

Newsletter



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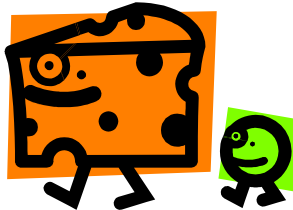
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Welcome from Brian



Here we are again, coming towards the end of another successful year for our support group. We have had a few new members join and we hope to continue growing – we know the incidence of prostate cancer is not declining! I must issue a plea for new members to be prepared to step up and help out on the committee – it's not too onerous I promise (otherwise I wouldn't have been doing it for so long!), but this is my last year in office, as you know. I do hope you can join us at the Christmas Lunch, but if I don't see you there, may I wish all members and their families a very Happy Christmas.

December 11th Lunch

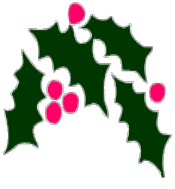
Don't forget to let Roger know if you plan to attend our next lunch meeting on Monday 11th December. We are organising a festive lunch for members and their partners at our new venue of Chinnor Rugby Club, just down the road from our previous venue of Thame Football Partnership. There will be a full Christmas Turkey lunch with all the trimmings for £20 per head. There will also be a prize draw. If you haven't already done so, please let Roger know if you plan to attend. You can email him at rewotton@gmail.com or call on 01442 822340.



Bucks County Show



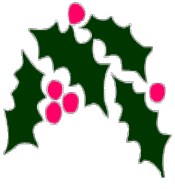
We had the opportunity to have a stand at the Bucks County Show in September and it proved to be the best ever event we had attended. Many people stopped by to have a chat and ask questions. We made many new contacts and everyone agreed we should make this a regular event. See the picture over the page of three of our stalwarts manning the stand.



SCANNAPPEAL

Our group made a donation of £200 to the SCANNAPPEAL for specialist equipment for our local urology department. We received this grateful letter from the scan Director





Quiz Report

Another successful evening at the Chandos Arms resulted in another win for “The Village People”, Richard Veness’s team. Everyone seemed to enjoy the evening, thanks to Stewart and Holly’s hospitality as the new mine hosts. As well as an excellent supper the raffle netted £34 for our funds. Why not come along next and make up a team! Individuals always welcome.

Health and Wellbeing Event

On 1st November we were invited to speak at a Health and Wellbeing event at Stoke Mandeville, run by Bucks NHS Trust in collaboration with Macmillan. A number of

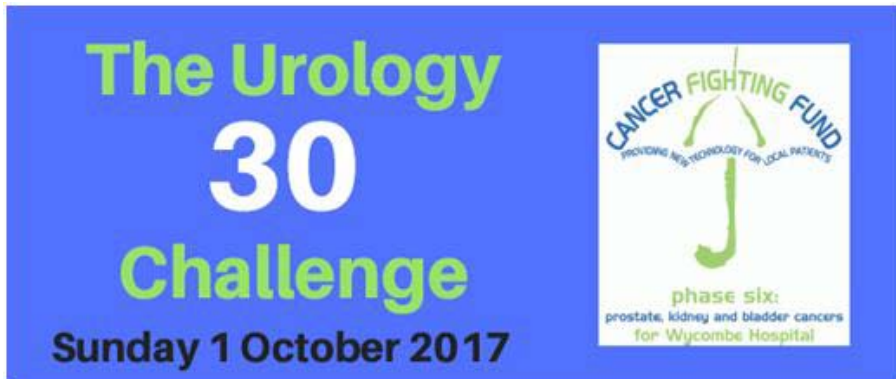


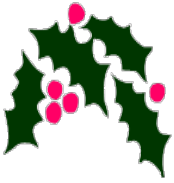
excellent speakers explored some of the issues men and their wives/partners are facing. These included Erectile Dysfunction, Nutrition, Psychological aspects, Bone Health, physiotherapy, etc. Everyone agreed it was a very worthwhile day and many new contacts were made. They hope to make this an event to be offered every other year. Well done to all involved in making the day a success.

Urology 30 Challenge

In the special September edition of the newsletter we publicised the event the urology team at Bucks NHS Trust was organising to walk 30 miles of the Ridgeway in aid of equipment for our local hospitals. After 11 gruelling hours of walking the team managed to raise £5476 from some 122 supporters, above their target of £5000. This was a remarkable achievement. Joe is still complaining of his blisters!

It’s still not too late to donate at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/urology-30





Medical Detection Dogs

We all know how popular a cause the Medical Detection Dogs are. We recently received notification of the 100th dog placement – a remarkable achievement for the scheme. Given the continuing interest from our members in the MDD we have a return visit planned for 2018 - see “Events for your Diary”



Celebrating our **100th** Medical Alert Assistance Dog placement!

Jackie & Trinity

“Since having my wonderful, adorable and remarkably clever dog, Trinity, my life has massively improved. I feel like I have been given a new best friend. She has truly changed my family’s life beyond belief, and more importantly, my life.”

Medical Detection Dogs
Patron HRH The Duchess of Cornwall
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Events for your Diary



- December 11th Christmas Meeting and Lunch, Chinnor Rugby Club
- February 12th Regular lunch meeting - Chinnor Rugby Club
- March 8th Visit to Medical Detection Dogs, Great Horwood
- April 7th PSA Testing Aylesbury
- April 17th Spring Quiz, Chandos Arms, Weston Turville

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