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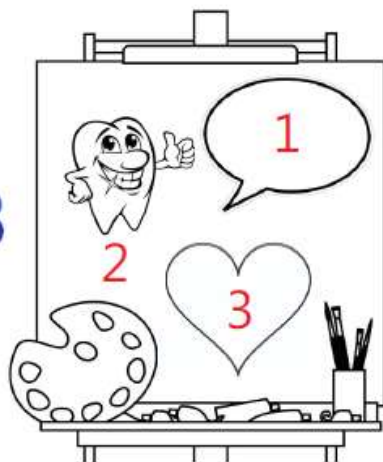
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY FOR 2018



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| ➤ September | Free Wills Month |
| ➤ 27 September | Education Lecture |
| ➤ 11 October
7 pm | Dine Around the World
Spice Garden |
| ➤ 20-21 October
10 am – 4 pm | Art Exhibition
St Andrew's Prep School Gym |
| ➤ 17 November
10 am – 12 pm | Christmas Coffee Morning
St John's Parish Hall, Meads Street |
| ➤ 13 November | Quiz, Fishermen's Club, Royal Parade |
| ➤ 28 November
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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Since my last report the Friends' 70th Anniversary celebrations have dominated this quarter. On April 27 we held a dinner at All Saints Chapel. Those who are old enough will know this was part of the old All Saints Hospital before it closed, but the chapel, as a listed building, remained after the redevelopment of the old hospital site. The dinner was attended by trustees of the Friends, people who have been involved with the Friends in the past and many of the donors who have helped our fundraising. The chapel was a beautiful setting for this dinner with excellent food and service. A further celebration was held on the



10 May when HRH Princess Alexandra visited the hospital to unveil a plaque to celebrate the Friends' 70th anniversary where she met volunteers, trustees, and donors. She also saw the CT scanner the Friends bought last year for the Radiotherapy Unit. Some

readers will remember Her Royal Highness opening the Eastbourne DGH in 1977. I was only a medical student then, who didn't know where Eastbourne was, so clearly don't remember the opening! She was delighted to see how the hospital had changed for the positive since 1977.

The fundraising for our three major projects this year is going well and should be completed by the end of the Friend's financial year at the end of August. Thank you all, volunteers and fundraisers, for your huge contribution to this. We will soon be looking at our major project for the next financial year.

In May, we enjoyed a fascinating talk by Anita Smith, Speech and Language Consultant at the Eastbourne DGH, whose department we are fundraising for. Our thanks to Anita for giving up her time and for a great talk, which the audience all enjoyed.

Lastly I will end by doing my usual by celebrating one of our volunteers. Mo Stephens is a great example of a Friends' volunteer. She has been an integral part of the remade card team for many years. She is the first to arrive at our sorting meetings and generally the last to go. She then sets up her production line at home and makes the most beautiful cards that you see on sale in our shops and at the open gardens. Not only that but Mo can be seen every year leading the team of waitresses at the Cream Tea. A true example of a very versatile and valued volunteer.

Harry Walmsley

GRAND DRAW

This year the first prize of £1,000 went to a lady who spent £100 on tickets, to thank staff for the care that her husband had recently received at the Eastbourne DGH. We would like to thank them and everyone who bought tickets over the last few weeks and months helping us to raise approximately £3,360 before expenses.

The Friends would like to thank Caffyns for sponsoring the printing of the tickets and to the many local businesses who donated some amazing prizes. We would not be able to hold this annual fundraiser without their very generous support. To see a full list of supporters please go to: www.friendsdgh.org.uk/events/grand-draw-affle-2018.

We would also like to send a heartfelt "thank you" to all of the volunteers who gave hours of their time to sell tickets in the foyer and at our events and to all those members who returned the tickets that they received in April's magazine.

Debbie Wicks

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BARN DANCE

It was a hot night for our Barn Dance at Carter's Corner Farm on Saturday 30 June but the guests filled the barn with their dancing and merriment despite the heat.



