

HOSPICE NEWS

December 2019



Merry Christmas



From all of us... To all of you

Welcome from the Chief Executive

I cannot quite believe we are at the end of a year- it's flown by and once again we seem to have had a busy year and achieved on so many fronts.

Fundraising haVE delivered some great events that have really tested our small team. Our Light up a Life celebrations, Glow Walk and Winter Ball all highlighting great effort and income for us.

Retail has certainly had a winter sprint, with new shops in Barton, Crowle and Thorne opening and Epworth, Gainsborough and High Street Scunthorpe set to open in January/ February 2020.

Best Wishes to you All, wishing you a very happy Christmas and healthy New Year!

Karen Griffiths



Wind and rain threaten service but local church comes to the rescue

Lindsey Lodge planned to hold its second evening Light up a Life Service in its new memorial garden around its Light up a Life Tree, but strong winds and heavy rain meant the venue was deemed unsuitable.

Following checks on Tuesday morning Lindsey Lodge Hospice's Fundraising Team was left with a difficult decision whether to cancel the event and disappoint supporters, or find an alternative venue. But a little Christmas magic was sprinkled when Old Brumby United Church came to the rescue.

The Hospice contacted Church Leader Laurie Holtby at Old Brumby United Church, where it was holding its Carol Service the following day, and home to the Rotary Club of Scunthorpe's Festival of Christmas Trees, which is being held in aid of Lindsey Lodge, who agreed to hold the service there.

Lindsey Lodge Hospice Chief Executive Karen Griffiths said: "With music provided by our choir Hospice Harmonies, The Salvation Army Band and Praise Group, and Piper Danny Fleming, along with readings and prayers from our Hospice Chaplains our supporters filled the church with a very special Christmas spirit, to create a magical evening, which we will never forget!"

She added: "Our 2019 Light up a Life campaign has raised a staggering £10,000 for the Hospice, and we truly could not have made this happen without the support from our local community, so a heart-felt thank you to everyone involved!" More [here](#)



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Jill and John's birthday celebrations give Lindsey Lodge £500 boost

A huge Hospice thank you to Jill and John Perry who generously donated £500 to Lindsey Lodge Hospice after their joint 80th birthday celebrations!



Jill is a very active volunteer here at Lindsey Lodge and we are extremely grateful to her for all she does and for choosing to donate this money to us after asking for donations in lieu of gifts.

We now have 200 Dementia Friends

We have now achieved 200 #DementiaFriends!

The 200th Dementia Friend was Dr Sadia Javaid, one of our GP trainees. Well done to our trainers Sally and Karen and to all 200 Dementia Friends.



Lindsey's Meet and Eat opening times

For the next few weeks Christmas comes to our Lindsey's Meet & Eat Restaurant at the Hospice, which means our opening times will differ to usual. Find out more [here](#)



Please donated your used stamps this Christmas!

'Tis the season for Christmas cards and parcels in the post so please support Lindsey Lodge Hospice by donating your used stamps at our Reception, or any of our retail outlets and we'll recycle them to receive valuable funds to support the patients and families in our care. Thank you!



Thank you to APM Commercial

APM Commercial, Marie Gilboy and Steve Gilboy for raised a phenomenal £4,000 for Lindsey Lodge in memory of Rachel Dawson. The money was raised through 'The Lowes Twins Charity Golf Day' which raised £8,000 in total, with half being donated to Lincoln County Hospital Neonatal Unit. Thank you for your incredible support!



Big hearted anglers raise over £8,000

Big hearted anglers representing Phillips 66 Humber Refinery in Immingham have raised over £8,000 in aid of Lindsey Lodge Hospice over the past 12 years. Friends and colleagues of John Parker held their first fishing match in 2008. Read more [here](#)



Thank you to Sealsalt Gainsborough

We'd like to say a big thank you to Sealsalt Gainsborough for choosing us as their charity of the year in 2019. If your business is interested in choosing us at your charity of the year for 2020, please contact our corporate fundraisers via llh.corporate@nhs.net More [here](#)



Ladies lunch boosts funds

A big thank you to Esther Kirk, Viv Coult, Pat Brooks and Lyn Fish for organising a Ladies Lunch at Normanby Golf Club, which raised £430 for Lindsey Lodge Hospice! The ladies are planning further lunches in the future as well as afternoon tea with carols.



