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## THE ROYAL OPENING OF THE CENTRE FOR ENDOCRINOLOGY, DIABETES AND RESEARCH AT THE ROYAL SURREY COUNTY HOSPITAL

The official opening of CEDAR took place on 7th February 2005.



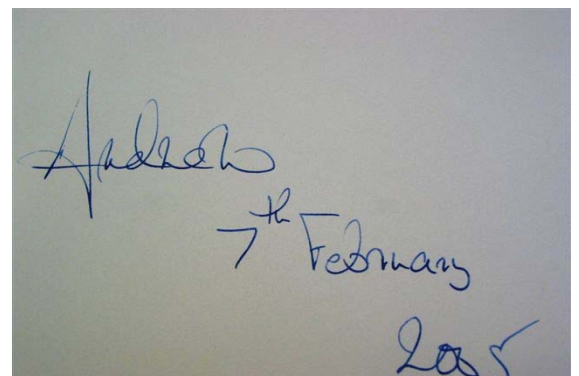
Prince Andrew shaking hands with Pat Millar (a founding fundraiser and one of the mainstays of our Group) with Christine Thorpe and Dr Mike Smith



Refreshment time—maybe there are a few faces you know!



Brian Davey, Chairman of the Group with Jim Dey, Chairman of Guildford Lions



Prince Andrew signed the Visitor's Book

**Meetings are held on the first Monday of every other month, the exception this year being the AGM.**

*Our new venue for the meetings is CEDAR, the Centre for Endocrinology, Diabetes and Research.*

*The AGM will start at 7.30pm. Starting times for the next meetings are still be decided.*

*If you come by car, parking for 2-3 hours is £2.50 in the hospital car park, but there are a number of disabled parking places right at the back of the Centre.*

*We are currently investigating other options.*

*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*

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## A GUILDFORD 'ROAD SHOW'

Diabetes UK are planning a series of 'roadshows' and one of them will be held in Guildford on Friday, 14th October 2005. So put the date in your diary.

The roadshow has three objectives:

- to raise awareness of Diabetes UK
- To increase awareness of diabetes
- To promote services and educate existing members and supporters

We'll let you know more when we know more.

## OUR WEBSITE NOW LIVE!

Our Group website is live now—at [www.diabetessurrey.org](http://www.diabetessurrey.org). Have a look!

## WALK IN THE PARK

There'll be a Walk in the Park for Diabetes Week on 12th June in Farnham. More details next time.

## GODALMING FAIR ON 30TH APRIL

We'll be having our usual stall at for the tombola Godalming Fair, held in Buryfields. Could you ring Guy and Hazel 01483 566012 if you have anything suitable. Or if you are able to help on the day.

Or just come along and have a go!  
Thanks.

## STREET COLLECTION IN GODALMING

Our next street collection is in Godalming on Saturday 14th May. If you would like to help, please contact Geoff Woolley on 01483 828499

## EVERY COIN COUNTS

Diabetes Week runs from 12th –18th June and this year there is a home coin collection. You will have received easy to assemble collection boxes with the March/April issue of *Balance*. If you would like to bring your boxes to the June meeting, we can deposit the money for you. Or ring Geoff Woolley and he'll work something out for you.

## MEETINGS

**Next meeting**  
**Please note change of date and venue.**

### Monday, 25th April 2005

*Our first meeting at CEDAR! (See left hand column for details of how to get there.)*

The AGM plus an update from Speaker: Professor David Russell-Jones

*The way forward*—about what's going on locally for Diabetes.

### Future meetings

#### Monday, 6th June 2005

*Health and fitness.*

Speaker: Julie Manning, Active Zone, Guildford College

#### Monday, 1st August 2005

*Open Forum.* Your chance to discuss your concerns and issues about diabetes. Led by Pat Millar

#### Monday, 3rd October 2005

The NHS and you. Speaker to be announced.