

◆ 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 Club's aims.

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

Welcome to :

- Fred Pullen
- Barbara Bell
- Colin Hyde
- Ian Simpson
- Mr. & Mrs. K Camp
- Jean Ringland
- Ed Blundle
- Tony Kinsley
- Mr. & Mrs. Beattie

John Birks



Fund Raising

On page 2 we reported that a family had taken part in the Greater Manchester 10k run in order to raise money for the Ticker Club. Can you help by doing a sponsored walk, run or any other thing that may interest you.

All money that we raise goes back in the purchase of much need equipment for the heart unit and supporting wards.

If you have any ideas please contact any of the Ticker Club Committee Members for help and/or advice.

All efforts will be greatly appreciated not only by the club but also by the hospital, particularly in these times of government cuts.

FUNDRAISING NEWS

The luck of the Christmas Draw

Last years Christmas draw prize was won by Wilfred Deakin and his wife, Hilary. The prize was a Champaign ride in a hot-air Balloon which they both enjoyed and have now sent us the following article

We were lucky enough to win a balloon flight as first prize in the Christmas Raffle. We flew from



On the front row, is Hilary, third from the left, and Wilfred is forth from the left in the flat cap.

Hack Green at Nantwich on the evening of 29th June.

Once the wind had dropped sufficiently the crew prepared the balloon, and we ascended into the air. At its highest the balloon soared to over 2000 feet, giving a wonderful view of the Cheshire countryside, with the Welsh hills in the distance. The balloon drifted with the wind and after almost an hour in the air we were near Market Drayton. The pilot located a brown field for the landing site, where we made a good landing, in what unfortunately turned out to be a Barley field.

We were taken back to Hack Green by minibus where we toasted the flight with Champaign, and were presented with our certificates to commemorate the flight.

Wilf Deakin

Remember to support us in this years draw, someone has to win. The first prize this year is a Red Letter Day Experience and many other prizes.

THE TICKER CLUB PLAY THEIR PART

Alsager Golf & Country Club (AG&CC) held their annual Charity Golf Day and, as a quid pro quo for their generosity in granting The Ticker Club the courtesy of the AG&CC course every year for the past six years, the four golfers right 'volunteered' to represent the club.

On a dry, sunny Sunday 36 teams of four took part in this popular event and the organiser (David Prendergast) has informed me that they raised a total in excess of £4000 for St. Luke's Hospice and Crossroads Care Centre (both Cheshire charities caring for patients needing palliative care and respite for carers). A round of golf at Little Ashton for four (valued at £320) was one of the star items in the auction – a great offer! With a meal including wine at around £100 per team, I'm sure my readers will agree this is super value.

As the winning total was 89 Stableford points, our team's total of 79 was very creditable and I have thanked Ernie Horn and his team for 'flying the TC flag'. If any golfing TC members would like to take part next September – either as the TC team or as a separate entry, make a note in your diary for say July 2011 to leave me a message on the club office telephone.

Our next golfing venture is, of course, our annual October date at Chorlton cum Hardy and after that we will repeat our AG&CC May event. Please support these events which have raised £12500 so far.



Left to right in photo:-
David Baddeley, Ernie Horn, Cliff Blossons and Collin Hambleton

Finally, on behalf of all the golfers reading this, or others who just like watching on telly, well done to ALL the golfers who gave us such an exciting Ryder Cup – wasn't it just great...

Alan Imrie

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Ticker team

Committee members for the Club year 2010-11 are



Chair :
JIM SHILLITO

Vice Chair :

JOHN PHILLIPS



Secretary :
CLIFF CLINKARD

Treasurer :
VAL SHILLITO



Committee members :

EILEEN BATE
ROGER CLEGG
SUE CLINKARD
DAVID COOPER
MARTIN MERRIMAN

Co-opted members :

JOHN BIRKS
JUDY COOMBES
ALAN IMRIE

Ward visitors coordinator
CLIFF CLINKARD

Newsletter & Membership :
JOHN BIRKS

We also would like to hear from you, the members. If you have any thing that would be of interest to us please contact John Birks, email address : john.birks@ssesurf.co.uk for items to be published in the Newsletter please keep to approx 150 words for reports and max 400 words for main articles. Or tickerclub@uhsm.nhs.uk - tel. 0161 291 2873 for general interest items.

Ticking at the Open Day

The Ticker Club was well represented at the University Hospital South Manchester Open Day on Sunday 26th September. The event was opened by Television Celebrity Gordon Burns.

The weather was on our side and the Open Day attracted large numbers.

The Ticker Club stand was manned throughout the day on a relay basis by eight Ticker Club members We had a very successful day on our stand, meeting and greeting people and explaining to them the main aims of the Club, Patient support for patients and relatives, patient representation and fund raising.

We were also met with success in raising funds for the club, selling Ticker Club polo shirts, sweat shirts, badges and hats and attracting new members to the club.

A lovely cuddly dog was kindly donated by Ticker Club member Francis Merriman for a "Name the Dog" competition. The "name the dog event" raised £106.00 . The total amount that the day raised was £179 for the club.

The winning ticket was drawn on the day and the winner was Amanda Jackson, a member of the staff at Wythenshawe.



The stand was visited by the Hospital Chief Executive Julian Hartley, photographed (above) with Ticker Club members Eileen Bate, Barbara Merriman and Peter Jackson.

Chairman's Chat

◆ Jim Shillito writes :

This is the second newsletter since I took over the Chairmanship, six months ago. In that time we have built up a committee which I believe is the best team I have seen in the twelve years that I have been a member. Each member has a job to do and works with great enthusiasm.

John Phillips, my Vice Chairman, is someone I believe has great rapport and in most things agrees which is the best way forward for The Ticker Club. Cliff Clinkard is probably the hardest working member of our committee. As well as all the hard work he does for The Ticker Club, he is also Governor representative the Volunteers at the hospital.

John Birks, our past Chairman is a real find. He has taken on the post of Media Representative which is a difficult job on its own and he has taken on the post of Membership Secretary. Also in his spare time he works for the Hospital Volunteers on Tuesday Mornings.

This is the third year that Judy Coombes has been a member of our team and she has proved a great acquisition, keeping us well informed of all relevant hospital matters as well as guiding us
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