# Jesus Hospital Charity Newsletter Summer 2022



#### Dear

Welcome to the 48<sup>th</sup> edition of the JHC newsletter

We have had some very exciting changes at JHC

and plenty of activity to update you all with.

# Firstly an introduction from our new C.E.O. Ryan Allain.



Hello Everyone,

I'd like to thank those I have met thus far for the warm welcome to Jesus Hospital Charity. I have now been in post three months and still have a lot to learn, but I'm looking forward to the

challenge as well as working closely with the staff team and Trustees in ensuring the charity stays dynamic and looks after our ladies.

#### A bit about me:

I am Canadian, with an American accent. I was born in Toronto and moved just outside of Washington DC when I was twelve years old.

My first, real job was for four years with the US Army as a Personnel Specialist in Alaska. In that time, I got married and finished my undergraduate degree in Political Science and Sociology. After my service, we moved to Virginia, and I began working with single, homeless men and women. After that, I moved to a charity that helped raise funds through workplace giving campaigns for some of the largest international charities. I did that for three-years, but then felt the need to move back to working more hands-on in another homeless charity, this time one that worked with families.

In 2004, we decided to move to London as my wife is an Ealing girl and we wanted our children to grow up close to her family. My first job in the UK was for Age Concern Wandsworth as the Services and Development Director responsible for all the programmes and trust funding. Again, I felt a need to go back to my housing roots and supporting those suffering from homelessness. I worked at St Mungo's for six-years managing the older men's hostel as well as the semi-independent housing projects that included the "teenage mums and babies' unit". From there I moved to the Royal British Legion and was the Area Manager for London responsible for all the welfare, members and local engagement with the military and local Councils and London MPs. I used to joke I wore a Poppy lapel pin, daily, for nine-years. And that brings us up to the present in which I am the new CEO for this wonderful charity.

Outside of work I have many interests to include sports, reading, the outdoors and, obviously, family.

I am really enjoying learning more about the charity, the local area of Barnet and getting to know each of you more as we meet and talk.

I think I am quite lucky to join an organisation in which the Trustees are passionate and have a forward-looking view as to where the charity is going and ensuring the ladies, we support are at the heart of everything we do.

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## **MEET THE TRUSTEES**



Michael Crisp ~ Chairman
Michael has been a
JHC Trustee since
November 2017 and
became Chairman in
January 2022....
"I enjoyed our JHC

meet up on 29 June at Old Fold Manor Golf Club. It was an opportunity for some of the Trustees to introduce themselves.

Emerging from Covid we hope to reintroduce the Newsletter, a Summer Trip and the Christmas lunch. Please indulge us a little on the delay in re-introducing the Coffee mornings in Union Street whilst we carry out refurbishments and some alterations. We will have an enhanced meeting area to meet and resume the weekly coffee mornings.

Best wishes Michael [Crisp] Chair."

Barbara Taylor ~ Vice Chairman
Barbara has been a JHC Trustee since January 2015 and became Vice-Chairman in January 2022....
Barbara moved to



Barnet from Cheshire in 1975 with her husband Peter. Barbara has two children and four grandchildren. When she can find the time Barbara enjoys the theatre.

Since moving to Barnet, Barbara has been a member of Monken Hadley church where she is now the Churchwarden.

# **Cathy Cavanagh**

Trustee since September 2002

#### Malcolm Bye

Trustee since January 2009

#### Jan Hulme

Trustee since June 2010

#### Alan Mc Ewen

Trustee since June 2021

#### **Philip Cairncross**

Trustee since June 2021

#### Sarah Wombwell

Trustee since June 2021



### Julian Teare Nominative T

Nominative Trustee since March 2022 "Hi, I am Julian and delighted to have been made a trustee of JHC. If I can ever be of assistance, please reach out via Jane and I'll do my

best. All good wishes, Julian."

#### **Father Sam Rossiter-Peters**

Trustee since July 2022
Everyone is welcome to meet
Fr. Sam Rossiter ~
Peters, Team Vicar at
St John the Baptist
Church
Chipping Barnet

TUESDAY
SURGERY
6.30 ~ 7.30pm
In the
"Quiet Room"

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No Surgery in August Re start in September.



Tomb of Thomas Ravenscroft in Chipping Barnet Church

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## ANNUAL VISITS

The last time the Trustees visited was in October 2019!

They are looking forward to resuming their visits and seeing you

all.
DATES AS FOLLOWS

#### **Grasvenor Avenue:**

Monday 19 September From 10.00am

Wood St, Garrett's & Mary Ravenscroft, Coe's Alley:

Tuesday 20 September Morning from 10.00am Afternoon from 1.15pm

### Pagitt's & Wilbraham's:

Thursday 22 September from 10.00am

#### **Potters Lane:**

Monday 3 October Morning from 10.00am Afternoon from 3.30pm

#### Reminder:

Sadly, some of the residents' gardens are looking unloved.

Please ensure you keep your gardens well maintained.

Please do let us know if you are struggling with the upkeep of your garden

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Can we ask you politely to stop feeding birds, squirrels & foxes. We have had a huge increase in reports of rats

& mice across all sites and are having to use pest control far more often which is costly to the Charity.

We are delighted to have won an award at the Almshouse Association's Members' Day 2022 for the Gardens and People Award 2020 (delayed due to Covid).





## THE GARDENS AND PEOPLE AWARDS 2020

For charities that can show how they have enhanced the lives of their residents by providing gardening and/or outdoor activities.

Jesus Hospital, Ravenscroft Lodge, The London Borough of Barnet

The project included 7 single storey almshouses at an existing almshouse development with extensive external works and landscaping.

Each property has an area of flower beds for the residents to maintain and enjoy.



'CONGRATULATIONS ROBERT'

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SUMMER LUNCH
On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup>
June, Residents, Staff
& Trustees enjoyed a
Summer Lunch at Old

Fold Golf Club. This was the first JHC event that has taken place since the lock-down restrictions were lifted and we hope to continue with our usual events in the future. The food and service were superb, and we were entertained by the wonderful Angela Henckel with songs from some favourite West End Musicals.





#### **MONDAYS**

Chair Movement to

Music: Hope Corner

Community Centre, 185 Mays Lane,

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EN5 2DY.

10.30am - 11.30am. £5 per class.

To book call Wendy on

0208 432 1421 / 0774 187 7027

Email

wendy.nutman@ageukbarnet.org.uk

#### **TUESDAYS**

Flower arranging classes: Hope Corner Community Centre, 185 Mays Lane EN5 2DY.

10.30am - 11.30am. £5 a session. For details call Helen on

0738 4466 840

Email

helen.nicolaou@ageukbarnet.org.uk

#### **WEDNESDAYS**

Tai Chi: Restarts 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022 Annunciation R C Church, 4 Thirlby Road,

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2 - 3pm

Contact Wendy on

07741 877 027

Email:

wendy.nutman@ageukbarnet.org.uk

#### **THURSDAYS**

#### **Beginners Clay Pottery Class:**

Ann Owens Centre, Oak Lane, East Finchley N2 8LT 3.15pm - 4.45pm. Cost £20 for four weeks. Contact Helen Nicolaou on 0738 446 6840 Email: helen.nicolaou@ageukbarnet.org.uk

#### **FRIDAYS**

# Art class – sketching, chalk, pastel watercolour:

Takes place at Ann Owens centre in East Finchley 10 -12noon. £20 for every four weeks

For mor information call Teresa On 07502 989 403

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