

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

**ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE DUE BY 30. JUNE**

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Thank you!

### ◆ Subscriptions

Club subscriptions are **£10.00** per annum per member (patient & partner **£20.00**)

Full membership is open to all diagnosed as having a heart problem, to their families, and to all who support the aims & objectives of the Club.

New members joining in the first 6 months of the calendar year are granted membership to 30th June of the following year.

Welcome this time to :

- Martin Shore
- Mr & Mrs R Glynn
- J W Lucas
- Brian Healiss
- Mr & Mrs G A Fisher
- John Perryman
- A R Parks
- H Tafazzoli
- Ian Asquith
- Frank Sykes
- John Greenwood
- Ian Cooper
- W D Nelson
- Robert Constantine

Pat Fletcher

## EVENTS NEWS

### Grand Day Out : 4th Alsager Charity Golf Day

In kinder weather this year the 4th Charity Golf Day at Alsager proved to be as great a success as in previous years, with 92 golfers taking part.

On a cloudy day, though with no rain, the overall winners were Alsager's Wednesday Warriors, using their local knowledge to finish with 101 points. Another local team, First Response - winners on one of our previous golf days - finished second with 97 points.

Surprisingly only 2 players achieved birdie 2's on the Par 3 holes, each receiving golf balls as prizes. And a separate putting competition proved very popular, with 89 people taking part in the better weather.

First prize in the raffle, donated by Ernie Horn, was a round of golf for 4 at the prestigious Mere Golf Club, won by Adrian Morgan.

With bacon rolls and coffee beforehand and a carvery meal following the golf, everybody was well fed and watered on the day.

Our thanks to Alsager Golf and

Country Club for allowing us another charity day on their excellent course. Thanks also to the bar and catering staff for looking after us so well during the day, and special thanks to Alsager Golf professional, Richard Brown, for his help with the prizes. Thanks also to all our volunteer helpers and those who generously donated raffle prizes.

And the benefit to Club funds? A magnificent **£1,163.27p**.



**THE COLLECTORS** : Two members of winning team Wednesday Warriors receive their trophy from Alsager Club captain Clive Offenden (centre)

### Thank you, Alan



At his home club Alsager, Alan denied he couldn't see his woods for the trees!

I was sad to receive a phone call in March from Alan Imrie, saying ill health meant his resignation from Club activities, writes Jim Shillito.

Following in the footsteps of Jack Davies, Alan has been an excellent Chairman during his 6 years in office, making himself known and building up a high regard for the Club around the Hospital. Alan was the driving force behind the Club's raising over £100,000 for the Cardiac Centre, so gratefully received recently by the Hospital. For his hard work we thank him, we're sorry to see him go, and we wish him a speedy recovery.

At the Club's **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** on **Thursday 10. April** at The Railway Inn, Hale the new committee for the forthcoming year took office without a vote, there being only one nomination each for **Chairman & Secretary**, each to serve for TWO years, and the five nominations for committee members, each to serve for ONE year, exactly matching the five vacancies available. [The Vice Chair & Treasurer were elected for a 2-year period in April 07]

The new committee [for full list see p.1] then formally co-opted cardiac directorate manager Judy Coombes, filling one of the three non-voting positions available to the committee to provide additional support to the elected team. While welcoming Judy's inclusion as a valuable link with the Hospital, new Chairman Jim Shillito lost no time in pointing out that the search was on to find volunteers to fill the remaining two vacancies.

**New member? Here's your chance to dip a toe in the water. Give us a call!**



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# THE TICKER CLUB

## NEWSLETTER

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### Ticker team

Committee members for new Club year 2008-09 are

Chair :

JAMES SHILLITO

Vice Chair :

JOHN BASKERVILLE

Secretary :

CLIFF CLINKARD

Treasurer :

VAL SHILLITO

Committee members :

JOHN BIRKS  
SUE CLINKARD  
DAVID COOPER  
ROGER CLEGG  
JOHN MILLER

Co-opted members :

JUDY COOMBES  
[vacancy]  
[vacancy]

Ward visitors coordinator :

CLIFF CLINKARD

Membership :

PAT FLETCHER

Newsletter & Media :

JOHN MILLER

## PRINCESS ROYAL OPENS NEW CENTRE

Club funded equipment already in use

Not many days after planners breathed a sigh of relief as staff moved in to open its doors for the first time to new patients, Wythenshawe Hospital's new Cardiac Centre was officially opened with a royal visit.

### Tour

On 12th May HRH the Princess Royal toured the £20m Centre during the event, meeting not only design and construction teams, but also representatives of Hospital staff

and voluntary organisations.

### Represented

These of course included The Ticker Club, represented by Secretary Cliff Clinkard. Princess Anne asked Cliff about the Club and its activities, giving him the opportunity to tell her about our daily visits to the cardiac wards to reassure patients both before and after their operations.

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**CURTAIN UP** : All smiles as HRH the Princess Royal unveils the plaque, officially opening Wythenshawe's new Cardiac Centre to the delight of Felicity Goodey (right), new chair of the Trust

### Chairman's message

◆ Jim Shillito writes :

Well, here's my first report and already there seems to be quite a lot for your new Chairman to write about.

Firstly, the new Cardiac Centre opened in April after a long period of planning and building. I'm pleased to say The Ticker Club was a part of this process from the first planning stages right through to the formal opening in early May, representing the views of patients and Club members. Nothing illustrates this better than the inclusion of our Secretary Cliff Clinkard among those presented to HRH Princess Anne at the formal opening [see story L].

Our readers will already be aware of the significant sum of money raised by the Club for the new Centre which enabled the Trust, as reported in our Spring edition, to purchase 12 defibrillators and 15 pa-

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