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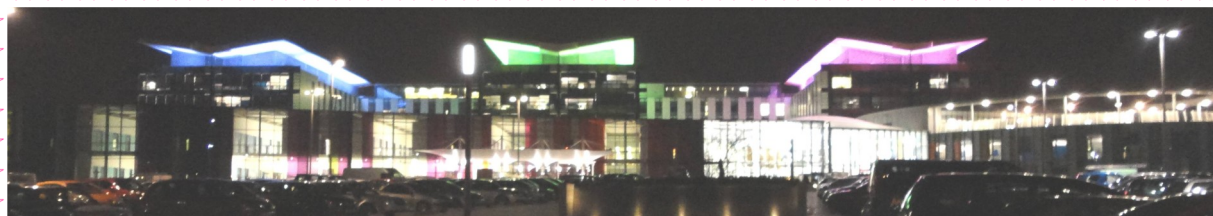
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working for local Breast Cancer Patients
at King's Mill Hospital since 1995

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AMAZON'S SPENDING IN 2018 INVOLVED . . .

COMFORT, CAMERA, CABINET . .

and . . . CAN SOMEONE SWITCH THE LIGHT ON PLEASE!



COMFORT: The Welcome Treatment Centre needed 20 new comfortable chairs for Carers who sit with patients while they receive their, often lengthy, treatments. The Amazons (pictured left) were pleased to buy them. The cost of over £2,500 was greatly helped by a personal donation of £1,200 from Gilly & Brian Hagen and one of £1,000 from Stanton Hill Co op. Pictured below is Stanton Hill Co op's Manager Tracy Chapman presenting the cheque at an Amazon "Tuesday Evening Open Support Meeting". A big "Thank you" to all those who supported those donations.



CABINET A safe place to keep clinical fluids over-night was needed in The Welcome Treatment Centre and the Amazons were pleased to provide it to help in the patient's safe pathway though their treatment.

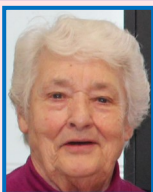


.. **CAN** the Amazons help to switch on a bright light with a new head-mounted lamp to be used in surgery? - once trialled, **YES**, we'll pay for it!

CAMERA Mr. Jahan, King's Mill's Consultant Breast Surgeon has received a £800 camera to link up with existing technology needed in his work with breast cancer patients at King's Mill.

AMAZON SPENDING IN 2019 ? TOMOSYNTHESIS is the way forward in breast screening. It is an imaging technique which obtains multiple X-rays from different angles which can be cross-sectioned and used to reconstruct 3-D images. Trials have showed increased detection rates of breast cancer (up to 40%) and reduction in having to recall patients. **Amazons hope to help fund it for local patients in 2019!**

THANK YOU FROM THE CHAIR



Once again it's time for me to report on another successful year for the Amazons, supporting & fund-raising for the benefit of local King's Mill patients — specifically breast cancer patients but gladly often others too.

Pictured right, in The Amazon Lounge, is Geoff, our Secretary, who has displayed the SFHT Staff Excellence Award we won in 2017. We are very proud of it & share it with everyone who made it possible.



2018 saw the forging of a close relationship with Stanton Hill Co op & becoming one of their adopted local charities. Their £1,000 donation helped towards the purchase of 20 Carers' chairs in The Welcome

treatment Centre &, as pictured above, we benefitted from a £370 donation when they had a fund-raising stall at The Ashfield Gala, Skegby. We are able to promote our Charity in store & they are continuing their support throughout this year. We say a particular "thank you" to store manager Tracy who has been so very helpful.

We again accepted an invitation from Mr. Ali Jahan to the AGM of The Breast Service Multi Disciplinary Team. The meeting was very informative. Our Breast Services are already the 5th best in the country & the Team is moving forward to introduce new techniques, expanding the service and creating a centre of excellence which will provide greater patient choice in an area of high demand.



As pictured, we were introduced to the newest member of the team, Mr Wisam Ismail, Consultant Oncoplastic Breast Surgeon, a much valued new addition.

My heartfelt thanks to all our supporters and fund-raisers, past, present & future. Our main project for 2019 is saving towards the new Tomosynthesis technology & helping where ever else we can within The Breast Services.

A BIG "THANK YOU". Bless you all, *Beryl Perrin*



To make contact with the Amazon Breast Cancer Support Group
Telephone 01623 622515 ext. 3884

and speak to Nurse Specialists

Gill Clark, Yvonne Lisseman-Stones, Lisa Rahn & Carolyn Bennett. Or contact us on "facebook"

Open Meetings are

the second Tuesday of each month, except August
7.30pm to 9.00pm in the Amazon Lounge,
Clinic 14, Women and Children's Centre, King's Mill
Please just turn up, with a partner or friend if you wish.

BE (A)WARE! -WE'RE AROUND

RAISING AWARENESS and funds with banners badges wrist bands & newsletters!



..in Stanton Hill Co op, twice, raising **£240!**



..in King's Mill's "King's Street" for Volunteers' Week



..in the Xercise4 Less Gym with member of staff Tiffani Whitchurch (second on the right) who raised **£280** for us in Liverpool's Half Marathon!



