

Captain's Charities 2023

Dear Members

Maggie and I are pleased to announce that our chosen charities this year are **Bosom Friends** and **Breast Cancer Now**.

Bosom Friends (Redditch) is a Breast cancer support group helping both women and men deal with the issues raised by this awful disease, with support before during and after their treatments. My wife Christine, has suffered 3 episodes of breast cancer and the support from these groups has been invaluable, so much so both myself and Christine still attend functions and talks, some 18 years after her first diagnoses to provide help to those facing unknown territory.

Maggie says, 'I was diagnosed with breast cancer in August 2017, which like everyone that is told that they have the dreaded C, the bottom falls out of your world. Luckily my surgeon Michelle was very positive that she would remove all the cancer and cells, which she did so that only left me to have radio therapy. I am now coming up to my fifth mammogram after surgery and fingers crossed that I can ring that bell'.

'My experience from all the breast cancer care I have had they are worth their weight in gold. So please give generously during our captain's year.'

Throughout the year we will have out our money bottles around the clubhouse and as the major and minor competitions come and go, we will be rattling the buckets. We have already started receiving cash from sponsors and over the year these monies will go towards our Bosom Friends Charity.

Our second charity, **Breast Cancer Now** is a campaign group working to make sure that everyone affected by breast cancer receives the best possible treatment, services, support and care. They strive to ensure that the UK Government give immediate access to those suffering from cancer to get diagnosed and treated now.

In August we will be holding a Breast Cancer Now charity day at the golf club where all funds raised on the day will go towards this charity. We are in negotiation with a motor manufacturer to supply a car for a hole in one prize and you will be updated as the year progresses.

I am sure we all have loved ones or friends who have suffered breast cancer and we know the trauma that not only they go through, but also the families around them and this is why we feel these charities are the right choice. I hope that you will all contribute to these well-deserved causes no matter how little, because every penny matters.

I hope you all have a great year's golfing and let us cross our fingers for blue skies.

Best Wishes

Roy and Maggie