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Brigley House Christmas lights are shining bright

We called in to see Brigley House Christmas Lights and were amazed! Don't miss out on this fantastic festive experience! Lights are on every day from 4pm until 1 January. Many thanks to everyone involved for supporting Lindsey Lode Hospice. Full details [here](#)



1,522 children turn into elves for Lindsey Lodge

Eight schools and 1,522 children have taken on their very own Elf Yourself Run this Christmas! A big thank you to Bottesford Primary School, St Lawrence Academy, Scunthorpe C of E Primary School, Oakfield Primary School, St Lukes Primary School, Althorpe and Keadby Primary School, St Hugh's School and St Bedes Catholic School for their fantastic support.



Messingham Supporter Group raise £8,500

Our Messingham Supporter Group presented Lindsey Lodge with a cheque for £8,500, which they have raised between April and November 2019. Thank you so much for the incredible continued support!



BRR Law donate festive hamper

A huge thank you to BRR Law for donating such a fantastic hamper for us to raise funds over the festive season!



We've launched The Apprentice Challenge

Have you been watching #theapprentice? Why not take on the Lindsey Lodge Apprentice Challenge, find out whether or not #yourfired or #yourhired and help raise vital funds for the #Hospice. All you have to do is £30 into as much money as possible in just 30 days. #apprentice



600 Elves to take part in our Elf Yourself Run

We have a sell-out event of 600 people of all ages who've signed up for our Elf Yourself Run. Their mission will be to help Santa get all of his presents back to his sleigh, as well as picking ups some special clues along the way. They will be followed by runners taking part in Rudolph's Revenge. Please show them your support if you're at Normanby Hall on Sunday 22 December!



Young offenders make and donate Christmas wreaths

Here are some members of our fab Fundraising Team saying a big thanks to North Lincs Council Youth Offending Team for visiting us to donate #Christmaswreaths made by young offenders



Birthday fundraising raises £205

Thank you to Angela Coxon who raised £205 for Lindsey Lodge as her dad was cared for here last year. Angela raised the money with a bucket collection at her birthday party, thank you! special!



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Five year old Joshua raises £65

A big Hospice thank you and well done to five year old Joshua Ives who raised £65 for Lindsey Lodge! He asked parents from his school to donate any unwanted toys, collected them and then sold them at Brigg Christmas Market.



Light up a Life Christmas Carol Service

Thank you to Mayor of North Lincolnshire Cllr Jonathan Evison, everyone at Old Brumby United Church, students from Priory Lane Community School, the Elderberries Choir and all of our wonderful supporters who made our Light up a Life Christmas Carol Service so special!



Tina braves the shave

We would like to say an enormous well done and thank you to Wellbeing Patient Tina who braved the shave here at the Hospice, raising over £400 for Lindsey Lodge!



Frances wins Dennis Nash painting

Congratulations to Frances Blades who was the lucky winner of a beautiful painting donated to the hospice by the much renowned artist Dennis Nash. Dennis has created another piece which is now in our hospice reception waiting to be won! If you would like to take part, visit reception and purchase a square for £1.



Scunthorpe Bowl raise £103

Danny Richardson, Duty Manager of Scunthorpe Bowl raised £103 for Lindsey Lodge Hospice with his Guess the Teddy Name game, thank you!



Meet Jackie, our new volunteer Registered Social Worker

Jackie Kelly is a new volunteer here at the Hospice who is a generically trained social worker. Jackie worked at Scunthorpe General Hospital for over 25 years over all disciplines. She then moved onto work in mental health for 17 years and became an Approved Mental Health Professional. Now retired, Jackie volunteers at the Hospice one day a week.



She said: "I wanted to volunteer as I have a wealth of knowledge on different physical and mental health conditions that may be useful to the Hospice. I deal with housing, maximising income and occupation (of time) and am looking forward to helping patients where I can."