..in King's Mill's "King's Street" in May & December with Tombola & newsletters . . .

- raising awareness & chatting to visitors & patients.
Their generosity raised **£345** as well!



Want more information about us?
visit www.amazonsgroup.org.uk

and www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk and use the link "get involved"
- and now Amazon Breast Cancer Support Group is on "Facebook" and "JustGiving" for people wishing to donate.

4 ANNUAL AMAZON FAVOURITES - don't miss this year's!

2018 FASHION SHOW

Kath, pictured left, held her "Complete Clothing Company" fashion show for us at The Hosiery Mills Social Club, Sutton. There were free nibbles, a bar, raffle, free prize draw for a Teddy with wine and great fashions to buy. A big **thank you** to models & supporters. The event raised a fantastic **£776!**



HUNTER'S RACE NIGHT 2018



Named to honour one of the Amazon founder members, Liz Hunter, the event at Skegby's Triple S Club included free nibbles, a Super Lucky Dip, a bar, 2 free prize draw "bears with booze", an auction of guitar & quilted Advent Calendar & a raffle.

Terry Wiseman hosted the night brilliantly; Janet, Claire & Keith did a great job on the Tote (right) & the supporters raised a fantastic **£1,584!**



IDLEWELL'S TOMBOLA 2018

In October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we had our Annual Tombola & Awareness stall in Sutton's Idlewells Precinct. We exchanged lots of conversation & info, gave away Newsletters & sold badges. The event raised **£251!** A Big **Thank you** to all helpers & Lily's Cards for balloons!



2018 CHRISTMAS FUDDLE

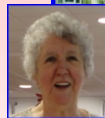
..just like our other Monthly Open Meetings but with more food! It was great to share a festive evening with friends.



HERE COME THE HEROS — OUR SUPPORTERS ! We couldn't do without them



John & Sharon Cooper's 2 evening garden parties raised **£365 & £442** this year — that's more than **£2,000** since they started supporting us. **Huge thanks to them & the friends & family who supported them!**



One of our regular supporters, Julie Marriott, couldn't go on her second holiday this year to the **Cambria Hotel**, Paignton but the Hotel & friends still raised another **£300** to add to the **£150** raised on the first trip. **Thank you Julie, Cambria & friends!**



Davinda Livingstone is a long-standing Amazon and a regular supporter. This year, at a monthly Open Support Meeting she presented the Charity with a cheque for **£200** from "birthday" money. **"Thank you" Davinda.**

Still Knitting — still fund-raising!



Some of the “Knitting Nannas” came once more to an Amazon Tuesday Open Support Meeting and this time presented the Charity with a donation of **£1,970!** They had produced & sold hundreds of brightly-coloured knitted miniature chicks and rabbits containing mini Easter Eggs as far afield as Norfolk. What a cracking effort! They even sold chic chicks at our Fashion Show. **HUGE THANK YOU, NANNAS**

BIG THANK YOU's TO BREAST UNIT RECEPTION STAFF & PAULA & STAFF AT "LILY's" CARDS FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT OF OUR CHARITY.

Rachel's NO couch potato !

Having an Amazon as a close family member, Rachel Street took on the challenge of running The Manchester Marathon to raise funds for our Charity. Her sponsored donation was a fantastic **£1,010. Thank you Rachel** — you deserve that medal!



GREAT NIGHTS AT “THE VIC” CLUB

Saturday night entertainment was interrupted at Huthwaite's Victoria Club when the Amazons were presented with donations of **£260 & £330** from the families & friends of Peter Booker and Eric Sykes & Natalie. **Thank you** to them, Gary & Denise Waring at The Club & Jenny Chambers for helping.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GOLDEN GIFT !



To celebrate **50 YEARS** since her treatment for breast cancer, Jean Hoof hosted a “Line Dancing Evening” at The Victoria Club. The music was given for free & the event included a lovely buffet, raising **£470** which Jean presented at the Amazon's Open Meeting! **THANK YOU!**

K/M Breast Care Specialist Nurses met Mansfield Fire Fighters for photos for a fund-raising calendar, depicting fire service life, after one of their female colleagues at the Station received treatment in the Breast Unit at K/M.



Forthcoming Events 2019: 1) Amazon Fashion Show, Wed 20th March 2019 Hosiery Mills Club, Sutton. 2) October “Breast Cancer Awareness” stall and tombola in the Idlewells Precinct, Sutton. 3) Hunters Race Night, Fri. 15th November 2019 Triple S Club, Skegby

“Thank you” to the **fund-raisers** who have supported The Amazon Breast Support Charity and to the people who have made **personal, group and family donations** to help local breast cancer patients at King's Mill Hospital during 2018 (some of whom have used “Just Giving”). Also an especially big “thank you” to our wonderful **Professional Breast Care Team** at King's Mill.

FROM THE AMAZONS, A VERY BIG THANK-YOU TO ALL OUR MANY SUPPORTERS. WITH YOUR HELP, WE CAN HELP.