



GUILDFORD AND SOUTH WEST  
SURREY VOLUNTARY GROUP  
NEWSLETTER

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Geoff Woolley and Rena Reilly in front of the Group noticeboard at CEDAR in memory of Hilda Woolley who did so much for the group for so many years.

**THANKS TO  
HASLEMERE  
ROTARY CLUB**

Thanks to the Haslemere Rotary Club who have just donated an amazing £1500 to the Group to be used locally and the Committee have been deciding how to make the best use of it.

The result is that one third will go towards research, another third towards a fund in Haslemere Health Centre who need an HbA1c machine and the other third to support the launch of the Royal Surrey Children and Young Persons Diabetes Support Group.

**NEW CHILDREN AND  
YOUNG PERSONS  
SUPPORT GROUP**

The Royal Surrey County Hospital is now working with over 100 children and young people with diabetes. A support group has long been needed. It is excellent news that the new Royal Surrey Children and Young Persons Diabetes Support Group is being launched in September.

They are off to a flying start with a launch picnic at St Peters Comprehensive School, Guildford on Sunday 24th September.

The Group's own newsletter will be sent to all 100 families in a few weeks time, outlining the aims of the Group, giving details of the launch picnic and will also include a questionnaire asking what people would like from such a group.

If you would like more information, email Jackie Lipinski at [jackie@lipinski.co.uk](mailto:jackie@lipinski.co.uk) or Jo Burrows at [jo@mcs1.wanadoo.co.uk](mailto:jo@mcs1.wanadoo.co.uk)

**A WALK IN THE  
PARK**

Email from Akmal Gani

'Just a quick note to say I took part in the Walk in the Park 2006 in Farnham Park on 18 June with my daughter. Between us we raised £167 for Diabetes UK.' (Well done, both of you. Editor)

Meetings are held on the first Monday of every other month.

**Our venue for meetings is CEDAR, the Centre for Endocrinology, Diabetes and Research, at the Royal Surrey County Hospital.**

Meetings start at 7.30pm. If there is a speaker, that part of the evening begins at 8pm.

If you come by car, parking for 2-3 hours is £2.50 in the hospital car park, but there are a number of parking places for blue or orange badge holders right at the back of the Centre. And staff car parks are quite empty at that time of day.

If you come by train, there are regular buses from the Station.

**If you have email?**  
Send me an email and you can have this Newsletter that way.

Please send items for the next issue by the 15th September 2006 to:

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## NEW EXPERT PATIENT PROGRAMME

A new Expert Patient Programme course commences on 8th September 2006. It will take place every Friday for 6 weeks from 1.00 – 3.30. at the Farnham United Reformed Church, South Street, Farnham GU9 7RP. For more details ring Donna on 01483 783100 or Laura on 01252 305855.

Photo of the Tombola Gang at the Burys in Godalming on 29th April. Who'd dare not to have a go! From left to right, Ian Allen, Geoff Woolley, Rena Reilly, Brian Reilly and Guy Barnby. Hazel was taking the photo!



## GUILDFORD STREET COLLECTION— TESCO NEXT

The Guildford Street Collection on 15th July—in all that heat—raised an amazing £726.18p—a record.

We're on a roll—so the next collection if you would like to help is at Tesco on Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th August. Give Geoff a ring—on 01483 828499.

## MEETINGS

### Next Meeting

#### Monday, 7th August 2006

Open Forum. Your opportunity to give others your tips for living with Diabetes and discuss your concerns

Led by Pat Millar

### Future meetings

#### Monday, 2nd October 2006

The role of the Diabetes UK Area Manager

Speaker: Jill Steaton, South East Area Manager, Diabetes UK

#### Monday, 4th December 2006

An evening with Dr John Wright and Joy Davis, Chief Dietitian

#### Monday, 5th February 2007

Either *Fundraising the hard way* by Marian Eldridge

Or *My Libyan adventure* by Brian Davey

#### Monday, 2nd April 2007

AGM and Update from Professor David Russell-Jones, our President

#### Monday, 4th June 2007

Speaker: Dr Sue Davidson