



# CANCER CARE CLUB

## February 2019

Here we are with another Christmas and New Year celebrations a memory and the remaining colder months of winter to endure and Spring to look forward to. The Christmas Lunch was a great success, some 74 people enjoyed the festive meal. We can look forward now to our regular lunches at the Abbots Barton Hotel on the third Thursday of each month.

Daphne will be planning more outings through the year. A list of outings and events is shown further down in this newsletter. To book contact Daphne on 01227 720631.

The lunches at Abbots Barton Hotel on the third Thursday each month are still popular so please come along and meet all the other members for a bite to eat and a chat. Lunch costs only £3.50 per person. This is subsidised by the Club so is good value.

## Asda Collection

We had our Asda collection on 28/29 September 2018. We raised £647.75, which is somewhat less than previous collections but still a worthwhile sum to boost the Club's funds. We have not been given days for the collections at Asda for 2019, so watch this space and please consider helping us for a few hours, we need all the help we can get.

## Raffle Prizes Wanted

If you have anything which could be donated as a raffle prize (a present that needs a good home)? We would be very glad to take it off your hands. If you need something collecting contact Daphne or one of the other Committee members to arrange this.

## Reminder: 'Donate Now' button on our website

To make it easier for people to donate to the Club if they want to support our activities, there is a 'Donate Now' button to the website. You can use PayPal, or a credit or debit card.

## What has the Club been doing with its funds?

As you all know, we use a small amount of our funds to support social activities for our members'. We use most of our funds to buy items for the Kent and Canterbury Hospital for the benefit of cancer patients. Our latest Project, as we informed you previously, is the Sentinel Node Biopsy Probe for the Head & Neck Team, which is helping to avoid unnecessary lymph node removal during head and

neck cancer surgery. This investment of £12000 is now in use. This is now saving many patients additional neck surgery and the after-effects of lymph node removal, which can have lifelong consequences.

We had allocated £3000 to help upgrade a room in the Cathedral Day Unit for use as a pre-assessment room to avoid newly diagnosed patients having to be taken through the main treatment area. This has now been completed and is in use to the benefit of all new patients attending the unit.

If you are aware of any other potential projects, you would like to see us support then please let a member of the committee know and we will take it forward.

### **Club Website**

The Club website, [www.cancercareclub.org](http://www.cancercareclub.org), is a resource for both newly diagnosed patients and families and friends as well as those who have completed treatment. If you haven't already looked at it, please do so because we would really like to know what you think of it. We do our best in keeping it up to date but as members you may like to see features, we have not included. There is a contact page if you would like to send the Webmaster a message.

### **Email Request**

Please let us know if you have an email address, we can use to send you our newsletter, as this saves paper and postage, or if you change your email address, please let us know. Thank You. This edition of the newsletter will be posted to everyone as we include our programme for the year.

### **Heather Morgan Fundraising during 2018**

We are delighted to inform you that despite Heather only having one craft fair last year, she has raised the magnificent sum of £1512.80, being the proceeds of the one craft fair and the two 60/70's discos. Well Done Heather, we all know you have lots of other things going on in your life, but still find time to continue your fundraising for our club. Long may it continue.

**P&O Pride of Canterbury and Deal Fundraisers.** We would like to say thank you to the crew of the Pride of Canterbury for their collections on board and to the Deal Fundraisers and Darren & Dawn Webb for their fundraising efforts on behalf of the Club., Your efforts are very much appreciated. A picture of the presentation is shown below.



### **Brick Lane Outing**

Tuesday 4th December saw a group of members of the Cancer Care Club (Canterbury) attend a very good lunch party followed by the BRICK LANE MUSIC HALL SHOW! We were transported by coach to the venue arriving in East London around 12.00 noon.

After thoroughly enjoying our lunch we were treated to an excellent Christmas-themed Music Hall production of very funny stand-up comedy and comedy sketches, dancing and so many old songs that you didn't need any encouragement to join in! It was an extremely enjoyable day for all concerned.

