

# The Gloucestershire Chest Fund Ltd

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## Newsletter 1/2010

Dear Friends,

### Oh what a night!

On Friday 4th. December 2009 friends, supporters, Committee members and Trustees of the Gloucestershire Chest Fund joined together for an evening of food, friendship and entertainment. Debbie Walker and her mother cooked a supper of Gloucester 'Old Spot' sausages, mashed potatoes and onion gravy, accompanied by a glass of wine and followed by a programme of entertainment that was quite superb in both content and execution.

The Social Evening also provided the Trustees with the opportunity to present the certificate for the 2009 'Doreen Roberts Award' to Mrs Hilary Howe who has loyally supported the Chest Fund fundraising activities for many years

We also conducted the draw for the 2010 raffle and a list of the winning ticket numbers is enclosed with this newsletter



**Hilary Howe receiving the Doreen Roberts Award from Dr. Aranthkrishnan Raghuram**



**Terry Adams tastes the food with Debbie Walker keeping an eye on him!**



**Meanwhile, Edna Hannam keeps on selling!**



**The Catering Team  
Terry Adams (Unpaid waiter)  
Debbie Walker and her mother  
(Unpaid cooks but worth a lot!)**



**Some of the happy throng**



**Pat Dowling recruiting volunteers for a very busy 2010**

*Le tout ensemble! Dennis, Linda, Linda's lovely daughters, Joan Phillips (Accompanyist) and Linda's friend. All excellent musicians, wonderful entertainers and friends.*

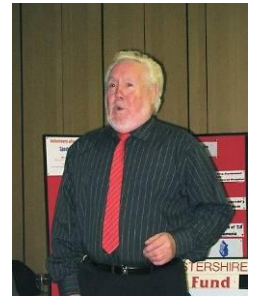


**Dennis and his family together with Joan and now Linda's friend have supported us magnificently. I think the family is wonderful (and Dennis isn't so bad either! Thank you all!**



*Dennis Johns sings a duet with daughter Linda.*

*Dennis Johns singing one of his solos to everyone's delight*



**What's News?**

*From a fundraising point of view the E.B.U.S campaign is hopefully reaching a successful conclusion. We have £84,000 we set out to raise. The progress with the N.H.S. administration is steadily moving to a point where we should soon have a date for the purchase and installation of the equipment but it is unlikely that any firm date will be available before April 2010. As soon as we have dates and decisions, we will progress.*

*Another successful event of 2009 was, without doubt, the stall in the Beechwood Centre in Cheltenham organized and run by Jo Astbury with a considerable amount of help from daughter Heather and son Matt.*



*Heather 'Service with a smile'*



*Heather with her brother Matt – they completed the triathlon with Simon*



*Heather with Pat Dowling,*

*We must now look forward to 2010's needs and activities. I know that one of our Senior Trustees has a sizeable project to place before the Board at the next Committee meeting which is late next month. We have therefore arranged a very busy year's fundraising activities. We do have some new volunteers but we still desperately need the help of our old friends and supporters. Please have a look at the enclosed list of activities and make yourself available for whatever you can. Please remember we cannot succeed without your help.*

**2010 so far**

*We ran a store collection at Tesco, Brockworth on 15<sup>th</sup>. and 16<sup>th</sup>. January which raised £319.17. Store collections are quite comfortable affairs these days because we collect inside the store and seated if we wish. No more aching legs or freezing hands!*

*Jasmine Pulley, the beautiful 19 year old who died last year from a serious asthma attack, worked at JKC hairdressing salon in Stroud. The management and staff ran a memorial promotion and have raised £1,200 which we will collect when suitable arrangements have been made.*

**Computers – can't live with them – can't live without them!**

*Unfortunately the hard drive on the office computer failed without warning. The records were, of course, all backed up but I've lost all the email addresses. May I ask all of you with email addresses just to send me a test email? I will then rebuild my address book.*

*Incidentally, with the spiraling cost of postage it would help our charity considerably if I could communicate via email. If you have an address and are happy for me to use it for Chest Fund communications please let me know at:*

*[gloschestfund1@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:gloschestfund1@tiscali.co.uk) or, if you prefer, at [ron.han@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:ron.han@blueyonder.co.uk)*

*We cannot ignore the progress that electronic communications are making in our lives so we may as well use it to save our favorite charity money.*

*We are always keen to learn of new ways of raising funds. If you have any ideas please let me know.*

