### 8. Your Warden Team

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If you have anything you would like included in future newsletters please tell either your regular warden or any of the team listed above.

Finally our thoughts are with the Polge family of Melbourn.

Dr Polge has been the GP to some of our scheme clients and our hearts go out to the family at this difficult time.

## Melbourn Mobile Warden Scheme February 2016 Newsletter



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As this latest newsletter is being written, the weather has turned very cold and the mornings quite frosty. Not good news as blossom is out and daffodils have bloomed. Let's hope they survive!

Maintaining heat in your home when its cold is important for health and we hope you are making good use of your thermometers that we gave out with the Winter Health packs before Christmas!

The wardens are always here to help, so please don't venture out on foot unnecessarily if it is icy.

#### 1. New Warden

We are delighted to announce that Sue Crowley will be joining us as a warden at the beginning of April. Sue has many years of experience in the care profession and in the past has provided care for some of our scheme clients.

Sue accompanied Jeannie on her visits recently, to see how the scheme works, so some of you will have met Sue already.

Those clients who will be visited by Sue from April will be introduced to her in advance.

Jeannie has written an article for the March issue of the Melbourn magazine about the joys of being a warden. It is hoped this will attract more interest from other potential wardens.



I'm sure we will all have pleasure in welcoming Sue on board!

#### Words to find....

Toothbrush
Toothpaste
Dentist
Floss
Braces
Cavity
Hygiene
Fluoride
Smile
Mouthwash
Gums
Teeth
Tongue



#### **Brainteaser**

What runs but never walks, has a mouth that never talks?

Answer: (upside down below):

River

#### **Word Search**

Dental related word search. Ouch!

Words to find in the grid are listed on the right hand page.



## 2. Raffles & Fundraising

The February raffle was drawn earlier this month and there were five lucky prize winners including the first prize winner of the hamper.

# February Raffle raised a whopping £114

We have been running a bi-monthly raffle for a year now and we have raised almost £700 from this alone for outings. Further on in this newsletter we update you on our plans for using our funds!

Thank you so much to all of you who generously buy tickets each time and who make donations of raffle prizes.

Our next raffle will be in April and will be ideal for an Easter theme! We will take up the Co-op's offer to supply raffle prizes and ask them for some Easter themed goodies!



#### 3. Client Fees

By now ,you will have received a letter from the scheme's committee, explaining about the need for a small rise in client fees from April 1st—the first increase for some years.

The response has been extremely supportive from you and the overwhelming opinion appears to be that even with this rise, the scheme represents exceptional value.

May we take the opportunity to please remind clients who pay their monthly fees by standing order, to contact their bank to amend the amount in time for the April payment.

Associate members will be contacted by either Jeannie or Jane towards the end of March, to arrange to collect the annual fees if not already paid.

Wardens will collect the new fee in April from those clients who are full members and pay their warden by cheque of cash during regular visits.

Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support and long may the scheme continue!

## 4. Future Outing

As a result of our fundraising and people's generosity, we have managed to raise a healthy amount of money in our Friends Fund to enable us to plan our next outing.

We intend to hold this in April and will be in touch soon with more information.

We are considering what might be suitable for the group, which is often as large as around 40 people with mixed mobility.

We are mindful that some people find fairly long journey's uncomfortable, especially in the buses which can feel quite hard and bumpy. However, it is also nice to visit new venues. We are therefore looking to organise something which takes us out of the village, but is not too far away. We are considering a pub lunch or a visit to a garden centre.

We would be pleased to hear from you about what you prefer as these are *your* outings. Please let your warden know what you like to do and this will help us shape what is most popular so we try and find something that suits the majority.