Here are some photographs of the event:





### Annual Christmas Lunch

This was our final social event of 2018 which took place at The Abbott Barton Hotel in Canterbury. As is usual it was a well-attended occasion and 74 members were present. A three-course lunch was served with a choice of dishes available for each course and mince pies were served with the coffee. Our Chairman (Mr Nic Goodger) was unable to attend due to pressure of work but his Christmas Address was very ably given by Malcolm Hodgson the Club Secretary. Once lunch was finished and legs stretched, a giant raffle took place and completed in just under an hour. Thank you so much to all those who provided prizes. Below are some pictures from the event.





## **Outings and events planned for 2019**

### **Outings:**

**Sunday 24 March 2019 Thriplow Daffodil Village.** Please let Daphne know as soon as possible if you are interested. If we do not get sufficient numbers on Buzzlines we may be able to organise our own outing. £23.50 plus entrance fee.

**Tuesday 16 April 2019 Tower of London & Crown Jewels** £47

**Wednesday 24 April 2019 Bewl Water Boat Trip.** £47 with Fish and Chip lunch

**Wednesday 8 May 2019 Windsor Castle and Windsor town** £48

**Friday 14 June 2019 Camden Lock Cruise** £52 Fish and Chip lunch.

**Wednesday 31 July 2019 Joseph & the Amazing |Technicolour Dreamcoat** £59

**Sunday 11 August 2019 Jane Austen House, Museum & Watercress Railway.,** £50

**Thursday 24 October 2019 Greenwich.** If there are enough people interested, we will try and get a tour guide around the museum, £26

**Thursday 5 December 2019 Brick lane Music Hall, Lunch & Christmas Show.** £63.

**Events:**

**Saturday 6 April 2019**, Craft Fair and Easter Raffle at United Reformed Church Whitstable 0930 to 1230

**Friday 10 May 2019** Heather Morgan's 60/70's disco evening at Deal Victoria & Barns Close Cricket Club £7.50 including supper, call Heather on 013094 363710 to book a ticket. Book early to avoid disappointment.

**Saturday 15 June 2019. RNLI Garden Party 17 Grand Drive Herne Bay.** Daphne will have a stall at this event.

**Friday 28 June 2019, Richard Ovenden's Coffee Morning in aid of the Cancer Care Club.** To be held at Sunrise Marshborough Road Woodnesborough, if you can help out with food or raffle prizes then please let Daphne know.

**Saturday 3 August 2019 Cancer Care Club Annual Summer Party.** To be held again at the Abbots Barton Hotel Canterbury. Price to be advised.

**Wednesday 25 September 2019 East Kent Ploughing Match.** Sheperdswell, Daphne will have a stall at this event.

**Saturday 2 November 2019, early Christmas Sale at the United Reformed Church Whitstable.** 0930-1230

**Saturday 23 November 2019** Heather Morgan's 60/70's disco evening at Deal Victoria & Barns Close Cricket Club £7.50 including supper call Heather on 013094 363710 to book a ticket. Book early to avoid disappointment.

**Wednesday 4 December 2019, Christmas Party and Quiz.** To be held in the reception/waiting area of the Cathedral Day Unit Kent & Canterbury Hospital at 7pm. Please bring a plate of food to share.

**Thursday 12 December 2019. Annual Christmas Lunch at the Abbots Barton Hotel Canterbury.** Price to be advised. Please look out for the booking form in the summer /autumn newsletter.

**The General Data Protection Regulations new law came into effect in May 2018 which affects the way we keep information. We send out newsletters by post and email to our members, but we will never pass on your details to a third party under any circumstances. Should you wish to be removed from our mailing lists please do let us know your details by post or email - together with your full name and postal address your details will then be removed.**

*If you change your email or postal address at any time, we should be most grateful if you would please inform us so that we can keep our records fully up to date. Please write or email to let us know. Thank you.*

**We hope you enjoy this latest newsletter. We are always looking for interesting items to include. If you wish us to include anything then please let either Daphne or Malcolm know, and we will do our best to include in the next edition.**

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