*If you have children or grandchildren whose school adopts charities nominated by pupils each year please ask if they will nominate the Gloucestershire Chest Fund. I will be pleased to supply any information needed and, of course, provide necessary support.*

*Finally, I know it's sad but we cannot ignore the fact that none of us will live forever. Are you prepared to remember us in your will? Are you willing to have this charity nominated in lieu of floral tributes?*

*Thank you for your support and your friendship*

*Ron Hannam*

### **Winning Draw Ticket Numbers**

<b><u>Prize</u></b>	<b><u>Ticket Number</u></b>	<b><u>Taken By</u></b>
Bush television	0315	Jo Astbury
Sony Digital Radio	5483	Winner
Luxury Hamper	2588	Terry Adams
Cheltenham Race Day	5574	Jackie Dowding
Pantomime tickets	5569	Winner
House of Commons Whisky	2258	Winner
House of Commons Champaign	4569	Roy Lamb
Farmyard Kitchen Storage Jars	4325	Winner
Milk Tray Chocolates	4464	Ron Hannam
Olay Gift Set	1810	Winner
House of Commons Claret	2902	Bob Fletcher
House of Commons Pinot Noire	4716	Winner
Signed House of Commons Claret	2649	Ron Hannam
Deluxe Amber Passion Bath set	5114	Ron Hannam

### **On to next Christmas**

*The 2010 Christmas Social will be held at the St. Georges Church Hall, Court Road, Brockworth, Gloucester on **FRIDAY 3<sup>rd</sup>. DECEMBER 2010 commencing at 7.00pm.** May we please have the pleasure of your company at what has become a most enjoyable event.*

### **Now is the Time**

*If you have business friends who will donate goods or vouchers as prizes in the draw now would be a good time to ask them. If any of you have won a holiday that you do not wish to take, we may be able to use it. If you run a business (Garage, Hairdressers, Restaurant etc) would you be prepared to donate a service, perm or meal as a prize. Whatever you do we will appreciate and use to benefit Gloucestershire's hospitals.*

### **NEW EMAIL ADDRESS.**

**Our email address will change with effect from 1<sup>st</sup>. March 2010 to [gloschestfund@btconnect.com](mailto:gloschestfund@btconnect.com)**

*Please turn over* 



## 2010 Fundraising Events and Supporter's Availability

I will be pleased to help at the times indicated:

Feb. Sat. 27<sup>th</sup>. Store collection at  
 Tesco Stow on the Wold →  
 Mar Sat 13<sup>th</sup>. ASDA, Gloucester →  
 Apr. Sat. 10<sup>th</sup>. Rikenel Car Park →  
 Sat. 24<sup>th</sup>. ASDA, Gloucester →  
 May Sat 1<sup>st</sup>. Cirencester Street Coll →  
 15<sup>th</sup> Stroud " " →  
 June Sat 5<sup>th</sup>. ASDA, Gloucester →  
 12<sup>th</sup>. Gloucester Street Coll. →  
 19<sup>th</sup>. Shire Hall Car Park →  
 20<sup>th</sup>. Cheltenham Challenge  
 26<sup>th</sup>. Tewkesbury Street coll →  
 July Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Cheltenham Street Coll →  
 10<sup>th</sup>. ASDA, Gloucester →  
 24<sup>th</sup>. Sainsbury, Hempsted →  
 August 14<sup>th</sup>. Rikenel Car Park →  
 28<sup>th</sup>. ASDA, Gloucester →  
 Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>. ASDA, Gloucester →  
 Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>. ASDA, Gloucester →

8.00am – 10.00am	10.00am – 12.00pm	12.00pm – 2.00pm	2.00pm – 4.00pm	Name
N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	S.McKeever
N/A				
N/A				
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26 mile	Walk – will	You	Sponsor?	
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We operate store collections from 10.00am to 4.00pm. The car parks need to be covered from 8.00am.

As you can see we have a very active campaign planned but we really need your help to make it work. All store collections can be made inside the stores and seated if preferred. The car parks are also seated if preferred. The street collections will be sited to avoid inclement weather.

Please indicate the time segments you are prepared to cover.

**Thank you for your help**

**Please return your completed availability slip to the office or email me at [gloschestfund@btconnect.com](mailto:gloschestfund@btconnect.com) or [ron.han@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:ron.han@blueyonder.co.uk)**

Please use my personal email, if you prefer, to cover the period of change over to BT

*Ron Hannam*