



Cystic Fibrosis Autumn Ball



Event

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Date

18th October 2014

Amount raised

£42,100

Good causes

- Cystic Fibrosis Trust
- Southampton Hospital Charity Adult CF Unit

Delighted to announce
£42,101.05 was raised at the
CF Ball on 18/10/14!

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Silver Lining support the CF Autumn Ball

Silver Lining is proud to continue to support the Cystic Fibrosis Autumn Ball this year as a Platinum Sponsor.

After the astounding success of the inaugural Cystic Fibrosis Autumn Ball held in October 2012 which was attended by 370 guests and raised over £30,700.00 for Cystic Fibrosis (CF) charities, Debbie Packer, Silver Lining HR Manager joined forces with Danielle Bull to organise this years Cystic Fibrosis Autumn Ball.

The years Cystic Fibrosis Autumn Ball took place on the 18th October 2014 at The Concorde Club in Southampton and we are delighted to announce that £42,101.05 was raised! The money raised is being split 50/50 between the Cystic Fibrosis Trust and the Adult Cystic Fibrosis Unit at Southampton General Hospital.

The event was held to raise money and awareness for Cystic Fibrosis, the UK's most common life-shortening inherited condition. The condition affects the internal organs, especially the lungs and digestive system. Sufferers usually look healthy; however they are far from that. The lungs are constantly infected causing long term damage and as a result, their lungs become less and less capable of working effectively, therefore breathing is a real struggle. Eventually oxygen is required and then a lung transplant is the only way to prolong a sufferer's life.

There is no cure and only half of those with CF can expect to reach their 40th birthday - many sufferers do not even reach the age of 20. Organiser, Debbie Packer, who is 26, suffers with the condition and is only too aware of her short life expectancy as she has lost many friends all under the age of 30 to CF. Her lungs generally function between 30% and 35% and she also carries out a demanding treatment regime for hours every day just to try to prolong her life expectancy as well as numerous long hospital admissions each year. Danielle Bull, also organising the ball, has a brother who suffers from CF and spends months each year in hospital. Both girls have huge determination to raise awareness and funds to help cure this illness for future generations.

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The money raised helps fund research to treat and cure CF and aim to ensure appropriate clinical care and support for sufferers. The money also provides patients with a few “extras” during long hospital stays such as TVs, videos and DVD’s, laptops, fridges and exercise equipment, as well as financing critical medical equipment for the unit if there is no or limited support available within the NHS budget.

The Cystic Fibrosis Trust

Money donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Trust goes towards research into better treatments for those with Cystic Fibrosis (CF) to help them to live longer. Research is also going into trying to find a cure for CF.

Only half of those with CF will reach their 40th Birthday (many die before their 40th Birthday) and The Cystic Fibrosis Trust is actively trying to improve this.

Adult CF Unit at Southampton General Hospital

Money donated goes to help improve the quality of lives of those spending long periods of time in the CF Unit at the Southampton General Hospital. It goes towards funding vital medical equipment for patients with CF where there is no or limited funding in the NHS budget available.

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