

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

A happy and healthy New Year to you all!

I'm very pleased to report that in spite of icy weather our **Christmas Coffee Morning** attracted around 50 hardy people, including the Healthy Walkers group. We enjoyed a range of delicious goodies from the vegan to totally inclusive fare made and donated by our members. The event was free but donations added £100 to the coffers. Our thanks to the Methodist Church for hosting us.

Our **latest purchases** for the surgeries bought through our fundraising activity have been new phlebotomy chairs. The chairs for each site are now in use.

The book trolley managed by Jean Matheson and the reception staff at Little Paxton raised $\pounds 47$.

Our main fundraising is done through the 200 Club. A small investment can make you a big winner!

To join the 200 Club contact

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A note from patient Pam Dodman:

Voluntary car scheme

This provides transport for patients who need it to keep appointments at the surgery. Thanks to the new volunteers who came forward from Buckden and Little Paxton. However, the demand is still high and we always need more drivers particularly from Little Paxton. A locally based driver would bring the cost to Little Paxton patients down to £2 per journey. Having a Buckden-based driver makes it more expensive (£7). So if you would like to help, can spare an hour occasionally and have a car do get in touch. Pam Dodman is the coordinator and will tell you more.

Contact her on 01480 812880

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As a patient registered with the Buckden & Little Paxton Surgeries, you are a member of the Surgeries' Patients' Association (BLPSPA) which exists to support the surgeries in their services to you, our main aim is to help to meet non-clinical healthcare needs and other issues which may impact on you as patients. We are a friendly, all-inclusive group and meet 4 times a year.

Every year our committee, officers and members, have to stand for re-election at our AGM. We are always looking for new members that could represent our community as widely as possible. Could this be you? Or maybe you feel you have a particular interest or skill to contribute from time to time? If you would like to know more do give me a call. See contact below.

If you'd like to know more, please do contact me, I look forward to hearing from you:

Flora Sheringham, Chair, Tel: 01480 811189 f.sheringham@btinternet.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Easter Cuppa Thursday 29 March 2018 Little Paxton Surgery High Street Little Paxton 1.30-2.45 All Welcome to this FREE event

Annual General Meeting Tuesday 25 September 2018 7p.m.