



Friends of the RNOH – Funding and Projects

The main task of the Friends has been to raise money for projects already decided upon in principle by the RNOH Trust and to initiate others which are thought to be valuable.

One much appreciated event is the annual Christmas party for children who are in hospital over the festive period. We have also provided financial assistance to provide a mini-bus for disabled patients, donating an annual scholarship for nurses, and an award for clinical research carried out by young doctors. A significant contribution to the work of the Institute of Orthopaedics was made by the gift of a projection room.

The Friends provided a hospital shop in the Stanmore grounds since the first one opened in 1970 from a wooden hut.

By far the most exciting and ambitious project initiated by the Friends was the appeal for funds to provide a Patients' Centre and Swimming Pool in the 1970s.

In all, the Friends have raised in excess of £1 million.

Over the years the Friends of the RNOH have been involved with or financially contributed to many projects. Listed below are just some of the projects funded by the Friends over the years.

1970s

- Patients' Centre and Swimming Pool
- Graham Hill Assessment Unit (part funding)

1997

- Refurbishment of Louis Fleischmann residence
- Plaster theatre for paediatric patients

1998

- Furniture and fittings for scanning centre
- [Angus Mackinnon Unit](#) – Day Room
- Alan Bray unit – upgrading room
- [Jackson Burrows Ward](#)
- [Angus Mackinnon Unit](#)

1999

- Hospital Mini-bus



2000

- [Duke of Gloucester Ward](#) – funding of curtains
- [Coxen Ward](#) – upgrading parents' rest room

2001

- Refurbishment of Night Wing
- Upgrading of Stanmore Outpatients' waiting area
- Residents' refurbishment
- Active Back Pain Course
- Horticultural Therapy Garden

2002

- Swimming pool redecoration
- Monitoring equipment

2003

- RNOHT therapy garden
- Refurbishment of children's play area

2004

- Graham Hill Unit

2005

- Graham Hill Unit – provision of a Stannah Stair Lift
- Family accommodation, new kitchen
- X-ray department

2006

- Hospital shuttle bus
- Fundraising brochure
- Muriel Sands House

2007

- Outpatients Department – kitchen refurbishment
- [Buttercup Walk](#)

2008

- Motion Analysis Laboratory – eight video cameras
- Thera-Live exercise bicycle



2009

- Three power assisted wheelchairs

2010

- Horticultural Gardens

2011

- [Spinal Cord Injury Centre](#) – two wheelchairs
- Visitors Guide & Car Parking Maps

2012

- Curtains for Outpatients cubicles
- [Jackson Burrows Ward](#), 12 High Back Chairs

2013

- Specialist X-Ray chairs for the Bolsover Street and Stanmore X-Ray Departments.
The Friends Golden Jubilee was marked on 11th June by a Royal Visit from our patron, [HRH The Duke of Gloucester](#).
- September opening of a new Friends Shop on the Stanmore Outpatients Department.

2014

- New chairs for the RNOH Schoolroom.
- The Friends facilitated the attendance of two groups of Lloyds Bank Consumer Finance Division volunteers who, as part of their community volunteering program, gave the Therapy Garden some much needed tender loving care in early June and in late September helped prepare the garden for winter.
- Provided matched funding to a donation raised by a grateful parent of a Coxon Ward patient to provide new “Quiet Room” furnishing.
- Murder Mystery fundraising evening at the Grim’s Dyke Hotel, Old Redding. The guest speaker was Friends President and Harrow East MP Bob Blackman. Details can be seen on [Mr Blackman's website](#) and was also reported in the local paper, the [Harrow Times](#). The event raised £6,929.
- A budget of £3,000 approved for refurbishment of Coxon/Adolescent Ward external play area.

2015

- Provision of new flooring in the Stanmore Outpatients Department. This was funded 50/50 with the RNOH Charity.
- Refurbishment of the Stanmore Scanning Department Staff Room.



- Refurbishment of the Stanmore Paediatric Outpatients Waiting Area.
- Fundraising concert given by ex-patient Ross Pople, leader of the London Festival Orchestra at the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Southbank Centre to celebrate his 70th birthday. This raised £16,400 and was a joint venture with the RNOH Charity.