Caller, Tony Dunn from the band Ded Effnik, did a fantastic job of teaching and co-ordinating the dancing, getting everyone up on their feet to have a go. Not every group managed to master all the steps (or indeed tell their left from right!) but none of this mattered as everyone threw themselves into the

dances with gusto, lots of laughter and much hilarity.

Lisa and her team from Swine Dining, who had been at the farm from 8 am cooking a delicious hog roast, provided a very tasty and welcome meal at the interval. Longman Brewery donated 60 bottles of beer for the event, which were a welcome treat for some of the guests. Donations from the Co-op Horsebridge and Sainsbury's Hampden Park helped to maximise profits and the evening raised approximately £2,150.

We would particularly like to thank Heather and Nigel Harper for hosting the evening and to everyone who came along, danced the night away and helped to make the evening such a success. Final thanks go to Gill Woolley, Heather Harper and Cathy Lock for organising the event and all the volunteers who helped on the night.

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The tea was a real treat, thanks mainly to Rosemary Cameron and Anji Fellows, who supplied us with her very tasty Pimms. Thank you to Michael Phillips and Tim Lock for doing the raffle and Cathy Lock for all her help. Rob Wicks, who was balancing the draw by playing as a woman, raised a further £26 by asking for donations for him to play in a skirt during the second half of the event.

We would like to thank Eastbourne Engravers for the lovely medals, David Salmon for the modern picture for our Christmas auction and for all the kind donations. The event raised £870 towards our trio of projects. Harry Walmsley gave a brief talk to the players at the interval for tea and explained the equipment that the Friends are purchasing for the different departments this year.

The winners after a very valiant final were Nick Simmons and Elaine Taylor (on left in picture) and the runners up were Ann Sweet and Rupert Shaw.

Bo Phillips

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At the time of writing we are just over half way through this year's open garden season and what a successful season it is becoming. We have mainly been blessed with very favourable weather so the gazebos and umbrellas have been needed for the sun and not the rain.

As always, our visitors have not let us down. They have been able to enjoy a wide selection of different gardens, in very varied locations, both town and country. We would like to thank all the garden owners who have so generously opened their beautiful and interesting gardens for us helping to raise money to support our hospital.



But these successful and enjoyable days do not just happen. The Friends would particularly like to thank Gill Woolley and Heather Harper, who work tirelessly throughout the year to put the programme together. We must also thank the committee and all the volunteers who are not only present on the day, but do so much towards such an important part of the Friends' annual calendar. From nurturing plants, making cakes, moving essential equipment, to putting out direction signs, there is so much that goes on it is difficult to include it all.



We would love to hear from people who would like to get involved with the team for next year. The programme generally runs from around mid-May to mid-July and the gardens are open on Wednesdays. Even if you can only offer half a day, or would only be available for some

weeks, you could still become a useful member of the team. If you would like to find out more how you could help, please phone the office or call in for an informal chat.

There have been quite a few items of lost property handed in at the gardens this year, which are being held in the office. If you think you may have mislaid something please give us a ring. We will hold on to these until the middle of August.

There will be a full report on the amount raised at the gardens in the October edition of Hospitality and photos of each garden will soon be on our website. Once again, thank you for your support this year.

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We have signed up as one of the charities to benefit from the Eastbourne Borough Council Lottery – when you buy your tickets you have the option of choosing a local charity who will then receive 50p from every £1 ticket sold. There are weekly draws with the chance of winning prizes of up to £25,000.00. See the advert on page 9.

The FoEH has been chosen by Waitrose in Eastbourne for their Community Matters green token scheme in July. This is where customers can choose one of the three charities of the month to support. Please pop your token in the Friends slot next time you are shopping there.

Debbie and Sue

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

You may have been bombarded recently with communications concerning the new Data Protection regulations (GDPR) that came into force at the end of May. The Friends have a Data Protection policy notice which is available on the website, or can be sent in the post on request.

The Friends are very lucky to have the support of Ulrica Delaney from Right at Home Care Agency, who generously volunteers her time to visit local groups to give presentations on the Friends. There are a variety of different talks that can be given, which can be tailored to suit the audience. Do get in touch with the office if you might be interested in Ulrica coming to talk to your group.

