



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

A note from Chairperson, Flora Sheringham:

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. Although we do some **fundraising through the 200 Club**, our main aim is to address, where we can, your collective non-clinical healthcare needs and all manner of issues which may affect you as patients. We are a friendly, all-inclusive group and meet 4 times a year.

While we have a viable committee **we are always looking for new members that would be representative of our community. Or maybe you feel you have a particular interest or skill to contribute?**

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

Autumn 2018 – There will be an open meeting where Dr Newark has agreed to explain some of the research projects currently running at the surgery. Many patients take part in research projects through the surgery and it will be interesting to see how this participation feeds into the national picture.

Date and venue to be confirmed.

A disappointment for us was the **Easter Cuppa on Thursday 29 March 2018.**

There was tea in many varieties and a selection of goodies lovingly prepared for the gourmet and those on special diets but only **one** brave Little Paxton Resident to sample their delights! We had hoped to meet more of you.

If you have ideas about events you'd like in Little Paxton, we'd be interested to hear how we can help – please let me know.



The book trolley in Little Paxton, managed by Jean Matheson and the reception staff raised £50. Thank you!

Voluntary car scheme

This provides transport for patients who need it to keep appointments at the surgery.

Thanks to the volunteers from Buckden and Little Paxton. Pam Dodman manages this service so well and she says demand remains 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).

You do not need to have any extra insurance to become a volunteer driver however; you should let your current insurance company know.

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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200 Club

All patients registered at Buckden and Little Paxton are eligible to join the club for an annual fee of £12, payable in March.

Draws take place quarterly during first week of June, September, December and March.

A list of Prize winners is displayed on notice board and in Buckden Roundabout.

Each draw the prizes are:

1 x £100 and 4 x £25.

June bonus prize £10

December bonus £200

Please contact Sheena Wilkinson on the details below for further information as we are 29 members short this year.

To join the **200 Club** contact

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