



WUTH Tuesday 21st January 2025

Wirral University Teaching Hospital

Charity Newsletter



Upcoming Events

LIVERPOOL HALF MARATHON & 10 MILER
23rd MARCH 2025

MERSEY TUNNEL 10K
13th APRIL 2025

PORT SUNLIGHT 5K / 10K
SUNDAY 8th JUNE 2025

BAZFEST - LIVE MUSIC
JOHNNY PYE, HESWALL
SATURDAY 28th JUNE 2025

WIRRAL COASTAL WALK
SUNDAY 6th JULY 2025

WINDERMERE SWIM
SUNDAY 10th AUGUST 2025



Scan the QR Code to view more!

Welcome to the WUTH Charity Newsletter!

As we kick off 2025, we want to take a moment to reflect on what an incredible year 2024 was for WUTH Charity.

Last year was jam-packed with fantastic events, including two of our biggest highlights: the Tour de Wards Cycleathon and the always-popular Arrowse Park Abseil.

The Tour de Wards was extra special, as boxing legend Tony Bellew joined us to launch the event following his return from the I'm a Celebrity jungle. Staff and members of the public competed on static bikes at Arrowse Park Hospital, raising an amazing £8,000 for our Tiny Stars Appeal.

Tony, who also previously supported the charity by abseiling down the side of Arrowse Park Hospital, shared his thoughts: "It's been great to come back to Arrowse Park Hospital to support the charity."



"I hope everyone gets involved and it raises lots of money for the appeal."

After a busy holiday season, we're already looking ahead to 2025 with plenty of excitement! We've teamed up with BTR Liverpool to bring you an exciting calendar of events, with even more to be announced in the coming months.

Stay tuned for updates, and thank you for continuing to support WUTH Charity – together, we're making a real difference. Here's to an amazing year ahead!

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Discover WUTH Charity's 8 Funds

Did you know that when you donate or fundraise for WUTH Charity, you can choose which area of the hospital your contribution supports?

Our 8 designated funds ensure donations go directly to areas that mean the most to you or your team.

All 8 of the WUTH Charity Funds can be seen in the photo to the right.



How Staff Can Get Involved



If you'd like to fundraise for your department, you can choose a specific fund or use the Patient Wish Fund to raise funds for your area. Donations made to these funds can directly enhance services, improve equipment, or provide little extras that make a big difference to patient care.

You can also contact the Fundholders to discuss existing charitable funds for your area and explore how they can support your work:

Heart Care Fund: Dr John Corless, David Farmer, Jo Garzoni
Children's Fund: Jonathan Lund, Jo Lavery, Helen Walker
Stroke Fund: Dr John Corless, David Farmer, Jo Garzoni
Respiratory Fund: Dr John Corless, David Farmer, Jo Garzoni
Breast Care Fund: Jonathan Lund, Jo Lavery, Helen Walker
Critical Care Fund: Simon Lea, Tracey McLoughlin, Paul McNulty
Cancer Fund: Dawn Miller, Lynsey Gorman, Andrew Wight
Patient Wish Fund: Debs Smith, Mark Chidzey



Accessing Your Charitable Funds

Once you've raised funds, accessing them is straightforward:

- **Eligibility:** Funds can be accessed year-round provided there is money available in the Fund and you have Fundholder sign off.
- **Forms:** Two types of forms are available: one for spending under £250 and another for spending over £250. These can be obtained from your Fundholder or the Charity Office.
- **Submission:** Completed forms should be emailed to wuth.charity@nhs.net to register your application.

If your area doesn't have a specific fund, the Patient Wish Fund is your go-to which can be accessed via a quarterly small grants round applications process.

Join the WUTH Charity Lottery!

Looking for a fun way to support WUTH Charity and have a chance to win up to £25,000?

Join our lottery for just £1 per entry and help us continue making a real difference to patient care at Arroe Park and Clatterbridge Hospitals. Scan the QR code to play!

When you play, at least 50p from every £1 ticket goes directly to WUTH Charity. And if you win the jackpot, an additional £2,500 will be donated to the charity – a win-win for everyone!



How It Works

- Each £1 entry gives you a unique 6-digit number.
- A random winning number is drawn every Saturday.
- Match 3, 4, 5, or all 6 digits in the correct sequence to win.
- Prizes range from £25 for 3 matches to the jackpot of £25,000 for all 6 matches!



WUTH Charity Grant Programmes Open Soon!

We're delighted to announce the upcoming WUTH Charity grant programmes, providing opportunities to secure funding for equipment and environmental initiatives that enhance patient care and experience.

Arroe Park League of Friends Grants Programme

- **Opens:** 3rd February 2025
- **Closes:** 28th February 2025
- **Funding Available:** £204,000, exclusively for use at Arroe Park Hospital.
- **Purpose:** Equipment and environmental initiatives to support patient care and experience.
- **Application Limit:** No upper limit.

Patient Wish Fund Small Grants Round

- **Opens:** 3rd March 2025
- **Closes:** 31st March 2025
- **Funding Available:** Up to £2,000 per application.
- **Purpose:** To support projects across Wirral University Teaching Hospital.

Need help with your application? Our team is here to support you! We'll be holding weekly drop-in sessions throughout the duration of the open grant rounds. These sessions are the perfect opportunity to get guidance, ask questions, and ensure your application is as strong as possible. For more information or support, contact the WUTH Charity team at wuth.charity@nhs.net or call Ext 7226.

WUTH Charity: A Sparkling End to the Year



It's been a busy and impactful few months for WUTH Charity, with some truly heartwarming events and generous support from our community.

One of the highlights was the spectacular Winter Ball, held at Thornton Hall Hotel on 9 November. Hosted by local fundraiser Mandy Molby, the event raised over £50,000 for the Children's Fund at Arrowse Park Hospital. With three hundred guests in attendance and entertainment from Simon Webbe (Blue), the Ball included an auction, a two-course meal, and Mandy's iconic goody bags. Mandy, a long-time supporter of children's health, commented: "Every penny raised goes towards ensuring families receive the best possible care."



We also saw the closure of a great ally, the Arrowse Park League of Friends Charity after 42 years of remarkable support. During a fond farewell event, Martin Greaney, Chair of the League, handed over a final cheque of £204,000 to WUTH Charity. This brings the total raised to nearly £4.5 million, benefiting countless patients and hospital departments over the years. We are deeply grateful to all who contributed to the League's incredible success.

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WUTH Charity also hosted a Baby Loss Awareness Week memorial service, offering comfort and support to families who have experienced the loss of a child.



The event, attended by over a hundred families, featured personal tributes and a touching performance by the local choir Sing Me Merseyside. Families wrote messages on paper lanterns, creating a shared sense of remembrance. Over £8,000 was pledged for the charity, helping continue our mission to support families through difficult times.

With so many people and groups making a difference, we are proud to share these stories of kindness, support, and compassion. Your contributions are truly appreciated and help us continue to provide outstanding care for our community.