Have you ever wanted to visit the Pevensey Court House Museum, Pevensey's former Court House, Gaol and Town Hall, dating back to Tudor times? We have been offered the opportunity of guided tours of the museum, to benefit the Friends. If this is something that appeals to you and you would like to find out more, please advise the office by 13 August 2018.

Debbie and Sue

SPRING COFFEE MORNING

We had a wonderful sunny day on 17 May for this event, which, due to a recent house move, was held at our new house in Compton Drive; a great relief for those who had experienced parking problems in Summerdown Road in previous years.



It was a happy morning in the sunshine, with stalls selling cakes, books, plants, jewellery, hand painted cards, silk scarves and a wonderful raffle. Thank you to everyone for their generous support, and you may rest assured that every penny raised will be thoughtfully used.

Our wonderful volunteers and supporters helped us to raise a record £1,539 on the day, plus another £318 which was realised from donations of bathroom stall items for the Cream Tea in June.

Rosemary Cameron

THE FRIENDS 13th ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION

St Andrew's Prep School, Meads 19 – 21 October 2018

This year the Art Exhibition will be held one week earlier than usual to coincide with St Andrew's School's earlier half-term holiday. We are once again enormously grateful to the Headmaster, Mr Gareth Jones, for kindly agreeing to lend us the school gym to display the paintings. The gym is very spacious and well lit, making it an ideal venue for the Exhibition.



Last year 74 local artists entered a total of 306 pictures, 24 of which were sold over the weekend helping to raise a record £4,300 towards the Radiotherapy Unit. If you or any of your friends would like to exhibit and sell your work,

please contact the Friends Office on: 01323 438236 for an entry form. There is a small hanging space fee and a donation of 20% of the selling price of any picture will go towards supporting the Eastbourne DGH and our Trio of Special Projects for 2018. There will be a huge variety of subjects and media, all created by local artists, so do come along and enjoy a magnificent display of paintings.

We are delighted that Josie Tipler, a well-known local artist, has agreed to give a painting demonstration on the Saturday afternoon, October 20 at 2 pm. Please come early to get a good seat.

We look forward to welcoming you and your friends to the Autumn Art Exhibition on 20 and 21 October from 10 am – 4 pm. Entry is free.

Ann Caffyn, Art Exhibition Organiser

A ROYAL VISIT BY HRH PRINCESS ALEXANDRA



The 70th anniversary celebrations culminated in a visit on the 10 May from HRH Princess Alexandra, who unveiled a plaque commemorating 70 years of support by the Friends to the hospitals of Eastbourne. This is now displayed outside the new Friends

office in the corridor leading from the main entrance foyer. This was a return visit to the DGH for Her Royal Highness as she officially opened the hospital back in 1977.

During her short visit, HRH Princess Alexandra was given the opportunity to see the CT scanner, purchased by the Friends, that is now in use in the new Radiotherapy Unit. She was then introduced to a number of donors, supporters and volunteers.



As she left, Past President Ann Caffyn presented the Princess with an arrangement of fresh flowers, in a Sussex trug, that had been created by volunteers in the Flower shop.

It was an afternoon that was enjoyed by all who were present. We would like to thank the many staff here at the DGH who were so helpful in ensuring that everything ran smoothly, especially those in the Day Surgery Unit who allowed us to take over their space for the day.



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We were so lucky to have such beautiful weather for the afternoon of our Cream Tea and Summer Fair last month enabling us to welcome so many friends to browse through the stock books etc. for the stamps they were looking for.

Because I had some very interesting, collectable postcards, I decided to make a feature of them and I was able to sell quite a few.

The stall raised £307.00, so please accept my very grateful thanks for your lovely donations. There wouldn't be a stamp stall but for you.

