

Press Release

King's Lynn, 1st April 2010

The chicks ruled the roost!

Councillor Christine Earnshaw, Mayor of Hunstanton, opened the proceedings at the Norfolk Hospice's Spring Coffee Morning, which was held in the Beach Park Pub, Snettisham this year due to refurbishment work currently taking place at the Hospice.

Director of Fundraising, Dianne Rowe, said, "We are so grateful to Sandie and Dick for allowing us to hold the event in their pub. It was an ideal venue and everyone who came had a really good time. Star attraction was our Director of Care, John Hunt, who donned a chicken outfit and clucked his way around the stalls, dancing with unsuspecting members of the public and chasing excited children! He became known as Mr Chick as there was a 'chick theme' to the morning due to the incredible 284 knitted chicks, which had been made for us to sell. These were produced by patients, volunteers, supporters and staff and proved very popular as they were stuffed with chocolate eggs - an ideal Easter gift."

Mr Chick pulled out the winning Spring Clean Draw tickets and the Dyson Rollerball (first prize) was won by one of the Hospice Volunteer staff who was manning the Tombola. Many of the other prize winners were also present so went away very happy!

Tricia Temple-Crowe brought the Yours King's Lynn Leadership Team with her to present the Hospice Chairman, Tessa Scott, with a collection they had made on Lady Day in lieu of the association's Ground Rent. They also presented a single rose, which was symbolic of the rose which is usually presented instead of the rent.

The event raised over £1,200 for the ongoing work of the Hospice.

The photo shows The Mayor of Hunstanton and Mr Chick admiring the choc-filled birds!

If you are interested in volunteering for the Hospice or joining the Hospice team to run in the 10k Bepak Great East Anglia Run in King's Lynn on Sunday 3 May call 01485 542891 or visit www.norfolkhospice.org.uk, for more details.

Photo opportunities available
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Notes to editors:

Since 1984, The Norfolk Hospice, Tapping House, has been providing palliative care to people with cancer, neurological and other life-limiting conditions, to enable them to live life to the full for whatever time is left.

Our services include: holistic day care, home hospice support, bereavement support for families, regular carer support groups, transport, equipment loan and an information service.

The area we serve is large and covers West and North Norfolk, neighbouring parts of the Fens in North East Cambridgeshire and the borders of South Lincolnshire.

We care for over 200 people a month at the hospice and at home. Our care is provided without charge, and it costs £1 million a year to run our Hospice. We depend on the generosity of the community to survive: 85% our costs are paid for by the individuals, organisations and groups who give generously to support our vital care. We are a Registered Charity, with reg. no. 1062800.

In life nothing is certain but, with your help, we can ensure that we continue to provide the finest hospice care possible, now and in the future.

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