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International Cancer Conference (Online) [1min 41 into recording](#) for our presentation.

**We now have our own [EVENTS](#) page on facebook folks!**

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**Greetings all:** I have been contacted by the [Throat Cancer Foundation](#) and asked if we could take part in a survey regarding Throat Cancers etc. It is a [survey](#) to better the way of treating throat cancers so I would any appreciate any help we can give them. Thank you all.\*\*\*\*\*

**Now on to some cracking news folks:** Our first ever charity golf day took place at the [Old Thorns Hotel](#) & Golf complex down in Hampshire (Liphook actually) on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> of July. Courtesy of covid restrictions our plans for an 'after golf' meal, entertainment, raffles, auctions, speakers & hosting all went out of the window but our star of the day (Annette Jones), being a dab-hand at this function arranging business, quickly rectified matters somewhat by organising a giant BBQ with the hotel so that our Teams & Celebrities all had hot food to enjoy after a day 'slaving away' over 18 holes & about 300 miles of grass 😊. The **Willie Thorne Memorial Charity Golf** day was a great success and we have made a small profit after all expenditure has been deducted, even with all after play activities cancelled-an amazing feat by our 'boss lady' - Annette. The event will now be a yearly event and we will be present next year help out where we can, for I'm afraid that I was in hospital having heart & lung tests and our Patron, Jill, was ordered by NHS T&T to isolate for 10 days on the Tuesday (6<sup>th</sup>). We cannot thank Annette Jones for organising it all – she is one in a million!

A [Glenfield Hospital](#) dept in need of some AirMed-1000 nebulisers so we were into action and they were ordered within 20 minutes. We will add our "[Donated by 20-20 Voice Cancer.org](#)" stickers when they get here and take them to the hospital immediately. Now we have had a request for an expensive piece of equipment that is very important in the diagnosis of various cancers (including laryngeal) so I am awaiting details etc from the Consultant regarding this item. It is known as a '**Thoracic Ultrasound**' machine and I am rather impressed by its capabilities from what I have seen thus far folks - looks like we might have another major project folks! 😊 At nearly £18,000 a time this machine can warn of cancers at an early stage so considering that we are all about AWARENESS & EARLY

**Please welcome Dr Ruth Cherrington onboard the good ship [20-20 Voice Cancer.org](#) who will be running our media campaign on AWARENESS & EARLY DIAGNOSIS**

DIAGNOSIS this seems a natural next step to me. The Trustees will meet on Aug 4<sup>th</sup> to discuss this very important matter. **Today (22<sup>nd</sup>) we delivered 5 new nebulisers!**

We are getting close to our closing date of July 31<sup>st</sup> for both of our Inflatable FunRuns and we will be fielding teams of ... (Manchester) & ... ([Nottingham](#)) which I consider to be a great turnout for both events, so I thank ALL entrants BEFORE they even trot round various Bouncy Castles. Will all [Nottingham](#) entrants & spectators please ensure that they are at the Aberdale Pub car park for as your coach will be waiting to take you to Nottingham racecourse in time for our 11.15 starting time-slot.

For all Leicestershire readers we have sent out 30+ posters to various Pubs & Clubs advertising our Christmas Quiz on Tuesday, Nov 9<sup>th</sup>. Fabulous top prize consisting of The **20-20 Voice Cancer Trophy**, a meal for **6** at the superb **Cuisine of India** (Wigston), with **£50** put behind the bar for drinks etc. Entry is simple, **6** per team maximum, **£5** per head, **no mobile phones** thanks, 25 questions then a ½ time fun break followed by another 25 questions. Your host will be our long-time friend & Radio Leicester presenter Rupal Rajani. Superb raffles and the hilarious game of “Stand-up-Bingo to finish the night off. There will be a finger buffet available, the bar is fully stocked + nibbles aplenty and you ‘gotta be innit to winnit’ folks. Simply contact Phil at [admin@2020voicecancer.org](mailto:admin@2020voicecancer.org) to register.

We are finishing off this newsletter with an almighty  folks, pray allow me to explain. E-mails have been flying back & forth as we sort out the ‘nitty gritty’ of this Thoracic Ultrasound thingummyjig. We are in touch with FujiFilm who create these wonderful bits of kit, Rakesh Panchal (Consultant) & Lisa Davies OF LEICESTER HOSPITAL CHARITY, through whom we need to go through so that we don’t waste *mucho-wonga* on VAT etc. We will be presenting Lisa with our cheque for £17,256.00 as our part of the purchase and then LHC will place the order with FujiFilm Sonosite Dept and pay the full amount (inc VAT). LHC can claim the VAT back later so that it doesn’t cost them a penny.

Now according to our Sonosite connection ‘lead-time’ is only 3 weeks so our Consultant & the CDU ward will get the Thoracic Ultrasound thingummyjig a damned sight faster than all the clowns who contrived to delay our first major purchase – the FlexiVideoRhinoLaryngoscope a few years ago!

This a major, major purchase for this small but growing charity but it will drastically help in diagnosing cancers in various parts of the body: including THROAT Cancers, so this ties in perfectly with our ongoing AWAREESS CAMPAIGN which kicks off in August.

To give this campaign a boost we will be employing ‘[GoFundMe](#)’ and all we ask of each and every one of you is to spend a few minutes of your time spreading the link to all your contacts so that we can make people aware of what we are doing to help cancer sufferers: ie diagnostics at the earliest possible moment! Thank you all.

Stay happy, stay well and watch this space! 😊

*Phil I*