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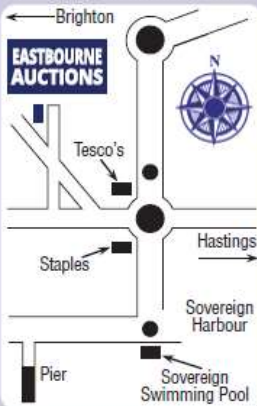
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Wednesday 28 November 2018 at 2 pm

Eastbourne District General Hospital – Lecture Theatre, Education Centre, EDGH

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 22 November 2017
- 3 Chairman’s Report for the year 2017/2018
- 4 Hon Treasurer’s Report for year ended 31 August 2018
- 5 Election of President and Officers
- 6 Election of Trustees, Re-election of retiring members
- 7 Appointment of Hon. Solicitor
- 8 Appointment of Auditors
- 9 Guest Speaker – DGH Consultant (to be confirmed)
- 10 Any Other Business

FoEH NOMINATION PAPER FOR ELECTION TO OFFICE

Officers are subject to election and re-election annually. The Trustees are subject to election and then re-election tri-annually. For the current list please see page 4 of Hospitality.

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Nominations, complete with a brief CV, must to be returned to the Secretary of the Friends of the Eastbourne Hospital not later than Friday 28 September 2018

TRUST NEWS

Following the recent FoEH celebration of their 70th anniversary, the country is celebrating the 70th birthday of the NHS on 5 July. This much cherished national institution has, over its 70 years, been at the cutting edge of many technological and medical advances. During the lifetime of the NHS average life expectancy in the UK has increased by 20 years, with many people now living a long and healthy life compared to the early years after the end of WWII. At Eastbourne DGH we have a display of 70 years of the NHS locally and a giant birthday card for people to sign.

Work to install the latest advanced diagnostic equipment to transform the pathology laboratories at Eastbourne DGH and Conquest Hospital has now been completed. The new equipment is part of a £10 million, seven year contract with Roche Diagnostics Ltd to provide some of the most advanced pathology equipment available. The pathology laboratories have been significantly upgraded and refurbished into large open plan spaces with new modern robotic analysers and equipment. This is helping to speed up tests, minimise errors, manage increasing demand and reduce costs.

The CQC published the results of a survey conducted last year that reflects the views of inpatients treated in the Trust's hospitals, as part of a national survey of patients. For almost three out of four questions asked, the Trust was better or equal to the national average. The survey highlighted strengths in the offering choices of food to patients and that more patients feel they are being consulted about the quality of care received compared with the previous year's survey. Whilst we are pleased that the survey showed some areas had improved from the previous year, we acknowledge that there are a number of areas where improvements can be made in our patients' experience and we are looking at ways to address these issues.

Eastbourne DGH was the first in the UK to prescribe a new endocrine drug called Natpar, a recombinant parathyroid hormone. The drug replaces a hormone for people with a rare condition called Hypoparathyroidism reducing the need have to take calcium and vitamin D supplements.

Thanks to the Friends for your support and donations over the past 70 years which have benefited so many local people. Thank you for your help in contributing to the future success of the NHS locally.

Simon Purkiss

FUNDRAISING NEWS

The Friends have recently received £4,000 from the Tesco Bags of Help programme at local Tesco Metro and Express stores. Lucie Clark, the Community Champion at Tesco Metro, suggested that we apply to be part of the scheme where customers can vote for one of three community projects. We were delighted to receive the most votes, resulting in the generous grant that will go towards our fundraising for a Fibre Optic Endoscope, one of our trio of special projects for this year. Our thanks to Lucie for telling us about the scheme.

John and Mary Carden continue to work tirelessly collecting and sorting bottle tops and recently presented the Friends with a further cheque for £125 from the recent sales. They have now saved almost 18 tonnes of plastic from landfill.

Southern Combination Football League donated £600 to the Friends raised from a fun bingo game at their Annual Presentation and Dinner in June. Gill Conlon, a volunteer in the shop, put the FoEH forward to be the recipients of the donation following the game. Thank you to Gill and her husband, Chris, for suggesting the Friends as beneficiaries.

At a very well attended evening at Kings Church recently, three branches of the Voices Choir from Pevensey Bay and Eastbourne held a fundraising concert and donated the proceeds to the Friends. An impressive £1,668 was collected by our Chairman, Harry Walmsley, who thoroughly enjoyed the singing.

