

Jesus Hospital Charity Newsletter

Summer 2024

Dear Everyone,

It feels a bit ambitious saying it looks like summer is here, currently 30 degrees as I write, knowing that by the time this newsletter is printed and delivered to you it will likely be cold and rainy again. Ah, the Great British summer!



Early this summer we held the second annual gardening competition. The Gardening Sub-Committee along with the gardeners and myself visited each site and graded them against each other. The overall result has shown an improvement even over last year's competition. As this will be an annual event, you may want to start planning now what you will do in the coming growing season in 2025.

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We have also received results from the second annual Ladies' Survey. Overall results are quite positive. There were some constructive comments, and we will see how we can incorporate them in how we work. We note there were some suggestions of other days for the Coffee Mornings. We will look at possibly rotating days, having a couple days per month and having a standing schedule so we will know well in advance the dates for the year. All will be revealed once a plan is completed.

The office renovation at Union Street is coming along and we hope to return sometime in September, fingers crossed. At a later date we will have an official re-opening of the office space and

invitations will be sent out for you to join us on that special day.

In this newsletter you will read a bit about the great work Adam and Cliff are doing across the sites. In Adam's article, you will get a sense of the responsibilities he has and the timelines he works to. It will give you a clearer picture of how lucky we are to have the ability to quickly respond to repairs you wouldn't get in the private sector.

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You will also read about the upcoming Summer Trip which we hope as many of you as possible can attend, it should be a great day out.

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We also welcome three new trustees joining Jesus Hospital Charity. Our new trustees are Patrick Fromant, Ros Daitshell and Jackie Peacock. Each will be joining a sub-committee or two and will likely be out and about. Hopefully you will meet them at some of our events over the year.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and we look forward to seeing you soon,

Ryan

CEO

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**We would like to invite you
to...**

**Jesus Hospital Charity
Annual Summer Outing**

**TUESDAY
10 SEPTEMBER 2024
A DAY AT SOUTHEND
ON SEA**

Fish and Chips Lunch

**The coach will depart from:
The Odeon Barnet
9.00am**

**&
Ravenscroft Lodge
9.15am**

**Please can we remind you
to
R.S.V.P.**

**by
FRIDAY 23 August 2024
If you have not already done
so, please advise if you will
or will not be attending
also, of any dietary
requirements**

**Jane: 07932 643 466
vo@jesushospitalcharity.org.uk**

Please see insert for itinerary

Out of Hours Contractors
****Please note these numbers
are for emergencies only****

**ELECTRICIAN ~ DAVE KEOGH
07860 627 678
HEATING ENGINEER /
PLUMBER
GARY BROWN (HEAT GB)
07961 363 196**

If Dave or Gary are not available
or for any other emergency

Please call: **IDCC**
01923 268 123

Quoting:
Jesus Hospital Charity

BIRTHDAYS

JULY

5 ~ Ruby Dale-Jones
11 ~ Margaret Burke
13 ~ Frances House
15 ~ Lesley Chapman
22 ~ Ruth Byford

AUGUST

13 ~ Linda Rostron
17 ~ Linda Morton
20 ~ Joyce Baynes
26 ~ Liz Rose

SEPTEMBER

11 ~ Cliff Richardson
17 ~ Kathy Love
19 ~ Soheila Bahktiara
22 ~ Mary Moore
30 ~ Bryan Hewitt

OCTOBER

1 ~ Margaret Flowerdew
2 ~ Madeline Seaman
10 ~ Donna Menzies
15 ~ Eleanor Murray
19 ~ Frances Bennett
20 ~ Shan Davis
22 ~ Frances Westall
30 ~ Beth Mahon



JHC GARDENING
COMPETITION
2024

Once again ... Well done to all of you who entered the gardening competition.

The Gardening Committee, Ryan, Robert & Bryan visited all the sites on Friday 7 June and had just as a difficult decision as last year.

The three categories were ...

Overall Winner

Most Improved

Most Creative

WILBRAHAM'S & PAGITT'S

Overall Winner: Analida R Angel



Most Improved: Patricia Cullinan



Most Creative: Frances Bennett



All from Wilbraham's



GRASVENOR AVENUE
Overall Winner: Maria Santos



Most Improved: Margaret Burke



Most Creative:
Margaret Flowerdew



POTTERS LANE
Overall Winner: Lesley Chapman



Most Improved:
Christine Moore



Most
Creative: Jo Whitehead



WOOD STREET, GARRETT'S
&
COE'S ALLEY
Joan Henkell ~ Coe's Alley



Most Improved: Donna Menzies &
Joyce Baynes ~ Garrett's



Most Creative:
Beth Mahon ~ Wood
Street



Commendation:
Soheila Bakhtiari ~ Wood Street



CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL...

