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Dear Members,

Hello again! It's good to be back, in a manner of speaking, over the last 3 years I have been involved with NSENN as and when I could, wishing there was a way I could help more, so when Pat asked if I would be able to help with the Newsletter – it seemed the like the perfect solution!

There are some fabulous Fundraising Events coming up, see inside spread for more details.

And we have some new members joining the NSENN Team, welcome Barbara Dunn.

If you have anything you would like me to include in our newsletters, please email norfolksennetwork@hotmail.com and Pat will forward it onto me.

Toni Harrison

DID YOU KNOW?

It costs Norfolk SEN Network:

- ✚ £10 to email or phone you
- ✚ £20 to visit you
- ✚ £100-300 to actively support a case for a year
- ✚ £500 to take a case to tribunal

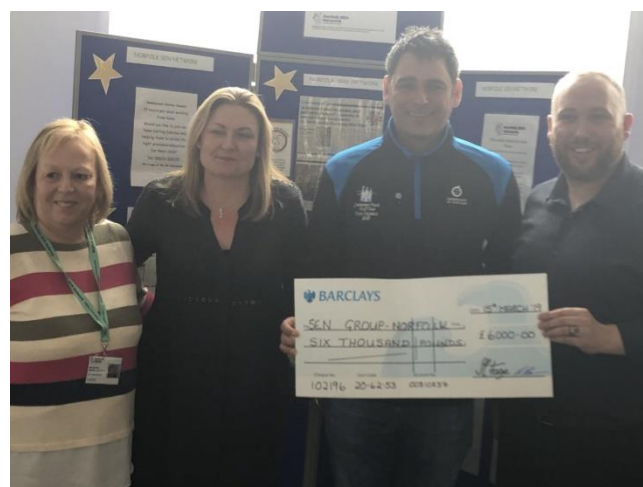
Help us to keep supporting you – we receive NO statutory funding

Update: Annual General Meeting

A big thank you to all who attended our AGM, held on Thursday the 28th March 2019 in Sprowston. This year saw four trustees resign: Clare Chaplin, Paul Coleman, Sue Rudling and Vikki Johnson, however Pat Brickley has re-joined the Committee and will now take on the role of trustee alongside her development work.

Following the formalities Steph Askew, Head of the Virtual School for SEND, gave a talk on the Guidance on SEN Support in Mainstream Schools.

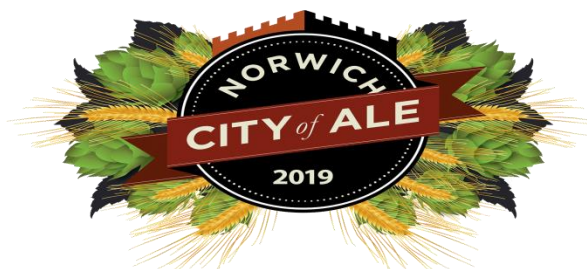
We were then joined by Tony Death, from Costessey Park Golf Club who made a presentation of a cheque for **£6,000** which he raised for us during his year as Captain. Thank you Tony & Thank You Frankie Rogers for nominating us!



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Norwich City of Ale

~ 23 May – 2 June 2019 ~

The Norfolk SEN Network has been chosen as this year's City of Ale Charity. We are very privileged & excited to be a part of this city wide event which will include a wide range of pubs around the city with a wide array of events for you to take part in.

The Walnut Big Quiz – The Walnut Tree Shades

20:00 – 22:00 – Wednesday 22 May 2019

The Walnut Big Quiz, with Specialist Beer Rounds!

£1 entry per person – Teams of up to 4 people

£20 Bar/Food Credit

All proceeds to go to the Norfolk SEN Network



A City Wide Festival, over 40 welcoming pubs and bars await you, serving the regions finest beers that are often matches with seasonal local produce. Norfolk grows some of the best malting barley in the world – come and taste it!

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Heritage Trails, see the city differently... walkable trails take you “off road” through historic parts of the city, allowing you to view its rich heritage through the lens of its pubs and brewing tradition.

Follow the ale trails to visit 43 city pubs of all shapes, sizes, architectural styles, aspects and ages.

Some are quirky, some are foody - all are beery! Find your old favourites or discover new styles and flavours. Beer inspired!