June Tickner, who collects and sells stamps, postcards and now coins on behalf of the charity, has now raised a total of £40,000 over the last few decades. We are so very grateful to June for everything she does to support the Friends and for all her hard work.



Billy Wilkes, a member of Chatsworth Masonic Lodge, donated £600 to the Ophthalmology Department in April (pictured left). This was generously match-funded by the Sussex Masonic Charities resulting in a donation of £1,200 towards equipment for this very busy department.

In the first quarter of this year we have received £142 from Recycle4Charity. This is the result of all the inkjet cartridges and old mobile phones that you have recycled to benefit the Friends – keep it up!

Debbie and Sue

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70th ANNIVERSARY DINNER

On a rather wet evening at the end of April the Friends were delighted to welcome around 100 invited guests to a celebratory dinner, in the wonderful setting of All Saints Chapel.

We would like to thank Mark Bird and his team for helping to create such a memorable evening. The guests enjoyed a three course meal, during which a slideshow of the history and development of the charity was shown.

Following the meal, the Friends' Patron, the Reverend Richard Jackson, Bishop of Lewes, gave a very entertaining speech, after which he kindly presented certificates of appreciation to major supporters. The groups and businesses from left to right in the front row are: Sussex Freemasons, PlanAHead, St Andrew's Prep School, Medi Tech Trust, etc Magazine and the Rotary Club of Eastbourne. In the back row from left to right are: W Bruford, Eastbourne College and Eastbourne Motoring Centre.



Sue and Debbie

MELODY KNIGHT

Last July Dr Walmsley mentioned in his Chair's report the hard work of Melody Knight, who for many years grew and nurtured plants for sale at the open gardens. We are sad to report that Melody died recently. Her legacy to the Friends lives on, as she specifically requested that her extensive plant collection should come to us. We would like to thank Helena Koral and Pam Bell for their great assistance with this.

Melody was a very special lady who will be greatly missed.

Sue Duffell

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CREAM TEA AND SUMMER FAIR

This year's event was well supported by our members, visitors and volunteers and raised £3,200 on the day. This was only possible thanks to the generous support we received from local businesses and the fantastic volunteers who worked so hard to ensure that our visitors had a splendid afternoon. We would like to thank Dan Langham and Surridges for sponsoring the advertising for the event.



The teas, with delicious scones provided by Shades Bistro and cakes donated by our talented supporters, raised £1,063.50 meaning that we sold one more cream tea than last year! Guests were entertained by local singing groups Melodie and Scarlet Impact. Our thanks

go to Pam and Alan for organising the entertainment and for helping with the event. John McCutchan, from Arlington Bluebell Walk and Farm Trail, once again lent us tea pots and milk jugs and the 2nd Pevensey Guides helped clear tables during the afternoon. We were very well supported this year by local supermarkets and businesses and would like to mention the Co-op Cornfield Road, Tesco (Hampden Park, Langney and Lottbridge Drove), Morrisons (Eastbourne and Seaford) and Sainsbury's Hampden Park, that between them supplied all the jam, cream, tea, coffee and lots more, to help make the afternoon a success.

The Summer Fair, with a collection of our favourite stalls, was busy with visitors who started buying before the event had even opened. Ann and Bruce on the book stall sold over 200 books and the Bathroom Stall sold almost all of the stock that they had brought. Our thanks go to



to Flowers Green Plants and Boreham Mill Nursery who surpassed themselves this year donating trays full of beautiful flowers for the stall and Hillier's Garden Centre donated a beautiful planted pot.

We had some lovely new volunteers join our team this year and we are very grateful to them for their support. Next year we would like to recruit a few volunteers to come along at the end of the day for an hour to help clear up. If you are interested please let us know in the office. Our thanks go to all of our amazing volunteers for their hard work and for giving up a summer Sunday to help raise money to support the Eastbourne DGH; we are, as always, extremely grateful to you all.

Debbie Wicks



Clockwise from top left:

Southern Combination Football League Cheque Presentation * Firle Open Garden
The Art Exhibition Group at the 70th Celebration Dinner
Barn Dance * Elaine Browne and Mo Stephens dance at the Cream Tea