



Speen Helping Hospices - Raising Funds in Chilterns Villages Spring 2024

Supporting Helen & Douglas House for Children - South Bucks Hospice - Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity - Rennie Grove and Peace Hospice Care

2023 was a challenging year for Speen Helping Hospices, probably reflecting financial constraints as high interest rates and inflation hit people's discretionary spending. Selling tickets for events that were traditionally very popular was challenging and, had it not been for the Golf Challenge at the beginning of 2023, our donations to the four hospices would have been considerably less. However, by drawing from our first event of 2024, the Quiz Night, we will now donate a total of **£18,000**, that is £4,500 to each hospice leaving a small amount in balance to cover costs.

Many thanks to all of you in the Great Hampden area who bought tickets, danced quizzed, shopped, sang and ate at the events of 2023. This group initiative has been going for many years and we would hope to continue this with your support. Louise at the Hampden Arms has once again been very supportive, contributing and promoting our events.

The Annual Christmas Market raised £2,746 and the Christmas Hamper raffle £500. The carol singing in Speen raised £605 over two evenings, we had a fantastic group of carollers, by far the best ever, and they were warmly received at many doorsteps. Perfume sales including Tom Ford and Estee Lauder donated by the brands' owners was over £3,000.

We are very grateful to the Thursday Studridge Social team - Kate Vale, Kate Slade and Jo Thompson - who raised £764 for SHH. They put in a huge amount of work, making, baking and serving home-made soup, sourdough and a range of delicious cakes and scones in Speen Village Hall.

SHH would really welcome your engagement, that could be ideas for future fundraising events and helping us expand our coverage in the neighbouring Chiltern Villages, a good contact that might help us at an event, or donating a prize for a raffle. If you would like to get involved with SHH contact me at grainnesuter@googlemail.com or 07778 803260.

If anyone is thinking of taking part in a local fun run, bike race or other sponsorship event to help raise more for the local hospices via SHH please contact us.

FUTURE EVENTS IN 2024

Raffle for a Fourball Golf Voucher at Burnham Beeches Golf Club worth £340. The draw is on the 20th April. Tickets are **£5** and on sale at http://www.shh-shop.org/Golf_giveaway_2024.htm

For further information about all our events check out our website www.shh-shop.org