

WINCHESTER BRANCH NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN 2020

GREETINGS

Life has certainly changed since our last last newsletter. We hope you all are coping as well as you can at this stressful time. The committee have enjoyed talking to all of you whom we were able to contact.

COMMITTEE

Sadly Lindy Bradly feels she must step down from composing our newsletter. We all thank her for the excellent and professional job she has done for many years.

I (Wini Meikle) shall attempt to fill her shoes. We wish you a happy retirement, Lindy.

David Mason, our treasurer for the past 17 years, has decided that retirement beckons. We shall miss David's very efficient contribution in keeping our financial records in such good order. We thank you, David, and wish you well.

We are pleased to announce that Bob Lane has volunteered to take over as our treasurer, effective in four to six weeks when David retires. Bob, a retired accountant, comes to the committee with a background in finance to keep up David's good work.

We always welcome new members to join the committee and bring in new ideas. If you think you might like to join us, please contact any of the committee members listed on the website (see below).

BRANCH WEBSITE

Our good news is that we now have a Winchester Parkinson's website with many thanks to our volunteer from Suffolk who generously developed it for us. Click on (or type into your browser) www.winchesterparkinsons.org.uk to view the new website. If there is anything that you would like to see on our website, please let me know. If you have any pictures of our meetings or events, please email them to me at wameikle@yahoo.co.uk and I will have them put online. More items will be added when we resume meeting.

COMMUNICATION

If you have any changes in your details (address, phone number, email) please let me know at wameikle@yahoo.co.uk or 01962 809676. Or if you no longer wish to receive correspondence from Winchester Parkinson's, please let me know.

If you have any concerns or would just like to speak to a friendly voice, please contact any of us on the committee. Details are on the website.

BRANCH ACTIVITIES

Unfortunately we still have to suspend our meetings and social events. We look forward to news from Head Office as to when we can resume our activities. Speech Therapy still continues. For further information, please contact Jean Gowland on 02380 261 996 or jeangowland@gmail.com

If you are in need of support please contact our local adviser through our national helpline Freephone 0808 800 0303 - Monday through Friday 9am to 7pm Saturday 10am until 2pm or email hello@parkinsons.org.uk

FUNDRAISING

Sam Evans, one of our Parkinson's members, makes lovely jewellery, pens and wooden objects for charity at no cost to himself. He is willing to sell his items for Parkinson's and will bring them when we meet again. They will be sold at 100% profit to Parkinson's. Samples of his work can be seen on our website under fund raising

Hannah

Congratulations to the Hone's granddaughter, Hannah, who ran 80Km on a hot day and raised over £900 for Parkinson's (£150 for our local branch and £750 for Parkinson's UK).

Harry and Charlotte

Congratulations also to Charlotte and Harry Scarff who ran 100Km for Parkinson's UK.

FINALLY

We look forward to contacting you with good news sometime soon. In the meantime, check out our great new website at www.winchesterparkinsons.org.uk

With best wishes

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