

Liverpool Women's Charity Newsletter

Keeping you up to date -Spring 2018





Fundraising for Gynaecology

Newborn Appeal Update Hewitt Centre Receives a Special Delivery



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Gynaecology



March saw an increase in fundraising and awareness for Gynaecology as a result of it being Ovarian Cancer Awareness month.

Easter Egg Tombola

When we advertised for Easter Egg donations, to hold an Easter Tombola to raise money for the Gynaecology fund, we anticipated a few generous donations from our supporters...

What we hadn't expected was the generosity of Lindsey Billington who brought an amazing 300 eggs, which had been donated by her friends and family.



We were also really grateful to the staff of Barclaycard, who also donated 50 eggs to the Tombola.

With so many eggs the Tombola took place over three, days instead of the intended one, and raised over a fantastic £800 for the Gynaecology Unit Fund.

Thank you to everyone who donated and took part in the raffle.

Team Gynae Half Marathon

Team Gynae took part in the Liverpool Half Marathon in order to raise money for the charity Cancer Research Fund



Team members Sian Taylor, John Kirwan, Rob Macdonald, Penny Robshaw, Elaine Carden, Chloe Logue, Anna Soppitt, Dharani Hapangama Druvi Edirisinghe, and Louise Robertson conquered the event on March 25th raising a staggering £2,280.

Many supporters were ex patients who left messages such as:

"Good luck to the whole team! Thank you for looking after me in 2016"

"Good luck to you all and thank you for all my fantastic care I receive from you."

You can still add to 'Team Gynaes' total by visiting:

https://bit.ly/2GeBRzL

Newborn Appeal Knitting Update



Little Woollens



The Little Woollens stall is now permanently located in the Main Reception area.

We are still looking for volunteers to staff the stall on Tuesday's and Friday's so if you can help please get in touch.

Knit and Natter

Our next Knitt and Natter will coincide with "National Volunteer Week" on 31st May 2018.

Sadly we do not have the space to Invite all of our 300 knitting volunteers.

Invites will be going out soon and we ask that anyone attending let us know by 18th May 2018 at the latest. Unfortunately we will not be able to accept attendees after this date due to us having to confirm catering numbers.



Knitting prescribed on the NHS?

Recently ITV's "This Morning" ran an article suggesting that knitting may be prescribed on the NHS.

The programme stated that the hobby is, ' as relaxing as yoga, distracts from chronic pain and lowers the blood pressure...'

Lots of our Newborn knitters saw the article, with many comments being posted such as the one below.

"I've been knitting for the Newborn appeal for a number of years now, I'm still not very good! but I do my best and find it very therapeutic ②. My twin boys were born at the Women's, Ryan passed away when he was nearly 5 months old but Conner survived and is 19 years old and I am very proud of him."

Football Auction



The auction of our knitted Liverpool and Everton teddies ended on 6th April and we are pleased to announce that the result was

Liverpool £25.00 Everton £20.00 Thanks to everyone who took part.

Honeysuckle



The Honeysuckle Fund is used to support families who have experienced a baby loss.

Here are just a few ways that money is currently being raised for the fund.

Memorial Tree



Our Memorial Tree is located in the courtyard behind main reception and offers our patients a quiet place for contemplation.

If you would like to purchase a personalised lock for our Memorial Tree please visit http://socsi.in/WRAWW £5 from each lock purchased goes towards our Honeysuckle Team who support our bereaved families.

Our supporters have left us many messages about the tree including the ones below.

"I love visiting this tree when I go to the hospital. I always say hello to my boy and all his little friends."

"My Kendall Luke's lock, such a lovely idea to have this memorial tree ♥♥♥"

Wedding Favours



Here we have the lovely Hannah Medway who came in to the hospital to collect her Liverpool Women's Charity wedding favours for her big day.

Hannah and her soon-to-be Husband, James, chose to make a donation to the Honeysuckle Team in memory of Charlie, Katie and Alice Phillips by purchasing charity wedding favours for their guests.

We would like to wish Hannah and James a very happy future together and all the best for their big day in August!

Charity supporters learning of Hannah's donation left her messages of goodwill such as:

If you would like to enquire about purchasing wedding favours for your wedding, please contact fundraising@lwh.nhs.uk.

Neonatal



The Newborn Appeal raises money to provide research, services and equipment on the Neonatal Unit.

Scouse Bird Blogs



There were lots of selfies when Scouse Bird Blogs - Steph B visited the Neonatal Unit to meet the staff!