Marathon Mark completes 80 mile run and Hell on the Humber

Only days after completing the Hardwolds 80 mile run from Hull to Filey along the Wolds the amazing marathon man Mark Morris completed Hell on the Humber on 7 December all in aid of Lindsey Lodge Hospice. If you are able to, please show him your support [here](#)



Thank you to all of our bucket collectors!

A big thank you to all of our festive bucket collectors, entertainers and to everyone who made a donation at Tesco Extra Scunthorpe.



Festival of Christmas Trees raise £5,500

We've been given a £5,500 boost after this year's spectacular Festival of Christmas Trees. This annual charity event, now in its fourteenth year, was held in aid of the Hospice by the Rotary Club of Scunthorpe over two weekends in December at Old Brumby United Church. It featured over sparkling Christmas trees, wreaths, and a whole host of musical entertainment. A big thank you to everyone involved!



Slimming World gives Lindsey Lodge £720 boost

Thank you to Roz Smith from Slimming World who raised an incredible £720 from a Christmas fundraising evening.



Hospice Harmonies hit the high note in 2019

It's been a busy year for our Hospice choir, Hospice Harmonies. The choir was formed in May by Senior Inpatient Nurse Karen Andrew. Their debut performance was at our Summer Garden Party, since then they have gone on to perform at our Christmas Fair, Light up a Life and they have also performed for our Wellbeing Centre patients.



Lindsey's Literary Litwits launched in 2019

In addition to the new Hospice choir, 2019 also saw the launch of our new book club for staff and volunteers, Lindsey's Literary Litwits!



Retail News

We're having a makeover!

Our Laneham Street store will be closing for refurbishment on Tuesday 24 December. Before it closes, please pop along to take a look at the sale and check out our new look in just a few weeks' time!



Regift your unwanted Christmas presents at our Retail Distribution and Donation Centre

If you're looking to donate any unwanted Christmas gifts this Christmas, or for all donations in 2020, please take them to our Retail Distribution and Donation Centre which is located at 34a Crosby Road, Scunthorpe, DN15 6SF.



You can still take donations to our shops, but if you are able, please drop them off at the Donation Centre instead, there is space for parking and drop-off there. Thank you!



Don't miss our January sales

Be sure to check out our 25% off sale across all of our shops from 2 January

2020. Find out the addresses of each shop [here](#)



New outlets progressing well

Work on our new two storey Lindsey's Pre-loved store and Wedding Loft at 126 High Street, Scunthorpe is well underway. We will prepare to open this new store by mid-January.



We will also open new shops in Epworth and Gainsborough early next year too.



From Monday 6 January 2020 all of our shops will open six days a week and have the same opening times

9am to 4.30pm

Spotlight on our Trustees

Our Trustees

Our Board of Trustees is responsible for the strategic direction and governance of Lindsey Lodge Hospice, ensuring we fulfil our objectives, and adhere to our vision and values.

It exercises guardianship of the Hospice's assets and resources, and ensures their effective management, control and use.



Andrew Horwich,
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Deputy Chair



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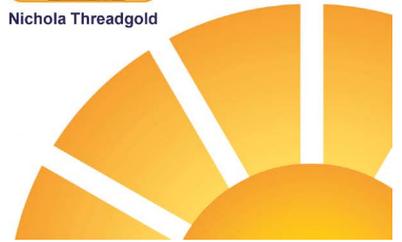
Nichola Threadgold



Dr Pat Webster



Pete Wisher



Spotlight on: Alan Bell



"Hi, I am Alan Bell and I have been a Trustee for over 2 years now and am also Deputy Chairman. I joined the Hospice after 6 years as a Non Executive Director of North Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust which was my first introduction to the world of healthcare apart of course from my own experiences.

I was a grammar school boy in Lancashire followed by Durham University and a degree in Geology. I suspect that I got into Durham more because they needed a tight head prop for their rugby team than any great academic talent! Later I did a course at Oxford University on business studies.

