



St James Liver Transplant Support Group

Leeds

Meeting Report

Saturday 20th September 2014

The meeting was chaired by Leena and assisted by Dave

Apologies were received from Tony & Pauline, Tam, Hazel, Mandy, Carl and Angela and Janet

Welcome and introductions were made

Items from the agenda:

News from the ward. The wards have now been informed that they will be staying in situ. This had been under discussion for some time. Nikki Keep, the ward manager has some plans for the ward. She will keep the group updated. One of the projects will be the redecoration of the day room of which the support group have been given donations specifically for this and will support. Another project is to negotiate with Hospedia who provide the patient line tv/phone service to provide cheaper tariffs for Ward 83 patients in particular those in side room/isolation and long term patients.

Importance information regards contacting the hospital. Patients should contact the **Appointment Line** on **0113 206 4478** to change or cancel appointments and not the ward. There is currently a high volume of calls coming through to the ward that should be for the Appointment Line.

Christmas lunch has been arranged by Leena and she has sold approximately 40 places. Seating for the function is limited to 100 places so she requested that members let her know as soon as possible if they wish to go. Deposits are due now and the full amount is due by 1st November. Details of the Christmas lunch and methods of payment have been sent by e-mail and general details can be found on the group website at www.stjamesltsg.org

Leena would like members who are going their choices as soon as possible from the menu.

A Feedback form has been created by Janet for group members to let us know how we are doing. Janet, Leena and Dave would really appreciate your feedback as to what you think about our group and how we may be able to do things better or get involved with its organisation. A copy will be circulated soon via e-mail, Facebook and on the website which can be completed electronically and return to Janet for collation.

These forms were distributed at the meeting

Next year's Leeds meetings are to be held at the Thackray Museum Meeting rooms. Dates are yet to be confirmed and will be circulated soon. Costs for catering at the Cookridge centre had escalated as had the parking prices. These are much better at the Thackray

Information on Michelle Travis fundraiser in Blackpool – Michelle is raising funds for the St James LTSG and St James Hospital. She is hosting a Winter Wonderland Charity Ball on Saturday 6th December at the Hilton Hotel North Promenade Blackpool FY1 2JQ arrive for 7pm. Tickets are £30 and include a 3 course meal and entertainment. For more information please contact Michelle on 07969 590845. Michelle will be creating an event shortly on Facebook.

Other items of discussion

Patricia's wool ball request. Patricia and her mum have been knitting baby ware to raise funds for ward 83 at St James. They have raised £570.00 todate but are running low on their supply of wool. If any members or friends of members have any balls of wool they no longer require could you please save them and contact Patricia via e-mail at P.hainsby@virginmedia.co and she will arrange a convenient time and place to collect the wool.

Travel insurance details, Bill advised members to check the details that are held at doctors and insurance companies regarding applications for travel insurance. He has had experiences that have revealed that doctors and companies have wrong details recorded when he has checked them.

Bill held his Leeds signed team shirt raffle and a white ticket 126 to 130 won. This was claimed at the meeting on behalf of the winner Andy Nuswift. Bill thanked everyone for their participation and would let us know the full amount when he has collated all sources of collection.

Sue had taken the Ice Bucket Challenge and donated the £5.00 raised to group funds.

Marie passed on a donation to group funds of £150.00 that had been received from her grandchildren, Shelly, Mark, Daniel, Leanne, Ryan ,Milly and Oliver. Each had donated a small amount from their Granddad's inheritance.

Informal discussion and the raffle then took place. The raffle raised £55.00.

The meeting closed at 1pm.

The next meeting will be at Salford – 1pm on 18th October 2014

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Any questions about the above? – Drop me an e-mail at above address – your feedback is helpful and informative – Dave

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