Steph has donated an amazing £3,100 through the sale of her Scouse Bird Diaries since 2017, supporting the services for the hospital's bereaved families and the care given to the preterm and poorly babies at Liverpool Women's Hospital. Thank you so much for your ongoing support, Steph

CCC Waste Management

On the 10th March CCC Waste Management held a Dinner Dance at the Hilton in Liverpool to raise money for the Newborn Appeal.

Although the final total is not yet known it will be in excess of an amazing £9,000

Thank you so much to Hannah Williams for all her hard work in organising the night and to Barclaycard in Kirkby for volunteering at the event and providing match funding.

Mother's Day

We are so grateful to our regular supporter Cheryl from The Body Shop at Home.

Cheryl always attends our fundraising events and is very generous in donating Body Shop items to help Liverpool Women's Charity.

In February we asked Cheryl if she could help with providing gifts for Mother's Day for the mum's on the Neonatal Unit. Cheryl didn't even hesitate and on 9th March she very kindly dropped off individual parcels for each mum.



Cheryl said "What I actually ended up doing was 3 samples to make a mini facial. Then I thought I would like to put a product in - the Lip Butters are £4.50 each so I thought I could do with a little help purchasing them. I put a post on my Customer Group to ask for a £3 donation - within 24hrs I had people donating between £3 and £10 and had enough to order 40 lip butters, I was really touched by the response."

A very big thank you to Cheryl and her generous customers from everyone at Liverpool Women's Charity.

You can catch up with Cheryl on her Body Shop at Home Facebook page here: http://socsi.in/OfoGT

Other News....



Pennies from Heaven

Approximately 83% of staff at Liverpool Women's donate the "spare" pennies from their wage slips each month, via Pennies from Heaven, to the charity General Purpose Fund.

Last year Liverpool Women's was awarded the Pennies from Heaven Gold Award. This year we have gone one step further and received the Pennies from Heaven Platinum Award.



The Hewitt Fertility Centre

In March The Hewitt Fertility Centre received a lovely visit from one of our past patients with their beautiful baby boy, Francis, who was soon to celebrate his 1st birthday.

Emma and her partner came with a donation of flowers, not just for staff at the centre, but to anyone who may be visiting; in the hope that they might be able to share in their joy, giving some comfort and reassurance to those who may be undergoing the same journey as they once did. Thank



Spree Books

Are you looking for ideas for the Summer? Dreading the cost of keeping the children entertained? Why not purchase the fantastic Spree Book?

With £1000s worth of vouchers saving you money on things like Liverpool City Tours, Legoland Discovery Centre Manchester, Nationwide Paintball and 34 "Kids Eat Free" coupons you are able to enjoy a fun packed Summer, without breaking the bank.

Spree Books cost just £10 each and £5 from each book sold is donated to Liverpool Women's Charity. All vouchers are valid until December 2018.

To purchase a Spree Book please contact fundraising@lwh.nhs.uk.



Future Events



Summer Fairy Fayre

Make sure you save the date for our Fairy themed Summer Fair, which will take place from 13th to 16th June 2018 in the hospital Main Reception.

From the 13th to 15th we will be holding a raffle and tombola as well as hosting stalls such as The Body Shop at Home, Liz Earle, Bomb the Bath, Bowden's Candles, The Book People and Crystal Box Gifts to name but a few.

However our busiest day is sure to be 16th when, in addition to the stalls, we will be having a BBQ, games, story reading and craft stall so that children can make their Father's Day gifts and cards.

For more information please contact fundraising@lwh.nhs.uk



Wirral Coastal Walk

Are you one of the thousands of people taking part in this years' Wirral Coastal Walk who are looking to undertake the event as a sponsored challenge? Why not choose Liverpool Women's Charity as your charity to raise money for?



This year the event is taking place on 24th June.

Start: Seacombe Ferry

Finish: Wirral Country Park Visitor Centre at

Thurstaston

Distance: 15 miles. Interim completion points at 4,

and 10 miles

How to Enter: Complete the Registration Slip on the Sponsorship Form and register on the day of the Walk. Sponsorship Forms can be obtained by clicking on https://bit.ly/2JvKBmU

If you require any further information about how to undertake this event for Liverpool Women's Charity please contact Fundraising@lwh.nhs.uk

Keep in Touch



If you, or somebody you know, works for a company that chooses a **charity of the year**, please ask them to nominate **Liverpool Women's Charity** and help us continue to enhance our patient experience.

Liverpool Women's Charity work closely with our corporate supporters as partners. It is important to us to ensure we build strong working relationships between all staff so that both the charity and the businesses involved enjoy a mutually beneficial experience.

Please nominate Liverpool Women's Charity in your workplace.

Here at Liverpool Women's Charity we are always available to talk to you about your fundraising ideas. Our role is to support you, in anyway we can, to achieve your fundraising goals.

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