



Reg. Charity No. 1111286

# Crazy Hats

*Breast Cancer Appeal*

**Supporting Breast Cancer Care In Northamptonshire**



# SUMMER UPDATE

**August 2018**

## **Dear friends and supporters of Crazy Hats . . .**

I hope this latest update finds you well and coping well with the hot weather. Life at Crazy Hats has, indeed, been incredibly busy and we have enjoyed a very successful few months attending many events, organising many events and meeting and welcoming many more wonderful, inspiring people.

Later this year we will be celebrating an amazing milestone in the 17 year history of the charity – we will have raised an incredible £3 million!!! To celebrate this achievement, we are planning a very exciting party (please put Sunday November 25th in your diaries!!) A very special ‘bumper’ newsletter will be produced to mark the occasion in which I will go into more detail of our activities.

For now, I want to concentrate on an event that is a first for Crazy Hats.

On October 18th we will be staging a

## **‘Thanksgiving Service’**

at All Saints Church in Wellingborough. (Poster and order form enclosed). This service is for anyone whose life has been affected by breast cancer; a service that brings everyone together in order to reflect, to give thanks and to remember. I do hope you will be able to join us. It will be a memorable evening. As there is no charge for this event we anticipate a high attendance, so please apply for tickets early as numbers will be limited.

## **Have you heard about our knitting venture?**

For the past few months people from across the whole of the UK have been knitting ‘pink bows’ – the uptake has been incredible and so, so encouraging. Our aim of this project is to raise the awareness of breast cancer and to encourage people in Northamptonshire to be breast aware; to attend routine appointments and to look after themselves. To do this we have created lengths of highly-visual bunting which will be displayed in as many outlets as possible across the county. It is not a fundraising activity but we hope it will



highlight the importance of Crazy Hats and the work we do to support patients and our breast care departments at KGH and NGH. Knitting will end at the end of August so if you are interested in getting your needles out please get in touch. If you know of any places who would display our unique bunting please get in touch.

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## What else is happening?

- We have a **new pin badge** (knitted pink bow!) coming out for October.
- Our **Bi-annual Grand Raffle** (cash and voucher prizes only) will be launched in September. If you know of any companies who would be willing to donate a voucher please let us know.
- A '**Dare to Bare**' group of our team have, in memory of our dear friend, Katie Scofield, produced a very 'different', high class calendar which will be launched on September 30th with ALL proceeds being split between Crazy hats and Cransley Hospice.
- We have new **support groups** running.
- Our **Ladies Who Love to Shop Evening** is back. (14th November)
- A coach trip has been arranged to go to the **Thursford Christmas Show**. (December 13th) Details to follow
- We will be in all the main shopping centres throughout October-  
**Breast Cancer Awareness Month**
- **Coffee & Chat sessions** will resume on Thursday September 6th
- This year's Walk raised just over £50,000 – well done and sincere thanks to 'everyone'. **Walk No. 17** will take place on Sunday May 19th 2019
- We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our  
**Thanksgiving Service**

