



Welcome to the Buckden and Little Paxton Surgeries Patients Association- September 2018

As a patient registered with the Buckden & Little Paxton Surgeries, you are a member of the Surgeries Patients' Association (BLPSA) which exists to support the surgeries in their services to you. By the time you read this there will be a new committee in place. There will be a list up in the surgeries so you can see who has been elected.

In July we had a stall at the Buckden Village Fete. With a lot of health information on hand to distribute, it was an opportunity to have conversations with people to tell them what we were about. We also had an article in the Buckden Roundabout that we were invited to submit as a result. Hope you saw it!

On a warm evening in September Dr Newark's talk on *The Benefits of Research in General Practice to Patients, Practices and the Wider Population* at Buckden School was well received by an audience of around 40.

### **Diary Dates**

Our Christmas Coffee Morning will be held from 10.30-12noon – date and venue to be confirmed. We look forward to welcoming you and yours to the start of the festive season.

You will have noticed that there are defibrillators situated at points around the village. To maximise the impact of this vital provision, the BLPSA will offer training in the spring so that you will know what to do should the occasion arise.

**Date and time to be confirmed.**

### **Fundraising**

We do some **fundraising through the 200 Club**. It is our main source of income and this year we bought new phlebotomy chairs for the surgeries.

To join the **200 Club** contact

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### **Voluntary car scheme**

Do take a look at the excellent feature on the scheme in this newsletter. It will tell you more.

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