My career has been very varied, initially with BICC (now Balfour Beatty) whilst with whom I obtained electrical engineering qualifications. After that I joined a subsidiary of Hepworth Ceramic Holdings as Marketing Director but soon became Managing Director which at 27 years old was a bit of a challenge. My "claims to fame" with Hepworth are that I basically invented the electricity and gas meter boxes now outside just about every house in Britain and was largely responsible, back in the 1970's for the introduction of PVCu windows and doors into the UK.

After that I joined Bowater Scott as European Marketing Director working across Europe as Chairman of subsidiaries in 5 different countries. During this time I created several new businesses including in the UK, Bowater Zenith and Bowater Halo who are both still thriving.

I then went up to Scotland to help rescue an ailing chipboard business in Stirling called Caberboard. Whilst there we developed a product called MDF, unheard of back in the 1980's but now a well known and important sheet material.

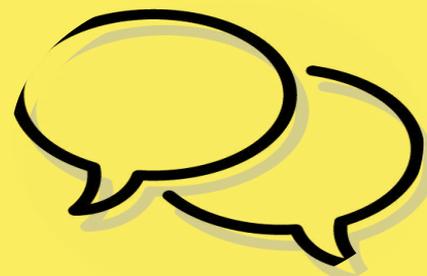
Then in 1988 I moved to Scunthorpe as Managing Director of a Spring Ram development on the Foxhills Industrial Estate. The two new companies up there, Next Dimension and Chippendale Kitchens did very well and led to me being appointed to the Spring Ram main board as a Chief Executive. After Spring Ram I was Chief Executive or Chairman, sometimes both, of a couple of other Stock Market quoted public companies before calling it a day and heading towards retirement with my own little company, Lincolnshire Kitchens based in Kirton designing, selling and installing kitchens, bedrooms and bathrooms.

My interests, apart from the Hospice include spending time with my lovely grandchildren, my 1711 farmhouse in the Snowdonia National Park, restoring classic cars and rugby union. I was President of Scunthorpe RUFC 2002/04 and am currently Commercial Director and Internationals Ticket Secretary.

In my 70's now I find volunteering at Lindsey Lodge very rewarding and of course it keeps me active and involved. There are a lot of very good people at the Hospice and it is a pleasure to work there."

Your Opinion Counts...

Thank you to everyone who takes the time to send us feedback by filling in our patient questionnaires, in our comments book, by post, or even via social media.



We thought we'd share a few with you so you can see—your opinion really does make all the difference to everyone at Lindsey Lodge Hospice!

Here are some recent examples of what you've said...

Hi rang tonight to a lovely lady on the phone who was so willing to help & support us on the passing of my lovely husband. I just want to say thank you millions & sending you all my love for what you do to help others. Bless you all.
xx

Thank you for the service last night. It was a lovely way to remember my Mum and Dad
I think the replacement venue was wonderful. Added a whole new dimension to the service.
(Light up a Life 2019)

It was a special evening thank you x

Beautiful service fab singers I really enjoyed it so many precious memories x

(Light up a Life 2019)

My mum was in the hospice on and off and looked after so well.

All the staff were incredible to mum and to us. But there was a nurse who mum really loved.

She made mum smile and made such an impact on us all. She went above and beyond for my mum and we will be forever grateful to her for making mum smile.

Looking forward to...



Christmas Treecycling January 2020

Register for our Treecycling service and we'll come and collect your tree between Monday 6 and Friday 10 January 2020. More [here](#)



Calendar of Events 2020

We've released our Calendar of Events for 2020! Click to [here](#) to find out what we have planned for 2020.



Jog on January January 2020

Turn those excess pounds you've gained over Christmas into cash for the Hospice in our month long virtual fitness challenge. More [here](#)



Tick off your bucket list in 2020 with Lindsey Lodge

We've put together an exciting programme of adrenaline-pumping, thrill-seeking, daredevil challenges, designed for people of all ages and abilities. More [here](#)



Christmas in the Hospice 2019



Thank you to everyone who is helping to make this a very Merry Christmas...





*Merry Christmas
& Happy
New Year*

From Lindsey Lodge Hospice