

Charity Champion Awards



As part of our Annual General meeting, the Norfolk & Norwich Hospitals Charity held its fifth Charity Champion Awards, acknowledging and thanking everyone who has supported our staff and patients by providing gifts and raising funds.

“Every single person who donates and supports our charity makes such a huge difference to our patients and staff,” said John-Paul Garside, Charity Director. **“Choosing winners is an impossible task as we are so grateful for every donation we receive – every one of our supporters means so much to us all here at the N&N.”**

Corporate Award: Car Shop, Norwich

Staff at the Car Shop raised more than £7,000 to support our Neo-natal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) from car sales and collections.

They’ve supported us for many years, following personal experiences.



Community Award: Alan Boswell Group Charitable Trust

As a result of personal experience of gynaecological cancer, Alan Boswell staff member Michelle Gant applied to the Group’s Charitable Fund to support the hospital, who donated £5,000.



Inspiration Award: Norfolk Rotary Clubs

The five Norfolk Rotary Clubs collectively raised £63,000 for the Boudicca Breast Cancer Appeal, supported by the Desira Group and East Bilney Coachworks.

Paul Constable, speaking on behalf of the Rotary Clubs of Norwich, said: “We attended the launch of the Boudicca Appeal in 2018 and were inspired by the former patients and their family members and the enthusiasm and strength of purpose of the breast cancer team.

“After this, Rotary in Norwich made the Boudicca Appeal their main charity for 2019. Not only did it galvanize the five clubs in Norwich, we also gained support from other clubs in Norfolk.”

They held a series of events, including a craft fair in Chapelfield Gardens, car raffle, quiz nights, sponsored walks, a charity ball and art auction, a Christmas tree festival and Colin Thackery concerts.



Covid Award: The Norfolk Thai community

During the height of the pandemic, the Norfolk Thai community donated thousands of meals to staff who were working around the clock to treat patients, which they co-ordinated with support from the local Buddhist temple and the many local Thai restaurants and residents.



Staff Award: Abigael Polley, Lead Radiographer

Abigael cycled 1,000 miles and raised almost £4,000, raising funds for a specialist chair for patients undergoing skin cancer treatment. Many of her current and past patients contributed to her fund-raising.

“Some cancer patients need personalised masks made for their skin cancer treatment and, due to mobility and breathing difficulties, this chair is more appropriate for their needs than the previous flat couch,” she said. “It’s fantastic to finally have the chair in place and already makes a huge difference to our patients.”



School Award: Buxton Primary School

Buxton Primary School raised more than £600 for our annual Send a Smile with Santa Appeal, which aims to give a present to each of our 1,000 patients on Christmas Day. In 2019, parents attending their four nativity plays generously donated to the appeal.



Young Person Award: Ethan Chapman

Ethan challenged himself to complete a 2.6 Tri Challenge in support of our Covid Appeal after being inspired by Captain Sir Tom Moore’s fundraising.

He ran, skipped and cycled 2.6 miles or for 26 minutes and raised more than £600.



Young Person Award: Jacob Gravestock

Seven-year-old Jacob raised £900 by walking, cycling and scootering the distance from Norwich to York Train Museum. “I wanted to raise money for the Weybourne Day Unit because they give my Grandad his palliative chemotherapy to help keep him with us for longer so we can make more memories,” he said. He chose York Train Museum as his “destination” because it’s a place he and his Grandfather loved to visit.



Young Person Award: Phoebe Davison

Nine-year-old Phoebe completed a sponsored walk up and down 1,300 of stairs – the equivalent of 15 miles - for our Covid appeal, raising £505. “I know that Coronavirus is affecting many families in lots of different ways at the moment and I wanted to help,” she said. “I told my Mum that I didn’t think I was helping much by staying at home and that I wanted to do more so I had the idea that I could raise money for the NHS even in my own home.”



Scan this QR code to hear more about what motivated our Charity Champions to raise funds for our staff and patients



Our Lottery is coming soon!

Soon you’ll be able to raise invaluable funds for our hospitals by taking part in our new N&N Hospitals Charity Lottery. It will launch in the New Year, with a weekly £25,000 jackpot plus many other cash prizes and, for every £1 entry, at least 50p will help us improve the environment, buy new equipment, provide extra care and support staff welfare at N&N Hospital, Cromer & District Hospital and the Jenny Lind Children’s Hospital. You can take part online or by post – more details coming soon!