Hi there,

I have been asked to give some insight into the work I have done since starting in September 2023.

My workload had been high as has the demand for my skills. With Cliff, JHC's part-time handyman, we have completed many jobs around the sites.

My first job was a full refurbishment of 68 Wood Street, including refitting a total new kitchen.

I then completed works that Harry had started on the Potters Lane Compound to make it presentable and useable as an office whilst the renovation works proceeded at Union Street.

This involved levelling the hall floor and laying a nice dark grey tile effect lino. I fitted a plaster board ceiling as only roof rafters were on show and had the walls painted white instead of bare brick. I then proceeded to turn a small storage cupboard into a second lavatory for the ladies along with ensuring the Compound was fit for purpose.

Co-ordinating with Jane, we managed to make a smooth transition from Union Street to Potters Lane, resulting in bright new offices and facilities to temporarily relocate to.

Along the way, Cliff and I have fitted a new 150-metre fence at Potters Lane along the boundary line. Very hard work considering the tree roots and uneven ground....but all came together very well in the end.

I have had three bathrooms refurbished on two sites and Cliff and I have completed renovations to a vacant cottage at Grasvenor Avenue.

The rear entrance to Potters Lane by the garage was made secure with a new trellis fence, also giving the area a

general tidy and removing a large ivy plant.

The garage has been turned into a lock up for the gardeners. This involved erecting a stud wall and having a new door built into the brick wall.

This has again come together very well and has proved useful to the gardeners.

Maintenance, repairs and call outs crop up daily and can range from anything like unblocking drains, to dripping taps lock issues, window and doors not shutting or topping up the pressure on boilers to name but a few.

Following on from the recent energy efficiency report, Cliff and myself are working on reducing energy consumption. We have changed all the light bulbs in the cottages and have started replacing loft insulation and draught excluders where needed.

On top of this we are working through the defect & maintenance reports for the two larger sites. We have started work on pointing, hoppers and gutters, path repairs and so on and so forth.

Our current project is renovations to all front doors at Potters Lane. Over the years these have started to look very tired, so we are rubbing down, filling and repainting doors, where needed. This will hopefully give the whole site a face-lift.

Wood Street and Garrett's doors will follow on from these.

I try my best to keep everyone happy but I hope you appreciate that sometimes there may be small delays, although health and safety issues are dealt with as a matter of urgency.

I am thoroughly enjoying my time at JHC and hope this has given you a little insight into my daily duties and ongoing work around our sites.

Adam, Handyman

NOTICEBOARD

Prevention and Wellbeing Drop-in

**High Barnet
&
Underhill**

Support, Information and Advice

**If you are a resident, business,
volunteer, or a community
group, come along and talk
about your community.**

The Stable Café

1st Wednesday of the month

**Find out how to improve your wellbeing
Get involved in your community or start
something new**

**Ask about what services are available
Share your ideas to improve health or
bring people together**

**The Stable Church provides Free Soup
& Bread Lunch, hot drinks & cake**

**Location: The Stables Cafe,
The Stable Church, EN5 4JP
Time: 10.30am – 1.30pm.
Dates: 07/08/24 & 04/09/24**

The Rainbow Centre

2nd Thursday of the month

**Food Bank
&
Information and Advice**

**Location: The Rainbow Centre
Dollis Valley Dr, Barnet, EN5 2UN
Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm
Dates: 08/08/22 & 12/09/24**

preventionandwellbeing@barnet.gov.uk

**Prevention and Wellbeing
Coordinator in Barnet Adult Social
Care, for High Barnet, Underhill &
Barnet Vale**

Call: 07729 074681

High Barnet Good Neighbour Scheme

**Offer transport for medical
runs, shopping, gardening &
prescription collection.**

**Contact Diane
020 8441 5678**

The **Puddenecks** *Club*

Help for Older People

COFFEE MORNINGS

**First Friday of every month at 10.30am
Wesley Hall, Stapylton Road
(Behind The Spires)**

Dates:

6 September

4 October

1 November

6 December

For more information:

**Contact Neil Todd on
07795 010 574**

EXERCISE CLASSES

Class 1

**Every Tuesday at 10.30am
Wesley Hall, Stapylton Road
(Behind The Spires)
No classes in August**

**To find out more and if there is
availability:**

**Contact: Bryan Harrison on
07939 246 857**

Class 2

**Every Thursday
St Stephens Hall, Bells Hill, Barnet**

No classes in August

**To find out more and if there is
availability:**

**Contact: Jack Williams on
0208 363 1537**