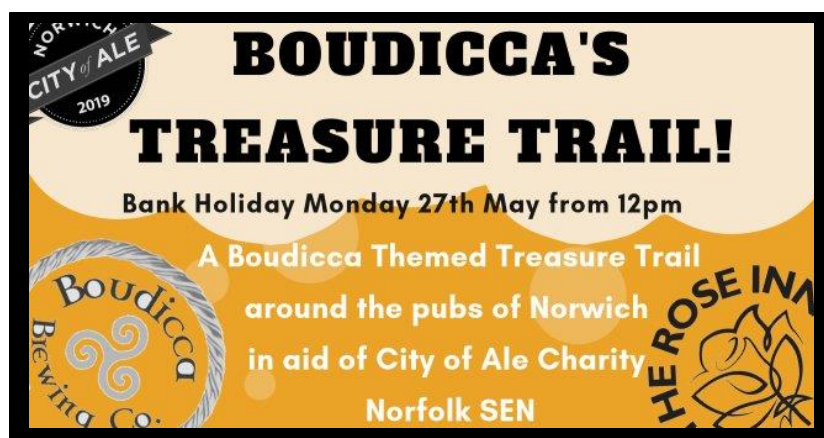
<https://www.cityofale.org.uk/pubs>

Boudicca's Treasure Trail - The Rose Inn, Norwich

12:00 – 16:00

27th May 2019

£6 per team or £8 on the day



Join us for Boudicca's Treasure Trail on Bank Holiday Monday the 27th May 2019! Chariots, comfortable walking shoes or bikes will be required. Fancy dress optional (extra points may be on offer...)

Start at The Rose Inn from 12 midday, pick up clues at pubs along the way and return to The Rose by 4pm, and await the judges' deliberations with a free buffet!

There will be “beery” prizes up for grabs to the successful teams (Teams of up to 6)

Register in advance with Boudicca Brewing Co (info@boudiccabrewing.co.uk) or The Rose Inn (dawn@theroseinnnorwich.co.uk)

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Boy Have We Been Busy!

Our Development Workers have been so busy over the last few months, new cases, meetings & general day to day running of the Charity, below is a short update on what they have been doing recently:

Nikki has been attending the meetings reviewing the document 'SEN Support in Mainstream Schools'

Pat has attended the Local Offer Forum updating the Local Offer pages and the Voluntary Sector Forum meeting up with other organisations to improve services for all children.

NSENN has also been part of the workshops looking at the additional provision which is proposed for children with SEND in Norfolk. Nikki attended the workshop on ASD provision, Pat attend the workshop on Cognition and Learning and thanks to Vicky Weaver for attending the SEMH workshop.

You can keep up with the proposed changes through the Local Offer Newsletter. You can sign up to this on the Local Offer site.

Welcome to Our New Development Worker ~ Barbara Dunn ~

"Hello, my name is Barbara. I am NSENN's new Development Worker and will be working alongside Pat and Nikki. I live in Wymondham with my three sons aged 11, 14 and 16 and our chocolate Labrador and two rabbits. I'm looking forward to my new role and can't wait to meet you all."

Special thanks to:

Many thanks to the Walnut Tree & The Leopard Tree Trio!

At our Charity Day On the 21st April we raised a whopping £690 to help further parents & projects coming our way!

Save the Date! Upcoming Events

~ Costessey Fayre : 26 & 27 May 2019

~ Mile Cross Fayre : 16 June 2019

We need your help, are you able to assist with any of the following:

1. Tombola prizes
2. Bottles of Wine
3. Mason Jars
4. Volunteer time at Events

Survey for parents/carers who have children with special educational need and disabilities (SEND).

https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/parent_survey/

"In September last year, a councillor asked us as commissioners of the speech and language therapy service why parents of children with SEND, did not have a single point of contact. While this sits outside of the remit of the integrated speech and language therapy (SLT) service provided by East Coast Community Healthcare (ECCH), the Norfolk Stakeholder group for speech, language and communication need is keen to understand what additional support a single point of contact would provide and how we can improve patient experience through what can be a complicated health and social care system.

This survey is the start of an engagement exercise with parents and I plan to evaluate the feedback received alongside face to face sessions with stakeholders.

The survey will remain live until the 31st May."

Many thanks and kind regards

Clare Angell

Senior Commissioning Manager Children, Young People & Maternity