



The Digestive Disorders Foundation, Suffolk

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Dear Friends

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Well, another rather barren year for charities and DDF is no different from most others. Writing this today I get the feeling that many people, especially of the age group who tend to support charities, are being understandably cautious about resuming the types of activities commonly used for fund raising/socialising. With winter approaching it seems likely that we will not be able to resume these activities until next spring?

Much of the last year has been taken up with coping with the epidemic. Fortunately, the department was less restricted than during the previous wave but some staff were still seconded to the 'front line'. Now it's all about catching up so there has been little time to work with the DDF.

You may have noticed that this newsletter is not using our usual orange headed paper that's because we about to change the stationery. This year, we have been busy working on changing the charity's structure to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. This provides better financial protection for Trustees and is in line with what many other charities are doing. This is almost complete and our website will soon be updated to include details of the new charity number and bank account although fortunately the name will remain unchanged.

We are very grateful to the ongoing support of committee, members and friends who continue contribute to fund raising and donations.

Winners of the 2020 Autumn's Grand draw were:

1 st prize £200	Mrs Barbara McGrail (who kindly returned £50 to DDF)
2 nd prize £100	Mr J Pescod
3 rd prize £50	Tina Davis (who kindly returned the prize to DDF)

As a result of this and other donations we made a profit of £365

This last year, we have received donations from:

Mrs T Ginger £50, Mrs L Parker £50, Mr M Thorogood £50 and anonymous donations totalling £420.

Also, donations in memory of the late Mr Melvin Calver £552.20 and Mr Russell Wicks £250.00

SUPPORTING TREATMENT OF DIGESTIVE DISORDERS (Charity no:1070774); Website: www.ddfsuffolk.org.uk

Send correspondence to Mrs M Thompson at 22 Westmoreland Road, Felixstowe IP11 9TB

Send donations to our Treasurer Mrs J Steward at 14 Blandford Road, Ipswich IP3 8SL

Our AGM will be held in November, in view of the current situation we will hold this again as a 'Zoom meeting' and if you would like to join us please let Marjorie Thompson know.

Annual General Meeting

Date: Tuesday November 16th 2021 at 18:30

Venue: Zoom meeting

Agenda and minutes to be posted on the DDF,
Suffolk website

Enclosed are some tickets for our annual Autumn Grand Draw. We are extremely grateful for your support and generosity during these difficult times. Please return lottery stubs and monies to our treasurer, Mrs J Steward at 14 Blandford Road Ipswich IOP3 8SL, who can be contacted on 01473 721481 should you require any more tickets?

Amazon donate to DDF, Suffolk

Don't forget if you are using Amazon to order things by using AmazonSmile <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1070774-0> you can choose Digestive Disorders Foundation (Suffolk) and Amazon makes a small donation, at no cost to you.

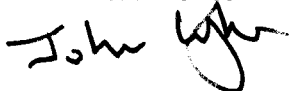
Don't forget our COOP number is 623106

Or if you would like to make a donation by BACs our bank account details are - Barclays Bank. Sort code 20-98-07. DDF (Suffolk) account number 90215171.

I am most grateful to David Lowe who is standing down as a Trustee, having given invaluable support to DDF over the years both in his current role and previously as secretary. We are delighted that David has agreed to continue to assist the committee. If anyone is interested in becoming a Trustee or assisting with the committee we would welcome your help?

A big thank you to all the members of the committee and donors for their hard work and generosity this past year. Wishing you all and your families a safe healthy 21/2022 which hopefully will be less restricted.

With best wishes



John Wyke
Chairman DDF, Suffolk