sees teams battle giant inflatables, wacky obstacles and foam to be victorious winners of this fun challenge.

CRAFT FAIR

Sunday 11th November

Join us at King's Croft Hotel for our annual Craft Fair. 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.



SANTA DASH AND CHRISTMAS FAIR

Sunday 2nd December

Our festive fun run returns to spread some Christmas cheer, with a new starting line outside Pontefract Town Hall. Whether you sprint, jog or walk, there's no better way to get in the festive spirit with family and friends.

**Brand new for this year –
Christmas Fair in
Pontefract Town Hall**

Make sure you pop in for some Christmas bargains!

Light
up a
Life

LIGHT UP A LIFE

Sunday 9th to Thursday
13th December

Remember your loved ones this Christmas and come along to one of our services of remembrance. With music, readings and the lighting of candles, it really is a special way of joining others to celebrate the lives of those no longer with us.