



The Newbury & District Cancer Care Trust

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Sue Ryder Manage & Run Duchess of Kent House & Palliative Care Service

On 1st April, the running and management of the Duchess of Kent House was transferred to Sue Ryder Care. They will also be the new providers of Palliative Care Services in Berkshire, taking over from the PCT. This change has come about under the Government's Transforming Community Services agenda (TCS). Under this scheme, the Primary Care Trusts can no longer pay for and provide services. Under this change, Macmillan Nurses in Berkshire are now called Sue Ryder Clinical Nurse Specialist in Palliative Care. So far we are unaware how these changes will take effect, however as one of the leading experts in Palliative Care, we are expecting great things from them. We will continue to provide the support that we do and hopefully together we can take some positive steps to creating a better experience for patients with palliative care needs.

Curnock House Raises over £50,000

Curnock House at St Bartholomew's School in Newbury have been fundraising for us for many years. In December, David Ball and Paul Millard attended a cheque presentation at the school where they received a cheque for £5000. The total raised by Curnock House over the past few years has now reached over £50,000. This amazing achievement reflects the hard work that the children have invested in raising money for our cause. We are obviously delighted with their efforts but particularly the fact that young people have been instrumental in making it happen. Well done to everyone from Curnock House, past and present, who have helped raise this magnificent amount. We are very grateful.



Left:
Paul Millard and David Ball
receive the
latest cheque from Curnock
House
presented at the school in
December 2010

Volunteer News.....

A fond farewell to Robert Jefferys

Another of our long serving Volunteer Drivers, Robert Jefferys, has had to retire due to ill health. Robert was a fantastic ambassador for the Trust and was happy to take on many



driving jobs each week, not just for NDCCT but for other charities too. Thanks Robert for your many years of Volunteering.

Coffee Morning Meet & Greet

As we don't run the Transport Service from the office, many of the drivers never actually get to meet one another until they find themselves sitting in the Royal Berkshire Hospital Cancer Centre, waiting for a patient. We organised a coffee morning for our volunteers at Deanwood Park Golf Club and also arranged for two representatives from the Institute of Advanced Motorists to give a presentation about the Advanced Test. The tutors also gave a presentation on Drive Check and Drive 55 which are aimed at anyone who is interested in safer driving but my not feel ready to take the Advanced Test. The morning was a great success and we all found it very useful. If anyone is interested in any of the driving assessments, please contact the IAM on 0845 126 8600 or them on their website www.iam.org.uk

It's A Long Way To Drive

Our volunteers have done another fantastic job getting patients to their appointments. In 2010 they covered 44,321 miles, which is most twice the circumference of the earth! Well done!

Welcome To Helen Bartlett and Brian Chidley. We are delighted they have joined us and we hope that they find driving for us an enjoyable experience.

Camp Hopson Smash Their Fundraising Target By A Mile

Camp Hopson Department Store selected us as their charity for 2010. This was the first time that the store had chosen a single charity for its fundraising efforts and so we were obviously delighted. After setting a target of £4000, the fundraising committee organised many varied events, including the highly successful Camps Canter which saw approximately 60 people entering in the spirit of things and completing 5 laps of Victoria Park. At a presentation evening on 15th February, the Fundraising team surprised us with a fantastic cheque for £12,354.06! What started out as a plan to raise money for a specialised dynamic mattress has now turned into a much bigger project, as Camp Hopson announced at the presentation that they had chosen us again throughout 2011. Thanks to Chris, Emma, Wendy, Jenny and Mandy for their hard work on the fundraising team and thanks to everyone who supported the events so wonderfully.

It's Off With Her H.....air!

Sue Arnold, the wife of Brian who is one of our volunteer drivers, was diagnosed with breast cancer last year. Following her recovery she decided that she wanted to raise funds for us and the Friends of Charles Clore Unit Charity. Not being one to think of the usual fundraising methods, Sue decided to shave her head completely. She realised that she was lucky not to have to endure hair loss following treatment and wanted to show her support for all the cancer patients that do. So, mind made up, off Sue went and managed to raise a total of £1400 which she split between the Charles Clore Unit and us. (Below: Going, going, gone!) Sue before, during and after the chop



Bee's Ball a Buzz With Success

Bee Barnhill organised a summer ball to raise funds for us. The Ball was held in a Marquee in her back garden and was an outright success raising over £4000 in total.

Fundraising Events

London Marathon Sun 17th Apr 2011

Graeme Berry ran this year's London Marathon to raise funds for us. Well done Graeme!!!

Summer Ball - Sat 4th June 2011

Bee and Adam Barnhill are hosting another Summer Ball on Saturday 4th June. Last year's ball was very successful with Bee raising over £4000 (see above). It's a great night out so why not put the date in your diary? Tickets are priced at £50.00 and include free food and drink with all proceeds to the Trust. Contact Bee on 07733335141

Christmas Concert - Sat 3rd Dec 2011

This year's concert will be held on Saturday 3rd December at St Nicholas' Church and features the Christ's College Choir. Please come along.

OUR GRATEFUL THANKS TO.....

The Cameo Group, The Clothing Warehouse, Curnock House, The Cardy Beaver Foundation, Thatcham Lions, Simmons, Shenton and Simmons Ltd, Vodafone Gift Matching, Bee Barnhill, Kennet School, Graham Young, House of Cards Thatcham, Cold Ash Fete Committee, Barry Barrington, Camp Hopson, Paul Sievers, Newbury Camera Club, Adrian & Chris Fyfe, Hungerford District Nurses, Cobal Signs, St Bartholomew's Masonic Lodge, The Bowlers Arms, Newbury & Crookham Golf Club Over 60s Section, Newbury Building Society, Jane Sampson & Tracy Thomas, Thatcham Rugby Club, Taste of England Pub, Shaw Estate Re-Union, Downe House School Housekeeping Staff, Newbury Womens Register, Hitachi Capital, Newbury Rotary Club, Thatcham Rotary Club, Speen Church, Five Bells Pub Woodspeen, Richard Summersby, Hannah McNaghten, Sue Arnold, Sainsbury's, Waitrose Newbury, Chris Gwynn, Cromwell Lodge RAOB, Anisha Malli, Ian Spence and Lin Brunnsden and everyone else who has kindly raised funds for us over the past year (sorry if your name isn't mentioned)

